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District eyes layoffs, other cuts

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Employee layoffs and pay-toparticipate extracurricular activities and sports appear to be at the top of the list as the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education prepares to cut at least \$3 million to balance the 2003-04 budget.

The budget is left with a

shortfall because the district won't get a \$200 increase in its foundation grant originally approved by the state Legislature but eliminated by Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

'Yes, we're going to be looking at layoffs," said Supt. Jim Ryan, who noted that people-related costs make up 87 percent of the district's budget. "Once you start to lay off people ... it's the hard-

est thing in the world to do.

"People work here because they're trying to make a living," he added. "Many of the people who work here live in our community, and many of the people who live in our community send their kids to us."

Last year, district cuts included laying off 19 teachers. All were eventually brought back, with additional teachers hired at

the beginning of the school year.

Ryan is adamant that no decisions have been made on what cuts will have to be made. However, he noted that some of the items saved last May, when the district cut \$1.2 million to balance this year's budget, may be back for consideration.

"I'm sure all the things that you've seen in the past might resurface," Ryan said. "Pay to

participate, which we looked at last year but didn't follow through on, new programs (which) might not be initiated, materials (which) might not be purchased, we may not replace equipment.

Ryan said staffing, busing and sports will be areas that will be especially difficult to cut.

PLEASE SEE CUTS, A6



in the bone-chilling weather. Even though the big show is officially over, you can still see many of the carved pieces in Kellogg Park. Wear something warm.

Tracking dad

The Canton Library is offering a course on tracking your roots using the Internet, Finding Your Roots Online: Using the Internet for Genealogy will be offered 9:30 to 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 31. Workshop leader Richard Truxall will answer all your questions.

The workshop is for Canton residents only. For details talk to Ophelia Lo at the Library, (734) 397-0999.

From the heart

At 12 years old, Ryan Thomas thinks he's a little too old to go see Disney On Ice, but when he won the Observer's Middle School design contest during the ice festival, that's the prize he chose anyway.

Ryan, once a cancer patient at William Beaumont Hospital who has been clear for a year now, is donating his prize to a family whose child is in treatment at Beaumont.

"We received tickets for a hockey game once when Ryan was in treatment, and just had to hope his blood counts were high enough to go and not risk infection," said his mother, Mary Lynn Thomas, "I know a family in treatment will be thrilled to get these tickets ... and it really makes Ryan feel good to help another child."

Ryan is a student at All Saints Catholic School in Canton.

Butterfly Ball

Canton's annual Daddy-Daughter Dance, the Butterfly Ball, will be held on three consecutive nights in February in the Summit Gymnasium.

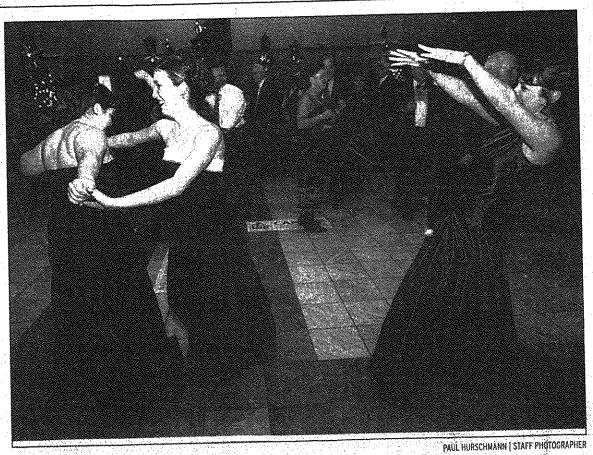
The dances will be held 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6; and 7-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7, and Saturday, Feb. 8. Music and refreshments will be provided and semi-formal or nice, casual attire is request-

ed. Walk-ins will not be accepted, so tickets must be purchased in advance.

Tickets are available at the Summit, for \$14 per couple and \$7 for each additional child. A complimentary butterfly pin for each child is included.

Picturesque Photography will take photos for an additional cost.

Corsages will be sold in limited supply.



Chasing winter blues away

Shelby Porter and Ashley Sullivan of Wayne dance together, at left, as Plymouth High School teacher Michelle Thews cheers them on during a disco number at the Canton Community Foundation's Winter Ball Friday evening at Laurel Manor. Please turn to A3 for more pictures and a story.

Canton major crime drops to 10-year low

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

Major crime in Canton dropped to its lowest rate in more than a decade in

2002. According to recently compiled statistics released by the department, "Part One" crimes fell 6.6 percent last year.

Public Safety Director John Santomauro called the drop significant.

As classified by the FBI, Part One crimes include murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, auto theft and

"Our philosophy of community policing, directed patrol and data analysis has had some impact," Santomauro said. "But without the continued support from the board of trustees and the community, I don't

think you'd see such a dramatic reduction in crime."

He credited the board with providing financial support to allow the department to add some services not often associated with suburban police departments.

"We've gone off into a couple of areas that aren't traditionally done by suburban police," he said. "Funding for the data analysis person was most important. Having them support a concept of data analysis let us move to directed patrols based on that data."

As far as community support is concerned. Santomauro said the department's philosophy of community policing is starting to pay off.

"We see a lot of willingness on the part of people to

PLEASE SEE CRIME, A5

King Day program stresses diversity

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Diversity in schools is a strength that should be used as a building block to further the dreams of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

That was a main theme Monday at the second annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration held by Plymouth-Canton Schools at Salem High School.

"Diversity in our school district is a major strength that makes things happen," Rev. Alfred Johnson, pastor at Bethel AME Church in Ann Arbor, told the approximately 100 people in attendance. "No longer are we just one-sided, but now we're multi-faceted. We have students coming from around the world and it should be reflected in our staff because it gives us more

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Here's whiz bang idea from chamber

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

The Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Downtown Development Authority are planning some whiz bang workshops for local businesses and organizations.

The workshops, designed to help attendees learn to increase sales and provide excellent customer service, are being conducted by WhizBang! Training, a Grand Havenbased company founded by

Bob and Susan Negen.

"Bob's a really dynamic. upbeat speaker," said Kathleen Salla, coordinator for the DDA. "He focuses on increasing sales, marketing and customer serv-

The two-hour workshops will be held Tuesday, Jan. 28, at the Summit on the Park.

"How to Develop a WhizBang Staff" will begin at 7:30 a.m. following a continental breakfast at 7 a.m. Participants will learn how to create a staff full of positive

influences on a business and gain a competitive edge.

At 10 a.m., "Mining Diamonds in Your Own Backyard" will focus on how to get the maximum bang for marketing dollars.

"Great Selling is Great Customer Service," at 2 p.m., will feature ways to turn customer service performance from run-of-the-mill to

extraordinary. Participants can attend one, two or all three workshops. Cost is \$29 per person per

session and \$15 for each additional person from the same organization.

Salla said the workshops are being sponsored by the chamber and the DDA in order to help local business people benefit from them.

"Large retailers like Target and Kohl's have their own trainers come in to train their employees," she said. "Small businesses don't have that available."

PLEASE SEE CHAMBER, AZ

Library's event honors MLK legacy

BY DOUG JOHNSON STAFF WRITER

The memory and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King was honored by a first-time event Monday night at the Canton Library. Sponsored by the Friends of

the Library, the event featured songs by Vision, the men's glee club from the Detroit High School for the Fine Arts

and Performing Arts.

Following the glee club presentation, jazz artist Frank Gaskin Jr. provided soothing sounds on his acoustic guitar.

"He (King) left his mark on all of us," said Marsha Barker, the library's volunteer coordinator when introducing the glee club.

Glee club director Sheryl

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Jazz guitarist Frank Gaskin entertains an appreciative crowd at a Martin Luther King Jr. Day event at the Canton Library Monday night.

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Canton woman charged with leaving baby in cold car while shopping

BY PAULINE LUPERCIO STAFF WRITER

A 37-year-old Canton woman was arraigned in 35th District Court Tuesday on charges of child neglect after police discovered she had left her baby unattended in her car while shopping.

The incident occurred Jan. 8 at the Babies R Us on Haggerty Road. The mother was identified as Donna Marie Kahlon.

Store employee Heather Pebbles of Redford Township said she discovered the 2month-old baby girl alone after parking next to Kahlon's car. Pebbles later quit her job after an argument with an assistant manager who was unhappy

that she had involved the store. "I honestly didn't expect to see that car seat move, but the

baby kicked," said Pebbles.

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Pebbles said she called police after seeing no one around. A police report said the temperature was 41.

Two officers arrived within three minutes, Pebbles said, and she met them by the car. After checking on the child's safety, police directed Pebbles to enter the store and page the owner of the vehicle. Pebbles said she made an announcement twice. Kahlon then walked out to the car and admitted both the vehicle and child were hers.

Kahlon told police she had "run out of formula" and had left the baby in the vehicle because "it's in its car seat" and "it's too heavy." She also said that she had only been in Babies R Us for a couple of minutes and had "never done this before."

Witnesses contradicted Kahlon's story. Police reports stated two witnesses observed Kahlon looking through the clothing racks for a few minutes before heading to the register. The same witnesses, who were behind Kahlon in line, stated that about 10 minutes passed before Kahlon reached the cashier and paid for her

Pebbles, who provided police with a copy of Kahlon's receipt, said that Kahlon had purchased more than just the formula.

"I couldn't believe she took her purse into the store and not her baby," Pebbles said.

Northville Township police chief John Werth cautioned parents to avoid making the same mistake.

"Unfortunately, this happens more than people realize," he

said, referring to the six cases of child neglect reported in Northville during the past two years. "Parents need to know not to leave their children unattended in a vehicle, running or not. The child's safety is first and foremost."

In a separate incident, a 30vear-old Dearborn Heights woman is also facing charges of child neglect after police discovered her 2-year-old child left unattended in a black Mercedes Benz parked in the fire lane of Babies R Us on Jan. 13. According to police reports, the temperature was only 20 degrees at the time.

Werth said both incidents have been reported to child protective services. Both children were released to their mothers in good condition with investigations ongoing.

Detroiters arrested for bogus checks in Canton

Two Detroit men were arrested Monday morning after passing a bogus check at a Canton business.

The men entered Discount Tire on Ford Road just west of Haggerty just after 11 a.m. Monday. Police reports said a 39-year-old Detroit man purchased four tires from the store for about \$400 using a fraudulent check.

After receiving a call from the store, Canton Police spotted a 1988 silver Ford Aerostar minivan near the intersection of Ford and Sheldon roads matching a description of the suspect's vehicle. Officers stopped the van and subsequently arrested the 39-year-old.

A second man, 47, was arrested on a pair of unrelated war-

SPEAKERS TAKEN

A resident of the 45000 block of Cambridge reported to police that between Jan. 14 and Jan. 17 someone broke into a storage cage on the second floor and took eight stereo speakers valued at \$350.

Several other storage cages were tampered with but nothing was taken.

MORE TREES CUT

A second resident of Queen Anne reported to police on Jan. 18 that several trees had been cut on his property.

CRIME WATCH

He said he noticed a tree cut near the bottom in his front yard. The next day he spoke with a neighbor who told him he should check the rest of the trees because they might have been cut like his were.

The neighbor had reported on Jan. 12 that 10 to 12 trees on his property had been cut with

a saw. The resident then checked the other trees and found several more that were cut.

WINDOW SMASHED

A Holmes Court resident said he parked his 1990 Lincoln Town Car on the street about 11:45 p.m. Jan. 17.

At 10:30 the next morning he noticed the rear driver's side window smashed by a beer bottle. Damage was estimated at \$150.

TIRES STOLEN

A resident of the 45000 block of Larchmont Drive told police he woke up to go to work on Jan. 17 and went outside to start his truck about 5:45 a.m. to let it warm up.

When he went back to the truck about 6:15 a.m. it was sitting on landscaping blocks and all four tires were removed.

By Jack Gladden

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The University of Michigan Health System is looking for volunteers for the National Lung Screening Trial (NLST). Smoking puts men and women at risk for lung cancer. NLST is comparing spiral CT scans to chest X-

rays to find out if one is more effective than the other at lowering lung cancer deaths. For more information, please call UMHS Cancer Center Answerline at 1-800-865-1125 M-F, 9-4:30, messages accepted after hours or the Cancer Information Service at 1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237).

Linda Kay Barylski

Services for Linda Barylski, 53, of Canton, were held Jan. 22 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. George Charnley officiating.

Mrs. Barylski was born March 24, 1949, in Detroit and died Jan. 18 in Canton.

Survivors include husband, Richard Barylski; mother, Esther Grannack; sons, Jason and Scott Barylski; and sister, Karen (Vincent) Magi.

Arrangements made by Neely-Turowski Funeral Home.

Phyllis A. Mitchell

Services for Phyllis Mitchell, 74, of Plymouth, were held Jan. 23 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. John Sullivan officiating. Burial was at Riverside

Cemetery in Plymouth. Mrs. Mitchell was born July 16, 1928, in Highland Park and died Jan. 20 in Pittsfield

Township. She was a retired school teacher from Fiegel Elementary School in the Plymouth-Canton school sys-

She came to the Plymouth community in 1942 from Detroit. She was originally from the Upper Peninsula.

She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, the Michigan Education Association and the National Education

Association. She and Millard had been married for 63 years.

Survivors include husband, Millard L. Mitchell of Plymouth; children, Michele (Regan) LaMothe of Grass Lake and Annette (Rahn) Frederick of Plymouth; grandchildren, Kyle and Cody Frederick and Lindsay, Ryan, and Patrick LaMothe.

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Retail stores, service businesses, nonprofit organizations, restaurants and hospitality establishments can all benefit from the workshops, she said.

Attendance is limited to 50 persons per workshop and will be filled on a first-paid basis.

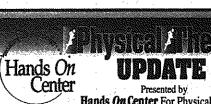
For more information call Christine at 394-5184 or Dianne at 453-4040.

Registration forms are available at the Chamber office, 5820 Canton Center Road, or can be downloaded from the township's Web site, www.canton-mi.org by clicking on the link "How to Create a WhizBang Staff."

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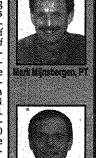


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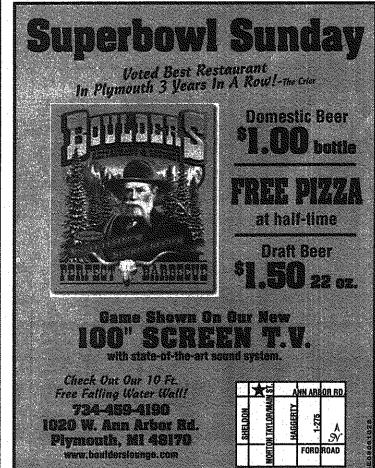
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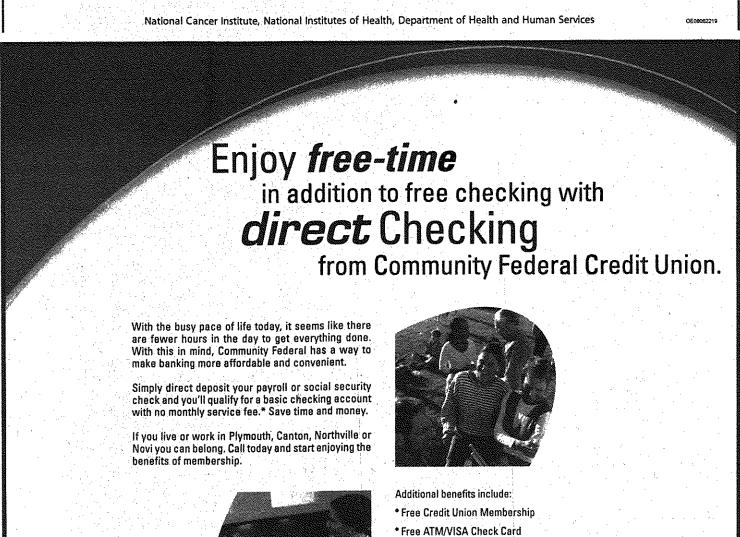
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Rob Bovitz, from left, chats with Canton Township supervisor Tom Yack, as Barb Yack talks with Sally Bailey of St. Joseph Mercy Health System.

Community Foundation throws Winter Ball

They could have danced all night Friday at the ninth annual Canton Community

Foundation Winter Ball.
"It was a really fun party,"
said Joan Noricks, president of
the Canton Community
Foundation.

"I think this year there was a sense of people wanting to talk to people ... a sense that the event was even more 'social' than it has been in the past. People were really connecting with each other." Noricks said the smaller crowd – 800 attendees this year – reflected the weak economy and rumblings of war. The foundation dinner and dance was held at Laurel Manor in Livonia and has attracted as many as 1400 people.

Music was provided by Mel Ball and the Colours, who offered plenty of danceable tunes and "wonderful vocals," Noricks said.

Funds raised go to finance CCF scholarships and grants.

Noricks reminded P-CEP seniors that the deadline for applying was coming up in February.

"We are very appreciative of all our supporters," Noricks

"And our Winter Ball committee worked hard for five months so this event could be another success."

By Doug Johnson

DIVERSITY

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opportunities to share one with the other."

Board of Education Vice President Mark Slavens said the public school system should be a conduit to teach and encourage diversity.

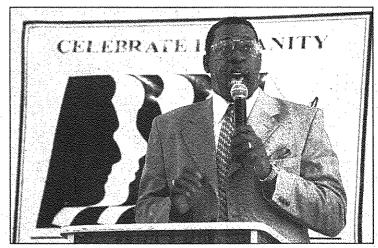
"I absolutely believe that Dr. King was a strong supporter of the public school system because he knew it was an area that would help society reach the promised land," Slavens said. "Where else do we have a place where people of different colors, different races, different religions, different origins, different physical abilities and different sexual orientation get together to learn, to live and to play for over seven hours a day?"

Sonya Reeves of Canton said she attended the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration to show her support for the district's diversity program.

"We've lived here four years and I'm surprised it's taken this long for it to get to where it is," said Reeves, an African-American. "I think they have a long way to go, but I think it's a lot better. I think they're really

trying."
Her sister, Toni Robinson of
Plymouth Township, said she
would like to see more children
included in the celebration.

"I still don't think (children) have a clue as to who Dr.



PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The Rev. Alfred Johnson, pastor of Bethel AME Church in Ann Arbor, speaks during Monday's Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration at Salem High School.

'It happened, and now let's see what we can do to make it never happen again.'

Toni Robinson Plymouth Township

Martin Luther King is and what he was trying to do," she said, "and they're still shocked that blacks and whites couldn't do things together.

"A lot of people are afraid to talk about what did happen," Robinson said. "It happened, and now let's see what we can do to make it never happen again."

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The Rev. Alfred Johnson, pastor of Bethel AME Church in Ann Arbor, gets a moment alone with Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan at Monday's Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration at Salem High School.

Canton Community Foundation board member Mark Wolnowski of Silver Shadow Recovery belts out a Jimmy Buffett tune with the band, Mel Ball & Colours, at the foundation's Winter Ball Friday at Laurel Manor.



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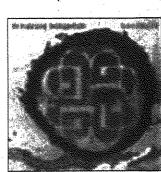
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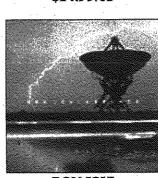
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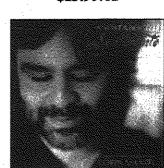
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come forward and report crime," he said. "There's a real concern about their neighborhoods. And you see a real commitment to people to come forward and be witnesses."

While national Part One offenses showed a drop of 0.2 percent over last year, Santomauro said Canton is way ahead of that trend.

"With the significant amount of development both residential and commercial, it's a positive thing that we're seeing a drop in crime."

There were 1,839 Part One crimes reported in Canton last year. Since 1999, according to Santomauro, Part One crimes have fallen 28.3 percent. It's only the second time since 1992 that major crimes were less than 1,900, he added.

Larceny had the sharpest decline last year, falling from 1,374 in 2001 to 1,214 last year – a drop of 11.6 percent.

Five of the eight Part One categories saw declines. In addition to larceny, auto thefts decreased from 177 to 148, or 16.4 percent. The smaller volume crimes were also significantly lower, with arson declining 19.2 percent, robbery 26.9 percent and murder 50 percent.

Burglaries, aggravated assaults and rapes increased, with burglaries going from 270 in 2001 to 308 last year, a jump of 14.1 percent. Aggravated assaults were up 10 percent and rapes increased from 45 to 73, an increased of 62.2 percent.

Santomauro said the increase in rape is a bit misleading, since all four categories of criminal sexual conduct are recorded under rape.

That can lead from inappropriate touching to sexual intercourse.

As for the increase in burglaries he said that's probably to be expected because of the large growth of the community.

"The reality is if you have more houses the probability is that you're going to see more home B&E's," he said.

"Canton is a community of 85,000 residents. It's a very safe community."

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Valentine said she had met Dr. King as a child when he came to her home. "And the struggle is not over yet," she told the moderate-sized crowd filling the community room at the library.

Valentine's group sang a handful of songs, including the spirituals *Rock My Soul* and *Go Down, Moses*. The group switched to oldies favorites *My Girl* and *Just My Imagination*.

The singers ended with The Quiet Place whose theme is "face a new day with love for all mankind." The Detroit group had a busy day Monday, opening up with an event for the

new governor, Jennifer Granholm, and then attending and singing at a program at Wayne State University.

Gaskin remarked about the glee club as he opened his act: "It dawned on me as I listened to the wonderful singing that none of them were alive when any of this music was written."

Gaskin, aka Franky the Genius, fascinated the crowd with his ability to play jazz riffs allowing the audience to hear bass, chords and the melody seemingly all at once.

Pieces included One Note Samba and How High the Moon (Charlie Bird Parker's Ornithology). Gaskin also sang a song in Portuguese, one of many languages he speaks, and spoke briefly on the west African roots of jazz and the blues.

Barker said it was likely the Friends would have a similar event next year after the success of this first one.

"I thought it went very well for the first time," she said. "We had a nice diverse crowd. We saw kids and older adults and many different ethic groups."

Shirley Reynolds, president of the Canton Friends board, was also happy with the first-time event. "The student singers were outstanding. The music and harmony and articulation was excellent," she said. "I think they (glee club) are an amazing group of young people."

"We had a full house and I received very favorable com-



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The Men's Glee Club from Detroit High School for the Fine and Performing Arts thrilled the crowd with their harmony.

ments from several people." Reynolds thanked Friends

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CUTS

FROM PAGE A1

- Layoffs "If you've got to get \$2 million to \$3 million, you can't get that with a couple of teachers," Ryan said. "It takes a lot of folks to get you some significant number. I don't foresee laying off any administrators because we certainly aren't top heavy in administration."
- Busing "We bus 11,000 kids a day and parents rely on us to get their kids to and from
- school," Ryan said.
 Sports "We have an obligation to kids, coaches, booster groups, the league," Ryan said. The board will want us to stay away from (cuts involving) the classroom as much as possible, and sports is a second classroom."

■ Extracurricular activities "Band, the newspaper, robotics, they are all connections to the school district," the superintendent said.

School board Treasurer Judy Mardigian said the Budget Advisory Committee she heads will meet next week to outline recommended cuts, which will be given to the administration for consideration.

"I'm sure (administrators) have a mental list, and we'll generate ideas maybe they haven't thought about," Mardigian said. "I don't think the Legislature or the governor's office anticipated a loss in revenue that we're currently discovering, and we'll see more dramatic cuts than anticipated.

"We don't have a lot of extras

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Schools face big cuts

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

This year's budget deficit of at least \$3 million comes on the heels of a \$1.2 million budget shortfall in the 2002-03 budget.

Among the cuts approved last May by school trustees to balance the budget were the reduction of four elementary teaching positions, which saved \$200,000; field trip transportation, \$90,000; an administrative intern program, \$70,000; athletic department expenditures, \$65,000;

school teacher, \$50,000; general budget reductions, \$50,000; and reorganization of the transportation department, \$44,000.

The Board of Education voted for a pay-to-participate program for athletics and extracurricular activities to offset higher operating costs.

However, the administration said it was able to avoid instituting the approximate \$13 per-student fee.

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in our budget, and we'll feel it more than some districts that have more realistic foundation grants," she added. "We're going to have to react to what Lansing hands us. I hope it's more freezing (of programs) instead of cutting.

Rvan said earlier that with no foundation increase and a 2percent rise in retirement rates, the district would face a \$5 million shortfall. If the district, which has been growing the past several years, receives more new students than anticipated, Ryan said the increased foundation grant money (\$7,025 per student) could push down the deficit to about \$3 million.

And, there's the threat by

CANTON CONNECTION

year's Plymouth Symphony

Granholm to cut this year's foundation grant, which could cost Plymouth-Canton nearly a million dollars and reduce its foundation grant next fiscal

"It's hard to make these

choices, but we get paid to make them, and we'll make recommendations to the Board of Education," Ryan said. "And, the board will agonize over them, too.

"My biggest fear is that I don't want the community to think we haven't handled our money well," he added.

"I'm very proud of the financial work of this district."

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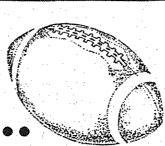
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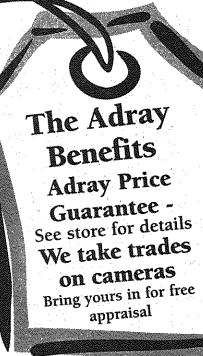


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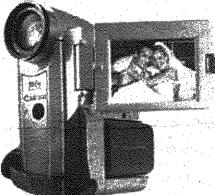
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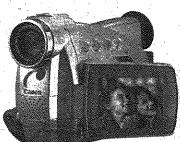
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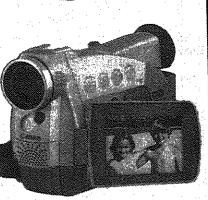


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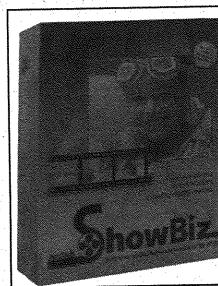
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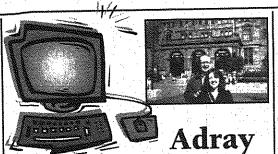


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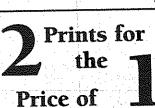
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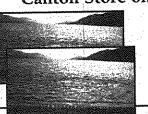


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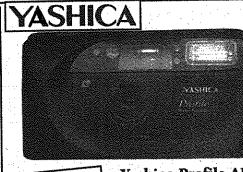


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MLK events would please former editor

Tedd Schneider would have been proud of Dr. Martin Luther King Day 2003 in Canton.

"He's one of my heroes," Tedd would say as he poked and prodded the rapidly growing Canton community to recognize the slain civil rights leader.

Schneider, who died last week after a brief but gallant struggle with cancer at age 44, had written tirelessly on these editorial pages since 1997 about MLK Day.

He did live to see the township recognize the holiday for the first time last year (January 2002), with township employees taking part in training sessions on diversity

"Canton's lack of official recognition for Martin Luther King Jr. Day is just plain wrong. Many metro Detroit communities are finally coming around to the idea that formal recognition for the shining beacon of the civil rights movement is proper and can play a role in promoting diversity," Schneider wrote in 1998.

He called the attitude of Canton's administration "benign neglect."

Tedd would have been thrilled with Monday night's event at the Canton Library. A free concert sponsored by Friends of the Canton Library celebrated the memory of King. The men's glee club from the Detroit High School for the Fine and Performing Arts sang Negro spirituals. A jazz guitarist speaking and singing in several languages treated the audience to wonderful riffs on his acoustic

The glee club director, Sheryl Valentine, related a brief story about meeting Dr. King, and told the audience "the struggle is not over yet."

The schools held a special luncheon open to the public. And about 220 Canton Township employees rotated among three special training sessions Monday. Township offices were closed Monday, something the township had fought until last year.

In September 2000, Schneider said in one of his editorials: "Canton trustees should do the substantive thing and close the administrative building on Monday, Jan 15, 2001." It took another year for that to happen.

Tedd never took credit for the Canton MLK Day celebrations, nor had he really sought it. He was content to see school, community and religious leaders come to the conclusions they did. Monday's events were the payoff.

As we remember Martin Luther King this week and see and hear again his I Have a Dream speech, we also remember a modest community editor who saw MLK Day as something important for Canton, "where diversity is readily apparent during a walk down any street or a isit to any local school."

We all have a dream, Tedd would have said.

Cutting education funds isn't the answer

Local school systems got a jolt last week.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm announced that, unless the Legislature acts, she would cut school foundation grants by an average of \$56 per pupil for this year. The basic foundation grant is \$6,700 per pupil.

Granholm acted because of a shortfall of \$127 million in the state's \$12.7 billion school aid budget and a state law requiring a balanced school budget. The action followed announcements that foundation grants would be frozen for the next two school years.

The state Legislature has 30 days to act before Granholm's plan takes effect and the Democratic governor has said she is willing to work with the Republicandominated Legislature to find some solution to the problem caused by the steep decline in tax revenues.

State Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth) called Granholm's move "posturing" in an effort to motivate the Legislature to delay planned reductions in the small business tax and the personal income tax.

"The economy is expected to begin its recovery this spring, which means tax receipts will start to grow," Stewart said. "If we put a pause on the reduction in the single business tax and personal income tax, we can come up with a balanced budget."

The foundation grant cuts will have a major impact on all of our school districts, which have already budgeted for the year based on expected state funding.

Former Gov. John Engler has left a trap for the new governor. Either she goes back on her commitment to fully funding education or her commitment to staying the course on tax reductions.

It is now time for the governor and the Legislature to bite the bullet and delay the planned tax reductions and restore foundation grant funding. Our future is in our schools.



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Judge Ron Lowe, left, and Tom Morse work on their carving, Sponge Bob, during the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular celebrity competition last week. Due to the extremely cold weather, organizers made arrangements to keep the carvings around an extra week. Lowe is one of three judges at the district court which serves Canton Township.

LETTERS

I was so sorry to hear about the death of Tedd Schneider. I met him when I was running for Township trustee. He always impressed me as a kind and fair person and a good journalist. He was a very easy person to talk to and I know he cared a great deal about the Canton community. He will be missed around this town and I hope his family finds the strength they need to deal with their loss.

Tom Hartnett

Missing Tedd

Condolences

The Canton community lost a dear friend on Tuesday evening (Jan. 14) when Tedd Schneider passed away. Tedd really liked and understood Canton and was a wonderful advocate for our community. He was interested in the whole community, not just the "frosting." He wanted to know the people, not just the "big names"

I remember the nights that Tedd suffered along with the rest of the audience, through long Canton planning commission meetings when the Observer had cut back on staff - he saw to it that the Planning Commission was covered by a reporter - Tedd, the editor - on site. Then the next night at the Canton Board meeting - again, Tedd the editor - sat in the audience to ensure that the news in Canton was reported and important stories were covered.

Tedd was always fair in his editorials, even if he didn't agree with the Canton board's actions. He never sank to name calling or innuendo in his opinions. He strove to write accurate stories in the paper, never trying to make fools of those that he was reporting on. He understood what a "hometown" newspaper was really all about.

Tedd was always friendly and warm, he was dedicated to his profession and his job, and he served with dignity and honor. He will be missed by us all. Peace be with you, Tedd.

Melissa McLaughlin (township trustee) Canton

A thank you

Thanks to all attendees of this year's ninth annual Canton Winter Ball (Friday night); we had another wonderful time. Laurel Manor was a wonderful host; Mel Ball and Colours entertained us with their beautiful music; Yazaki North America's marketing team led by Jeff Jones provided great signage, banners and electronic displays. The Canton Community Foundation's Canton Winter Ball planning committee worked hard for five months so this event could be another success. The money raised at this event will provide resources for CCF's grant and scholarship programs.

We were honored to present the Victory Circle Award to two new recipients this year: Pulte Homes of Michigan and Robertson Brothers Company. This award recognizes corporate citizens that have partnered with the foundation for more than five years and have contributed at least \$50,000, and are inter-

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Joan Noricks CCF president

Undermine our country

I can accept that some among us might show hesitancy about a war with Iraq in the next three or four weeks. Most of us believe Saddam Hussein is in violation, that he has threatened several peoples in his area, and killed hundreds of thousands.

But among those who dissent on the timing of the start of the war, some are parading and carrying signs that read. Blood for Oil." Other sign carriers bare "Bombs Equal Terrorism" and "Fight Corporate Crime." There is more than dissent to be concerned about with statements like these used in protesting.

"Fight Corporate Crime," for example, indicates the liberal ideology of the planned economy. Socialists abound and the thinking is un-American.

Socialism is slavery. If this is not understood by the liberal mentality, further education is suggested. The worst condition of mankind is not war, it is slavery.

It is no wonder that many Americans are concerned with not only the lack of patriotism, but the more than apparent hatred of our country. The woodwork has exuded many different groups who work daily to undermine our "dream." They undermine and deny the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and dismiss limited

government and the free market as social

impediments of equality and sharing. Dissent. Venture your own ideas. If you attack our country, our culture, our heritage, you should be suspect, guarded against and feared. And when you prepare your signs, learn how to spell!

Neil Goodbred

Law's interesting

I'm certainly not a lawyer, just a sometimes observer of the law, which in itself can be interesting at times. I have been observing lately.

I guess most persons have been prought up to believe the laws are right and most everything else is wrong. However, although it can be said rightly; the basis for laws generally are meant to define right from wrong.

Successful lawyers do not see the law that way. They see the law as a sort of chess game, with planning, moves, strategies, measures and countermeasures. Successful lawyers are those who know how to play the game well. They study the laws and case histories to learn precedents of actual cases, why and how they were decided, because judges depend upon precedents for making their decisions, not necessarily their own knowledge of the law.

Laws as they are written can be interpreted to mean any variety of things. This can make it very difficult for a judge to decide a case, especially so with rapidly changing techniques and morals, which constantly cause our legal interpretations to be in a state of flux, change. That is not to say many laws aren't clearly defined so that cases can't be decided quickly. They are, much of the time.

Many cases are so complex it takes years of arguments and counter arguments to decide. Appeals can go on seemingly forever, which has the effect of rendering laws virtually ineffective, for both plaintiff and defendant.

But usually, attorneys get paid, not matter who wins. It can be said, and I think rightly so; those who win at the game of law are neither plaintiff nor defendant; the winners are the lawyers and the judges.

Kenneth Kemp **Farmington Hills**

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"When other people hear her sing, you don't get, 'Aw, she's so cute for a little girl,' ... You get, 'Wow!"

- Bill Trail of Canton, uncle of young singer

Could a Supreme Court ruling re-segregate college campuses?

was serving on the University of Michigan's board of regents in 1997 when the Center for Individual Rights brought the now-famous lawsuits against our affirmative action admissions

In essence, the system gives extra points to applicants who are minorities ... or who live in the Upper Peninsula, or whose parents are U-M alumni, or who have overcome things like physical handicaps, or who possess special skills like running with footballs, or etc.

The legal basis for the policy is the Supreme Court's 1978 Bakke decision, in which the court held (narrowly) that universities could take race,

among other factors, into consideration when making admissions decisions. Since then, nearly all elite universities in the country have, by one means or another, skewed their procedures to help minorities gain admission.

The case will go to the Supreme Court this spring. The Bush administration last week submitted a brief opposing affir-Power mative action. With a subject as complicated and as emotionally

charged as this one, it's important to sort out the sense from the nonsense. Based on my experience as a regent, this column tries to do just that.

The first issue is quotas. President Bush's speech last week condemning the U-M's policy used the word "quota" three times and the phrase "numerical targets" once. But neither the university's law school or undergraduate admissions system work by assigning a "maximum number, as of people, that may be admitted to ... an institution" the dictionary definition of "quota."

As U-M President Mary Sue Coleman pointed out, "It is unfortunate that the President misunderstands how our admissions process works." President Coleman was being, well, diplomatic. President Bush (or his speech writers and lawyers) understands perfectly well how the U-M's system works; but he also understands (even better) just how unpopular the word "quota" is across the political spectrum. At best, the president's comments are disingenuous; at worst, they are inaccurate and inflammatory.

The second issue is race and academics. The U-M's system for undergraduate admissions uses a maximum of 150 points in weighing applicants. A total of 110 points are possible for purely academic factors such as high school grades and overall academic strength and standardized test scores. Black, Hispanic or American Indian minorities are awarded an extra 20 points, the same that can be given to a low-income student, but applicants cannot get points for both.

Critics of affirmative action argue that any favoritism based solely on race is morally wrong With a subject as complicated and as emotionally charged as this one, it's important to sort out the sense from the nonsense. Based on my experience as a regent, this column tries to do just that.

and that, in any case, assigning 20 admission points (or 13.3 percent) to race is just too much. And I must confess there is something intrinsically offensive about a system that arbitrarily awards X admissions points just because of race. Clearly, however, many very able minority students graduate from crummy high schools, so it only seems fair to find a method to avoid penalizing them for an unfair K-12 school system.

So what about formulas? Most elite universities give race some factor when making admissions decisions, but they have avoided lawsuits because they don't set out explicit numerical formulas and use imaginative ways to disguise what they're really doing. At the U-M, where a relatively small admissions staff annually has to process something like 25,000 applications for 5,000 places, using point scores and formulas seems to me a practical but unfortunate expedient.

Does affirmative action admissions really make a difference? In my view, yes and no. The U-M certainly has been more successful in achieving a diverse student body than most other elite schools; undergraduates are now 8 percent black and nearly 5 percent Hispanic and the law school is nearly 7 percent black and 4 percent Hispanic. But even a quick walk around the Ann Arbor campus suggests that a kind of student self-segregation is taking place; black students tend to socialize with black students, for example.

I believe most people agree the basic objective of achieving a diverse student body is absolutely right. The issue is how best to do it. Plainly, affirmative action-based admissions plans do it, but at a cost. Those states that use President Bush's preferred method, admitting the top 10 percent of high school graduates willy-nilly, appear to have had less empirical success.

At the end of the day, I fear that if the Supreme Court throws out affirmative action in admissions, the inevitable result will be the tragic resegregation of college campuses all across the country.

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.

King's voice would be loud today for peace and equity

time to reflect on the life and ideals of the civil rights leader and the history that thrust him into the spotlight.

This year's holiday comes at an odd convergence of events that draw on King's history and speak to the never-ending conflict of ideas in which King was so brilliantly

On Saturday, thousands of concerned citi-

zens rallied to protest the Bush administration's threats of armed conflict in Iraq. Many of these protesters believe passionately that any war is wrong and unnecessary. Others believe that the motives for this war against Saddam Hussein and the people of Iraq are questionable, driven more by personal revenge and oil

profits than by the best

interests of the United States or the Middle Toward the end of his life, King was outspoken in his opposition to the war in Vietnam. King argued that the resources that were used to burn through the jungles of Vietnam could be better spent on housing, food and education for those who struggled to survive in this country and in destitute places all over the world. He was also concerned that a disproportionate

Gallagher

(which is still true today). King would probably have been at the protest in Washington Saturday lending his eloquent voice of caution and admonition.

number of African-American young men

were being asked to make the sacrifice

Last week, the Bush administration filed a brief opposing the University of Michigan's affirmative action programs in two cases before the United States Supreme Court. Bush, of course, said he was all for diversity and fairness but that U-M's program was "a quota system" that is "racially discriminating."

When evaluating students for admission to its undergraduate school, U-M has a 150 point system. The weight of those points, 110, are for academics, 80 for grade point average. It also gives points for high test scores, attending challenging high schools and taking a more demanding prep school curriculum. In an effort to create more diversity on campus and to right past wrongs, the university awards up to 20 points for having an economically disadvantaged background, being an underrepresented minority or attending a high school serving a predominantly minority popula-

onday was Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a tion. The university also awards one to four points for being related to an alumnus.

This was too much for George W. Bush and his conservative supporters. Bush favors a system similar to that in Texas which awards scholarships to all students who finish in the top ranks of their high schools. Critics say this system merely reinforces segregation by making it more attractive for good minority students to stay in less competitive segregated

This is especially a problem here in Michigan, which has considerably more segregated schools than Louisiana or Mississippi according to a recent Harvard University study. We don't need a program that reinforces segregation.

We do need a program that emphasizes fairness, opportunity and diversity. Will some academically talented white students be beaten out for a position by an academically talented black student with slightly lower GPA or test scores? Possibly. But they might also be edged out by the son or daughter of an alumnus, a graduate of a private prep school, a student from a rural area or a basketball player. Doesn't the state and the university have an obligation to address the broader needs of society?

I think Dr. King would probably be lamenting that a United States president would make such disingenuous arguments against the U-M admission policy while offering nothing of real substance as an alternative.

Last week we lost one of our own at The Observer. Our Canton Observer editor, Tedd Schneider, died following a battle with cancer.

Tedd was a compassionate conservative before the president gave it a name. He argued his positions congently and was an important voice in editorial deliberations. As Canton editor, he argued year after year that Canton needed to do more to recognize Martin Luther King Day. He argued that it should be a holiday for township workers and that the township should have special programs on race relations.

King Day has been recognized as a holiday for the last two years in Canton. This year, township employees attended three training sessions on diversity.

Tedd would be proud that Canton has stepped up and taken his views seriously. He understood how important it was to make the American Dream a reality for everyone.

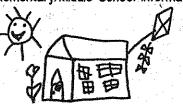
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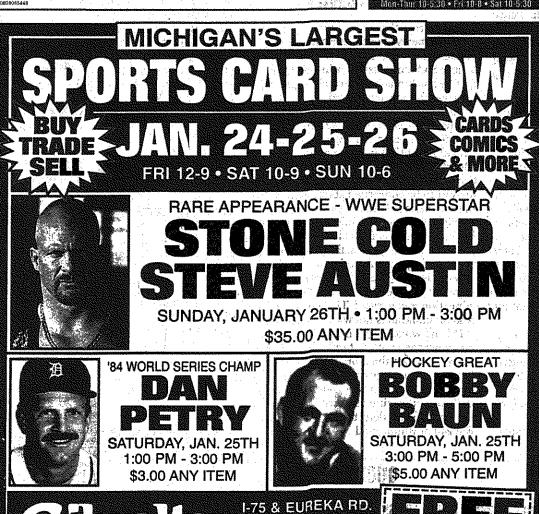
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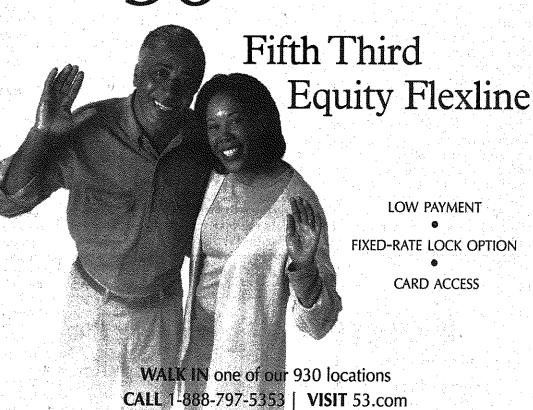
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Erin McKeown brings her distinctive style of singing and songwriting to the Ann Arbor Folk Festival.

Emerging artists

Ann Arbor Folk Festival spotlights performers with an edge

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

ever heard of 24-year-old singer/songwriter Erin McKeown? That's not surprising. David Siglin prides himself on presenting up and coming performers at The Ark so it's no wonder this year's Ann Arbor Folk Festival offers adventurous programming on Friday night in addition to legends like Taj Mahal on Saturday, Jan. 25. Unfortunately, that concert's already sold out but Siglin isn't worried. In fact, he's excited about the prospect of spotlighting emerging artists on Friday, Jan. 24, at the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor.

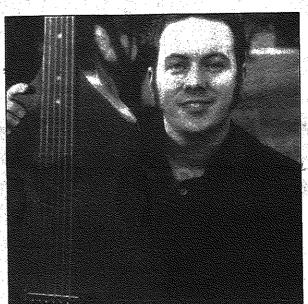
"This is the first time in the 26-year history of the festival we're doing it for two-days," said Siglin, artistic director of The Ark which puts on the folk festival. "It's hard on an audience to mix all those styles—bluegrass, jazz, different eras of music. Over the years, we discovered part of the audience doesn't like an edge, they're more traditional. Friday night's a little more adventurous with progressive sounds of folk and roots music."

ERIN MCKEOWN

McKeown's music is beyond categorization. Her distinctive voice and sometimes quirky lyrics set her apart. She's especially fun to listen to. *Distillation* is her debut CD. The recording process is as unique as McKeown who combines pop, bop, roots, and Tin Pan Alley in her music. Produced by David Chalfant for Signature Sounds, the CD consists of originals except for Rodgers & Hart's 1940 You Mustn't Kick It Around.

McKeown grew up in Virginia where her mother made her take piano lessons from preschool to her early teens. It was then she picked up the guitar and started to think of herself as a musician. By age 14, she was playing in a cover band and deep into the bar rock culture. But it wasn't until her student days at Brown University that she began performing solo and writing music.

"David was living in a farmhouse in Massachusetts when he built a studio and we decid-



Jeff Lang hails from Australia where he played slide guitar in the blues band Chain before pursuing a solo career.

ed to record there," said McKeown. "We worked in whatever rooms were available. It's a very simple record. What you hear is what you get. When you're recording you have to maintain separation. He'd place someone in the kitchen and someone upstairs. He placed us in stairwells, the bottom of a staircase. You need to get as much separation as possible.

"For the new CD, we're utilizing the same philosophy of listening to instruments in rooms. It was recorded in a different Massachusetts farmhouse and set for release in late spring. There's a wide dynamic range. It's a lot of fun. I try to bring those things to a live performance. Hearing it live is not all that different from the recording. I just hope that people would have a different appreciation for a wide variety of styles. Look at people's CD collection. You'll find different styles. People like different styles of music."

PLEASE SEE FOLK FESTIVAL, B2

Artistic Expressions

Linda Chomin

Storytellers warm the heart on a cold January day

ost people dread the cold and boring days of January, but not me. I look forward to talking to the storytellers featured in Canton Project Arts' annual festival.

Storytelling is a way of life for them and they can't help interspersing tales into the conversation. All I have to do is ask a question and they're off telling me about growing up across the street from the Detroit Zoo.

That's what makes the festival so delightful. You never know what you're going to hear. As usual, organizer Corinne Stavish has lined up a variety of tellers for the festival Saturday, Jan. 25, at Summit on the Park in Canton.

"It's all new tellers presenting the oldest community-based art form," said Stavish, a Southfield resident who will be telling at The Ark during the Ann Arbor club's annual festival Friday-Sunday, Feb. 14-16. For more information, call (734) 761-1800. Like The Ark festival, Canton Project Arts offers storytelling times for children and adults.

"The audience is very much involved with the tellers who have different artistic styles and represent different ethnic and religious groups.
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Jones Clark to Laura Pershin

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FOLK FESTIVAL

FROM PAGE BI

JEFFREY GAINES

Pennsylvania singer/songwriter Jeffrey Gaines' mellow voice sets the mood for romance. Far from a newcomer, Gaines is still trying to climb to the top of the charts with the Feb. 11 release of his fifth CD Toward the Sun on Artemis Records. For more information, see www.jeffreygaines.com.

"It's going to be a real personal concert with just me and my guitar and we can break for conversation in between soulful ballads," said Gaines. "When I'm making music and writing songs I'm so often by myself with my guitar. That's when I slow down and hear the inner voice."

Audiences can hear a variety of influences in Gaines' music. He grew up listening to his parents' collection of Motown, Otis Redding and Wilson Pickett albums. In the 1970s, he followed the music of Bread and the Moody Blues and by junior high school was playing with a New Wave cover band before going solo. His early years included tours with Melissa Etheridge and Sting. Produced by Gaines and Mitchell Froom (producer of Elvis Costello and Bonnie Raitt), this fifth recording promises to be a winner

with cuts like Falling Apart, Without You, and Love Me. Influences of all of the above come together in Gaines' laidback style and hooks in songslike Beyond the Beginning.

"I'm heading toward optimism," said Gaines, "That's where the title of the album came from. I want the sun on my skin. I want to be happy, alive, enjoy every minute. I'm really beginning my life. Most people have dreams all the time but I'm living mine."

JEFF LANG

Among the other performers on Friday night are The Waybacks and their mix of mandolin, guitar, fiddle, bass and percussion, Idaho-born Josh Ritter, and Jeff Lang from Melbourne, Australia. Inspired by Leo Kottke, Bob Dylan and Ry Cooder, Lang started playing guitar at age 14 and by 20 was a slide guitarist with the Australian blues band Chain. Lang's best known for his guitar work but the audience will enjoy his writing as well.

Siglin liked Lang's playing so much when he appeared at The Ark in 2001, he booked him for the Ann Arbor Folk Festival. Siglin uses the same philosophy to book the festival as he does The Ark, a musical showcase since 1965.

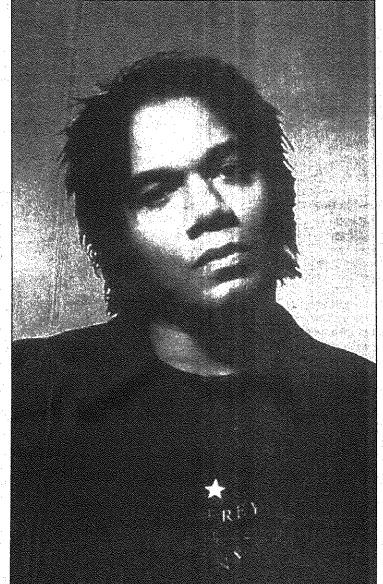
"At The Ark, some of the people don't even know who the performers are," said Siglin

who's been on staff at The Ark since 1968. "I listen to 1,300 demos a year and maybe take 25. They're the cream of the crop. For the festival I'm looking for somebody who can walk out in front of 1,700 people and knock them flat and whose music is valuable. We're trying to preserve roots and alternative music.

"At The Ark, we present a huge variety of music seven nights a week. I tell people look at the Web site (www.a2ark.org). Pick out the kind of music they like. Try it. They'll like it. That's the essence of the club scene. The Dixie Chicks played at The Ark three times before they made it. People who saw them here had a chance to see them perform before most even knew they

"Besides music we put on a variety of events. We'll have a musical play. North Country Opera (Feb. 1-4), and our annual Storytelling Festival (8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 14-15 (adult), and 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 16,) with Corinne Stavish (a Southfield storyteller) Friday night. It's all stories. Some play an instrument and can tell a story in a song. Personally, I love storytelling. Most people have never been to a storytelling but storytelling's been around for thousands of years. It's like going to a movie without a screen.

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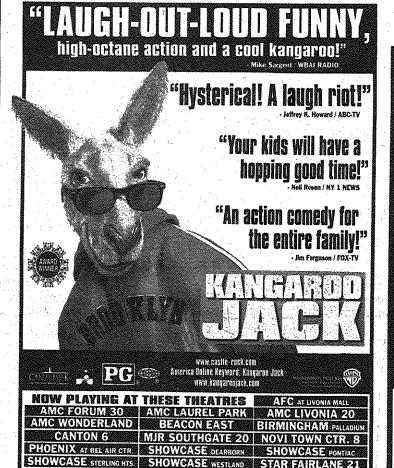


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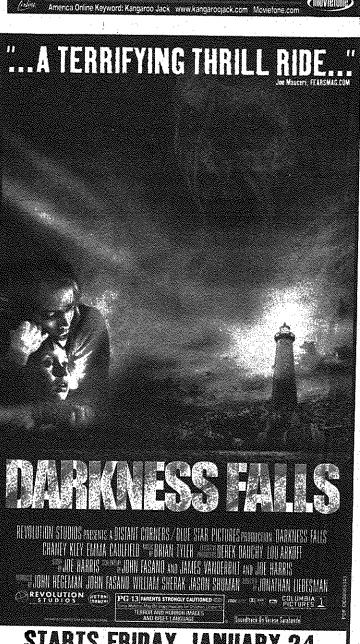
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Chelsea's Jeff Daniels promotes latest movie

BY KURT ANTHONY KRUG CORRESPONDENT

Actor Jeff Daniels says he found it easy to work with the writer and the director of Super Sucker, the second film released by Purple Rose Films, headquartered in Michigan.

"We had a single vision," said the Chelsea-based actor, who was promoting his latest film at the Emagine in Novi last week. "They all worked well together."

Then again, it helps that the lead actor, writer, and director are one and the same.

"There's really an advantage to being all three," said Daniels, 47, who wrote, directed, and starred in Super Sucker, in which he plays Fred Barlow, a vacuum cleaner salesman who decides to market his appliance as a sex toy after he catches his wife in bed with a vacuum cleaner.

"I had a friend who was a vacuum cleaner salesman, Daniels explained. "He had plenty of stories. The passion for his product had many comic possibilities. Super Sucker had such an outrageous story."

Daniels thoroughly researched the sales pitches and the war stories of vacuum cleaner salesmen. He even attended a regional vacuum cleaner sales convention. From that point. the characters were born.

from the Purple Rose Theatre

Company (with the exception of Dawn Wells of Gilligan's Island), a non-profit professional theater he founded in 1991, which showcases the talents of actors, directors, playwrights, and designers from all over the Midwest in Chelsea.

"I knew from day one that I wanted to cast this with Purple Rose actors, so I wrote all of these parts for specific people out of that company," says Daniels. "I've worked with all these actors and I know (their strengths). I think if the performances come to life then at the end of the movie these are real people...these actors really delivered.

"They loved the chance to make a feature film. They have a great work ethic and passion and talent for film-making. Some actors from Escanaba in da Moonlight and Super Sucker appeared in 8 Mile (the Eminem gangster movie filmed in Detroit). That's great. They only get better and better. The fun we had (off-camera) translates onscreen. There was never a bad day; it was a joy to go to work."

This is Daniels' second time behind the camera. His first time out was an independent film production of his play of the same name, Escanaba in da Moonlight, released in 2001. The indie flick was shown on 48 screens in Michigan and Variety magazine's Top

Grossing Films of 2001.

Inspired by directors with whom he'd worked - such as Woody Allen, Robert Altman and Jonathan Demme, Daniels says he grew as a director his second time around.

"I should get better as a director. I know more," he said. "I'm happier with Super Sucker. It feels more like a movie. The script was written as a screenplay. It gave us the complete experience (of filmmaking)."

Riding on the success of Escanaba, Purple Rose Films stepped up Super Sucker, increasing the budget to more than \$3 million compared to Escanaba's \$2.2 million. The crew grew by 40 percent and there were 40 more speaking parts in Super Sucker, compared to the 13 in Escanaba.

One of the challenges directors face is needing more time and money.

"You're always asking for another week. Then you get that week and then you want another week."

ACTING HISTORY

Michigan University (CMU), where he majored in English and minored in theater He left CMU a year early after the playing the lead in Tennessee Williams' Summer and Smoke, and joined the Circle Repertory Company in New York in 1976. He won widespread recognition Don't be a sucker and see this movie

Daniels has been acting for

26 years. He attended Central

as Jed Jenkins in Lanford Wilson's Fifth of July. He won a 1983 Obie Award for his oneman World War I play, Johnny Got His Gun.

He made his feature film debut in 1981's Ragtime. However, his breakout role as Flap Horton, Debra Winger's philandering husband was in 1983's Terms of Endearment.

Some of his better known

roles include Ross Jennings who had to overcome his fear of spiders in 1990's Arachnophobia: SWAT cop Harry Temple who was shot by partner Keanu Reeves in order to take him "out of the equation" when he was held hostage by madman Dennis Hopper in 1994's Speed; and, of course, Harry Dunne in 1994's Dumb



Jeff Daniels, as door-to-door vacuum cleaner salesman, Fred Barlow, in the movie Supersucker.

and Dumber with Jim Carrey. He won critical praise for his portrayal of George Washington in 2000's The

Crossing. Contrary to the rumors, neither Daniels nor Carrey are appearing in the Dumb and Dumber follow-up due out this summer.

"It's just two young guys doing a dead-on impersonation of us," Daniels said. "If (Carrey) decides to do a sequel, I'll be involved."

After Super Sucker, his next film is reprising his role as Col. Joshua Chamberlain in Gods and Generals, the prequel to 1993's Gettysburg."

He also wants to continue writing and directing for Purple Rose Films. He has three more ideas in mind.

"I was very happy with the regional success of Escanaba," he said. "I want to continue to make comedies. I'm always looking for funny ideas."

LOCAL ACTORS Wisconsin, grossing more than \$2.3 million, scoring 202nd in He wanted to cast actors

BY KURT ANTHONY KRUG

CORRESPONDENT

I certainly felt like a super sucker after seeing Super

Sucker. The second movie from Purple Rose Films, Super Sucker stars Michigan's Jeff Daniels - who also wrote and directed this off-the-wall, lowbrow, unfunny comedy — as Fred Barlow, a salesman who markets his vacuum cleaner-a

Super Sucker—as a sex toy. As Barlow, Daniels has red hair and a cheesy red mustache, making him look hauntingly like Jeffrey Jones' dull-witted principal Edward G. Rooney from the classic 1986 comedy, Ferris Bueller's Day Off.

The movie, which was filmed in Jackson, takes place in the fictitious Johnson City where the premier hotel is called the Grand Johnson (insert sexual tilt here) where Barlow along with his team of underdogs all played by Purple Rose Theatre vets (Daniels' theater located in Chelsea) Guy Sanville, Sandra Birch, and Kate Peckham — go up against rival vacuum cleaner salesman. sleazy Winslow Schnaebelt (Harve Presnell, who appeared in The Legend of Bagger Vance and Escanaba in da Moonlight, which was directed by Daniels), whose red zoot suit makes him look like a pimp.

A COMPETITION

Both Fred and Schnaebelt are called on the carpet by the company president after a fight breaks out in a steakhouse. Fred is advised to sell out to Schnaebelt. However, Fred manages to get another chance; whoever gets the most contracts in the next month gets total distributorship of Johnson

Taking fired steakhouse waiter Howard Butterworth (Matt

Letscher, TV's Good Morning, Miami) under his wing Fred and his team set out to win the most contracts.

They begin to fail miserably. On his first sales pitch, Howard even runs over a cat with a vac-

That all changes when Fred goes home and hears the vacuum cleaner running and his wife Bunny (Michelle Mountain) screaming. Fred investigates, walking in on Bunny in the throes of passion with...the Super Sucker!

Fred markets the drapery attachment as the "homemaker's little helper complete with nap-nipper." Sales go through the roof. Even nuns want to buy it and Fred's salesmen end up pitching it to prostitutes on street corners.

Enter Dawn Wells of Gilligan's Island fame, in her only scene, playing herself; she's the vacuum's celebrity endorser and feels that Fred's way of marketing the product is murdering her reputation. She demands that the company president change it, especially since Americans Against the Sexual Abuse of Home Appliances (AASAHA) called her.

It's evident Wells has fun poking fun at herself, stating that Barlow's actions are besmirching the image of a wholesome male fantasy pop icon. When her lawyer says, "We feel this is something Ginger would have used," referring to Tina Louise's movie star character on Gilligan's Island, Wells responds, "You got that right."

This was the funniest scene in an otherwise unfunny movie. It goes downhill from there as Fred demonstrates the attachment for women at a country club and his employee, Leonard, (Sanville) dresses in drag during his sales pitch. Howard ends up sprinting naked down the street with 20

feet of vacuum hose attached to... let's just say a very intimate area. In short, it simply consists of cheap, failed attempts at sight gags and contrived one-

THIS IS HUMOR?

I'm no prude, but this movie really crossed the line of good taste. Raunchy doesn't even begin to describe it. It also doesn't know whether to be subtle about its humor or blatant. I was really looking forward to seeing this, because I like Daniels, but Super Sucker left a bad taste in my mouth.

The \$64,000 question I have is: Why didn't Daniels do something along the lines of his other movies - good movies like 1998's Pleasantville or 1991's The Butcher's Wife? I know he's on a shoe-string budget but this is all he could come up with?

The irony is Daniels - who's shared the screen with Jack Nicholson, Dennis Hopper, Keanu Reeves, Clint Eastwood, Reese Witherspoon, and Joan Allen, among others — is extremely talented. Ever see him play George Washington in The Crossing or serial killer Buddy Noone in last year's Blood Work with Eastwood? He has plenty of range as an actor. While I didn't care for the content of this movie, this is the second film he's directed and he's come leaps and bounds as a director since 2001's Escanaba. Let's hope he can pen a better script the next time around.

Don't fret, if you're waiting for a good Daniels film, Gods and Generals, a prequel to 1993's Gettysburg comes out in a few months.

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Trinity House Theatre Benefit concert featuring Jim Bizer, Lucy Webster, Jan Krist, Stewart Francke, Jim Roll and Raiston Bowles, 8 p.m. (doors open at 7:30 p.m.) March 1, at 38840 West Six Mile Road, Livonia. \$15, \$12 for theatre members. (734) 464-6302

JAZZ/BLUES

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. Orchard Ridge Campus, Smith Theatre

Peekin' at the Blues featuring Velma Jones at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 21 at 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$15. (248) 522-3422

Southfield Public Library Bluesman Robert B. Jones performs 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, at the Southfield Public Library, 26000 Evergreen. The program is free, space limited. (248) 948-0470

Vince James Trio

Compari's, 8-11 p.m. Wednesdays, 350 S. Main, Plymouth, (734) 416-

WORLD/FOLK MUSIC

Mama's Coffehouse

Nick Page and Maggie Ferguson (open mic at 7:15 p.m.) at 8 p.m., Jan. 25 at the Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 North Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$10; \$8 senior citizens and children under 16. Refreshments available. (248) 569-0965 for information. (248) 626-4650 to reserve slot for open mic. Northville Arts Commission

The Sirens 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, at Little Genitti's Theatre, 108 East Main Street, Northville. \$8. Enjoyable for whole family. (248) 449-9950 Pat McDunn

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

601-1100 Trinity House Theatre Madison Green, 8 p.m. Friday. Jan. 24; Len's Lounge and Corndaddy 8 p.m. Saturday. Jan. 25; Jason Dennie, fingerstyle quitarist, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1, and Messerly and Ewing, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7, at 38840 West Six Mile, Livonia. (734)

PROFESSIONAL DANCE

Detroit Dance Collective

464-6302

Collage, a concert of contemporary dances 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 16, in the Maggie Allesee Dance studio on the third floor of the Old Main Building, Cass and Warren, Detroit, \$12, \$10 students and seniors, Limited seating (313) 965-3544

SOCIAL DANCING

Dance Elite Ballroom Studio Ballroom/Latin dance party 9 p.m. to midnight, DJ, open to the public, Friday-Saturday, Maple at Haggerty (inside Bloomfield Avenue Shoppe II), West Bloomfield, \$10, \$9 Michigan Swing Dance Association, singles welcome.

(248) 926-8522 Italian Cultural Center

Country Western Dance hosted by Blackberry Creek Dancers at 7 p.m. Jan. 24. Line dance lesson at 7:30 p.m. at 28111 Imperial Drive, Warren, \$10 includes country dancing to DJ music, lesson, snacks, soft drinks and coffee. (313) 526-9432 Moon-Dusters

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

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Chrystyna Nykorak's 24 1/2- by 68-inch batik (pictured) is one of the works in the "Designs with Fiber" exhibit continuing through Saturday, Feb. 8, at the Padzieski Art Gallery in the Ford Community and Performing Arts Center on Michigan Avenue and Greenfield, Dearborn. The artists are members of Michigan Surface Design Association and show wall hangings, home decorative accessories and wearable art. For more information, call (313) 943-3095 or visit

Rhythm 'N' Shoes

www.dcacarts.org.

Weekly ballroom/ Latin dance party with disc jockey, 9-11 p.m. Thursday, 2172 Franklin Road, north of Square Lake Road, east of Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, \$7, \$6 members. (248) 334-0299. Troy High School Auditorium

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble 7:30 p.m. Feb. 7 at Troy High School. Tickets \$12/adults, \$10/seniors and \$6/students. (248) 559-2095 White Heather Club

One hour progressive "West Coast Swing" lessons every Sunday taught by Glen Clark at 7 p.m. through February, 150 Vester, Ferndale. \$6. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Free snacks and beverages. (313) 521-6564 Wolverine Silverspur Dancers

Country Western Valentine's Dance 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, at 28111 Imperial Drive (south of 12 Mile Road, east of Hoover), Warren. \$10 includes free lesson, DJ dancing & snacks. (586) 573-0668 or dli@comcast.net

COMEDY

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase Comedy Jamm Night! 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29. All tickets \$5, Jim McHugh: 8 and 10:30 p.m., Jan. 23-25; tickets \$5-\$10. Kivi Rogers: 8 and 10:30 p.m. Jan. 30-31, Feb. 1; tickets \$7-\$13, at 314 East Liberty, Ann Arbor Clarkston Village Players Present Commedy Night 2003

with storyteller Norm Stulz and comedian Jesse James Lundy 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Saturday. Feb. 1, at the Depot Theatre. \$12. (248) 625-8811 or visit the Web site at www.clarkstonvillageplayers.org

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

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle Kevin Pollak Feb. 13-15, at 269 East Fourth, Royal Oak. For Information call (248) 542-9900 Paisano's/Joey's Comedy Club-Dearborn

Tim Jones, Jan. 23-25; Mike: Green, Jan. 30-Feb. 2. Call for times and prices (313) 584-8885.

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

Detroit Institute of Arts Continues its Friday night programming, at the museum, 5200 Woodward Ave. With admission \$4, \$1 children, no charge for Founders Society members. Call (313) 833-8499 for exhibition information, (313) 833-7900 for general information or visit the Web site at www.dia.org

Detroit Science Center Digital Dome Planetarium Show continues on weekends, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, at 5020 John R. Detroit. (313) 577-8400,

www.detroitsciencecenter.org Detroit Zoo Kids will love The Arctic Ring of Life, which features a 70-foot

see-through acrylic tunnel wherepolar 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 at 8450 W. 10 Mile at 1-696 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.

Henry Ford Museum Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday: \$8.50-\$13.50. (313) 271-1620. For IMAX ticket prices and show times, call (800) 747-IMAX (4629).

Meadow Brook Hall Winter tour times are 1:30 p.m. Monday-Sunday, and 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, cost is \$12.50, \$8.50 seniors over age 62, \$6 children under 12, children under 2 free; special events include Tea on Tuesday 3-4:30 p.m. Jan. 21 (\$30), space is limited so call for reservations (248) 370-3140, and a Family Fun Day 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, for children to learn more about the hall's vast collection of china, prepaid reservations and chaperones required, cost is \$12 per child (includes one free adult), at Meadow Brook Hall on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. For information, visit the Web site at www.meadowbrookhall.org

Plymouth Historical Museum New permanent Abraham Lincoln exhibit, Images of Lincoln, acquired from Michigan collector Weldon Petz, at the museum, 155 S. Main. \$3, \$1 students ages 5-17, \$7 a family. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Saturday-Sunday. (734) 455-8940

Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm The 16-acre museum complex

tells the story of Oakland County's earliest pioneers. Admission includes tours of the 1840 Van Hoosen Farmhouse, 1850 Tenant Red House and 1927 Van Hoosen Dairy Barn. The museum's new permanent exhibit, A Lively Town, uses more than 200 images and 100 artifacts to show the development of the Rochester area. \$5, \$3 children, students and seniors. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, at the museum on Van Hoosen Road, one mile east of Rochester Road off Tienken. (248) 645-4663 or visit the Web site at www.rochesterhills.org/museum.htm

The Hilberry Repertory Theatre Company continues their 40th season with Caryl Churchill's Cloud Nine 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Jan. 30-31, Friday-Saturday, Feb. 14-15, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 1, and 8 p.m. Thursday, March 27, at the theater, 4743 Cass and Hancock on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit. Directed by Plymouth resident Gillian Eaton, the play is a wickedly funny examination of sexual stereotypes and the relationships between gender and status. Tickets are \$12-\$20. Call (313) 577-2972.

St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook

D.L. Coburn's The Gin Game continues 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 23-25, at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, between Cranbrook and Lahser roads, Bloomfield Hills, Complimentary parking with shuttle service available from Christ Church Cranbrook across the street. \$13, \$11 students and seniors. Seniors free Thursday, Jan. 23. (248) 644-0527 or online at www.StDunstansTheatre.com Village Players

Open The Fantasticks 8 p.m.

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Jan. 24-25 and 3 p.m. Jan. 26 in the Varner Recital Hall on the Oakland University Campus, Rochester, Tickets \$12/general; \$10/seniors/OU Employees; \$6/students. For reservations.

call (248) 370-3013. Redford Civic Symphony

Family Concert 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9, includes selections from Modeste Mussorgski, Ernesto Lecuona, Meredith Wilson, Joseph Haydn, and Leroy Anderson, Featured artist is Leah Diehl performing a horn concerto, at Thurston High School, Redford. No charge.

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STORYTELLERS

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Raynor, who has a Jewish background, to headliner Dan Keding of Illinois, an internationally known storyteller and balladeer who performs at music festivals throughout the world."

world.
Clark and Raynor share a love of children's stories. Three times a week Raynor leads storytimes for families at the Ann Arbor District Library, where she's a youth librarian.

Clark began her career as a children's librarian in Memphis. Today the Southfield resident coordinates media services, and the gifted and talented program, for Birmingham Public Schools. She regularly uses storytelling as an educational tool at new teacher orientation sessions.

"I started reading stories to children as a school librarian about 20 years ago," said Clark. "I'd choose a new story every week to read and realized as time went on I was telling it. I hadn't thought about it until one day a child asked how can I read with the book upsidedown. Before long I started going to workshops, joined a Story League, which requires members to agree to go forth and tell stories. It's become a hobby. Some people bike, I do chocolate and storytelling."

Clark favors telling participation stories, African American stories and folk tales. Sometimes she'll choose a child from the audience to come up and help tell a story.

"I get stories from everywhere," said Clark, who's told stories at the Detroit Institute of Arts, Greenfield Village, The Ark, and Cranbrook Art Museum in Bloomfield Hills. "There's a world of children's literature to choose from. I like to tell people who worry they can't tell their child a story that there's no one (who) has a more special place in a child's heart than a mom and dad. I tell them to get a story they like. If they don't like it, the listener will be able to tell. I've read a story 30 times before I'm ready to tell it. I don't tell it word for word but try to remember cer tain phrases. I try not to change the story, never the ending.

"Good storytelling with a message is not for young children. When there is a message I don't tell them, I let them figure it out on their own."

of a man killed by a lion and the sons who put his bones back together so he can come back to life. I can't tell it like she can but the moral of the story is that a man's never really dead until he's forgotten.

I especially needed to hear



Laura Pershin Raynor draws on her family's stories. Raynor grew up across the street from the Detroit Zoo and has plenty of "tails" to tell.

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STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

What: Canton Project Arts presents storytelling for children and adults

When: 1 p.m. for families (recommended for children ages 4 and up) and 7:30 p.m. for adults Saturday, Jan. 25

Where:

Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton

Tickets: \$3 for the 1 p.m. performance, \$5 for 7:30 p.m. show with tickets available at the Summit.

Call: (734) 394-5193

this story last week as one of my dear co-workers Tedd chooses instead to draw on her Schneider died.

He was editor of our Canton Observer and it was sad for all of us. A couple of my co-workers began telling funny stories

Children's literature, but she chooses instead to draw on her family for stories. Many of them are recorded on her CD, A Well Kept Secret, released a few weeks ago. A second CD, All Dressed Up, recorded at Big

about "a group move," during which Tedd tried to jump start one of the moving trucks with a cable plugged into the cigarette lighter in his small car. That was Tedd – always trying to help.

"Storytelling does a lot of Sky Studio in Ann Arbor, is set to debut in February. Both will be available in Canton for \$15 each.

"I'm going to tell stories of my wacky family, very colorful tales of my father, who's a trickster, stories of my grandmother

to America for an arranged marriage at 17. She was a natural-born storyteller. Every time I hurt myself or got into trouble, she would put me on her lap and tell me a story.

who came from the old country

"My stories have a cultural Jewish feeling to them but I'm also interspersing them with childhood. I grew up in the '60s across from the Detroit Zoo. You could hear the lions roar at night. I try to capture that nostalgia."

Like Clark, Raynor believes in the power of storytelling. It helped her land that first job after graduating from the University of Michigan.

"How I got started as a storyteller is I lied in an interview

for an outreach library," said Raynor, who grew up in Oak Park. "I was asked, 'Do you tell stories?' and I said, 'Oh yes, my grandmother told stories all the time.' I got the job and I've been telling stories ever since. In the early 1980s, a storytelling renaissance kicked off. I quit my job as a librarian and hit the road with a partner. I've been at the Ann Arbor District Library since 1990 and have continued to tell all along.

"I felt my family needed to have these stories documented and recorded. I believe children can figure who they are when they hear family stories why they are the way they are, who they are. That's why they love to hear the story of their birth and stories like the one about my grandmother coming to this country. It was a trying period in Jewish history, the only way to get out of the ghetto in Russia was through an arranged marriage. Once here, they worked to bring other family members over, that's true of any immigrant family. My grandmother lived to 105 and was able to see her stories come full-circle. At age 100 we had a family party for her and she sat with her hearing aid turned up, listening to (her family members tell her) the stories she told them. As a little girl I loved her stories."

Barb King thinks children of all ages will enjoy Canton Project Arts Storytelling Festival. The township's official arts council has been hosting the event for five years.

"Come out and have a good family time," said King, who's overseeing the festival. "It's a good family event. You can bring grandparents, aunts and uncles. You can all enjoy it. There's an evening storytelling show for adults. Sometimes I think people think this is just for children but we all enjoy a good story."

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

Joe Millionaire TV fib OK, Fox network says

LOS ANGELES (AP) _
Fox executives are making no apologies for *Joe Millionaire*, the reality series built on a lie.

The female contestants vying for the affections of Evan Marriott were told he's worth \$50 million.

He's really a \$19,000-ayear construction worker, according to Fox.

"I think that when people get involved in these unscripted shows these days, they know they're in for a ride," Gail Berman, Fox's entertainment president, told the Television Critics Association.

The women of Joe
Millionaire are eager to take
part in post-production publicity, an indication they were
satisfied with the series,
Berman said Saturday.

Marriott, 28, already has turned out to be more than a construction worker: He posed for underwear ads. There's been speculation that a real plot twist could be in store — that Marriott actually may be wealthy.

Asked about that possibility, Berman was guarded.
"What we presented to

"What we presented to the American public in our promos is accurate," she said. "We are not lying to them."

Berman was asked if the public would feel it had been deceived when the show's finale airs Feb. 17.

"I think the American public is going to be extremely satisfied by the ending of this show, extremely satisfied," she replied. In a later session with reporters, Marriott described a life that made him sound far from wealthy. His trade was hard hit by the post-Sept. 11 economic slump.

"A lot of the reason I did the show is I had such a bad year financially. I couldn't afford a bed," he said.

His parents are comfortable but not extremely affluent, Marriott said. His father worked two jobs, as a banker and teacher, and was a Marine Corps reservist, while his mother was primarily a homemaker.

"We weren't living in poverty but my parents struggled to make sure my sister and I had nice things," Marriott said.

He's worked a variety of jobs, including doorman and model, as he's tried to "find himself." he said.

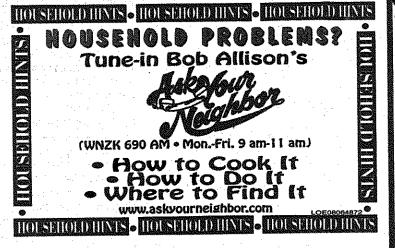
"find himself," he said.

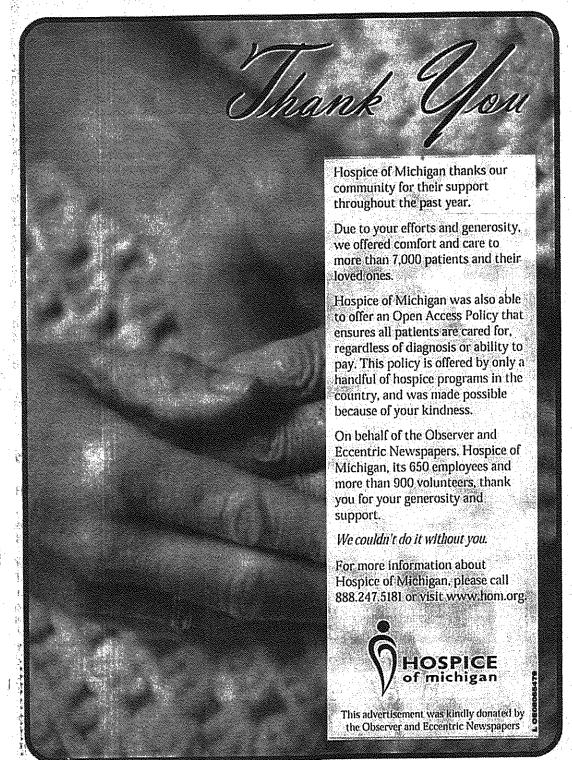
He dropped out of high school, Marriott said.

As for his newfound celebrity, Marriott called it "freaky." He was amused by various rumors circulating about him, but also said he found it uncomfortable to disclose his limited education.

Joe Millionaire has proven a hit for Fox, gaining the upscale viewers advertisers like to reach. It's the No. 3 show among adults 18 to 49 who earn \$75,000 a year or more, behind NBC's Friends and ER, the network said.

On March 10, another reality show, *Married by America*, will take over the *Joe Millionaire* 9 p.m. EST Monday time slot.









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Detroit Tunnel. Drive right out of the tunnel. At the first traffic light, turn right again. At the next traffic light, turn left onto Wyandotte Street and drive about four miles and look for Elaine's on your left. The understated store front with the name Elaine's in red, white and blue and simple wooden bench out front are spotted easily.

On a recent Saturday, Suzanne and Lynn Webb of Fenton reserved a table that also included their granddaughter, Taylor Webb, and friends Nancy and Wayne Knecht of Grand Blanc. This was not a first time. "Everything about this place is wonderful," Suzanne said.

"Better than any Paris bistro we've been to," Wayne added. Lynn judged "equal to or better than a Paris bistro.'

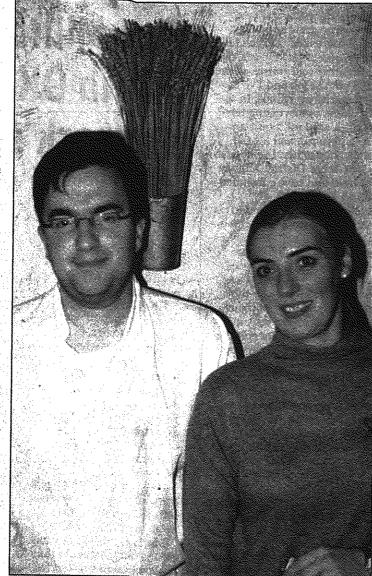
"My duck had a wonderful sauce and I'll score it nine out of 10." Suzanne echoed the comment with "My Pork Tenderloin was perfect with a Plum and Armagnac Sauce."

Amid these glowing remarks, if there's a flaw at Elaine Bistro, it's the bread. There must be a bakery source in Windsor for crispy French-style baguettes to soak up garlicky butter and on which to spread the delicious olive tapenade.

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

The Devins, natives of a suburb north of Paris, met in culinary school and were married in Notre Dame de Lorette in Paris. Finding their way from France in 1993 via London and Toronto, they opened their 30seat bistro in Windsor, appropriately enough on Bastille Day, July 14, 1999.

Origin of the name Elaine Bistro stems from the previous owner who ran an upscale takeout in the location for six months prior to the Devins' purchase. Framed menus from French restaurants and other memorabilia decorate textured buttercream-colored walls. Simplicity is underscored by soft lights and crisp white linen covered tables. It's straightforward, comfortable, intimate and the kind of restaurant where



Laurent and Valerie Devin, owners of Elaine Bistro in Windsor.

Before opening Elaine Bistro, Laurent was the food and beverage director for the Windsor Casino.

you instantly recognize that the big show comes on the plates.

Before opening Elaine Bistro, Laurent was the food and beverage director for the Windsor Casino, so he knows his wines. A short wine list is printed on the menu, but if you like wine, you need to browse the shelf. As might be expected, they are French, hand-chosen by the Devins to accompany their food. Even if you're a wine connoisseur, when Laurent recommends one with a dish, order it. You'll declare it a perfect match.

By Detroit area restaurant wine price standards, Bistro Elaine selections are reasonable at \$29-\$59 CAN per bottle (\$19.50-\$39.50 U.S.) for selections from quality Burgundy and Bordeaux producers.

SETTLING IN

Valerie dotes on you. She cares whether you like Laurent's food. If you do and say so enthusiastically, even more doting! And maybe a special dish that you did not order is sent to your table from

Laurent as his thank you. The kitchen is so close to most of the tables, he probably overheard your complimentary remarks.



Confit of Duck Leg.

Unless you decide to order the multicourse degustation menu, start with an hors d'oeuvres, or if you're in a group, several. In this category, don't miss the Escargots, where it's proper French etiquette to use bread pieces to soak up any extra garlicky butter.

"Rack of lamb and the duck dishes," Valerie said, "are the most popular. But the fourcourse Degustation Menu has become the most popular way to sample Laurent's food."

Portions are small and you won't groan from overeating. Typical of the plates included are appetizers of Carpaccio of Smoked Salmon, Assiette de Charcuterie which includes dried sausage, prosciutto, rillettes and a duck pate with pistachios, all accompanied by a spicy, coarse-grained mustard and cornichons.

On to Salade du Perigord with a galantine of foie gras (pureed goose liver with truffles), dried duck magret and a toast of goat cheese on a bed of crisp greens. This is followed by a small taste of Foie Gras Poele (pan-seared foie gras) and a Trou Normand, the interlude palate cleanser of Mango Sorbet with Remy Red liqueur.

For principal plates accompanied by vegetables, small portions of quail with dried fruit compote, confit de canard, venison with red fruit sauce and wine reduction, or sliced rack of lamb in a honey and lavender sauce may be served. For vegetarians, Swordfish with Sesame Paste make the meat. substitute.

Sweet endings don't get much better. There's Poires Belle Helene, Creme Brulee, Creme Caramel, Mousse au Chocolat, Tarte Tatin and the house specialty Crepes Suzettes flamed tableside, homemade. mango and lime sorbets and cheeses from France.

When the exchange rate is factored in at \$1.00 U.S. to \$1.52 CAN, dinner at Elaine Bistro is a bargain, even with the \$5.25 U.S. roundtrip tunnel toll tacked on. If you go, don't forget two pieces of government issued IDs with your photo. Bon Appetit!

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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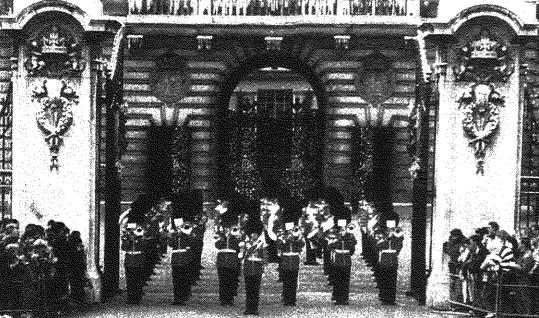




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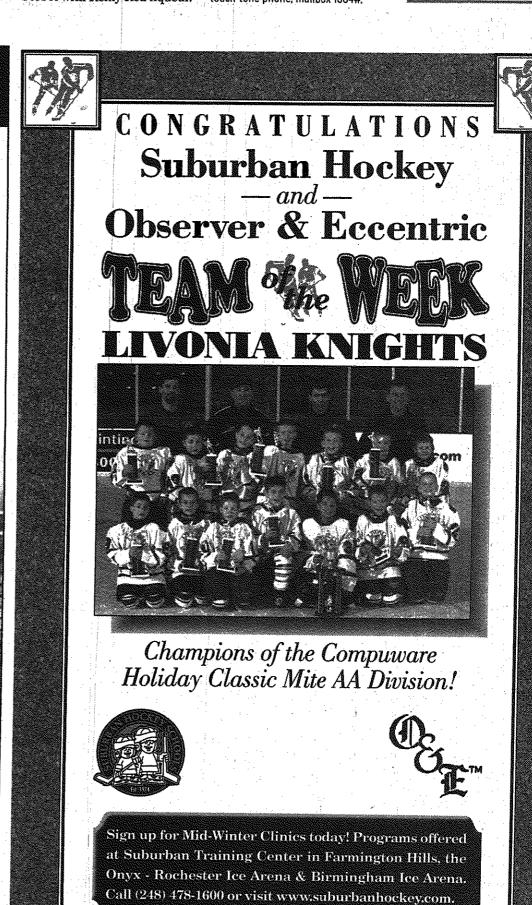


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Bylaws rule, so review, know them

I just purchased a condo but was never presented with the bylaws. My Realtor asked the seller's Realtor if small dogs were allowed, and she said yes. When I received the bylaws three weeks after I moved in, I found out dogs of any size weren't allowed.

I then received a letter from the association telling me to get rid of the dogs or they would start a lawsuit. My Realtor has agreed to sell my condo at no charge and pay my closing costs to

What are my rights? Can the association get a court order to remove my dogs even though I've agreed to sell my condo? Should my Realtor buy my condo back from me?

Your Realtor didn't do you a favor by not getting the condominium documents before your closing, which you should have received and reviewed.

You are bound by the condominium documents regardless because they were presumably recorded as part of the Master Deed.

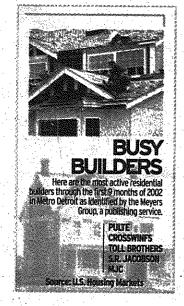
The association has the right to enforce the documents against you assuming that it has otherwise properly enforced these provisions in the past and the provisions were properly inserted in the condominium documents.

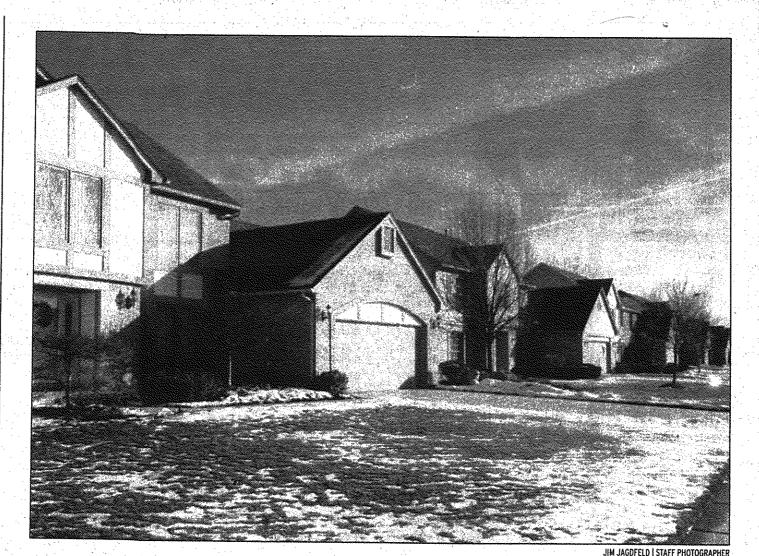
Your Realtor may well be negligent to you and you may have a cause of action for your damages.

The association can get a court order to remove your dogs even though you have agreed to sell your unit, but I would try to get things worked out with the association in the interim.

You would be well advised to get a new Realtor and a condominium lawyer before you purchase a condominium in the future.

Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer, concentrates his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. He can be reached at bmeisner@mich.com This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.





Real Estate

A less spectacular appreciation than in years past, but a steady rise, nonetheless, typified sales prices in most communities here as of year end.

Prices move up gradually

BY DOUG FUNKE STAFF WRITER

Good news for homeowners. Residential sales prices rose or held steady in almost every Observer & Eccentric area community at year end 2002 compared to the previous year.

The increase was gradual in many cases, according to figures provided by Realcomp II, a multi-listing service for several real estate boards here.
The median (half-above/half-below)

ales price for the year climbed 1 to 3 percent in Southfield, Troy, Lake Orion/ Orion Township, Oxford, Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Redford and Westland.

There was no change in Farmington/ Farmington Hills.

The increase was a bit higher, 6-8 percent, in Clarkston/Independence Township, Garden City, Rochester Hills and Birmingham.

Prices slipped about 3 percent in

Rochester. Prices soared 16 percent in Bloomfield Township, 28 percent in Bloomfield

Hills and 39 percent in West Bloomfield. Analysis, however, may be a bit difficult in those areas, said Karen Kage, CEO at Realcomp II.

The West Bloomfield and Bloomfield Township median figure is an average of several submarkets, she said.

More higher price sales were reported in the Orchard Lake area of West Bloomfield and more sales in Bloomfield Township occurred north of Square Lake Road last year than 2001.

"Just more high priced homes sold (last year) in Bloomfield Hills," Kage added.

Following are year-end median sales prices by community starting with 2002 and dating back annually to 1997. The numbers in parentheses refer to number of sales last year.

In Oakland County: Auburn Hills: (210 sales); \$151,900; \$151,000; \$141,500; \$130,000; \$116,500; \$110,000.

\$240,500; \$245,000; \$227,000; \$225,000; \$192,000. ■ Bloomfield Hills: (85); \$409,950; \$320,000; \$340,000; \$347,500;

Birmingham: (461); \$260,000;

'In a world where there's very few things you can count on ... it sure is nice being able to count on building value in a home.'

Larry Cohen residential builder, West Bloomfield

Bloomfield Township: (680); \$301,720; \$259,100; \$236,900; \$235,800; \$220,300; \$204,000.

Clarkston/Independence Township: (511); \$244,400; \$230,000; \$227,500; \$219,000; \$190,000; \$169,000.

Farmington/Farmington Hills: (1,180); \$222,000; \$222,500; \$208,500; \$192,000; \$186,000; \$172,500.

Lake Orion/ Orion Township: (510); \$222,000; \$215,500; \$194,000; \$183,000; \$169,000; \$155,000.

Oakland Township: (183); \$380,000; \$365,000; \$355,500; \$328,000; \$330,000; \$280,700.

Oxford Village/ Township: (216); \$216,750; \$212,000; \$199,900; \$170,200; \$170,000; \$161,000. Rochester: (211); \$260,500;

\$268,500; \$225,900; \$168,000; \$149,900; \$140,500. Rochester Hills: (997); \$258,000; \$240,000; \$240,000; \$226,000;

\$211,900; \$198,500. ■ Southfield: (908); \$160,000; \$157,500; \$147,500; \$140,700;

\$132,000; \$124,900. Troy: (881); \$242,500; \$237,500; \$221,500; \$199,500; \$190,000;

\$183,500. Waterford: (1,252); \$159,900; \$152,500; \$148,400; \$139,900;

\$128,000; \$120,300. West Bloomfield: (1,044); \$305,800; \$220,100; \$226,000; \$203,000; \$219,000; \$205,500.

In Wayne County: Canton: (1,262); \$225,000; \$219,000; \$206,500; \$187,500;

\$171,000; \$163,000. Garden City: (381); \$135,800: \$126,900; \$123,100; \$112,100; \$99,900; \$93,000.

Livonia: (1,396); \$174,950; \$172,000; \$164,000; \$151,900; \$140,000; \$134,000.

Plymouth city/Township: (546); \$220,000; \$217,000; \$204,000; \$180,000; \$164,500; \$161,000.

Redford: (1,060); \$125,000; \$121,250; \$114,000; \$101,000; \$91,500; \$85,000.

Westland: (985): \$139,100: \$135,000; \$128,000; \$118,900; \$110,000; \$96,500.

The figures include existing houses and condominiums that changed hands, plus new home sales. Refinancings weren't included.

Several factors - including type and size of home, its age and condition, reputation of public school district and municipal services provided - determine specific selling price within a community and across boundaries.

"I would describe the market as excellent for buyers and sellers with reasonable expectations," said John McArdle, a broker and co-owner of Remerica Hometown One in Plymouth.

'We're not in a market that's depressed. We're in a market of moderate growth coming off years of exceptional growth. Mortgage rates are awesome."

"Now, I prepare sellers for a realistic asking price," said Ronni Keating, a Realtor and co-owner of Snyder, Kinney, Bennett and Keating in Birmingham. "In previous years, you could test to see how high it would get. I'm advising more realistic.

"Buyers, I suggest if they're interested in making a move, now is the right time with (comparatively low) interest rates and houses sitting on the market," she added.

Larry Cohen, a West Bloomfield residential builder, finds that unbridled price appreciation leads to economic

"A gradual rise is best," he said. "In a world where there's very few things you can count on...it sure is nice being able to count on building value in a home. Plus, you get to live in it, enjoy it."

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Mortgage Bits

Tim 'Timbo' **Phillips**



Build wealth by buying a bigger house

lmost everybody knows that the mortgage refinance market is piping hot. Few, however, have considered that now might be a great time to make a move.

Sure, there is surely a big "win" in knocking off a chunk of monthly mortgage payment with a refinance of your existing home. But, if you are going to pay for a new mortgage, why not take. advantage of some hugely discounted real estate deals? You can reduce your interest rate and get more home at the same time.

"Some of my more savvy clients have taken advantage of this buyers' market by purchasing another home instead of just refinancing their exist-ing home," said top-producing Realtor Joe Williams of RE/MAX 100 in Novi.

Williams adds, "while these people are likely accepting slightly lower prices for their existing homes, they are 'stepping up' into homes that are similarly discounted. This strategy exemplifies how well real estate can be used as a wealth-building tool."

To illustrate Williams' point, a hypothetical borrower might have to discount his \$150,000 home by 10 percent to sell it this weekend. However, he can make up double that amount by negotiating a similar deal for the purchase of a \$300,000 home. Combine that \$30,000 of future equity with the monthly savings of today's great interest rates, and you have truly a Golden Opportunity.

The great rates allow even somewhat lateral moves to make sense for borrowers who need to change homes. A 1 percent interest rate reduction allows a borrower to secure 10 percent more mortgage money with the same monthly payment.

An existing 30-year mortgage of \$150,000 at 71/2 percent has the same monthly payment as a 30-year mortgage of \$165,935 at 61/2 percent. That works out to 10 percent more home for the same monthly payment.

Joe Williams and I agree that we are not likely to see such a wonderful combination of low mortgage interest rates and soft real estate prices again for a very long time. This is truly a rare opportunity. I expect investors and aggressive home seekers to snatch up some very attractive real estate deals in the coming months.

Tim Phillips is a residential mortgage specialist serving all of Michigan. You may reach him at (734) 797-5522, or via e-mail at PhillipsHQ@comcast.net. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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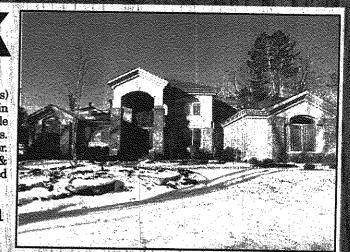
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Kathy Coon and Thomas Reeves are brokers/owners of Great Lakes GMAC.

Furhad Waquad, affiliated with Real Estate One in Bloomfield Hills, received the Realtor Active in Politics of the Year Award for 2002 from the Michigan Association of Realtors.

Waquad twice has served as chairman of the political affairs committee for the Metropolitan Consolidated Association of Realtors and formerly was chairman of the state association public policy committee.

Waquad has acquired the professional designations of Certified Residential Specialist, Graduate Realtor Institute, Certified International Property Specialist and Accredited Buyer Representative.

He lives in Bloomfield Hills.

Talon Development Group has moved its offices to 550 Hulet Drive, Suite 103, Bloomfield Hills. Contacts are phone (248) 334-1950; fax (248) 334-1915; and Web www.talondev.com

Several staffers have affiliated with TMP Associates, an archi-

tectural and engineering firm in Bloomfield Hills.

Eduardo Blanc, an architect, was a partner at R&B Design & Construction in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and an adjunct professor of technology at Washington University there. He received an architecture degree from the University of Buenos Aires and lives in Ann Arbor.

Thomas Barber, staff architect, received a bachelor of architecture degree from Carleton University and previously worked at JPRA

Architects in Farmington Hills. He resides in Novi.

Margaret Matta, AIA, was in business for herself as a sole practitioner for 20 years before joining TMP as an architect. She has a bachelor of environmental studies degree and a bachelor of architecture degree from the University of Detroit Mercy. Matta lives in Troy.

Scott Denby, an interior designer, has a bachelor of fine arts degree from Wayne State University. He lives in Clinton Township.

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HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observerarea residential realestate closings recorded the week of Sept. 9-13, 2002, at the Wayne **County Register of Deeds** office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

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EXAM PREPARATION

Livonia Community **Education and Oakland Builders** Institute present a 16-hour class to prepare for the state builders license exam 6-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Jan. 28-Feb. 6, at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Cost is \$207, plus \$20 for a textbook. To register, call (734) 523-9277.

BUY HOME CLASS

Deborah Johnson of RE/MAX Great Lakes in Farmington Hills hosts a free, no-obligation seminar for home buyers 6 p.m. Wednesday. Jan. 29, at Quicken Loans, 20555 Victor Parkway, Livonia.

To register, call (248) 553-4448.

HOME SHOW

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan sponsors its 11th annual Novi Home Improvement Show Friday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 2, at Novi Expo Center, I-96 and Novi Road.

Hundreds of exhibitors are expected.

Hours are noon to 9 p.m.

Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Cost is \$7, \$6 for senior citizens. No charge for children under 12.

On-site parking is available for an additional charge. For more information, call (248) 862-1019.

CREW MEETING

The Detroit chapter of Commercial Real Estate Women hosts motivational speaker Kevin Giddins noon Wednesday, Feb. 5, at the Westin Southfield Hotel, 1500 Town Center, Southfield.

Cost, which includes lunch, is \$40 for members, \$55 for nonmembers. To register, call

Joanne Sisson at (248) 458-7203, or Ann Heimstra, (248) 816-3834.

EXAM PREP II

Oakland Builders Institute conducts a 16-hour class to prepare for the state builders license exam.

The class goes 6-10 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, Feb. 10-19, at Kettering High School, 2800 Bender, Waterford; and 6-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Feb. 11-20, at Walled Lake Middle School, 46720 W. Pontiac Trail.

Cost is \$205, plus \$20 for a textbook and sample questions. To register, call Waterford

Community Education at (248) 674-3145, or Walled Lake Community Education, (248) 956-5000.

MASONRY SEMINAR

The Masonry Institute of Michigan presents a two-day masonry certification seminar 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 20-21, at its offices, 12870 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Cost is \$395 for members,

\$495 for designers and building officials, and \$795 for contractors and suppliers.

To register, call (734) 458-

CAREER DAYS

Real Estate One presents a free informational class on how to get into residential real estate sales noon to 1 p.m. Fridays at its Farmington Hills office, 32961 Middlebelt at 14 Mile.

To register, call Sharon Spindler (Ext. 404) or Steve Leibhan (Ext. 405) at (248) 851-4100.

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FAIR HOUSING CENTER

The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit, a non-

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ENERGY CD-ROM

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Much of town made famous by Judge Bean up for auction

towns? The Sunbelt?

Well listen up. Much of the West Texas town of Langtry, where a judge once dispensed justice from a saloon,

is on the auction block. The minimum bid on the eBay Web site for the Langtry assets is

However, online bidders are advised that none of the property directly tied to the legendary Judge Roy Bean is included in the sale.

Bill and Pat Dodd, owners of the Harold T. Dodd estate, possess about 80 percent of Langtry. Harold Dodd owned the entire area before Bean

opened court there in 1882. 'They've sold about 100 lots over

(AP) - Do ya' enjoy history? Little the years, but there are still nearly 400 lots left and all the acres that surround the town," Richard Nored, who has partnered with the Dodds to try to sell the town.

Known as "the Law West of the Pecos," Bean was a no-nonsense arbiter who dispensed justice from a Langtry saloon. He was infatuated with an 1800s British actress named Lilly Langtry, and named the town after her. Bean was the town's justice of the peace for 20 years.

The eBay auction includes 228 acres with 399 lots, several old buildings and two cemeteries in the town of about 30 residents, 56 miles west of Del Rio in Val Verde County on the Mexican border. Most of the

'When I was growing up, everyone in Texas and most of the world had heard of Judge Roy Bean.

Now it seems like the last few generations have never heard of him."

Richard Nored owner, Gro Motel

lots are undeveloped.

Off limits from the sale, however, are the Bean visitor's center and the old saloon.

"When I was growing up, everyone in Texas and most of the world had heard of Judge Roy Bean," said Nored, owner of the Exxon gas station and the Gro Motel in Langtry. "Now it seems like the last few generations have never heard of him."

The land up for auction has been in the family of Pat Dodd's husband for generations.

"He grew up out there, and his ancestor, W.H. Dodd, was Judge Roy Bean's successor," Pat Dodd said.

Nored said he added 10 acres of his own to the offer and encouraged the Dodds to sell the property on

"I saw a deal about Bridgeville, Calif., for sale on eBay, and it gave me the idea," Nored said.

Years ago, a real estate agent established \$750,000 as a fair asking price, said Pat Dodd, adding that the asking price hasn't changed since.

Dodd's family has moved and lost interest in Langtry, and long-dis-

tance ownership isn't practical. "I want to see someone make this little, old West Texas town thrive again," Nored said.

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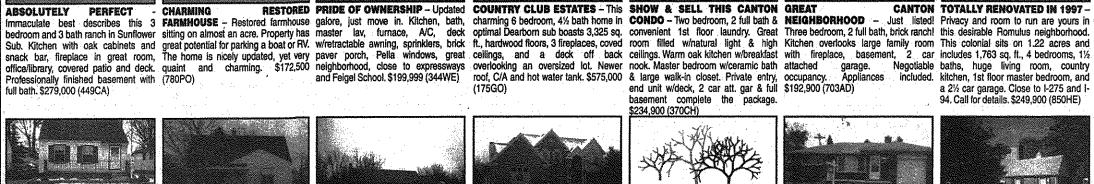


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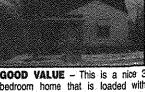


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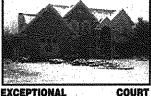


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New California law makes infill development a priority

(AP) - While it was being debated last year, no one pitched AB857 as the one true initiative to reshape California's haphazard growth management policies.

But as the state begins 2003 with the new law in place, its supporters hope it will provide the framework for a gradual, dramatic series of changes ahead.

More, they hope it will help California erase its image as a national laggard in growth management as widespread sprawl continues to dominate its 155,000 square-mile land-

The new law makes a priority of infill development - rebuilding and reusing existing neighborhoods - as the state doles out billions of dollars worth of infrastructure spending.

Two more priorities would spare working farms from development and make suburban growth more efficient by squeezing more people onto fewer acres.

Census reports show California's post-1970 suburbs average about 1,600 fewer people per square mile than pre-1950s neighborhoods.

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While still a small step, the law sets up new struggle between powerful establishments of "Smart-Growth" theorists and builders who operate in the hard realities of the marketplace.

And it comes as California homebuilders forecast 124,000 new single-family homes this year, the highest number in a decade, primarily on empty land at the state's booming suburban edges.

Backers consider the move toward strategic growth investments the biggest leap in a generation for a state government that routinely lets 58 counties and almost 500 cities decide how to accommodate roughly six million new residents a decade.

The next five years, California intends to spend \$56 billion on colleges, highways, hospitals, courts and state buildings. Voters have approved billions more for local schools and housing in bond issues.

The new law could push

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Abel Avalos infill land acquisition manager, John Laing Homes

more of it toward existing neighborhoods instead of new

The law also requires the state to fulfill a 1970 requirement, signed into law by then-Gov. Ronald Reagan, to prepare a long-range vision and strategy for the state's growth.

That was last done in 1978, when California had 13 million fewer people.

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan also has focused on the concept of Smart Growth in recent years.

Environmentalists, farmers, planners and urban activists view it as a beginning for California - a law they can muscle up in coming legislative sessions. They're tailoring new proposals from growth management to tax policy to fit AB857's new priorities.

Those priorities typically favor growth in established neighborhoods, downtowns and declining 1960s and 1970s suburbs that have streets, sewer lines and transit routes.

Supporters want the state to encourage more land-efficient ideas like Fresno's two-story elementary schools that take up seven acres instead of 10 and Sacramento's hundreds of new downtown residences, including its first new units above grocery stores and parking garages.

Other favorites include reusing obsolete sites.

In Anaheim, a homebuilder plans 36 townhouses and 20 single-family homes on a fiveacre former truck yard near downtown

Abel Avalos, who works for the developer for the Anaheim project, says buyers want to

escape worsening commutes. While five decades of suburban growth has proved enormously popular in California, it has also brought some of the nation's worst traffic.

"There's pent-up demand. It's not really an issue of whether people will buy this," says Avalos, infill land acquisition manager for John Laing Homes.

The infill-type development stressed by the new law represents more than 30 percent of growth in Los Angeles, but only about five percent in fast-suburbanizing counties like Riverside and San Bernardino, says John Landis, professor of city and regional planning at the University of California, Berkeley.

Landis says a statewide 30 percent infill development rate could spare up to 2.5 million acres of open land from development in this century.

But for all the enthusiasm, the new law's supporters have a fight on their hands.

Much of the state's growth machine - suburban builders. real estate agents, businesses

and local governments - opposes state meddling in how cities and counties grow.

Last year, their lobbyists fought the bill in committee hearings, saying it could steer precious road and school money from popular hotmarket suburbs to central cities where many families fear weak schools and don't want to live.

Even backers acknowledge that's possible in a state where more than eight in 10 residents say their ideal is a single-family house with a back yard in a safe neighborhood. Suburban starter houses far from jobs also tend to be more affordable than city homes.

"It has great promise, but it could also be an empty gesture unless it's implemented well." says Nick Bollman, head of the California Center for Regional Leadership.

Guy Bjerke, vice president of the Home Builders Association of Northern California, says, "It's unfortunate this legislation got passed because it doesn't recognize the significant costs of building infill."

Mortgage rates rise, but economists upbeat on sales

(AP) - Rates on 30-year and 15vear mortgages ticked up last week, but are still sufficiently low to keep home sales humming, economists

The average interest rate nationally on a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage rose to 5.97 percent for the week ending Friday, Jan. 17, up from 5.95 percent the previous week, Freddie Mac reported in its weekly nationwide survey of rates.

Rates on 30-year mortgages had started the new year by dropping to a new low of 5.85 percent, for the

week ending Friday, Jan. 3. That rate was the lowest since the mortgage giant began tracking 30-year mortgage rates in 1971.

Records that reach back earlier than Freddie Mac's put that 30-year rate of 5.85 percent at the lowest level since the early 1960s.

For 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rates ticked up last week to 5.36 percent, compared with 5.33 percent in the prior week.

But rates on one-year adjustable rate mortgages stood at 4.03 percent, unchanged from the previous week.

We expect mortgage rates to hover around their current levels and for 2003 to be another strong housing market," said Frank Nothaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

The National Association of Realtors' chief economist David Lereah believes sales of both existing homes and new ones hit record highs in 2002 and that 2003 will mark the second-best year for home sales.

. "The momentum gained from low mortgage interest rates will carry

strong home sales into 2003," Lereah said.

Low mortgage rates over the past year have been fueling not only strong home sales but a surge of home mortgage refinancing activity.

The extra monthly cash consumers are saving by refinancing their mortgages at lower interest rates is helping to support consumer spending.

The Mortgage Bankers Association of America said refinancing activity has accounted for just over three quarters of all mortgage applications in recent weeks. Mortgage rates reported by Freddie

Mac don't include add-on fees known as points. Thirty-year and 15-year. mortgages carried an average fee of 0.6 point last week, while one-year adjustable mortgages had an average 0.7 point financing fee.

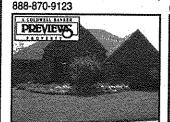
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A year ago, rates on 30-year mortgages averaged 6.83 percent, 15-year mortgages were 6.31 percent and one-year adjustable mortgages stood at 5.08 percent.

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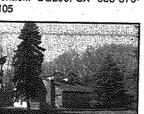
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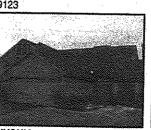
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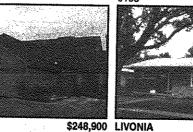
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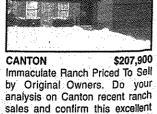
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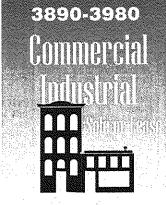


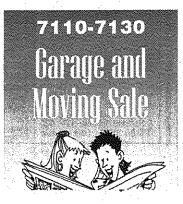


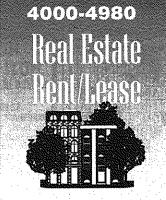


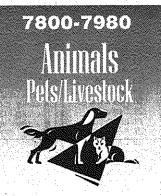
















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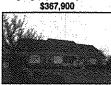
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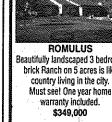
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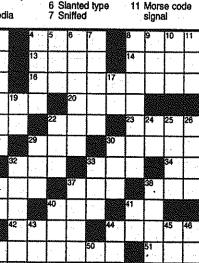
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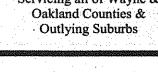
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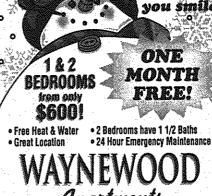
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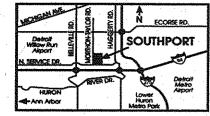
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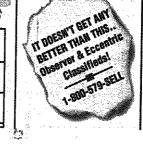
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PLYMOUTH - Charming Bungalow. Large 3 bedroom, 11/2 bath w/full dormer, updated kitchen w/nook addition, spacious LR & DR w/hardwood firs, updated furnace, main bath, windows, siding, copper plumbing, doowall, landscaping/pavers & driveway. &239,900 (24IRV) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN - Great income property. Brick 2 family home with 2 bedrooms on each floor, separate furnaces and utilities. newer roof and siding, dining room, full basement, 2 car garage, fenced yard. Great investment. \$139,900 (05KEN) 734-



DEARBORN HGTS - Spacious brick Ranch. 3 bedrooms, 11/2 baths, bright country kitchen, cozy family room w/fireplace, refinished hardwood floors in bedrooms, rec room w/lav, 2 car attached garage & fenced yard. Walk to public & private schools. Great terms. \$145,000 (08LIN) 734-455-5600



REDFORD - Beautifully maintained: 3 bedroom ranch, hardwood floors, vinyl windows, plaster walls & coved ceilings, updates include roof, furnace & CA, electric & carpet. Neutral colors, ceramic tile in kitchen, ig basement for added space. 2 car garage has 1 car dr & South Redford schools. \$136,000 (73ORA) 734-455-5600



REDFORD - Regal Redford ranch. 3 bedroom brick ranch w/21/2 baths, 2 car garage,rec room has kitchen, wet plaster. CA w/electronic air cleaner, huge deck, vinyl thermo windows, country kitchen w/secretary & dishwasher, 100 AMP serv w/ckt. breaker. \$147,000 (12ROB) 734-



CANTON - Must see! Delightful 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 21/2 car garage. Many updates, kitchen, flooring, bath, windows, AC, roof, insulation, banister railing. Formal dining room & family room with fireplace. \$220,000 (43ROB) 734-455-



DEARBORN - W. Dearborn brick ranch! 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Very clean ranch with 2 car garage, partially finished basement, newer windows, entry doors & glass block windows. Full ceramic bath. Hardwood floors. Deep lot. \$111,000 (13ROS) 734-455-5600



NEW HUDSON - Beautifull 3 bedroom, 2% bath colonial winnofessionally landscaped! Brick paver patio, large deck overlooking 21/2 wooded acres with stocked pond & beach. Hardwood floors. Finished basement with 4th bedrooms. \$349,900 (03SHA) 734-455-5600



WESTLAND - Fantastic upper level condol 2 bedrooms, 2 baths. Open & flowing floor plan. Vaulted ceilings, 2 skylights. Doorwall off living room faces woods. Neutral carpet. Appliances. Anderson windows. One dog or cat allowed! \$113,500 (96SHO) 734-455-5600



Plymouth - Downtown PLYMOUTH ranch! Great 3 bedroom, 11/2 bath brick/vinyl ranch offering totally updated kitchen, updated bath, newer windows treatments, Berber carpet, windows, entry & storm doors. \$208,000 (79SIM) 734-



hardwood floors in living room & bedrooms, + basement. Close to Oakwood Hospital & expressways. \$100,000 (20SOU) 734-455-5600



NOVI - Seldom seent 2 bedroom, 1/2 bath split-level end unit condo w/basement. Open floor plan w/studio ceiling, spacious rooms, newer kitchen floor, appliances. Ceramic bath,newer carpet. garage. \$139,700 (02STO) 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLLE - Great location. Walk to

town from this 3 BH, 21/2 BA condo with pri-

vate patio. First floor laundry, neutral décor

& gas log fireplace. Finished basement.

Master bedroom w/personal BA and WIC.

Complex has pool, tennis court & club-

house, \$199,900 (02SAR) 248-349-5600

REDFORD - This home is a "10". Beautiful 3 BR, 11/2 BA ranch is spotless. Totally updated custom kitchen by premier builder w/top of the line appliances included. Open floor plan w/dining el & living room with hardwood floors. Finished basement with bar &fireplace & 1/2 bath. \$144,900 (75SIO) 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH 705 South Main St. 734-455-5600

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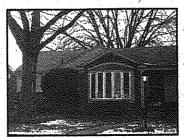
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DEARBORN - Gorgeous end unit townhouse. Built in 1997, decorated like a model, 2 bedroom, 2 full baths, great room w/FP, all appl. stay & beautifully compliment the bright white kitchen. Library w/doorwall to balcony, 1st floor laundry, formal dining room, att. garage & alarm



WIXOM - Need fast sale! 3 bedroom Trilevel. Spacious pie shaped lot. Open floor plan. Oak cabinets in large kitchen w/doorwall to deck. Brand new wood fence. New ceramic tile in basement. Slate in landing. Newer carpet. \$184,900 (36WEN) 734-



DETROIT - Move right in Beautiful 3 bedroom, 1 bath brick ranch offers 11/2 car garage with many updates. A must seel \$144,900 (55WES) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Immaculate! 2 bedroom, 2 bath spacious ranch condo. Open floor plan. Updated kitchen & breakfast room with appl's included. Large living room with gas fireplace. Finished basement. End unit with extra wide doors. Handicap accessible. \$183,900 (00WOO) 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLE - Perfection in Northville, 3 BR. 21/2 BA custom contemporary cape cod located deep in sub. Maple hardwood floors & kitchen cabinets. Ceramic tile in foyer and kitchen. Upgrade carpet. Many updated T/O. \$479,900 (20ABB) 248-349-



LIVONIA - Wonderful family colonial. Close to all amenities and Stevenson High school. Many custom features and extensive use of wood. Wrought iron fence enclosed backyard, 4 BR, 2½ BA w/2½ side entry garage. More appliances included. \$379,900 (41ELL) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Move-in condition. Cathedral ceiling in kitchen w/oak cabinets. Bay window in nook. Huge FR w/fireplace. Finished basement. Roof shingles in '02. Some carpeting. Vinyl new in '03. Large master bedroom w/WIC & private bath. 3 BR, 2½ BA colonial on a large lot. \$229,900 (10JAM) 248-349-5600



DEARBORN - Character, quality & curb appeal. This spacious 3BR, 11/2 BA cape cod has a large LR w/beautiful fireplace, hardwood floors & recessed lighting. Formal dining room w/door to patio & nicely landscaped yard. Huge master w/1 1/2 BA sitting area. Pella windows T/O. \$179,900 (50WIL) 248-349-5600



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HIGHLAND - Golf course community. Custom built home on an approx .7 acre lot in Prestwick Village. Soaring ceilings in great room & media room. Large Island kitchen. Hardwood foyer &solid oak circular stairway. Master suite w/2 WIC, Jacuzzi tub, custom blinds & recessed lights. \$459,900 (37CAR) 248-349-5600



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CANTON - Immaculate, 3 bedroom, 2½ bath colonial w/neutral colors. Newer carpeting. Super clean home. Stunning cedar deck w/lighting. Finished office in basement. Fireplace in family room. So many extras. \$254,900 (27PAR) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Park-like setting for this 3 BR, 1/2 BA colonial w/updated kitchen w/hardwood floors. Entertaining FR w/newer mantel &large beckoning windows inviting you to the large yard w/deck. Part fin bsmt for play area. Immaculate w/neutral colors. Shows like a model, FFL. The perfect set-



BRIGHTON - Welcome to your dream home. Custom built colonial on a wooded lot. 3 spacious BR's, 21/2 BAs. W/O lower level & FFL. 3 car side entry garage. Gourmet kitchen w/French doors leading to cedar sunroom w/hot tub. Brighton schools. \$409,900 (83SIL) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Canton townhouse. 2 bedrooms, 11/2 bath w/many updates. All redone in '01. Kitchen & baths, carpet, lighting, sinks, counters & cabinets. Appliances: stove, refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher & HWH all new in '01. Private entry w/newer exterior door-full view in 2001. &119,000 (10ORC) 248-349-5600



WIXOM - Almost new colonial. 4 BR. 21/2 BA w/ceramic baths, formal dining room & FFL. Newer carpet in family room w/fireplace & cathedral ceilings. Large deck overlooks nature preserve. Drywall, carpet & tile in basement. Newer hardwood in kitchen. \$310,000 (52MIL) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Take a look at the rest then come see the best. Absolutely move-in ready. From the beautiful oak kitchen w/built-in leaded wine cabinet to the professionally landscaped yard. Super Family room w/newer stone fireplace, fresh décor & carpet, 2 level deck, pavers,patio &



NORTHVILLE - Blue Heron beauty W/O. 3 bedroom, 31/2 bath 2 story with walk-out to the water w/boats & more. 2-story great room. Walk-out has its own fireplace. Could be in-law quarters. Newer carpeting. To many amenities to list. \$419,900 (85BLU) 248-349-5600



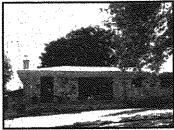
HOWELL - Overlooks Lake Chemung. Charming 3 bedroom, 1 bath home on a double lot with newer roof, furnace & well. Access to private all sports Lake Chemung. \$225,000 (30SUN) 248-349-



CANTON - Stunning 3 bedroom, brick ranch w/2 baths, newer windows, doorwalls, siding, roof, furnace & A/C, Updated kitchen w/oak cupboards, Pergo flooring, finished basement, newer windows, cement, spacious master suite & much



FARMINGTON HILLS - Well worth taking a look at. 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch on approx. 1 acre of total privacy. Home needs a major face lift, but has great potential. Priced well below homes in area. Bring all offers. Immediate occupancy. \$199,900 (35SHA) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE - Walk to downtown Northville from this 3 BR, 11/2 BA ranch located on a tree-lined street. Profes. finished basement w/gas fireplace. Some hdwd, bay in dining area, brick & paver patio. Newer roof, siding, driveway, porch, windows. C/A. Refrig, stove & dishwasher stay. \$235,000 (13ELY) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Fantastic 1998 built home. All theneed touches are already done. 3 BR, 31/2 BA colonial w/deck, sprinklers, landscaping and an incredible finished basement w/full bath & great storage. Island counter kitchen open to FR. Beautifully decorated from top to bottom. \$284,900 (09BRO) 248-349-5600

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\$799,999 NORTHVILLE NORTHVILLE HILLS GOLF COURSE COMMUNITY! Absolutely gorgeous home w/custom upgrades t/ol Dual staircase, pillared GR, fabulous gourmet kitchen, nearly 4,200 SF of luxury! Quiet court location(87MER2)

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\$424,900 NORTHVILLE TURN KEY CONDITION! IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY! Lg home on lg lot with circular driveway. 4 BR, 2.5 baths, brand new furnace & hwh. Built-in microwave & over. Near downtown Northville!(00NOR2)

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\$414,900 NORTHVILLE HOME WITHOUT THE HOMEWORK! Gorgeous spacious 3 BR condo w/1st fir mstrl Upgrds incl; crown molding, hw firs, extra lighting & double oven. Versatile upstairs loft. Imm occupancy avail.(90ASP2)

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PLYMOUTH \$364,500 PLYMOUTH CONDO, MALLARD'S POND! Beautiful 2,360 SF, 3 BR, 3.5 bath with 2-story foyer. Great room with cathedral ceiling & bridge overlook. A must see home in an elegant community!(60BEA2)

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\$319,900 HURRY TO THIS 4 BR, 2.5 BA BRICK Colonial features neutral decor, new 344 SF deck, gourmet kitchen, large master ste, spacious FR w/FP. 1997 built, 2645 SF, & warranty included (P41801)

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\$294,900 **PLYMOUTH** BEAUTIFUL TREE LINED ST.! A real charmer, hardwood floors throughout. Natural fireplace, year round sun room, cedar deck. Don't miss this one!(23A608)

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\$289,900 **GREEN OAK** FABULOUS SANDY BEACH FRONTAGE on 680 acre all sports Whitmore Lake. Enjoy year round sunsets from this totally updated home w/open flr plan. Move right in, all appliances included (E11900)

FARMINGTON LOCATION, QUALITY, VALUE, & CHARM 4 BR, 3 BA, 2200 sq ft brk ranch. Remodeled \\\\((S36267)\)



\$274,900 CANTON BEAUTIFUL MASTER 1ST FLR CAPE COD. 2 ig rms up plus a loft area for poss FR or office. Prof fin bsmt w/2 BR and a full BA. 3.5 BA total. 1st fir laundry. GR w/FP & cath ceilings. Newer wndws & rf(S46639)



\$221,000 CANTON SHOWS LIKE NEW! Beautiful 3 bdrm, 2 bath condo built in 2001. Located in Cherry Hill Village, a neighborhood development. Jetted tub in mstr, ceramic tile, all appl stay.(23C306)

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\$217,000 BEAUTIFUL QUAD HOME. Great location, great schools, great pricel 4 BR, newer furn, air, air cleaner, wallside wndws, most carpet, hrdwd foyer. Hot tub is negot. Great yard, & bsmt.(H7334)

\$210,000 **PLYMOUTH** WALK TO DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH! Sharp and updated four bedroom 1560 sq. ft. Tri-level w/2.5 car mechanic's dream garage. Updates include kit, furn & CA, windows, HWF's and much morel (\$845)

734-591-9200

\$190,000 PLYMOUTH PLYMOUTH BUNGALOW 1428 sq ft of quality living area. 4 BR, 1 BA, LR W/FP. Everything is new: rf windws, doors, kit, bath, plumb, furn w/ac, elec. 2 car heated gar w/wrk shp.(A40758)



\$186,500 **FARMINGTON** CLEAN & WELL CARED FOR HOME! 3 BR, 1.5 baths, remodeled in 2001, 1,486 SF,neutral carpet in '02, hdwd firs in bdrms, in'01. New roof & morel (28LAR2)



WESTLAND TRADITIONAL BROWNSTONE LIVING 3 stories of living comfort. Clean, redecorated, ready to move in. Many upgrades include hardwood floors, white kitchen, open railing and more.(C675)

734-591-9200 PC 070692

\$179,900 AN ENTERTAINER'S DREAM! Must see to appreciate this 4 lg BR, 2 BA ranch with lg LR w/FP & hrdwd firs, finished bsmt w/ bar & sep rec rm, 2.5 car gar, and private fenced yd. 1450 sq ft!(114089)



\$179,900 LIVONIA CHARMING & COMFORTABLE HOME IN LIVONIA! Open floor plan, refin'd oak firs, new tilt-in windows '01, copper plumbing, newer roof, CA, fin'd bsmt, oversized garage, Ig stone patio & lovely landscapingl (04SUN2)

734-591-9200

\$174,900 LIVONIA SOUGHT AFTER STATE STREETS! This Livonia brk ranch is awaiting its new owner. Come take a look & be pleasantly surprised. 3 BR, dining area, FR, bsmnt, 2 car garage. Great price!(W31724)

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734-455-7000



\$172,900 DEARBORN MUST SEE! SUPER CLEAN! Live in 1 unit, rent the other or could be 1 large homel 3-4 bedrooms, 2 baths, living room/fireplace, dining room, study/den, garage, basement and morel(\$772)



\$159,900 DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS CUTIE! 3 BR brick bungalow in great neighborhood w/ Livonia schools. New rf, wndws, drvwy, HWH, furn, & morel Gar & fin area in bsmt for entertaining tool Call todayl(C11396)

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\$154,300 LOCATED ON STREET W/COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE! 3 BR ranch w/new kitchen, cove cellings, wet plaster, high-efficiency furnace, 2-car garage, fenced yard & 12 mo. home protection plan. Great home for the money!(61MIL2)

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\$134,900 GOOD VALUE Good condition, good 248-348-6430

\$149,900 WESTLAND GREAT INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY 2 identical units. 700 Sq ft ea. 2 BR, 1 bath, liv rm, din/kit area, basement. Lease both or live in 1 and lease other. Your choice.(S208)

734-326-2000

PC 070702

\$139,000 LIVONIA FRIENDLY HOME! Many updates styled for today. Cozy home with a deep fenced lot w/ space for pets, garden & play area. Great for 1st time buyer, single parent or past renter.(23C8936)



DEARBORN CHARMING HOME! 3 bedroom ranch. Family room w/natural fireplace overlooking deck & large yard. Look no further for the perfect starter home. This is it! Act fast or be sorry!(23D5735)

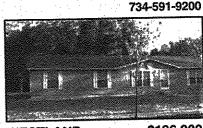
REDFORD

PARTICULAR BUYER ALERT! Very popular location

in Westland on a low traffic winding street. All kinds of updates: garage, drvway, deck, rf, wndws, siding, & much more Cozy FR off kit.(C33076)

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\$121,900



\$136,900 WESTLAND BEAUTIFUL NEWER HOME ON ALMOST 1 ACRE wooded lot located on quiet street. All appliances included, C/O complete, move in at closing. Double lot.(P283)

location. Clean as a whistle and immediate occupancy. 3 BR, 2 car garage, c/a.(R20151)

REDFORD UPDATES GALOREI Lovely 3 BR, 1.5 BA full brk maintenance free ranch. Freshly painted int, kit, tear off shingles, all entry drs, wndws, c/a, deck, fin bsmt, 2 car gar, & morel(C12073) 734-591-9200

REDFORD \$134,900 PC 220422

\$124,900 NEAT AS A PIN, SO COME ON INI 3 bedroom, 2 bath Brick Ranch with newer furnace & CA. Updated kitchen and partly finished basement.(S262)

734-326-2000 INKSTER \$99,900

TAYLOR INVESTOR'S TAKE NOTE! Quiet residential setting for nice income propertyl 3 BR, 1 bth Ranch plus 1 BR, 1 bath apt over 2-car garage. New furnace in apt/HWH in house in 2002. Lg yard!(62MAY2)

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BUNGALOW! Paint brush special. All brick exterior on a quiet street. Partially finished basement with a half bath & workroom. Easy

access to highways.(23R11775)

PRIVATE DEAD END SURROUNDED BY lovely park. 4 spacious bedrooms, 2 baths. New kitchen flooring. All brick Cape Cod, oversized yard featuring a walkout basement to access backyard patio.(F164)

\$119,900

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IMMACULATE WARRENDALE SUB Wonderful 3 bedroom bungalow completely finished & updated. No work, immediate todayl(D773) occupancy! Move in 734-326-2000

\$119,000 REDFORD ONE OF REDFORD'S MOST POPULAR AREAS Original owners offering this 3 BR, 1.5 BA, open fir plan ranch. Firda rm w/ ceramic tile, rec rm in bsmt w/wet bar. Nice corner It w/gar. Walk to school & park.(\$26507)

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PLYMOUTH ELEGANT, SPACIOUS PLYMOUTH CONDO! More than 1700 SF w/2 BR, 2.5 baths, LR w/vaulted ceiling, skylight & light oak kit. Glass enclosed FP w/ceramic surround. Jacuzzi in main bath & vaulted mstrl(83POI2) 248-348-6430 \$189,500

\$114,000 REDFORD MOVE RIGHT INTO THIS SPOTLESS HOME w/3 bdrms & 2 full baths. Updates includes roof, bath w/oak cabinets. Stove,

refrigerator, dishwasher, washer, dryer & microwave included!(09FIV2) 248-348-6430

> LIVONIA CLEAN & UPDATED! Beautiful kit w/ceramic fir open to FR addition. Newer carpet, updated wndws, rf, drvwy, & more. Fin bsmt w/wet bar, newer entry drs, all appliances included.(H29875) 734-591-9200 \$169,900

248-348-6430 WESTLAND

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\$89,900 START THE NEW YEAR In this 3 bedroom

windows, roof shingles, carpeting, furnace and hot water heater. Close to schools and shopping (C147) 734-326-2000 NOVI

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CONVENIENT CONDO LIVING! Quiet end-unit w/view of commons, Well maintained, 2 BR townhouse w/open flr plan, bsmt. Association fee includes water/heat. Novi schools!Immediate occupancy!(51OLD2) \$136,900

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💹 Cabin fever

Does that quintessentially American in-the-woods look give you fever in a good way?

If you live in a log cabin, lodge-style home or "Big Sky Country" abode, maybe we could stop by for a visit and cup of cocoa. We'd like to share the beauty and warmth of these homes and all their trimmings - with readers in an upcoming

Contact Nicole Stafford, Home writer, by phone at (248) 901-2567 or e-mail at nstafford@oe.homecomm.net.

Simple Soaker

The Simple Soaker Landscape and Garden Sprinkling System offers a cost-effective, efficient way to water landscaping, border areas and gardens. Installation takes 15 min-

utes or less, and doesn't require any tools.

To install, lay out the tubing around the area you want watered, attach the professional-grade sprinklers, and adjust the nozzles to the spray patterns you want.

Once the system is in place, it can be left in the same location year-round. The patterns are

adjustable from a 1- to 12foot diameter. Snap-on deflectors are

included for a half-circle spray pattern.

Simple Soaker's retail price starts at \$29.99. The product comes complete with tubing. sprinklers with adjustable nozzles, spray deflectors, risers, caps, stakes and "goof" pluas.

Simple Soaker will be available this spring at stores across the country, including Home Depot, Target, and select ACE, TruServ and Do It Best stores.

Westland manager

Laura Thompson, a nineyear veteran of Art Van Furniture, has been promoted to store manager of the company's store in Westland.

Thompson began her career at Art Van in 1993. Her first position was

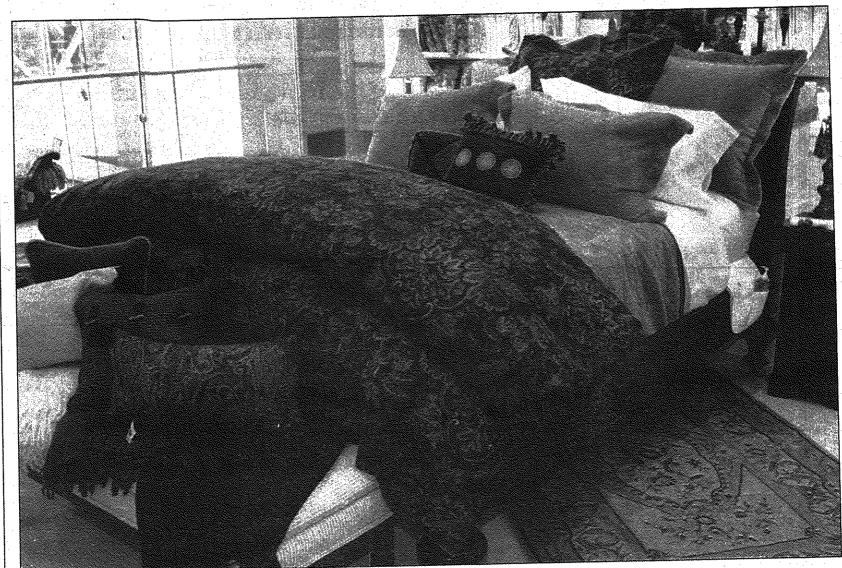


on the sales team at the store Lansing after graduat-

ing from Michigan State University. After two years, she was promoted to assistant sales manager in Lansing and in 1998 became sales manager at the Howell location. In June 2000 she was promoted to store manager there, and in August 2000 to her most recent post

as store manager in Jackson. The Westland store opened in 1987 and had a major renovation in 2001. The 75,000square foot facility houses a main showroom and features the chain's largest selection

of youth bedroom furniture. "Laura has proven to be a strong manager within our company," said Bill Barto, president of Art Van Furniture. "She consistently devotes attention to the needs of our guests and of our associates. We are confident that Laura will continue to delight our guests at the Westland location."



Ownright decision

Finding the right down comforter depends on your needs

> BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

> > rernaps you

If you don't have a down comforter but want one, a same it's probably obvious now is an ideal time.

ting off the purchase. That's understandable because buying a down

comforter is an investment both in terms of money and time. Cost aside, there's a

plethora of factors to weigh before making a purchase. And, you should consider such particulars as the type of goose down used and the comforter's outer shell, if you want to go home with a comforter that meets your needs.

Among the many factors that affect the quality and price of a down comforter is the cover.

Before delving into the technical side of down comforters, first assess your personal sleeping

SLEEPY TIME

... When people come in looking for comforters, we ask them a series of questions about how they sleep," said Michelle Albrecht, store manager at Scandia Down at the Somerset Collection in

Troy. These questions are your starting point, and the answers will guide you to the right comforter, she

Most are aimed at determining your sleeping temperature.

Do you get cold or hot during sleep? Is your home cooler at night because you

lower the thermostat or like to sleep with open windows? Are you going through menopause? Do you plan to use your comforter only in the winter or all year long? If you don't sleep alone, what is your partner's body temperature during sleep and how does

it affect yours? "The problem with couples, you usually have one that's warm and one that's cold," said Albrecht.

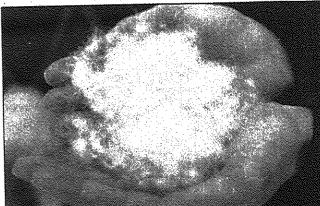
If that's the case, there's a solution. Yes, believe it or not, a single question has directed you to the appropriate product: a couple's comforter. Scandia Down's version has two side-byside boxed compartments for custom filling with Hungarian white goose down of 600 to 700 fill power.

WAIT, WHAT'S FILL POWER?

If you've forayed into the world of down before, you've encountered the phrase "fill power," and, yes, we've stumbled into the technical side of down shopping.

Fill power, which is a standardized rating of the quality of down, and ultimately its ability to insulate and keep you warm, is what's important to understand when shopping for a comforter.

The difference between down of higher and lower fill powers is the density and size, maybe even fluffi-



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Above left, the loft of down products brings a cozy, plush feeling to the bedroom, as with this grouping of down pillows, comforter, sheets, shams and duvet cover by Scandia Down. Above, the type of goose down feathers in a down product affects quality. Sought-dite Siberian goose down, for instance, is denser in the center.

ness, of individual down clusters.

But don't confuse fill power with weight. In fact, the relationship between fill power and weight are

typically inverse.
"What can be very confusing in the marketplace is fill power versus fill weight," said Teresa Matz, quality manager for Eddie Bauer Home, which has retail locations at Briarwood Mall in Ann Arbor, the Village of Rochester Hills in Rochester Hills and the Somerset Collection in

With down, heavier isn't necessarily warmer. Sought-after Siberian white goose down, for instance, is more dense at the core and, thus, keeps you warmer than goose down from China, which is less dense. In other words, you need less down from Siberian than Chinese geese to obtain a relative level of insulation from a product.

If the concept gets fuzzy, think about how fluffy the down must be on those geese that inhabit Siberia.

Matz has a good catch" phrase, too: "The better the down, the better the warmth for less weight."

Fortunately, retailers like Scandia Down and Eddie Bauer Home differentiate their comforters into groups like "all-season" and "winter weight," so some of the work is already done for you.

They're also trained to help you understand their products and make appropriate choices. Worst-case scenario, both allow you to make an exchange within a short period of time.

WHY DOWN, ANYWAY?

"It traps you own body heat, so that's why it keeps you at a more even temperature," said Albrecht at

Scandia Down. At the same time, it pulls

PLEASE SEE DOWN, C4

Prevent carbon monoxide poisoning

BY JOHN HALL CORRESPONDENT

Carbon monoxide poisoning symptoms are similar to the flu nausea, vomiting, dizziness and

headache. Dr. Michael Calice, vice chairman of the Department of Emergency Medicine at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia, said "as symptoms get worse you develop rapid heartbeat, rapid pulse and the victim may pass out."

The Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates that carbon monoxide poisoning kills at least 200 people each year and sends another 5,000 to the hospital. Many deaths go unreported because the victims, who die of apparent natural causes, are not subjected to autopsies that could pinpoint carbon monoxide poisoning as the probable cause of death.

Calice has seen carbon monoxide poisoning victims in the emergency room at St. Mary Mercy, although

they are "the exception, not the

"Once carbon monoxide poisoning is detected, it is important to administer 100 percent oxygen because carbon monoxide displaces oxygen in the hemoglobin of red blood cells," he said. "There is potential for permanent neurological damage."

Have at least one carbon monoxide detector in your home.

PLEASE SEE POISONING, C2

CARBON MONOXIDE FACTS

- Carbon monoxide is a colorless and odorless toxic gas that is a product of incomplete combustion.
- When introduced to the bloodstream through the lungs, it is accepted in place of oxygen - literally suffocating its victim.
- Since carbon monoxide is an accumulative and direct-reacting toxin, it can be dangerous even at low levels over longer periods of time.
- The harmful effects of carbon monoxide inhalation depend on concentration, length of exposure, health, age, sex and size of the individual exposed.

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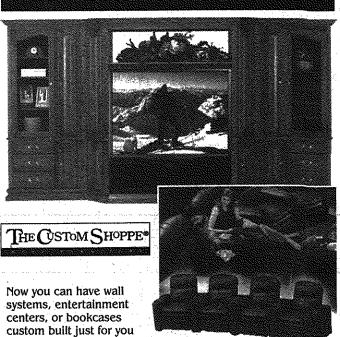
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New cooker has ingredients for tragedy

y brother Larry called me during the holidays and told me he received a new cooker as a present and he cooked a turkey in it. He told me



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Now, I have always said that my cooking ability is nil and

that the

turkey turned

out just deli-

cious. So the

that was new

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ling Valorie

bought for

next thing

oil cooker

I'm one of the few people who can ruin boiling water.

But now, I would consider the two chickens and the two turkeys that I prepared in the past two weeks to be worthy of a five-star rating.

These new cookers are selling like wildfire and they really do the job, but they hold a secret that most homeowners don't have a clue about.

It's called spontaneous com-

Ask many young people today what that means and they don't have any idea.

I created this one time as a youngster when I mixed two different cleaners to wipe down a hardwood floor.

When I was done, I crumbled up the rag and threw it into a wastebasket.

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Several hours later it ignited

These new cookers are selling like wildfire and they really do the job, but they hold a secret that most homeowners don't have a clue about. It's called spontaneous combustion.

and because of luck alone, the house didn't burn down.

The Whirlpool Corporation did a test not so long ago and I wrote about it in this column.

They wiped up a vegetable oil spill with a cloth, ran it through the normal wash and dry cycle with the regular laundry, and folded the clothes and cloth and placed them into a laundry basket.

Even though the cloth had been washed, it wasn't enough to remove all traces of vegetable oil, and the cloth ignited in the laundry basket.

The fire was a direct result of spontaneous combustion.

GIVE IT ATTENTION

This new cooker needs a lot of attention when it is being

It needs to be used outside, not in the garage or in the

Using it in the garage will leave a cooking odor for several days as proven by yours

truly. You have to hook up a propane tank to it, making sure that the cooker itself is placed downwind of the tank. You have to put the food item inside the cooker and fill it with water to just an inch above the food, to give you a measurement of how much

Before you fill it with oil you need to make sure you wiped dry all the water that was in there. You've heard the old saying that oil and water don't

vegetable oil is needed.

Before you put the food product inside you have to heat the vegetable oil to 325 degrees, and do I need to explain how hot that is? The oil must never heat higher than 350 degrees when using this thing or it will pop up and land on you.

Remember now, you've got a tank of propane just a few feet away, a high burning flame underneath the pot and the potential for a serious accident just waiting to happen.

Along with the cooker comes a thermometer that should be treated with care. Don't ever use this cooker without having that thermometer always submersed in the boiling vegetable

A big pair of fireproof gloves is another requirement. It comes with a hanger that

is used to hook on to the inside cooking pot to remove the item from the cooking pot, and extreme care is needed to prevent the pot from tipping over onto your feet. Cooking oil boiling at 325 degrees is hot enough to cook your shoes.

It's imperative that you read the instructions with this product. Yes, you will have some fine tasting food, and at four minutes per pound, a pretty quick preparation time.

You probably think that Valorie and I are eating a lot of chicken and turkey but that's not so. I practiced on a few and gave them away to the neighbors.

Sad note: Nowhere on the box does it tell you that if you clean the inside of the pots (and you will), you should use care with the cloth you use to clean it. Wash that rag separate in hot hot water and hang it in the garage to dry.

I am sure that you will hear and see stories in the near future about house fires created by spontaneous combus-

During the holiday buying season there were stores that ran out of stock on this new cooker.

It's a great product but I would like to meet the idiot who didn't know that vegetable oil can cause a tragedy in the American home.

Stay tuned.

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

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POISONING

FROM PAGE CI

"The carbon monoxide detector should be a plugin type with a battery backup, and approved by qualified testing agencies," said Alan Brandemihl Jr.; chief of the Livonia Fire

You can spend \$40-\$50 and have an excellent detector which gives you peace of

prevent carbon monoxide poisoning.

heaters only in well-ventilated areas. If the power goes out, don't use your gas stove for heating.

an enclosed area such as an

attached garage.

The CPSC recommends that homeowners have their furnaces, water heaters and other gas burning appliances inspected annually by a qualified service professional.

clothes dryers are not properly ventilated," said Brandemihl. "People should make sure dryer vents are clean and free of blockage. They should also have chimneys and ductwork cleaned, too."

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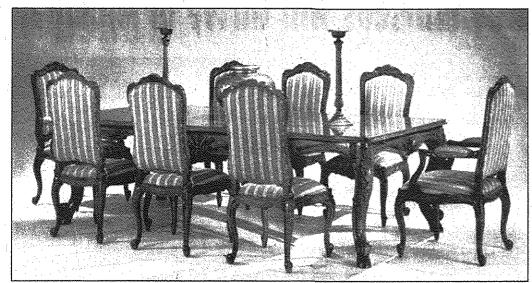
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HOME AND GARDEN CALENDAR

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52 Weeks of Landscape Color: Tips for Making Your Lawn and Garden Interesting All Year (Feb. 1), with Macunovich, who is an instructor, designer, garden writer and author.

Ice dams usually cause leaks in roofs

fter just about every significant snowfall, I get questions about leaking roofs, particularly near outside walls. Usually, ice dams cause

these leaks. The subject

of ice dams

has been dis-

cussed many

times before but probably

bears repeating, especially

since we ve

already had a



Ask Dad

Harry Jachym few considerable snowfalls this year and predictions are for more. An ice dam

happens when snow melts on the upper portions of the roof. The melt water rolls down the roof and refreezes at the cooler eaves or sometimes in a clogged gutter. The resulting "dam" prevents other runoff from coming off the roof, forming a pool.

Since shingles are designed to shed water, not hold water, the resulting pool works'its way underneath them, causing water damage inside the house. To help prevent these dams from happening to your house, you can do a few things:

■ Get the snow off the roof.

After any snowfall of 2 inches or more, get as much snow off your roof as you can reach. At least try to remove the snow from the eaves.

Since a snow-covered roof can be very slippery, avoid getting on the roof itself. Instead, invest in a roof snow rake. These long-handled devices are used to pull snow off the roof while standing on the ground. You can find these at most hardware and home improvement stores.

■ Insulate before next win-

Keeping as much of the heatin your living space as possible will not only help prevent snow melt but also lower your energy bills.

According to the U.S. Department of Energy publication Insulation Fact Sheet (publication #DOE/CE-0180), a minimum of R-38 attic insulation is suggested in this area (more if you have electric heating) for existing houses. R-38 is equal to about 12 inches of fiberglass insulation. The above publication can found on the Internet at www.ornl.gov/ roofs+walls/

insulation/ins_01.html. Unfortunately, no matter what you do, you won't be able to keep all your heat in the living areas. Getting this lost heat out of the attic crawl space is

important.

Venting is the answer. Codes require that there be a minimum of 1 square foot of venting for every 150 square feet of attic crawl space. If your home was made before this code went into effect, you may not have enough venting. Codes should be considered minimum, and this is a case of where more is better.

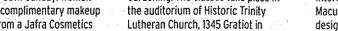
Adding ridge, gable or other types of roof vents is only half the battle. Warm air won't exhaust well if there is nothing to replace it. This will require the addition of soffit vents, or some sort of lower roof vent-

The convection movement of air caused by the cooler air being drawn in these by the exhausted warm air will cool the roof, slowing the melting of snow, which helps prevent ice dams.

Keep warm, keep dry and enjoy the rest of our winter.

Harry 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.



an event for women 2-4 p.m. Jan. 26, which is Super Bowl Sunday. Women may receive a complimentary makeup consultation from a Jafra Cosmetics consultant. Hand treatments will be

Gardening series

and Feb. 1, organized by Janet Macunovich of the Michigan School of Gardening. The classes take place in Detroit. Cost is \$15 per class. To register and for more information, call the Detroit Garden Center at (313) 259-6363 or e-mail detroitgardenctr@ yahoo.com. Topics are:

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Orchid festival set at English Gardens

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English Gardens is dedicating an entire weekend to one of the world's most beautiful and exotic flowers - the orchid.

The first English Gardens Orchid Festival, Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 25-26, will feature two full afternoons of displays, expert growers and educational seminars on more than 50 varieties of the flower.

The weekend is geared for orchid lovers of all levels of expertise, featuring "how-to" lessons for the novice gardener and visits with orchid growers for avid enthusiasts.

Event hours are noon to 4 p.m. at all five English Gardens locations: 6370 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851-7506), 4901 Coolidge Highway in Royal Oak (phone (248) 280-9500), 22650 Ford in Dearborn

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Heights (phone (313) 278-4433), 44850 Garfield in Clinton Township (phone (586) 286-6100), and 22501 Kelly Road in Eastpointe (phone (586) 771-4200).

Experts and growers discussing orchid care and handling; genealogical histories; displays and descriptions; and an open forum for questions and answers will be featured.

Wayne McGonigal, a member of the Worldwide Orchids speakers group and guest speaker on the HGTV's Way to Grow, will host the Introduction to Orchids educational seminar at the Royal Oak store 1 p.m. both days.

Another seminar, Selecting a Greenhouse, will take place 11 a.m. Saturday in West Bloomfield, 3 p.m. Saturday in

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one," said Matz.

Clinton Township and 3 p.m. Sunday in Royal Oak.

English Gardens will showcase 50 varieties of orchids, including orchids from the Phalaenopsis, Cattleya, Oncidium and Dendrobium families.

Among the orchids shown will be many exotic clones, including the Baldan Kaleidoscope and Florida-born Baldans Kaleidoscope Golden Treasure AM/AOS.

Visitors wishing to buy orchids or orchid supplies will receive 20 percent off during the festival weekend.

For more information about specific festival activities, contact one of the stores.

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Hardy hibiscus will thrive in Michigan

ave you longed for a beautiful shrub to add to your garden? If so, take time this month to see where a bushy plant that grows four-

five feet tall will fit. A hardy hibiscus may be the perfect choice; the in many colors, from

Garden spot

Marty **Figley** blooms come white to deep

red. Gilberg Perennial Farms in Missouri grows and hybridizes these plants

and has some interesting information about how to grow them in the gar-

They can be used as a hedge and should be planted 18 inches apart so they'll grow upright and spread out less. This will give a beautiful show, as the flowers will be massed for optimum impact.

If you want bushier plants for a specimen or massed planting, increase spacing three-five feet on center and pinch back growing tips when the plant is eight inches tall and again when it is 12 inches

Hardy hibiscus varieties are tolerant of many soils and uneven moisture. They do even better with ample organic matter and moisture. They will tolerate wet soils and are extremely drought-resistant once they are established.

So, they may be a great choice if our drought continues - and we feel pretty sure that it will.

Hardy hibiscus will survive temperatures to -25 degrees Fahrenheit and withstand -55 degrees wind chill.

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MARTY FIGLEY

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Hardy hibiscus combine well with many perennial plants, including daylilies and ornamental grasses. Gilberg Farms suggests cutting the plants back to four-five inches after a hard frost in the fall. New spring growth will rise from the roots.

For more information, visit www.hibiscuscentral.com

LECTURE

Don't miss Daniel Hinkley, director of the famous Heronswood Nursery of Kingston, Wash., plant explorer and author, who will be the featured speaker 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, at Goldner Walsh Nursery.

RSVP to Goldner Walsh by phone, (248) 332-6430, or mail, 559 Orchard Lake Road, Pontiac. Cost per person is \$14, with \$1 going to Oakland County Master Gardeners. Refreshments will be offered.

Hinkley will present a lecture that will include slides, and will also sign his books,

The Explorer's Garden and his latest, Winter Ornamentals.

An incredible selection of under-used plants, most of which are propagated at the nursery, many from seeds and cuttings from plants found on Hinkley's travels throughout the world, will be featured in

the slide presentation. Mail order is the biggest part of the business, and the catalog offers all kinds of interesting plants, trees, shrubs, conifers, perennials, vines, ornamental grasses and sedges. It includes cultural information and personal remarks.

I had the pleasure of visiting Heronswood last August, and all I can say is, "Wow!" There is a three-acre woodland garden, many, many unusual specimens, and a bog garden hidden on the grounds. That's just for starters.

This program is the first of three in Goldner Walsh's Cabin Fever Lecture Series.

If you want to make a day of it, I will be speaking the same day at 1 p.m. at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor. The subject will be Art in the Garden. The fee for the program is \$15. Questions? Call (734) 998-7061.

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.





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Life Lines

> Cathy Standish

Military advice could come in handy

s a mother of three, I have done my time with volunteering. Room Mother, Snack Mom, Drink Mom, Orange Mom – name it, and I have done it.

I have done crafts with giggly kindergarten students. I have driven a van of four boys and one sad little girl to the apple orchard.

I have wiped unfamiliar noses in preschool classes; I've dried tiny tears and big tears. My kids are my job, my life. I try to make a point to be sure I have volunteered equally for each child, offered adequate time to all.

I've been banned from volunteering beyond the fifth grade. Chaperoning a Junior High Cedar Point trip was flatly refused by both of my sons. They just didn't appreciate how badly I wanted to go to the amusement park for just the sheer fun of it all.

I'm thinking about offering to chaperone a couple of high school dances. I know I could withstand the eye daggers shooting at me all evening. We'll see how that unfolds.

Working in elementary school classrooms once a month was always an eye-opening experience, giving me a much-appreciated glimpse of a teacher's influence on my kids' lives.

Nap time – my nap time – moved from an option to a necessity after a half-day of volunteering with 30 elementary students.

As a volunteer parent, I've endured various fellow parents consumed with the power of their nonpaid position. As an unpaid volunteer, I've answered dozens of e-mail commands – the same kinds of edicts that some people get paid nicely to read.

As a volunteer, I've sat in meetings and fought for budgetary concerns. I have used dry erase boards and stinky markers to illustrate my plan. Once, I traveled with a leather portfolio that almost resembled a briefcase. It was a heady experience.

I've begged local businesses for contributions; I have pulled in favors from friends. All for the benefit of the group/school/activity I am volunteering for at the particular time.

All of this work at the income of a stay-at-home Mommy.

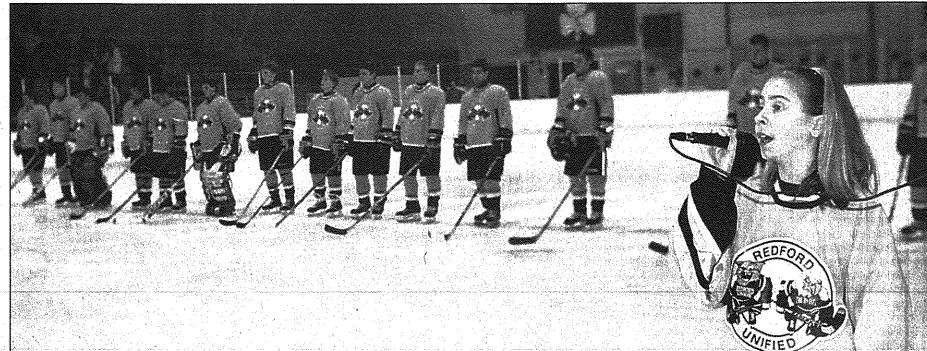
Maybe one day, in between the basement sleepovers, in between the car pools, in between the dances and in between the bake sales, in between all the activities, I will have time to look for a job that will pay.

Don't get my wrong, I've enjoyed all the volunteering, nose-wiping, carpooling, e+ mailing, snack schlepping and, ultimately, quality time with my children outside the house.

But now, with increasing frequency, I recall advice my husband shared with me years ago. Advice given to him by his Dad, a career Army officer, as my husband prepared for basic training:

"Keep your feet dry and don't volunteer for anything."

Cathy Standish is a Plymouth resident and regular contributor to the Observer. She can be reached via e-mail at Cate1956@aol.com.



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Katie Schwalm, 11, sings the national anthem at a recent Redford Unified high school hockey game. The young singer also performs for some of the Plymouth Whalers home games. Above is Katie Schwalm's CD cover for the album, "Remember Me." It's one of four CDs her uncle has recorded for her in a basement studio.

A'Whale' of a voice

Canton youngster hopes to parlay anthem singing into a career

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

If you don't count free tickets to Plymouth Whalers games, 11-year-old Katie Schwalm of Canton got the first paying gig of her young singing life this past Christmas season.

If she fulfills the promise the youngster has shown since being captured on video standing on a toy box singing into a microphone, it won't be her last.

Folks around this area already know a lot about Schwalm, a Central Middle School student who sings the national anthem at Plymouth Whalers home games and does the same for the Redford Unified high school hockey team.

She does some local festivals – Memorial Day in Northville – and has done a telethon Downriver. She's done some patriotic songs, often being asked to sing "God Bless America" or "God Bless the USA."

All of which has left the precocious youngster undaunted.

"I think it's fun to perform for people," said Katie, a straight-A student who made the Principal's List at Central. "I like showing them I don't just have a 'little kid's' voice."

At first, her parents didn't know whether to take it seriously. Now, however, it's gotten to the point where Katie's uncle, Bill Trail, has built a recording studio for her in his Canton home. They've recorded four CDs.

The youngster has always shown an interest in music. Her talent started becoming obvious to people outside the walls of her own home when she was 7 when, in 1998, Katie sang the old Carpenters hit, "On



Top of the World," when her Uncle Bill got married.

Too nervous to do it live, Katie recorded it, and Trail played it at the wedding.

"It was great," Trail recalled. "After that, her talent was obvious. We started recording her on tape in the living room, but she got to the point where that wasn't good enough."

That's when Trail, who works for the city of Northville, built the studio in his basement.

Northville, built the studio in his basement.

"We didn't know how seriously we should be at first," said her mom, Kathy. "We weren't sure if she'd

even care for it."

Apparently, they've decided. She's been to a number of competitions – "She blew everyone away," a proud Kathy said of her daughter – and is building up something of a regional following. When she auditioned to be the new anthem singer for the Whalers at the start of the season, she won that, too.

"When other people hear her sing, you don't get, 'Aw, she's so cute for a little girl," Bill Trail said of his niece. "You get, 'Wow!"

How serious is the family getting? Trail has recorded more than two dozen demo tapes to be sent to producers and agents, feelers on whether Katie has a career ahead of her. Although everything they've recorded so far has been cover stuff, the family has a cousin in Nashville who wants to start writing music for her.

It's all getting to be a bit much for the family to continue handling. That's why the demo tapes are going out to agents and producers as the Schwalms try to plan what's best for Katie.

"The family is getting to the point where we know it's not our profession," Bill Trail said of handling any career his niece might have. "That's why we want to find someone."

Katie wouldn't be the first musically gifted person in her family. Her great-aunt had a gospel album out years ago. There's the cousin who writes songs in Nashville.

But her dad is pretty sure he knows where Katie gets the musical acumen.

"It's God's gift," said Matt Schwalm, an engineer for Ford. "Ever since I can remember, since she was 2 years old, she's been singing."

Even at this tender age, Matt and Kathy Schwalm want their daughter to pursue the singing only if it's what Katie wants. No decisions are made by the parents without first discussing it with the daughter.

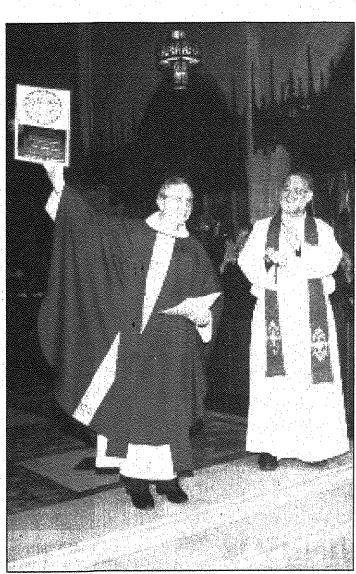
"We don't ever make a decision," Kathy Schwalm said. "We sit down with Katie, and she says yes or no. If this is something she wants to do, then of course we support her 100 percent. But I want it to be some-

thing she wants."

For the record, it is. Katie, who also dances at Central City in Canton, smiles at the thought of going on stage and singing for a living. "I really want to become a professional singer," she said. "I like being in front of people and performing. I've always loved it."

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Church hosts World Sabbath of Religious Reconciliation



HRISTIAN SPEELMAN

The Rev. Edward Mullins of Christ Church Cranbrook (left) holds up the World Sabbath Peace Maker Award, just presented to him and the church by the Rev. Rod Reinhart, because of their active work for world peace.

BY SUSAN STEINMUELLER STAFF WRITER

Four years ago, two area ministers joined hearts and hands to start an interfaith day of prayer for peace in the world.

Today, in the aftermath of 9/11 and with talk of imminent war, they believe the World Sabbath of Religious Reconciliation is needed more

than ever.

"It's more needed because today, religious war and religious conflict touch Americans far more closely than four years ago," said the Rev. Rod Reinhart of Plymouth, who founded the day while interim pastor of Nativity Episcopal Church in Bloomfield Township. "We need to pray for an end to all forms of violence, especially violence done in the name of

God."

"This is a very pivotal and crucial year for it with all that is going on in the world," agreed the Rev. Edward Mullins, rector of Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, which has hosted the event since the first year. "There are politicians who are using the name of God to promote political ends."

In contrast, "The World Sabbath is a model of interreligious cooperation. People are really coming together for More information is on the Web site, www.worldsabbath.com.

this and it is exciting to have all the major religions be part of it"

PRAYER AND SONG

The fourth World Sabbath of Religious Reconciliation will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25. It will again be at Christ Church Cranbrook, Lone Pine Road between Telegraph and Woodward. About 400 people attended last year.

This year's theme is "The Power of Prayer To Heal and Change the World."

"Leaders of the Christian, Muslim and Jewish faiths will tell how faith and prayer opens the doors for God to enter in and heal the world," said Reinhart, who now serves at St. Martha's Episcopal Church in Detroit.

Featured speakers include
Najah Bazzy, a leading young
Muslim woman from
Michigan, Dr. Felix Rogers,
head of the Cranbrook Peace
Foundation, and Rabbi
Daniel Syme, chief rabbi of
Temple Beth-El in Bloomfield
Hills.

Performing will be the combined choirs of Hope United Methodist Church of Southfield and Christ Church Cranbrook; and a dancing and drumming choir from Sudan, formed by St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Lansing. Most of the members of the choir fled religious persecution in their homeland.

Afterwards, there will be a reception. The event is "perfect for kids, students, grown-ups. Wonderful for the most deeply religious person as well as the most deeply atheistic," said Reinhart. "It's a day for all people to turn away from religious prejudice and fear."

A WORLD DAY

Reinhart and Mullins have talked about the day in various cities around the world, including Cape Town, South Africa, and Oxford, England.

"What we are seeing is that prayer services like this have been performed in Vancouver and Japan, and other cities in the world," Reinhart said.

"The World Sabbath has created a model of interfaith worship that has allowed many interfaith groups to effectively pray together for peace in the full confidence that they can express the deepest feelings of their hearts and be heard, respected and understood"

understood."
More information is on the Web site,
www.worldsabbath.com.

AROUND TOWN

Health Discussion Half Hour to Health at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28, at the Brackney Chiropractic Health Center in Canton. Join Dr. Brackney for an informative and amusing look at natural healing, vitamins, and nutrition. Refreshments and door prizes provided. Schedule early due to limited seating by calling (734) 455-4444.

Winter Art Classes

Calling all aspiring artists, beginning or experienced. Come to the PCAC for pottery class, drawing and sketching class, beading, beginning painting, Saturday morning art and figure drawing. Classes begin Jan. 31, meet on any day of the week and are for all ages. For more info, call (734) 416-4278. **County Chorus**

The County Connection Chorus, a women's singing group from Ypsilanti, hosts Acappella 101, a free four-week session for women interested in learning more about singing acappella music in the barbershop style. The chorus is affiliated with Sweet Adelines International. Interested women should contact Jennifer Jones (734) 480-8843.

Drug Workshop

The "Teens Using Drugs: What To Know and What To Do" workshop was developed to help people who are struggling with teen substance abuse issues. Part One, "What To Know," will be presented from 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4 at the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Classroom EC4, Ypsilanti, with presenter Roin Harrison, SW. Call (734) 973-7892 for further Lecture

Permanent Weight Loss," is being presented 10:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 24, at the Canton Public Library with speaker Dr. Michael Brackney D.C. It covers safe and proven natural weight loss meth-School Open House

A free lecture, "The Five Secrets To

Arbor Montessori is hosting an open house from I-4 p.m. Jan. 25 at 10980 Ford Rd. Arbor serves children 2-1/2 through 6 years of age. Meet the staff and receive information about summer and fall enrollment. Call (734) 662-8016 for more information. Grief Workshop

Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsoring an eight-week grief workshop "From Grief to New Hope" beginning Feb. 10. This free workshop is open to the community and will be presented by Cathy Clough, Director of New Hope Center for Grief Support. Meeting for eight consecutive Monday nights from 7-8:45 p.m. at Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville Call (248):

5966. Mandala Workshop The PCAC is offering a Mandala II

Workshop with Cathy Dyer from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25. Participants who have taken the beginning level class will continue to create colorful healing symbols using colored pencils on black paper designed around a circle. Further meditation and visualization will be stressed. Cost is \$65 for PCAC members and \$70 for non-members. Call (734) 416-4278. Healing for Divorced/Widowed A weekend, designed for divorce or widowed men and women of all ages who wish to let go of the painful past and create a peace-filled future is offered by trained teams of people who have "been there." Being held Feb. 7-9 at St. John Center in Plymouth. Must register by Jan. 27. Call Jan at (586) 992-0306 or Marie at (734) 464-7043.

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Philosophy Lecture A mixed media lecture on ancient and esoteric teachings for persons who may have a desire to know about application of these ideas in daily life.

Being held at Ageless Wisdom Nutritional Center, from 1 to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25. For more information, call (248) 477-8167.

Willow Creek Preschool Is now enrolling for 2002-2003 school year. Three-year-olds meet Tuesday and Thursday. Four-year-olds meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Licensed preschool with certified teachers. For information, call Sherry Haskell (734) 326-5735.

Hockey Coaches The Plymouth Canton Hockey Association is accepting coaching applications for the 2003-2004 season. Applications are due Friday, Jan. 31. Call Shawn Rowley at (734) 981-0120 for more information.

Plymouth Community Chorus **Auditions**

Open auditions for the upcoming concert, "Broadway Legends," will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28, at Hillside Middle School, southeast corner of Eight Mile Road and Center Street in Northville. No appointments neces-

Storytime Peggy Price Heiney presents a special storytime for children ages 5-7. Stories, creative dramatics and book selection round out this monthly session at the Plymouth Library. Registration is required. Call (734) 453-0750 for further information.

Road Rally The Canton Thunderbird Softball Inc. Girls Fast Pitch organization is holding a Road Rally on Feb. 8, 2003. Deadline to enter is Feb. 6. Cost is \$25/person which includes meal and prizes. for further information contact Mike Roberts at (734) 397-1355 or check the web site at thunderbirdsoftball.tripod.com.

Ice Carving Class To provide "ice time" for those

inspired, the PCAC is hosting an icecarving workshop on Saturday, Jan. 25, 2003. Instructors from Henry Ford Community College will be on hand to lead participants through this threehour introduction to creating ice sculptures. Call the Arts Council at (734) 416-4278 early to reserve your spot and for further information. PCAC 70s Bash Tickets

Special pricing on tickets for the PCAC's annual dinner, dance and auction to be held Friday, March 14, at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth. To purchase tickets, donate an auction item or help the planning committee, call the Arts Council at

(734) 416-4278. **Spring Youth Soccer Registration** The entire month of January at the Recreation Office of the City of Plymouth during business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. All registrations require a birth certificate. Call (734) 455-6620 for fur-

ther information. **Nursery Registration**

Plymouth Children's Nursery Co-op has openings for 3-4 year olds. One to three days per week. School located on Sheldon road in Canton. OPEN HOUSE for 2003-2004 on Jan. 25 from 1-3 p.m. REGISTRATION DAY for 2003-2004 school year is on Feb. 2 from 1-3 p.m.Call (734) 455-6250 or (734) 453-0595 for more information.

Plymouth Symphony

Plymouth Symphony League is launching the 2003 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale. The cost is \$30. Place your order at the Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453-3016.

Free Blood Pressure Screening Free blood pressure screenings will be taken at the Plymouth District Library 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month. No appointment is necessary. Call (734) 453-0750 for further information.

Recreation Registration The City of Plymouth is now taking registration for its classes for all ages. Classes include gymnastics, dance, core body exercise, tots jump-a-rama, tae-kwon-do, personal development, aerobics, clogging, senior trips and programs and much more. Call (734) 455-6620 for more information.

CLUBS

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Atlantis Restaurant on Ann Arbor Road. Guests are welcome. For more info and dinner reservations. contact Mary Brooks at (734) 420-

SEPAC

Open to all residents of the Plymouth Canton community as well as school staff and administrators, SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Committee) meets every second Monday of the month from 7-9 p.m. at Discovery Middle School in Canton. For additional information, please contact Rich Ham-Kucharski (734) 844-1714. Plymouth VFW

Fish frys continue every Friday from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The price is only \$7 at the Plymouth VFW, 1426 S. Mill. Brunch will be from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, and the third Sunday of each month thereafter. The cost is

MOPS-Plymouth

The MOPS group is now enrolling for fall. Relaxing fun time for moms while the kids ages 0-5 enjoy program of games, stories, singing and play.

Meets first and third Fridays of the Pointe Bible Chapel, 42150 Schoolcraft Rd., Plymouth. Call for info (734) 420-

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Colonial Kiwanis

The Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth meets at noon Thursdays at Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Guests are welcome. For information call Ernie Hughes, membership chairman, (734) 414-0400. MOPS-Westland

Westland MOPS meets at Westland Free Methodist Church Sept. through May on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. Free child care. Contact Nikki Guenther at (313) 937-2479.

La Leche League

Breastfeeding information and support group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. For more information and meeting locations, please contact Michelle at (734) 397

Canton Rotary Club

the three-hour class which meets every Monday morning in the dining area of the ice arena.

Instructor George Hanosh demonstrates staining techniques to Ron Nikolits of Plymouth in a Woodcarving class

the art of carving wood, making figurines and staining and painting the finished products. The cost is only \$1 for

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projects. For more information call

Laura at (734) 207-8517 or e-mail to

Astronomy Discussion

.Plymouth Library offers a free monthly Family Astronomy Discussion Group from 7-8 p.m. for both individuals and families with children 6 years and older. Door prizes, slides, video and handouts.

Call Mike Best at (734) 459-2378. MOMS Club

A local chapter of the MOMS Club wel-

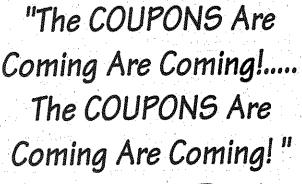
comes interested stay-at-home mothers in the Canton/Westland area to meet the third Tuesday of each month. MOMS Club offers weekly activities, playgroups, community service opportunities and a lot more! For more information, please contact Wendy at (734) 398-6957.

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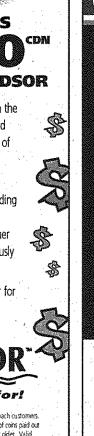
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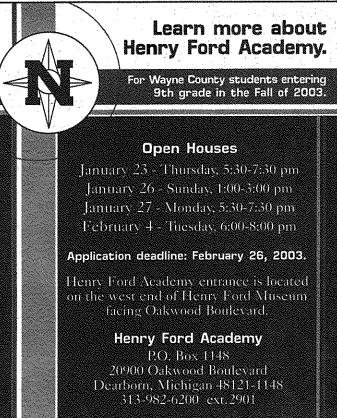
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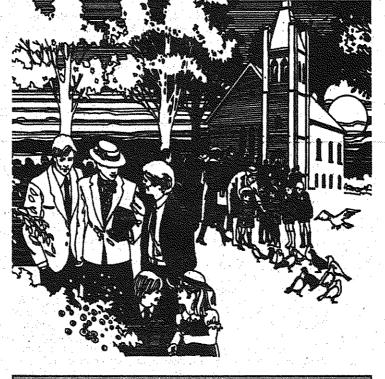
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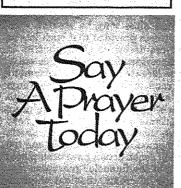
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Sunday Worship 8:15 & 10:45 A.M. Education Hour 9:20 A.M.



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Dr. Wm. C. Moore - Pastor **Worship Services** 8:30 a.m., 9:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m **Education Program** 9:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Nursery & Children's Programs at

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Traditional Worship and Sunday School 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 A.M. Contemporary Service * 8:45 A.M.

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Contemporary Service 9:00 am Traditional Service 10:30 am

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day Worship & Sunday Scho 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

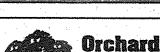
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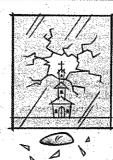
Rev. Terry W. Allen

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Rev. Barbara E. Welbaum risit our website; www.newburgumc.org

Throwing Stones....

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

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JANUARY 14. 2003**

The Board of Trustees convened at 6:22 p.m. in closed session to discuss pending litigation and employee negotiations. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to move from closed session to open session at 6:59 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, January 14, 2003, at 46000 Summit Parkway. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, Shefferly, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Durack, Director Machnik, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes - Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve the minutes of the Joint Board Proceedings of the Board of Trustees and Downtown Development Authority dated December 5, 2002. Motion carried 6 ayes, 1 abstention by Mr. Shefferly. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the minutes of the regular study session of December 17, 2002. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the minutes of the regular study session of December 7, 2002. Motion carried

Payment of Bills - Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Shefferly to approve payment of bills for January 14, 2003 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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General Fund	101	219,251.85
Fire Fund	206	19,329.83
Police Fund	207	69,949.89
Summit Operating	208	23,036.18
Golf Fund	211	3,978.98
Street Lighting	219	15,749.66
Cable TV Fund	230	5,178.86
Two Comm. Impymt	246	82,074.43
E-911 Utility	261	24,205.77
Auto Forfeit (WWATEE)	267	240.00
Auto Theft Grant	289	201.54
Downtown Dev. Auth	294	8,325.75
Post Empl. Benefits	296	17,163.04
CapProj-SummitConst	402	385,709.65
Cap Proj-Road Paving	403	90.00
Bldg Auth Const.	469	50,857.42
Water & Sewer Fund	592	968,616.20
Trust & Agency Fund	701	6,657.00
Construction Escrow	702	151,037.71
Total	1	2,052,463.76
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CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. Approve Creation of New Funds, Golf Course Enterprise Fund #584 and Post Employment Benefits Fiduciary Fund #736. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the creation of Golf Course Enterprise Fund #584 and Post Émployment Benefits Fiduciary Fund #736. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 2. Budget Amendment, General Fund - General Government - Equalizer Software Maintenance Contract. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following General Fund Budget Amendment to appropriate funds from the fund balance for the \$6,300 Equalizer Software Maintenance contract costs: Increase Revenues: Appropriations From Fund Balance #101-000-699-0-000 \$6,300

Increase Appropriations: Contracted Services-General Government #101-200-818-0000 \$6,300. This budget amendment increases the General Government Department budget from \$736,422 to \$742.722, and the General Fund budget from \$22,939,500 to \$22,945,800. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 3. Approval to Sell the Fire Safety House. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the sale of the Fire Safety House to the Lincoln Park Firefighters for \$4,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 4. Consider Carryover of Public Works Capital Outlay Funds for Audio/Visual Equipment From The 2002 Budget to the 2003 Budget Year. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to transfer the remaining \$53,000 in the Public Works 2002 Capital Outlay Budget to the 2003 Capital Outlay Budget for the purchase of audio and video equipment for the new training facility. Motion carried unanimously.

Consider Resolution Providing the Planning Item 5. Commission Authorization to Distribute and Comprehensive Plan Amendments. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the resolution to authorize the Planning Commission to distribute and request review and comments from all jurisdictions and agencies as required by Public Act 263 of 2001, relative to proposals to amend the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton, without prior review and comment from the Township Board. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 6. Second Reading of the Repeal of Pool Ordinance No. 110. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to remove from the table and publish the second reading of the repeal of Pool Ordinance No. 110 to become effective upon publication on January 23, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 7. Request for Blanket Purchase Orders for 2003. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the blanket purchase orders for CMP Distributors Inc., Metropolitan Uniform, State of Michigan, Accumed Billing Inc., Appollo Fire Equipment and Bound Tree Medical. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 8. Approve Division Name Changes. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following divisional name changes: "Personnel" to Human Resources; "Resource Development" to Community Services; and "Management Information Systems" to Information Technology. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 9. Appointments to 2003 Elected Officials' Compensation Committee. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to appoint Terry Bennett, Melissa McLaughlin and Karl Zarbo to the Canton Township Elected Officials' Compensation Committee for a term from January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003. Motion carried

unanimously. GENERAL CALENDAR:

11990 Mayfield Livonia, MI 48150

Item 1. Consider Special Land Use for Wendy's/Tim Horton's Restaurants. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the request of the Project Sponsor, Mr. Dennis Miller, to conduct the special use for the proposed Wendy's/Tim Horton's Restaurants, subject to compliance with any conditions contained in the Resolution and all other regulations of the Township. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 2. Consider Site Plan for Crescent Academy Expansion. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the Petitioner Mr. Surrendra Bagga, to approve the site plan for the proposed Crescent Academy addition, conditioned upon revision of the plan to include the 29 parking spaces at the rear of the building with the current construction and subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part

hereof. Motion carried unanimously. Item 3. Consider Award of Bid Package #2 For The Administration Building & Public Safety Building Expansion and Renovation. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve award of bid package #2 to the subcontractors recommended

by George Auch Company. Motion carried unanimously.

Administration / Pub Package #2	lic Safety Building Exp	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Subcontractor	Proposal Letter	Award
National Precast Inc.	Proposal A	\$498,700
30066 Little Mack	Plant Precast Concrete	
Roseville, MI 48066		. Acce #01
Baker Construction	Proposal B	\$335,561
7936 M-36, Suite 1	Masonry	
Whitmore Lake, MI		4004 400
Denn-Co Construction	Inc. Proposal C	\$324,490
13129 23 Mile Rd.	ExtWall Frame/Sheeting/	4
Shelby Twp., MI 48315	Fireproof Insul./EIFS	**=***
C Davis Roofing	Proposal D	\$150,000
6539 Burroughs	Roof & Preform/ Siding/	
Sterling Hgts, MI 48314	Flash Panels	40 700
DRV Joint Sealants	Proposal E	\$3,500
51667 Oro Drive	Sealants	* *
Shelby Twp., MI 48315		A 400 00F
Lansing Glass	Proposal F	\$423,697
2820 South Alpha Street	Glazing/Aluminum	
Lansing, MI 48910	Window Systems	*****
CPI International	Proposal G	\$15,890
28662 N. Ballard Dr.	Metal Framed Skylights	
Lake Forest, IL 60045		4= 000
International Building	Products, Proposal H	\$5,260

Misc Specialties: Drop Box

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		Plumbing	
	22630 Fifteen Mile Road	I IUIIIVIIIE	والمراجع والمراجع والمراجع والمراجع
	Clinton Twp., MI 48035	7)	\$267,000
	Professional Sprinkler	Prposal J	\$201,000
	28750 Wall Street	Fire Protection	
	Wixom, MI 48393		
	Delta Temp. Inc.	Proposal K	\$2,813,000
	500 Ajax Drive	Mechanical	
	Madison Hgts., MI 48071		
	Graye Electric Services	Proposal L	\$1,253,900
	12257 Market Street	Electrical	
	Livonia, MI 48150		
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Item 4. Waiver of Water Front Foot Fees For The Napier Road Water Main Project. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to waive the water front foot fees for those properties that provided easements for the Napier Road Water Main. Motion carried unanimously.

*Item 18. Appointment to the Planning Commission. [Moved up in agenda to be heard at this time! Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to appoint Mr. Greg Greene to the Canton Planning Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2004. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 5. Right-Of-Way Dedication, Tap Fees And Water Hookups for Five Properties on the South Side of Cherry Hill Road West of Roosevelt Street. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the Township Clerk and Supervisor to execute the quit claim deeds and approve the cost associated with the right-of-way acquisitions. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 6. Consider Various Zoning Ordinance Amendments 2002-03. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance in the following sections 1.03, 15.02, 16.02, 17.02, 2.03, 2.10, 2.14, 2.28, 5.05, and 5.08. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the amendments to Sections 6.09 of the Zoning Ordinance as presented. Motion carried 6-1. Roll Call: Ayes: Bennett, Burdziak, McLaughlin, Kirchgatter, Yack, Zarbo. Nay: Shefferly.

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 2002-03 ARTICLE 1.00 - RULES OF CONSTRUCTION AND DEFINITIONS 1.03 - DEFINITIONS - ADULT REGULATED USES: As used in this Ordinance, the following definitions shall apply to adult regulated

MASSAGE PARLOR or MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENT. A place where manipulated massage or manipulated exercises are practiced for pay upon the human body by anyone using mechanical, therapeutic, or bathing devices or techniques, other than the following, a duly licensed physician, osteopath, or chiropractor, a registered or practical nurse operating under a physician's directions; or, registered physical or occupational therapists or speech pathologists who treat patients referred by a licensed physician and operate only under such physician's direction. A massage establishment may include, but is not limited to, establishments commonly known as massage parlors, health spas, sauna baths, Turkish bathhouses, and steam baths. Massage establishments, as defined herein, shall not include properlylicensed hospitals, medical clinics, or nursing homes, or beauty salons or barber shops in which massages are administered only to the scalp, the face, the neck or the shoulders.

LICENSED MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENT - an establishment as defined and regulated in Ordinance No. 100. "Massage Establishment and Massage Technician Licensing," as amended.

SITE IMPROVEMENTS - elements shown on the approved site plan. including, but not limited to parking lots, underground utilities, stormwater detention systems, lighting, landscaping, sidewalks, curbing, benches, fountains, public art, raised planters, retaining walls, obscuring walls or fences, clock towers, boardwalks, or gazebos. ARTICLE 15.00 - C-1, VILLAGE SHOPPING DISTRICT -

15.02 - PERMITTED USES AND STRUCTURES - Amend the following subsection:

A. Permitted Uses and Structures

2. Personal Service Establishments including: f. Licensed Massage Establishments

ARTICLE 16.00 - C-2, COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT 16.02 - PERMITTED USES AND STRUCTURES - Amend the following subsection:

A. Permitted Uses and Structures

Establishments which perform services on the premises such as: beauty and barber shops; licensed massage establishments; watch, radio, television, clothing, and shoe repair; locksmiths; photo processing outlets; photographic studios; and similar

establishments. LE 17.00 - C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT 17.02 - PERMITTED USES AND STRUCTURES - Amend the

following subsection: B. SPECIAL LAND USES

6. Adult book or supply stores, adult motion picture theaters, adult live stage performing theaters, adult outdoor motion picture theaters, and group "a" cabarets, and massage parlors or massage establishments, subject to the provisions in Section 6.02. subsection A.

ARTICLE 2.00 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

2.03 - ACCESSORY STRUCTURES AND USES - Create new subsections as follows:

E. LOCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR POOLS

The location and enclosure of any pool shall be such that no hazard exists for the pool users or the public. The minimum distance from the nearest part of the pool structure shall be as follows:

Five (5) feet horizontally to any property line except that no pool shall be located within the front yard and in the case of a corner lot, the pool shall not be located within the required yard space as measured from the lot line which abuts the side street.

Four (4) feet to any building wall or non-property line fence.

Twenty-five (25) feet horizontally to any private water well or as approved by the Wayne County Health Department.

Three (3) feet horizontally to any sewer, for an in ground pool. There shall be ten (10) feet horizontally to a septic tank and tile field or other similar treatment facility. No pool, parts of the pools, or related equipment shall be

located in any easement of record.

In a residential subdivision, pool water filtering and heating equipment shall not be located in the side yard, or in the case of a corner lot, within the required yard space which abuts the side street. Pool equipment shall not be located within the front yard.

LOCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR AIR CONDITIONING

Air conditioning units, regardless of size, shall not be placed in the front yard and shall be set back from the side or rear yard lot lines a minimum of six (6) feet. Further, air conditioning units must be located at least twelve (12) feet from any single family home on an

adjacent lot. 2.10 - STREETS, ROADS, AND OTHER MEANS OF ACCESS D. PRIVATE ROADS OR STREETS

The following standards shall be complied with whenever a private internal or on-site road or street or street within a condominium is proposed:

Applicability. Lots or building sites may be created with frontage on private roads or streets provided that such lots or building sites conform to all requirements of the district in which the land is located, and provided further, that the lots or building sites shall not be created until an easement agreement for the private road or street or condominium document has been executed and recorded in accordance with the standards set forth herein or within the Condominium Ordinance; and either the private road or street has been constructed in accordance with the standards set forth herein or financial guarantees in the amount of one hundred and ten percent (110%) of the amount of construction have been placed with the Township. The form of the financial guarantee may include irrevocable bank letter of credit, cashiers check or certified check. No construction shall be permitted on lots or building sites which have frontage only onto undeveloped private road easements. Construction may be permitted on such lots or building sites subsequent to development of the private road in full compliance with the regulations set forth

herein. 2. Site Plan Requirements. Submission of a site plan for review and approval shall be required, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Article 27.02, prior to issuance of any permits to construct a private road. The site plan shall also include information specified in the Subdivision Control or

Condominium Ordinance. Minimum Easement Requirements. A sixty (60) foot wide road easement or right-of-way for ingress, egress, and parking shall be established contiguous to all lots to be serviced by a private road. Such easement shall be established for the joint nonexclusive use of all owners of property abutting the easement. The private road shall be established within the easement or right-of-way and shall provide access to all abutting property. Public utilities and drainage ditches shall also be permitted to

occupy the easement.

Design Requirements. Private roads shall be designed and constructed in accordance with standards and specifications indicated herein and with such other proper engineering standards as may be applicable to assure a safe, maintainable roadway. Class I private road cross-sections shall meet the gravel road cross-section with open ditches design standard, as illustrated herein, or equivalent design approved by the Township Engineer. Class II and III private road cross-sections shall meet the asphaltic concrete appropriate pavement crosssection with open ditch standard, as illustrated herein, or equivalent design approved by the Township Engineer. For the purpose of enforcing said standards and specifications, private roads shall be classified as follows:

Class I Private Roads. Class I private roads serve not more than three (3) single-family residential lots or one (1) non-residential use, not including farm uses and buildings. (Supp. 95-1, Effective 5-4-95) -Class II Private Roads. Class II private roads meet one (1) or more of

the following criteria: a. The road serves, is intended to serve, or has the reasonable potential of serving, four (4) or more single family residential lots or is located within a condominium. (Supp. 95-1; Effective

The road connects with, is intended to eventually connect with, or has the reasonable potential of connecting with paved

public or private road. The road has reasonable probability of eventually being

dedicated as a public road.

The road is being developed in an area with soil or topographic conditions which warrant special engineering or construction considerations, in the opinion of the Township Engineer. -Class III Private Roads. Class III private roads serve, or are intended

to serve commercial, office or industrial uses. Class III private roads are all other private roads not classified as Class I or Class II. Modification of Requirements. The Planning Commission and Township Board may waive or modify the private road

requirements for private soads serving single family development, upon recommendation of the Planning Official and Engineering Official, if it is determined that the average daily traffic using the private road will be less than one hundred (100) trips per day.

Construction Standards. All private roads shall be constructed in strict accordance with the same standard procedures for public roads set forth by Wayne County Department of Public Services. Testing, reporting, and inspection services shall be performed by Canton Township's engineering consultant in accordance with the same requirements set forth by Wayne County for public roads. The developer of the private road(s) shall be responsible for the costs associated with the required inspection, testing, and reporting for completion of the road improvement.

2.14-TRASH REMOVAL AND COLLECTION

A. STANDARDS FOR SITING AND SCREENING OF REFUSE CONTAINMENT AREAS, INCLUDING TRASH DUMPSTERS, COMPACTORS. GREASE TRAPS AND OTHER REFUSE RECEPTACLES

For purposes of this provision, the term "dumpster shall include trash dumpsters, compactors, grease traps or other refuse

All commercial, office, industrial, religious and institutional developments shall have a designated refuse containment area. All attached housing developments shall have designated refuse containment areas unless the site plan indicates that refuse shall be collected on an individual-unit, curbside basis. All containment devices, including but not limited to dumpsters, garbage cans. trash containers, recycling bins, compactors, oil receptacles and grease traps, shall be enclosed as described in this article.

Dumpsters shall not be permitted for single family residential uses in the Rural Agricultural, Rural Residential, Rural Estate and the R-1 through R-5 districts, except as a temporary use in conjunction with renovation or new construction projects. Any such dumpsters must be removed immediately upon completion of the project.

Dumpters may be permitted or required as accessory to any use, other than single family residential uses in the Rural Agricultural, Rural Residential, and the R-1 through R-5 districts, subject to the following

1. Location.

Dumpsters shall be located on a concrete pad in a rear or side yard provided any such dumpster shall not encroach on a required parking area or fire lane, is clearly accessible to servicing vehicles, and is located at least ten (10) feet from any building.

Dumpsters shall be located as far as practicable from any adjoining residential district or use but shall in no instance be located within ten (10) feet of any residential property line or district. The vehicle approach to the dumpster shall be on the same

slope as the dumpster pad. The dumpster pad shall have a minimum dimension of twelve

(12') feet by twenty (20') feet.

The dumpster pad shall be large enough to support the dumpster and the front wheels of the dumpster collection

Driveway Geometry Guidelines: The following guidelines, as illustrated herein, should be considered when siting dumpster A minimum of 40-feet of clear space in front of the enclosure

shall be provided to allow the truck to readily access the dumpster and to place it back inside the enclosure. Whenever possible dumpsters should be located perpendicular

to access drives. The angle between the line of direction to the container and the line of travel on the abutting access drive should not

exceed 30-degrees. The minimum inside curve radius should be 35-feet: the

minimum outside curve radius should be 57 feet.

Screening. (See Illustrations) Dumpsters shall be screened from view from adjoining

property and public streets and thoroughfares. Dumpsters shall be screened on three sides with a permanent building, or wall, which matches the masonry of the primary structure on the site, shall not be less than six (6) eight (8) feet in height and be at least one (1) foot above the height of the enclosed dumpster, whichever is taller. If constructed primarily of brick, the enclosure walls shall be topped with a

appearance. The walls of the dumpster enclosure shall not be constructed of poured or pre-cast concrete panels.

The fourth side of the dumpster screen shall be equipped with an opaque, lockable gate that is the same height as the enclosure around the other three sides. (Supp. 01-4, Effective 011-01-2001) Chain link or similar type gates with inserted opaque slats are unacceptable.

limestone or similar-looking material cap to provide a finished

The minimum inside dimensions of the enclosure shall be ten feet (10') deep by eleven feet wide (11'). The gates shall not protrude into the required inside minimum dimensions.

A minimum of three (3) concrete-filled pipe bollards, with a minimum diameter of six (6") inches shall be installed along the inside rear wall of the dumpster enclosure. Bollards shall be set in concrete three feet (3') below grade and shall extend four feet (4') above grade. Such bollards shall be located at least two feet (2') from the inside rear wall of the enclosure. If the enclosure is greater than twelve feet (12') in width, an additional bollard shall be installed for every four feet (4') or portion thereof of additional width.

Expansion of Existing Screen Enclosures. If dumpsters are needed on-site in excess of the quantity anticipated by the original. approved site plan, the existing enclosure may be expanded, using matching materials. If however, additional enclosures are required to be constructed, they shall be constructed of masonry material as described elsewhere in this article.

Maintenance. All dumpster screens, pads and gates shall be perpetually maintained in good condition by the owner of the property on which it is located. Further, it shall be the responsibility of each property owner, business, commercial, industrial or institutional establishment to:

Locate or place the dumpster or refuse container in such a location that it can be lifted by appropriate mechanical equipment. Maintain each dumpster or refuse container in a safe, clean

and sanitary condition. Insure that the dumpster is kept within the walls of the screen

enclosure at all times, except when being emptied. Keep the area around the dumpster clear and free of all litter

and debris. Insure that all waste is deposited in such a manner as to prevent spilling or blowing out of the dumpster container.

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Toastmasters

Develop your public speaking, communications and leadership skills. Guests

No pressure to speak. Being held at St. John Episcopal Church in Plymouth. This group meets at 7 p.m. every first and third Monday of the month. Please call (734) 459-0715 for more information.

K of C Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus holds a breakfast buffet 8:30 a.m. to noon every Sunday at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 150 Fair St., Plymouth. All-you-can-eat buffet. Newly remodeled breakfast room. (734) 453-9833 for further informa-

tion. Kiwanis Breakfast Club

The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club meets 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth, Guests are welcome. Call Charr Briggs at (810) 406-

BNI The Canton II Chapter of Business

Network International (BNI) meets 7-8:30 a.m. every Wednesday at Atlantis Restaurant, 39500 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth.

The Laurel Park Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Family Restaurant on Plymouth Road, east of Merriman, Livonia.

The Plymouth Chapter meets every Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. The Livonia Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Senate Coney Island on Plymouth at Stark, Livonia.

Call the BNI regional office at (810)

323-3800.

MOPS The Plymouth Baptist Church holds the Mothers Of Preschoolers meetings 9-11:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

These meetings provide a time for moms to develop new friendships with other moms. Child care is provided. The church is at 42021 Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth, between Lilley and Haggerty.

Call (734) 453-5534. **Mothers of Multiples**

The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Multiples Club meets 7 p.m. the third week of each month on alternating Mondays, and Tuesdays. Play group meets twice a month on alternating Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Call Pam Heestand at

(734) 981-3341. **Human Rights Group**

The Human Rights Group meets at 7 p.m. the first Sunday of the month at the Plymouth Coffee Studio, 600 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call Paulette at (734) 416-9288 or Charlene at (734) 963-0649.

Plymouth Newcomers

Plymouth Newcomers is a social organization dedicated to helping people meet others in the community through its monthly meetings and variety of interest groups. Call Diane Peyton at (734) 354-

VOLUNTEERS

Home Care & Hospice of Michigan If you are willing to help assist the needs of the dying and their families with a few hours of conversation,

read, hold a hand or just be there with a person while the family is out, you are needed. A volunteer training class will begin on Tuesday, Jan. 21. Call Sherry Wagenknecht (734) 769-4212 for info.

Volunteers Needed

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First Step Project on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteers in the following areas: emergency shelter services, 24-hour-help line, court advocacy, crisis response team, general office tasks and special projects. Training is provided and opportunities are available throughout western Wayne County. Volunteers must be 18 or older, Call (734) 416-111, Ext. 216.

American Cancer Society Recruiting volunteers for its Road to Recovery program. Volunteers help to drive cancer patients to and from their treatment at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. To learn more, call (248) 557-

Habitat For Humanity

Looking for volunteers to help with building homes, office duties, and fund raising. No experience needed, training will be provided. For more details call (734) 459-7744 and ask for Deidre.

Discovery Shops The American Cancer Society's

Discovery Shops are looking for volunteers interested in retail. Various positions, flexible hours and training are available. For more information, call the American Cancer Society at (248) 557-5353 or toll-free at (800) 925-2271.

Cancer Center.

The Patient Education Resource Center at the University of Michigan Cancer Center is looking for volunteers to

a broke tand they area. They depend to

help patients and families obtain information about cancer.

Basic computer skills and knowledge of the Internet required. One four-hour shift per week during business hours. For more details, call Ruti Volk at 936-

SUPPORT

Healing Weekend

A weekend designed for divorced or widowed men and women of all ages who wish to let go of the painful past and create a peace-filled future is presented by trained teams of people who have "been there."

A "Beginning Experience" weekend will be held Feb. 7-9 at St. John Center in Plymouth. Must register by Jan. 27. Call Jan at (586) 992-0306 or Marie at (734) 464-7043.

Cancer Networking Group

For persons with leukemia, lymphoma or multiple myeloma. Meeting the first and third Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 at the Weisberg Cancer Center, 31995 Northwestern Hwy. in Farmington Hills.

Divorce Recovery & Support

Series for men and women of all ages, offers healing and support in dealing with the painful issues of divorce, while promoting recovery and healing. For more details, contact Gloria at (248) 651-8014 or Jeff at (248) 620-3037.

First Step

First Step, the Western Wayne County and Downriver Project to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, offers free counseling for survivors of sexual assault. To schedule an appointment or to learn more about our services, please

call our toll-free helpline at (888) 453-5900.

Grief Support For Kids

How do kids deal with grief after a loved one has died? Northern Xpress Ways is a grief support group provided by Pathfinders of Arbor Hospice & Home Care for elementary and middle-school age kids who have experienced death of a loved one.

Call (734) 662-3742 for further informa-

Grief Support

Millions of people each year experience feelings of sadness, loneliness, and anger after the death of a loved

Group support meets 6:30-8 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday at the Community Hospice in Westland. Call (734) 522-4244 for further information.

Children Of Divorce

The group meets weekly 6-7 p.m. on Monday or Tuesday evenings. The group is designed for children ages 6-12 and may also benefit children whose parents have separated or divorced in the past but who are still struggling to accept it. For information and registration, call Barbara Bielak at (734) 453-0718.

Grief Support

New Hope Center for Grief Support, a Christian-based bereavement outreach center, offers grief support groups and resources to the community free of charge.

It is also sponsoring a support group for family members of those who died in the 9/11 tragedy. Groups for widows and widowers of all ages are offered in Wayne, Oakland, Livingston and

February 13th, 2003 for the following:

Macomb counties.

Groups will be provided for parents who have lost a child, parental loss, widows and widowers, suicide loss, and other losses due to death. Call (248) 348-0115.

Down Syndrome

The Down Syndrome Support Group of Western Wayne County meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St., Plymouth. This group hosts speakers and provides support, physician referrals, and the latest information for families with children/ adults with Down syndrome.

The focus is on the up-side of Down syndrome and members look for ways to help children and their development in a positive environment. Call Michelle Gonzalez at (734) 516-0746.

Families Anonymous

Families Anonymous meets monthly at 8 p.m. Thursdays at St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton. This group provides support for families and friends concerned about the use of mind-altering substances such as alcohol, drugs or behavior problems of a loved one. Call (734) 416-0315.

Hands Across The Water

Hands Across The Water holds its Adopting Older Kids (A-OKI) meetings 7-9 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month.

There is a \$5 fee.

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,

HOUSING REHAB #1

LEAD BASED PAINT ABATEMENT ON HOME

Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget

Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734)

394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly

marked with the proposal name, company name, address and

telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township

reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The

Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the

They also sponsor an adoption book discussion group from 7-9 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month; this group is free. Call to register at (734) 477-0135.

TERRY G. BENNETT.

Clerk

WESTERN TOWNSHIP UTILITIES REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS **T1 Communications Line**

Western Township Utilities Authority is requesting proposals for the planning, installation, testing and lease of a new high speed T1 Communications Line System to run between the two main sanitary sewer pump station facilities. Companies or individuals who desire a copy of the proposal documents should contact:

Ms. Sandy Forrest Western Township Utilities Authority 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187 (734) 453-2793

All submittals must be received by February 14, 2003 at 11:00 a.m. A public opening of the proposals will immediately follow the closing at the Middle Rouge offices located at 40905 Joy

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JANUARY 14, 2003

times except when loading garbage or refuse.

the approval of the Planning Commission.

5.05 - INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE

elements shall be repaired or replaced.

5.08 - OBSCURING WALLS AND FENCES

specified in this Ordinance:

PURPOSE

OBSCURING WALL AND FENCE STANDARDS

To screen a non-residential use in a Commercial,

a Residential district from adjacent land zoned for

Office, or Industrial district from adjacent land

zoned for residential or agricultural use

residential or agricultural use

2.28 - MAINTENANCE OF SITE IMPROVEMENTS

Keep the dumpsters and screen enclosure gates closed at all

Insure that the access to the container is maintained at all

Site Plan Requirements. The location and method of screening of

dumpsters shall be shown on all site plans and shall be subject to

All site improvements on an approved site plan shall be maintained in

good condition. Site improvements include items such as: lighting.

<u>landscaping, sidewalks, curbing, benches, fountains, public art, raised</u>

planters, retaining walls, obscuring walls or fences, clock towers,

boardwalks, or gazebos. Any element within the site shall be repaired

or replaced immediately upon notice from the Community Planner or

Landscaping required by this Ordinance shall be warranted by the

developer for one (1) year from the date of acceptance by the

Township. Landscaping shall be continually maintained in a

healthy, neat, and orderly appearance, free from weeds, refuse and

debris by the owners of the property after the developer has

completed all of the warranty replacements required by the

Township. All unhealthy and dead plant material shall be

replaced immediately upon notice from the Building and/or

Planning Official, unless the season is not appropriate for

planting, in which case such plant material shall be replaced at

the beginning of the next planting season. An automatic irrigation

system is required of all proposed developments for all landscaped

and/or lawn areas. This requirement may be waived by the

Planning Commission if it is determined that the scope of the

project is minimal and that the cost of installation of such

equipment would be prohibitive to the development of the site.

Trees, shrubs, and other plantings and lawn areas shall be

watered regularly throughout the growing season. All constructed

or manufactured landscape elements, such as but not limited to

benches, retaining walls, edging, the irrigation system, mulch.

decorative lighting, landscape monuments, garden walls, or

fencing, and so forth, shall be maintained in good condition and

neat appearance. Rotted, deteriorated, or damaged landscape

Wall Specifications. Required obscuring walls shall comply

with the following height requirements, unless otherwise

To screen a non-residential use or parking areas in Four (4) ft.

Required walls shall be constructed of masonry material that

which matches the primary masonry of the principal structure

on the site is architecturally compatible with the materials

used on the facade of the principal structure on the site, such

as face brick, decorative block, or poured concrete with

simulated brick or stone patterns. Standard concrete block

walls and poured or precast concrete walls with no decorative

REQUIRED HEIGHT

Six (6) ft.

ARTICLE 5.00 - LANDSCAPING SCREENING AND WALLS

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

David Medley, ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road Canton, MI 48188 (734) 394-5260

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Create the following section:

Amend the following sections:

Building Official.

D. MAINTENANCE

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features are not permitted. Required walls shall be similarly

CABLE TO SPECIFIC USES SITE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR THE

CHERRY HILL OVERLAY DISTRICT D. GENERAL DESIGN PRINCIPLES

finished on all sides.

1. Density shall be determined in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 27.04D.5. requirements are to be applied keeping in mind the objectives of the Cherry Hill Area Development Plan, as follows: that overall density shall not exceed four (4) units per acre and any single phase of sub-area within an individual project shall not exceed six (6) dwelling units per acre in the Village Edge area and twelve (12) dwelling units/acre in the Density within the Village Edge shall not exceed 4 dwelling units/acre. If it is determined that unallocated sewer capacity is available to serve the land area within the village boundary, density for the Village Edge may be increased to a maximum of 6 dwelling units/acre. Density within the mixed use Village Core area shall not exceed 12 dwelling units/acre. Boundaries of the Village Edge and Village Core areas are defined on Figure 1 of the Design Guidelines.

First Reading Amending the Satellite Television Item 7. Antenna Ordinance No. 13(A). Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to introduce and table the First Reading of the amendment to the Satellite Television Antenna Ordinance No. 13(A) for publication in the Canton Observer on January 23, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

State of Michigan, County of Wayne. Charter Township of Canton Summary of Satellite Television Antenna Ordinance No. 13(A)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CODE BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 13. SATELLITE TELEVISION ANTENNA ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF THE LOCATION AND SIZE OF SATELLITE TELEVISION ANTENNA; PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN DEFINITIONS: PROVIDING FOR GENERAL PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS: PROVIDING FOR APPEALS AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIÉS, REPEAL, SEVERABILITY, SAVINGS CLAUSE, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

Section 1. OBJECTIVE. This section provides for that the purpose of this Ordinance is to protect the public health, safety and welfare, and particularly with regard to residentially zoned districts to preserve aesthetics and to minimize visual impacts. It is the intent of this Ordinance to be consistent with and implement the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1969 and regulations promulgated

Section 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS. This section provides that no antenna shall be erected, constructed, or maintained or operated except in conformance with the provisions of this ordinance Section 3. DEFINITIONS. This section provides for the definition

for terms used in this Ordinance.

Section 4. LOCATION AND HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS. This section provides for the location and height requirements. Section 5. CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS. This section

provides for the construction requirements. Section 6. PENALTIES. This section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or

imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of

Section 7. REPEAL. This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to

the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. Section 8. SEVERABILITY. This section provides that any

unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance. Section 9. SAVINGS CLAUSE. This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

Section 10. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section provides that this

ordinance shall become effective upon second publication.

[Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance will be available after adoption and second publication at the Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan during regular business hours or can

Item 8. Approval of Specialized Transportation Bus Agreement with Huron Valley Ambulance. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve the Specialized Transportation Bus Agreement with Huron Valley Ambulance for the purchase of a fourteen passenger bus for \$12,153.61 per year over a five year period (2003-2007). Motion carried unanimously.

Item 9. Approval of Custom Made Kitchen Cabinets for the Bartlett Travis House. Motion by Bennett, supported by Mclaughlin to approve the contract with Expo Kitchen and Bath, Ltd., for custom made cabinets for the Bartlett Travis House kitchen for \$7,398 with a ten percent contingency of \$739 for a total amount of \$8,137. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 10. Approve Price Quote for Printing the 2003 Service Directory Calendar. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the bid submitted by Kimcraft Printing of \$6,894 and a contingency of \$689 for a total cost of \$7,583 for printing of the 2003 Service Directory and Calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 11. Award Housing Rehabilitation Contract. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to award the contract for housing rehabilitation for the Round Table West address to Universe Home Improvement, in the amount of \$23,560 plus a contingency of \$1,440, for a total of \$25,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 12. Approval to Create and Fill a Secretary IV Position in Public Safety. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the creation of a Secretary IV position for the Public Safety Department and the filling of this position. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 13. Request to Purchase Bannerman Diamondmaster

Infield Groomer. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve the purchase of the Bannerman Diamondmaster Infield Groomer for the ballfield maintenance to Mid America Sales Associates in the amount of \$6,812.75. Motion carried unanimously. Item 14. Request to Purchase Carbon Monoxide System for Canton Leisure Services Parks/PRGC Building. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the purchase of a ventilation system for the Parks/Grounds Maintenance building to Keeth Heating and Air Conditioning for a cost not to exceed \$4,400 plus a 10% contingency fee for a total cost not to exceed \$4,840. I further move to approve the following General Fund budget amendment for this purchase: Increase Revenues: Appropriation from Fund Balance #101-000-699-0000 \$4,840 Increase Appropriations: Capital Outlay-Parks Division #101-270-977-0000 \$4,840. This budget amendment increases the Parks Division from \$1,892,482 to \$1,897,322, and the General Fund budget from \$22,945,800 to \$22,950,640. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 15. Create and Fill for a Continuing Part Time Clerical Position for Leisure Services. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to create and fill a continuing part-time position for the Leisure Services Division purchase to the TPOAM contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 16. Consider Approval of Request for Extension of Contracted Services for Landscape Inspection Services (Planning Services). Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the request to extend the contract with Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc. to provide landscaping and subdivision inspection services for FY2003 as outlined above utilizing available contracted service funds (101-371-818-000) in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00). Motion carried unanimously.

Item 17. Approve the Purchase of Recware Safari Computer Software and Supporting Hardware for the Leisure Services Department.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of Recware Safari computer software from Sierra Digital in an amount not to exceed \$55,000 and hardware/software support items in an amount not to exceed \$15,000. Motion carried unanimously. Item 18. Appointment to the Planning Commission. [Moved up

in the agenda to be heard after Item G-41 Next week the Board will meet in study session re: Merit Commission recommendations on non-union employee fringe benefit including language changes and clarifications to the personnel policy manual. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 8:32 p.m.

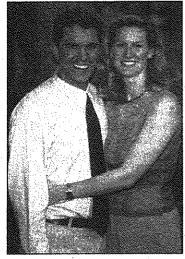
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provision of services.

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Antczak-Clark

Jerry and Elaine Antczak of Plymouth are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Dr. Lara Antezak, to Dr. Dorrance Dean Clark, son of Ruby Clark of Montana.

Dr. Antezak is a 1997 graduate of the University of Michigan and a 2002 graduate of the University of Michigan Dental School.

Dr. Clark is a 1997 graduate of the University of Nebraska associated with Indian Health Services and a 2002 graduate of the University of Michigan Dental School.

A June 14, 2003, wedding is planned at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth with the Rev. Doc Ortmann officiating. After a wedding trip to Hawaii, the couple will reside in Arizona.



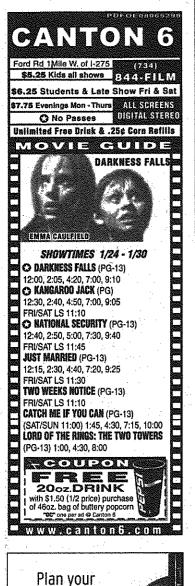
Doherty-Lauster

James and JoAnn Doherty of Sterling Heights are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Colleen Doherty, to Timothy Lauster, son of Timothy and Noreen Lauster of Canton.

Colleen is a 1994 graduate of Stevenson High School in Sterling Heights; and of Wayne State University. She is currently employed as a pharmacist at Beaumont Hospital.

Timothy is a 1994 graduate of Catholic Central and holds a computer engineering degree from Michigan State University. He is currently a graduate student in the Eli Broad Business School at Michigan State.

A May 10, 2003, wedding is planned at St. Ephrem Catholic Church in Sterling Heights.



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ment of his daughter, Gretchen Timothy Short, son of Carl and

of Ball State University with a bachelor of science in journalism/public relations. She is currently employed as a translator/teacher of American sign language with Deaf Services, Inc. in Merriville, Ind.

Andrew is a 1999 graduate of West Point Military Academy and is currently a captain in the United States Army stationed at Fort Campbell, Ky.

An April 5, 2003, wedding is planned at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Michigan City, Ind.



Squier Wedding

April and Alan Squier are proud to announce their mar-

The wedding was performed at The Little Wedding Chapel in Taylor with a reception at Crystal Gardens in Southgate. Performing the ceremony was Mike Krowisz. The couple now resides in Canton.

NEW ARRIVALS

Brandon Gramer

Anthony and Sunshine Gramer of Canton announce the birth of their son, Brandon Anthony, on Sept. 16, 2002 at Garden City Hospital.

Proud grandparents are Barb Kish and Ray Jonakait of Saugatuck, Paul Kish and Jan Pearsall of Woodhaven; and Tony and Maria Gramer of Canton.

Tyler Xuereb

Katherine and Steven Xuereb of Canton announce the birth of their son, Tyler Steven Xuereb, on Oct. 9, 2002 at Garden City Hospital.

Proud grandparents are Terry and Karen Roberts of Canton and Frank and Gail Xuereb of Whitmore Lake.

Hailey Coleman

Veronica Stoll and Michael Coleman, both of Canton, announce the birth of their daughter, Hailey Lynette Coleman, on Nov. 9, 2002 at Garden City Hospital.

Proud grandparents are Gary and Cindy Stoll of Adrian and Michael Coleman and Barb Rush of Canton.

Anthony Olsen

Kelly Renea Jones of Canton and Chris Olsen of Detroit announce the birth of their son, Anthony Michael Olsen on Oct. 7, 2002 at Garden City Hospital.

Anthony joins siblings, Gary Vroom, Jr. 7; Chris Olsen, Jr., 5; Rikki Vroom, 5; and Kristen Olsen, 3, at home.

Proud grandparents are Rick and Shelly Jones of Wayne and Bob and Sheila Olsen of Taylor.

Emily Sajewski

Walter and Terri Sajewski of Canton announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Virginia Sajewski on Nov. 2, 2002 at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.

She will join siblings, Jennifer, 16; Sarah, 11; and Hannah, 2, at home.

Proud grandparents are Edmund and Theresa Sajewski of Detroit and David and Mary Ann Mahey of Ruskin, Fla. Great-grandparent is William H. Mahey of Glendale, Ariz.

Janowski

Gordon and Shari Janowski of Canton proudly announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Wiliam Janowski.

He arrived on Dec. 3 at 5:16 p.m., weighed 9 lbs. 3oz., and was 21 1/2 inches

He joins older sisters, Paige, 3, and Anna 11 months.

REUNIONS

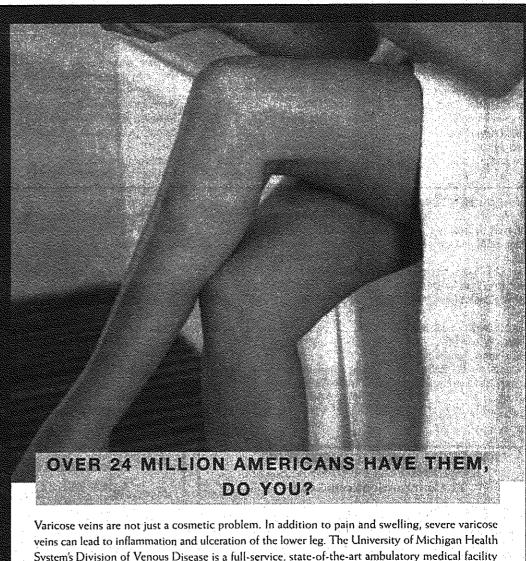
As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 794 S. Main, Plymouth, MI., 48170. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact person, and a telephone number.

Catholic Central Class of 1961

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

Chadsey High School

Class of 1953 Jan./June A 50-year class reunion being held on Sept. 19, 2003, at the Warren Valley Golf Club on Warren and Beech Daly in Dearborn Heights. Contact Fred Osada at (313) 278-9828 for further informa-



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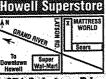


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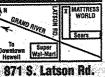
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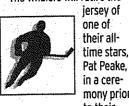
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Peake honored

The Plymouth Whalers will add something special prior to a game that figures to be special anyway on Saturday. The Whalers will retire the



Pat Peake, in a ceremony prior to their 7:30 p.m. game against the

Windsor Spitfires. Peake was a standout for the Whalers whose NHL career

was cut short by injuries. The game against Windsor has all the makings of a firstrate rivalry. The Spitfires are located the closest to the Whalers, and are currently second in the OHL's West Division with a 27-15-2-1 record (57 points), trailing only Plymouth (28-8-8-1, 65 points).

Scholar athletes

Several Observerland athletes were honored as possible finalists for the Michigan High School Athletic Association's 2002-03 Scholar-Athlete Award, including Canton's Colleen O'Brien.

Some 114 finalists in 24 sports were chosen among MHSAA members schools, with the finalists to be named in February. Garden City's Brian Burton was chosen as a finalist in baseball and baskethall while Dave Loney was selected in football.

Livonia Stevenson also had two students make the finalist list with Andy Byberg in boys golf and Kristen Polanski in girls golf. Catholic Central's Andrew Eggert was also

selected in hockey. To be eligible for the award, students must have at least a 3.5 grade-point average, have won a letter in the varsity sport for which they are applying, shown involvement in other school and community activities and written a 500-word essay on the importance of sportsmanship in educational activities.

Rugby training

The search is on for high school boys (grades 9-12) interested in learning rugby football and participating in the Michigan Youth Rugby Association's spring season.

Rugby is a rugged contact sport enjoyed around the world. The Michigan Youth Rugby Association plays against clubs from Brighton, Berkley, Howell, Dearborn, Livonia and Northville.

The team has a "no cuts" policy. Everyone who practices will play. No experience is necessary. The sport of rugby football features 15 players to a side with limited substitution; no blocking or padding, which makes it safer: and continuous play, like ice hockey, basketball and soccer.

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SDOPES

CC seeking to defend its Observerland crown again

BY BRAD MONASTIERE STAFF WRITER

Although the showdowns aren't quite as dramatic as "brother vs. brother" that you'd see on some Civil War drama, the term "neighbor vs. neighbor" definitely applies to an upcoming event.

Saturday, prep wrestling teams from all over the area will converge on Livonia Churchill High School for the 12th annual Observerland Wrestling Meet.

The action gets under way at 9 a.m.

WRESTLING

Tickets are \$5 at the door, and finals are expected to start around 5:30 p.m.

The meet is the only one that gathers all teams from the Observer Newspaper reading area together for one meet. This includes teams from Livonia, Redford, Garden City, Plymouth, Farmington and

Redford Catholic Central has been the

dominant team in recent years at Observerland. The Shamrocks captured the 2002 title, have won three of the past four events and five overall.

Longtime coach Mike Rodriguez says he doesn't keep track of who the other contenders for the tournament crown are, but realizes his team has a target on its back because of its past success here.

We know those teams would like to beat us pretty badly because our kids left those communities to come here," he said. "It's just a backyard tournament,

where everyone comes from the immediate area. We're going into this tournament with the idea we're going to win it."

The Shamrocks should have plenty of company among teams vying for the Observerland trophy. Livonia Stevenson has racked up a 20-4 dual meet record so far this season, and Westland John Glenn, despite losing eight seniors from last year's team, is solid up and down the lineup.

PLEASE SEE OBSERVERLAND, D2

Crusader

Madonna shocks

revenge

Cornerstone

lost by seven.

in a season.

Just nine days ago, when

Aquinas College came to town

for a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference men's basketball

game, Madonna University wast-

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

So close, and yet it got away

down the stretch - leaving one

pen, when the Crusaders would

win a big conference game, when

they would at least win 10 games

Well, the wondering is over.

On Tuesday at 10th-ranked

Cornerstone, Madonna outshot

process, outscored them in post-

With the win, the Crusaders

Cornerstone slips to 16-5 overall,

throughout, thanks in particular

even their overall record at 10-

10; they are 2-4 in the WHAC.

Madonna played solidly

to strong play from their two

points (3-for-3 from 3-point

were Noel Emenhiser, with 15

points and 10 rebounds, and

range) and five rebounds.

senior starters, Dan Kurtinaitis

and Aaron Cox. Kurtinaitis led

the Crusaders with 25 points and

had five assists. Cox collected 22

Other significant contributors

Chris Behrns, with 13 points and

Cornerstone got 28 points

from Bryan Foltice, 14 (and 13

rebounds) from Justin VandePol

the Golden Eagles and, in the

ing an 83-80 upset victory.

3-2 in the conference.

to wonder when it would hap-

ed an impressive comeback and

Churchill too much for Salem

BY C.J. RISAK STAFF WRITER

This is a volleyball match that always offers something special.

Remember last season? Salem beat Livonia Churchill during the regular season, but the Chargers shocked the state-ranked Rocks in the championship match of the Western Lakes Activities Association Tournament, beating them 15-0, 15-7.

Churchill had to forfeit that victory, which made the state district final played a week later something of a grudge match. Salem won it in three hard-fought sets.

Fast-forward to this season. Churchill has looked even stronger than last year's squad, and while Salem lost five of six starters, it still won 12 of its first 15 matches.

Which meant Wednesday's confrontation at Salem should, in all likelihood, follow tradition and be a hard-fought struggle to the bitter end.

Only it wasn't. Churchill dominated, from start to finish, crushing the Rocks in two-straight games, 15-4, 15-6.

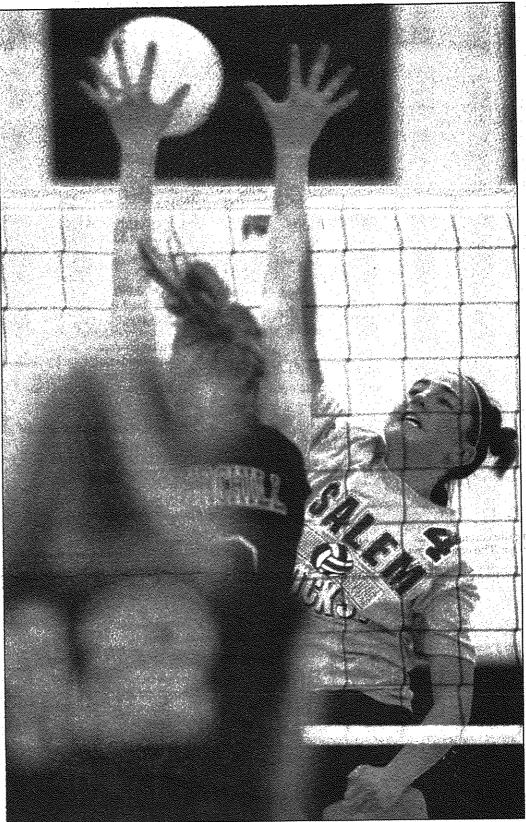
The win pushes the Chargers' record to 19-4-1 overall, 2-0 in the WLAA. Salem is 12-4 overall, 1-1 in the conference.

Asked if this was the kind of match he envisioned, Churchill coach Mike Hughes replied, "It's not the one we anticipated. We played extremely well. Things worked for us. We played solidly, offensively and defensively.

"We just didn't make many mistakes."

Salem coach Tom Teeters could offer few excuses for the lopsided loss. "We were not very competi-

PLEASE SEE CHURCHILL, D3



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem's Caitlin Epley attempts a kill against Churchill Wednesday, but the Rocks had few successes.

PLEASE SEE CRUSADERS, D4

and 13 from Keith Wurn.

Zebras' stampede crushes Chiefs

STAFF WRITER

Half good.

Or good for a half. However you look at it, Canton played well for the first two quarters Tuesday, then lost its focus. And after a decent first half, Wayne Memorial turned it up in the

The result was a 30-15 third-quarter blitz for the Zebras that led to an 84-63 triumph at Canton in a Western Lakes Activities Association crossover basketball game.

Canton fell to 3-8 overall; the Chiefs are 1-2 in the Western Division. Wayne is 6-4 overall, and remains 2-1 in the Lakes Division.

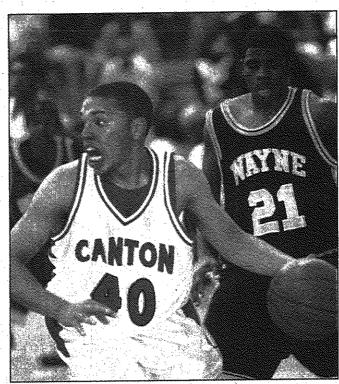
"I know they're good," Canton coach Jeremy Rheault said of Wayne. "It's just hard to give up

more than 80 points." Not when your team plays the way the Chiefs did in that third quarter.

"We got them a little bit on the press, and we also got some cheap baskets on run-offs," Wayne coach Wayne Woodard said. "Guess that proves it's always good to be unselfish."

Not much went wrong for the Zebras in the pivotal third quarter. They had possession to open the half; Jonathan Raspberry scored and Wayne's two-point halftime lead had doubled. It wouldn't stay that way for long.

PLEASE SEE ZEBRAS, D4



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

D.J.Bridges (40) tries to move the ball upcourt under heavy defensive pressure from Wayne's Jonathan Raspberry. Bridges scored 25 points for Canton; Raspberry had 18 for Wayne, all in the second half.

Whalers start weekend slow, but finish fast

six boards.

Hey, everyone hiccups once in a while.

That's the only way to explain what happened to the Plymouth Whalers last weekend. They played three Ontario Hockey League games in three days, the first one at home against the Kingston Frontenacs (last place in the OHL's East Division), the next two on the road - at Erie (second in the Midwest) and Toronto (first in the Central).

Calculate all that information and try to figure when the Whalers would be the most physically and mentally fatigued. Sunday, their third game in three days, right? And on the road.

And when would they meet the toughest competition? Perhaps Saturday at Erie; the Otters have always been rough on the Whalers, particularly at

So which game of the three did they win? Which did they tie? And which did they lose?

If you followed the above-listed information, you guessed wrong. The Whalers lost 3-2 Friday to Kingston at Plymouth's Compuware Arena; they tied Erie 2-2 Saturday at Erie; and they defeated the St. Michael's Majors 6-4 Sunday in Toronto.

Through Sunday, Plymouth remains first in the

PLEASE SEE WHALERS, DS

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Canton gets a dual-meet split at tourney

When a team is struggling, perhaps facing opponents who are also battling hardships isn't all that bad.

At the Ypsilanti Lincoln team tournament Saturday, Canton's wrestling team managed to earn a 2-2 split — even though the Chiefs are still without seven starters. They defeated Ypsilanti 42-36 and a Willow Run squad that had just four wrestlers, 84-0, and lost to the host Railsplitters 58-18 and to Carleton Airport 48-32.

Airport finished the tourney unbeaten to clinch first place.

"It was not a very strong tournament," admitted Canton coach Casey Randolph, "but it was good for us with

so many guys out, "We wrestled really hard. I'm proud of the way we wrestled.

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The biggest victory for Canton came against Ypsilanti. The two teams were tied at 36-all going into the last match, with sophomore Alex Freitag — called up for duty from the junior varsity due to so many injuries - going against Cody Ingle at 135 pounds. Freitag pinned Ingle in 1:14.

He finished second in the tournament with a 3-1 match record. Rob Schnettler at 125 and Dan Bergsma at 130 both got first-place finishes with 4-0 records; Corey Breitmeyer (119), Tim Larsen (171) and Dustin Steiner (215) also earned second-place finishes with 3-1

"We wrestled well," added Randolph. "(With so many kids out) it allowed our young kids to wrestle varsity and get varsity experience."

Last Thursday at Walled Lake Western, the Chiefs lost 64-18. That and Saturday's results left them with a 7-14 overall record, 0-3 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

All the Canton points came on falls. Breitmeyer pinned Trystyn Seaman in 3:51 at 119; Bergsma pinned Chris Yezbick in 1:58 at 130; and Larsen pinned Tony Peretto in 1:35 at 171.

Canton hosts Livonia Churchill in a WLAA dual at 7 p.m. tonight.

SALEM'S GOETHE SPARKLES

Salem traveled to the Williamston Invitational Saturday with a depleted squad, but still had several outstanding performances - not the least of which came from Mike Goethe at 135 pounds.

Goethe won his division with a 4-0 match record, including a 5-4 victory over Craig Gillison of Benzie Central which was chosen as the "Match of the

Other strong performances for the Rocks came from Ryan Stump at 103, who was second with a 3-1 mark; Pete Bobee at 125 (2-2 record), Alan Mlynek at 130 (2-2) and Jeremy Walker at 275

(2-1), all finishing fourth; and Mike Dendrinos at 119, who was sixth (2-2). Last Thursday, the Rocks edged

Northville 38-27 at Northville in a WLAA dual meet.

Winners for Salem were Stump at 112, 14-6 over Mike Carter; Mlynek at 125, a pin of Mike Farina in 1:50; Bobee at 130, a pin of John Manica in 1:40; Goethe at 135, a pin of Brad Ashley in 1:36; Tony Stott at 145, 15-7 over Bill Riegner: Will Schultz at 152, a pin of Rick Riegner in 4:29; and Walker at 275, a pin of Marc Nueller in :21.

Salem hosts Walled Lake Central in a WLAA dual meet at 6:30 p.m. tonight.

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL Thursday, Jan. 23

Huron Valley Lutheran at Red. St. Agatha, 7:30

Friday, Jan. 24 Catholic Central at Notre Dame, 7:30 p.m. Salem at Westland John Glenn, 7 p.m.

Wayne at Walled Lake Central, 7 p.m. Lutheran North at Lutheran Westland, 7 p.m. Franklin at Canton, 7:30 p.m. Hurvon Valley Lutheran at Franklin Road, 7:30

Canton Agape at Detroit Urban Lutheran, 8

PREP GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Birmingham Marian at Ladywood, 6:30 p.m. Cranbrook at Clarenceville, 7 p.m. Lutheran Northwest at Lutheran Westland.

5:30 p.m. Franklin Road at Huron Valley Lutheran (St. Paul's), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25 Ladywood Tournament, 8 a.m. Howell Tournament, 9 a.m.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Romulus Tournament, 8:30 a.m.

PREP HOCKEY Thursday, Jan. 23 PCS at Academy of Sacred Heart, 6 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 24 Plymouth Salem at Franklin, 6 p.m. Churchill vs. Canton (Arctic Edge), 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25 Grosse Pointe North vs. Catholic Central (Redford Arena), 8 p.m. Stevenson vs. Redford Union (Redford Arena),

PREP WRESTLING Canton at Wayne, 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23 Westland John Glenn at Walled Lake Central, 7 W.L. Central at Salem, 6:30 p.m. Franklin at Walled Lake Western, 7 p.m. Churchill at Canton, 6:30 p.m. Wayne at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25

Walled Lake Western at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m. Northville at Franklin, 6:30 p.m. PREP SKIING Saturday, Jan. 25 Friday, Jan. 24 Observerland Wrestling Meet at Livonia Churchill, 9 a.m.

PREP BOYS SWIMMING Thursday, Jan. 23 Churchill at Northville, 7 p.m. Salem at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

Madonna at Rochester College, 7:30 p.m.

Stevenson-A.A. Pioneer-Salem (at Salem).

Ladywood at JV Open Divisional Race, 4 p.m. PREP GYMNASTICS Thursday, Jan. 23 Hartland vs. Canton (Plymouth HS), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25 Farmington Invitational MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Thursday, Jan. 23

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Saturday, Jan. 25 Alpena CC at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE Friday, Jan. 24

Plymouth Whalers at Sault Ste. Marie, 7:30 Saturday, Jan. 25

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

OBSERVERLAND MAT RANKINGS 5. Ben Adams (Churchill).

Choraszewski (RU):

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Bargerstock (Stevenson).

Yestland); 5. Matt Salley (RU).

OBSERVERLAND MAT RANKINGS TEAM RANKINGS: 1. Redford Catholic Central; 2. Westland John Glenn; 3. Wayne Memorial; 4. Livonia Stevenson; 5. Livonia

INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS

103 pounds: 1. Ryan Stump (Plymouth Salem); 2. Sean Dong (Redford CC); 3. Dan Rabe (Stevenson): 4. Saif Naber (John Glenn); 5. Aaron Landry (Redford Union).

112: 1. Matt Steintrager (Redford CC); 2. Nick Naber (John Glenn); 3. Justin Smith (Churchill); 4. Jake Davis (Garden City); 5. Tony LeBaron (Thurston).

119: 1. Charlie Rabaut (Stevenson); 2. Craig LeBaron (Thurston); 3. Drew Conner (John Glenn); 4. Matt Koziara (Redford CC); 5. John Moore (RU).

125: 1. Brian Clement (Churchill); 2. Pete Bobee (Salem); 3. Nader Al-Mooshi (Livonia Clarenceville); 4. Rob Schettler (Canton); 5. Brian Baumgardner (Redford CC) 130: 1. Tim Mulroy (John Glenn); 2. Tim

Hammer (Wayne); 3. Dan Bergsma (Canton); 4. Kris Felice (Churchill); 5. Allen Mlynek (Salem). 135: 1. Mike Goethe (Salem); 2. Rece Cox (John Glenn); 3. John Gourlay (RU); 4. Mario

Perez (Garden City); 5. Rex Fugaban (Wayne). 140: I. Nate Rodriguez (Redford CC): 2. Enrique Garcia (John Glenn); 3. Dan Leith (Stevenson); 4. Rich Russell (Garden City); 5.

Paul Cavanaugh (Wayne). 145: 1. Jason Fischer (Stevenson); 2. Daron Cruickshank (John Glenn); 3. John Dobbins (Wayne); 4. Dan Baseley (Lutheran Westland); CarlinJT30@aol.com.

Thursday, Jan. 23

U-M Dearborn Tournament, 9 a.m. Novi Invitational, 9 a.m.

152: 1. Lev Mergian (Churchill); 2. Jeremy

Sparks (Garden City); 3. Chris McLone (Wayne);

4. Sean O'Halloran (Stevenson); 5. Butch

160: 1. Trevor Stewart (Redford CC); 2. Dario

Mainella (Stevenson); 3. Emilio Perez (Garden

City); 4. Brandon Noble (Lutheran Westland);

Schambers (John Glenn): 3, Scott

Schwartzlose (Redford CC): 4. Dan Haller

(Lutheran Westland); 5. Rob Freeman

189: 1. Neil Kemp (Lutheran Westland); 2. Jake Fairchild (John Glenn); 3. Eric Vojtkofsky

(Redford CC); 4. R.J. Ramsey (Wayne); 5. Joe

215: 1. Alex Murray (Churchill); 2, John

Harrington (Thurston); 3. Pete Rodriguez

(Redford CC); 4. Jake Galindez (Lutheran

275: 1. Pat Clark (Redford CC); 2. Paul

Bargerstock (Stevenson); 3. Jeremy Walker

(Salem); 4. Jason LeDuc (RU); 5. Pat Draheim

Note: Rankings are compiled by RU

coaches Dave Chiola (Franklin) and Aaron Davis (Garden City). Any ques-

tions, call (248) 427-9530 or email

coach Jim Carlin with input from area

171: 1. Steve Wallace (Wayne); 3. Eric

OBSERVERLAND WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

What: 12th Annual **Observerland Wrestling**

Tournament. When: Saturday, Jan 25. Competition starts at 9 a.m., with finals starting approximately at 5:30 p.m. Where: Livonia Churchill High School (Newburgh Road between Joy and Ann Arbor Trail roads). Admission: \$5 for adults, \$3 for students 18 and under. Prices are good for the entire day.

OBSERVERLAND

FROM PAGE DI

The Rockets were runnersup to CC at last year's Observerland meet, and coach Bill Polk says his team is one of many hoping to knock off the defending champs.

"A lot of kids know each other from camps in the summer, and I just really enjoy seeing teams from this area compete," Polk said.

"It seems like everyone has been improving over the past couple years, which should make for better competition all around."

The Spartans figure to be in the mix for the title as well, boasting three wrestlers with three or fewer losses this season. Coach Bob Moreau said this tournament represents a chance for athletes to get noticed among their neig hood peers.

The kids see the rankings in the paper, and if they don't like what they see, this is their chance to prove the other coaches in the area wrong," Moreau said. "It's a big source of pride for everyone involved."

Moreau counted CC and Glenn as the "horses" of the tournament. His own team was hit hard by injuries at last weekend's Hartland Dual Meet Invitational, but still boasts of some talent.

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ported by parks staff.

Charlie Rabaut carries a 34-O record into the tourney, alternating between the 119and 125-pound weight classes. Jason Fischer (145) is off to a 31-3 start to the season, as is heavyweight competitor Paul Bargerstock.

A darkhorse contender could be the Churchill Chargers, who are 8-4 on the season and have been competitive with just about everyone who has crossed their path. The team finished ahead of,

John Glenn at a tournament earlier this season, and coach Marty Altounian said the competition should be wide open. "I don't think many of the

teams have their strengths in the same area," he said. "No one will run away with it." Churchill's contenders

should include Brian Clement (125), Lev Mergian (152), Alex Freeman (171), Canton and Salem both fin-

ished in the top five at last year's Observerland meet Canton coach Casey Randolph said his team is ravaged by injuries, which hurt its chances at the meet.

"I expect good things from Dan Bergsma (130) and Rob Schnettler (125)," he said. "My other guys just need to get healthy.

"This will be a good prelude to districts," Rodriguez added.

OBSERVERLAND WINNERS

2002: 1. Redford CC, 2. Westland John Glenn, 3. Salem.

2001: 1. Canton, 2. Redford CC. 3. Livonia Churchill. 2000: 1. Redford CC, 2. Livonia Stevenson, 3.

Canton. 1999: 1. Redford CC, 2. Stevenson, 3. Garden City. 1998: 1. Salem, 2. Redford

CC. 3. Stevenson. 1997: 1. Stevenson, 2. Salem. 3 Wayne.

1996: 1. Redford CC, 2. Stevenson, 3. Salem. **1995:** 1. Stevenson, 2. Redford CC, 3. Salem. 1994: 1. Stevenson, 2. Redford CC, 3. Salem.

1993: 1. Redford CC. 2. John Glenn, 3. Stevenson. 1992: 1. Farmington, 2. Canton, 3. John Glenn.

"We'll see some of these same kids and same teams in districts and regionals, so we're looking forward to that."

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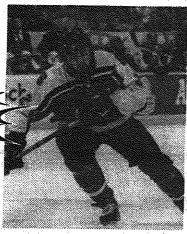
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'Cats win Madonna; Agape edges PCA

Five matches resulted in five wins and a championship for Plymouth HS's all-freshmen volleyball team Saturday at Madonna University.

The victories improved the Wildcats' record to 22-1.

Plymouth opened the tournament with a 25-16, 25-13 win (rally scoring) over the Farmington freshmen. A 27-25, 25-20 triumph over Westland John Glenn followed. with a 25-20, 25-15 victory over Belleville and a 26-24, 25-15 win over Waterford Mott completing pool play for the Wildcats.

In the semifinals, Plymouth beat Novi 25-19, 25-19, followed by a 25-17, 25-18 triumph over Birmingham Marian in the finals.

"It was a very, very nice job," said Plymouth coach Kelly McCausland. "I'm really proud of the girls."

In particular, their composure has impressed their coach.

"I'm surprised with having a group of freshmen respond so

well in pressure situations," she said. "We can be down two or three points, and they know

they have to step it up." Several players had superb outings Saturday, especially setter Sarah Haskins and middle hitter Jeanine Moise. Haskins finished the tournament with 30 set assists and 14 service aces; Moise had 22 kills and eight aces.

"Haskins played tremendous," said McCausland, "She knew exactly where and who to set it to. "And Jeanine Moise, my middle hitter, pretty much dominated the middle."

Other standouts were Kim Olech with 10 kills and 10 aces, Jackie Dorre with 10 aces and Janet Hanchett with eight aces.

AGAPE EDGES PCA

After losing a close first set. Canton Agape Christian battled back to win the next two and defeat Plymouth Christian Academy 13-15, 15-10, 15-4 Tuesday at PCA.

Emily Tong was exceptional as setter for Agape, which improved to 5-4. Tong collected 35 set assists.

Lisa Ther finished with 16 kills to lead the Wolverines, with Amy Henry adding 10 kills. Andrea Hough finished with nine digs.

AGAPE STOPS WAYNE

Good start, floundering middle, solid finish. That describes Canton Agape Christian's performance Friday at Wayne Memorial.

Agape came out strong, beating the Zebras 15-10 in the opening match. However, Wayne bounced back to knock off the Wolverines 15-3 in Game No. 2. Making the third game decisive, and it was Agape that pulled it out, edging Wayne 16-14. Lisa Ther led the Wolverines with seven kills and four blocks. Amanda Thashnick had six kills, Carrie Sneed got five and Emily Tong totaled 25 set assists.

ed, the Rocks were forced to defend against Churchill's bigger, better, more experienced attackers. It was something they couldn't do consistently, evident in the Chargers scoring the first nine points in Game Two.

Statistics proved it. In the two games, Salem totaled 11 kills. Lauren Price accounted for seven of those. Jordan Falcusan, the Rocks' setter, had 11 set assists.

"You just can't hope they'll make mistakes," said Teeters. "You've got to be aggressive. They haven't been pushed this hard.

"Once you get to the Churchill level, you have to step it up. Our serve reception just failed us."

It's still a bit early; the conference season is just two matches old. But to make the jump to title contender, the Rocks will have to get down to work.

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Mercy bumps Blazers

STAFF WRITER

Lady Luck smiled on coach Ed Ruhl and his Farmington Hills Mercy volleyball team Tuesday night when they entertained rival Livonia Ladywood.

It so happened the Blazers were missing their top player, 5-foot-10 senior hitter Kristen Bachor, who was sick with the

The Marlins capitalized on her absence but still needed three games to win the Catholic League Central Division match, 15-10, 7-15, 15-7.

"We knew it would be a lot lighter battle than normally with Ladywood," Ruhl said. "Even without 70 percent of their offense, they were still that good.

"We were lucky to get them when Kristen Bachor was sick. It's better to be lucky than good, but they battled real tough.

"It says a lot about Ladywood, because they went three without the majority of their offense."

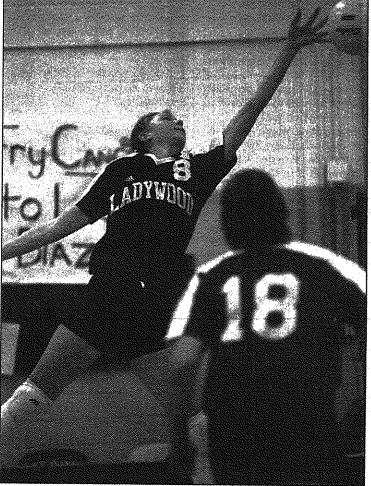
Mercy improved to 4-1 in the division and 46-16 in all games. Ladywood, which defeated Mercy in the Central Michigan tournament final last month, is 3-2 and 25-6 in matches.

The Blazers rebounded from the first-game loss to eventually dominate the second game Tuesday.

Ladywood was slow to get rolling and trailed early, but it found the spark it needed with five straight service points by Amy Szymanski for a 6-2 lead, which the Blazers never lost.

Danielle Palasak, Laura Sirgedas, Rachael Malenfant and Szymanski led the attack as Ladywood gradually, between a host of sideouts, put the game

But the third game was virtually all Mercy, which established an 8-1 lead following four service points by Katie McDonald, who had two aces during the run.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Livonia Ladywood's Rachel Malenfant reaches for a ball in Tuesday's thrilling volleyball contest between the Blazers and Farmington Mercy. The Marlins railied for a 15-10, 7-15, 15-7 over the visiting Blazers. Ladywood's Courtney Phillips (18) looks on in the foreground.

The Blazers closed the margin to 8-7, but the Marlins surged again with Sarah Switaj, Chloe Kraft and Anne Roosevelt combining to serve the final seven points.

"We completely lacked any intensity at all," Ladywood coach Erin Craggs said of the third game. "We were missing Bachor, but that shouldn't have had anything to do with it.

We needed kids to step up, and it didn't happen. I just think Mercy wanted it a lot more, and they showed a lot more guts and determination in the third game.

"I just hope the girls can pick up some intensity to finish out the Catholic League. We put ourselves in a hard spot to make a run for it."

Koosevelt had 15 kills, Tessa Kuykendall eight and Meredith Doyle seven for the Marlins. Kuykendall also had five blocks and McDonald seven digs.

Most of the Mercy sets went to the outside hitters, and the

Marlins didn't exploit the presence of the 6-foot-3 Kuykendall in the middle.

"We've been having issues with setting her," Ruhl said. "We need to find the range a lot faster and better. It took us to the third game before we were setting the right spot. "We have two young setters

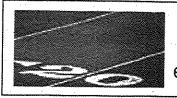
we're working with, and we need to get better at setting to a certain spot. Otherwise, the hitters want

to wait and hang out and see where the ball is going." Ruhl was pleased to see his

team recover from the secondgame collapse to win the match, however.

"We started playing a little more relaxed (in the third game)," he said. "I don't know why, but we seem to relax when the pressure is on.

"(The Marlins) understand the system works. They just have to get the job done and, in the third game, they were." domeara@oe.homecomm.net | (734) 953-2141



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tive," he said. "It doesn't mean we can't beat them. But we're not as competitive as they are."

That became apparent quickly. On the Chargers' opening serve by Eva Jedruszko, they scored three-straight points, the first two on kills by Tania Morkert and Michelle Phillips, the last on a service ace. And after a sideout on Salem's serve, Churchill upped its lead to 6-0

on a kill error by the Rocks, a service ace by Morkert and another kill by Phillips.

Salem never got closer than four after that. Three kills by Jacqui Gatt on Kristyna Archer's serve led to the final four points and a 15-4 outcome in Game One.

"One of the things that concerned us, one of Salem's strengths is that they have two topspin servers," said Hughes. "We worked on that in practice all week. They passed every one

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Defense leads Lady Ocelots past Wayne

Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team limited Wayne County CC to a mere 14 baskets Saturday in rolling to a 65-45 triumph at

The win improved the Lady Ocelots' record to 11-6 overall, 3-1 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference. Wayne CCC is 10-7 overall, 3-2 in the confer-

While SC converted 25-of-61 floor shots in the game (40.9 percent), Wayne was able to convert just 14-of-70 (20 percent). Wayne was also

3-of-21 from three-point range (14.2 percent), including 0-for-15 in the second half; SC made 2-of-10 (20 percent).

Another factor in SC's win: a 59-45 advantage in rebounding.

Pam Wingate led SC with 22 points; she also had six rebounds. Mia Henderson added 17 points and three assists, and Tara Charles (from Redford Bishop Borgess) had 10 points, 11 rebounds and three steals. Dioune Johnson led Wayne with 10 points.

SC led at the half, 35-26.

Spring Arbor 70, Madonna 54: There were two problems Madonna had when it faced Spring Arbor Saturday in Spring Arbor.

First, the Lady Crusaders couldn't shoot. Second, they couldn't keep the Cougars from scoring.

While Madonna made just 20-of-67 shots (29.9 percent), Spring Arbor hit 27-of-46 (58.7 percent). Which is why the Cougars won by 16 points.

The Cougars did most of their damage in the first half, when they built a 38-21 lead. Madonna made just 8-of-31

shots (25.8 percent); Spring Arbor was 14-of-26 (53.8 percent).

Portia Reilly led the Cougars with 14 points. Amanda Salisbury and Megan Vore had 12 apiece as nine players scored.

Lindsay Simmon's 15 points paced Madonna. Marwa Ayoub and Nikki Blaszak scored nine apiece, Ayoub also getting seven rebounds and two steals.

The loss left Madonna at 3-2 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, 5-15 overall. Spring Arbor is 13-5 overall, 3-1 in the conference.

CRUSADERS

The Golden Eagles led 41-38 at halftime, but after making 13-of-29 first-half floor shots (44.8 percent) they could convert just 12-of-38 in the second (31.6 percent). Madonna was more consistent: the Crusaders hit 14-of-31 in the first half (45.2 percent), 14-of-28 in the second (50 percent). Also, Cornerstone made just 7-of-22 3-pointers (31.8 percent); Madonna was 8-of-16 (50 percent).

The win was the Crusaders' second straight in WHAC play after suffering four consecutive losses.

Madonna 80, Spring Arbor 77: Last Saturday at Spring Arbor, Madonna — in a game that was close most of the way - made just enough free throws down the stretch to edge the Cougars.

Spring Arbor fell to 11-11 overall, 1-3 in the WHAC with the loss.

The Cougars owned the biggest lead of the game, a 3pointer by Mike Folkert giving them a 25-15 lead midway through the first half. Madonna's biggest lead came when it counted: with 2:43 left in the game, a Chris Behrns' basket put it ahead

Spring Arbor was able to trim that deficit to two, 79-77, on another Folkert triple (he had four in the game) with 33 seconds left. But two more attempts in those final seconds missed.

Madonna got 27 points and eight rebounds from Noel Emenhiser, including 6-of-12 on 3-point tries. The Crusaders also got 22 points, four assists and three steals from Dan Kurtinaitis, and 15 points, seven boards, four

assists and two steals from Aaron Cox. Those four accounted for 74 of their team's 80 points.

The Cougars got 20 points from Folkert and 19 from Ryan Walter.

Although the Crusaders were outrebounded in the game (40-33), they hit 29-of-59 floor shots (49.2 percent), while Spring Arbor made 28of-64 (43.8 percent). And while Madonna was a mere 3of-7 from the line in the last minute, the Crusaders did make 15-of-21 for the game (71.4 percent); the Cougars were 12-of-15 (80 percent).

Schoolcraft 99, Wayne CCC 59: Five players reached double figures in scoring. Nine scored five points or

That's why Schoolcraft College remained unbeaten in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference with an easy win Saturday at SC. The Ocelots improved to 17-1 overall, 4-0 in the conference; Wayne County CC is 7-8 over-

all, 3-2 in the conference. It didn't take SC long to assert itself. The Ocelots converted 19-of-36 first-half floor shots (52.8 percent) compared to Wayne's 9-of-26 (34.5 percent); they led 49-30 at halftime. It didn't get any better for Wayne in the second half (10-of-36 shooting, 27.8 percent; SC was 19-of-38, 50 percent).

James Homes led the Ocelots with 22 points. Andre Scott added 20 (with six rebounds and four assists), Tovoris Baker netted 14 and a team-best seven rebounds, Ronald Dorsey finished with 11 and Marcus Bennett had 10 and five assists.

Anthony Butler paced Wayne with 24 points. Courtney Buckner scored 10.

Rocks wreck Churchill; Hoskins injures ankle

Livonia Churchill's boys basketball team keeps getting closer and closer to its first win. Yet, despite taking on Salem without its top player, that first win continued to elude the Chargers.

With Dave Hoskins sitting out the game with an ankle injury suffered in practice Sunday, the Rocks picked up the slack and held off Churchill for a 62-50 win Tuesday night in a Western Lakes Activities Association crossover game at Churchill. The Chargers fell to 0-12 on the season, while Salem is now 9-2 on the year.

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Hoskins and his 27 points per game were sidelined for this contest, but Dominique Washington picked up the slack, scoring 20 points to lead the Rocks.

"We played OK," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "Well enough to win. We had quite a few breakdowns at times. We didn't knock them out as much as I would have liked.

"But Churchill didn't quit, either. They kept coming at

Salem cruised through the first two quarters, holding a 33-20 halftime edge. But the Chargers came storming back in the third quarter, pulling as close as six points in the fourth before falling to their 12th-straight defeat.

'We played hard tonight," said Churchill coach Jim Solak. "We started doing things the right way, running our offense the way we needed to, and playing good defense. Salem just got every rebound they needed to down the stretch."

Tim VanDusan led Churchill with 13 points. Nick Mansfield scored 12, and Andrew Banourra added 11.

Churchill is off Friday, while





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Westland Youth Athletic Association-

'We played OK. Well enough to win. We had quite a few breakdowns at times. We didn't knock them out as much as I would have liked."

Bob Brodie Salem coach

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the Rocks head to Westland John Glenn for a big WLAA Lakes Division showdown.

The Zebras immediately

inbounds attempt — that

caused a turnover on Canton's

would be repeated, too - and

Raspberry, who hadn't scored

a point in the first half, had

The Chiefs' D.J. Bridges

scored on their next posses-

sion, but that would be their

minutes of the quarter. Wayne

And the Zebras did it with

defense, applied after they had

They forced 10 turnovers in

the third quarter alone, scor-

ing 12 points after causing

those miscues in the Canton

And when the Chiefs did

often in position to take a long

score, a Wayne player was

pass at the other end of the

court for a layup - a good

piece of work at both ends,

with a player unselfishly will-

their full-court pressure

had 12 in that span to extend

only points in the first four

onds of the second.

its lead to 44-32.

made a basket.

backcourt.

Hoskins' availability for the game is uncertain.

ing to look downcourt for an

open teammate. "We'd score and they'd get an easy one at the other end," Rheault said. "That's just effort and understanding." One team had those quali-

ties, the other didn't. Guess which. two baskets in the first 30 sec-"That's the third time this season we let a team score 20 or more points in the third quarter," Rheault added. "I think (the Chiefs) got comfort-

able where they were and overconfident." Against Wayne, there was no reason to be that way. In their first season in the WLAA, the Zebras are certainly a con-

tender for the league title. They showed it at both ends of the court against Canton. But the Chiefs handled it pret-

ty well in the first half. "They used the same pressure (in the second half) they did in the first half," Rheault said. "But they picked (the intensity) up. I think we became complacent where we were at halftime.

'We should know better than that. No one's going to give it up at halftime."

Certainly Raspberry didn't. After that scoreless first half. he led five Zebras in double figures in scoring with 18 points — 14 coming in the third quarter, which means he nearly matched Canton's total for that period.

Terrance McClain contributed 14 points, Derre' Johnson scored 13, Genois Safford had 12 and Daniel Walsh finished with 11.

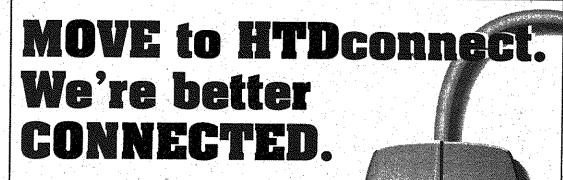
Bridges' 25 points led Canton. Steve Thornton had

It won't get any easier for the Chiefs. They host a solid Livonia Franklin squad Friday, then play at Westland John Glenn — which beat Wayne nine days ago — Tuesday.

There is some good news for Canton.

There's a possibility post player Brad Waidmann, out with an injured thumb, could return against Franklin. Certainly it appears the

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Chiefs top N'ville; Rocks mangle Mott

period, Canton's hockey team rallied to score five-straight goals Activities Association. and post a 6-3 win over Northville Saturday at Novi Ice Arena.

Dave Commiskey got the Chiefs going, scoring his team's first two goals and assisting on the next two. Ryan McKendry also scored two goals and Dave Bak had a goal and an assist.

Joe Vitale's goal with 13:41 left in the second period gave Northville a 3-1 lead. Commiskey's second goal of the game (unassisted) scored 2:21 later narrowed the gap to 3-2; Matt Gabriel then scored with 7:14 to go in the period to knot it at 3-3 (assisted by Commiskey and Casey Skrzypek).

Bak's goal (from Commiskey) with 3:11 left in the second put the Chiefs ahead to stay, 4-3. McKendry made certain they'd stay there, scoring twice in the third period (Kyle Tollison and Brian Wioncek assisted)

Bak assisted on Commiskey's first-period goal. Charles Kemp was in goal for the victory, which

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Trailing 3-1 early in the second raised Canton's record to 7-6 overall, 3-3 in the Western Lakes

> Salem 7, Mott 2: In the first game of a busy week for Salem, the Rocks scored three unanswered goals in the first period and coasted to a non-conference win Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

The win pushed Salem's record to 12-1-1, and coming off last Friday's upset loss to Livonia Churchill it proved the Rocks were ready to roll again.

John Schultz played a big part in this win, scoring Salem's last three goals after assisting on three of their first four. Mark Nagel was nearly as impressive; Nagel, leading scorer in the WLAA, got the first goal of the game and assisted on five others.

Other goal-scorers for Salem were David Gill, Aaron Cheesman and Andy Thackaberry.

Gill and Cheesman joined Nagel in scoring first-period goals; Mott answered with a second-period score by Andrew

Jason Anderson (Stevenson)

Scott Montgomery (Thurston)

Dave Godzínski (Stevenson)

Scott Jankowski (Redford Union)

Rehkopf, but Salem then got the next five to win easily.

Ray Kraft was in goal for the

CC 4, Trenton 2: Catholic Central stared yet another No. 1 team in the eye on Saturday night.

And like Division 3 leader Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood did Friday night, Trenton — the top-ranked team in Division 2 - blinked Saturday in a loss to the best team in Division Iin CC before a packed house at Redford Ice Arena.

"It was a game with a lot of intensity," said CC co-coach Todd Johnson as his team improved to 12-2 overall. "That was a lot of high-intensity games to play in a short period and we got caught being a little heavyfooted at first. But it really put our guys to the

The two teams traded goals in the first period as CC's Eric Giosa scored a power-play goal four minutes into the game from Brandon Naurato and Eric Reinhardt. Trenton (9-1-4) tied it goal.

up a minute late as Chris Gutenschwager had a powerplay goal of his own.

But CC broke out to start the second period and never was headed. A minute into the second period, Naurato scored from Andrew Eggert and Travis Hamway. Naurato made it 3-12 1/2 minutes later from Hamway and Billy Burns, then Eggert made it 4-1 a minute later on a power-play goal from Eric Reinhardt and Naurato.

After CC made a change in goal, swapping Jimmy Blanchard for backup John Garza, Trenton's Derek Cranford closed out the scoring for the 4-2

"Some of our guys had never played in front of so many people, so it was good to play games like this," Johnson said. "It put our guys to the test. With a lot of tough games in a row, I thought our guys did well."

Blanchard stopped 14 of the 15 shots he faced, while Garza saved four of the five he saw. Trenton's Ben Trosien made 25 saves in

WHALERS

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OHL's West Division with a 28-8-8-1 record (65 points). Kingston is 18-22-1-4 (41 points), fifth in the East; Erie is 20-19-3-2 (45 points), second in the Midwest; and Toronto is 21-16-4-2 (48 points), first in the Central.

Against Kingston, the Frontenacs got a goal in each period to edge Plymouth. Danny McDonald scored 1:21 into the game to give Kingston the lead; the Whalers tied it with a goal by Karl Stewart at 16:38 of the first period (assists by Chris Thorburn and John Mitchell).

Anthony Stewart's first goal of the game in the second period gave the Frontenacs the lead again; his second 3:32 into the third made it 3-1.

Chad LaRose scored on the power play (from Cole Jarrett and James Wisniewski) at 12:22 of the third, but the Whalers could not get the equalizer.

Paul Drew had 27 stops in goal for Plymouth. Peter Hamerlik had 29 for Kingston.

At Erie, the Whalers took the early lead on a Thorburn firstperiod goal, but they couldn't hold it. The Otters scored twice in the first five minutes of the second, goals by Carlo Colaiacovo and Mike Rice. Plymouth tied it with a goal by Stewart (from Thorburn) with

3:15 left in the period. Drew was outstanding with 32 stops in goal for the

Whalers. T.J. Aceti had 15 saves for Erie.

And at Toronto, a scoreless first period was followed by an offensive second and third. Sean Thompson scored twice for the Whalers, his second giving them the lead for good.

Jarrett's power-play score (from Stewart and LaRose) in the second period came less than a minute after Ryan Rorabeck had given St. Michael's a 1-0 lead. Thompson scored the next two for Plymouth (Mitchell and Jonas Fiedler assisted on the first, Thorburn and Mike Nelson on the second) to make it 3-1 for the Whalers.

Rorabeck's second goal late in the second period narrowed the gap to 3-2, but two straight Whaler goals in the third period boosted their lead to 5-2. Stewart got the first (from Martin Cizek); Wisniewski got the second (from Mitchell and Fiedler).

Shane O'Brien and Andrey Mikhnov got goals for Toronto in the third, sandwiched around a score by LaRose (from Thorburn and Fiedler).

Jeff Weber had 24 saves for Plymouth; Justin Peters made 24 stops for St. Michael's.

The Whalers play Friday at Sault Ste. Marie, then host Windsor (second in the West Division) at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

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Nick Dixon (Salem)	54.97
Yuhei Uno (Canton)	55.99
Andrew Carlin (CC)	57.03
Garrett Baringhaus (Steve	nson) 58.43
Joe Le (Canton)	59.11
Mike Horgan (Salem)	1:00.00
Chris Banas (CC)	1:02.38
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Rob Cyrek (CC)	50.26
Ben Działo (Salem)	50.32
Andrew Carlin (CC)	51.06
Nick Dixon (Salem)	51.42
Dan Jones (CC)	52.69
Matt Vivian (Salem)	52.79
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	52.80
Ryan Frost (Wayne)	52.89

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Matt Jurcak (Salem)	53.25
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Nick Dixon (Salem)	4:57.71
Ben Działo (Salem)	5:01.19
Joe Zatkoff (CC)	5:11.99
James Sattler (Canton)	5:12.01
Nick Stone (John Glenn)	5:14.76
Rob Cyrek (CC)	5:20.38
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	5:21.60
James Sattler (Canton)	5.21.89
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Salem	1.33.49
Stevenson	1:33.87
Canton	1:39.47
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Rob Cyrek (CC)	1:01.48
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson) 1:01.81
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Lleff Nevi (Salem)	1.02.39
Nick Yee (Salem)	1.04.34
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Adam Whalen (Stevenson) 1:06.	23
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Greg Phill, Livonia Stevenson's girls swim coach, is compiling the boys' best times. Updates for the Thursday edition of the Observer must be reported by 2 p.m. Sunday. Phill may be reached at (734) 464-9443, or email him at gphill5269@aol.com.



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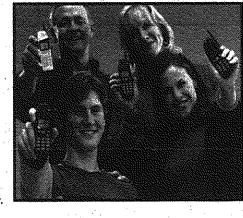
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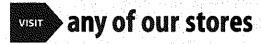
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DNR launches a mid-winter survey on eagles

deserted beach along a narrow stretch of U.S.-2 on the northern shore of

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by the seemingly endless white-capped waters stretching out below me, I was daydreaming about battling a fall-run steelhead at the mouth of

one of the many creeks bisecting the coast when out of nowhere it

I realized immediately it was a majestic bald eagle by its tell-tale snow-white head and tail feathers. What surprised me was that it was flying low, about 40 feet off the water, but just above eyelevel to me. He seemed to want to race as we both sped east for a moment. Then he turned seaward, made a wide circle and came right back toward shore. He landed at a dead fish washed up on shore 100 yards ahead of

Visions of my mini-van tumbling into the sandy culvert rolled through my head as I pulled off the road as quickly and quietly as I could.

Using a couple small sand dunes for cover, I snuck up to within 40 yards before slowly peaking over the dune.

With the bird's dark brown body-feathers contrasting against the snowy-white head, the bright mid-day sunshine set a breathtaking backdrop as it glistened off the white-capped water. Holding the carrion in its long talons, the eagle snatched up a chunk of fish with its curved, yellow beak.

I only watched him dine for a few fleeting seconds before his keen eyes detected an intruder and his survival instincts urged him to fly back out over the lake.

I've seen a few other eagles, mostly in the past six or seven years and most of them soaring high in the sky. That was the closest and by far the most exciting eagle encounter I've ever experienced.

Each winter DNR biologists ask for public assistance during a two-week winter eagle survey.

This year's survey runs through Jan. 15. Sponsored by the DNR Wildlife Division's Natural Heritage Program, the survey represents an important partnership between the DNR and the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.

Only bald eagles sighted during this time period will be accepted as part of the national survey. Eagle observations can be reported through the phone, fax or the Internet. Participants can fill put a mid-winter bald eagle survey form on the DNR's Web site: (www.michigan.gov/dnr), fax a report to (517) 373-6705, or mail a report to: 2003 Winter

Bald Eagle Survey, Natural Heritage Program, Wildlife Division, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, PO Box 30180, Lansing MI 48909-7680. Forms are also available at DNR field offices and Operation Service Centers.

Wintering eagles can be found in all 83 Michigan counties. In the winter, bald eagles forage for food near ice-free areas on lakes, rivers, reservoirs and cooling ponds at power plants, and can also be found feeding on road kill. Ice anglers frequently see eagles. Another tip to remember is that adult eagles have white heads and tails, and hooked, heavy, yellow beaks. Their bright yellow feet are easily noticed along with their long wingspans, up to seven feet. Immature

white feathers and black beaks. Bald eagles fly with a flat wing pattern.

Reports should include the

following information: Participant's name, address

and telephone number. The date and time of the

sighting. ■ The county, township, range and section, or a location near a

other land feature. The number of eagles observed and their maturity level (adult or immature).

town, lake, river, highway or

The eagle's behavior and any other pertinent information. Bill Parker covers the outdoors for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Send information to: Bill Parker, c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham MI 48009.

Hot sauce causes Canton bowler to feel the heat

his week's headline could read: "Santa Claus bowler feels the heat" or

"Marinara puts Santo on disabled list."

This item is about the recent misfortune of Santo Lupo of Canton. He is

a member of the Sunday Goodtimers League, bowling on Sunday mornings at Country Lanes in Farmington Hills. Santo is an

Ten Pin Alley

bowler and, at the holiday season, he sports a Santa Harrison Claus hat and a Red Wings

excellent

jersey with No. 19 and the Yzerman name on it. You can't

He also works as a chef in one of the local area restaurants.

While carrying a tray across the kitchen, he accidentally stepped in a large bowl of very hot marinara sauce that someone had

put on the floor (why?), He was rushed to the E.R. where he was treated for second-degree burns on his ankle. Santo said, "I was in a lot of pain

for about three hours." Now recovering nicely, he missed the Sunday Goodtimers the next day and is out for

another week or so. Meanwhile, back at the restaurant, many of the patrons were heard to comment on how extra flavorful the marinara

sauce was on that day. Due to a scheduling change, the Pro Bowlers Tour World-Am Championship, originally slated for Toledo, is coming to Taylor Lanes in early March.

It will feature the world's top pro bowlers competing for the TPC title and big prize money. There will be several squads of pro-am bowling with a great choice of ball options.

For an entry fee of \$169, the choice is either the Storm 'X-Factor' or Ebonite 'TPC Shooter or Warrior.' Or, for an entiry fee of \$149, the choices are either the Storm 'Core Power LRG' or Ebonite 'Black Vortex II.'

These are all great balls and come in all popular weights. Entry fees without ball are \$75 for adults and \$45 for the youth squads. Seniors age 55 or older get \$10 off any package.

The schedule shows, all dates and times and spectator admission fees for each segment are as follows:

Sunday, March 1 - Youth proam: 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., \$2 all day; adult pro-am: 1, 4 and 7 p.m., \$2 all day.

Sunday, March 2 - PBA practice session: 7 a.m. to noon, \$2 all day; youth pro-am: 1 p.m., \$2 all day; adult pro-am: 1, 3:30 and 7 p.m., \$2 all day.

Monday, March 3 - A&B squad qualifying: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., \$7; C&D squad qualifying: 3-9 p.m., \$10.

Tuesday, March 4 - B&C squad qualifying: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., \$7; A&B squad qualifying: 3-9 p.m., \$10.

Wednesday, March 5 - C&D squad qualifying: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., \$7; A&B squad qualifying: 3-9 p.m., \$10.

Thursday, March 6 - D&A squad qualifying: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., \$7; B&C squad qualifying: 3-9 p.m., \$10.

Friday, March 7 - Top 64 qualifying: 8-11 a.m., \$10; top 32 single elimination (match play, best 4-of-7): 1-4 p.m., \$10; top 16 single elimination (match play, best 4-of-7): 6-9 p.m., \$10.

Saturday, March 8 - Round of 16 single elimination (match play, best 3-of-5): 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., fee pending; round of 8 single elimination (match play, best 3-of-5): 5:20-9:30 p.m., fee pending.

Sunday, March 9 - TV finals live on ESPN, 12:30-2 p.m., fee pending. For more information, call Taylor Lanes at (734) 946-9092.

Entry forms will be available at local bowling centers. Al Harrison is a resident of Livonia and

a director of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association. He can be reached at (734) 788-0045.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, February 6th, 2003 for the following:

RENTAL OF PORT-A-JOHNS

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

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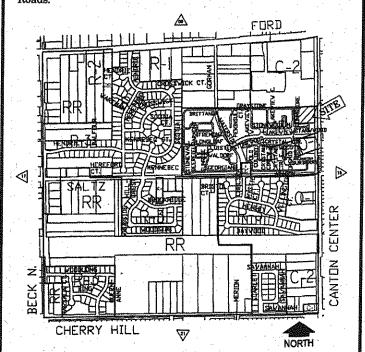
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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, February 17, 2003, 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:

CAMBRIDGE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) AMENDMENT #1- CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE COMMERCIAL ELEMENT OF THE PDD AGREEMENT AS THE POD AGREEMENT AS THE PO PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO. 061 99 0006 703. Property is located west of Canton Center 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 Thursday, February 13, 2003 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON. Chairman

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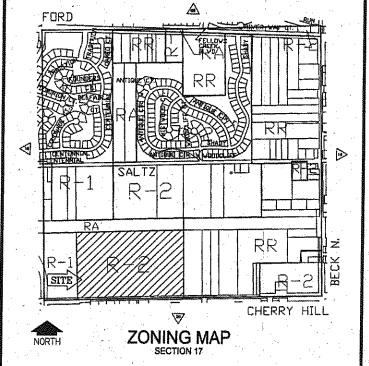
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CANFORD PARK PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - FINAL PLAN- CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO. 067 99 0011 000 (part of). Property is located north of Cherry Hill between Denton and Beck Roads. (Second Public Hearing.)



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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN CITY COMMISSION AND PLANNING COMMISSION

JOINT MEETING NOTICE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2003 7:00 P.M. (734) 453-1234

meeting of the City Commission and Planning Commission will be held at the Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street, Card Meeting Room to consider the following:

CONCEPT PLAN: 101 N. Union / 171 Hamilton (Adistra / Daisy Property) ZONED: I-2, Heavy Industrial / I-1, Light Industrial APPLICANT: Joseph Freed & Associates

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In accordance with the Americans with disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

> Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator 201 S. Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170 (734) 453-1234, Ext. 206

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CANTON PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

The Charter Township of Canton will receive firm sub-contractor bids for the Canton Performing Arts Center Project located at the northeast corner of Ridge and Cherry Hill Roads in Canton Township. The work to be released in this bid package will consist of all tasks to complete the project, including, but not limited to, the following: Concrete Foundations and Flatwork, Masonry, Structural and Miscellaneous Steel, Glass & Glazing, Architectural Trades, Miscellaneous Specialties, Theatrical Systems, Theatrical Seating, all Mechanical & Electrical Systems.

The bidding documents consist of plans and specifications. Documents may be obtained with a \$50.00 per set refundable deposit payable to George W. Auch Co., at the office of the Construction Manager, George W. Auch Company, 735 South Paddock Street, Pontiac, MI 48341, 248.334.2000, at 12:00 noon on January 22nd, 2003. A pre-bid meeting will be held at 3:00 p.m. on January 31st, 2003 at the Summit on the Park Conference Center. 4600 Summit Parkway, Canton, MI 48188. Attendance at the prebid meeting is highly recommended.

The envelope bearing your proposal must identify the Bid Category being bid and addressed to the attention of the Township Clerk. It shall be delivered to the Canton Administration Building Business Offices, 1150 Canton Center Road S., Canton, MI 48303, or to the office of George W. Auch Co., 735 S. Paddock St., Pontiac, MI 48341. but must be delivered no later than noon, February 14th, 2003. Each proposal must be submitted on the forms furnished by the Construction Manager and must be completed in full. Each proposal shall be identified and sealed in an opaque envelope and marked with the name of the project, the name of the bidder and the Bid Category(s) being bid. All acceptable bids will contain a bid bond naming this project executed by a U.S. Treasury listed surety company acceptable to the Charter Township of Canton and licensed to do business in the state of Michigan, or a cashier's check naming this project in the amount of at least 5% of the sum of the proposal payable to Charter Township of Canton.

All proposals shall be firm for a period of sixty (60) days.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at a meeting convened at the Summit on the Park Conference Center, 4600 Summit Parkway, Canton, MI, starting at 3:00 p.m., February 14th, 2003.

Successful bidders whose proposals are \$50,000 or more will be required to furnish a U.S. Treasury listed Performance and Payment Bond issued by a surety licensed to do business in the state of Michigan in the amount of 100% of their bid. The cost of the Bond shall be included in each proposal.

The Charter Township of Canton reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids in whole, or in part and to waive any informalities therein. Charter Township of Canton reserves the right to accept that bid which, in it's opinion, is in the best interest of the Owner.

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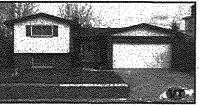
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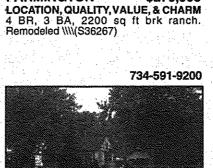
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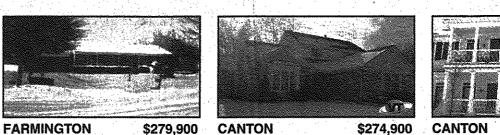
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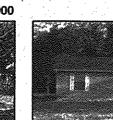


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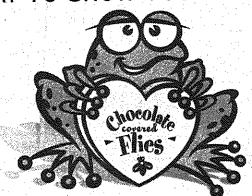
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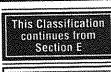
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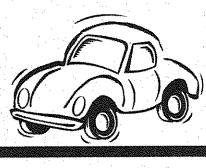
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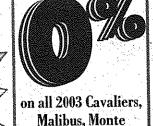
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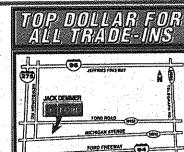
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