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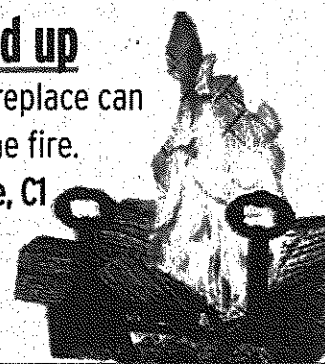
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CANTON Observer

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Memo

■ Autorama-bound

Five Canton residents will have their custom automobiles in the 51st Murray's Discount Auto Stores Detroit Autorama this weekend.

Proud owners include:

■ Gail Bowers with a 1965 Barracuda.

■ Derek Fowler with a 1926 Ford Model T.

■ Sam Inzano with a 1966 Volkswagen (Classic Beetle).

■ Keith Jackson with a 1934 Dodge Roadster.

■ Aaron Sellers with a 2002 Pontiac Grand Prix.

The event at Cobo Hall opens this Friday at noon and runs until 11 p.m.

Saturday's hours are 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday's hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 for children. Tickets bought in advance at any Murray's are slightly cheaper.

Guest appearances include NASCAR driver Brett Bodine Friday night, wrestling star Stone Cold Steve Austin Saturday afternoon, and Vern Troyer (Mini Me from *Austin Powers*) Sunday afternoon.

■ Farm endowment

The Northville Community Foundation has created an Endowment Fund for the Maybury Farm. In light of the recent fire at the farm, the Northville Community Foundation has begun this fund to help rebuild the barn, replenish animals, and for the basic upkeep of the Maybury Farm.

The Friends of Maybury president, Ed Pierce, believes this endowment might encourage more people to donate especially since the foundation is state-certified, which allows for an additional 50 percent tax credit.

To donate, send checks payable to the Northville Community Foundation - Maybury Farm, 321 N. Center, Suite 130, Northville, MI 48167.

■ Dreaded deadline

Last-minute tax tips will be offered by the Canton Public Library 7 p.m. Thursday, March 6.

Guest speaker Ken Bloom has timely ideas for the 2002 returns and suggestions for 2003 returns.

Bloom is an attorney specializing in estate, corporate, real estate and small business law, with an emphasis on tax issues.

Best thing about this tax seminar is it's free. Register by calling the library, (734) 397-0999.

■ Senior party

Tickets to the 2003 Plymouth-Canton Senior Party will be on sale for \$30 each through this Friday, Feb. 21. Party-goers can send the money along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Bob or Corinne Boyko, 49308 Harvest Drive, Plymouth, MI 48170.

This will be the last opportunity to get tickets at the reduced rate.

The party committee is also accepting (and hoping for) donations in the form of cash or prizes. Anyone wishing to make donations can call co-chairs Sue Poiniatowski, (734) 453-2570, or Lisa Hajduk, (734) 397-3432.

Village theater gets site plan OK

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

Attorney Bryan Amann doesn't usually get choked up at Planning Commission meetings. But Monday night's meeting was a little different.

"I got one of those lumps in my throat," he said. "When you see it on the boards in those pictures, you know it's real."

He was referring to the architects' renderings for the Performing Arts Center, which got site plan approval at Monday's meeting. It now goes to the township

board for the final OK.

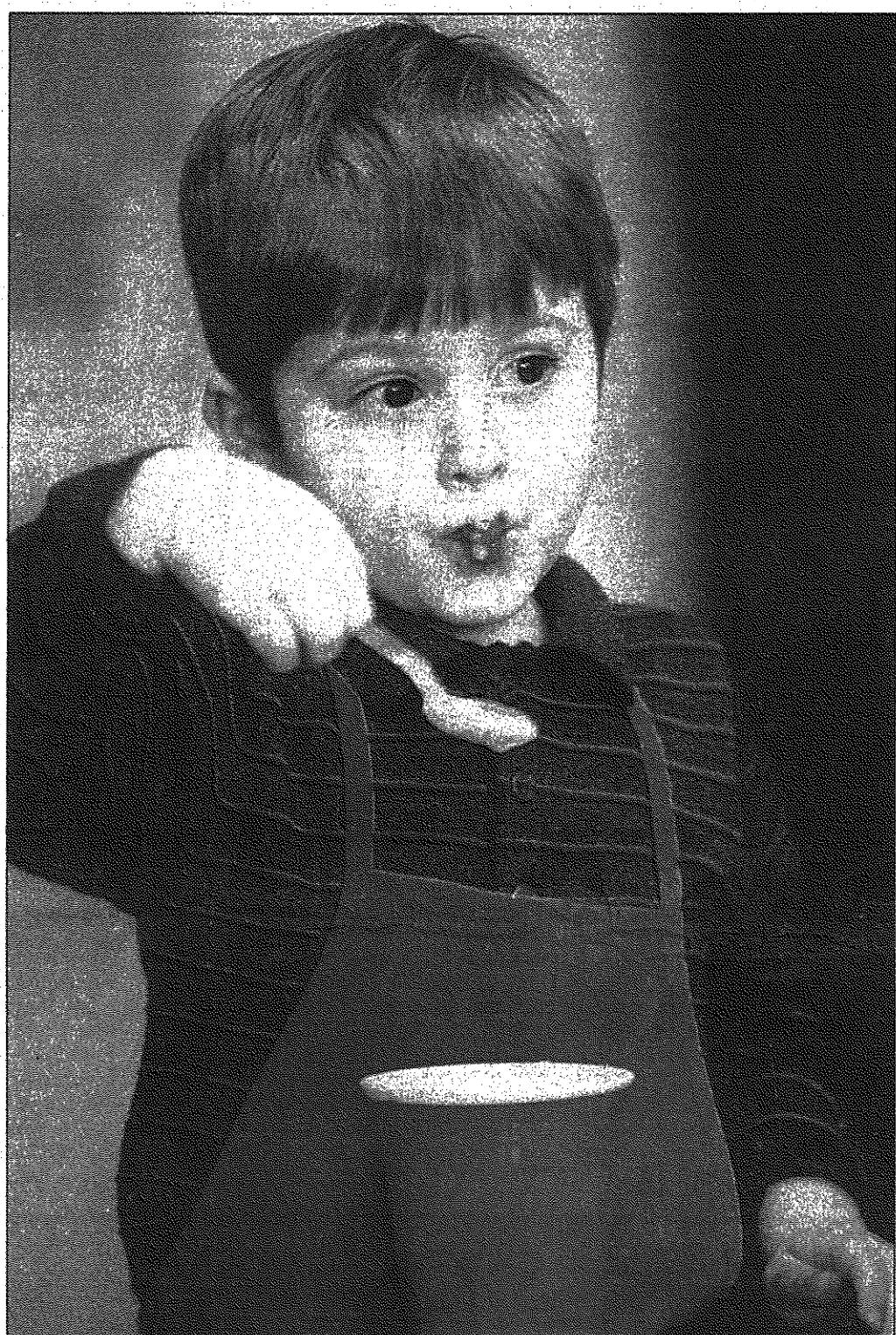
"It looks good," he said. "We're excited about it."

While Amann wasn't at the meeting representing the arts center, he is chairman of the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities, the 14-member board that

will oversee the operation of the theater and conduct fund-raising activities.

Commissioners had some minor concerns about things such as Dumpsters and external grease traps, but there was

PLEASE SEE THEATER, A6



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

So tasty!

Mitchell Cimino, 3, samples the punch he just made by adding sherbet to a lemon-lime soft drink in the Kitchen Kids program at Canton's Summit on the Park Saturday. The four-week program teaches kids basic cooking skills and offers them a story or two while they eat their creations at the end of the class. See a story and more pictures on A3.

McCotter: 'State of war right now'

Congressman speaks to chambers

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Canton's congressman U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter had news for anyone at Wednesday's joint chamber of commerce function who hopes the United States can avoid war with Iraq.

In McCotter's opinion, the country is *already* at war.

That was the gist of the remarks made by McCotter, the freshman Republican congressman from Livonia, at the luncheon at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth

Township. The luncheon, sponsored by the U.S. Chamber of

Commerce and coordinated by local chambers in Plymouth, Northville, Livonia, Canton and Westland, drew more than 150 people to hear McCotter talk mainly

about his feelings about the impending war.

"We live in a country that is in a state of war right now," McCotter

PLEASE SEE WAR, A4

Local man dies after collision with police car

William Vesper Owen, 35, of Canton Township was fatally injured Monday afternoon when a Dearborn police car apparently ran a red light on Rotunda Drive and slammed into his 2002 Volkswagen Jetta.

Owen died about 60 minutes later at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

The driver, a 20-year-old parking enforcement officer, has been suspended by the Dearborn police pending the outcome of the investigation.

Agron "Gary" Seiko, a Dearborn resident, was in a marked police car, emergency lights flashing, driving to help fellow officers chasing a fleeing felon. About a half-mile west of Pelham, the Jetta pulled out of

PLEASE SEE FATALITY, A2

Fiegel principal and PTO clash

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Four of the six members of the Fiegel Elementary PTO board, including the co-presidents of the group, have resigned their positions over disagreements with school Principal Jim Johnson.

A letter dated Jan. 31 to Johnson, faculty, staff and parents announced the resignations of co-presidents Leon Korstjens and Wendy Frazier, as well as Vice President Traci Misiolek and Corresponding Secretary Rhonda Holloway.

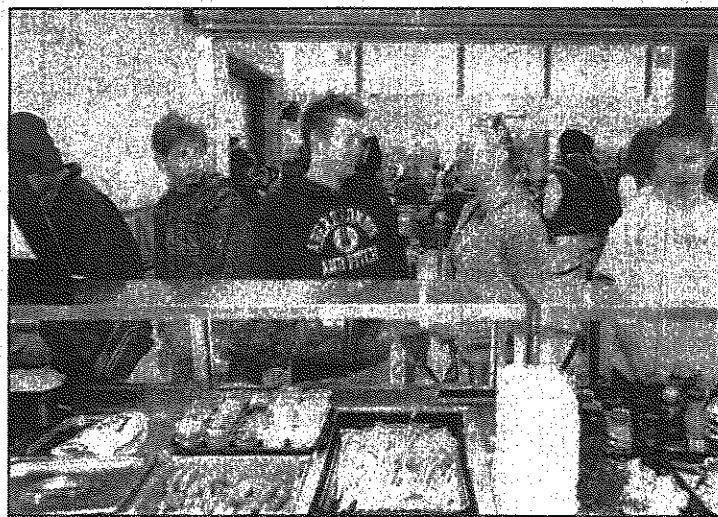
Treasurer Mary Reyes and Recording Secretary Chrissy Curvin decided to continue their positions on the board.

"... for this PTO Board ... it was ... about providing input and action to improve the educational environment at Fiegel. Unfortunately, that voice

remains unheard, and any actions are increasingly being hindered," said the board members in the letter. "We have put in many hours trying to improve the overall educational environment for ALL members of the Fiegel family. ... Instead, we are rewarded for our efforts with defamation of character, non-responsiveness, and personnel with personal agendas intentionally making our job much more difficult than it need be."

The letter, also sent to Superintendent Jim Ryan, complains about the lack of responsiveness in setting up a proactive committee to deal with issues of dissension and dissatisfaction, including some involving playground activities; derogatory comments and attitudes to PTO members from staff and faculty; and the failure of Johnson to give the PTO a copy of the school budget to see

PLEASE SEE FIEGEL, A6



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Progress report

Dominick Viviano and Kyle Martin laugh together while waiting in the lunch line at Plymouth High School Wednesday Feb. 5. We spent a day at the new high school to see how everything was coming along midway through its first year. Please turn to Page C5 for more pictures and a story.

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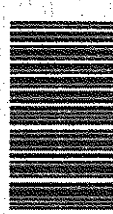
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Police check on bomb threats

Police were called to the Super Kmart on Ford Road about 7:45 p.m. Feb. 15 after a female called the store with a bomb threat. A store employee said the woman called and said there was a bomb in the store that would go off in 10 minutes.

When police arrived customers and employees had evacuated the store and were on the parking lot. Police searched the store but no bomb was found. A similar incident occurred two weeks ago. In that incident a female called the store and said a bomb would go off in three minutes. Nothing was found in that incident, either.

MAILBOX DAMAGED

A resident of the 300 block of Buckingham called police about 5 p.m. on Feb. 15 to report her mailbox had been knocked off the post and cracked.

She said there had been three previous incidents where the same thing happened. She said she didn't know who was doing it. Police have no suspects.

WINDOW SMASHED

A police officer on routine patrol checked the parking lot in the 7700 block of Ronda

COP CALLS

about 8:45 a.m. Feb. 15 and noticed a car with the driver's door window smashed.

After checking the registration he determined that the car belonged to an Ann Arbor resident who worked at the location. The woman said she had left the car parked and locked. Nothing was taken but damage to the window was estimated at \$200.

THEFT FROM CAR

A resident of the 5900 block of Sandhurst said he left his residence about 8:30 p.m. on Feb. 15 and when he returned home about 11:15 p.m. he noticed the driver's side door of his car had been ripped open. A radio and a case of CDs were missing. The items were valued at \$550.

CAR PAINTED

A Winter Drive resident told police that between 6 p.m. Feb. 14 and 7 a.m. Feb. 15 someone spray-painted obscenities on his car. They were painted on the windshield and hood using green spray paint. Police have no suspects.

Dearborn police almost immediately called Michigan State Police to help with the accident investigation because an officer was involved.

Dearborn's acting chief Tim Strutz said that the investigation would take two or three weeks.

-Doug Johnson

Erin Jensen

Erin Jensen of Canton, who will graduate from Salem in June 2003, has been offered admission to West Point and has committed to attending.

She reports June 30, 21 days after graduation. Admission to West Point doesn't come easy as they start with more than 15,000 applications and only take 1100, and of those 1,100 they only accept around 180 women.

Erin said she expects to major in science, probably biology, at West Point.



Jensen



Kelly

"I know it will definitely be a challenge. I picked West Point because of a chance at leadership," she said.

She has been active in Salem cross country and track.

SERVING OUR NATION

She will be running track again this spring. Her parents are Monica and David Jensen.

Daniel Kelly

PFC Daniel Brian Kelly of Canton, was born July 30, 1979, and is now serving in the Army. He is a graduate of Salem High School's class of 1998. He was a member of the Salem Rock's swimming and diving team and was named All-State and All-American for his participation in the 200 free relay in 1998. He played soccer with the Canton Thunder

Soccer team. He is a member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church.

He is currently stationed at Fort Hood, Texas as part of the First Cavalry. His parents are Frank and Jerrie Kelly, and he has two younger sisters, Kathleen and Jennifer.

The Canton Observer is looking for sons and daughters of Canton residents for Serving Our Nation. Pictures can be e-mailed (djohnson@oe.homecomm.net), or mailed or brought to our office, 794 S. Main in Plymouth. Call (734) 459-2700.

Canton businessman dies suddenly in Mexico



McMurray

Acapulco, Mexico. He was 64. McMurray operated a State

Frank McMurray, a longtime Canton businessman and community supporter, died Sunday while on vacation in

Farm insurance business on Canton Center Road. He retired in April 2001.

He and his wife were in Mexico celebrating their 42nd anniversary when he suffered an apparent heart attack.

Visitation will be Friday, Feb. 21, from 1-9 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 22, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Uht Funeral Home in

Westland. Services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home, with the Rev. Jack Baker officiating.

A VFW service will be held Friday at 7 p.m. at Uht Funeral Home and a gathering will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday at VFW Post 6695 in Plymouth.

Survivors include his wife, Janet of Dexter; sons, Eric of Canton, Frank Jr. and

Benjamin; daughter, Melissa; father, Ambrose Smith; brother, Edward; sisters, Susan and Kathy; and 11 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his mother, Dorothy Smith.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Frank McMurray Memorial Scholarship Fund, 259 N. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170.

OBITUARIES

Katherine Ann Munch

Services for Katherine Munch, 42, of Canton were held Feb. 14 at Trinity Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Daniel Weldman and the Rev. Jack Byers officiating. Burial was at Perry-McFarlen Cemetery in Grand Blanc.

Mrs. Munch was born March 10, 1960 in Flint and died Feb. 11 in Canton. She was a homemaker. She held a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan, Flint, and was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include husband, Steven J. Munch of Canton; parents, Harold (Phyllis Ann) Selesky of Grand Blanc; daughter, Ashleigh Munch of Canton; sons, Michael and Christian Munch of Canton; and brothers, Scott (Donna) Selesky of Brighton, Paul Selesky of West Bloomfield and William (Pam) Selesky of Atlanta, Ga.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Trinity Youth Ministry Fund, Trinity Presbyterian Church, 10101 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Jeffrey Nicholas Hubbard

Services for Jeffrey Hubbard, 20, of Canton were held Feb. 19 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. Larry D. Rowland officiating.

Mr. Hubbard was born May 28, 1982 in Wayne and died Feb. 16. He was a student. He was a member of NorthRidge Church.

Survivors include parents, Jeffery D. (Constance A.) Hubbard of Canton; sister, Courtney Hubbard of Canton; brother, Scott Hubbard; grandmother, Lucille Hubbard of Westland; grandfather, Nicholas Lalauff of Woodhaven; and nephew, Brett Hubbard.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Dora Vergos

Services for Dora Vergos, 88, of Canton, were held Feb. 18 at Sts. Constantine and Helen Church in Westland with the Rev. Philemon Karamanos officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Vergos was born Dec. 4, 1914 in Polypotamos, Greece and died Feb. 14 in Superior Township. She was a homemaker. She came to the Canton community in 1983 from Pennsylvania. She loved to cook and grow flowers. She especially enjoyed being with her family. She was a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Survivors include children, Faye Maxwell of Canton and Tina (Vincent) Malizia of Windsor, Canada; grandchildren, Christopher Malizia of Windsor; Marianne Malizia of Windsor; Samuel DeFazio of Allegan, James DeFazio of Pinckney, Steven DeFazio of Pinckney, Diana DeFazio of Rochester, Elizabeth (Robert) Polmear of Waterford, and Lea (Warren) DeGrundel of Rochester Hills; great-grandchildren, Robert, Christopher,

Branden, Katherine and Demetrios.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Clara F. Mrozinski

Services for Clara Mrozinski, 80, of Canton were held Feb. 20 at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mrs. Mrozinski was born Dec. 3, 1922 in Detroit and died Feb. 15 in Wayne. She worked all her life as a homemaker.

Survivors include husband, Frank J. Mrozinski; son, Frank Mroz; daughter, Nancy C. King; one brother; one sister; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at griffinfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements made L.J. Griffin Funeral Home Canton Chapel.

Peter Anthony Breitenbeck III

Peter Breitenbeck, 70, died Feb. 14 in Plymouth Township. He was born Feb. 15, 1932 in Detroit.

Mr. Breitenbeck was a member of the Plymouth community for more than 30 years. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and skiing.

Mr. Breitenbeck is survived by his wife, Constance of Plymouth Township; son, Patrick Louis (Sharon) Breitenbeck of Tecumseh; and grandchildren, Sean and Samantha Lynn Breitenbeck.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Physical Therapy UPDATE

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AN UNBALANCED APPROACH

Aside from leading to hammertoes, corns, calluses, bunions, and ingrown nails, wearing high heels is linked with foot pain, foot deformities, changes in back posture, knee osteoarthritis, and balance impairment. According to a study by an exercise physiologist, wearing heels is a step in the wrong direction. The heels tested among both college-aged women and older women were 2 1/2 inches in height. It was found that, when the women wore high heels, they came down harder off the step than in flats. The older women lost their balance 12% of the time and were nine times more likely to fall when they wore high heels, call 455-8370. Evening treatment while stepping over a curb-sized hours available.

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Mitchell Cimino, 3, and Lindsey Robinson, 4, ready themselves to eat their heart-shaped pizzas.

Kitchen Kids cook up food and learning

Want to teach your youngest child a few cooking skills but don't want any mess?

Leave it to Canton's Leisure Services and one of their pre-school programs.

Kitchen Kids meets on either Thursday or Saturday at the Summit.

On Saturday, teachers Hillery Usher and Jennifer Judycki, both education students attending Eastern Michigan University, help the group - ages 3 to 6 - make simple meals.

This past Saturday it was heart-shaped pizzas, salads, strawberries dipped in melted chocolate and a reddish drink made from sherbet and 7-Up.

Parent Rich Grant has his daughters Megan, 6, and Olivia, 3, in the class.

"Our girls enjoy helping out at home, and we want to see them

even more involved. We want to let them cook on their own (eventually) and they have really enjoyed these last three weeks," he said.

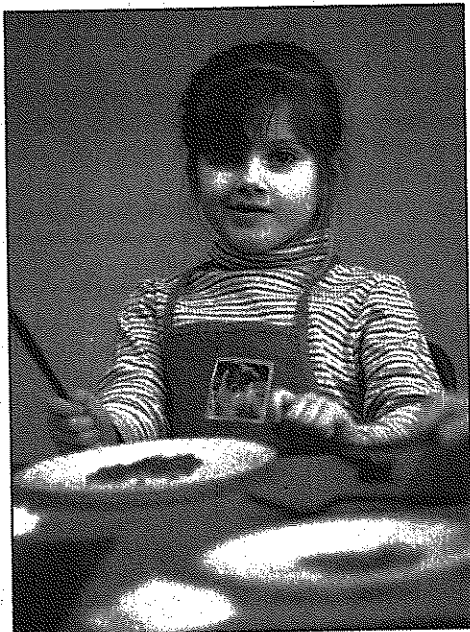
During the week, the Kitchen Kids sessions are taught by Theresa Krueger (preschool director) and Rena Koebel.

The upcoming five-week March sessions are Thursdays 10:30-11:30 a.m., or 12:30-1:30 p.m., or Saturdays, 2-3 p.m. First Thursday session is March 6 and first Saturday session is March 8.

Kids who enroll in this class can't have food allergies, and should be willing to stay in the classroom without a parent or guardian present.

Quite often, parents wait in the lobby by the pool or just outside the class door.

-Doug Johnson



Samantha Howell, 4, grimaces while applying sauce to her heart-shaped pizza.

Schools hit hard by Granholm budget cuts

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The House and Senate appropriations committees voted Wednesday to approve Gov. Jennifer Granholm's \$158 million in executive order cuts to balance the 2002-03 state budget.

The deal, brokered with Granholm last week, in part calls for protecting revenue sharing money for local units of government, while at the same time reducing foundation grant funds for public education.

For Plymouth-Canton Schools, that means the state will take back 3.8 percent of this year's foundation grant money, which equals \$920,000. The cut means a loss of \$49.99 per student for the 2002-03 school year.

"The talk of cutting \$69 would have been worse, and a proposal that every school district lose 1 percent was bandied about," said state Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth Township), a member of the House Appropriations Committee, who voted for the cuts. "Any other plan would have hurt the district more financially. The math is there."

Stewart's district includes eastern Canton.

Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan said the outcome isn't a shock, but he's disappointed the cut comes late in the school year, forcing the district to take the money out of its \$12 million fund balance.

"For this year, we're just going to eat it in fund balance," Ryan said. "Most of the principals spend much of their budgets early in the year to get ready for school, so there's not a lot left. We'll hope that some of it will be absorbed by good management, that some of the money wasn't expended."

"Next year will be the key," Ryan added. "How do you handle cuts next year, and hope it doesn't carry to a third year? We could be in some real trouble."

While public schools will take a financial hit, local communities won't see revenue sharing cut more than it already has, at least until the state's

2004 budget, which will be in place Oct. 1.

"For the balance of this fiscal year, through Oct. 1, there are no projected cuts in revenue sharing," Stewart said. "They really took their hit of 3.5 percent last November."

At that time, Plymouth Township absorbed an \$88,000 reduction, while Plymouth saw a decrease of \$36,000 in state revenue sharing funds.

"I'm obviously very happy that revenue sharing has been spared," Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann said, "but I'm still very cautious because of the huge (state) deficit for the next fiscal year."

"Many communities have fewer police and firefighters at a time when there's an increase in national and local security concerns, and we're getting less money to deal with that," he added.

City Manager Paul Sincok said the city "has already taken a significant hit, and I'm glad there are no further cuts." As for after Oct. 1, Sincok said the city will be "fiscally conservative" in counting on future money from the state.

That may be very prudent because Stewart said he's not promising anybody what will happen in the new budget year.

"I just don't even want to think about it," Stewart said. "When Jim Ryan speaks about layoffs, that just scares me. Unfortunately, we're more likely to see another revenue sharing hit by the end of the year (December). I hope we don't have to do another 3.5 percent."

So far, while the pain of program and employee cuts is being discussed, increasing taxes to deflate the state's budget deficit is not.

Stewart said, "Nobody in Lansing is using the absolute poison words 'tax increase.' I don't see a pure tax increase coming."

However, if the economy doesn't get better by this summer, Stewart said, "we're going to be in real tough shape."

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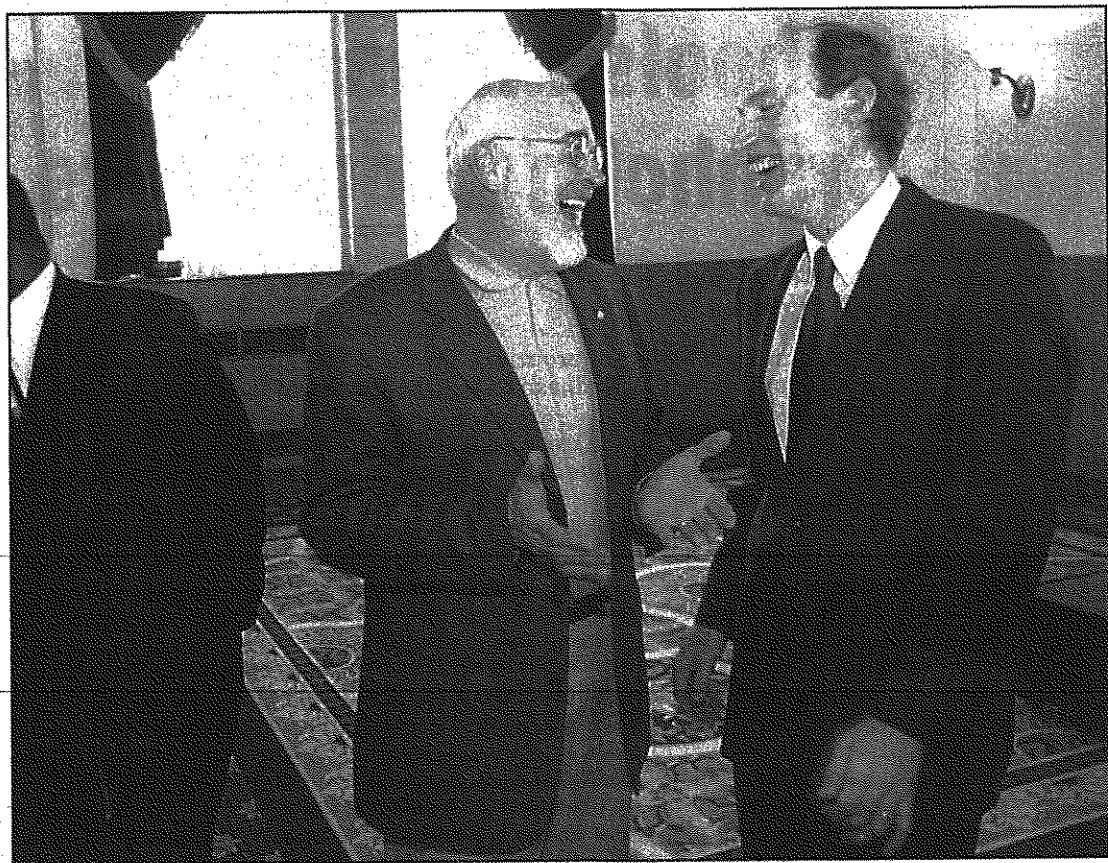
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U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Michigan, right, speaks to Ken Navarre of the Michigan Motor Exchange in Waterford following his speech to area chambers of commerce at St. John's Conference Center in Plymouth Township Wednesday.

WAR

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said. "We've been in a state of war since 3,000 of our citizens died on 9/11."

McCotter, who won election in the new 11th Congressional District over Redford Township Supervisor Kevin Kelley, has been appointed to the budget and international relations committees in his first six weeks in office.

It was issues facing those two committees in particular on which McCotter focused his attention Wednesday. He extolled his belief that the domestic economy and the country's foreign policy can't be separated.

"This is a time when our domestic economy and foreign policy are inextricably linked," McCotter said. "Despite the general economic indicators, people are unwilling to take the risks necessary to help grow the economy" in the face of terrorism and possible war.

McCotter said he feels like the impending war with Iraq is

not a new war, but simply a continuation of the Persian Gulf war. He said resolutions following that conflict required Saddam Hussein to show proof that he has disarmed, something McCotter (echoing what President George W. Bush has said all along) believes hasn't happened.

"Look at it this way," McCotter said. "All he has to do is show proof he has disarmed, and the problem goes away. Why doesn't he do that? Because he hasn't complied."

McCotter pointed out that people in this country don't necessarily want war, and that many of them think of it as an "impending war." His point that the nation is already at war may have hit home with the audience.

"It was very interesting," said Lori Brist, the president of the Westland Chamber of Commerce. "I think he opened a lot of people's eyes. I think people are in denial, but this is reality."

Heightened security levels and the threat of war have wreaked havoc on gas prices, with pump prices skyrocketing in recent weeks.

Greg Greene, a sales agent for AAA Michigan in Livonia, asked McCotter if anything could be done.

McCotter pointed out the same thing happened after 9/11. He said as the country adjusts to all of the feelings and processes that go along with such increased tensions, things like gas prices will essentially take care of themselves, much as they did after 9/11.

The answer satisfied Greene. "He gave me a different perspective," Greene said. "I felt we were being victimized by gouging ... he makes the point that this is something we'll adjust to. That made sense to me."

McCotter tried to link the economy with the war on terrorism, and impressed many in the room while doing so.

"I thought he was right on target," said Dick McDowell, the interim director of the Livonia Chamber of Commerce. "He has prepared himself well to go to Washington. He has insight into some of the problems facing this nation."

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Canton family finds Plato's Closet is right philosophy

Resale shop appeals to teens, 20-somethings

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

Paul and Gina Wells wanted to have a business where they could work together.

She with the dental hygienist background, he with the retail background (Barnes and Noble, among others).

What would work the best? After some looking they came up with the idea of owning a franchise for the first Plato's Closet in Michigan.

The 80-outlet chain based in Minnesota offers high fashion on a budget to Generation Y teens and young adults.

The Wellses opened the resale outlet at West Oaks II shopping Center in Novi before Christmas. They sell "gently used" clothing like \$170 Mavi jeans for \$22 and Bebe pullovers for \$10.

The Wellses live in Canton and all five of their children attended Plymouth-Canton schools.

"We - the whole family - have always loved resale," Gina Wells said.

"We have one daughter in Ohio and she saw the Plato's Closet there and she said 'Mom, you have got to look into this.' We had been looking for a business that we could open together."

Plato's Closet was named by the chain's founder; his son was in college studying philosophy at the time.

"I wanted to start my own business," Paul Wells said. "We are a lot more organized and a lot more particular than your typical resale shop."

Paul, who notes their inventory totals 12,600 items, said they "get new stuff every day."

"This is not the Salvation Army," Gina Wells said. "The clothing is organized, on racks



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Gina and Paul Wells of Canton operate trendy Plato's Closet, catering to teens and young adults.

by color. The items are contemporary. I think people love a bargain."

Paul and Gina Wells said that so far their biggest sale was \$900 and the folks paid cash. "That's a lot of clothing going out at these prices," Paul Wells said.

The store features big name fashions for brand-conscious younger buyers - like Abercrombie and Fitch, Diesel, Guess, J. Crew, Fubu, Polo and Tommy Hilfiger. The outlet also has accessories and shoes and even the ever-popular lava lamp.

A lot of the items come from people who walk into the store to sell their used items. They must be clean, in good condition, and a current style. A very few items come from other stores and therefore are really like new.

The national company

keeps local outlets abreast of what's hot and what's not, and have a pricing guide for almost all items.

"We are a little more particular than most resale shops," Gina Wells said. "The advantage is we have all the brands under one roof. We are encouraged by the response, and we are getting all ages. We have even had people from Jackson and Monroe."

Now the couple are looking for a statue of Plato or a Plato look-alike for the store to help as an outlet icon. They will offer a \$200 shopping spree to a lucky shopper in March; register for the drawing at the store.

Plato's Closet is at 43440 West Oaks Drive (near Toys R Us) across from 12 Oaks in Novi. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Phone (248) 374-8075.

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FIEGEL

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how \$20,000 in PTO fund-raising has been spent.

"We spend so much time fighting instead of working toward a common goal, the education of our children," Frazier said. "We never know where we stand when we talk to him."

"We had hopes of bridging the communication gap this year," she added, "but, unfortunately, it's probably worse."

Johnson said he didn't want to talk about the situation, saying only there was a "difference of perspective."

However, Frank Ruggirello, the district's director of communications, said the administration is backing Johnson.

"Jim is in a place where the parents group is very vocal. We think he will work it out," Ruggirello said. "He does what's best for kids, the school and the district. Jim runs a good ship and we support him."

Verna Anible, executive director of educational services,

said she believes the complaints are coming from a small group of people.

"It's not our interpretation it's a large number of people," she said. "They have specific issues. I don't know of any major issues."

Since the resignations, however, several parents have come forward to support the PTO board and its complaints. Kelly Daroczy wrote Ryan, telling him "since August, there are a number of issues with regards to the children that a lot of parents question and basically get no answers from the administration. I believe there is no appropriate discipline plan at Fiegel and the children are not faced with appropriate consequences of actions that deserve attention. The innocent get punished and the guilty continue to have inappropriate behavior with no consequences."

In another letter to Ryan, Todd and Jeanne Winn of Canton wrote about not being satisfied that Johnson dismissed a claim by their first-grader that an older child threatened to kill him with a sharp metal object.

"There is much violence on the playground during lunch recess, with many physical scuffles and punching, hitting, kicking, etc.," the letter said.

Another couple with children at Fiegel, who asked not to be

identified for fear of repercussion to their children, talked of "fighting, shoving, hitting and inappropriate behavior on the playground," and trouble in the bus lines. "Many of these incidents are not reported to the principal because the principal does not want to be viewed 'as the bad guy,'" the couple said.

Mary Arrasmith has two children at Fiegel, and one ready for kindergarten next year. However, she's looking to opt out to another district school.

"I tried to get information from Mr. Johnson and had problems," she said. "I finally got a response after threatening to call central office administration. He makes my fifth-grader feel like his door is not open for discussion."

Sharon Hill, director of elementary education, met Monday with Fiegel parents to discuss their problems.

"I don't think she believed or understood our problems," Frazier said. "We wanted to see change."

Hill was unavailable for comment.

As a part of that meeting, four new members were elected to the PTO board. Chrissy Curvin, who previously was the PTO's recording secretary, is the new Fiegel PTO president.

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THEATER

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nothing in the plans they hadn't seen before.

"Everything was copacetic," said Commissioner Cathy Johnson. "Nothing new. Everything as planned is going to go down."

The 400-seat, 50,000-square-foot theater has been in various stages of planning since 1996. It will be the focal point of the Cherry Hill Village Overlay District at the intersection of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads.

The entrance to the theater will be at the northeast corner of the intersection.

Two separate buildings, so-called liner buildings, will be constructed along the south and west faces of the buildings.

The Cherry Hill liner will include about 8,000 square feet of retail space on the first floor, with up to 14 residential units on the second and third floors. The Ridge Road line will house 6,834 square feet of retail space on the first floor with 10 potential residential units on the upper floors.

Township Supervisor Tom Yack said the township is gearing up for the fund-raising side

of the \$8 million project.

"The partnership has hired Remington and Associates who have done fund-raising in the Detroit area," he said. "Their job is to identify individuals and corporations willing to donate."

He said that part of the project would probably go on for about a year and a half.

"We're not just talking brick and mortar now," he said. "We'll be looking at programs like youth theater or variety series."

The township opened bids last week for the brick and mortar work. Those bids are now being reviewed by the construction manager for the project and Yack said he hopes to have a resolution to take to the board next week.

He said the endowment fund for the project has been successful in getting dollars committed and that a public announcement of the leadership gifts will likely be made at or after the ground-breaking, which is now scheduled for May 20.

The project took another step forward last week, when Jennifer Tobin was hired to become the coordinator of the center.

Tobin, a Canton resident who has been executive director of

the Plymouth Community Arts Council for the last five years, will start her new \$50,000 a year job March 1.

"Theater has always been my true love," Tobin said of her new job last week.

Both Yack and Amann said they were excited to have her in the job.

"Based on my conversations with the people who run the quality theaters around the country," Amann said, "the most important thing is the ability of the executive director to understand the groups and the players. We just gained instant credibility by getting her."

He said Tobin's background with the PCAC should also be an added bonus to the success of the new theater.

"Her hiring demonstrates the commitment of this committee to make this a regional facility," Yack expressed similar feelings.

"It's fun to see somebody so happy about a circumstance," he said of Tobin's enthusiasm for her new job. "Being a Canton resident makes it nice for her. And I like the connection to the PCAC. We'd like (the PCAP) to use the facility as much as possible."

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing shall be held before the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton on March 25, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room located at The Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan 48188, regarding the adoption of a Resolution to Create and Provide for the Operation of a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for the Charter Township of Canton pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended, and to provide for the establishment of a Brownfield Redevelopment Zone also as provided in the Act 381 of the Public Acts of 1996, as amended. All aspects of the Resolution of Intent to Create and Provide for the Operation of the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for the Charter Township of Canton are open for discussion at the public hearing.

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Local Homeland Security meeting set for Feb. 25

The Wayne County Commission will host a Homeland Security meeting to educate residents on what to do in times of emergency 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 25, at the Livonia Public Library, Five Mile, between Farmington Road and Merriman.

"Making sure the county is ready to respond to any terrorism threat is of the highest priority at this time," said Wayne County Commissioner Lyn Bankes, chair of the commission's committee on homeland security.

"But there are many things that each and every citizen can and should do to make sure their homes, autos and work places are better prepared for any type of disaster that may strike, we can all do our part to make sure homeland security is part of our daily routines."

On Feb. 6, the Commission met

with the County Executive's Emergency Management Division (EMD) to discuss confronting the terrorism threat in Wayne County. The Commission offers these tips on how to be better prepared:

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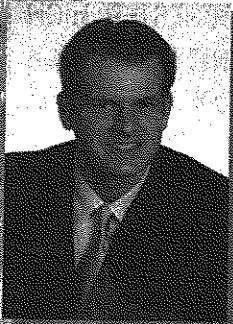
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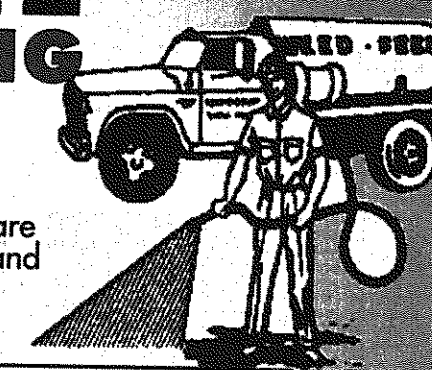
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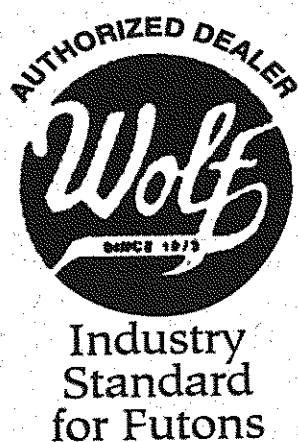
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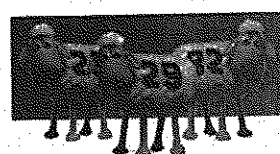
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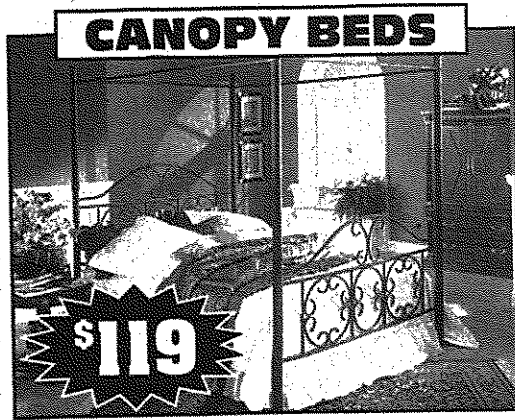


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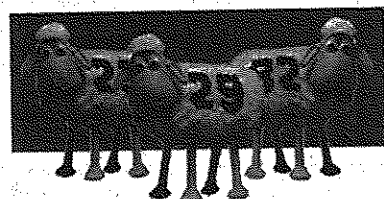
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Plymouth's loss is Canton's gain

The bad news, for the Plymouth arts community, is the loss of Jennifer Tobin, who is leaving her post as director of the Plymouth Community Arts Council after five years to lead the new performing arts center in Canton.

The good news is twofold: Tobin gets to live out a childhood dream by having her own theater with a stage, and she's only moving across the city/township line, where she'll likely remain a key influence on the arts in both communities.

That's great news because the PCAC has been leading an effort recently to become more involved with the surrounding communities, forming a sort of triad of arts officials that basically works on the premise multiple heads work better than one.

Tobin has had a great run at the PCAC. She started nearly 10 years ago, founding one of the best programs around for kids, the Whistle Stop Players. When she got there, the center had only a small office space, not much money and had to find venues all over the community to host the programs it had.

Now, the PCAC is entrenched in its own home at Junction and Sheldon, and its programming continues to offer some of the best arts rewards in the area.

Of course, Tobin hasn't done it all by herself. There is the quiet, anonymous donor who recently helped the PCAC pay off the mortgage on its new residence, right behind the PCAC. And the arts aficionados in this community are among the most generous anywhere.

Tobin's infectious smile, boundless enthusiasm and endless energy will be missed in Plymouth, but who better to run the \$10 million arts and education center? Tobin has devoted her life to the arts, starting with the plays she performed in her basement as a child. Her efforts to educate children in the arts, constantly pushing officials in Plymouth-Canton schools to fund and support arts programs, have been tireless.

And it's not like she's leaving the PCAC in a bad way. Stella Greene is the interim director until they find a suitable replacement for Tobin, and Greene is as integral to the PCAC's success as Tobin has been. The support staff at the PCAC is very effective, and it'll be business as usual during, and after, the search.

Meanwhile, Tobin gets to realize a lifelong dream: Opening a "real, live theater," as she put it. She has called her opportunity "the chance of a lifetime," and we agree.

Tobin, a Canton resident, has been a zealous advocate for both the PCAC and the Plymouth community as a whole. She'll take her refreshing attitude and enormous energy to Canton, and both communities will be the better for it.

Courage comes with decision and reversal

Decisions of principle and conscience never come easily, and we admire those who openly stand in support for what they believe.

In the case of Mercy High School officials, we also admire the courage it took to reverse their stand based on a deliberate and thoughtful reconsideration of the facts. On Monday, Mercy reinstated a "Lunch with Gov. Granholm" auction item, which had been withdrawn over Granholm's position on abortion.

Granholm has said she personally opposes abortion, but won't impose her faith and beliefs on the entire state. Given that she was elected to serve all voters, pro-life and pro-choice, we believe that's a defensible position.

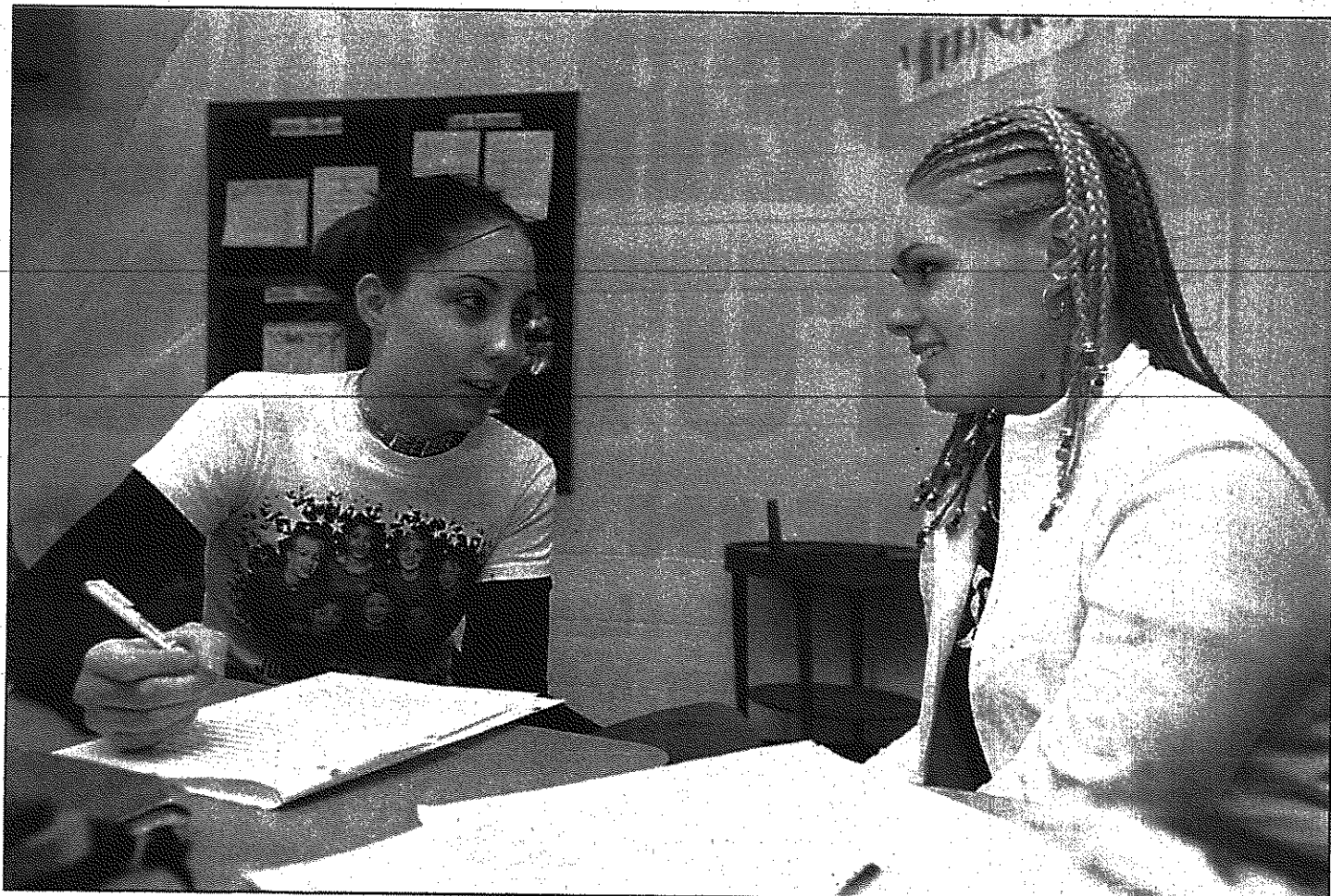
Reasonable people can disagree, and that element was missing from the decision to pull the auction item. By walking away, school leaders virtually eliminated a chance for meaningful debate on a topic too often clouded by extreme points of view.

They reversed their decision after a special board meeting Sunday and the protest resignation of Mercy board trustee Agnes Mansour. On Monday, school officials got behind a position that seems to better reflect the school's purpose: educating young women who make a difference.

No one ever made a difference by withdrawing from the opportunity for real, honest dialogue about an issue like abortion. Nothing changes when we get our way by threatening or walking away.

True change comes not from what we abandon for the sake of our principles, but what we embrace.

We applaud Mercy officials for embracing this opportunity, which the Governor has graciously re-accepted. We encourage educators to leverage this opportunity into a learning experience for the entire student body.



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Lauren Campeau, left, and Christine Defroy interview one another as they build skills to act as student tutors in the Writing Center during fourth hour. English teacher Jan Carney said the tutoring program is going very well. Plymouth High School has sailed through its first semester smoothly. For interviews with students and staff, as well as PHS pictures, see today's *Observer* Life pages in the At Home section.

LETTERS

Just fellow Cantonite

In the letter "Missed chance," (Canton Observer, Feb. 7, 2003), Bryan D. Smith states that the Canton Township Board of Trustees should have picked an African American to fill a seat recently vacated by Phil LaJoy.

We moved to Canton many years ago expressly because of the diverse environment Canton offered. We wanted to raise our children in such an environment. Canton did not disappoint us. Our children's circle of friends resembled the United Nations.

The diversity in Canton occurred naturally. People gravitated to Canton because of the quality of overall life here. The township was not divided along ethnic or racial lines; all were just plain, hard-working Cantonites.

Mr. Smith wants us to stop being color-blind Cantonites. He wants the Board of Trustees to reflect the diversity that is Canton. Mr. Smith only mentions African Americans but I am sure he also intended to include Indians, Middle Easterners, Eastern Europeans, Asians, etc.

I, for one, am happy to be represented by a fellow Canton resident, no matter what his or her ethnicity or race; we all have the same concerns about our families and about our community and want the best for both. Let's not allow people to divide us and spoil what we have worked so hard to create.

Janusz M. Szyszko
Canton

Arts need support

The old adage of there being "nothing new under the sun" seems to have descended upon the arts and cultural community once again. The State of Michigan is struggling through a severe budget crisis and once again grants to arts and culture seem to be on top of the cutting heap.

Consider this: It would be counterproductive to eliminate grants to arts and culture, particularly at a time when the contributions of our cultural institutions and arts programs are being recognized as essential to the growth and stabilization of downtowns, development of workplace skills, bridging cultural and racial divides and helping at-risk students stay in school. A strong arts and cultural community is an absolute necessity for thriving communities, business and employee recruitment, economic development, tourism, education of our youth, and the quality of life we enjoy in Michigan.

Indeed, if arts and cultural grants must be cut, the level of those cuts should be proportional to other important pieces of the state budget. Deeper cuts or elimination would be a grave mistake!

Barbara Kratchman
president, ArtServe Michigan

Lessons learned

In this current frightened and untrusting world it makes complete sense for a conscientious parent to take notice and call 9-1-1 at the very suspicion of a weapon near children!

It also makes sense that a 20-year veteran teacher who has used his Red Rider

as a tool in his classroom may have been not so conscientious!

Yes, this teacher did make a costly judgment error in these uncertain times. No person would doubt this fact. As the parent of two, I am seriously grateful for both the teacher who cares enough to use hands-on demonstrations in his lessons and for the parent who is so attentive to our children's surroundings.

This teacher has taken responsibility for his mistake and has paid the price just through embarrassment alone. It was an honest error committed with no intent to cause anyone harm or a problem.

Vickie M. Payloff
Canton

Mom who called

I was surprised to read the letters in your news paper on 2/6/03 criticizing Plymouth High School for the actions taken during a recent gun scare. As a Plymouth High parent, I would like to thank the mother that reported seeing a man going into the school with a gun. In such a large campus setting, it is impossible for a parent to recognize every teacher. As far as I'm concerned, she did the right thing. I hope other parents will not hesitate to report suspicious behavior in the future due to the nasty remarks of a few people.

I also commend the school's administration, security, and local law enforcement for immediately handling the report according to procedure. I, for one, was pleased to see that appropriate steps were taken for the safety of all students and staff. What a relief that this wasn't a more serious situation. It seems to me that a 45-minute lockdown is minimal in comparison to the potential seriousness of the initial report. Thank you to all involved for putting the safety of our kids first.

As for the temporary suspension of Mr. Rea, from all I've read and heard, he seems to be a good teacher caught up in a miscommunication. I'm confident that he, his union, and school administrators will work out his concerns.

I'd like to remind your readers that contrary to the beliefs of many, a BB gun can be dangerous.

Hundreds of injuries and, in rare instances, deaths have occurred due to the mishandling of BB guns. Any gun that fires a projectile is a potential danger. This could be one of the reasons Mr. Rea appropriately keeps the gun in a locked closet.

In the future, I hope reports of this nature continue to be taken seriously to avoid a potential tragedy. I also hope the school district reviews its policy/procedure regarding use of guns in the classroom for any purpose and makes that policy 100 percent clear to all employees.

Phyllis Moran
Canton

Burger article

First, I would like to thank Sandra McClennen for her letter to the editor, "Raise my taxes," Right On!

Now I would like to discuss two key points related to the article in the Jan. 30 edition of the *Observer* about a campaign

to get playground equipment at a Wayne County funded school.

One, it was stated that \$40,000 needs to be raised to provide the funding necessary to build a playground that Burger, school for individuals with autism, and a local day care want to share. I applaud the joint efforts of these schools, as it is very necessary for all kids to have outdoor physical activities. But my real issue is with the fact that we just passed an addition to our Act 18 millage this past summer which funds such facilities as Burger in Wayne County. Why aren't funds from this millage being used to pay for this much needed equipment? I have a meeting with Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (WCRESA) next month to ask the very question of how our Act 18 dollars are being appropriated. I urge those involved in this project, to ask WCRESA why they aren't paying for this equipment!

Two, in the article it is referenced that most children with autism cannot play in a regular park. This is an outrage to me, a parent of a child who was diagnosed with moderate to severe autism two and half years ago. We never stopped taking him to parks, or to restaurant Play Places or to such "typical" places as Chuck E Cheese. Now our son is getting very near to the point where you can hardly tell he has autism when he is in a public setting with typical peers. He models "typical" kids, learning how to play games correctly, how to use toys the right way. The idea that children with autism will learn better on segregated play grounds is inhumane and violation of those children's civil rights. This philosophy is not acceptable.

Rich Ham-KucharSKI
Canton

A thank you

We would like to thank the media and the community for their support in response to Boxing Night on Dec. 26. The generosity of our community has been very encouraging and we have received many donations that will, undoubtedly, help a large number of people to stay warm in the remaining winter months. We will be delivering the donations to Fort Street Presbyterian Church on Jan. 3.

Lindsey Anderson
Geneva Presbyterian Church

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We welcome your letters to the editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We ask that your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content.

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"I've seen the ninth-graders step up. They had to be leaders in a school with sophomores, juniors and seniors. They got rid of any apprehension quickly and I think they were fired up to be here."

— Michael Bee, Plymouth High School principal, talking about his new school's first semester in today's *Observer*

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

Science shows early learning cost-effective

The science is indisputably clear, fully confirming what good parents have known forever. Kids develop very rapidly from the time they are born. Something like 85 percent of the brain is developed within the first five years of life. That's when kids are going to develop intellectually, socially and emotionally. And if they miss that critical window, they'll have an increasingly tough time as they get older.

The public policy consequence is equally clear.

Education should begin at age zero, not at age 5, which is when most kids start going to public school kindergarten. Sadly, there is a disconnect today between what we know about how and when children develop and when we start spending money in educating them.



Phil Power

Budget hawks, consider this: Much of what needs to be done isn't going to cost taxpayers one red cent. Reading to your baby for just a half hour a day turbocharges the development of her brain. How much does that cost? The verbs are compelling, the cost is cheap and the results vast: read, hold, teach, laugh, play, care for, love.

And when costs are involved, the payoff is seven to one. Ypsilanti's High Scope/Perry Preschool program is the most studied early childhood program in the country. Research conducted over 30 years shows that the public saves \$700 in the cost of prisons, drug treatment, welfare, remedial education and social services in return for investing \$100 in high-quality early childhood education and care.

For the past few years, I've been part of a small outfit called the Ready To Succeed Partnership, which is committed to early childhood care and education. It's a broad group, including folks from business, philanthropy, education, politics, law enforcement, health care and the media. You might remember its catchy slogan — "Be Their Hero From Age Zero" — from last year's media campaign.

Next week, it'll launch a new campaign, one generously funded by intermediate school districts and grants from foundations of General Motors, Ford and DaimlerChrysler. The campaign will be on TV, radio, billboard and newspapers and, counting the free match from media participants, this year's drive will bring total media expenditure over the past two years to more

than \$2.5 million.

The media are compelling. Images of parents reading, holding, laughing, caring — those verbs again! — are juxtaposed with the faces of children just beginning to sense the excitement of discovering the wonder of themselves and the world around them.

A great part of this year's campaign — which will kick off next Monday — is a telephone number linking parents and interested adults with local information. Dialing (888) BE-A-HERO gets you in direct touch with trained staff that will direct you to information about programs and services in your own local intermediate school district. During peak times, calls will be answered by an automated voice mail system requesting a caller's contact information. This will be forwarded to the local ISD for direct followup.

Fortunately, this private effort is drawing support from the public sector. One of the themes of Gov. Jennifer Granholm's State of the State speech was Project Great Start, through which the state's 57 intermediate school districts are being asked to define education as beginning at birth and not when a kid starts kindergarten. Over the past couple of years, something like \$90 million in state grants have jump started community-based coalitions to help the parents of the 130,000 babies who are born in Michigan each year.

Public engagement is not limited to Gov. Granholm. A bi-partisan Children's Caucus in the Legislature is developing to help Michigan become a national leader in high-quality early education and care for young children. Former state representatives Pan Godchaux from Birmingham and Lynn Martinez from Lansing were key in starting the caucus a few years ago; with their departure from the Legislature (thank you, term limits!), new leaders are stepping up.

A lot is coming together in all this. Brain science. Public policy. Private philanthropy and volunteerism. State government. Local teachers, nurses, doctors, clergy and parents. But the results could be, quite literally, revolutionary.

Readers interested in statewide information and resources for early childhood education and development can log on to www.herofromzero.org. For information on the Michigan Ready To Succeed Partnership, go to www.readytosucceed.org.

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.

Store owner's joke about duct tape tickles funny bone

There's an old Mark Twain quote that basically says "we are really funny." That came to mind last week when the manager of a Garden City hardware store started joking about duct tape.

He was being asked if his store was selling more duct tape and plastic sheeting than usual because of warnings issued by the Office of Homeland Security.

The manager said they were selling more duct tape than usual, but that there was enough in the store, and chances were they wouldn't run out.



Jeff Counts

Then he let loose with a joke about the possibility that the director of Homeland Security was a stockholder in duct tape or in hardware stores.

The joke was a welcomed relief, a break from talking about terrorism at home, a war with Iraq, rising gas prices and a cool winter. For me, it was reassurance that, as Twain said, "We are pretty funny."

A co-worker of mine had his own take on duct tape on the home front: "If life depends on duct tape, plastic sheeting and canned food, I don't want it."

For me, the duct tape warnings took me back to the 1950s, when people were building bomb shelters in their yards, and we had air raid drills in school. We would be taken into the school's musty basement and sit there until the drill was over.

For years I've read that children in the 1950s grew up under a mushroom cloud of fear of nuclear attack. That may have been how journalists wrote about it, but for us kids the drills were a break from the tedium of spelling tests and other classroom work. They were a time to see our friends and make jokes.

I don't even know how serious our teachers took the drills. Many of the men were World War II veterans. They knew that huddling in the basement of Calvin Coolidge Grade School on Detroit's west side probably wasn't much of a defense against an atomic attack.

My own father was a World War II Navy veteran who was someplace in the Pacific waiting to help invade Japan when the nuclear age was launched when the U.S. dropped nuclear bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

I guessed that helped him keep a sense of humor during the 1950s, when some neighborhoods were building a bomb shelter on an empty lot. Being an old farmer himself, he wondered why the neighbors were using land

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for a bomb shelter and not a garden. He pretty much considered it a waste. I suspect he knew exactly what an atomic bomb would do.

As it turned out, the bomb shelter was a great place for kids to play. It was our fort when we played army war games, a secret clubhouse when we needed to hide away from our parents and a good place to rendezvous when we became interested in girls.

The only thing that did frighten me as a child were the shades in my bedroom. I was raised in an old house on Detroit's west side, not far from the Ford Rouge complex. The shades were thick and dark green and wouldn't let any light in.

In a way they were great, I could sleep in and not have the sunlight wake me. For a long time, I thought that my parents had been so kind that they installed the shades so I could sleep late. That's the kind of thing you think in childhood.

But later I learned that they were blackout shades left over from World War II, when the Detroit area could have been a target of German or Japanese attacks. I envisioned grainy black and white film images I'd gleaned of sneaky Japanese flyers dropping bombs on innocent people or cartoon-like German officers in leather boots stomping on small children.

I was relieved I wasn't alive during World War II and that I didn't have to huddle in my room afraid of bombs falling.

Perhaps that's why I was relieved when the hardware store manager made a joke about duct tape. It's the new incarnation of the blackout shades in my old bedroom and I needed a little comic relief.

Jeff Counts is a semiretired journalist who thinks duct tape is a cure-all for anything in the house.

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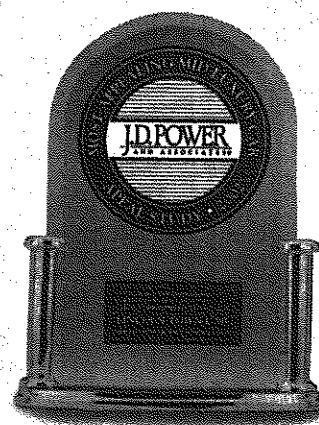


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This elegant gala event will include a live and silent auction with wine tasting, featuring fine wines of the Mediterranean, Spain and Australia, provided by John Jonna of Merchants Fine Wines; dinner; and a car raffle drawing where one lucky bidder will win a fully-equipped 2003 Chevrolet Corvette two-door coupe, courtesy of Madonna University and Tennyson Chevrolet in Livonia.

This year's auction general

chairs are Michael Obloy, chairman, Madonna University board of trustees, and his wife, Jo. Honorary chairs are Madonna University Trustee Barbara and Dr. Luther Rosemond.

General seating tickets are \$125 before March 14. After March 14, all tickets are \$150. The 2003 Corvette car raffle tickets are \$200 each and no more than 1,000 tickets will be sold. All proceeds benefit the Madonna University Scholarship Fund and educational projects.

For more information, call Rose Kachnowski, University Advancement, at (734) 432-5421.

Chamber hosts Business Expo April 2

The Livonia Area Chamber of Commerce hosts its 17th annual Business Expo at Burton Manor in Livonia from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 2. Admission is free.

The Business Expo is southeast Michigan's premier business-to-business marketing event, with more than 100 businesses participating. It provides an inexpensive and unique opportunity to showcase business products and services to

more than 500 attendees.

The event will be preceded by a Business Breakfast and followed by the Taste Extravaganza, from 5:30 to 9 p.m., which features a sampling from more than 25 area restaurants. Tickets for the taste event are \$25 per person.

For more information about the Business Expo 2003, or to purchase tickets for the Business Breakfast and Taste Extravaganza, please call Alicia Douglas at (734) 427-2122.

Mass transit backers rally disabled community

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

While state legislators debate the fate of the proposed Detroit Area Regional Transportation Authority (DARTA), disabled residents in Metro Detroit continue to be hampered by the lack of a reliable mass transit system.

That was the message at a news conference last week at the National Multiple Sclerosis Society in Southfield. The event was co-sponsored by the Accessible Transit Coalition (ATC), a group advocating affordable public transit for the disabled and a proponent of DARTA.

According to Susan Marsh, an organizer for the Lathrup Village-based Oakland and Macomb Center for Independent Living, which is

part of the ATC, transportation is the No. 1 concern for the area's disabled residents.

"Transportation is the major barrier for people with disabilities to be involved in their communities, because if you don't have transportation, you can't do anything else," she said.

"Without transportation, people with disabilities are really locked into their homes and neighborhoods. They can't get to places where they can take advantage of community services. They can't get to the store. They can't get to church. They can't get to medical appointments. They can't get to the places that most of us take for granted."

Marsh said the ATC is trying to galvanize the disabled community to pressure state legislators to approve the DARTA legislation, which would combine

the Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT) and the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) into one streamlined mass transit authority. If approved, DARTA would coordinate regional bus services and any future rapid transit.

"Right now, we are just trying to expand awareness of the bill. A lot of people have just given up hope on mass transit. But we want them to know there is an opportunity. We can influence the outcome of this legislation if we can reach enough people with disabilities and get them involved. Now is the time to become energized and active on the issue," Marsh said.

A DARTA bill was passed by state lawmakers last year, but was vetoed by former Gov. John Engler in the last hours of his term. The bill has been reintroduced, and is currently being debated by state legislators.

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Vicky Kovari of Metropolitan Organizing Strategy Enabling Strength (MOSES), the other co-sponsor of last week's news conference, said it is important to pass the DARTA legislation before the end of the year, so it is eligible for federal funding.

In addition to people with disabilities, Kovari said senior citizens, students and the poverty-stricken are also hindered by the area's lack of reliable public transportation.

She said groups like MOSES, which represents 72 area religious congregations of all different denominations, and the ATC must convince the general public to get involved in the fight for DARTA, because many politicians have been hostile to the idea.

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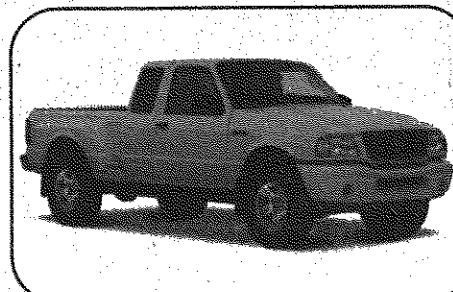
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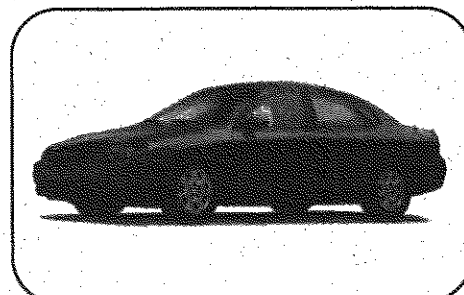
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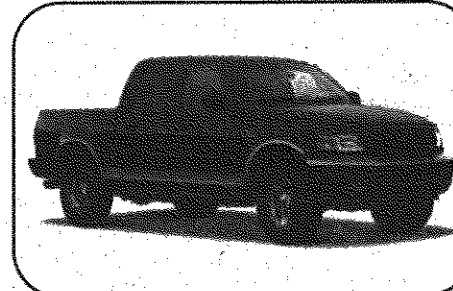
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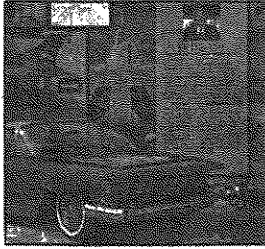
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Autorama

Devout gearheads and just plain folks will be gathering at Cobo Center in Detroit this weekend for Autorama. The show features more than 1,000 exhibits of cool hot rods, custom cars, trucks, vans and motorcycles of the past and present. Celebrity appearances include wrestling superstar Stone Cold Steve Austin, noon to 2 p.m. Saturday; and NASCAR driver Brett Bodine, 7-9 p.m. Friday. Show hours are noon



to 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21; 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22; and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23. Admission \$15, children 6-12, \$5; no charge for children 5 and younger. Call (248) 293-1700.

Around the world

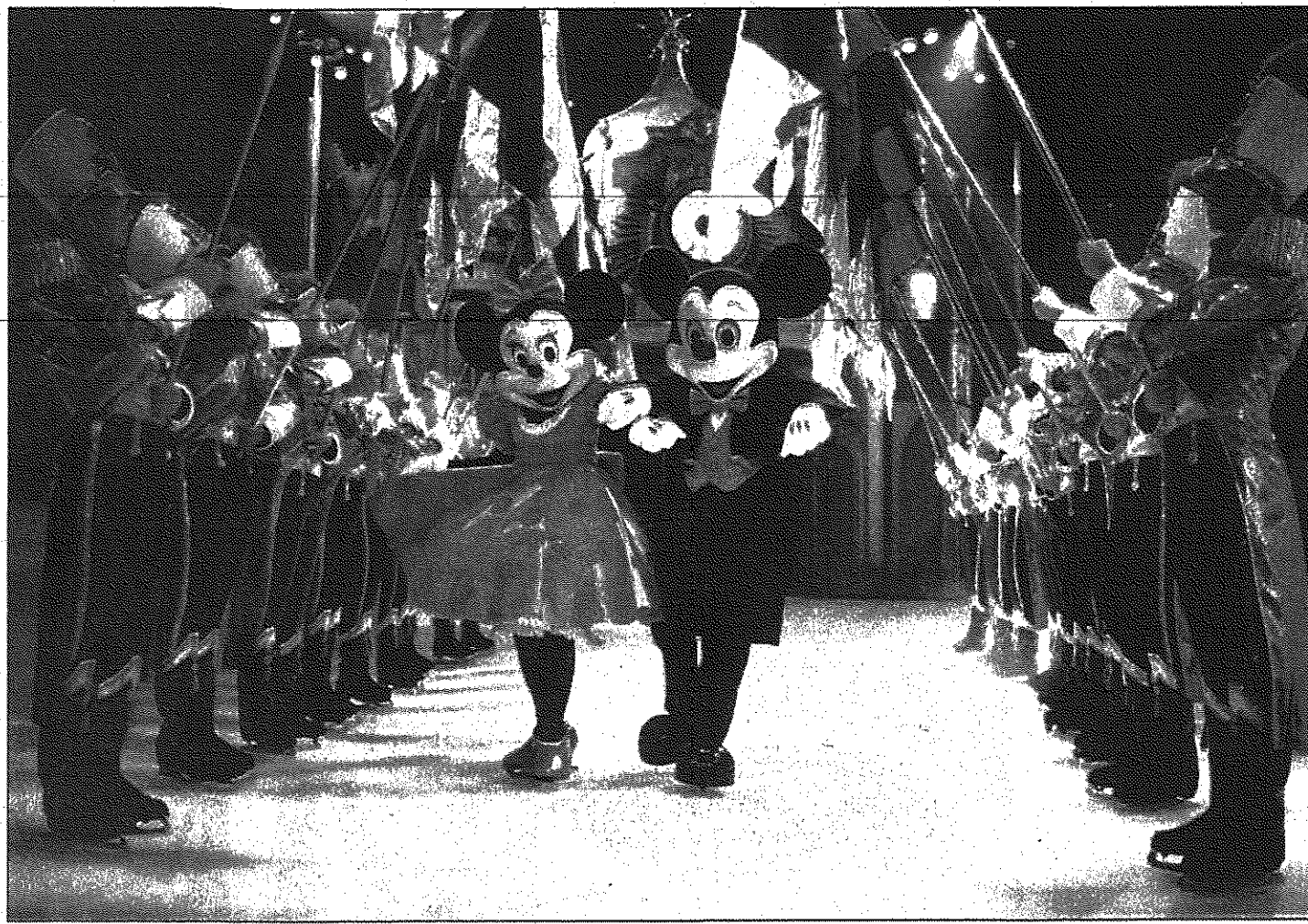
The Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra takes audiences on an imaginary journey around the world 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, with some of the most famous dances of all times. The concert begins in the American West with Aaron Copland's *Hoe Down*, and concludes in an art gallery with Modest Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*. Tickets \$15 adults, \$5 children, call (734) 994-4801 or online at www.a2so.com.

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Mickey and Minnie will make a grand entrance during *Princess Classics*.

Disney's princesses to reign at The Palace

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Anyone with a child knows little girls adore princesses.

For the first time ever, Disney is bringing its leading ladies — Cinderella, Jasmine, Ariel, Sleeping Beauty, Belle, Mulan and Snow White — together in one show. The *Princess Classics*, opens Wednesday, Feb. 26 at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

"The show features all Disney's princesses beginning with Snow White who came onto screen in 1937 all the way to Mulan from 1998," said Joanna Wilbee, regional director for Disney On Ice publicity. "The princesses span across multiple generations and the show's apex, of course, is Cinderella who everyone loves." *Princess Classics* is geared toward young girls, but boys admit to liking the villains or The Beast from *Beauty and the Beast*, Wilbee said. All the princesses have obstacles to overcome and battling bad guys brings action that boys adore.

"Little girls come to the show wearing their princess dresses and tiaras. Princesses have become so popular that kids seem to be incorporating the



Fun-loving characters like the seven dwarfs will be on stage with Snow White during *Disney On Ice*.

fancy clothes into their everyday wardrobe," Wilbee said.

"What makes the ice shows so magical to kids is that it's 3-D," Wilbee said. "When the characters move from cartoons to 'living' characters that you can touch it's even more exciting."

Each Disney On Ice show spans at least five years worldwide. "We transport people to a place that is more magical than they could ever imagine," said show producer Kenneth Feld.

Princess Classics marks

Disney's 23rd *Disney On Ice* production. One of the highlights is a freestanding 33-foot-tall castle that weighs eight tons — larger than most Broadway sets. Throughout the show the castle will turn and rotate. One angle shows reflective stained glass for the *Beauty and the Beast* scenes. Exotic jewels and gold hues sparkle for *Aladdin*. And to further amaze the children, the castle will even magically appear to

PLEASE SEE DISNEY, B6

DISNEY ON ICE

What: Twenty professional skaters take stage at The Palace in Auburn Hills for the Disney On Ice Princess Classics

When: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, Feb. 26 to March 1; 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 28, 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 1; 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, March 2.

Tickets: \$15, \$18.50 and \$25. Limited number of \$35 and \$45 VIP seats.

For more information: Visit www.disneyonice.com, www.ticketmaster.com or call (248) 645-6666.



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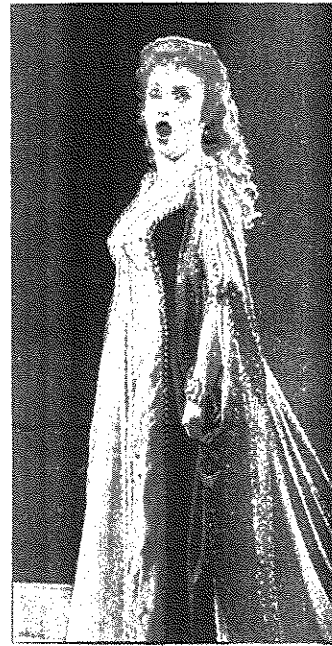
Linda Chomin

From Moldavia to the LSO to the Met, star opera singer shines

Irina Mishura doesn't think of herself as special. America is a land of refugees, and Mishura says she's just one of many who have struggled to build a better life. That's true, but do you know anyone who immigrated to the U.S., and within a decade, was performing at the Metropolitan Opera in New York and guesting with European opera companies?

It hasn't been an easy road. Mishura, a mezzo soprano, and star of the Moldavian State Opera company for seven years, left in 1992 when the political situation became tense. She immigrated to Oak Park and spent hours learning English and practicing

PLEASE SEE MISHURA, B6



Mishura

IRINA MISHURA

What: The mezzo soprano sings favorite Russian songs and operatic arias in a recital concert presented by Pro Musica.

When: 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26

Where: Detroit Institute of Arts Auditorium, 5200 Woodward Ave.

Tickets: \$35, call (313) 833-4005

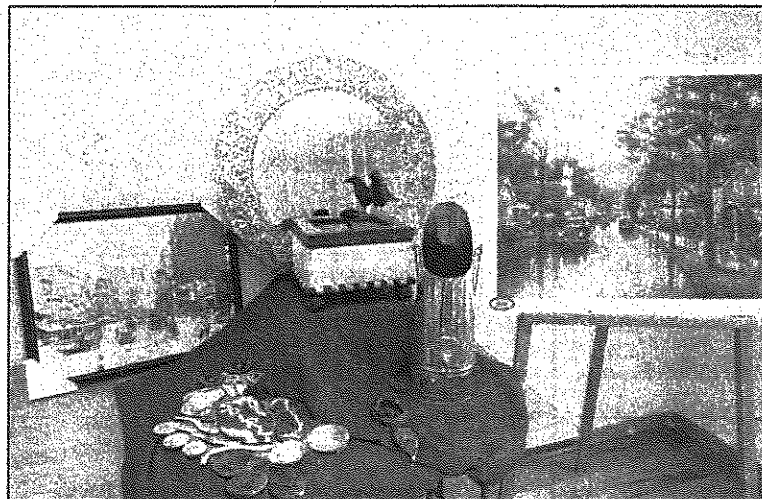
Arts council events bring back psychedelic prints, fringed vests

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Community Arts Council sure knows how to throw a party. Last year's Western theme dinner and auction drew hundreds of supporters dressed in denim and cowboy boots.

This year's '70s bash is proving just as popular. There are only 20 tickets left to the Friday, March 14, event but party lovers can still take part in the fun while supporting a good cause.

Wear your psychedelic prints, fringed vest and Frye boots to the Friday, March 7, preview party. You can bid on more than 100 items, including a signed Sergei Federov jersey, digital piano, Arts & Crafts-style bent twig rocking chair, a one-week stay at a condo in Puerto Vallarta, jewelry, painted furniture, spa packages, tickets to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Pistons and Detroit



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

These are some of the items on the auction block at the Plymouth Community Arts Council fund-raiser.

PLEASE SEE PCAC, B6

PASSIONS OF THE PAST: A '70S BASH

What: Plymouth Community Arts Council holds its annual dinner-dance and auction to raise funds for educational and community programs

When: 5:30 p.m. to midnight Friday, March 14

Where: St. John's Golf and Conference Center, 44045 Five Mile Road, Plymouth Township

Tickets: \$75. To purchase tickets, donate an auction item or help the planning committee, call (734) 416-4278

Auction preview: Auction items will be on display 6-9 p.m. Friday, March 7. No charge but donations welcomed

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ENTERTAINING HIGHLIGHTS

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Entertainment highlights for the week ended Saturday, Feb. 22:

■ In 1968, John Lennon, George Harrison and their wives traveled to India to study transcendental meditation with the Maharishi Mahesh Yogi. Later, Ringo Starr and his wife and Paul McCartney and his fiancée joined them.

■ In 1970, singer Joni Mitchell announced her retirement from live performances. She was back to doing shows within the year.

■ In 1974, Cher filed for separation from Sonny Bono after 10 years of marriage.

■ In 1978, The Police starred in a TV commercial for Wrigley's chewing gum. The ad was made a few months before the band's single "Roxanne" was released in the United

Kingdom.

■ In 1979, The Clash kicked off its first United States tour in New York.

■ In 1989, the first heavy metal Grammy was given out. Jethro Tull won.

■ In 1990, Milli Vanilli won a Grammy for best new artist. The duo later gave up the Grammy after a lip-synching scandal.

■ In 1992, fans rushed the stage at a New Kids on the Block concert in Seoul, South Korea, crushing people at the front of the crowd. A 17-year-old girl died the next day of injuries suffered in the stampede.

■ In 1995, Motley Crue drummer Tommy Lee and "Baywatch" star Pamela Anderson married on a beach in Cancun. The bride wore a white bikini. They've since divorced.

Don your mask, it's Mardi Gras time

BY MARY QUINLEY
CORRESPONDENT

Forget about traveling to New Orleans to celebrate Mardi Gras, the day before Ash Wednesday. Stay home and party.

From jump blues and boogie-woogie favorites to best costume contests and luscious Louisiana-style cuisine, there's something for everyone.

So, don your finery of gold, purple and green, the official Mardi Gras colors. Layer bright and brilliant beads over your head, hide behind a mask and join other revelers for the gala event.

Here's a sampling of what's happening:

■ The De La Salle Collegiate Music Boosters and French Club host their annual Mardi Gras Party 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, 14600 Common Road, Warren. Tickets \$12 per person, includes dancing, refreshments, appetizers and entertainment. Call (586) 778-2207, Ext. 228.

■ Dine and dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, at Sacred Heart Church, 1000 Eliot, off I-75, Mack Exit, Detroit Proceeds will be used for a parish school and clinic in Haiti. Cost is \$20 per person. Silent auction, door prizes and 50/50 raffle, call (313) 392-0189.

■ Eastern Michigan University will rock Friday, February 28 at the 10th annual Mardi Gras Party sponsored by radio station WEMU. "The real highlight (of the party) is that we bring a band from New Orleans," said Mary Motherwell, marketing and development director of WEMU. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. at the EMU Convocation Center on Hewitt Road in Ypsilanti. The cost, which includes a Louisiana-style buffet dinner, is \$40/person or \$280 for a table of eight. Cash bar. Tickets must be purchased by 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27. Call (734) 487-2282 or online at: www.wemu.org.

■ The celebration at Fishbone's, 400 Monroe St. in Detroit begins 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 4. The \$10 admission includes appetizers, live music and a chance to win \$1,000. Need more info? Call (313) 965-4600.

■ Create a festive, fun costume and head to Fishbone's Tuesday, March 4. A standard menu, with drink and dinner specials, will be offered 11 a.m. to midnight. Prizes for best costumes will be awarded. The restaurant is at 29244 Northwestern Highway in Southfield. Call (248) 351-2925.

■ Live music and a Louisiana-style buffet will be available Tuesday, March 4 at Zydeco Restaurant, 314 S. Main, Ann Arbor. From 6-11 p.m. customers will savor prime rib, Cajun deep-fried turkey, peel-n-eat shrimp, blackened catfish, jambalaya, etouffee, desserts and lots more. Cost \$39.95/person, call (734) 995-3600 for reservations.

Mary Quinley is a Livonia resident and writes about food and travel for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. You can reach her at MQinfo@aol.com.

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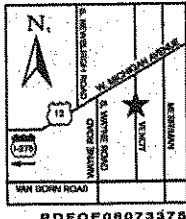


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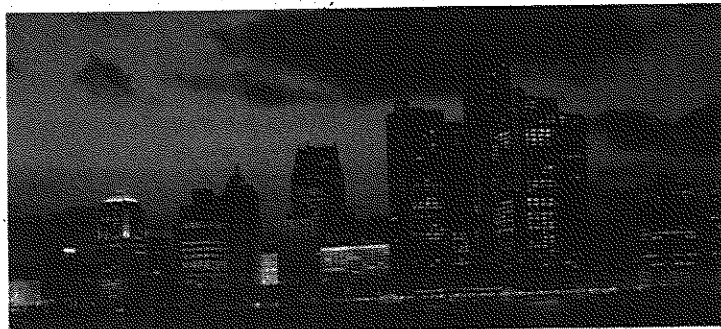
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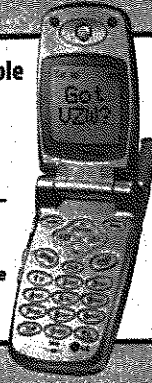
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Choir and puppeteers join forces to slay reluctant dragon

Using sounds and symbols of timeless beauty, Rackham Symphony Choir builds bridges of understanding between people and faiths in two unique productions.

Rackham Symphony Choir presents *The Reluctant Dragon*, with text by Kenneth Grahame and music by John Rutter, Friday, Feb. 28, at Milford High School Center for the Performing Arts.

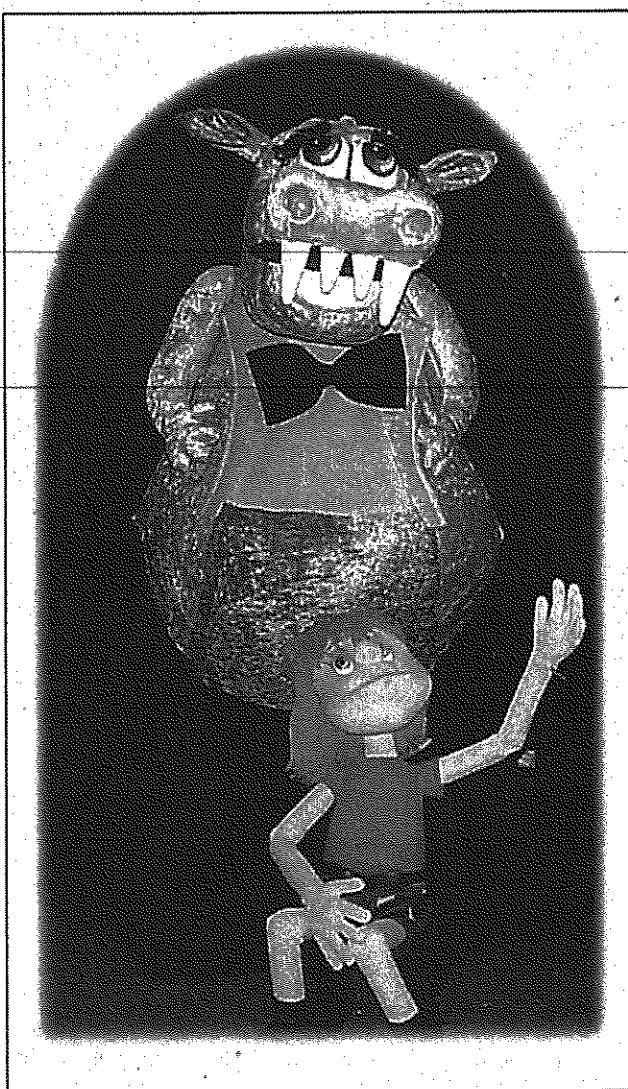
A second performance will be staged Sunday, March 2, at Congregation Beth Ahm, 5075 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Entertainment by the Dubov Youth Klezmer Band follows the performance.

The Reluctant Dragon is based on a story published in 1898 by English writer Kenneth Grahame, author of *The Wind in the Willows*. Composer John Rutter set the story to music in 1983. The tale centers on a young boy who befriends a dragon that enjoys poetry and daydreaming. When villagers discover the dragon, they become frightened and immediately plan its demise. Through friendship and the kind intervention of St. George, the dragon is spared.

Actor Fred Buchalter, who has appeared in Michigan Opera Theatre productions *Turandot* and *Porgy and Bess*, is the Narrator for RSC's *Reluctant Dragon*. Reprising their roles from last season's production are Susan Lowrie as The Boy, Chris Vaught as St. George, and Lawrence Stotsbery as the Dragon. RSC's Artistic Director/Musical Director Suzanne Mallare Acton conducts. Life-sized puppets, created by Detroit's PuppetArt for Rackham Symphony Choir, animate the story to provide a unique and special experience for children.

Since the organization's founding in 1949, the Rackham Symphony Choir has provided talented vocalists from the metropolitan Detroit area with the opportunity to experience and perform choral music of the highest artistic excellence. Led by Acton, the chorus has expanded its rich tradition of musical performance. Acton also serves as assistant music director and chorus master for Michigan Opera Theatre.

The Rackham Symphony Choir receives financial support through membership dues, private foundation grants, performance fees, individual donations, corporate sponsorships, program advertisements, and concert ticket sales. Support is also given by the Michigan Council for the Arts and the Detroit Cultural Commission. Organizations and people who are interested in supporting RSC or in membership, call (313) 272-0334 or visit the Web site at www.RackhamChoir.org.



Life-sized puppets, created by Detroit's PuppetArt for Rackham Symphony Choir, help tell the story of "The Reluctant Dragon."

THE RELUCTANT DRAGON

■ Rackham Symphony Choir presents the tale by Kenneth Grahame with music by John Rutter, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, at Milford High School Center for the Performing Arts, 2380 Milford Road, Highland. Tickets \$5, call (248) 889-8660.

■ A second performance will be staged 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 2 at Congregation Beth Ahm, 5075 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Funded by the Walter Litt Family Jewish Music Fund, patrons are asked to bring a good will offering. The show benefits The One Family Fund. All proceeds are directed to families in Israel who have suffered as a result of suicide bombers. Call (313) 272-0334.

New Shanghai Circus comes to town

You won't see Bozo the Clown or bears wearing tutus at this circus.

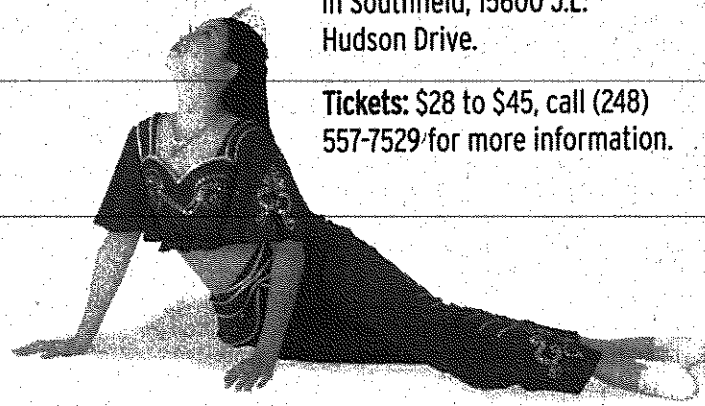
The New Shanghai Circus tastefully mixes graceful elegance and acrobatic adventure into one sophisticated event that leaves audiences wondering: "How can the human body do that?"

The Incredible! Acrobats of China performed by the New Shanghai Circus is coming to the Millennium Centre in Southfield, 15600 J.L. Hudson Drive, on Sunday.

The jugglers who throw breakable dishes and harmful objects, acrobats who look as if they can fly, and contortionists are practicing a 2,500-year-old Chinese artform. Expect to see death-defying acts by performers wearing boldly colored, beaded costumes. The show featuring 20 entertainers from the People's Republic of China, is fast-paced with a twist of humor for children. The acrobats, dramatic music, and creative high-tech lighting should satisfy adults.

The New Shanghai Circus was founded in 1984. Think of a smaller version of *Cirque Du Soleil* with a more upbeat pace.

The circus, presented by International Special Attractions, began when Michael Wilson, vice president and director, visited China with his father in the 1980s. Wilson's dad was in the enter-



SHOWTIME

What: *The Incredible! Acrobats of China performed by the New Shanghai Circus*

When: 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23

Where: The Millennium Centre in Southfield, 15600 J.L. Hudson Drive.

Tickets: \$28 to \$45, call (248) 557-7529 for more information.

tainment production business. Together they saw their first Chinese acrobatic show. Four years later, the performances were brought by Wilson to the states and the New Shanghai Circus was formed.

In 1999, his show was the first ever to show Chinese acrobats on Broadway. The show was a sell-out and since then the circus has toured the world.

Chinese acrobatics were developed in Chinese villages

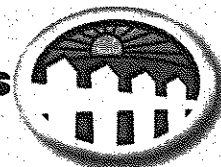
and inspired by the harvest. People flaunted their skills during the harvest by performing daring feats with household and farm items like climbing to the top of a stack of chairs and spinning plates on the end of long bamboo sticks.

Confucius' father was an acrobat who is said to have lifted 1,000 pound city gates to let an army storm through.

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PROFESSIONAL THEATER

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The Foreigner, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, 6 p.m. 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills. \$19-\$38, (248) 377-3300

Music Hall

The Jackie Wilson Story, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 20-23, The Music Hall. \$23.50-\$37.50, (313) 963-2366

Century Theatre

8-Track: The Sounds of the '70s 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 1:20 p.m. limited Thursdays, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, 333 Madison, Detroit. \$24.50-\$34.50. (313) 963-9800

Gem Theatre

Shear Madness, 333 Madison, Detroit. \$24.50 to \$34.50. (313) 963-9800

Performance Network

Necessary Targets by Eve Ensler through March 9, 120 East Huron, 1/2 block east of Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10-\$27.50. Call for times (734) 663-0681

Planet Ant Theatre

The Wool Gatherer by William Mastrosimone; 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 20-21, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck. \$15/\$10/students (313) 565-4948. Planet Ant Fund-raiser night, Saturday, Feb. 22, \$50 includes performance and party with the artists

Plowshares Theatre Company

The Piano Lesson, an August Wilson drama through Sunday, Feb. 23, Marygrove College, 8425 West McNichols, Detroit. \$10-\$25. (313) 872-0279

CHILDREN'S THEATER

Detroit Puppet Theater

Close the Window..., 2 p.m. Saturday, March 1, 8:15, 22, 29, 25 E. Grand Blvd., Detroit. (313) 961-7777

Motor City Youth Theatre

Peter Pan 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28 and March 7, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, March 1-2 and 8-9, Cathedral Theatre, Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit. \$5. Secure parking in the fenced-in north lot at rear entrance of building. (313) 535-8962

Youtheatre

Ishangi's Africa, 11 a.m. & 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, Millennium Centre, 15600 J.L. Hudson Drive, Ste. B, Southfield. \$10, \$8/advance. (248) 557-7529

COMMUNITY THEATER

Rosedale Players

Call Me Madam 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 21 and March 1, 4

p.m. Sunday, March 2, Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard at West Chicago, Livonia. \$7, \$3 students through 12th grade. (734) 422-0494

Farmington Players

Present Laughter, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 21-22, and Thursday, Feb. 20, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$13, (248) 219-0800, www.farmingtonplayers.org

New Light Productions

Cry Dignity, original play that confronts cultural myths and lies about people with psychiatric illnesses, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 20-22, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, northwest corner I-275, Livonia. \$15, \$12 seniors /students. \$10 children. (248) 668-3410

Stagecrafters

Floyd Collins, Friday-Sunday, Feb. 21-23, 27-28, March 1-2, 7-9, 2nd Stage, Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, downtown Royal Oak. \$10, (248) 541-6430

SRO Productions

Radio T.B.S. 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 21-22, March 1-2, March 7-9, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, March 9, Burgh Historical Park, corner of Civic Center Dr. and Berg Road, Southfield. \$10 adults, \$8 students/seniors. (248) 827-0710.

COLLEGE THEATER

Hilberry Theatre

The Comedy of Errors, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 21-22, Thursday-Friday, Feb. 27-28; 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22 Wednesday, Feb. 26, *Cloud 9*, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, Saturday, March 1, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 577-2972

Quirk Theatre

A Moon For the Misbegotten 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 20-22, Feb. 28 and March 1, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 2, Quirk Theatre, Eastern Michigan's Ypsilanti campus. \$8-\$13. (734) 487-1221

University of Detroit Mercy

Franny's Way, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 20-22, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, 8200 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, McAuley OnStage Theatre. \$8-\$12, (313) 993-6461

RESTAURANT EVENTS

Eurasian Grill

2003 California Napa Valley Wine Dinner Tasting 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, Gerry Rowland of the Rowland Winery, Cenary Winery will be present to talk about his wine and wine making. There will be 4 courses served with each wine. The menu includes new style Miso Black Cod in wintermelon capsule with lobster saffron crème, American Kobe Beef with Duck



Don Alley's "Temptation" is one of the featured works in a group show continuing to Saturday, March 15, at Quicksilver Photo Gallery, 1150 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. For information, call (734) 455-3686 or visit www.QuicksilverPhoto.com.

Foie Gras Pate Wrapped in a Fillo Pastry, rose scented braised Japanese shitake mushroom sauce. (248) 624-6109, call after 4:30 p.m.

McCormick and Schmick's

Adults 21 and older are invited to the seafood restaurant to help set a world record as part of the Great Guinness Toast 11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21. The event is expected to draw participants in more than 60 cities across the U.S. The bar area will remain open until 2 a.m. offering pints of Guinness for \$1 and 50 cent shooters, adjacent to Somerset Collection South, Troy. (248) 637-6400, www.msmg.com

HAPPENINGS

Charlotte Ford

Is the luncheon speaker Thursday, Feb. 20, to kick off the Community House Antiques Festival March 14-16, Ford is the granddaughter of Henry Ford and the author of books on manners and etiquette, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. (248) 594-6405

Beach bash

Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 20-22, 12th annual Polar Beach Bash at Moose Preserve, 43034 Woodward Ave. (just north of Square Lake Road, exit 75 off I-75) in Bloomfield Hills. Live reggae music, sand dance floor, hair braiding, Caribbean food. 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Tiki Bar opens at 5 p.m., live music begins after 9 p.m. No cover, (248) 85-TROUT.

Cranbrook Institute of Science

Maple Syrup Festival, 1-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 22-23 and March 1-2, 39221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, (outdoors, dress appropriately) Free with museum admission. (877) 462-7262

Kensington Metropark Farm

Learning Center

"Backyard Sugaring", 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, Milford. For ages 14 and older. \$10, pre-registration required, (248) 684-8632

Southfield Pavilion

Antiques Exposition, 2-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, noon to 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22; noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000 Evergreen Road. Tickets \$5 with ad, \$6 regular. One paid admission good for all three days. Children under 12 free. (586) 465-9441

Royal Oak Toy Show

8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, Royal Oak Farmers Market, 11 Mile Road at Troy St, two blocks

east of Main. \$4, kids under age 12 free. (248) 988-0924

Great Lakes Shipwreck Festival

Saturday, Feb. 22, Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Dearborn. Seminars for scuba divers, Music by Lee Murdoch, 6:30-9 p.m. seminars and exhibits. (734) 769-2458, www.fordseahorses.org

Southfield Sports Arena

Family Skate Party (ice) from 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22 at 26000 Evergreen at Civic Center Drive, \$6/residents, \$8/non-residents. Skate rental, \$2. Registration required, no tickets at the door. (248) 354-9603

Detroit Drum Schools Drum

Ensembles With Bishop Borgess Percussion Ensemble 4-7 p.m. Saturday, March 8, Bishop Borgess High School & Academy, 11685 Appleton, Redford. \$5, under age 12 free. (313) 835-0265

The Palace of Auburn Hills

Disney on Ice presents Princess Classics, Feb. 26-March 2 at the Palace. Tickets \$15-\$45. (248) 645-6666

Michigan Star Clipper Train

Tribute to Motown, 6:30 boarding, 7:30 p.m. departing, Friday, Feb. 28 on Pontiac Trail, just north of Maple Road, Walled Lake. Three-hour train excursion; five-course gourmet dinner; musical and narrative on Motown; reservations required. \$72.50 per person. (248) 960-9440

Wayne Chapter of Barbershop

Harmony Society

And the Renaissance Chorus present "A Sound Celebration" 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 1, guest quartet is Fermata Nowhere, two cabaret style performances, at Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church Activities Building, 29125 Six Mile Road, east of Middlebelt, Livonia. \$12, \$10 seniors and students. To order send check payable to Wayne Chapter to Bob Schuessler, 7732 Embassy Drive, Canton, MI 48187, or send e-mail to rschuessle@aol.com, or call (734) 453-0574

CLASSICAL

Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings

"Classical Soiree" of music by Brahms, Schubert and Arensky 8:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, hors d'oeuvres at 8 p.m., Hagopian World of Rugs, 850 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham. \$19, \$10 age 12 and under. (248) 559-2095

Detroit Symphony Orchestra

Marvin Hamlish and the DSO, 1:30 and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27; 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 28 & March 1; 3 p.m. Sunday, March 2, Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$15-\$55. (313) 576-5111

The Detroit News Young People's

Concerts, 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m., Saturday, March 1, Orchestra Hall. \$10-\$26

Livonia Symphony Orchestra

"Old Wine in New Bottles," a chamber concert 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road. \$16, \$10 students all ages. (248) 645-6666 or (734) 425-4855

Madonna University

24, Clarkston Depot Theatre. For information, call (248) 625-8811 or visit the Web site at www.clarkstonvillageplayers.org. For a copy of script, call director Bob Gerics at (248) 674-0886 or (248) 891-9279

University Musical Society

Evening at the Apollo On Tour 3-11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, Mendelssohn Theatre, 911 North University Avenue, Ann Arbor, (must arrive before 6 p.m. to secure audition), and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit, (must arrive before 1 p.m. to secure audition). Contact the UMS Education Dept. at (734)



Kenny Lattimore and Chante Moore star in *Things That Lovers Do* Tuesday, Feb. 25, to Sunday, March 2, at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit. Arista recently released a romantic album of duets by the pair. Tickets \$25.50-\$33, call (248) 433-1515. For information, (313) 832-5900.

Faculty music recital, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21 at Kresge Hall on campus. \$10/general, \$5/faculty, staff, students. (734) 432-5709

UMS

Vienna Philharmonic, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. \$30-\$100, (734) 764-2538

Notre Dame Handbell & Choir

Handbell and Celebration Choir concerts 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 13 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, St. Irenaeus Catholic Church, 771 Old Perch, Rochester Hills, 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, Shrine of the Little Flower, Woodward Avenue at 12 Mile, (248) 541-4122. Freewill offering.

Big Beaver United Methodist

Church The Zenith Brass Ensemble, Winter Concert, 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, 3753 John R. Road, Troy. No charge. (248) 265-5522

Ambassador Quintet

An interactive concert for children ages 4-7, 11 a.m. Saturday, March 8, at the Farmington Players Barn Theatre, Farmington Hills. \$11, (248) 473-1857 or (248) 473-1800

AUDITIONS/OPPORTUNITIES

Clarkston Village Players

Auditions for 6 female and one male role for *The Cover of Life* by R.T. Robinson 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, and 7 p.m. Monday, Feb.

615-0122 or umsed@umich.edu

Stagecrafters Main Stage

The Secret Garden, Feb. 22, Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. Performances will be May 23-25, May 29-June 1, June 4-8 and 12-15. (248) 541-8027

Clarkston Village Players

The Cover of Life, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, roles available for 6 women, 1 man, at the Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road, Clarkston. For script (or questions) (248) 674-0886. For directions (248) 625-8811 www.clarkstonvillageplayers.org

Genesis Troupe

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, or Wednesday, Feb. 26, high school age and older, please provide music for vocal audition unless singing from Charlie Brown score. St. Kenneth Catholic Church Social Hall, 14951 N. Haggerty, Plymouth. For performances May 9-11, and 16-18, (734) 420-2392

SRO, Productions

Amy's View, 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, Burgh Church, Burgh Historical Park, corner of Civic Center Dr. and Berg Rd. (248) 827-0710

Village Players

Side Show, needed 3 men (tenor, baritone.) 2 sopranos, ensemble of 6 men, 6 women, 7:30 p.m. Sunday-Monday, March 2-3, non-mandatory audition workshop 2

p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, to help get acquainted with music and show, Village Players Playhouse, 34660 Woodward, Birmingham. Performances weekends May 2-18. (248) 569-5973

DSO Summer Institute

Accepting applications for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Summer Institute July 20 to Aug. 3 at Wayne State University, young musicians ages 12 to 25 should apply by March 1, applicants will be scheduled for auditions March 1 to April 3. For information, call (313) 576-5164 or visit the Web site at 222.detroitssymphony.com

Motor City Youth Theatre Show

Choir

Looking for members for the choir (formerly known as Tinderbox Productions), open to all interested students ages 10-19 (grades 5-12), rehearse 7-8 p.m. Wednesday March 12-May 7, at the Rhythm Station, 28841 Plymouth Road, Livonia. \$65 fee. (313) 535-8962

Plymouth Community Chorus

Vocal Scholarships Available! One \$1,000 scholarship awarded to a graduating high school senior, and two \$500 scholarships to students in grades 6th-11th. They will be awarded May 4. The scholarships would be for the pursuit of studies in vocal music, academic study of voice. Applications must be postmarked by April 3 and can be obtained by calling Sherrie Northway at (313) 533-4795 or writing: Plymouth Community Chorus, P.O. Box 70017, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Spirit of Detroit Sweet Adeline

The chorus auditions women for four-part harmony 7-10 p.m. every Tuesday at St. Paul Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia. (248) 681-2578

BENEFITS

Cirque Masked Ball

7-11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, featuring silent auction of murals, Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth behind the Detroit Institute of Arts. \$75. Proceeds benefit DIA and Scarab Club. (313) 833-0247

Magic Bag

Motorcity Musicians Jam for Larry Lamb, 7:30, 8:30 and 9:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, 22920 Woodward Ave. Ferndale. \$15 (248) 544-3030

Redford Theatre

Backstage Pass event includes Organ Overture by Lance Luce (&30 p.m.), 8 p.m. movie (*Trouble in Paradise*) and 9:45 p.m. backstage tour of the theatre Friday, Feb. 21, presented by Detroit Area Art Deco Society, prizes award for best vintage attire, Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser, north of Grand River. \$10, proceeds go to the continuing restoration of the theater. (248) 582-3326 or (313) 537-2560

Trinity House Theatre

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

Seligman Music Hall

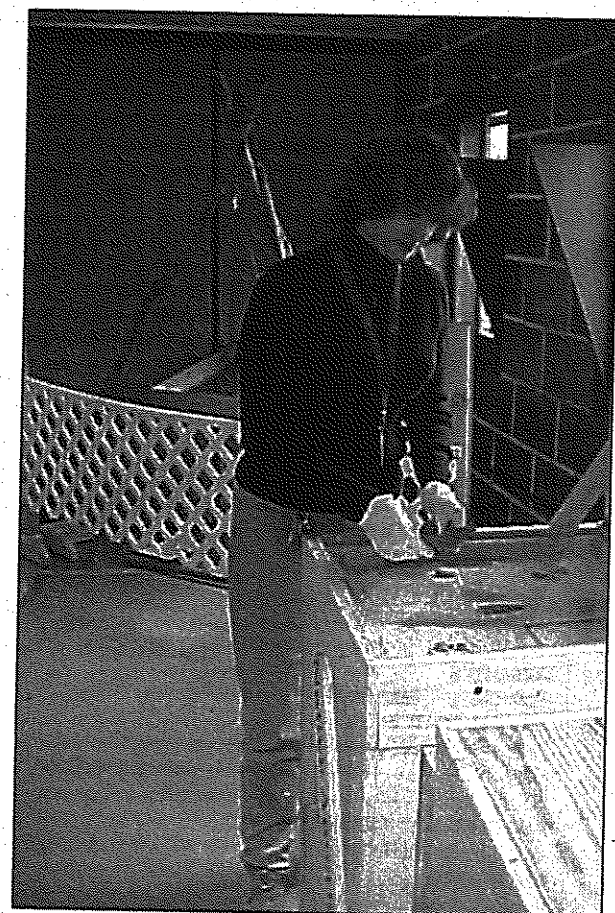
Presented by Haven and Brookfield Academy, Greek American vocalist, Nadia Weinberg, at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 11 at Seligman Music Hall at Country Day in Beverly Hills. Reserve seating \$30-\$100. (248) 689-9565

'70s Bash

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is holding its annual dinner-dance and auction Friday, March 14, St. John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth. "Passions of the Past: A '70s Bash" is the theme of this year's event that raises money for the PCAC's educational and community arts programming. \$75. (734) 416-4278.

Luncheon on the Aisle

Learn behind the scenes secrets about professional theater and watch a portion of a rehearsal for the play "Meshuggah Nuns 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 25, Meadow Brook Theatre, Oakland University, Rochester. \$75, \$30, \$28 seniors over age 62 and groups of 10. (248) 375-0850



The Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm features a new exhibit "Hidden Treasures: Archaeological Finds from the Van Hoosen Farm" through April 19, at 1005 Van Hoosen Road. Museum staff and volunteers have excavated the museum grounds, one of the oldest 19th century settlements in Oakland County, for the past 16 years. Found artifacts include a Zachary Taylor 1848 presidential campaign button, ceramics and bones. Admission \$5, \$3 seniors and students. Open 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday. Call (248) 608-8261.

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SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, FEB. 21

THE LIFE OF DAVID GALE

David Gale is a man who has tried hard to live by his principles, but in a bizarre twist of fate, this devoted father, popular professor and respected death penalty opponent finds himself on Death Row for the rape and murder of fellow activist Constance Harroway. With only three days before his scheduled execution, Gale decides to give reporter Elizabeth "Bitsey" Bloom the exclusive interview she's been chasing. But Bitsey soon realizes that this assignment is more than she bargained for, and that a man's life is in her hands. Putting her own safety in jeopardy, she frantically races to piece together the shocking events surrounding Constance's death, before it's too late. Stars Kevin Spacey, Kate Winslet, Laura Linney, Gabriel Byrne, Matt Craven, Leon Rippey, Rhona Mitra. Directed by Alan Parker. (Universal) Rated R.

GODS AND GENERALS

A sweeping epic charting the early years of the Civil War and how the campaigns unfolded from Manassas to the Battle of Fredericksburg, this prequel to the film Gettysburg explores the motivations of the combatants and examines the lives of those who waited at home. Stars Jeff Daniels, Stephen Lang, Robert Duvall and Mira Sorvino. Directed by Ron Maxwell. (Warner Brothers) Rated PG-13. Running time: 220 minutes

DARK BLUE

Billed as a thriller, the action takes place just days before the acquittal of four white officers in the beating of Rodney King and the subsequent L.A. riots. In this racially charged climate, the LAPD's elite Special Investigations Squad (SIS) is assigned a high-profile quadruple homicide. Veteran detective Eldon Perry, known for his tough street tactics and fiery temper, tutors SIS rookie Bobby Keough in the grim realities of police intimidation and corruption. Meanwhile, Assistant Chief Holland threatens to end Perry's brand of single-handed justice on the Los Angeles streets. Featured players include Kurt Russell (*3000 Miles to Graceland*) as Captain Perry, Ving Rhames (*Mission: Impossible II*) as Assistant Chief Holland and Scott Speedman (TV's *Felicity*) as the rookie. (MGM/UA) Rated R.

OLD SCHOOL

The story centers on three former college buddies who, dissatisfied with their current lives, attempt to recapture their college years by starting



At the wedding of Marissa (Perrey Reeves, left to right) and Frank (Will Ferrell), Mitch (Luke Wilson) listens as Beanie (Vince Vaughn) makes a rather unorthodox toast to the happy couple in DreamWorks Pictures' comedy *Old School* opening Feb. 21.

their own off-campus frat house. The students give the buddies an idea: Since they aren't students, if they were to start a fraternity they wouldn't have to abide by school rules. Features players include Luke Wilson (*The Royal Tenenbaums*), Will Ferrell (*Zoolander*), Vince Vaughn (*Domestic Disturbance*) and Juliette Lewis (*The Other Sister*). Todd Phillips (*Road Trip*) directed the comedy. (Dreamworks) Rated R

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, FEB. 28

CRADLE 2 THE GRAVE

When an international criminal kidnaps the daughter of a gang leader as part of a diamond heist, it causes a city's police to engage in an intensive search (led by a government agent played by Li), aided by the father's gangsters. Stars DMX, Jet Li, Mark Dacascos, Anthony Anderson, Tom Arnold. Directed by Andrzej Bartkowiak. (Warner Brothers) Rating TBD.

THE GUESTS

When his mean boss asks him to hous-

esit, a young man tries to use it as an opportunity to win the heart of his boss's daughter, on whom he has long had a crush. What he doesn't plan on is the long line of other houseguests that come along in the meantime. Stars Ashton Kutcher, Tara Reid, Carmen Elektra, Andy Richter, Molly Shannon, Terrance Stamp, Ever Carradine, Jon Abrahams, David Koechner. Directed by David Zucker. (Miramax) Rating TBD

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, MARCH 7

WHAT A GIRL WANTS

This timeless tale for all ages tells the story of Daphne, a spirited young American girl who yearns to meet the father she's never known—a man her bohemian mother considers to be the great love of her life. Determined to find her absentee dad and prove that love can conquer all, Daphne impulsively journeys to London, where she discovers that her father is none other than Lord Henry Dashwood, an influential aristocratic politician.

Henry's patrician lifestyle and stuffy attitude clash with Daphne's free-wheeling American upbringing—as do his social-climbing fiancée and her territorial debutante daughter. Daphne must stifle her personality in an effort to meet her new familial obligations, but discovers that her dream life is not as picture perfect as she had hoped. Stars Amanda Bynes, Colin Firth. (Warner Brothers) Rated PG.

BRINGING DOWN THE HOUSE

The story centers on a middle-class lonely guy who uses the Internet to find a date. Trouble ensues when he meets a woman in prison and she breaks out to be with him and wreaks havoc on his orderly life. Featured players include Steve Martin (*Novocaine*) as the lonely guy, Queen Latifah (*Chicago*) as the woman he meets on the internet, Eugene Levy (*American Pie*) and Joan Plowright (*Tea With Mussolini*). Adam Shankman (*The Wedding Planner*) directed the comedy, making his first since completing *A Walk to Remember* in

2002. (Touchstone Pictures) Rated PG-13

THE SAFETY OF OBJECTS

Esther Gold (Glenn Close) devotes herself to her comatose, bedridden son, and expresses love for her daughter by trying to win her a car in a last-one-standing radio contest. Jim Train (Dermot Mulroney) questions his value as a man when he is passed over for promotion; Annette Jennings (Patricia Clarkson) tries to keep her family intact in the wake of her divorce; and Helen Christianson (Mary Kay Place) looks for fun and inspiration in her banal life. Despair and humor are delicately balanced in this film that examines people's investment in things that are more predictable, if less satisfying, than their relationships with other people. (IFC Films) Rated R.

TEARS OF THE SUN

Bruce Willis (*Unbreakable*) stars as the leader of a Special forces unit that is sent into an African jungle on a search and rescue mission: Retrieve a doctor doing humanitarian work in a small village before a civil war erupts. Featured

players include Monica Bellucci (*Brotherhood Of The Wolf*) as the doctor, Cole Hauser (*White Oleander*) and Fionnula Flanagan (*Divine Secrets Of The Ya-Ya Sisterhood*). Antoine Fuqua (*The Replacement Killers*) directed the action, marking his first since completing *Training Day* in 2001. (Revolution Studios/Columbia Pictures) Rated R

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, MARCH 14

THE HUNTED

A suspense-thriller about a tracker, Bonham, who teams up with FBI agent Abby Durrell to hunt down a trained assassin Hallam. With precision and skill, the predator remains one step ahead, and escapes into the city. Stars Tommy Lee Jones, Benicio Del Toro, Connie Nielsen. Directed by William Friedkin. (Paramount). Rated R. Running time: 94 minutes.

PROZAC NATION

Based on the best selling novel, set in the mid 1980's before the prevalence of antidepressants, it follows a young working class woman's bout with depression during her first year at Harvard. The film explores this generation's struggle to navigate the effects of divorce, drugs, sex, and an overbearing mother. Stars Christina Ricci, Jessica Lange, Jason Biggs, Michelle Williams, Anne Heche, and Jonathan Rhys-Myers. Directed by Erik Skjoldager. (Miramax). Rated R.

AGENT CODY BANKS

Frankie Muniz (TV's *Malcolm In The Middle*) stars as Cody Banks, a teenager who is recruited by the U.S. government to go on covert missions that require youthful special agents. Also featured in the film are Angie Harmon (TV's *Law and Order*) as a government agent who trains Cody Banks and Hilary Duff (TV's *Lizzie McGuire*) as Cody's love interest. Harald Zwart directed the adventure. (MGM/UA) This film is not yet rated.

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, MARCH 21

A VIEW FROM THE TOP

This is the story of a young woman from meager beginnings who dreams of becoming a flight attendant as her chance to see the world. Stars Gwyneth Paltrow, Christina Applegate, Candice Bergen, Marc Blucas, Rob Lowe, Mike Myers, Regis Philbin, Jon Polito, Kelly Preston, Mark Ruffalo, Christian Slater, Robert Stack, Stephen Tobolowsky. Directed by Bruno Barreto. (Miramax Films) Rating TBD.

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Doctor voices malpractice issues in thriller

A LETHAL DOSE

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BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Farmington Hills ear, nose and throat doctor Gene Rontal has a new thriller featuring Dr. Ben Dailey, another ear, nose and throat man with a penchant for getting himself into deadly situations.

Rontal introduced Dailey in *Sterile Justice* a couple years ago. Dailey has had a rough few years what with malpractice suits, loss of his medical license and criminal charges. He's back in practice but continues to serve as an expert witness for an insurance company that gave him work when no one else would. His testimony at a malpractice trial

seems a cinch to get another doctor and the insurance company out from under a wrongful death suit, until the doctor mysteriously accepts blame. The insurance company wants Dailey to investigate and find out what changed the doctor's mind.

Dailey's investigation leads him down several dark roads. It seems the doctor he exonerated was into the kinky sex scene. Dailey's inquiries set off alarm bells and a trail of death.

Meanwhile, Dailey's live-in girlfriend becomes deadly ill and falls into a coma. She's been infected with a botulin. Dailey sets off on a dangerous mission to find out where the botulin originated and its antitoxin.

He also begins to wonder if his gumshoe work has put his lover in jeopardy.

Rontal writes in a nice, breezy style.

His first person voice is appropriate as Dailey is a projection of his creator. Dailey is a good guy but a little hesitant about commitment. He's a former UM jock with friends from his football days, including a burly Detroit cop.

(UM fans will especially savor the outcome of the mystery). He winds down by playing a little jazz in a Detroit club.

Rontal uses his character to voice his own concerns about frivolous malpractice suits and excessive awards, shady lawyers (and shady doctors), the role of expert witnesses and the pitfalls. He also does a good job of making his specialty interesting. Rontal has a special interest in voice, he has worked with many celebrities, and his ideas on voice imprinting and treatment are always a feature of the mystery.

Rontal said he's been developing his character to change and grow through

his series of books "and in the process tell what it's like to be a physician."

"I think people like to learn something as well as be entertained," Rontal said.

This is a good series with the special element of being set in metro Detroit. It is interesting to note that the sleazier parts of the story are set in Toledo and Manhattan not the Motor City.

Rontal is already deep into his next Dr. Dailey book, *The Gene Pool*, which will deal with a serial killer and the issue of abortion.

Rontal has scheduled several book signings at Barnes & Noble bookstores throughout the area. He will be at the West Bloomfield store 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28; the Ann Arbor store 2 p.m. Saturday, March 8; the Rochester store, 2 p.m. Sunday, March 9; and the Toledo store 2 p.m. Saturday, April 12.

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DISNEY

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disappear.

"It's a big jigsaw puzzle. Every time you move something it affects the rest of castle," said Mark Fredde, of Feld Entertainment. The performers will skate to hits like the Little

Mermaid's *Under the Sea* and Aladdin's *Whole New World*.

Tom Dickson, named choreographer of the year by the Professional Skaters Association, and his wife Catarina Lindgren, a former Olympian on the Sweden team collaborated to make a show fun for kids and impressive to parents. Jill Trenary and Lu Chen are among the champion

skaters.

Gowns sparkle in the ballroom scenes. Even Belle's plain white apron is made of flowing Victorian bed netting. It's all flowing material, glitter, rich pastels and sequins that little girls love. And for the boys, Disney's male heroes like Aladdin and Prince Charming will make appearances - as will their sidekicks.

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Red Wings, and art. Carrie Wheeler's painting of sun-kissed oranges would make a colorful addition to any kitchen, as would a large ceramic bowl by Ruth Price. Bidders are sure to be congregating around Jim Quinlan's sailboat painting, as they did last year.

"We'll take sealed bids if they can't attend the dinner auction," Jennifer Tobin said. This is the Canton resident's last event as arts council executive director. She's leaving to accept the same position at the new Canton Performing Arts Center, scheduled to open in fall 2004.

"It's a great opportunity to preview the art. The evening of the auction, they don't get a chance to scrutinize the items. We'll also have items for bid that they can take home that night or they can assign a proxy bidder to bid for them at the dinner auction. It's a fun time to talk with other people about what they're going to wear."

Diane Harrison says dinner guests should dress comfortably. They won't want to sit still when The Gold Tones start spinning songs from the 1970s. The evening's opening act is sure to set toes tapping as well.



Plymouth Salem High School principal and drummer Jerry Ostoin performs 1970s tunes at the Plymouth Community Arts Council's dinner auction with his Bongo Boys and Bonettes.

Plymouth Salem High School Principal Jerry Ostoin and his Bongo Boys and Bonettes perform classics by the Rolling Stones, Elton John, Jimmy Buffet and Pink Floyd.

"We thought the '70s would be a fun theme," said Harrison, chairperson for the dinner auction. "Last year's event, (which raised \$42,000), was successful because it was a lot more relaxed with the denim and diamonds theme. This year, I'm

really excited because Schoolcraft College's culinary department is providing tortes for each table that will serve as the centerpiece and dessert."

"I'm especially excited about highlighting their talents," added Stella Greene, interim executive director.

Event proceeds are for education and exhibition programming.

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MISHURA

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her singing at the Jewish Community Center.

Singing dates were few and far between. Bookings at DePalma's Ristorante in Livonia led to concerts with the Livonia and Dearborn symphonies. Her big break came when Neeme Jarvi, music director of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, took note of her talent. After performing Tchaikovsky's *Snow Maiden* with the DSO, Mishura sang with the Michigan Opera Theatre and later debuted at the Met as Carmen. She was then sought

out by international opera companies who wanted to spotlight her in their productions. She's sung with operas everywhere from Washington, D.C., to Cologne, Geneva and Verona.

Mishura admits it was difficult being on the road last year. She had only a couple of breaks, but singing is what she loves. She's definitely not ready to slow down. Mishura has debuts scheduled in Munich and Berlin, and has a contract with the Met to sing principal roles through 2005.

"It's the typical American refugee story," said Mishura. "It took a while. People were extremely supportive."

To show her appreciation for her new home, Mishura is mak-

ing a rare appearance on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at the Detroit Institute of Arts as part of the Pro Musica series. On the program are the mezzo soprano's favorite Russian songs and operatic arias accompanied by pianist Kevin Bylsma.

"I chose songs I adore. I love Tchaikovsky and Rachmaninoff," said Mishura. "The music is pretty popular with American audiences so it brings me in closer contact with them. Rachmaninoff is such a passionate composer. These are beautiful songs."

Know of an interesting story? Call Observer & Eccentric arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net.

Galleries work to draw buyers in struggling economy

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

It's hard to judge to what degree the depressed economy is affecting local galleries. Like other businesses, galleries have been hurt by a decline in consumer spending. On any given day, foot traffic may be brisk or non-existent. But local galleries are holding on, and fighting back with a variety of business practices aimed at attracting buyers.

Ray Fleming created a relaxed atmosphere in the Robert Kidd Gallery he co-owns in Birmingham. Clients feel at home the minute they walk in and see the comfortable chairs and round coffee table strewn with magazines. After 25 years in the business, Fleming knows galleries can be intimidating. Not everyone can afford to walk in and

buy an artwork. Monthly payment plans and the gallery's acceptance of credit cards makes art easier to afford.

Fleming is constantly searching for new talent to keep prices down. A large-scale abstract by John Kennedy of Toronto was going for \$1,900 on a recent visit. That's reasonable for a painting capable of filling a wall all by itself.

"We're very busy. We have a wide range of art and prices," Fleming said. "What people are buying today is either in a less expensive range under \$12,000 or over \$50,000. People are nervous. They're buying more expensive work or younger artists for less and take a chance that they'll make a name for themselves."

"People are buying more expensive works like Larry Rivers for \$50-60,000 because they feel their money

is more protected. They'll buy it because he's famous. It's confidence. People are spending more on established artists because it's a better investment. I advise people do not buy for investment. If it happens to go up in value, then it's a bonus. If they want to buy for investment, I point them to a Rivers or Bertoia."

Habatat Galleries in Birmingham specializes in glass. Owner Ferdinand Hampson knew he was taking a chance when he opened his newest location last August. Contemporary glass is still a relatively new medium. Forty years ago, glass was considered a craft, not a fine-art form.

Habatat Galleries began showing glass works created by individual artists about three decades ago in Dearborn. They now have galleries in Royal Oak, Boca Raton, Fla., Chicago

and Birmingham.

"We're moving at a much slower pace," said Hampson, president of Habatat Galleries. "The cash flow sometimes makes me feel poor, but then projects come along. We've had 32 years of finding ways to make things work. We've been on a growth slowdown only a couple of times during that time. Last year we didn't do as well as the year before, yet we had the strongest January in our history."

"What we're doing is getting involved in large-scale commissions — an office building in Chicago, a large commission going on a ship in London, an outdoor commission in Atlanta. Exhibitions have been a bit spotty. We are affected by things."

Hampson isn't standing still, though. He's busy preparing for the annual International Glass Invitational that draws artists and

collectors for Michigan Glass Month in April. In the meantime, the West Bloomfield resident has booked legendary glass artist Dale Chihuly for a one-man show. Habatat Galleries began showing his work 28 years ago. The Royal Oak location features a blue room simulating a walk under the sea with glittering shell-like shapes. Birmingham spotlights Chihuly's Dragonfly Blue Persian Wall, definitely a high-end piece, as are the Chihuly chandeliers, which can go for \$185,000 each.

"Chihuly is creating a lot of interest," Hampson said. "We have people come in from out of state. He's the best-known living artist, a presence in so many countries, a living legend at this point in his career."

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Experts offer art purchase advice for collectors

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Buying your first artwork can be daunting. Many people don't feel confident enough to make a decision. That's why it's important to heed a few tips from experts.

Decide how much to spend before leaving home but don't be afraid to change your mind if you find something you can't live without.

"I tell people to buy what they like," said Cindy Wolanchuk, co-owner of Hermitage Gallery in Rochester. "Do not match a room to the painting. Look for a work that creates a sense of passion rather than something to go with a sofa."

Ray Fleming suggests buying from a reputable gallery in case you do change your mind down the road. At Robert Kidd Gallery in Birmingham they allow clients to trade up even years later. That's a good way to become a collector. Maybe you can't afford that \$32,000 Harry Bertoia sculpture right now. Start small and work your way up.

Still not sure about what you're buying? Let the experts help. After 25 years in the business, Fleming knows his art. Before investing in the gallery, he earned a master's degree in painting from Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hills, and taught at Wayne State University and Cranbrook's Kingswood School

for 15-years.

Maybe you're already working with an interior designer. Fleming can give you an idea of what's available to them.

"Designers make it easy for the client," Fleming said. "One of the backbones of our business is working with architects and designers. When people build a one-half to \$1 million house they're nervous about the art."

If you do want to buy the art without any help from an established gallery or designer, take time to learn about media, styles and values. Many galleries have Web sites. Take a virtual tour of what they offer. Fleming credits the advent of

the computer with helping build relationships with clients.

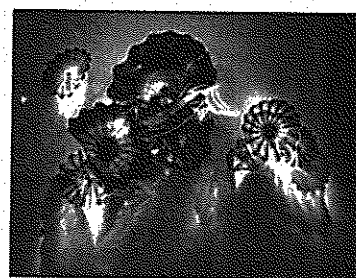
"The computer makes visual communication with clients and artists immediate,"

Fleming said. "Artists can e-mail me and enclose several of their paintings. I know what they're working on."

Attending lectures is another good way to inform yourself especially in relatively new areas such as contemporary glass. Habatat Galleries' annual International exhibit documents the variety of ways artists are creating works with this molten material.

Gallery owner Ferdinand Hampson has scheduled a vari-

ety of informative sessions at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center to coincide with this year's show in April. A 7 p.m. auction of early works follows a 4 p.m. lecture by Rabbi Wine on the impact of Jewish collectors on contemporary art, and a 5 p.m. talk by artist Therman Statom on Thursday, April 10.



A show by legendary glass artist Dale Chihuly is drawing crowds into Habatat Galleries in Birmingham and Royal Oak.

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Variety spices up eating out in Beverly Hills

BY ELEANOR HEALD
CORRESPONDENT

Beverly Hills, a typical residential community in metro Detroit, has no downtown. Yet three restaurants, in close proximity to each other, offer a kaleidoscope of atmospheres and sensibly-priced food.

Attracting residents of neighboring communities at breakfast, lunch and dinner, Beverly Hills is a destination for good eats any time of day. To boot, each of these spots has been open for many years. In the risky restaurant business today, that's noteworthy.

BEVERLY HILLS GRILL

Some eateries make a big splash in the first few months after opening. Beverly Hills Grill is not like that. Owner Bill Roberts has the right formula to keep energy high from the first morning omelet to the last dish served at night. And he has been doing it for 15 years in this cozy 80-seat eatery.

Twelve-year veteran Executive Chef Patrick Roettele is part of the success equation. He knows that area foodies want creative food at reasonable prices and he gives them just that.

A loyal crowd jams the small bar area. Chatter there adds a neighborhood ambiance. Along with a printed menu, strategically-located chalk boards announce daily specials, expressive of a contemporary American menu that Roberts calls "great food, casually." At dinner, "hot" new items include Duck Breast with braised endive and cherry-apple hash; Wild Mushroom and gorgonzola-stuffed Chicken Breast; and Sautéed Veal Scaloppini with Swiss chard and sweet potato gnocchi.

Getting raves at lunch are the Pulled Chicken Salad or Mixed Greens with Port-soaked Cranberries, Almonds, Crispy Wontons and Wild Rice, tossed with mustard-maple vinaigrette.

A weekend treat is breakfast. Huevos Rancheros are as good as any served in a top Mexican

spot. New items are the Lobster Cob Omelet and the Morel Mushroom Omelet with arborio rice, asparagus, Swiss chard and fontina cheese.

You might just want to come back for dinner!

BRADY'S TAVERN

Trying to be all things to all people in an eatery rarely succeeds. Yet, it has for nine years at Brady's Tavern, which from its name and sign indicates Irish Pub, but that's a minor part.

Another is the 13 closed-caption large-screen TVs that attract both sports enthusiasts and those interested in cable financial channels, so call it part sports bar and finance center. Listen to conversations at the copper penny-topped bar and you'll decide that another part is neighborhood gathering spot.

"We're kind of Cheers," said owner Bob Berg. "Come in once and you turn into a regular. We take care of you. If I'm not on premise, my manager Jennifer Weeks is an extension of me." Dubbed "The Famous One," Brady's half-pound burger, that can be ordered with a side of house-made onion rings or curly fries, keeps regulars returning. So do the Baby Back Ribs, Brady's Steak Sandwich and the Garlic Chicken Pasta. If you like chili, topped with shredded cheddar cheese, onions and sour cream, in an edible bread bowl, order the Champion Chili named "All the Way." The Reuben sandwich is classic on grilled pumpernickel.

Monday through Thursday lunch and dinner specials under \$10 can include ethnic offerings such as Greek or Mexican on to casseroles and pot pies. One of the most popular, and standing 10 inches tall, is the Mile High Meatloaf where sourdough bread is topped with thick slices of meatloaf, then mounded with garlic smashed potatoes and topped with onion rings and gravy.

FLYING FISH

Drop anchor at this casual fish funky eatery, part of owner Matt Prentice's Unique Restaurant Corporation.

Depending on the time of day, Flying Fish assumes the atmosphere of a great lunch stop, family or neighborhood tavern, bistro or fish house. The fast-paced kitchen turns out a tavern-style menu that goes through seasonal mood changes, often with monthlong specials.

Flying Fish is a family-friendly eatery with a great kid's menu, so everyone in the family can find something they'd like to eat.

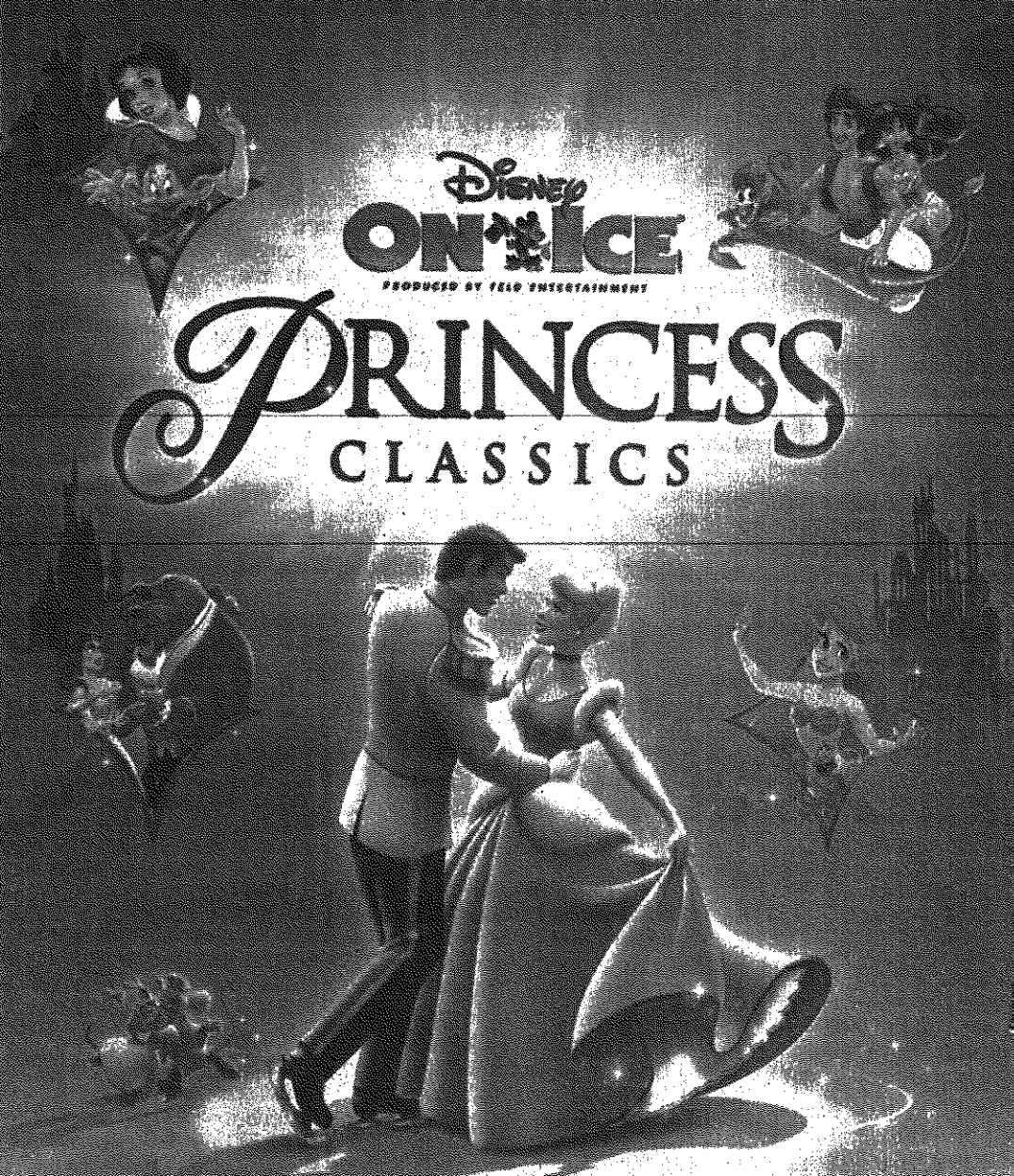
Hearty eaters can choose from the Big Plates including tavern favorite Matt's Baby Back Ribs, served with ranch beans and cole slaw; or Lump Crab Cakes with corn sauce, mashed potatoes and vegetable of the day; or Chicken Parmesan, a sautéed chicken breast topped with marinara, mozzarella and parmesan cheeses served with spinach fettuccine.

Fresh catches of the day specials are posted on a blackboard. The most popular in this category is Oven-Roasted Scrod with sundried tomato aioli and parmesan-basil bread crumbs in a tomato-chardonnay sauce. Day Boat Diver Scallops has become a signature dish for seafood lovers.

Running through the end of February is Executive Chef Chili Reese's "Asian Invasion" special with appetizer choices of Diver Sea Scallops with Passion Fruit Citrus Sauce; Sashimi Tuna or Rock Shrimp "Box." A Ramen Noodle Salad can be topped with either Five-Spice Chicken or Rock Shrimp. Principal plates include: Grilled Hawaiian Tuna with stir-fry vegetables; Tempura-fried Lobster Tails with wok vegetables, Korean Barbecued Ono (also known as Wahoo) with wok vegetables and fried rice. Orange-Ginger Creme Brulee is the accompanying dessert special.

With the variety offered in Beverly Hills' three prominent eateries, you can spice up your breakfast, lunch or dinner mood to suit.

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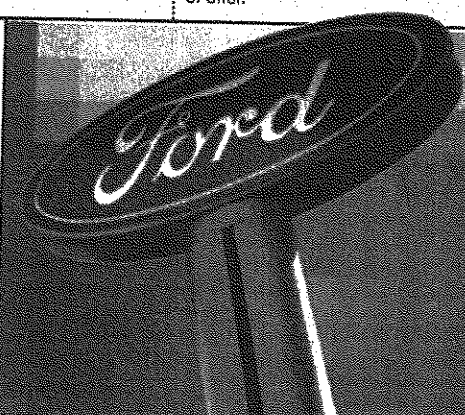
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"There is more to organic than healthy foods," said Organic Bouquet co-founder and CEO Gerald Prolman.

"Organic flowers address the main purpose of organic production, which is to enrich the soil and produce crops in a responsible manner. Overall, organic floral production encourages healthy stewardship of the Earth.

"Growing flowers organically is very important because it is safer for farmers and farm workers and is good for the environment."

"Price is always a question of supply and demand, but the big-picture answer is that, beyond the price tag, there are hidden costs associated with nonorganic production; specifically, the potential negative impact to the environment and to the health of farmworkers," said Organic Bouquet cofounder and president Dave Smith.

"So, whether or not organic is a bit higher in price, as a true value, it is always a much better deal any way you look at it."

"Organic flowers say 'I care about you, and I care about the Earth!'"

The USDA now establishes the definition of organic that is applicable to horticulture as well.

Organic agriculture is generally defined as an ecological production management system that promotes and enhances biodiversity, biological cycles, biological soil activity, and minimizes the use of off-farm inputs.

The primary goal of organic agriculture is to optimize the healthy and productivity of interdependent communities of soil life, plants, animals and people.

On tour

The Cranbrook Educational Community is among the distinctive environments outside Detroit city proper featured in *AIA Detroit: The American Institute of Architects Guide to Detroit Architecture* by John Gallagher and Eric J. Hill (Wayne State University Press, \$34.95).

AIA Detroit helps citizens, tourists and architecture students uncover and navigate the city's rich architectural heritage.

Organized as a series of walking (or driving) tours beginning with the downtown area, the guide moves north, west and east to explore the city's many districts and neighborhoods, and then takes a look at the special environments outside Detroit.

Photographs of each site and numerous maps throughout help readers visualize the locales.



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Homeowners know fireside moments make for a cozy cocoon, so they are opting for more than one fireplace in the home.

Flames glowing brightly

Fireplaces are modern-day fundamental

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

These days, builders and architects rarely ask clients whether they want a fireplace.

Instead, they ask how many. They know fireplaces are as fundamental as the kitchen sink in today's home, and that warmth, comfort and natural ease capture the way homeowners want to feel in their living spaces. Fireplaces not only make for cozy cocooning but also bring a sense of the outdoors inside the home.

"We're seeing more than one and even two fireplaces," said David S. Compo, co-owner of James D. Compo Inc., a Farmington Hills home builder.

WHEREABOUTS?

The next question asked by builders: Where ought the fireplaces go?

"People love having a fireplace in the master bedroom," Compo said of the most popular location for a second hearth.

Close behind are the library den and finished basement.



Bringing the outdoors indoors is popular with today's homeowners, and the fireplace hearth and its accessories do so with rustic charm and architectural texture.

"What's popular on the lower level is the peninsula fireplace," said Compo. "It's open on three sides and acts as a sort of separation or room divider between different spaces."

Two-way fireplaces serving adjoining rooms, often between kitchen and living area or living room and dining room, are practically commonplace today, said Compo, whose company recently pioneered a master suite version that brings the fireplace within three feet of a whirlpool or bathtub.

Homeowners like two-way fireplaces because "it's one unit doing

two things," for the cost of constructing and maintaining one chimney. Facings on either side of the fireplace can, of course, differ radically to fit decor needs.

EASE OF USE

Technology has fueled the fervor over fireplaces, too.

The look of gas models has so improved that most homeowners prefer them over wood-burning fireplaces said Steve Brown, co-owner of American Fireplace & Barbecue

Accent the flame

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Fireplaces are as much about design as function, so let them warm your body and your senses.

As a decor element, fireplaces are architectural. When selecting a mantle or facing, consider the overall style of your room. Remember, the look of a fireplace can be changed completely with new facing.

More often than not, a room's fireplace becomes its focal point, so don't overlook mantle accents, such as candlesticks, art and floral arrangements.

Tool sets, firewood carriers, fire screens and other functional accessories help incorporate the fireplace into a room's design scheme. And, in the case of gas and electric fireplaces, such accessories add realism.

Tips for finding the right fireplace accessories from the Hearth, Patio & Barbecue Association include:

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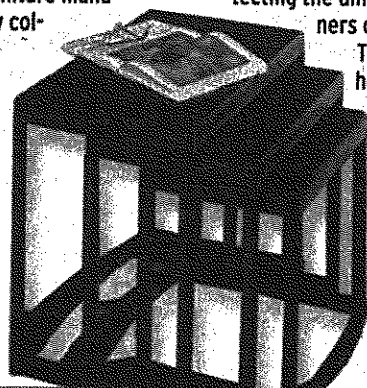
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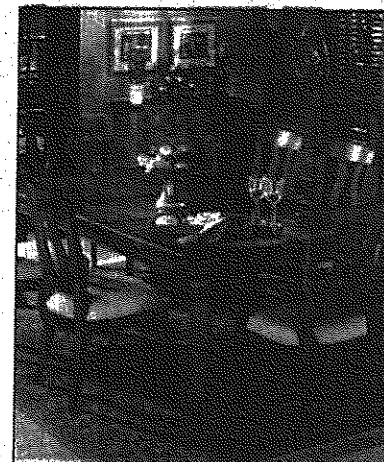
Hekman®, a leading furniture manufacturer, offers two new collections. Pieces from Hekman's Cardigan Bay Collection are featured in the dining room shown here. Inspired by the country getaways of 18th and 19th century British lords and ladies, the collection showcases silhouettes that are unassuming, yet ample



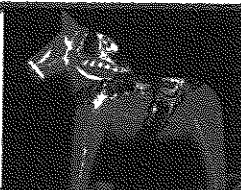
in detail, from the hand-rubbed golden waxed finish to the brass kick plates protecting the dining table base and corners of the tabletop.

The living room shown here features the entertainment center, cocktail table and occasional tables from Hekman's new Chartwell Collection, designed by John Black and with roots in the English Arts and Crafts movement. The pieces are crafted

of refined alder with exotic rogue cherry woods in a hand-rubbed finish. Many of the Chartwell designs are based on specific English walnut and oak examples that were commissioned for some of the finest homes of the Arts and Crafts period. Hekman retailers in the area include Standhardt Design in Birmingham; Pastor Interiors in Bloomfield Hills; Classic Interiors in Livonia; Designer's Choice in Plymouth; DMJ Interiors, Interiors By Design, Mary Lujan and Associates, and Stoney Lane Interiors in Rochester; Gorman's in Southfield, Troy, Novi and Dearborn; and Harper Furniture in Royal Oak.



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in Southfield, where gas easily outsells wood-burning. And since gas fireplaces are so easy to use, homeowners don't think twice about adding a second or third.

"Today, even the most modest home gets one or even two fireplaces," said Brown.

Even low-end gas models look realistic, said Bob Merrill, a sales representative for All Seasons Spas & Fireplaces, which has showrooms in several cities including Livonia, West Bloomfield, Waterford, Sterling Heights, Dearborn Heights and Ann Arbor. "Now it's a matter of do I like this one or do I like that one? It's not a matter of does this look realistic to me."

Of course, fireplace technology hasn't overlooked our penchant for gadgets, buttons and the ultimate in convenience - another selling point for many homeowners. Today's gas and electric fireplaces are available with hand-held remote controls with on/off switches, thermostats and flame height monitors.

"It's something to have to impress your friends," said Merrill.

ELECTRIC FIRE WAVE

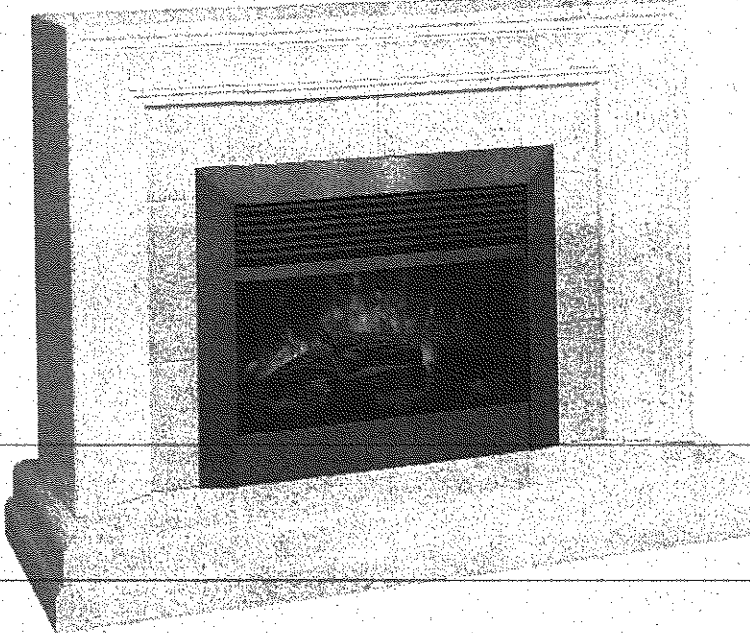


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Technology has enabled manufacturers to turn out electric fireplaces that look realistic, which has fueled consumer demand for them.

Technological improvements have transformed the electric fireplace, as well. And today's models - vastly improved versions of the slow-moving flames of yesterday - have a substantial presence in today's hearth showrooms.

"They have come a long way. They look better, and they are much more realistic," said Merrill at All Seasons where electric models range from \$500-\$2,000. The result: Consumers have

embraced the electric fireplace, an appliance once considered, if not tacky, then silly.

"There's been increased demand for the electric products," said Merrill. "Five years ago, it was laughable."

Again, verisimilitude primarily explains consumer interest. That electric fireplaces are portable and extremely easy to use and maintain adds to their appeal.

For apartment dwellers, home renters and those on the move, an electric fireplace is

the only viable option, said Karen Curley, spokeswoman for Art Van Furniture, which started carrying electric fireplaces three years ago.

"We felt it filled our guests' needs, and it's been very successful," said Curley. "You have the look and the feel of a warm fireplace without having a flue, the wood and the whole process. They just add a little ambiance."

Currently, Art Van offers 40 electric models with furniture-grade mantles in a variety of materials, including oak, cherry and marble.

Mantle architectural styles run the gamut from traditional to Mission to contemporary. Some coordinate with Art Van furniture sets.

"Fireplaces really are an extension of furniture," said Curley. "It's a natural architectural piece that you put in your home, and it's another piece of furniture."

At Art Van, some electric fireplaces not only look like furniture, but they are. One model, for instance, does double-duty as an entertainment center. Another boasts a bookcase.

A little Dickens by firelight, anyone?

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Art Van Furniture's electric fireplace offerings include models that serve other functions, such as house entertainment equipment.

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■ Keep fireplace use and frequency of use in mind when purchasing accessories.

■ Obtain fireplace dimension measurements before shopping.

■ Let the design style of your home guide you.

■ Examine the predominant colors and textures in

the room housing the fireplace, including lamps, light fixtures, door handles, hinges and other hardware.

■ Take a few snapshots of your hearth to help guide you in the showroom.

■ Browse the Web for accessory offerings and ideas. A list of manufacturers with Web site links is available from the Hearth, Patio & Barbecue Association at www.hpbpa.org.

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Future engineers need to think of quality

I received a call from Jerry Tomkins, the assistant dean of engineering at Wayne State University, asking me to speak to students about ethics in engineering. This isn't an



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

opportunity that comes around all that often, so I jumped on it with both feet. I thought you might like to hear some of what I had to say to the future engineers of products that we consumers will use someday.

I asked them all to stand up and be recognized by whatever company they will go to work for. I suggested that they work around the politics or corporate structure and demand that the quality they design for prod-

ucts stays in them. To use pride as a key word, which could only create respect amongst their peers for the long life that consumers expect from a product.

I talked about the appliance industry at length and described some of the horror stories related to me from the average homeowner. In all of the many lectures and seminars I've done over the years, this was one of the most rewarding.

Here was a group of students who may someday fix what I've been complaining about for years: the lack of quality today compared to yesteryear. I felt that I just might be making a dent in all of it.

The last few weekends I have been broadcasting live from different home improvement shows, and I will be doing so almost every weekend until the end of April. I'll be available for you to come on over and say hello. So many of you say thanks for the column, and it

makes me feel good for writing it. This paper has taught me something about the word class.

They had to pound it into my head that this column isn't an advertising format. "Don't fill it with names and numbers of companies to call, but instead be informative and direct and give people something of substance. Let them learn from what you write and become smarter consumers."

I am so very proud of the high standards that are set by the bosses who make this paper what it is. They are also like engineers in the way they design things, and so many times they get little credit except for their own sense of self-pride. I wish you would take a little time someday and drop a note of thanks to any editor of this paper. You don't

realize what a lift it would be for someone. As for me, I get a big kick out of you: readers who come up to me at these home shows or elsewhere in public and say "Thank you for helping me do it myself." I changed the vent line myself, I fixed the ice maker, I did this or that and saved a whole bunch of money because I read your column or listen to you on radio." This is what makes it all worthwhile for me. You, the American consumer, are smarter today than ever before. I believe that the future is in the hands of many of these students I spoke to. 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.

HOME CALENDAR

Antiques show

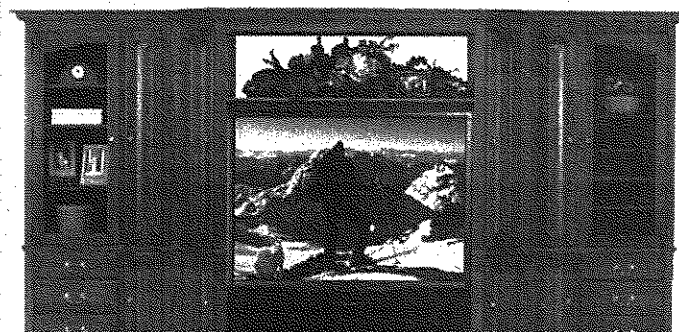
The Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition will take place Friday-Sunday, Feb. 21-23, at the Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000 Evergreen at Civic Center Drive (10-1/2 Mile). Hours are 2-9 p.m. Friday, noon to 8 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$6 regular, \$5 with any ads or listings of the event, free for ages 12 and younger. One paid admission is good for all three show days. Parking is free.

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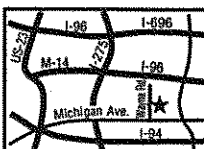
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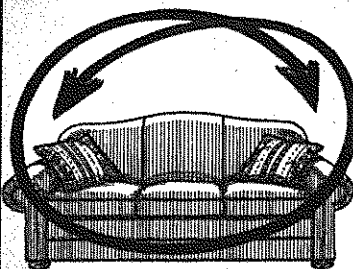
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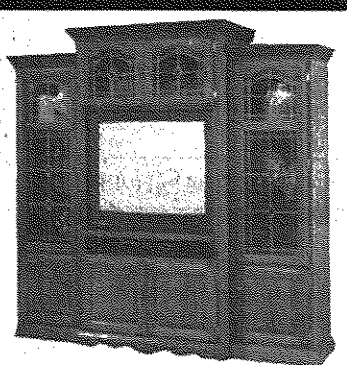
Experts will share tips on home renovations, maintenance and landscaping. At the show, Carol Reed, The Router Lady, will demonstrate woodworking tools and skills; Glenn Haege, newspaper columnist and America's Master Handyman, will cover "What's New and How To" in home improvement; Chefs Angus Campbell and Robert Garlough will teach regional American cooking; Jeff Ball, as seen on NBC's "The Today Show," will explain how to get "Beautiful, Green and Easy Lawns" and Nancy Szerlag, garden columnist, will focus on potted plants and "What's New-Tools, Techniques and Fabulous Plants."

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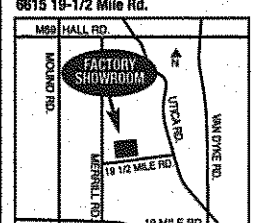
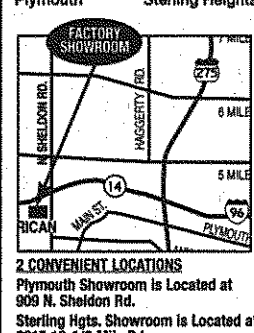
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The new rules of introduction

I am not sure why I made the phone call. I think I was answering an ad in the paper, halfheartedly looking for a job after my daughter started school for a full day. He answered the phone, "attorney Stan Bernstein."

I was so taken aback I couldn't respond.

Had I been doing it wrong all of these years? Were people supposed to identify themselves with their occupation when making introductions? Is this how I should have been answering the phone all of those 14 years: "Stressed out and frazzled mom Cathy Standish?"

But then I got to thinking about the "Stan" concept. This methodology of introduction would work well at parties and would eliminate a lot of anguish when trolling for someone to talk to. You've been there, you know what I mean. Imagine this scenario:

Person 1: "Hi, I am Jane."

Person 2: "Hi, I am Steve."

The dead silence hangs in the air like a stormy black cloud. The only way to break the gloom is the offering of sparkling and witty repartee, "How about those Lions?" or "Can you believe the weather?" and best yet "So, what do you do?"

Personally, I hate football and I can look out the window to see the weather. The conversation is lost. My eyes glaze over and I search the crowd for someone new to chat with. Slowly I sidle away and whomever I had just met is left talking to the air.

In the world of Stan Bernstein all of that awkwardness would be eliminated. In the "Stan Style" of conversation the scenario might flow like this:

Person 1: "Hi, I am pilot Jane!"

Person 2: "Hi, I am hair stylist Steve!"

The once gloomy conversation takes a sunny turn as Jane tells Steve about her latest hair disaster at the salon and Steve shares with Jane a funny flying anecdote. The awkwardness of the introduction has flown out the window and the party is a smash!

The social success would all come thanks to attorney Stan Bernstein.

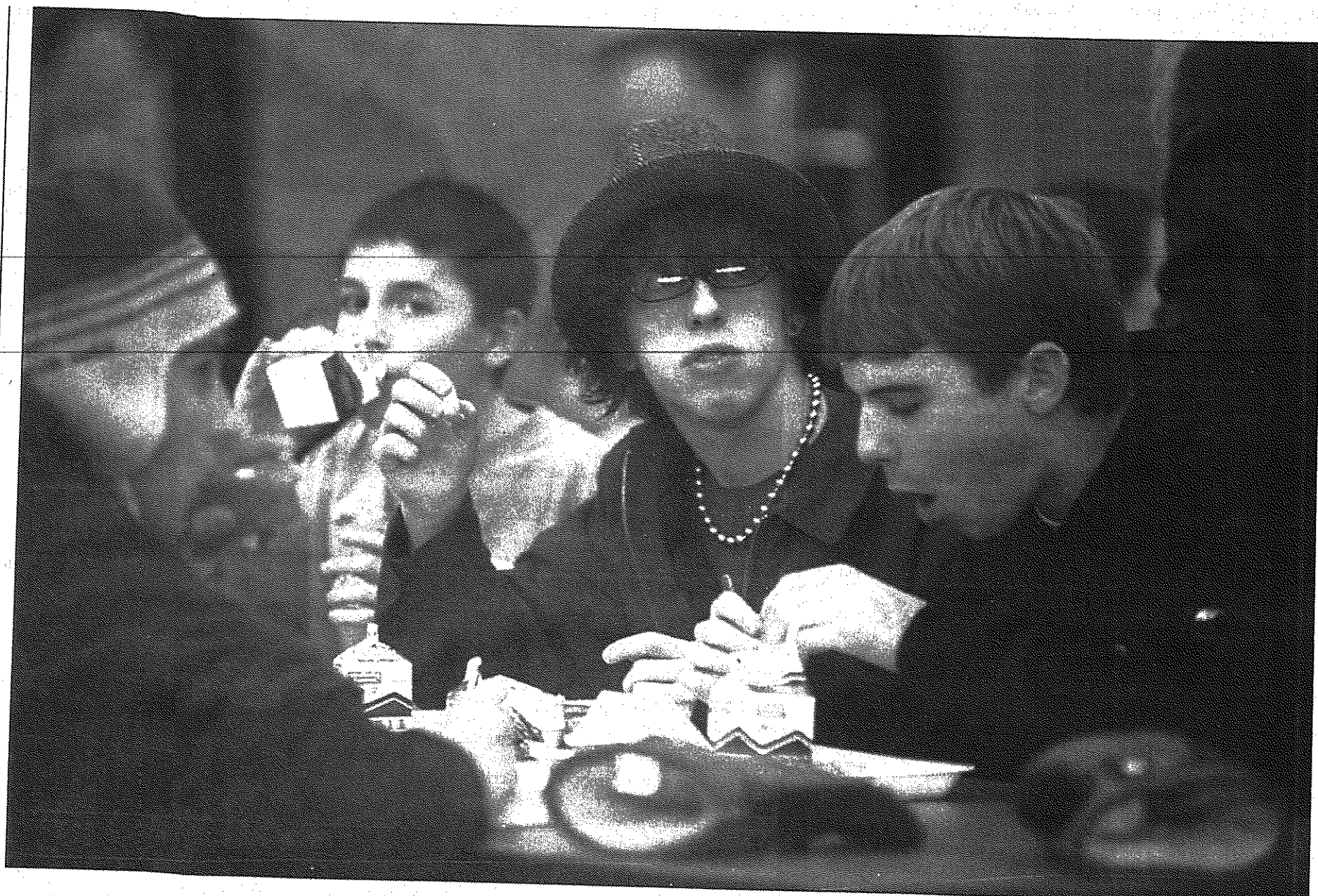
Of course, the new rules of Stan's society would need exception. Police officer Pete working undercover would need to be allowed to shield his secret identity and Clark Kent need only introduce himself as "mild mannered reporter Clark Kent" and not as "Superman Clark Kent." The same rules would apply to any member of the Justice League and pop star Michael Jackson. If needed, adjectives could be applied. Let's take this new scenario at the same party:

Person 1: "Hi, I am brilliant, witty, astounding and rakishly good-looking editor John!"

Person 2: "Hi, I am intelligent, fun, charming and coolly handsome publisher Rick!"

Can you imagine how the conversation would flow from there? Next time you are standing in the grocery line or waiting to check out at a busy department store, try applying the new rules of society. If someone looks at you quizzically and asks about your medication refills, tell them you read the new rules of introduction here first.

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Anthony Sobick, from left, T.J. Frader, Bryan Grzywacz and Ty Sasena enjoy their lunch during the early session before fourth hour.

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Exceeding expectations

Principal pleased with school's first six months

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

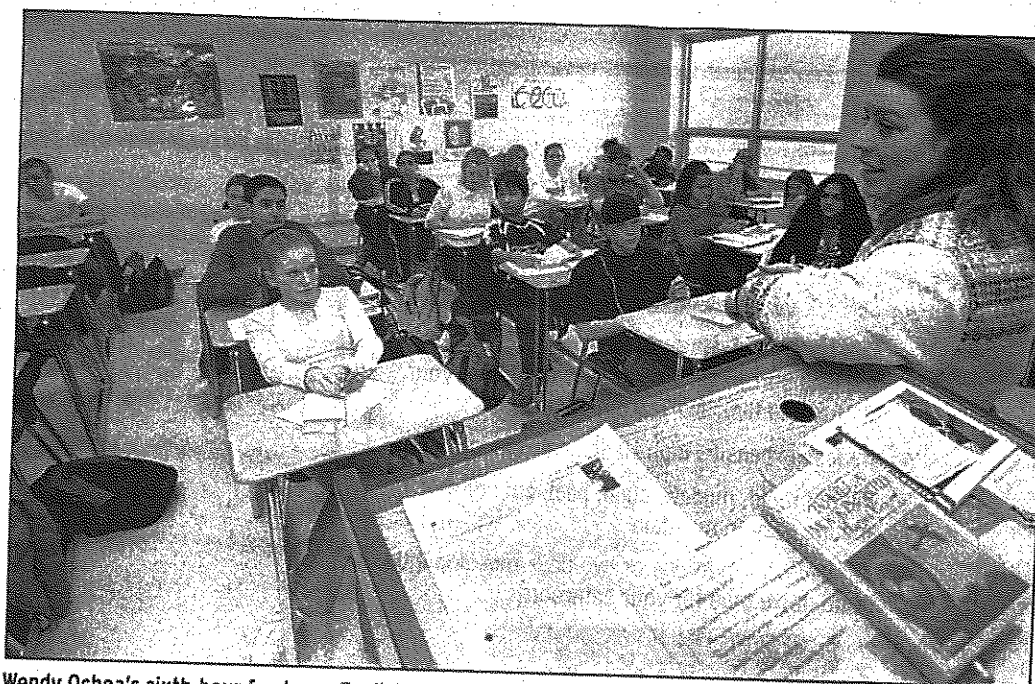
Plymouth High Principal Michael Bee says he can't find one thing about the new school that disappoints him after one semester of operation.

Plymouth, the third of three high schools at the 300-acre site between Canton Center and Beck roads along Joy Road, takes its name from the district's original high school - now Central Middle School located across from the Plymouth Historical Museum.

The new school opened in August with about 430 freshmen, as well as a contingent of sophomores, juniors and seniors from Canton and Salem highs. At any one time about a third (1,700) of the P-CEP population of 5,100 is in the new building.

"For me things could not have gone better," Bee said. "My expectations were very high and in every case they have been exceeded."

In some ways, the new building itself was the easiest part. Bee was hired almost



Wendy Ochoa's sixth-hour freshman English 9 class discusses the plot of *To Kill A Mockingbird*, by Harper Lee.

two years before the \$50 million building was finished.

"We came on line very smoothly," he said.

A few months before the August opening the construction had lagged behind, but the workers caught up this past spring and summer.

"The construction people

did an awesome job," Bee said. "There were no major issues impacting the classrooms." Bee added that the bid process for equipment went very well. "We waited until the last possible minute and the market was better."

Other things Bee cites as going well are tremendous

parent support and student involvement in leadership roles, in activities and in sports.

An important question as the new year started: How would the new ninth-graders respond?

"I've seen the ninth-graders step up," Bee said.

"They had to be leaders in a school with sophomores, juniors and seniors. They got rid of any apprehension quickly and I think they were fired up to be here."

Naila Ashraf, student executive council secretary, said "it (the new school) was better than I expected. The teachers were very helpful, and so far it's been an awesome experience."

Ashraf is in the building all day, but fellow student Sarah Trombley must travel to other buildings. Even so, she said, the new school has met her expectations.

"I thought it was cool how much technology we have. The history teacher was using technology," Trombley said.

She travels to Canton for Bio Blue and Salem for American literature.

"Sometimes, the walk from Canton takes up to eight minutes," Trombley said. "It can be bad when there is a whiteout."

Soccer player Jim Wilbur had a different take on the school initially.

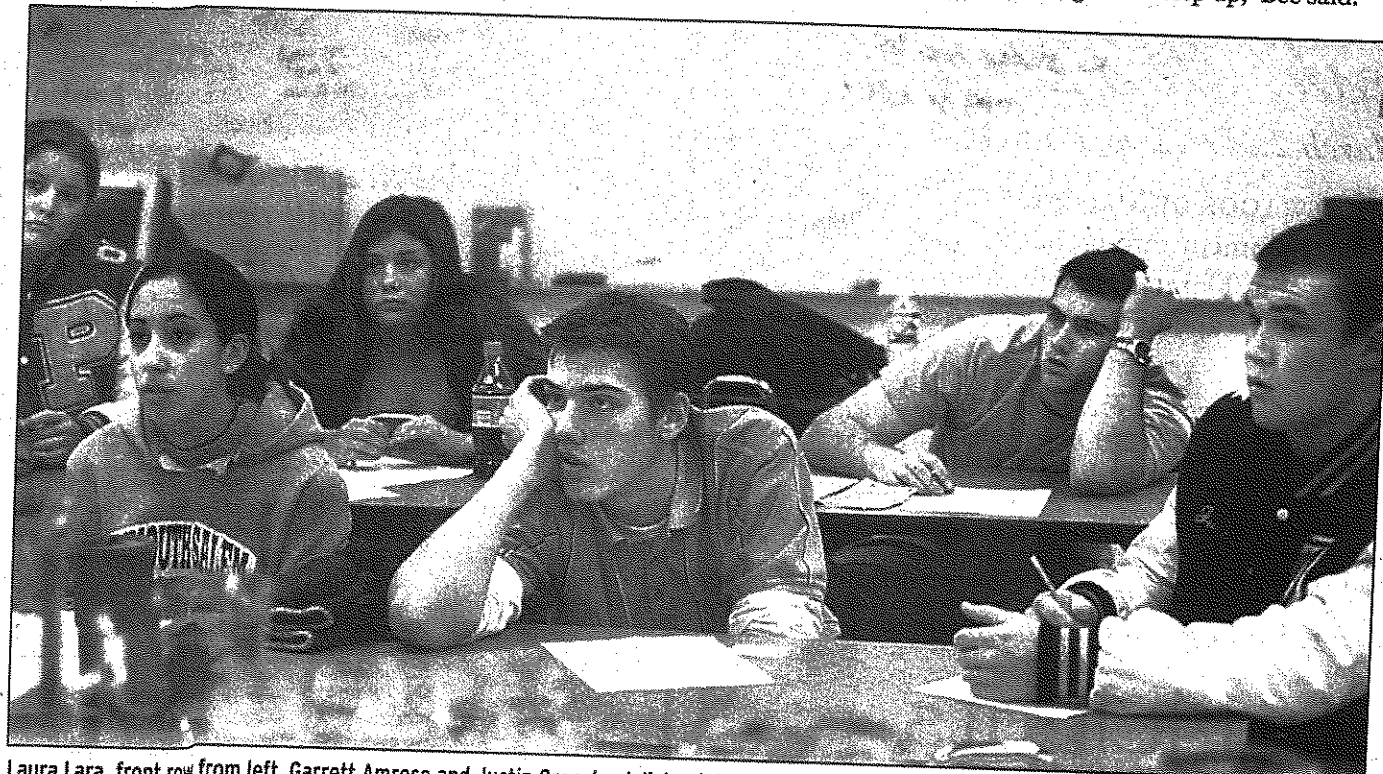
"I didn't like it that we didn't have a JV or varsity set of teams, and therefore you couldn't move up if you could," said Wilbur, who is playing basketball this winter. "But as the season went along I am happy with what we have."

Sean Dillon, a soccer player and a wrestler, said things went "about how I expected. I like the school and the technology."

All four admit Plymouth's staff and Bee have set strict standards for things like the lunchroom and hall passes.

"The rules are strict but I understand why," Wilbur said.

"What's important is we get to set the traditions, we are the first graduating class in this school," Ashraf said. She and her fellow ninth-graders will be the graduating class of 2006.



Laura Lara, front row from left, Garrett Amrose and Justin Groesbeck listen intently during Nan McCallum's third-hour Culinary Arts I class. Sitting in the back row are Erika Tyree, from left, Ashley Travers and Jay Saling.

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AROUND TOWN

Blood Drive

St. John's Episcopal Church is holding a blood drive from 2-8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24. Please call Carolyn Liebau at (734) 455-5395 to make an appointment or feel free to just drop in.

Sweat Suit Drive

The Plymouth Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club is sponsoring a sweat suit drive during the month of February. The club is collecting new sweat suits for First Step at drop sites throughout Canton and Plymouth. Call Mark Ott at (734) 981-0460 for details.

STARLAB

This program is presented by the Plymouth Library Youth Programs and is being held from 2-7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24, at the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum's portable planetarium. Learn how to navigate the night sky, using the stars as your map. Call (734) 453-0750 to sign up.

"Mud Fling"

Pottery workshops for the whole family are scheduled at the PCAC from 10 a.m. to noon, Feb. 25-27. This is the most fun you will have in the mud (clay) all year. Call (734) 416-4278 for info.

Nursery Co-op Registration

Plymouth Children's Nursery Co-op registration has begun for the 2003-2004 school year. Openings for 3-4 year olds, various class times and days. Call Nola Wellman at (734) 453-0595 for information.

NAMI

National Alliance for the Mentally Ill holds its Public Education Meeting on Monday, March 10 at 7:30-9:30 p.m. at St. Clare's Episcopal Church/Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard, Ann Arbor. This is a free event and NAMI may be reached at (734) 994-6611.

Boating Safety

Boating Skills and Seamanship Class conducted by Flotilla 10-11 of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, beginning Thursday, Feb. 20, and held each Thursday evening for 11 weeks from 7-9:30 p.m. at the Plymouth-Canton High School, Room 98. To register, call (734) 416-2940.

Arthritis Self Help Course

Do you have arthritis? Learn about arthritis, how to help reduce pain, protect your joints, deal with stress, work best with your physician and much more. A three week course is being held at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia from 1-3 p.m. Wednesdays, March 5, 12, and 19. The cost is \$20 which includes the 350-page Arthritis Helpbook. Call (734) 655-8940.

Open House

St Mary Catholic School hosts an open house from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, for families interested in having their children attend. If you have any questions, call (734) 721-1240.

Art for the People

The PCAC is hosting the Arts League of Michigan exhibit, "Art of the People," through March 3. For more information, call (734) 416-7278.

Teen Advisory Board

The Teen Advisory Board meets Feb. 22 at the Plymouth Library. It is a group of teen volunteers who meet twice a month to enjoy muffins and juice while sharing ideas for improving the library's teen programs and services. Call (734) 453-0750 for further information.

Fine Arts Competition

The PCAC has announced a \$500 fine arts competition for high school seniors in the P/C school district. Applications are now available at the PCAC. The deadline for receipt of materials is March 15. For further info, call (734) 416-4278.

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, March 4, at the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Classroom EC4, Ypsilanti, with presenter Ron Harrison, SW. Part Two, "What To Do" will be presented from 7:30 to 9 p.m. March 11. Call (734) 973-7892 for further info.

Willow Creek Preschool

Now enrolling for 2002-2003 school year. An Open House is being held from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 4. 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.

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.

PCAC 70s Bash Tickets

The PCAC's annual dinner, dance and auction to be held Friday, March 14, 2003 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.

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



PSA contest winners

WSDP, the student-run radio station of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, recently conducted a contest to find the best Anti-Tobacco Public Service Announcement. Chosen from among the entries to win the contest were John Tantalo, Mary Radcliffe and Steve Filios.

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, taekwon-do, personal development, aerobics, clogging, senior trips and programs and much more. Call (734) 455-6620 for more information.

CLUBS

Suburban Republican Women's Club

The monthly meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, at the Family Buggy Restaurant in Livonia. For reservations, call (248) 324-1660 by Feb. 24.

BNI Plymouth II

The Plymouth Chapter II BNI Group meets Wednesdays at 7 a.m. at Denny's Restaurant located at I-275 and Ann Arbor Road. We are actively looking for new members. Please call (734) 459-5696 for further information.

West Suburban Stamp Club

Meetings are the first and third Fridays at 8 p.m. at The Plymouth Historical Society in Plymouth.

BPW

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) 420-0320.

SEPA

Open to all residents of the Plymouth Canton community as well as school staff and administrators. SEPA (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 fries 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. to 2 p.m. the third Sunday of each month. The cost is \$7.

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 month from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Lake Pointe Bible Chapel, 42150 Schoolcraft, Plymouth. Call (734) 420-0515.

Colonial Kiwanis of Plymouth

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 chair-

man, (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) 397-0197.

Canton Rotary Club

The Rotary meets at noon on Mondays at the Roman Forum in Canton on Ford Road. All guests are invited to join us for lunch for more information on our community and international service projects. For more information call Laura at (734) 207-8517 or e-mail to ExecSec@rotary6400.org.

TOPS

Are you unhappy with your weight? Why not join TOPS? We weigh in weekly and meet to share ideas about losing weight, exercising, etc. They meet at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays at St. Michael's Lutheran Church, 7000 N. Sheldon Road, Canton. For more information call Debbie at (734) 207-3626.

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. Call Mike Best at (734) 459-2378.

MOMS Club

A local chapter of the MOMS Club welcomes interested stay-at-home moth-

ers 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.

Plymouth Canton Jaycees

Looking for people 21-39 interested in making friends, helping with good causes and having a good time. The Jaycees meet at 7:30 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month at the Plymouth Township Clerk's office. Call (734) 453-8407 or show up at the group's monthly meeting.

Community Democrats

The Community Democratic Club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month at UAW Local 845 Hall. Business meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. The club serves Canton, Northville, Plymouth and the Livonia 13th District. For further information, call Becky Tavarozzi (734) 398-5845.

Toastmasters

Develop your public speaking, communications and leadership skills. Guests welcome. 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.

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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. Call (734) 453-9833 for further information.

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 (888) 209-6424.

BNI

The Canton II Chapter of Business Network International (BNI) meets 7:30 a.m. every Wednesday at Atlantis Restaurant, 39500 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth. The Laurel Park Chapter meets 7:30 a.m. at Archie's Family Restaurant on Plymouth Road, east of Merriman, Livonia. The Plymouth I Chapter meets every Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. The Livonia Chapter meets 7:30 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.

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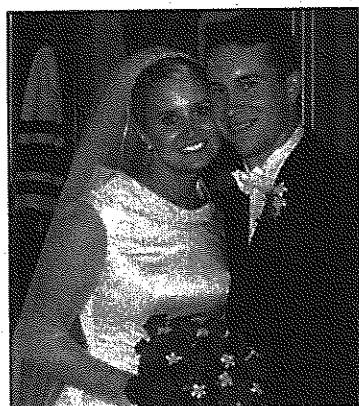
visit our website: www.newburgumc.org

Make Someone's Day!

When is the last time you told someone that they made your day? When we give someone an honest, well-deserved compliment such as this, it is also a blessing to us. It makes us aware of those who have been a positive influence in our daily lives. Ironically, the best way to "make someone's day" is to tell them how helpful they have been to you and that you appreciate their friendship. It seems we often forget to tell those who are closest to us that we value and enjoy their company. When it comes to praising people, there is usually nothing wrong with doing it in the presence of others. People don't usually like to "toot their own horn," so if we can do it for them by praising their actions, it usually will give them encouragement. Conversely, if you must criticize someone, it is almost always best to do that in private, making sure that the other person knows that you still value them despite your criticism. God wants us to use kind words which validate our fellow human beings, and to practice His Golden Rule of doing for others what you want them to do for you.

There is one whose rash words are like sword thrusts, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.
R.S.V. Proverbs 12:18





Kurinij-Murphy
William and Rose Kurinij of Northville are proud to

announce the marriage of their daughter, Tanya Marie Kurinij, to Michael Lloyd Murphy, son of Jack and Marilyn Murphy of Austin, Texas.

Tanya is a graduate of Albion College and is currently employed with Ford Motor Company-Cincinnati Region as the Planning and Distribution Manager.

Michael is a graduate of Texas A&M University and is currently employed with Ford Motor Company-Cincinnati Region.

A July 6, 2002 wedding was held at St. Mary's Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral with the

Rev. Paul Bodnarchuk officiating with the reception at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth.

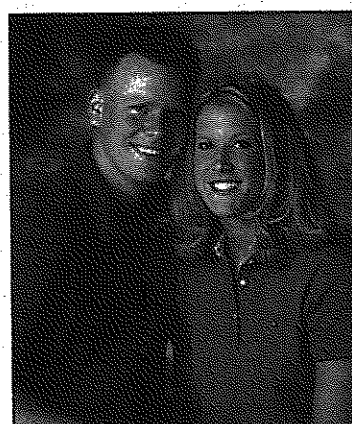
Acting as matron of honor was Stacie Kurinij, with bridesmaids Maria Brittingham, Katie Murphy, Maureen Murphy, Stacy MacDonald, Shannon McGoun and Tanyua Gatti. Acting as best man was Tim Murphy, with groomsmen, Jack Murphy, Mark Murphy, John Kurinij, Reed Shaw, Tim Gilbert and Shivan Sivalingham.

A wedding trip was taken to Aruba and they are making their home in Maineville, Ohio.

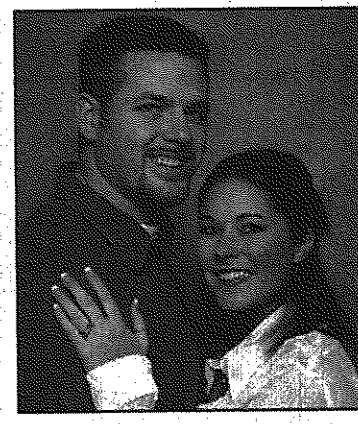
Schoeneweg-Dood

Darryl and Kathy Schoeneweg of Davisburg are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristin Ann, to Paul Christopher Dood, son of Peter and Carol Dood of Canton.

Kristin is a graduate of Michigan State University with a master's degree in reading and language arts and is currently employed as a teacher in Clarkston. Christopher attended Reinhardt College in Georgia and is currently employed as a plant superintendent for Phoenix Office Furnishings.



A July 2003 wedding is planned. The couple will make their home in Canton.



Anderson-Guersdorf

Timothy and Laura Anderson of Canton are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Meghan Patricia, to Seth Lee Guersdorf, son of Ed and Carolee Guersdorf of Spokane, Wash.

Meghan is currently attending Central Michigan University. Seth is currently attending MMCC and working with Keystone as a leasing agent. A June 2004 wedding is planned at St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church in Canton.



CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF HEARING ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review for the City of Plymouth will convene in the City Commission Chambers, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, for an Organizational Meeting on **Tuesday, March 4, 2003** at 12:00 p.m.

The regular Board of Review session will begin:

TUESDAY, March 4, 2003 from 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, March 5, 2003 from 3:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

Hearing are by appointment only. **COMPLETED 2003 BOARD OF REVIEW PETITIONS ARE NECESSARY** and must be submitted to the Front Office located on the First Floor of City Hall before an appointment can be made. The **"DEADLINE"** for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in person before the board of Review is Wednesday, March 5, 2003 by 5:00 p.m.

A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer or a representative. An agent must have written authority to represent the owner. Written petitions must be submitted by Friday, March 14, 2003.

Copies of the notice stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted on the official public bulletin boards of the city and also in the local newspapers.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act."

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact (734) 453-1234, extension 223.

MARK R. CHRISTIANSEN
City of Plymouth
City Assessor

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING TO TRANSFER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS

Pursuant to Federal guidelines, the City of Plymouth is announcing its intent to transfer funding from an existing CDBG activity to a new activity within the 2002-03 Project Year. The City of Plymouth anticipates transferring \$10,000 from the total allocation of \$12,000 from the ADA Playground Equipment project to planning Studies, specifically Recreation Master Plan and Land Use Plan.

Citizens are invited to comment on this proposed transfer of funds during a public hearing to be held on Monday, March 3, 2003 at 7:00 pm in the City Commission Chambers at Plymouth City Hall, 201 S. Main St. during the regular City Commission Meeting.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

Publish: February 20, 2003

OE0607374

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP

REZONE FROM: R-1, Single Family Residential District
REZONE TO: ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor District

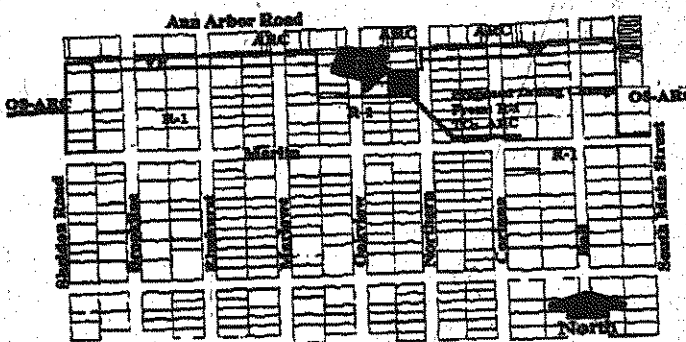
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, March 19, 2003

TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall

42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a petition to rezone parcels 059-03-0174-000, 059-03-0175-000, and the north 30 feet of 059-03-0176-00 from R-1, Single Family Residential District to ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor District Application 1777/0203.



AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 137

Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel description, see tax records based on Tax ID Nos. R78-059-03-0174-000, R78-059-03-0175-000 and the north thirty (30) feet of R78-059-03-0176-000.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the zoning map of the Township, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services Building, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, or call 734-453-8131 ext. 37. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend rezoning of the subject property to any use allowable under the provisions of the Plymouth Township Zoning Ordinance No. 83.

JOE BRIDGMAN,
Secretary, Planning Commission

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Publish: February 20, and March 13, 2003

OE06074446

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS BID PACKAGE #3 CANTON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING EXPANSION

The Charter Township of Canton will receive firm sub-contractor bids for Bid Package No. 3 Canton Administration Building Expansion project located at 1150 Canton Center Road S. The work of Bid Package No. 3 will consist of landscaping, ornamental railings, carpentry and millwork, sealants, metal frames, doors and hardware, overhead coiling doors, gypsum board and ceilings, hard tile, resilient floor tile, sheet vinyl and carpeting, painting and vinyl wall covering, toilet compartments, toilet and bath accessories, prefabricated cabinets and counter tops and window shades.

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, on or after noon on February 13, 2003. A pre-bid meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. on February 20, 2003 at the Summit on the Park Conference Center, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, MI 48188. Attendance at the pre-bid meeting is highly recommended.

The envelope bearing your proposal must identify the proposal 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, March 6, 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 proposal(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, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, MI, starting at 1:00 p.m., March 6, 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 its opinion, is in the best interest of the Owner.

Charter Township of Canton

Publish: February 20, 2003

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - FEBRUARY 11, 2003

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, February 11, 2003, at 46000 Summit Parkway. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call Members Present: Bennett, Burdiaz, McLaughlin, Zarbo, Kirchgatter, Yack, Shefferly Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Durack, Director Machnik, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin

Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdiaz to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the Regular Board Minutes of January 28, 2003. Motion carried with 1 abstention by Shefferly.

Payment of Bills Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Burdiaz to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

General Fund	101	\$ 350,560.77	
Fire Fund	206	21,836.02	
Police Fund	207	56,031.25	Expenditure
Summit Operating	208	27,486.32	Recap for
Golf Fund	211&584	3,203.96	Feb. 11, 2003
Cable TV Fund	230	991.92	
E-911 Utility	261	387.63	
Auto Forfeiture(wva)	267	1,005.03	
Federal Grants Fund	274	50.00	
Auto Theft Grant	289	960.48	
Downtown Dev Auth	294	24,055.84	
Post Empl. Benefits	296&736	16,325.36	
Cap Proj-Summit Const	402	(25.90)	
Cap Proj-Road Paving	403	17,460.09	
Water & Sewer Fund	592	695,414.56	
Total - All Funds		1,215,743.33	

PRESENTATION: Report from the Council for Community Excellence. Council Chairperson, Greg Greene, presented to the Board a summary of the Council's accomplishments and future goals.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. Reappointments to the Human Relations Commission. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Township Supervisor's nomination of Elizabeth Akleh, Tod Renzi and Phillip Ray for reappointment to the Canton Human Relations Commission for three year terms effective January 22, 2003 through January 21, 2006. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 2. Special Community Event Status and the Installation of Subdivision Entrance Signs for Canton's 100 Days to Health Program. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve special event status for Saint Joseph Mercy Health System's 100 Days to Health program and permission to install signs advertising the event. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 3. Consider the Inter-Governmental Agreement Between Wayne County and Canton Township for the Paving of Lotz Road from Palmer Road to 1500 Feet North. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the resolution and to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Inter-Governmental Agreement between Wayne County and Canton Township for the Paving of Lotz Road from Palmer Road to 1500 feet North. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 4. Appointment to The Construction Board of Appeals. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to re-appoint Ron Pennington to the Construction Board of Appeals, (term expiring 12/31/07). Motion carried unanimously.

Item 5. Transfer of 20,000 Shares of Stock in Class C Liquor Licensed Business Located at 44282 Warren, Canton, MI from Ronald Veil to Kenneth Hintz. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the request from R.G.V.S. to transfer stock (2002 licensing year) in 2002 Class C Licensed business located at 44282 Warren, Canton, MI, by dropping Ronald Veil as stockholder through transfer of his 20,000 shares to new stockholder, Kenneth Hintz be considered for approval and is the consensus of this legislative body that the application be recommended for issuance. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 6. Set Public Hearing for Consideration of Establishment of Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to set the Public Hearing date for March 25, 2003 to consider the "Resolution of Intent to Create a Canton Township Brownfield Redevelopment Authority" and further authorize the Township Clerk to publish notice in *The Observer and Eccentric Newspaper*. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 7. Consider Request for Approval to Grant Detroit Edison an Overhead and Underground Easement at Canton Township Property Parcel Id No. 076-99-0009-000 (Independence Park). Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the Township Clerk to sign the Easement Agreement between Canton and Detroit Edison. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. Consider Douglas/Cantrell/Bretzlaff Rezoning. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the resolution to rezone certain property identified by property tax EDP#s 036-01-0012-001, 036-01-0012-003, and 036-01-0012-004 from R-1, Single-Family Residential to C-2, Community Commercial District. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 2. Consider Wendy's/Tim Horton's Restaurants Site Plan. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the request of the Project Sponsor, Mr. Dennis Miller, to approve the site plan for the proposed Wendy's/Tim Horton's Restaurant, 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 Special Land Use and Site Plan for B.A.P.S. Mandir Temple. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the petitioner, Mr. Bryan Amann, to approve the special land use and site plan for the proposed B.A.P.S. Mandir Temple 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 4. Consider Authorizing Wade-Trim and Associates to Perform Required Updates to the Canton Township Water Distribution System Master Plan. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdiaz to authorize Wade-Trim to perform the necessary updates to Canton's Water Distribution Master Plan for an amount not to exceed \$16,500. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 5. Consider Creating and Filling the Position of Continuing Part Time Clerk. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the change from a part-time position to a continuing part-time clerk in Building & Inspection Services. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 6. Consider Purchase of Water Meters and Metering Control Devices for 2003. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to accept the bid from Etna Supplies Company and approve a purchase order not to exceed \$706,000.00 and authorize the Public Works Department to purchase 100-two inch water meters, 800-one inch water meters, 1200 - 5/8 x 3/4 inch water meters, 2100 Radio Read Transceiver Units (MXU's), and associated support control equipment during the 2003 calendar year. Funding to come from FY 2003, Account #592-000-111-0003. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 7. Approval of Police Captains Contract. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the collective bargaining agreement between Canton Township and the Canton Police Captains (POLC) union to run from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 8. Purchase of 27 Computers for the Various Township Divisions. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of 27 Dell brand computers on the State Contract for a cost not to exceed \$50,700. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 9. Approval to Purchase Maintenance and Support for the Premier MDC Product from Motorola. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdiaz to approve the purchase of maintenance and support from Motorola for the Premier MDC software. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 10. Approval to Purchase Premier MDC Client Licensing. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the purchase of six Premier MDC client licensing from Motorola for a cost of \$7,260. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 11. Request to Approve the Hiring of Three Firefighters. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the hiring of three additional firefighters for the Canton Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 12. Increase Contract Amount with Heaney General Contracting. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to increase the amount of the contract with Heaney General Contracting for drainage repair work in the amount of \$2,220 to provide drainage repair work at Summit on the Park. I further move to approve the following budget amendment in the Community Improvement Fund for this contract: Increase Revenues: Appropriation from Fund Balance #246-000-699-0000 \$2,220 Increase Appropriations: Capital Improvements-Parks/Recreation #246-750-970-0000 \$2,220. This budget amendment increases the Community Improvement Fund budget from \$2,065,000 to \$2,067,220. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 13. Request to Increase in S and J Asphalt Purchase Order for Pheasant Run Golf Course Cart Path Repair. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdiaz to increase purchase order with S & J Asphalt Paving Company \$4,730 from their original budget of \$83,380 for a total amount of \$88,110 with the expense charged to Account 469-900-971-2110. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 14. Request Approval to Authorize an as Built Master Plan of The Victory Park Boulevard Parking Lot And Utility Infrastructure. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve a contract with Boss Engineering for development of a Victory Park As Built Master Plan. The engineering costs are not to exceed the proposed costs of \$5,300 with a 10% contingency of \$530 for a total budget of \$5,830 from account 101-270-818-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN: Motion by Bennett, Supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK,
Supervisor

TERRY C. BENNETT,
Clerk

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**LeBlancs are golden**

Ralph "Bud" and Shirley LeBlanc are proud to announce their 50th wedding anniversary. They married Nov. 15, 1952 at St. Francis deSales in Detroit. They have lived in Plymouth Township since 1990, having moved from Westland.

The LeBlancs have six children, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Both Bud and Shirley love to bowl and golf.

They are members of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth.

They celebrated their 50th anniversary beginning with a vow renewal at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, then went to Steak & Ale in Plymouth for an anniversary dinner and then back to their home with their entire family in tow for a quiet celebration, enjoying cake, ice cream and the company of their family.

A surprise gift was an anniversary cruise to the Caribbean given to them by their children and grandchildren. They had a wonderful time.

**DuLong-Squires**

Gary and Sharon DuLong of Canton are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristin Elise DuLong, to Mark Adam Squires, son of Doug and Barb Squires of Plymouth.

Kristin is a 1999 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and will graduate in May 2003

from Michigan State University with a degree in elementary education.

Mark is a 1999 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and will graduate in May 2003 from Michigan State University with a degree in communications. A May 31, 2003, wedding is planned at St. John's Center Chapel in Plymouth.

**Puzzuoli-Torres**

Kent and Benita Puzzuoli of Canton are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Deanna, to Francisco Taverner Torres, son of Clemente Taverner Sendra and Maria

Lolita Torres Moll of Spain.

Michelle is a life-long resident of Plymouth and Canton. Francisco was born in Connecticut, raised in Spain and has been a Michigan resident since 1998.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE TO PUBLIC BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENTS

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Terry G. Bennett, Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan to all residents of the Charter Township of Canton: that all persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board. A personal appearance is not required. All petitions must be received in the Assessors's office by March 11, 2003.

The Board of Review will be held in the Canton Township Hall on the first floor, at 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Please come prepared, as an eight (8) minute limit before the Board will be strictly adhered to.

The Following is the schedule for March Board of Review appointments:

Saturday, March 8, 2003 Hearings from 9:00 a.m. -- 12:00 p.m.
First Come, First Serve (Walk-in-Schedule)

Monday, March 10, 2003 Hearings from 9:00 a.m. -- 12:00 p.m.
AND 1:00 p.m. -- 5:00 p.m.
(Appointments Only)

Tuesday, March 11, 2003 Hearings from 1:00 p.m. -- 5:00 p.m.
AND 6:00 p.m. -- 9:00 p.m.
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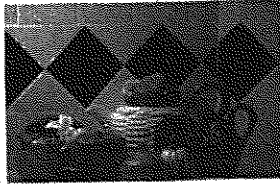
If you have any questions regarding the March Board of Review, you may call Emily Pizzo, Secretary to the Board of Review (734) 394-5111.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk
Charter Township of Canton

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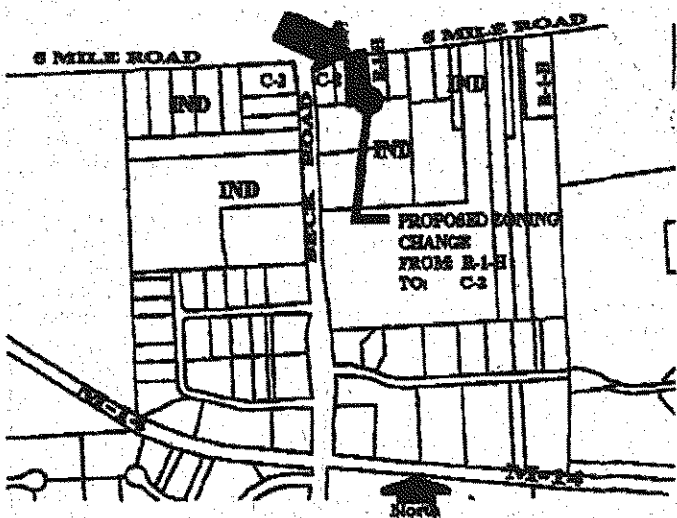
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP
REZONE FROM: R-1-H, Single Family Residential District
REZONE TO: C-2, General Commercial District
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, March 19, 2003
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a petition to rezone parcel 010-99-00015-000 from R-1-H, Single Family Residential District to C-2, General Commercial District. App. 1774



AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 136 Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel description, see tax records based on Tax ID No. R78-010-99-0015-000.

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JOE BRIDGMAN, Secretary
Planning Commission

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SHURGARD STORAGE

Notice is hereby given that the following units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of open auction on 3-10-03 at approximately 9:00 AM at the following Shurgard Storage locations:

Shurgard of Canton South
45229 Michigan Ave.
Canton, MI 48188
734-398-5416

#5166 Household goods.
#4164 Household goods.
#4206 Household goods.
#1009 Household goods.

Shurgard of Plymouth
41877 Joy Rd.
Canton, MI 48187
734-459-2200

#2021 Household goods.
#333 Office furniture/goods.
#9232 Household goods.

Shurgard of Taylor
9300 Pelham
Taylor, MI 48180
313-292-2950

#5023 Household goods.
#6034 Household goods.
#4083 Household goods.
#4078 Household goods.
#9019 Household goods.
#9042 Household goods.

Shurgard of Livonia
30300 Plymouth Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150
734-522-7811

#2011 Household goods.
#4002 Household goods.
#4073 Household goods.

Shurgard of Ann Arbor
2500 South Industrial
Canton, MI 48104

#3049 Household goods.
#4111 Washing machines.
#3029 Household goods.
#5045 Household goods.
#2051 Household goods.
#1058 Household goods.

Shurgard of Walled Lake
1901 East West Maple
Walled Lake, MI 48390
248-669-4020

#2027 Household items.

Shurgard of Woodhaven
25080 Hall Rd.
Woodhaven, MI 48183
734-676-8500

#233 Household goods.
#313 Household goods.
#324 Household goods.
#709B Household goods.

Shurgard of Telegraph
24200 Telegraph
Southfield, MI 48034
248-208-9000

#3245 Household goods.
#2094 Household goods.
#1070 Household goods.
#3053 Household goods.
#3025 Household goods.

Shurgard of Canton
2101 Haggerty
Canton, MI 48187
734-981-0300

#4226 Household goods.
#4211 Household goods.
#5031 Household goods.
#5002 Household goods.
#4268 Household goods.
#4066 Household goods.

Shurgard of Southfield
19350 W. Eight Mile
Southfield, MI 48075
248-357-1137

#1069 Household goods.
#1109 Household goods.
#1113 Household goods.
#1120 Household goods.
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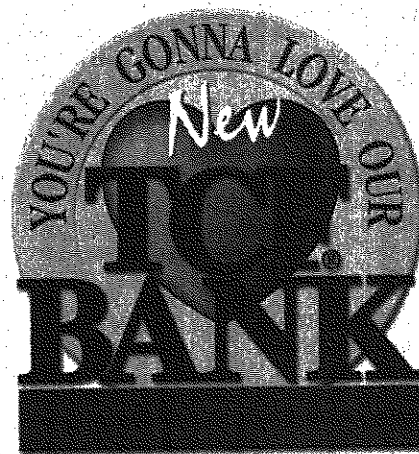
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Karol Williams (left) adds a catalyst to Bob Manikowski's test tube as the fifth-hour chemistry in the community class made ethers.

SCHOOL

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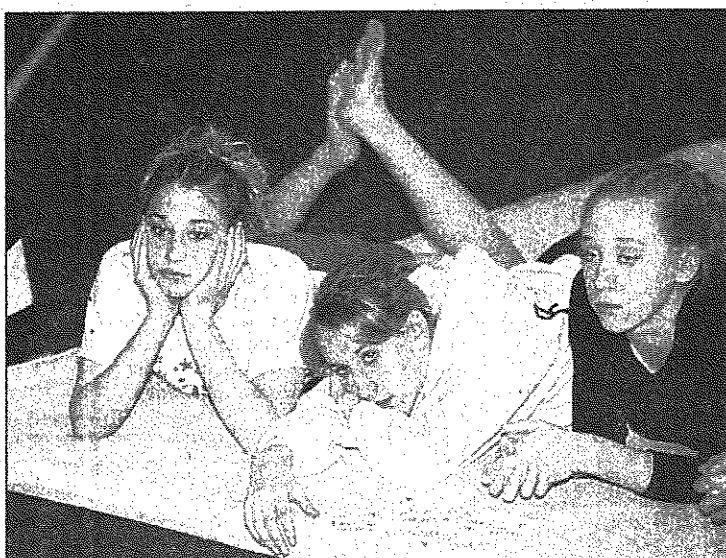
Bee said he knows the "culture" or atmosphere in each of the three buildings is different.

"The staff adapted well," he said, noting that most of the 84 or more teachers came from the other two buildings and were very experienced. "They have been enthusiastic. And I think we have had the right blend of age, experience, gender and outlook" coming from the two staffs.

Cyndy Bastion, who is the district's catering and food service coordinator, said the move into Plymouth High "went very smoothly."

"Also, I love seeing Dr. Bee in the lunchroom interacting with the kids, talking to them, shaking their hands," Bastion said. "All three principals do get in the lunchrooms and it is nice to see principals that still do that." Longtime English teacher Janet Carney was not one of the teachers who volunteered to move to Plymouth, but she's become a fan of the building.

"I have fabulous kids," Carney said. "It's been a smooth transition, a nice experience. The support staff here is marvelous."



Freshman gymnastics team members Alie Saker, from left, Alie Bates and Katie Hale relax after school before a tri-meet with Westland John Glenn and Berkley High Schools.

Canton counselor John Seidelman, who came to the district in 1971, ended up at Plymouth.

"I think we see a real enthusiasm among the class of 2006," he said. "We are seeing it in school participation, in school leadership, in athletics."

"Another positive has been the staff. The staff was a melting pot of the other two schools. I think initially there was some anxiety but now the

staff is working well together. I see an excellent level of energy."

Seidelman said the generous amount of space and eliminating the crowding at the other two buildings has been "refreshing."

He noted that in a number of classes, student numbers are still high but that the new classrooms "are state of the art."

"I even have a window," he said, noting he was in a kind of closet at Canton.

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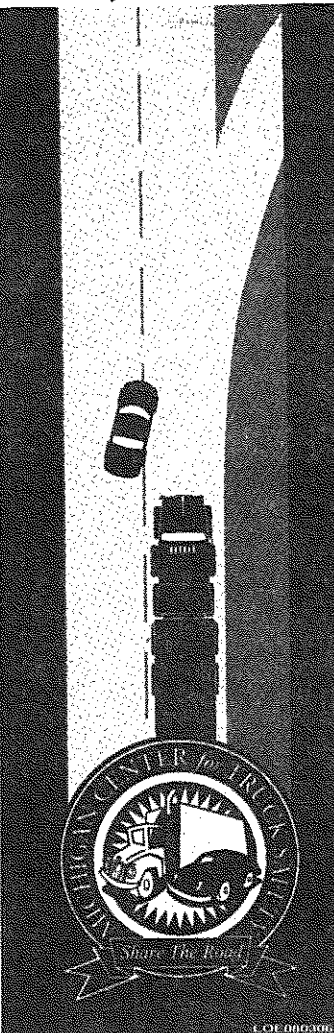
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2000 LEISURE SERVICES MASTER PLAN TO REVISE THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE AND INCLUDE THE PATRIOT PARK MASTER PLAN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Hearing shall be held before the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton on February 25, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room located at The Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan 48188, regarding the adoption of a resolution to "Amend" the 2000 Leisure Services Master Plan. The resolution will revise the Capital Improvement Schedule and also add an amendment to the 2000 Leisure Services Master Plan; "Patriot Park Master Plan". All aspects of the Resolution are open for discussion at the Public Hearing.

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NOTICE OF HEARING given that the Plymouth Township Board of Review will meet on the following dates and times:

Hearings are by appointment, please call 354-3267, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for an appointment.

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Tuesday, March 11	9 a.m. - Noon	Hearings by Appointment
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Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

All persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board. A personal appearance is not required. Appeals by mail will be accepted if received by March 15, 2003.

The Board of Review will be held in the Board Meeting Room of Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.

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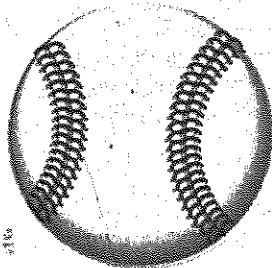
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Sidelines

Baseball clinic

The annual Salem Baseball Clinic is dividing. This spring there will be two separate sessions, on consecutive



Saturdays, March 22 and March 29, in the Salem HS gym.

Three hours of baseball instruction from Salem varsity players and coaches, for those 7-15 years old, is included.

So is lunch.
Registration is \$20.
To reserve a place or for more information, call Ron Myers at (734) 459-4026.

Kicks reign

The Plymouth Kicks under-nine boys select soccer team were best at the High Velocity Winter One Division One Indoor soccer session.

They also won the High Velocity Christmas Tournament, going undefeated and winning the final game 12-4 against the Rockets.

And at the Regional Indoor Soccer Tournament in Ann Arbor, the Kicks made the cut for the National Indoor Soccer Tournament in Baltimore.

Team members are: Jacob Alexander, DeShay Chatfield, Marcus Collins, Andrew Fulan, Robbie Galanty, Matthew Grabowski, Brandon Hope, Max Iafraite, Rene Mejia, Justin Newton, Tyler Schultz, Sean Smialacz, Ian Smith, Ben Spreitzer and Andrew Zhong.

The team is coached by Dave Collins and Tim Alexander.

Grubaugh shines

Tiffany Grubaugh, a sophomore guard at Northern Michigan University and a Salem graduate, continues to lead the Wildcats.

Grubaugh scored 24 points, grabbed four rebounds, made five steals and had three assists in NMU's 63-60 upset win over Lake Superior State. In an 82-55 victory over Northwood, she totaled 20 points and five boards.

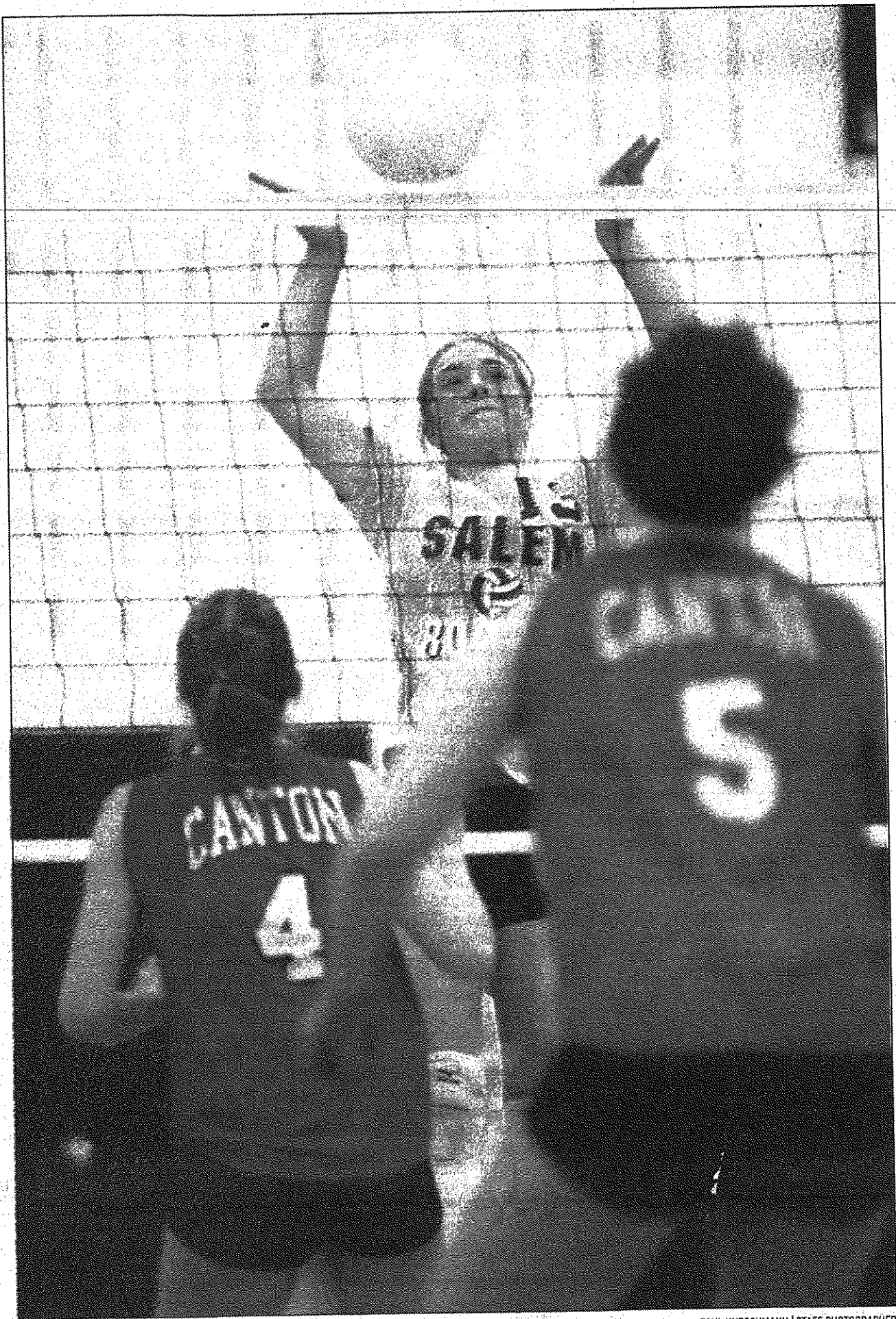
For the season, Grubaugh is averaging 15.5 points, 4.3 rebounds and 2.7 assists. NMU is 16-7 overall, 12-4 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Booster meeting

The Plymouth Football Booster Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. March 4 in Room 401 at Plymouth HS.

Please note the change in time for this meeting. All parents with current or future Wildcat football players are encouraged to attend.

For more information, please contact Jim McManus at (248) 553-5345.



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem's Ellen Canale (13) bumps this ball to a teammate for an attempted kill. Canale finished with 10 kills against Canton.

Servin' it up right

Salem outlasts Canton in 3-set battle for 3rd

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

There's a certain simplicity in sports that, in this day and age of analyzation, is often overlooked. Coaches always stress it: Get the basic skills perfected and success will follow.

In volleyball, as in any other sport, one starts at the beginning. Which means get the serving part of the game down — offensively and defensively — and you'll win.

Salem proved just that Monday when it hosted Canton in their annual cross-campus clash. In a three-set match that might have gone either way, the Rocks' superior serving skills proved decisive.

The final score: Salem 15-4, 13-15, 15-8.

The result means Salem enters Saturday's Western Lakes Activities Association tournament, hosted by Wayne Memorial, as the No. 3-seeded team; Canton will be No. 4. Livonia Churchill, unbeaten in conference play, is No. 1 and once-beaten (in league play) Walled Lake Central is No. 2.

The Rocks are 21-7 overall, 7-2 in the WLAA. Canton is 18-11 overall, 6-3 in the conference.

"That turned the match around, right there," Canton coach Steve Anderson said. "Three missed serves in a row. Once that happened, we couldn't get back in it."

The turning point Anderson referred to came in the third set. Salem dominated the first game with strong serving that put the Chiefs in retreat, scrambling to make plays on defense. The Rocks, paced by Mandy Bradley, were in complete command; they had five service aces in the game, three of those by Bradley. She finished with eight in the three games.

"The key to the match was that first game," Salem coach Tom Teeters said. "We set a tone, we knew how well we could play. Mandy Bradley's one of the best servers in the state."

It didn't seem the Chiefs were willing to argue the point. "Other than Churchill, Salem is the best serving team in the league," Anderson said.

Bradley's three first-game aces helped the Rocks double their lead, from 4-2 to 8-2, with minimal effort. The first set was never close after that, thanks also to Salem's defense; Canton did not have a single serving ace in the game.

The second game was a rollercoaster ride, the

PLEASE SEE VOLLEYBALL, D3

Salem holds off Central; Canton falls

BASKETBALL

Salem could never quite put away Walled Lake Central in a Western Lakes Activities Association basketball game Tuesday at Central. Fortunately for the Rocks, they had just enough to outlast the Vikings, 72-68.

"It was close all the way," Salem coach Bob Brodie said. "Nip and tuck the whole way. It was hard-fought and in doubt all the way."

Certainly the Rocks got off to a great start, outscoring Central 23-16 in the opening quarter. Their lead was still 43-37 at halftime.

But the Vikings turned it around in the third quarter, outpointing Salem 18-11 to take a 55-54 lead into the fourth.

The Rocks recaptured the lead for good with four minutes remaining, "but it was fragile," Brodie said. Eric Vanston's 3-pointer with 2:00 left pushed Salem's advantage to six, its biggest lead of the quarter.

Balanced scoring was a key factor in Salem's favor. Dave Hoskins led the Rocks with 17 points. Dominique Washington added 15 and Stevland Davis scored 13.

Jeff Matheny led Central with 18; Lemmie Plummer netted 17. The win gave Salem a 13-5 overall record, 4-3 in the WLAA's Lakes

PLEASE SEE HOOPS, D2

Rocks searching for 11th straight title

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

"Lickin' their chops" — that's how Salem swim coach Chuck Olson views the rest of the Western Lakes Activities Association's coaches, particularly when they look at the Rocks and try to calculate the future of the conference.

"A lot of coaches are pointing out that we have one junior in the (WLAA) meet and no freshmen," Olson said. That, they figure, translates into troubled waters ahead for the Rocks, who under Olson's direction have owned the

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conference, winning the last 10 WLAA meets in a row and 16 in the league's 20-year history.

Or at least there should be. But don't expect any immediate problems for Salem, which is as close to being a shoo-in to make it 11 straight as Catholic Central is to win the state hockey title (again).

The Rocks go into the WLAA meet, which begins with the swimming preliminaries at 1 p.m. today at Salem (the finals start at noon Saturday), as heavy favorites.

And with 13 seniors and an unbeaten dual-meet record against WLAA competition, they should be. Indeed, their closest league dual was against Canton; Salem won by 56 points.

"We haven't lost too many meets in the last 11 years," Olson said.

Thing is, the Rocks had accomplished a lot of what they wanted during the dual season, getting all their relays and most of the individuals they figured would make it qualified for the state meet. With the Farmington schools having dropped out of the

conference, the WLAA was weakened, leaving few other real challenges for Salem.

MISCA improvement

Which made it difficult to gauge just how good a team the Rocks had. And that's what made last Saturday's MISCA Invitational at Eastern Michigan University — site of the Division I state finals March 7-8 — so pivotal.

Team scores were not kept, but Salem's improvement was evident. In all three relays the Rocks' times dropped, and

PLEASE SEE SWIM, D4

Ladywood's strong start dooms PCS

A stellar opening period proved to be the difference Tuesday as Livonia Ladywood skated to a 6-4 Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey victory over host Plymouth-Canton-Salem at Arctic Edge Arena.

The Blazers, 11-5 overall, jumped out to a 3-0 first-period lead and won despite being outscored 4-3 in the final period.

Ladywood also won the first meeting against PCS, 7-2.

"The other team played hard and fought all the way through," Ladywood coach Bruce Peck said. "We played a good first period, but from there it was downhill. We had some girls sick and I think we got a little tired in the second and third periods."

Katie Karabelski led Ladywood with two goals and one assist. Tess Castine chipped in with a goal and two

PLEASE SEE HOCKEY, D7



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The Penguins' Lisa Ealy (32) scores a goal despite the efforts of Ladywood goalie Danni St.onge.

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Notre Dame Prep sidelines Shamrocks

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Redford Catholic Central's run in the Catholic League Central-AA playoffs was short-lived Sunday as Pontiac Notre Dame Prep pulled out a 74-69 boys basketball victory at the University of Detroit's Calihan Hall.

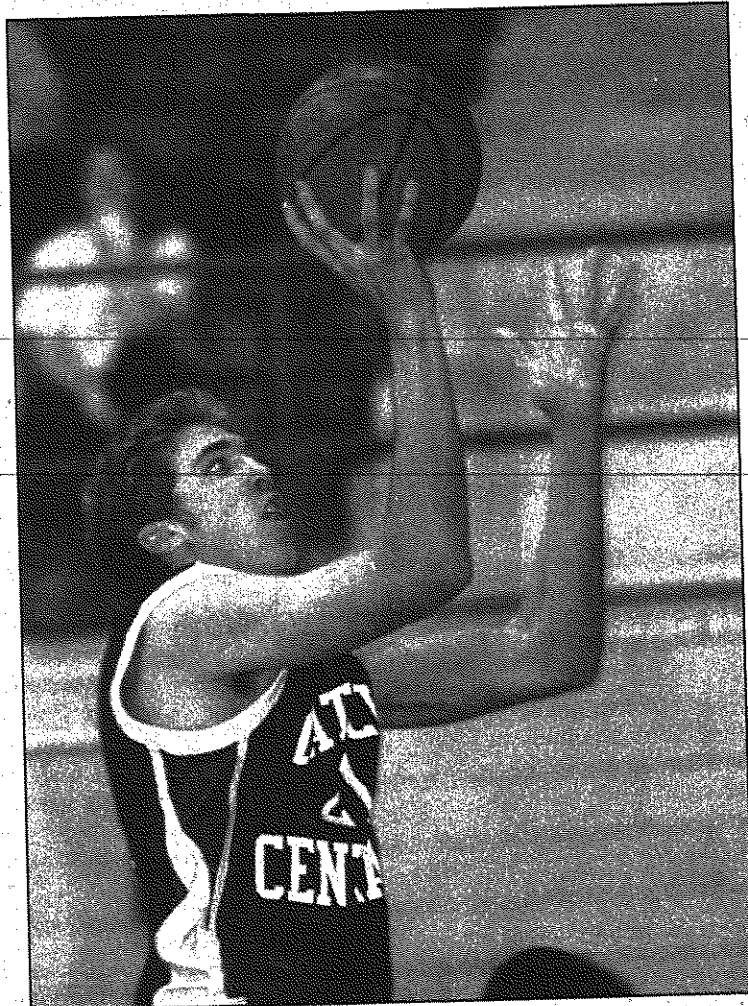
CC, which dropped to 8-7 overall, hasn't won a Catholic League title since 1997.

Notre Dame Prep, 10-6, advances to the Central-AA semifinal to face 17-0 Detroit DePorres, 7:30 tonight at Schoolcraft College.

Matt Geyer, a 6-foot-2 senior guard, led the Fighting Irish with a game-high 22 points. Sophomore point-guard Keith Kampe, son of Oakland University men's basketball coach Greg Kampe, chipped in with 21 points. Matt Garza, who hit a big 3-pointer late in the final quarter to put Notre Dame up by four, added 16.

Jim Cash, a 6-4 junior, led CC with 20 points, while 6-10 junior center Dan Waterstradt, despite sitting part of the first half in foul trouble, added 19. Junior point-guard Dave Herberholz contributed 15.

CC led 18-15 after one quarter, but Notre Dame Prep rallied to 38-34 halftime advantage. The Fighting Irish opened up a 10-point lead early in the



CC's Jared Henderson scored four points in the Shamrocks' loss to Pontiac Notre Dame Prep in the first round of the Catholic League playoffs on Sunday

fourth quarter, but the Shamrocks roared back to take a one-point lead on two differ-

ent occasions late in the game. "When we went up one I thought we were in good shape,

but they (Notre Dame Prep) answered the bell," CC coach Rick Coratti said. "What hurt us was second-chance opportunities. You've got to block our three-point shooter. We'd turn and look around, but they ran right by us."

"I bet they got 10 points off it." Notre Dame Prep ran a zone defense to stymie the Shamrocks.

"There was too much standing around, they took us out of our rhythm," Coratti said.

Lutheran East 53, Huron Valley 37: Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (3-13) fell apart the second half Tuesday as host Harper Woods Lutheran East (6-12) stormed back for the non-league victory.

The Hawks, making 20 second-half turnovers, were outscored 32-12 over the final 16 minutes after leading 25-21 at intermission.

"We got beat on the boards," Huron Valley coach Jim Ott said. "We lead at the half like a lot of our games, then we're afraid to win. It's not physical, it's a mental thing."

Brandon Lastutter and Robert Carlisle paced the victorious Eagles with 16 and 14 points, respectively.

Dan Schultz had 11 for the Hawks, who made 13-of-15 foul shots.

HOOPS

FROM PAGE D1

Division. Central is 6-12 overall, 0-7 in the Lakes.

Churchill 54, Canton 47: Livonia Churchill was long overdue.

After playing a stretch of close games recently and coming out on the short end, the Chargers busted loose Tuesday with a homecourt victory over Canton.

It was Churchill's first win of the season in 19 tries. The Chargers finish 1-7 in the Western Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association, while Canton

drops to 5-13 overall and 2-5.

Churchill jumped out to a 21-14 halftime lead and held off Canton by making at total of 17-of-20 free throws, including 12-of-13 in the final period.

Junior Tim Van Dusen paced Churchill with a game-high 15 points. Senior Jerry Murray and junior Tristen Thomas added 12 apiece, while senior Andrew Bannoura contributed 11.

The Chargers made 17-of-32 shots from the floor (53.1 percent).

Senior Paul Kennedy, making a rare start, helped spark the Churchill defense.

"We got up early, kept our composure, played smart, played hard and we didn't take bad shots," said Churchill

first-year coach Jim Solak, who also notched his first win with the Chargers. "The last month we've been playing well. We had hoped for this to happen."

Senior center Steve Thornton led Canton with 14 points, while senior guard Dave Nicoloff added 10.

Canton was 11-of-16 from the line.

PCA 69, Lutheran Westland 62: With only eight

available players Tuesday, Plymouth Christian Academy (8-9) had to stay out of foul trouble against Lutheran High Westland (3-14).

Mission accomplished.

The host Eagles overcame a 36-34 halftime deficit to beat the Warriors as Clay Welton led

the way 21 points, including seven in the third quarter as PCA outscored Lutheran Westland 21-9.

Welton hit 13-of-15 free throws and grabbed eight rebounds, while Dan Carty contributed 19 points and four rebounds.

Ben Pew and Ben Baloga added 14 and 11 points, respectively. Pew also grabbed 15 boards.

Lutheran Westland's top two scorers, Doug Haller (16) and Joel Wolfram (12), both fouled out. Ian McLaughlin and Ryan West contributed 11 points each, while Andy Hess had eight.

PCA was 24-for-35 from the free-throw line; Lutheran Westland was 4-of-10.

Canton completes its dual-meet season with a strong showing

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

It was a busy, and fairly productive, week for Canton's gymnastics team.

It started last Thursday with a dual meet at Westland John Glenn, a meet the Chiefs won 132.10-116.75. On Saturday, they traveled to Traverse City Central to take on the Traverse City Consolidated team and Cadillac. Traverse City won the meet with 140.05, but the Chiefs posted their best score of the season, 139.55. Cadillac was third at 127.25.

On Monday, Brighton — one of the best teams in the state — was Canton's adversary in a Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet at Brighton. The Bulldogs won, 143.15-136.95.

The results left Canton with an 8-5 final dual-meet record going into the WLAA Championships, starting at 6 p.m. today at Plymouth HS.

"I would say Brighton is the (league) favorite, along with Northville-Novis," said Canton coach John Cunningham. "They're going to fight it out, but I don't think Northville-Novis has the depth it had last year."

"Hartland and Livonia Unified should be battling for third, with Salem and us right there too."

Canton came very close to realizing one of its major goals of the season last Saturday when it fell just .45 short of a 140 score. "That was our best score of the season by more than three points," noted Cunningham.

Several top scores were posted by the Chiefs, but one of the more impressive performances for the team came on the balance beam. Not one of the six performers experienced a fall.

"I don't ever remember anything quite like that happening," the longtime Canton coach remarked.

All the Canton gymnasts competed in Division II — Kara Ahern usually scores in Division I — and Ahern placed first in the all-around with a 35.2 total. Ahern won the floor exercise (9.3), was second in the vault (8.6), took fifth in the beam (8.9) and was sixth in uneven parallel bars (8.4).

Brigid Fitzgerald placed third in the all-around (34.35), taking first in the vault (8.95), tying for third in beam (9.0) and finishing sixth in floor (8.25).

Jessie Bates turned in a personal-best score of 9.4 in winning the beam. Bates was also second on bars (8.95). Audra Ahern tied for third in both beam (9.0) and floor (8.7), and Andrea Nyberg was sixth in the all-around (33.45), placing third in the bars (8.55) and sixth in beam (8.5). Mina Prizadeh took fourth in vault (8.5) and Lauren Foley was fifth in floor (8.4).

Against Brighton Monday, the Chiefs — even with Bates out of action after hurting her knee in the first event — had several sterling performances. Kara Ahern's 35.55

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all-around total placed her third, and Fitzgerald's 33.65 was good for sixth place. First overall was Brighton's Carrie Monstrola with a 36.20; she also won the floor (9.3) and bars (9.5).

Kara Ahern won the beam (9.0), took fourth in floor (9.1), tied for fourth in bars (8.9) and finished fifth in vault (8.55). Fitzgerald was first in vault (9.05) and tied for fifth in floor (8.5).

Audra Ahern was third in bars (8.9), Nyberg tied for fifth in floor (8.5) and took sixth in vault (8.4), and Prizadeh was fifth in bars (8.85).

Against John Glenn last Thursday, Kara Ahern won the all-around (34.3) and beam (9.0), took second in both the floor (8.25) and bars (8.45), and tied for second in the vault (8.6) to lead the Chiefs.

Bates recorded a 32.8 all-around, good for second place. She won the bars (8.6), tied with Kara Ahern for second in the vault (8.6) and placed fourth in the floor (8.05).

Fitzgerald was next best for Canton, taking third in the all-around (32.55), winning the vault (9.1) and placing fourth in beam (8.05). Audra Ahern won the floor (8.3).

The Chiefs' strong performances built optimism for the upcoming WLAA Finals. "It should be a very strong conference meet," predicted Cunningham, "even with Farmington (Unified) gone."

"I would say Brighton, Northville-Novis, Hartland and Livonia (Consolidated) are going to state for sure, and either Salem or Canton."

Perhaps both. As for the Chiefs chances, Cunningham said:

"Next year, we're going to be a force. This year, we're just a factor."

Saker leads Plymouth

The all-freshmen Plymouth squad wasn't able to derail the more experienced Fraser team Monday, losing 127.35-123.10 at Plymouth HS.

The loss left the Wildcats at 4-5 for the season.

Plymouth's Alie Saker recorded the top all-around score, however, posting a 33.25. Saker finished first in the floor exercise (8.7) and uneven parallel bars (8.6), and second in vault (8.4).

Amy Quiambao was third in the all-around (31.95), taking second in floor (8.35), third in bars (7.65), and fifth in both vault (8.0) and balance beam (7.95).

Other top scores for the Wildcats came from Alie Bates, fourth in bars (6.85), and Katie Hale, third in floor (8.25).

"I'm definitely proud of my girls," said Plymouth coach Andrea Price, admitting their strong performance this season has surprised even her because "we have some girls who never did gymnastics before, but there are some very good athletes."

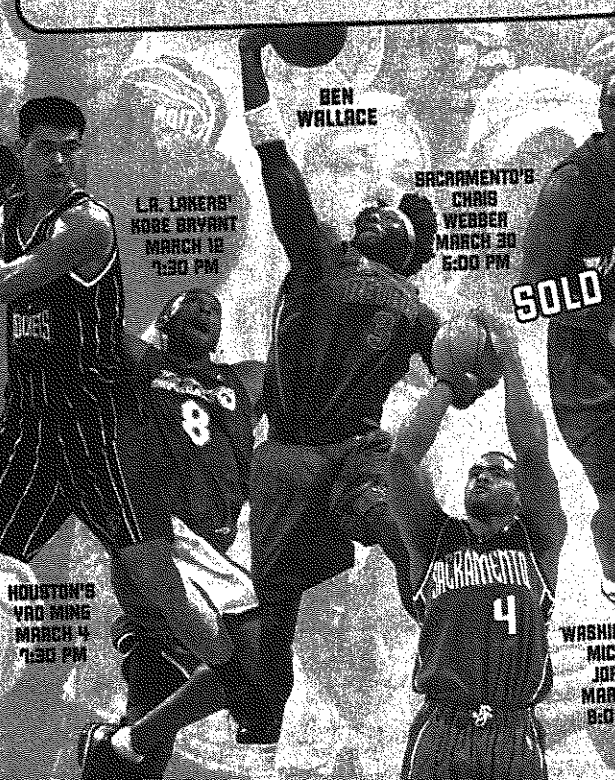
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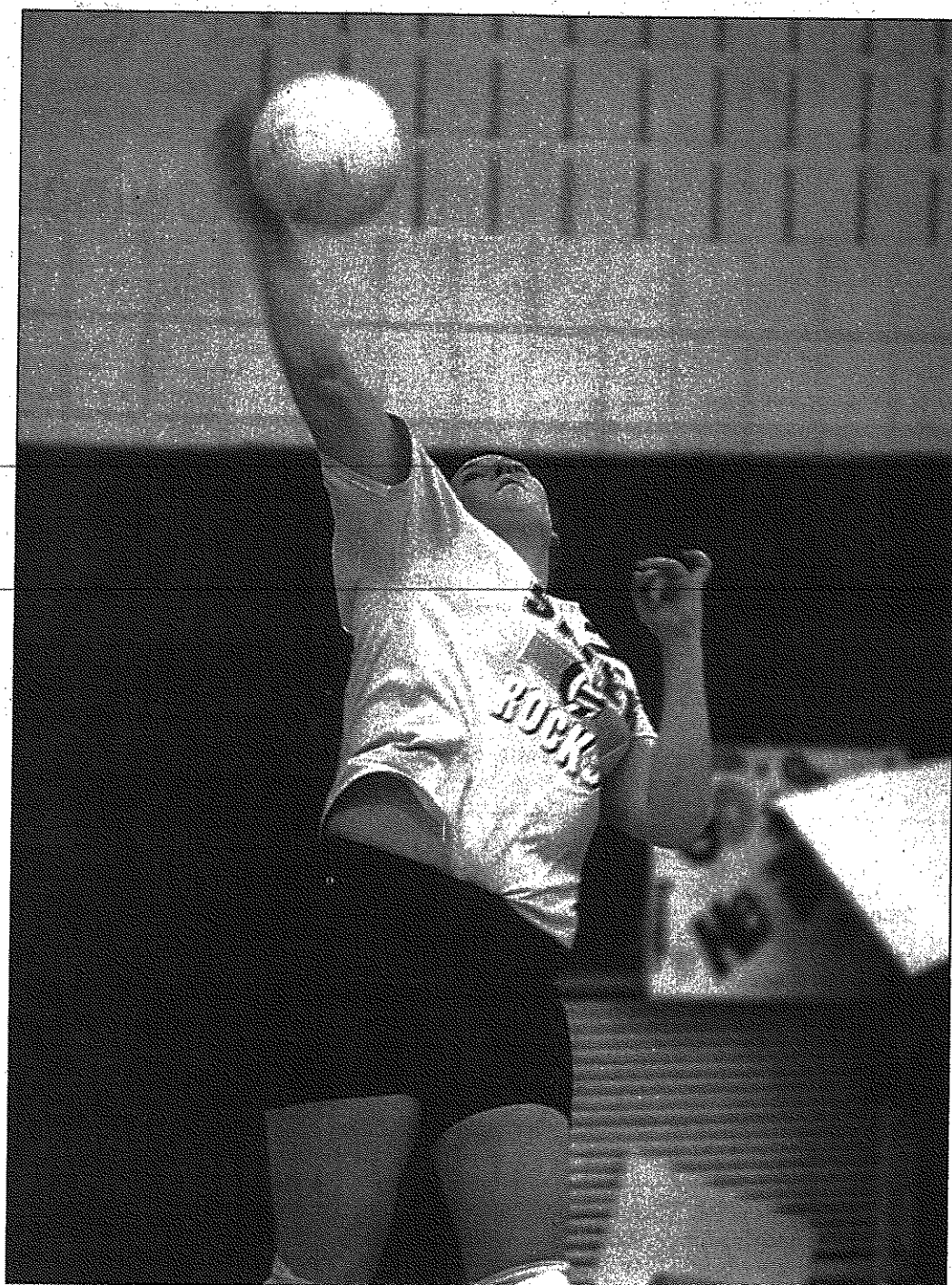
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Salem's Mandy Bradley wrecked Canton with eight service aces.

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VOLLEYBALL

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Chiefs opening a 3-0 lead before the Rocks took control, building a 10-4 lead. The first five of those points came with Bradley serving, three of them on aces.

But then the Chiefs started to regroup, surrendering points more stubbornly. The turning point in this game came after Canton had narrowed the gap to 11-8; 10 consecutive serves ended in side outs before Bradley managed a single ace, increasing Salem's lead to 12-8.

With Salem ahead 13-10, the Chiefs' Cindy Rotramel stepped in to serve, and teammate Kristen Lake did the rest. Three kills by Lake sparked a five-point run, giving Canton a 15-13 win.

"Our defense was good in the first and third games," said Teeters, his team playing without senior setter (and all-state soccer star) Jordan Falcusan, who was in Arizona for an Olympic Development Program clinic. And although the Rocks didn't win the second game, Teeters thought the effort expended by Canton had much to do with the third game's result.

"The second game took more out of them than us," he said.

The Chiefs had the early advantage in the final game, opening up a 7-3 lead, with Rotramel serving four of those points. That, however, was Canton's summit for the game; Lauren Price served seven straight points for Salem (three coming on kills by Ellen Canale) to overturn that deficit and give the Rocks a 10-7 advantage, a lead they never lost.

Fittingly, on Salem's Senior Night, the match-clinching kill came from Bradley, a 5-foot-11 senior right-side hitter. She finished with 17 kills to go with her eight aces. Canale had 10 kills, Price totaled six kills, 10 digs and three aces, and Nicole Genrich had 11 digs.

For the match, Salem had 13 service aces; Canton had seven.

Lake was the Chiefs' key offensive force, finishing with nine kills and three aces, as well as 22 digs, four solo blocks and five block assists. Katie Esper and Colleen O'Brien added seven kills apiece, Kelly Baker collected 14 digs and Rotramel had 20 service receptions (with one error) and two aces.

"Once we got aggressive (in the second game), we did well," Anderson said. "Once we went into a shell, we were in trouble."

Canton finished the match in a shell, unable to penetrate

Salem's defense. "We were tentative once again," Anderson said. That will have to change if the Chiefs are to make a run at this weekend's tournament.

Canton goes 2-2

The draw seemed easy to start with for Canton at Saturday's Wayne State Invitational, but it didn't end that way.

The Chiefs faced Livonia Clarenceville and Riverview in their first two pool-play matches and won both easily, defeating the Trojans 15-5, 15-6 and the Pirates 15-3, 15-3.

But then they had to go against Port Huron Northern, at one point this season ranked among the state's best. The Huskies beat the Chiefs 15-7, 15-8.

With the 10-team field divided into three pools, Canton was faced with playing Northern a second straight time in the first play-off round. Although the Chiefs played better, they still lost again, 15-10, 15-9.

O'Brien had a solid tournament for Canton, finishing with 20 kills (12 in the two matches against Northern) and 12 service aces. Rotramel had 14 kills and 32 digs (20 against the Huskies) in the journey and Lake got 14 kills.

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Lady Ocelots topple Macomb CC

Flexing a little muscle every once in a while never hurts - especially if you're the one doing the flexing.

Schoolcraft College women's basketball team did just that Saturday as they beat Macomb Community College, 84-64.

The win improved the Ocelots record to 10-2 in the MCCA Eastern Conference (18-7 overall), while the Monarchs fell to 4-8 in the conference (10-15 overall).

Pam Wingate paced Schoolcraft with 30 points and eight rebounds, while Ashley Wagner led Macomb with 17 points and seven rebounds.

The Ocelots' defense set the tone in the first half, holding

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MCC to just 26 points in the half, while the offense picked up 39. Thanks to that stifling defense, Schoolcraft was able to compensate for an off night on the offensive end, as it shot only 40 percent from the field and coughed up the ball 19 times.

Also coming up big in the victory for the Lady Ocelots was Chrystal Pittman, who scored 20 points and snatched 12 rebounds. Jackie Kondziolka had 12 points, seven rebounds and Kacie Girgenti had 10 points, six rebounds for Macomb.

For the game, the Ocelots

forced the Monarchs into 22 turnovers and 33 percent shooting from the floor.

Cornerstone University 67, Madonna University 62: Senior Day was one to be forgotten as the Crusaders were unable to send off their three seniors with a win.

The loss dropped Madonna to 6-6 in Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference play and 8-19 overall, while Cornerstone (17-11) raises its record to 7-5 in the WHAC. It also made the Crusaders' battle for a home playoff spot tougher. If the playoffs were to start today, they would be seeded fifth.

All three Crusader seniors put up good numbers as Lindsay Simmon scored 15 points, Loriann Tschirhart added 12 and Nikki Blaszk kicked in with 10. Crusader junior center Courtney Rehbine chipped 11 points in the loss.

Golden Eagles guard Cathi Velzen led all scorers with 26 points while Katie Anderson had 17 and Jessica Watson 12.

Whalers prove to be too tough for Ice Dogs

The Plymouth Whalers continued their winning ways with a 5-2 Ontario Hockey League victory over the Mississauga Ice Dogs Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Ice Arena.

The win extended their winning streak to four games and improves their overall record to 33-11-8-2. The loss dropped the Ice Dogs to 18-25-11-1.

Leading the charge were James Wisniewski (from Canton) and Chris Thorburn, both collecting a goal and an assist.

The first period was a defensive one as the Whalers put

only four shots on goal, while the Ice Dogs had only eight and neither team was able to capitalize.

Thorburn finally opened the scoring 2:47 into the second period, while Nick Vernelli added another goal for the Whalers a little less than 10 minutes later.

The score stayed 2-0 for the rest of the period, as Plymouth went into intermission hoping that a two-goal lead would be enough.

The Ice Dogs woke up in the third period, ruining Paul Drew's shutout bid 3:19 into the stanza on a Patrick

O'Sullivan goal. The Whalers countered on a Wisniewski goal at the 6:01 mark to regain their two-goal lead.

However, the Ice Dogs were not going to go away as they closed the gap to 3-2, on a goal by Dan Siska at the 11:04 mark.

But Plymouth again kept the Ice Dogs at arm's length on Karl Stewart's power-play goal at 14:11, then added an empty-net goal with 15 seconds left from Jimmy Gagnon.

Drew stopped 24 of the 26 shots he faced in net for Plymouth.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL
Friday, Feb. 21
Canton at Franklin, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Salem, 7 p.m.
Franklin Road vs. Canton Agape, 7:30 p.m.
(at Discovery MS)
Wayne at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
Huron Valley at B.H. Rooper, 8 p.m.
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Feb. 20
Clarenceville at Riv. Richard, 5:30 p.m.
Huron Valley at Ypsi Calvary, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 22
UM-Dearborn Tournament, 9 a.m.
Metro Conf. Tourney at Luth. Westland, 9 a.m.
W.L.A. Tourney at Wayne, 9 a.m.
PREP HOCKEY

Thursday, Feb. 20
Ladywood at Port Huron (McMorran), 4 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 21
Franklin vs. Northville (Edgar), 6 p.m.
Country Day vs. Salem (Cultural Center), 8 p.m.
Canton vs. W.L. Western (Lakeland), 8:20 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 22
Redford CC vs. Brother Rice (Redford), 8 p.m. PREP
BOYS SWIMMING
Thursday, Feb. 20
W.L.A. preliminaries at Salem, 1 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 21
W.L.A. diving at Salem, 2:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 22
W.L.A. finals at Salem, noon.
PREP GIRLS GYMNASTICS
Thursday, Feb. 20

Western Lakes meet at Canton, 6 p.m.
PREP SKING
Thursday, Feb. 18
SEMSL Championship at Mt. Holly, 9 a.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Feb. 22
Madonna at Indiana Tech, 3 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Feb. 22
Madonna at Indiana Tech, 1 p.m.
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Thursday, Feb. 20
Whalers at Sarnia Sting, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 21
Whalers at Guelph Storm, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 22
Whalers vs. Owen Sound (Compuware), 7:30 p.m.



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Through Feb. 18200-yard medley relay
(Division 1 state cut: 1:44.09)

Salem	1:42.81
Catholic Central	1:46.59
Canton	1:46.73
Stevenson	1:50.55
Livonia Churchill	1:51.46

200-yard freestyle
(Division 1 state cut: 1:50.39)

Ben Dzialo (Salem)	1:49.61
Nick Dixon (Salem)	1:50.00
Joe Le (Canton)	1:51.12
Andy Grant (Churchill)	1:51.29
Yuhei Uno (Canton)	1:53.21
Nick Stone (John Glenn)	1:54.73
Andrew Carlin (CC)	1:54.91
Rob Cyrek (CC)	1:55.21
Matt Jurcak (Salem)	1:55.98
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	1:56.29

200-yard individual medley
(Division 1 state cut: 2:04.99)

Rob Cyrek (CC)	2:01.81
Ben Dzialo (Salem)	2:03.78
Andrew Carlin (CC)	2:04.29
Nick Dixon (Salem)	2:04.59
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	2:05.64
Yuhei Uno (Canton)	2:09.09
Joe Le (Canton)	2:11.35
Steve Reasor (Canton)	2:13.43
Andy Grant (Churchill)	2:14.11
Mike Horgan (Salem)	2:15.58

50-yard freestyle
(Division 1 state cut: 22.94)

Ben Dzialo (Salem)	22.51
Joe Le (Canton)	22.82
Matt Vivian (Salem)	22.89
Andrew Carlin (CC)	23.52
Dan Jones (CC)	23.54
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	23.71
Morgan Truscott (Churchill)	23.86
Kris Kinsvater (Stevenson)	24.02
Bill Clark (Salem)	24.18
John Faraoni (Canton)	24.18
Rob Cyrek (CC)	24.21

Diving

Dan Rais (Franklin)	249.05
Joe Rohde (CC)	233.50
Kevin Cafarelli (Canton)	203.85
Cody Stafford (Stevenson)	193.05
Ed Moore (Franklin)	191.05
Kyle Mullen (Redford Union)	184.20
Nick Reilly (CC)	180.90
Andrew Murawski (Salem)	178.10
Tyler Flood (CC)	174.85
James Quesada (Canton)	173.70

100-yard butterfly
(Division 1 state cut: 55.99)

Ben Dzialo (Salem)	52.78
Rob Cyrek (CC)	54.69
Nick Dixon (Salem)	54.97
Yuhei Uno (Canton)	55.65
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson)	56.58
Andrew Carlin (CC)	57.03
Joe Faraoni (Canton)	57.81
Shogo Uno (Canton)	58.89
Joe Le (Canton)	59.11
Mike Horgan (Salem)	59.32

100-yard freestyle
(Division 1 state cut: 49.99)

Ben Dzialo (Salem)	49.21
Joe Le (Canton)	49.58
Rob Cyrek (CC)	50.26
Andrew Carlin (CC)	51.06
Andy Grant (Churchill)	51.31
Nick Dixon (Salem)	51.42
Morgan Truscott (Churchill)	51.79
Dan Jones (CC)	52.34
Matt Vivian (Salem)	52.79
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	52.80

500-yard freestyle
(Division 1 state cut: 5:01.49)

Nick Dixon (Salem)	4:53.91
Ben Dzialo (Salem)	5:00.92
James Sattler (Canton)	5:07.43
Andy Grant (Churchill)	5:10.65
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson)	5:10.68
Joe Zatkoff (CC)	5:11.99
Nick Stone (John Glenn)	5:12.57
Rob Cyrek (CC)	5:20.38
Andrew Carlin (CC)	5:20.58
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	5:21.60

200-yard freestyle relay
(Division 1 state cut: 1:32.99)

Salem	1:30.80
Catholic Central	1:32.59
Stevenson	1:33.87
Livonia Churchill	1:36.11
Canton	1:37.12

100-yard backstroke
(Division 1 state cut: 57.09)

Nick Dixon (Salem)	56.41
Yuhei Uno (Canton)	56.92
Ben Dzialo (Salem)	58.39
Nick Stone (John Glenn)	59.75
John Faraoni (Canton)	1:00.54
Matt Jurcak (Salem)	1:01.14
Greg Scully (Churchill)	1:01.36
Jeff Nevi (Salem)	1:01.44
Rob Cyrek (CC)	1:01.48
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson)	1:01.52

100-yard breaststroke
(Division 1 state cut: 1:03.49)

Matt Showalter (Salem)	1:04.07
Ben Dzialo (Salem)	1:04.47
Andrew Drennen (Wayne)	1:07.00
Andrew Carlin (CC)	1:07.21
Andrew Knisely (Plymouth)	1:07.21
Jason Anderson (Stevenson)	1:07.80
Kris Kinsvater (Stevenson)	1:07.98
Stephen Sanney (Franklin)	1:08.14
Casey Johnson (Salem)	1:08.22
Joe Le (Canton)	1:08.33

400-yard freestyle relay
(Division 1 state cut: 3:25.39)

Salem	3:21.67
Catholic Central	3:24.59
Canton	3:30.88
Stevenson	3:39.30
Churchill	3:39.73

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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Salem's Matt Vivian bettered the state qualifying time in the 50-yard freestyle at last Saturday's MISCA meet.

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Feb. 13 at Salem

200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Nick Dixon, Adam Sonnanstine, Mike Horgan, Ben Dzialo), 1:51.73; 2. Salem (Kevin Kilgore, Bill Horgan, Patrick Sautural, Nick White), 1:56.77.
200 freestyle: 1. Matt Jurcak (S), 1:54.41; 2. Nicholas Stone (JG), 1:55.62.
200 individual medley: 1. Ben Dzialo (S), 2:07.70; 2. Matt Showalter (S), 2:17.34.
50 freestyle: 1. Matt Vivian (S), 23.30; 2. Bill

Clark (S), 24.38.
Diving: 1. Andrew Murawski (S), 186.95 points; 2. Brad Sokolowski (S), 175.15.
100 butterfly: 1. Sautural (S), 1:05.32; 2. Penn Chou (S), 1:07.13.
100 freestyle: 1. Dixon (S), 52.01; 2. Jurcak (S), 53.19.
500 freestyle: 1. Stone (JG), 5:14.37; 2. M. Horgan (S), 5:23.33.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Vivian, Sonnanstine, Jeff Nevi, Clark), 1:37.55; 2. Salem (Showalter, Matt Poniatowski, Paul Potocki,

Joe Aumiller), 1:40.68.
100 backstroke: 1. Dzialo (S), 58.39; 2. Nick Yee (S), 1:03.66.
100 breaststroke: 1. Casey Johnson (S), 1:08.22; 2. Vivian (S), 1:08.42.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (M. Horgan, Showalter, Poniatowski, Dzialo), 3:37.93; 2. Salem (Sautural, Chou, Jurcak, Dixon), 3:39.31.
Dual-meet records: Salem, 11-1 overall, 7-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association; John Glenn, 0-10 overall, 0-7 in the WLAA.

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they did it in all three without swimming their best foursome.

But while their fine performance began with the 200-yard medley relay team of Nick Dixon, Matt Showalter, Mike Horgan and Matt Vivian — their 1:43.38 clocking placed them seventh at the meet and shaved 1.28 seconds off their previous best time — it didn't end there.

"It started with the 200 medley," Olson said. "That's the best we've done without (Ben) Dzialo. That kind of drop always helps."

Especially when your best swimmer (Dzialo) isn't part of it. It got all of the Rocks' attention, which began to show in the next event, with Dzialo placing eighth in the 200 freestyle in a season-best 1:49.61.

But the biggest surprise lay just ahead for Salem, in the next event — the 200 individual medley. Joe Aumiller's previous best time, 2:11.19, would not have qualified him in the 40-swimmer MISCA field, but others pulled out due to illness, opening a slot for him.

Still, entering the race Aumiller was the slowest swimmer in the field. He didn't finish that way, trimming 5.55 seconds off his previous best time

to place 10th overall, missing the state qualifying standard by just .65 seconds.

Times keep dropping

"That swim was so important to the whole team," said Olson, adding this comparison: "Our lowest seed going into the conference meet is 26th. I can tell these guys that moving from 26th into the top 18 (which scores points at conference) can't be harder than moving from 44th into the top 10 (at MISCA)."

Things continued to fall into place for Salem, with Vivian tying University of Detroit Jesuit's Mike Frenchi for 18th in a state-qualifying 22.89 in the 50 freestyle and Dzialo tak-

ing 1.08 seconds off his previous best this season in finishing second in the 100 butterfly in 53.86.

In the 500 free, Dixon took 2.85 seconds off his previous best, placing fifth in 4:53.91. Then the team of Bill Clark, Vivian, Horgan and Dzialo went 1:30.80, placing fourth in the 200 free relay with a 1.85-second improvement.

In the 100 backstroke, Dixon was seventh in 56.41, .37 better. And in the 100 breaststroke, Showalter took 1.83 seconds off his time and placed 18th in 1:04.07, just .58 off the qualifying standard.

Olson pulled Dixon out of the 400 free relay — he had a bit of a cold — but Vivian, Matt

Jurcak, Aumiller and Dzialo still finished seventh in 3:21.67, an improvement of 2.45 seconds.

"I think we're set up well going into the league meet," Olson said. "We have to get our guys into the top six that belong there, and into the top 12 that belong there. We're probably as healthy as we've been in the last month."

Joining Dzialo, Dixon and Vivian among the conference's elite swimmers are Canton's Joe Le and Yuhei Uno, Livonia Stevenson's Kris Kinsvater and Garrett Baringhaus, Livonia Churchill's Andy Grant and Morgan Truscott, Walled Lake Western's Ben Jylkka, Steve Helewski and Jason Savage,

Northville's Joe Lunn and Walled Lake Central's Justin Fenwick and Ryan Booms.

Canton is as solidly entrenched as the probable second-place finisher at the conference meet as Salem is as the top team. The Chiefs' Uno and Le both could win individual events, Le in the 50 and 100 free and Uno in the 100 fly and 100 back.

Of course, to do so they'll have to beat some pretty good Salem swimmers named Dzialo and Vivian. And as history has shown, that's never an easy proposition.

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Madonna drops to 5th after loss

Madonna University's men's basketball team put its hopes of a home playoff game in jeopardy, losing 74-65 to Concordia University in Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference play Tuesday in Ann Arbor.

The loss dropped the visiting Crusaders to 6-7 in the WHAC (14-14 overall) and kicked them down to fifth place in the league. The top four spots earn home-court advantage.

The game looked to be an easy win for the Crusaders — on paper — with the Cardinals tied for last heading into the game. Madonna started the game on a 7-0 run, and it looked as though the rout was on.

The Cardinals battled back, however, and kept the game close for most of the first half, with Madonna holding a 33-29 halftime lead.

The second 20 minutes were a different story as the Cardinals went on an 11-2 run midway through the second half to take a 57-47 lead. Madonna battled back and was able pull within 66-62 with 44 seconds left, but that was close

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as it would get.

Both teams struggled from the field, the Crusaders shooting 36 percent while Concordia hit only 32 percent of its shots.

Madonna forward Noel Emenhiser led all scorers with 22 points. Center Jared Adamson put up 19 points for the Cardinals (10-20 overall, 3-10 in the WHAC).

Also making contributions to the Concordia win were forward Hoy Monk (17 points, 10 rebounds), guard Matt Mikel (13 points, three assists) and guard Matt Distlerath (11 points, five rebounds).

Helping out the Crusaders' cause were guard Aaron Cox (14 points, six assists), guard Joe Kofahl (11 points, four rebounds) and center Chad Nadolni (nine points, 10 rebounds).

SCHOOLCRAFT 91, MACOMB CC 64: Marcus Bennet and Gary Johnson poured in 20 points each as the fourth-ranked Ocelots went out and beat Macomb.

The win raises Schoolcraft's record to 25-1 overall (12-0 MCAA Eastern Conference), while dropping Macomb to 10-15 overall (4-8

East). Although the Ocelots put up 91 points — 44 in the second half — it was their defense that secured the victory, holding the Monarchs to just 27 points in second half.

Also contributing in the win was Andre Scott, who chipped in 12 points, while Martell Summers put up 23 points and William Harris netted 16 for Macomb.

CORNERSTONE 92, MADONNA 84: A second half in which Madonna University could do no wrong was not enough to overcome a first half in which it could do nothing right, as 15th-ranked Cornerstone University escaped with a victory.

The loss spoiled possibly the last home game for Madonna's lone senior, Aaron Cox, who was honored in a ceremony before the game. The Crusaders were paced by Dan Kurtinaitis, who led all scorers with 33 points, and Cox, who chipped in with 17. The Golden Eagles (22-6, 9-3 WHAC) received 18 points apiece from Bryan Foltice and Justin VandePol.

The Golden Eagles took control of the game early, holding Madonna to just 30 percent shooting from the floor in the first half and leading by as many as 25 points, 37-12, before going into halftime ahead by 19, 43-24.

In the second half the Crusaders looked to their captains, Kurtinaitis and Cox, and they did not disappoint, scoring 38 of Madonna's final 43 points.

The Crusaders shot 60 percent from the floor in the second half and it looked as though the upset bid would become a reality. A 15-4 run late in the second half pulled the Crusaders within 82-78, but Cornerstone proved to be too much in the end.



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HOCKEY BOOSTER ELECTIONS

The annual meeting and election of officers for the Plymouth-Canton Community Hockey Booster Club is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 11 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, located at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

Current members, and those with Canton or Salem hockey players, are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Mary Maurer at (734) 254-9234.

FLAG FOOTBALL

Total Soccer will be running 7-vs.-7 Flag Football Leagues on Tuesdays (recreational) and Thursdays (competitive) from March 4 through April 17. The league is open to those 18 years and over.

Flags and umpires fees are included. Team rosters are limited to a maximum of 14 players. Cost is \$899 per team, with a six-team minimum and a 16-team maximum. Trophies and T-shirts will be awarded to the champions.

Call Total Soccer at (248) 669-9817 for more details.

COACHES NEEDED

■ Mercy High School is currently looking for a varsity lacrosse coach. Anyone interested in the position should contact the athletic department at (248) 476-2836.

■ Bishop Borgess High School is looking for a varsity track coach for the spring sports season. For more information, please call at (313) 255-1100 or send a resume by fax at (313) 255-1102 or by mail at 11685 Appleton, Redford, MI 48239.

SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

The TSI Thunderbirds, the TSI Silver Bullets and the TSI Krush are planning tryouts, registrations and informational meetings at 6-8 p.m. on Monday, March 3 at the Doug Gillis Hitting and Pitching Academy in Wixom.

There are girls teams in age brackets from 10-and-under to 18-and-under. TSI is one of the largest girls fastpitch organizations in the area. For more information, email TSI at play-fastpitch@hotmail.com, or call the director of team development, Bruce Horste, at (734) 981-1796. Also, check out the organization's website at Thunderbirdsoftball.tripod.com.

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, Berkeley, 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.

It is a sport in which fitness, brains and brawn come together. Everyone is a ball-handler, scorer and defender. There are no playbooks; players make on-the-field decisions.

Winter (indoor) training will be 5:30-7 p.m. every Monday evening beginning Jan. 27 at the University of Michigan Coliseum (located on the corner of Fifth & Hill streets), with the possibility of additional sessions being scheduled.

For more information, call (734) 761-1988 or e-mail magnette@umich.edu.

NORTHVILLE RUN

The Galyan's Northville Solstice Run will be held Saturday, June 21. The event is

designed to promote healthy lifestyles and fitness while providing amenities and entertainment within the Northville community.

For more information, please call the Northville Parks and Recreation Department at (248) 449-9941 or race director Alan Whitehead at (248) 420-1376.

PLAYERS WANTED

The Motor City Volleyball Club is seeking players to fill teams at 12-, 13- and 14-and-under levels for the upcoming spring season.

All teams are pay to play. For more information, call Larry or Amber Wyatt at (734) 522-1680 or e-mail MCVBC@aol.com.

SOFTBALL OPENINGS

The Thunderbirds Softball Incorporated (TSI) Girls Fast Pitch Softball has player openings for the 2003 season.

Parents with girls between the ages of seven and 16 years are invited to contact either Mike Roberts (734) 397-1355, Tom Ciotti (734) 748-6081, Brian Starling (734) 718-3360 or Ray Barnes (734) 981-7281, or visit our web site at Thunderbirdsoftball.tripod.com.

SOFTBALL/BASEBALL LESSONS

Total Baseball, 30990 Wixom Road, Wixom, is helping kids 6-18 improve their game with private lessons starting at \$35 per half-hour, or five private lessons for \$160.

Instruction will be led by Von Joshua, the Toronto Blue Jays hitting coach, the Oakland University softball coaching staff, Big Ten/MAC All-Conference softball/baseball players and former professional players.

Individuals will receive instruction through a series of pitching, hitting and fielding drills.

For more information, call (248) 668-0166.

PITCHING PROGRAM

Total baseball is offering a seven-week training program for pitchers. Former USA Jr. Olympic Team member and Montreal Expo Aaron Knieper will be teaching arm strengthening techniques, pitching mechanics and philosophy.

The cost is \$325 per player. Classes will be 4-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. To register call Total Baseball at (248) 668-0166 or e-mail at totalbbballwixom@aol.com.

HIGH VELOCITY CAMPS

A series of soccer camps for players of all ages are offered at the High Velocity Indoor Soccer facility, under the instruction of former pro player and college coach Andrew Crawford, a Livonia resident.

■ Small Stars is for 3-4 year-

olds, just starting out. The class encourages parent participation and works on the basics: dribbling, passing and receiving, and shooting.

■ Kicks with Kids, for 4-5 and 6-7 year-olds, will teach the basics plus the proper techniques for turning with the ball and volleys.

■ Skill Acceleration Camp is for 8-9, 10-11, and 12-15 year-olds. This clinic focuses on one-on-one moves to beat an opponent, combination passing and volleys.

■ Striker Camp participants will work on shooting drills, including volleys, side-volleys and creating space with and without the ball. Striker camp is available for 9-12 year olds.

■ Goalkeeper Camp teaches advanced goalkeeping techniques to 9-12 year olds and includes shot-stopping and ball distribution, and is intended to increase skills and develop technical awareness.

■ The Women's Clinic con-

centrates on the basic skills of soccer, building a strong foundation of dribbling, passing and receiving, and shooting. This program is designed for the beginning to intermediate player.

All the above clinics begin with instruction and end with a scrimmage. Individual and team training is also available.

To learn more about High Velocity Sports Instructional Soccer Clinics, visit www.hvsports.com or call (734) 487-7678.

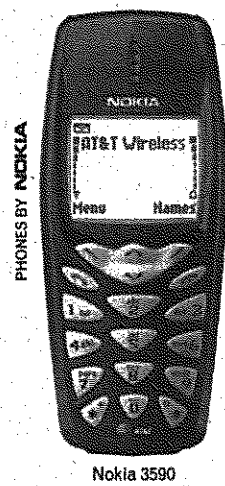
WINTER SENIOR BASKETBALL

Schoolcraft College is offering basketball for seniors 50-and-over from 10 a.m. to noon each Tuesday and Thursday, now through the end of March.

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Single white female, 40, 5'5", non-smoker, brown hair, medium to husky, loving, caring, likes a variety of activities, sports. Seeking a husky, honest, white guy, 36-46, serious long-term relationship. Macomb County. BOX 36039

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TRY THIS OUT

White female, young, 40's, with blue eyes, light brown hair. Enjoys traveling, the beach, new places, music, dancing. Looking for a non-smoker, non-drinker, emotionally fit male who enjoys new adventures. BOX 14866

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Divorced, white professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, former model, looks 40's and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 59 to 65, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

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Well traveled, educated, loving, white, professional female. Seeking a sophisticated, Christian man, 62 to 72, who can also be down-to-earth. Interests are classical music, art appreciation, world events and travel. Comfortable one-on-one and in social situations. Oakland County. BOX 35911

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Petite, divorced, white female, seeks honest and secure, single, white male, 49-55, who likes to laugh and have fun, for friendship, possible long term relationship. Dearborn area. Wayne County BOX 35950

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Petite, white female, 63, 5'1", 128 lbs, brown hair and eyes, non-smoker, attractive, talkative, good sense of humor. Seeks gentleman 60 to 66, non-smoker, sharing the things in life we both enjoy, especially travelling. BOX 36003

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Hard working, divorced white male, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs. Looking to find an easy going, intelligent, pretty white female, mid to late 40s, nice shape and build, for a long term relationship. No games please. Redford area. BOX 14640

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COME FLY WITH ME!

Handsome, professional, 57, 18 on the dance floor, 6', fit, looks and feels younger, spiritual, charismatic, enjoys sporting events, arts and travel. Seeks attractive, slender female who is ready to enjoy life to its fullest. BOX 25779

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Single white male, 40's, enjoys affirmations, meditations and yoga. Seeks spiritual spark, peace and love with his angel; single white female, 35 to 55. BOX 10468

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47 yr old, white professional male, non-smoker, 5'8", 155 lbs, fit. Loves animals, the ocean, long walks with someone special. Looking for someone special who is down to earth, honest, sincere, good looking inside and out, height weight proportionate. BOX 11282

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49 yr old male, keeps fit and healthy, with nice looks and good attitude. Seeks charming and cheerful single white female, 40s to 50s, for sharing, caring, dating and relating. BOX 13717

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36 yr old male, looking for someone, 36 to 39, to talk to and spend time with. BOX 20694

LOVE ME TENDER

Sensual single white male, 44, enjoys adult board games, massage oils, body paint, etc. Looking to share secret dreams and desires with creative, impulsive single white female. BOX 21299

DO U FIT THE BILL?

Professional white male, 52, 5'11", brown hair, blue eyes, handsome, good listener, sense of humor, college educated with multiple degrees, non-smoker, no dependents. Enjoys physical fitness, reading, movies, theater, dining, concerts, golf. Seeks professional lady, affectionate, non-smoker, same interests. BOX 15090

FATHER OF ONE...

...In Livonia. Single white father of one, 39, 6'1", 190 lbs, handsome, fit, fun, honest, secure. Enjoys reading, running, biking, skiing, family activities and much more. Looking for a positive, fit and loving female, for great relationship. BOX 14942

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Divorced white male, 55, 5'10", medium build, successful businessman. Enjoys candlelight dinners, flowers, playing, dancing, concerts, boating, travel, getaway weekends. Seeks family oriented people person with good sense of humor. BOX 14102

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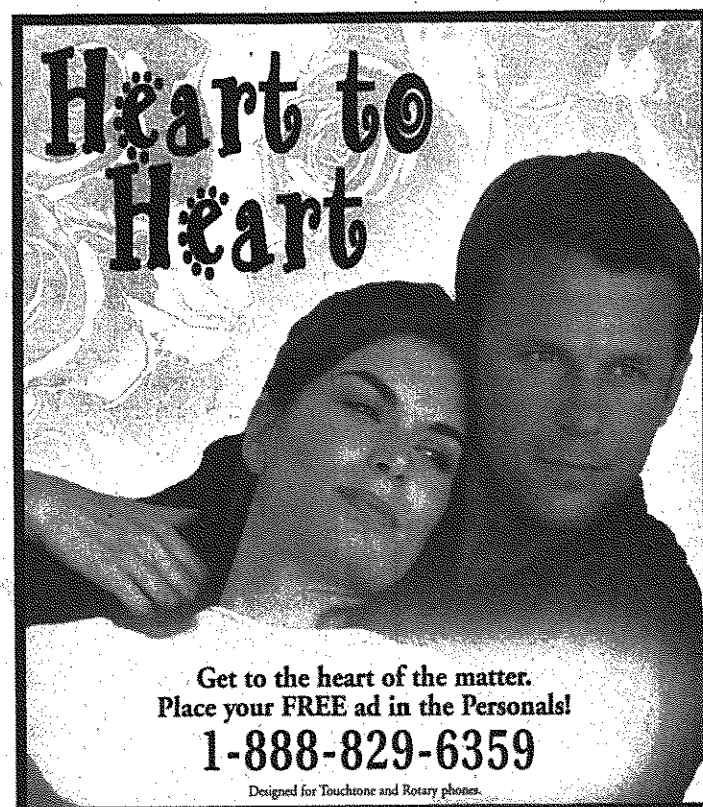
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Tall, divorced white male, 6'4", good physical condition, 56, non-smoker, self-employed, honest, sincere, sense of humor. I would like to meet a slender lady, 45 to 53, who is easygoing, with good values, for companionship, and possible long-term relationship. BOX 35984

IS SHE OUT THERE?

30, brown hair, blue eyes, mustache, 5'8", enjoys cooking, blockbuster nights, camping and more. Seeks honest woman, with religion in her life, for romance. BOX 10476

LOOKING FORWARD

Caucasian male, 29, 6'2", dark hair, hazel eyes, teddy-bear, seeks nice, attractive, fun, active lady. Enjoys cars, hot rods, shooting pool, movies, camping, travel and more. BOX 13757

LOOKING 4 THAT GIRL

Hard working, divorced white male, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs. Looking to find an easy going, intelligent, pretty white female, mid to late 40s, nice shape and build, for a long term relationship. No games please. Redford area. BOX 14640

JUST LOVABLE

Single white male, 44, loves hugging, cuddling, kissing and lots of affection. Seeking female with the same interest, age, race, size open. BOX 14939

ALL AMERICAN TYPE

Mature athletic type 50 plus, blonde 6'3", 205 lbs, professional attractive diverse interest active lifestyle. Seeks outgoing, fit, attractive unencumbered single female. To create sparks through dating, travel, long term relationship. Oakland county BOX 35995

ARE YOU OUT THERE?

Single black male, west side of Detroit, own my home. Seeks down to earth lady, attractive, 30 to 45, for friendship, relationship. I enjoy music, sports, romance, sharing and communicating. BOX 10924

HERSHEY KISS!

32 yr old, single male, 180 lbs, dark and lovely, sweet and gentle. Seeks a single female for friendship, possibly leading to more. BOX 14991

SPIRITUAL CONNECTION

Single white male, 40, is looking for love and a real spiritual connection with a single nice white female, 32 to 52. BOX 14998

I'M LOOKING FOR YOU!

Single African American male, 34, slim, wears glasses, likes going to parks, basketball, football, playing video games. Looking for a single, adventurous female, with similar interests who believes in God, 26 to 35, slim, casual dresser for a meaningful relationship. BOX 27341

JUST BE YOURSELF

I might like you anyway. Realistic, respectful, single white male, 45, believes in destiny and chemistry. ready to embrace female sweetheart. Age unimportant. BOX 30879

PICK UP THE PHONE

50 yr old, 5'4", 135 lb, single white male with mustache, from Wayne County area. Likes golf, bowling, dining in and out, music, dancing, art, crafts, weekend travel and much more. Seeks female with similar interests. BOX 30991

IF U WANT 2 CALL...

...Please do! 20 yr old male, body builder, 200 lbs, 6', dark hair, blonde highlights. Looking for a single female for a possible relationship. BOX 30997

WANTING UR OPINION!

...Please be aware of this available, adorable, single white male, if I'm one of your choices, you'll meet a fine, educated gent, with many talents and interests. Single white female, 30 to 50, responses preferred! BOX 15072

POLISH ITALIAN GUY

50, attractive and healthy, youthful and light hearted. Enjoys doing fun things and going to interesting places. Seeks lady to spend time with and get to know. BOX 20745

GETTING IT RIGHT!

Handsome teacher, 50, 6', 210 lbs, divorced, likes hunting, fishing, movies, playing the guitar, cooking, gardening, dining out and being with that special person. Seeks single female, same interests for a long term relationship. NO HEAD GAMES! Children welcomed. BOX 21155

PLEASANTLY PLUMP?

Go ahead and call open minded, single white male, 39, easy to talk too, romantic and adventurous. Seeks single white female 24-42, for meaningful relationship. Wayne county BOX 25010

DO YOU QUALIFY?

White male, 48, muscular, attractive, financial and self secure. Seeking selective, classy, attractive white or Asian female, under 45, for long term relationship. Wayne county. BOX 25970

LET STAY 2GETHER...

For ever. Single white male, 45, honest, faithful, trustworthy, caring, loving, up front, smoker, social drinker, 6', 165 lbs, looking for a white female, 35-50, on the slim side, 100-140 lbs, who has the same qualities as I do. Looking for a very serious relationship, no head games. Oakland County. BOX 26014

WHY BE ALONE!

57 yr old divorced male, 5'7", 175 lbs, fit, retired, silver hair and mustache, financially secure. Loves golf, movies, biking, travel, the beach, dining out. Seeks female, not too much baggage, thin to medium build, non-smoker. BOX 26857

SEEKS LADY 2 BE...

...My wife! White male, dark hair, nice looking, non-smoker, non-drinker, enjoys sports, dancing and more. Looking for a single woman, 26 and up, for a long term loving relationship. BOX 27318

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SUN & BEACHES

Caring, affectionate, loving, hard working, divorced white male, 54, 5'7", silver fox hair, 176 lbs. Loves ocean beaches, spending quality time together. Seeking friendship for monogamous relationship, 40 to 50. BOX 35913

UNDER THE STARS

REGIONAL HOCKEY PAIRINGS

DIVISION 1
Region No. 3
Hosted by Ann Arbor Huron
at the Ice Cube Arena
Monday, Feb. 24

Game 1 - Salem vs. Howell, 5:30 p.m.
Game 2 - Ann Arbor Huron vs. Canton, 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 25
Game 3 - Temperance Bedford vs. Jackson, 5:30 p.m.
Game 4 - Ann Arbor-Pioneer vs. Brighton, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 27
Game 5 - Salem/Howell winner vs. Huron/Canton winner, 5:30 p.m.
Game 6 - Bedford/Jackson winner vs. Pioneer/Brighton winner, 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 1
Game 7 - Finals, 7:30 p.m.
(Winner advances to the MHSAA state quarterfinals March 5 against the Region No. 4 winner.)

Region No. 4
Hosted by Catholic Central
at Redford Arena
Monday, Feb. 24

Game 1 - Royal Oak Kimball vs. Dearborn Edsel Ford, 5 p.m.

Game 2 - Birmingham Groves vs. Livonia Stevenson, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 25
Game 3 - Livonia Churchill vs. Redford Union, 5 p.m.
Game 4 - Catholic Central vs. Farmington Unified, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 27
Game 5 - Kimball/Edsel Ford winner vs. Groves/Stevenson winner, 5 p.m.
Game 6 - Churchill/Redford Union winner vs. Catholic Central/Harrison winner, 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 1
Game 7 - Finals, 8 p.m.
(Winner advances to the MHSAA state quarterfinals March 5 against the Region No. 3 winner.)

Region No. 5
Hosted by Bloomfield Hills Lahser
at Detroit Skating Club
Monday, Feb. 24

Game 1 - Troy vs. Waterford Mott, 5:30 p.m.
Game 2 - West Bloomfield vs. Port Huron, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 25
Game 3 - Marine City/St. Clair Unified vs. Utica Eisenhower, 4:30 p.m.
Game 4 - Rochester United vs. Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 27
Game 5 - Troy/Mott winner vs. West Bloomfield/Port Huron winner, 6 p.m.
Game 6 - Marine City/Eisenhower winner vs. Rochester/Lahser winner, 8 p.m.

Game 7 - Finals, 8 p.m.
(Winner advances to the MHSAA state quarterfinals March 5 against the Region No. 6 winner.)

Region No. 6
at Flint IMA Arena
Monday, Feb. 24

Game 1 - Grand Blanc vs. Lake Orion, 4 p.m.
Game 2 - South Lyon vs. Walled Lake Central, 6:15 p.m.

Game 3 - Port Huron Northern vs. Milford, 8:30 p.m.
Game 4 - Clarkston vs. Walled Lake Western, 5 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 26
Game 5 - Grand Blanc/Lake Orion winner vs. South Lyon/WL Central winner, 5 p.m.
Game 6 - Port Huron Northern/Milford winner vs. Clarkston/WL Western winner, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 1
Game 7 - Finals, 8 p.m.
(Winner advances to the MHSAA state quarterfinals March 5 against the Region No. 5 winner.)

Region No. 12
Hosted by Novi
at Novi Arena

Monday, Feb. 24
Game 1 - Novi vs. Northville, 5:30 p.m.
Game 2 - Livonia Franklin vs. Waterford Kettering, 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 26
Game 3 - Ypsilanti Lincoln vs. Novi/Northville winner, 5:30 p.m.
Game 4 - White Lake Lakeland vs. Franklin/Kettering winner, 7:45 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 28
Game 5 - Finals, 6:30 p.m.
(Winner advances to the MHSAA state quarterfinals March 4 against the Region No. 11 winner.)

Region No. 13
Hosted by Grosse Pointe South
at City Ice Arena
Tuesday, Feb. 25

Game 1 - Grosse Pointe North vs. Berkley, 5:25 p.m.
Game 2 - Detroit U-D Jesuit vs. Warren DeLaSalle, 7:25 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 27
Game 3 - Grosse Pointe South vs. GP North/Berkley winner, 7:25 p.m.
Game 4 - Birmingham Brother Rice vs. U-D Jesuit/DeLaSalle winner, 5:25 p.m.

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(Winner advances to the MHSAA state quarterfinals March 4 against the Region No. 14 winner.)

Region No. 15
at Flint IMA Arena
Monday, Feb. 24

Game 1 - Hartland vs. Swartz Creek 2/24 7:30
Wednesday, Feb. 26
Game 2 - Davison vs. Hartland/Swartz Creek winner, 5 p.m.

Game 3 - Lapeer East vs. Oxford, 7:30 p.m.
Game 4 - Finals, 2 p.m.
(Winner advances to the MHSAA state quarterfinals March 4 against the Region No. 16 winner.)

Region No. 16
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DISTRICT WRESTLING RESULTS

INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT
WRESTLING TOURNAMENT RESULTS
DIVISION I
Feb. 15 at South Lyon
(top 4 qualify for regional)

103 pounds: Sean Dong (Redford Catholic Central) won by major decision over Ryan Stump (Salem), 10-1; 3rd place: John Cassidy (Dearborn) pinned Adam Blunk (Northville), 1:55.

112: Matt Steintrager (Redford CC) p. Craig Hearn (Novi), 3:07; 3rd: Nick Naber (Westland John Glenn) dec. Hashim Zrien (Dearborn), 3-2.

119: Charlie Rabaut (Livonia Stevenson) dec. Drew Conner (John Glenn), 8-4; 3rd: Ghassan Hamka (Dearborn Fordson) dec. Josh D'Anna (Northville), 7-2.

125: Brian Clement (Livonia Churchill) won by major dec. over Shawn LaChance (South Lyon), 21-6; 3rd: Jeff Ball (Fordson) dec. Kris Felice (Churchill), 6-4.

130: Mike Goethe (Salem) dec. Wissam Majed (Fordson), 9-5; 3rd: Tim Hammer (Wayne) dec. Tim Mulroy (John Glenn), 3-0.

135: Josh Churella (Novi) won by technical fall over Reece Cox (John Glenn), 16-1; 3rd: Ryan Webb (Canton) dec. Rex Fugaban (Wayne), 12-6.

140: Enrique Garcia (John Glenn) dec. Dan Leith (Stevenson), 3-1 (OT); 3rd: Jake Williamson (South Lyon) won by major dec. over Fozey Alqirsh (Fordson), 11-3.

145: Daron Cruickshank (John Glenn) dec. Jason Fischer (Stevenson), 12-7; 3rd: Charlie Kovelie (Redford CC) won by injury default over Tony Stott (Salem).

152: Brad Bartram (Redford CC) dec. Lev Mergian (Churchill), 6-4; 3rd: Kian O'Donohue (Redford CC) dec. A.J. Morris (Novi), 15-11.

160: Trevor Stewart (Redford CC) dec. Hassan Berri (Dearborn), 9-4; 3rd: Dario Mainella (Stevenson) dec. Manuel Schubert (Churchill), 5-0.

171: Steve Wallace (Wayne) dec. Eric Chambers (John Glenn), 8-3; 3rd: Scott Schwarlose (Redford CC) dec. Wael Gharbie (Dearborn), 3-1.

189: Jake Fairchild (John Glenn) won by major dec. over Matt Zeizer (Novi), 14-6; 3rd: Mohamed Mehanna (Fordson) dec. Dave Quick (Northville), 8-3.

215: Alex Murray (Churchill) p. Jim Abercrombie (Dearborn), 1:39; 3rd: Mohamed Omar (Fordson) won by injury default over Ameer Kasham (Fordson).

275: Jeremy Walker (Salem) dec. Paul Bargerstock (Stevenson), 2-1 (OT); 3rd: Pat Clark (Redford CC) dec. Josh Haron (South Lyon), 8-6.

Lyons, 8-6.

DIVISION 4
MHSAA DIVISION 4 L.P.
INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT NO. 32
(2-15 at New Haven)

103: 1. Devin Howard (Marlette) p. Russel Tobkin (Westland Lutheran) 1:28; 3. Bobby Janssens (Memphis) p. Ali Yousef (Plymouth) 0:55.

112: 1. Chris Jurczak (Harper Woods Lutheran East) d. Mat Taylor (Burton Bendle) 8-7; 3. Brian Bannister (Almont) maj. dec. Jordan McKiernan (Memphis) 14-2.

119: 1. Bobby Monaghan (Harper Woods) tech. fall Jacob Sutter (Westland Lutheran) 18-2; 3. Mitch Blount (Memphis) p. Ricky Spacky (Romulus Summit Academy) 2:06.

125: 1. Allen McMillan (Burton Bendle) tech. fall Josh Lones (Dryden) 18-2; 3. Marcus White (Allen Park Cabrini) p. Robert Bytner (Westland Lutheran) 4:07.

130: 1. Kenny Wilbrodt (Marlette) d. Derek Richards (Burton Bendle) 5-0; 3. Dexter Shorter (Harper Woods Lutheran East) 13-4.

135: 1. Mike Monaghan (Harper Woods) tech. fall Eric Putnam (Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest) 17-1; 3. Jerico Hayward (Marlette) d. Greg Lauer (Almont) 7-0.

140: 1. Jesus Moreno (Detroit Holy Redeemer) d. Peter Daniels (Westland Lutheran) 10-2; 3. Mike Ingram (Burton Bendle) d. Dan Goodwin (Memphis) by injury default.

145: 1. Daniel Baseley (Westland Lutheran) d. Phil Pariett (Almont) 12-5; 3. Erik Walton (New Haven) maj. dec. Sean Dillon (Plymouth) 15-4.

152: 1. Mike Monaghan (Harper Woods) maj. dec. Chad Matthews (New Haven) 11-1; 3. Ryan Murto (Dryden) d. Mark Yapp (Westland Lutheran) 3-1.

160: 1. Brandon Noble (Westland Lutheran) p. Nathaniel Putman (Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest) 3:09; 3. Kevin Conroy (Marlette) d. Chris Smith (Almont) 6-2.

171: 1. Daniel Haller (Westland Lutheran) d. Jeremy Blor (Marlette) 10-3; 3. Adam Digiovanni (Harper Woods) d. Tom Zuccaro (New Haven) 13-8.

189: 1. Chris Smith (Dryden) p. Neal Kemp (Westland Lutheran) 1:07; 3. Matt Foster (Marlette) p. Todd Starks (Memphis) 4-49.

215: 1. Steve Orjada (Harper Woods) d. Reggie Corley (Inkster) 11-4; 3. Doug Rabine (New Haven) d. Erick Trombly (Marlette) 16-10.

275: 1. Jeremy Meyers (Harper Woods) tech. fall Jameson Higgins (Westland Lutheran) 17-2.

MHSAA

Boys Basketball Finals Tickets Go On Sale March 3

Public sale of tickets for the 2003 Michigan High School Athletic Association Boys Basketball Semifinals and Finals begins on March 3 exclusively through the Breslin Student Events Center Box Office.

The semifinals will take place in the Breslin Student Events Center in East Lansing on March 20 and 21, with the finals on March 22. The Class C semifinals will take place in a doubleheader on March 20, with games at 1 p.m. and 2:50 p.m. The Class D semifinals will take place in a doubleheader on March 21, with games at 6 p.m. and 7:50 p.m. On March 21, the Class A semifinals begin the day with a twin bill at 1 p.m. and 2:50 p.m., followed by games in Class B at 6 p.m. and 7:50 p.m.

Tickets for all semifinal games are \$6 each per session. Tickets for final games on March 22 are sold in an all-day package, priced at \$21. The Class D-C doubleheader leads off the day, with the D championship at 10 a.m., with the C title game to follow at about 12 noon. At 4 p.m., the Class A finals

will be contested; and the Class B session winds up the weekend at 8 p.m.

Single session tickets for the finals will be sold during the semifinals, subject to availability. Single session final tickets are \$7 each.

For more information, contact the Breslin Student Events Center Box Office at (517) 432-5000 or (1-800) 968-2737.

Ken Semelsberger Named 2003 Forsythe Award Recipient - Ken Semelsberger of Port Huron, whose name has been synonymous with educational athletics in that community and throughout Michigan for the past 25 years, has been selected to receive the 2003 Charles E. Forsythe Award by the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

Semelsberger serves Port Huron High School as its athletics director and assistant principal, a dual role he has enjoyed for the last 16 years. He has been the school's A.D. for 20 years, and was a teacher and coach at the school for five years before that.

HOCKEY

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assists, while Mary Beth O'Dea had one goal and one assist.

Sara Sharp and Meg MacDonell had the other Blazer goals.

Jess Blaesser collected three assists, while Molly Zarb added two.

Jessica Rzetelny led Plymouth-Canton-Salem (5-11-1) with three assists.

Four different players scored including Kelli Bargowski, Lisa Ealy, Meghan Depp and Olivia Pennebaker. Bargowski, Ealy and Pennebaker also had one assist each.

Danni St. Onge was in goal for the Blazers, while Penguin goaltender Amanda Watkins blocked 43 of the 49 shots that came her way.

On Saturday, Ladywood fell

to first-place Grosse Pointe South at City Arena in Detroit, 4-2.

Emily Shefferly led the Blue Devils, 17-1 in league play, with two goals and two assists. Kati Lewandowski and Lauren Vallee had the other goals for South, which led 4-1 after two periods.

O'Dea recorded one goal and one assist for Ladywood, while Sharp scored the other goal. Blaesser and Zarb contributed assists.

St. Onge played in goal the first two periods, while Molly Zarb came on in the third to hold the Blue Devils scoreless.

"We played a good game, but what killed us was too many penalties, especially in the second period," said Peck, whose team lost its first meeting to South, 5-1. "We can't afford to take penalties because we lack depth and I think we got a bit tired from killing off so many."

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CC 7, Cranbrook 1: For a while, it looked like Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook had found a way to keep Catholic Central from scoring.

The Shamrocks took care of that problem in quick order with a five-goal-in-five-minute outburst of the third period to end up with a lopsided win over the Cranes.

"They have a great goalie and a great defensive system and our kids knew that," said CC coach Todd Johnson. "We played it like another one-goal game down the stretch and when the floodgates opened, we put them away."

Brandon Naurato's goal 1:30 into the game (from Eric Giosa and Travis Hamway) was the only goal until the third period, when he scored again for a 2-0 lead (from Giosa and Andrew Eggert) three minutes into the period.

Cranbrook's Chad Langlais

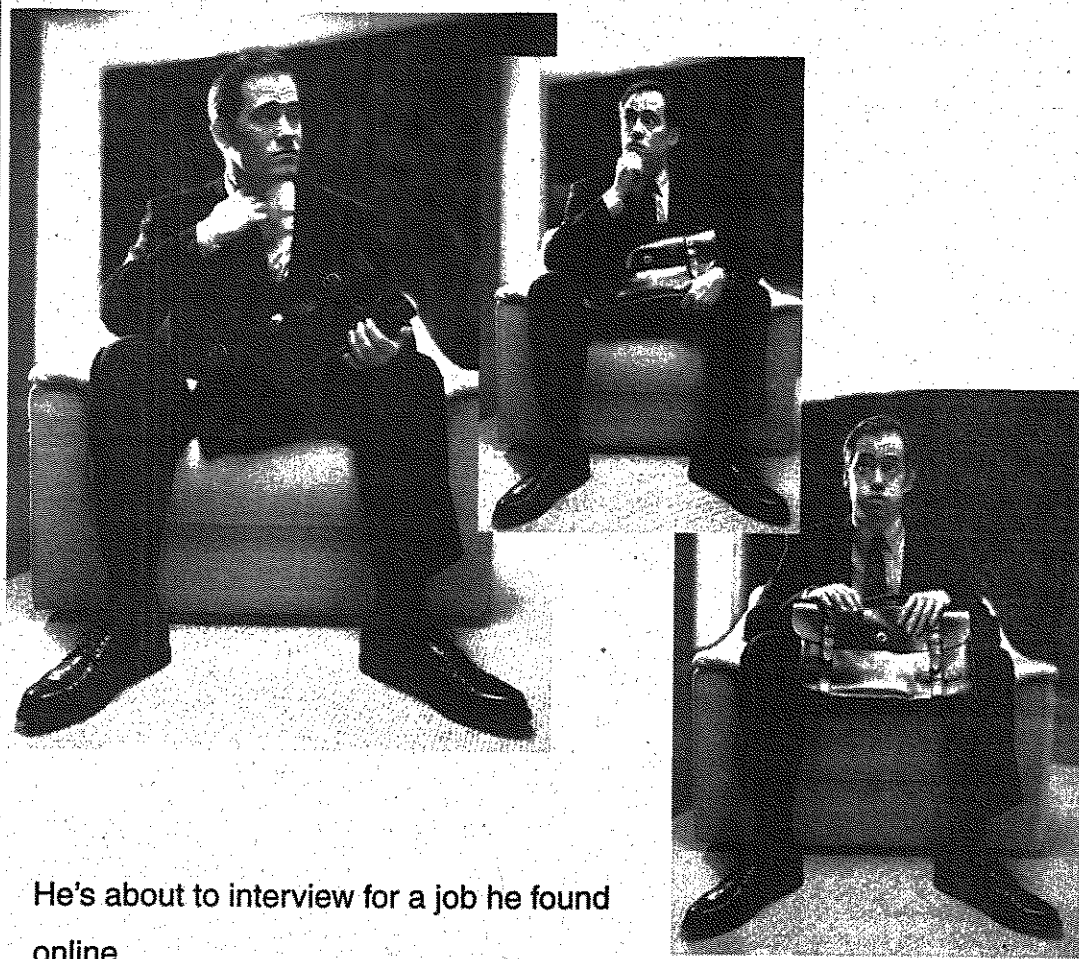
cut the lead to 2-1 a minute later, but then the floodgates opened for the Shamrocks.

First, Pat Coldren scored (from Dave McGordy and Jason Lewarne) for a 3-1 lead, then 40 seconds later, Hamway scored from Giosa and Kevin Horal.

Just 45 seconds after that, Harrison Niemann gave CC a 5-1 lead (from Nathan Perkovich and Bryan Genrich), then Jimmy Burns added another a minute later (from Billy Burns and Michael Evans), and Genrich (from Niemann and Perkovich) had another a minute after that.

Andy Chima stopped 37 of 44 shots on goal for Cranbrook, while Jimmy Blanchard made 10 saves for CC (18-3 overall, 8-0 Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League) and Andrew Goshian stopped one.

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STATE RANKINGS

Wrestling

(By the coaches association)

Division 1 – 1. Davison; 2. Clarkston; 3. Temperance-Bedford; 4. Redford-Detroit Catholic Central; 5. Grandville; 6. Clinton Township Chippewa Valley; 7. Holt; 8. East Kentwood; 9. Roseville; 10. Bay City Western.

Division 2 – 1. Stevensville-Lakeshore; 2. Coldwater; 3. Flint Kearsley; 4. Lowell; 5. Lapeer West; 6. Lake Odessa-Lakewood; 7. Middleville Thornapple-Kellogg; 8. Gaylord; 9. Oxford; 10. Mason.

Division 3 – 1. Caro; 2. Dundee; 3. Montrose Hill McCoy; 4. Constantine; 5. Howard City Tri-County; 6. Shepherd; 7. Richmond; 8. Yale; 9. Shelby; 10. Hamilton.

Division 4 – 1. New Lothrop; 2. Hudson; 3. Martin; 4. Bronson; 5. Union City; 6. Decatur; 7. Hesperia; 8. Carson City-Crystal; 9. Ishpeming Westwood; 10. Addison.

Boys Swimming

(By the coaches' association)

Division 1 – 1. Ann Arbor Pioneer; 2. Holland; 3. Birmingham Brother Rice; 4. Holland West Ottawa; 5. Jenison; 6. Rockford; 7. Plymouth Salem; 8. Zeeland; 9. Grand Blanc; 10. Detroit U-D Jesuit.

Division 2 – 1. Alma; 2. Birmingham Groves; 3. Bloomfield Hills Lahser; 4. North Farmington; 5. (tie) Dexter and Milan; 7. Birmingham Seaholm; 8. East Grand Rapids; 9. Chelsea; 10. Grand Rapids Northview.

Girls Volleyball

(Compiled by the Coaches' Association)

Class A – 1. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern (60-0-0); 2. Fraser (32-1-2); 3. East Kentwood (43-12-0); 4. Temperance Bedford (42-7-0); 5. Battle Creek Lakeview (47-3-2); 6. Portage Central (42-10-4); 7. Mason (41-1-3); 8. Chelsea (44-3-3); 9. Flint

Carman-Ainsworth (32-5-2); 10. Okemos (39-6-1).

Honorable Mention – Clinton Township Chippewa Valley, Jenison, Grand Haven, Holland West Ottawa, Birmingham Marian, Livonia Ladywood, Farmington Hills Mercy, Oxford, Traverse City West.

Class B – 1. Marysville (39-1-0); 2. Fruitport (44-9-0); 3. Yale (49-2-1); 4. Otsego (32-3-1); 5. Whitehall (27-14-0); 6. Alma (43-14-0); 7. St. Joseph (32-7-4); 8. DeWitt (31-11-4); 9. Frankenmuth (35-9-0).

Honorable Mention – Battle Creek Harper Creek, Carleton Airport, Coldwater, Hamilton, Spring Lake.

Class C – 1. New Lothrop 34-5-2 2. Ravenna 38-7-3. St. Louis 40-13-2 4. Freeland 36-12-4 5. Concord 26-10-3 6. Hanover-Horton 25-11-6 7. North Muskegon 18-14-1 8. Niles Brandywine 26-6-2 9. Galesburg Augusta 24-9-5 10. Montague 36-6-1

Honorable Mention – Three Oaks-River Valley, Napoleon, Monroe St. Mary's Catholic Central.

Class D – 1. Leland (48-10-3); 2. Pellston (37-2-1); 3. Battle Creek St. Philip (39-8-2); 4. Beal City (26-11-0); 5. Adrian Lenawee Christian (33-3-3); 6. Wyoming Tri-Unity Christian (25-7-3); 7. Climax Scotts (23-10-1); 8. Mendon (22-14-3); 9. Pentwater (20-16-6).

Boys Ice Hockey

(Compiled by the Coaches' Association)

Division I – 1. Redford-Detroit Catholic Central; 2. Farmington Unified; 3. Brighton; 4. East Kentwood; 5. Ann Arbor Huron; 6. Marquette; 7. Plymouth Salem; 8. Port Huron Northern; 9. Canton; 10. (tie) Birmingham Unified, Clarkston.

Division II – 1. Trenton; 2. Sault St. Marie; 3. Grosse Pointe North; 4. Detroit U-D Jesuit; 5. Allen Park; 6. Muskegon Mona Shores; 7. Traverse City Central; 8. Grosse Pointe South; 9. Warren DeLaSalle; 10. (tie) Birmingham Brother Rice, Davison.

Division III – 1. Hancock; 2. Calumet; 3. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood; 4. Orchard Lake St.

Mary's; 5. Harper Woods Notre Dame; 6. Dearborn Divine Child; 7. East Grand Rapids; 8. Grosse Ile; 9. Houghton 10. (tie) Birmingham-Country Day, Flint Powers Catholic.

Competitive cheer

(Compiled by the Coaches Association)

(Final regular season rankings)

Class A – 1. Rochester; 2. Grandville; 3. Jenison; 4. Holland West Ottawa; 5. Hartland; 6. Brighton; 7. Lake Orion; 8. East Kentwood; 9. Mt. Pleasant; 10. Mattawan.

Honorable Mention – Rockford, Allen Park, Oxford, Grand Rapids Christian

Class B – 1. DeWitt; 2. Chesaning; 3. Grosse Ile; 4. Carleton Airport; 5. Plainwell; 6. Ovid-Elsie; 7. Dearborn Divine Child; 8. Gibraltar-Carlson; 9. Richland-Gull Lake; 10. Wyoming Park.

Honorable Mention – Madison Heights Bishop Foley, Otsego, St. Clair, Comstock Park.

Class C-D – 1. Breckenridge; 2. Pewamo-Westphalia; 3. Hudson; 4. Climax-Scotts; 5. Shelby 6. Whitmore Lake; 7. Schoolcraft; 8. Colon; 9. Michigan Center; 10. Montague.

Honorable Mention – St. Joseph Lake Michigan Catholic, North Muskegon, Leslie, Brown City

Boys Basketball

(The Associated Press)

The top 10 teams in the Associated Press high school basketball poll, with records in parentheses. Totals are based on 10 points for a first-place vote, 9 for second, etc.

Class A – 1. Detroit Redford (14-1) 75; 2. Kalamazoo Loy-Norrix (17-0) 65; 3. Rockford (17-0) 60; 4. Saginaw (15-1) 59; 5. Belleville (16-1) 48; 6. Grand Lodge (15-1) 47; 7. Detroit Denby (15-2) 45; 8. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central (15-4) 43; 9. Lansing Everett (13-2) 38; 10. Davison (16-1) 32.

Honorable Mention – Saginaw Arthur Hill (16-2) 24, Detroit King (13-3) 21, Detroit Murray-Wright (13-2) 21, Muskegon (15-2) 6, Pontiac Northern (13-3) 6, Romeo (16-0) 3, Flint Carman-Ainsworth (14-2) 3, Kalamazoo Central (14-3) 2, Marquette (14-1) 1, Mount Pleasant (14-3) 1.

Class B – 1. Grand Rapids South Christian (17-0) 75; 2. Birmingham-Detroit Country Day (13-2) 67; 3. Detroit Renaissance (14-3) 65; 4. Detroit Crockett (15-2) 63; 5. Corunna (15-1) 52; 6. Orchard Lake St. Mary's (14-3) 51; 7. Fremont (15-1) 36; 8. Warren Fitzgerald (14-2) 35; 9. Marshall (15-2) 33; 10. Imlay City (15-1) 24.

Honorable Mention – Madison Heights Madison (14-2) 23, Grandville Calvin Christian (14-3) 22, Muskegon Heights (14-3) 18, Battle Creek Penfield (14-3) 9, Coloma (13-3) 8, Redford Union (15-1) 6, Riverview (13-3) 4, Wyoming Park (12-4) 3, St. Clair Shores South Lake (13-3) 3, Birch Run (13-3) 2, Allendale (13-3) 2, Stockbridge (13-3) 1.

Class C – 1. Detroit DePorres (17-0) 75; 2. Hanover-Horton (15-0) 70; 3. Inkster (17-0) 64; 4. Kalamazoo Christian (15-1) 60; 5. North Muskegon (14-1) 56; 6. Pewamo-Westphalia (16-0) 49; 7. Ottawa Lake-Whiteford (17-0) 40; 8. Ishpeming Westwood (16-2) 38; 9. Flint Northwestern-Edison (10-6) 31; 10. Flint Beecher (13-3) 22.

Honorable Mention – Detroit Benedictine (14-1) 21, Eau Claire (17-0) 16, Homer (15-1) 15, Saginaw Buena Vista (10-5) 13, Flint Hamady (14-2) 11, New Lothrop (14-2) 11, Ishpeming (15-1) 7, Shelby (13-3) 1.

Class D – 1. Detroit Rogers (14-3) 74; 2. Bark River-Harris (16-0) 69; 3. McBain Northern Michigan Christian (14-0) 60; 4. Auburn Hills Oakland Christian (16-1) 59; 5. Gaylord St. Mary (16-1) 51; 6. Fowler (14-2) 43; 7. Adrian Lenawee Christian (14-2) 40; 8. St. Joseph Lake Michigan Catholic (13-2) 38; 9. Custer-Mason County Eastern (14-0) 36; 10. Ewen-Trout Creek (14-2) 33.

Honorable Mention – Detroit Urban Lutheran (14-2) 32, Wyoming Tri-Unity Christian (12-5) 21, Center Line St. Clement (15-2) 17, Boyne Falls (13-1) 7, Kingston (15-2) 6, Harbor Springs Harbor Light (14-2) 4, Rapid River (13-4) 1.

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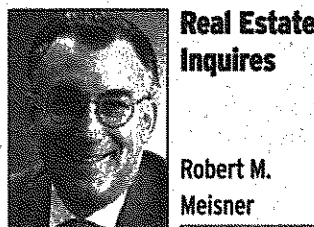
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Disclose water problems

If a seller lies on a disclosure statement about not having basement water problems, can anything be done to force them to pay for the necessary repairs to fix the problem?

The disclosure statement is legally binding upon the seller and a purchaser may have recourse against the seller for fraudulent representations made in the disclosure statement.

While the buyer may not wish to rescind the transaction, he can seek damages against the seller if he can prove the seller misrepresented the status of the condition of the property. Indeed, the whole purpose of the disclosure statement is to provide the purchaser with a reasonable basis to know what the condition of the house is in various respects.

We are interviewing a management company who says they have an in-house attorney who will review their proposed management contract for us. Do you have any comments on this potentially cost saving offer?

It would appear to me to be a sham. The attorney who works for the management company would be in a conflict of interest in representing you in regard to the management agreement.

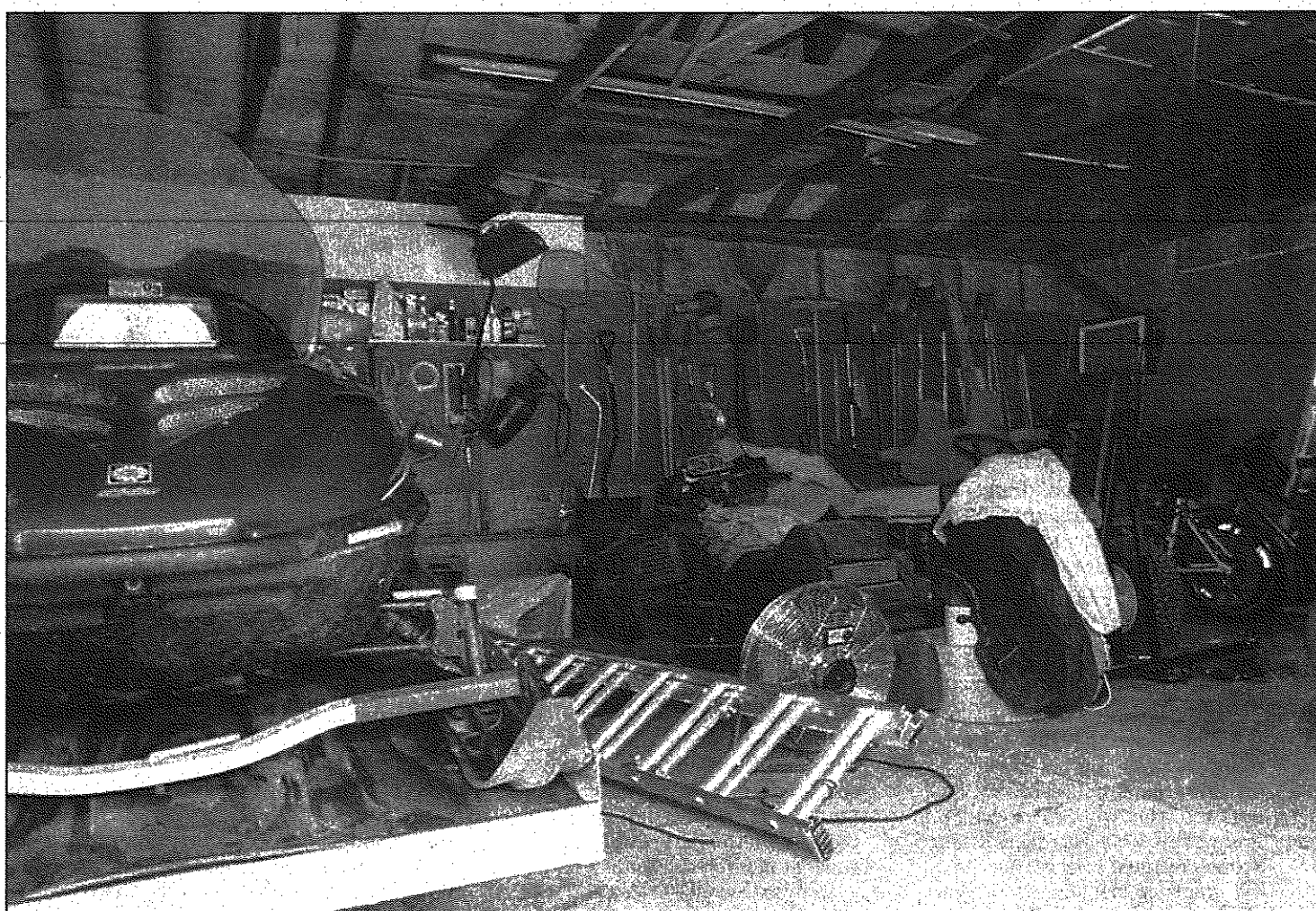
Any management company that suggests they have an attorney for utilization by the association may be of questionable integrity. The association should have its own attorney who is strictly beholden to its own best interests.

Also, if the management company has a "list of attorneys" that they prefer, again, one should determine whether or not there is an affiliation legally or economically between those attorneys and the management company.

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Median (half above/half below) sales prices of existing homes July - Sept., 2002, in selected metro areas.			
Location	Price	1-Hr. increase	
San Francisco	\$530,900	12%	
Orange County	439,400	20%	
San Diego	379,200	21%	
L.A./Long Beach	290,000	17%	
Sacramento	219,800	24%	
Riverside	181,000	13%	
Miami	\$198,800	16.2%	
Ft. Myers	142,100	22.6%	
Tampa Bay	139,400	5.0%	
Orlando	138,600	9.0%	
Jacksonville	122,100	10.2%	
Daytona Beach	114,700	13.5%	

Source: U.S. Housing Markets



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Start dealing with the messy garage now, if you plan to list your home for sale this spring.

Get house in showing shape now for listing when weather warms

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

Thinking about listing the homestead for sale this spring or summer?

Don't wait until the 11th hour to get the property in top showing condition. Some outdoor things, obviously, must wait until the weather breaks. Not so, inside.

Plan your work, then work your plan gradually over the next few months to enjoy a smooth transition, real estate professionals advise.

"They should get a Realtor now, find somebody they trust and who has experience in the market," said Betty Clark, associate broker with Prudential Chamberlain Stiehl in Walled Lake and West Bloomfield.

"The Realtor will come out and go through the home and see what repairs need to be done," Clark said. This allows plenty of time to fix things up at a steady, nonhurry pace.

"People who list with us and (then) say they will do this, this and this never get it done, and we have to price accordingly," she said.

"Now is the perfect time to get started on the mortgage approval process for the next home," Clark added.

Attention to detail now rather than later tends to result in results, said Jim Asbury, associate broker with Jack Christenson Realtors in Troy.

"The most important thing when you walk into a house is that it's not cluttered," he said. "Remove everything you don't really need to live. It opens spaces, makes the house look larger."

"A lot of people have more furniture in a room than they need. Plants, vases are nice to have, but they do make a room look smaller. Make it so you can walk into a room without bumping into things."

Newspapers piled up on weekends are

'The most important thing when you walk into a house is that it's not cluttered. Remove everything you don't really need to live. It opens spaces, makes the house look larger.'

Jim Asbury
Realtor

OK, Asbury said, but not for weeks on end.

"Closets, absolutely," he said. "I was in one today where six pairs of golf shoes were stacked on top of each other. It's very important for the laundry room to be spiffy. And unclutter the garage. That's usually where everybody dumps stuff."

Household appliances that no longer or only marginally work, beat-up bicycles, nonfunctioning lawn mowers, painting supplies, broken toys/sports equipment, newspapers, and bottles and cans often constrict usable space in garages.

And it all has to go eventually.

Mary Keoleian, affiliated with Real Estate One in West Bloomfield, also figures that it's really too late to get into cleanup, fixup mode when a home hits the multi-list.

"You can't start painting or dealing with clutter when people are ready to look," she said. "Buyers will buy on emotion when they walk in. The main thing for it is to be clean."

Prospective sellers can paint, replace/clean carpeting and refresh wallpaper now before getting distracted by

warm-weather, outdoor activity and year-end school functions, Keoleian said.

And generally better to do the work than offer an allowance for would-be buyers to take care of business, themselves, she added.

Valorie Knowles, associate broker with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Clarkston, puts everything in perspective with an analogy.

"If your kid is graduating from school, you don't wait until the night before to prepare for the open house," she said. Same with prepping a home for sale.

"It needs to be ready for people who walk in to fall in love like the sellers did when they bought it," Knowles said.

Don't wait for late spring/early summer to make sure that all the light switches work without a hitch, none of the faucets go drippy-drippy and all doors and drawers open and close properly, she said.

"Break it down into little bites," Knowles said. "Go room by room. Get rid of clutter, clean, do repairs. That saves a lot of time and headaches."

Winter preparations can include repairing cracks/painting drywall, washing walls and cleaning globes and replacing burned-out bulbs on light fixtures, said Keith Becker, a Realtor with Century 21 Row in Livonia.

"Take care of things you normally don't think about," he said. "You want the inside to sparkle, look the best it can."

"Everything has to be neat when you walk in," Asbury added.

"The more ready a house is, the more money a person will get. Also, it will sell quickly," Clark said.

"I could help you so much more if you talk to me sooner," Knowles said. "When you work with a Realtor, listen to them."

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Pulte Homes caps profitable year of building

(AP) - Pulte Homes, a publicly owned residential building company headquartered in Bloomfield Hills, has reported higher fourth-quarter and 2002 results, beating Wall Street's expectations.

The company reported net income for the quarter ended Dec. 31 of \$171.9 million, or \$2.78 per share, up 44 percent from \$119.4 million, or \$1.98 per share, for the same period in 2001. Analysts surveyed by

Thomson First Call had expected fourth-quarter earnings of \$2.65 per share.

"These results demonstrate the company's success in growing its business ... and continuing to improve overall financial

returns to our shareholders," president and chief executive Mark J. O'Brien said in a statement.

For 2003, the company expects year-over-year earnings to grow 10 to 15 percent.

Mortgage Bits



Tim 'Timbo' Phillips

Credit report review helps detect errors

Today's column is the last of four in a series.

The first step in protecting your credit profiles is to thoroughly review your credit reports annually. If you see anything out of order, get it corrected immediately.

You should use consumer protection laws to their fullest to preserve your credit image. If creditors choose to submit your personal financial data for scoring, it must be correct and verifiable, or it must be removed.

Credit handlers process millions of bits of information daily. Even with high success rates, this formidable task lends itself to thousands of credit reporting errors. These routine errors are compounded by thousands of credit hackers worldwide trying to get a "free ride" at your expense.

Bernadino Pavone, the cofounder, president, and CEO of ICR Services in Livonia, has built an international business by helping consumers repair credit errors. Pavone, who years ago spent countless hours researching methods to improve his own credit, developed a service called National Credit Repair, which identifies inaccurate, erroneous, and obsolete entries on consumers' credit reports.

"Research shows that over 70 percent of credit reports contain some type of error," said Pavone. "Furthermore, credit repair is legal. The Fair Credit Reporting Act guarantees the right of an accurate credit report for every consumer."

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44298 Arlington	3980 Fieldview	\$275,000	30523 Rush	\$147,000	17166 Oporto	\$225,000	Redford		25025 W Six Mile	\$240,000
44286 Bishop	7017 Harvard	\$126,000	30331 Windsor	\$45,000	29510 Orangelawn	\$146,000	16672 Centralia	\$81,000	26214 Wadsworth	\$120,000
44215 Candlewood	4537 Hunters	\$156,000	Livonia		33445 Oxford Ct	\$180,000	17318 Centralia	\$135,000	11348 Winston	\$128,000
43198 Carlisle	44808 Kirk	\$229,000	14218 Beatrice		29281 Perth	\$180,000	20403 Centralia	\$110,000	Westland	
7438 Chester	1567 Marlowe	\$200,000	9336 California	\$165,000	31366 Pickford	\$279,000	9376 Columbia	\$125,000	2826 Batavia	\$80,000
39793 Coronation	43551 Nowland	\$304,000	8948 Denne	\$175,000	10040 Seltzer	\$137,000	19394 Denby	\$112,000	33945 Cherry	\$112,000
1970 E Franklin	39615 Randall	\$101,000	18864 Floral	\$146,000	14121 Stonehouse	\$218,000	15245 Garfield	\$83,000	7256 E Frumlin	\$153,000
39724 Edmuntson	39615 Randall	\$185,000	14022 Harrison	\$240,000	14209 Sunbury	\$187,000	26953 Glendale	\$135,000	5740 Farnum	\$45,000
	41653 Ravenwood	\$210,000	35018 Hees	\$193,000	15320 Woodring	\$135,000	18867 Glenmore	\$114,000	34732 Glen	\$117,000
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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

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ESTATE PLANNING

Sunrise Assisted Living offers a free estate planning class 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, at its residence, 16100 Haggerty, Plymouth. Topics include planning for medical care, transferring assets to heirs, minimizing estate settlement costs and reducing estate taxes.

For information, call (734) 420-4000.

HOME, GARDEN SHOW

The Ford Field Home & Garden Show debuts Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 20-23, in downtown Detroit. Hundreds of exhibitors are expected. Show hours are 3-9:30 p.m.

Thursday, noon to 10 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Cost is \$7, \$3 for children 6-14 years of age. Advance discount tickets are available online at www.FordFieldHomeShow.com. No charge for parking.

For more information, call (800) 328-6550.

CAREER SEMINAR

Keller Williams Realty-Livonia sponsors a free seminar on how to get into the residential real estate business and what you can expect 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, at its office, 31500 Schoolcraft just west of Merriman. To register, call (734) 266-9000.

BUY HOME CLASS

Standard Federal Bank presents a free class on how to select and finance a home 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 22, at Northstar Community Development, 7526 W. McNichols, between Wyoming and Livernois, Detroit.

Topics include budgeting, understanding credit reports, selecting a home and the mortgage application process.

Participants may apply for a Standard Federal program designed to make home ownership more affordable.

To register, call (313) 341-9088 or (800) 643-9600 Ext. 22532.

BUY HOME CLASS

Diane Adamick, senior mortgage advisor with Approved Mortgages, sponsors a free class for home buyers 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 26, at Summit on the Park, Canton Center Road at Palmer, Canton.

To register, call (734) 455-2219 ext. 217.

REMODEL BASEMENT

Livonia Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute offer an eight-hour class on basement remodeling 6-10 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, March 3-5, at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Cost is \$99, plus \$8 for a textbook. To register, call (734) 744-2602.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

The Michigan Chapter of the Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers sponsors its 13th annual conference starting 8 a.m. Thursday, March 6, at the Yazaki Learning Center, 6300 Haggerty, Canton.

Cost is \$85 for members, \$125 for non-members and \$45 for students. To register, call James Harless at (734) 451-4905.

BUILD HOME CLASS

Oakland Builders Institute presents a 16-hour seminar, "Home Building: Protecting You & Your Money," at two locations.

The class runs 6-10 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, March 10-19, at Walled Lake Middle School, 46720 W. Pontiac Trail; and 6-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, March 18-27 at West Bloomfield High School, 4925 Orchard Lake Road.

Topics include financing, contracts, codes and permits, bidding materials and the building process.

Cost is \$205, plus \$30 for textbooks through Walled Lake Community Education, (248) 956-5000; and \$180

plus \$30 for textbooks through West Bloomfield Community Education, (248) 865-4488.

LANDLORDING SERIES

Continuing Education at Schoolcraft College offers a series of four classes, "How to Deal with Problem Tenants; Risk Management; Leases and Lease Clauses; and Making Money/Reducing Taxes on Rentals," 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, March 11-April 1, on campus, Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.

Cost is \$52 per class or \$179 for the entire series of four. To register, call (734) 462-4448.

CAREER DAYS II

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 Road.

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

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The western Wayne affiliate of Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers to help with building homes, office duties and fund-raising. No experience needed. Training will be provided.

For details, call (734) 459-7744.

FAIR HOUSING CENTER

The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit, a non-profit monitoring, testing, and information organization, always needs supporters. Basic annual individual membership is \$15, basic family membership \$25 and basic organizational membership \$50.

For information, call the center, (313) 963-1274.

ENERGY CD-ROM

The Building Owners and Managers International has released a CD-ROM, "The Property Professional's Guide to Building Energy Performance."

Cost is \$15 for BOMA members, \$25 for nonmembers.

To purchase or obtain more information, call (800) 426-6292, or visit www.boma.org/pubs/energy_cd.htm

BIA UPDATES

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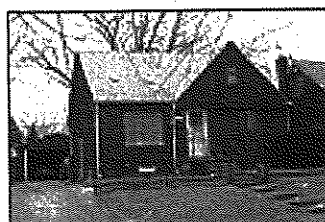
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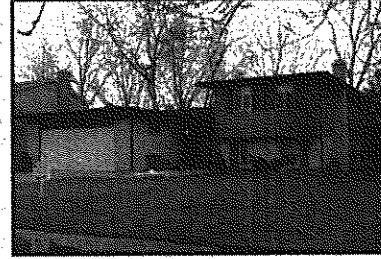
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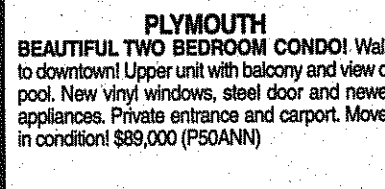
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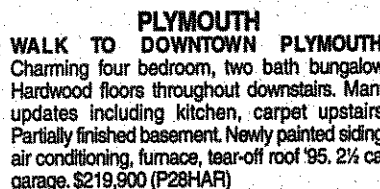
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CARRIAGE HILLS. Four bdrm, 2.5 baths. Living room, formal dining rm. Updated kitchen. Large family rm with wet bar & fireplace. Newer furnace & roof, new carpet. Immediate occupancy. Backs to park. Priced right at \$207,000 (P18PAU)



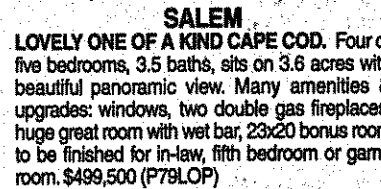
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Gregory J. Smith, affiliated with **TMP Associates** in Bloomfield Hills, has passed state licensing exams and received his architectural registration in the state of Michigan.

Smith earned a master of architecture and bachelor of science degree in architecture



Smith

from Lawrence Technological University. He also has a bachelor's degree in computer aided design and manufacturing from Eastern Michigan University. Smith has specialized in education projects and lives in Farmington.

Several Realtors join **Century 21 Premier** in Canton as sales associates.

Andy Haines brings nine years of experience and lives in

Superior Township.

Mark Owens, a five-year veteran who has the professional designation of Accredited Buyer Representative, resides in Canton.

Amy Lucas, new to the business, lives in Westland.



Haines

Paul Hoge, principal and

associate broker at **Signature Associates-ONCOR**, Southfield, has been named 2002 Most Valuable Broker in the Detroit market by First Industrial Realty Trust.

First Industrial, headquartered in Chicago, created the program to identify transaction specialists who provide quality service in the industrial sector.

Richard W. Ostrowski, PE, joins **Soils and Materials Engineers** in Plymouth as sen-

ior project engineer.

He had 32 years experience with the Michigan Dept. of Transportation and specializes in geotechnical engineering, pavement engineering and forensic investigations.

Ostrowski, a licensed professional engineer, earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Detroit Institute of Technology and a master's in civil engineering from Wayne State University.

Average fixed-rate mortgages dip again; ARMs stay steady 3rd week

(AP) - Fixed-rate mortgages around the country edged down last week, while rates on one-year adjustable rate mortgages held steady for the third straight week at their lowest level in 19 years of record keeping.

The average interest rate nationally on a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage slipped to 5.86 percent for the week ending Friday, Feb. 14, down from 5.88 percent the previous week, Freddie Mac reported in its latest survey of rates.

Rates on 30-year mortgages 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 indicate that rate is the lowest since the early 1960s.

For 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rates twiddled down to 5.26 percent last week, compared with 5.27 percent the previous week.

Rates for one-year adjustable rate mortgages stood at 3.89 percent last week.

'The reduced interest rate on mortgages gave homeowners about \$100 more per month to spend or save last year.'

Frank Nothaft
Freddie Mac economist

Rates for one-year ARMs have held steady since the week ending Friday, Jan. 31, when they dropped to their lowest level since Freddie Mac began tracking them in 1984.

Low mortgage rates have made for brisk home-mortgage refinancing activity.

As consumers swap higher-interest rate home loans for lower-interest rate ones, the extra cash they're saving has helped to support consumer spending, one of few

sources of support for the struggling economy.

"The reduced interest rate on mortgages gave homeowners about \$100 more per month to spend or save last year," said Frank Nothaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

Low mortgage rates powered sales of both new homes and previously owned homes to record highs in 2002. Some economists are predicting that 2003 could turn out to be the second-best year for home sales on belief that mortgage rates will remain fairly stable.

Last week's mortgage rates don't include add-on fees known as points. Thirty-year and 15-year mortgages each carried an average fee of 0.6 point this week, while one-year ARMs had an average 0.7 point financing fee.

A point is 1 percent of the loan amount.

A year ago, rates on 30-year mortgages averaged 6.86 percent, 15-year mortgages were 6.35 percent and one-year adjustable mortgages stood at 4.98 percent.

BRIEFS

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PLAYGROUND SAFETY

A book available from the Community Associations Institute can help community association managers and board members ensure that their playgrounds and tot lots are as safe as possible.

Detailed information is provided on safety inspections and implementing an effective maintenance plan.

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GORGEOUS LIVONIA RANCH W/2ND GARAGE - Seen the rest? Now see the best-3 BD, 2 1/2 BA ranch on 100x263 lot, fenced yard, 20x16 2nd garage-workshop, cathedral ceiling LR w/2-sided gas fireplace, Florida room, huge dining room, unbelievable finished basement w/gas fireplace, too many updates to list. Great location. \$329,900 (232RI)



RANCH LOVERS DELIGHT - Located in Canton's desirable Embassy Square sub. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch offers an open floor plan with great room and private master suite. \$222,000 (139KN)



A CHARMING UPSCALE FIND! Don't overlook this beautifully kept, airy and open 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 1 1/2 story with luxury entry level master suite. This attractive home provides a large great room, 1st floor laundry and low upkeep landscape. Two story entry, ceramic floors, spacious kitchen with sunlight galore. \$259,900 (425RI)



PRIME DEARBORN LOCATION Great opportunity-1 one bedroom unit, 1 two bedroom unit and potential for efficiency if egress is added. Two and one-half car garage, basement in West Dearborn and great area. \$199,900 (801BA)



UPDATED HOME - HURON TOWNSHIP - Many updates in this 1,500 square foot ranch in Huron Township. Huge master bedroom, large kitchen, large living room and more! Woodhaven schools, quiet street. \$149,900 (054CE)



2.5 ACRES-CANTON - Great Canton 3 bedroom ranch, 2 1/2 baths, finished basement with rec room, 1,500 square feet, newer furnace, central air, Berber carpet, vinyl windows, hot water heater, roof (2002), 20x12 pole barn, and much more. \$274,900 (614DE)



7 YEARS NEW - Is this 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial with 1st floor den and laundry. Beautiful oak kitchen overlooks 2-tier deck. Great room-natural fireplace, formal dining room, professionally finished basement, central air and 2 car garage. \$219,900 (988HE)



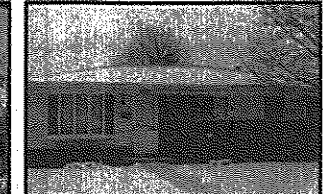
AWESOME ACREAGE! - Close to shopping and freeways. Ranch with beautiful hardwood floors, 2 fireplaces, finished basement, spa room, newer roof, furnace, hot water heater, large barn, walking trails, and a 3-car garage. \$474,900 (901WA)



CUTE PLYMOUTH RANCH - It has all been done-light maple kitchen in 2001, carpet throughout 2002, new trim and 6-panel doors 2001, complete tear-off roof with 25 year shingles 1999, 75x135 lot with fenced yard, 2 car attached garage, newer drive and vinyl windows, all appliances. \$139,900 (890MA)



CITY OF PLYMOUTH - Charming 1920's brick bungalow with 3 bedrooms and 2 full baths. Featuring a new kitchen, new carpeting, hardwood floors, coved ceilings, natural fireplace, and new air conditioning. Freshly painted neutral. Beautiful home. \$289,900 (866RO)



WESTLAND RANCH - Westland brick broadfront ranch with a 2 car garage, full basement and updates galore. Like new! Come and see for yourself. \$131,900 (021BA)



MOVE IN, UNPACK, ENJOY! - Nothing to do but enjoy this dynamite brick ranch - loads of updates! Two and a half car garage, sunroom, gleaming hardwood floors, updated kitchen, bath. Very nice area - must be seen! \$169,900 (393CH)



UPDATED 3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH HOME - Some newer windows, new roof, furnace, air conditioning, water heater, some carpet, and full bath in basement. Home was expanded for larger living room and main floor bath. \$139,900 (313FE)



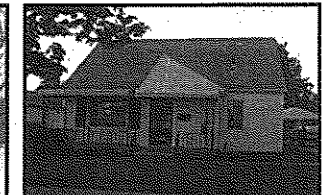
EASY LIVING - Builder's model-everything you want. Location, price, condition-3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath condo. Neutral decor throughout, fireplace, skylights. Master bedroom with walk-in closet, master bath. Full basement, pool, hot tub, clubhouse. View of pond and garden bridges. Great layout and very clean. \$274,900 (476HI)



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NEAT AND CLEAN IS AN UNDERSTATEMENT - This 3 bedroom, 2 bath South Lyon ranch features a new oak kitchen with island. Family room with cathedral ceiling, fireplace and patio door to large deck. New furnace and air conditioning. Newer neutral carpet and paint. This was Mom's house and it shows! \$189,900 (328WI)



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Auburn Hills	1037 N Adams	\$156,000	Farmington	23247 Hawthorne	\$138,000	346 Teelin	\$165,000	22992 Pontchartrain	\$225,000	4201 Clintonville	\$150,000
575 Amberwood St	1007 N Old Woodward	\$181,000	23247 Hawthorne	23060 Lilac	\$140,000	Rochester		23390 Telegraph	\$110,000	3905 Cresthaven	\$156,000
3107 Lincolnview	Bloomfield Hills		23060 Lilac	36502 Saxony	\$262,000	5303 Ashmonte	\$154,000	20633 Woodburn	\$140,000	3659 Elira	\$160,000
649 Slocum	2217 Colonial Park	\$321,000	36502 Saxony	Farmington Hills		5304 Ashmonte	\$154,000	Troy		1048 Erskine	\$145,000
Beverly Hills	1757 Hickory Bark	\$402,000	Farmington Hills	34965 Bunker Hill	\$228,000	5311 Ashmonte	\$154,000	2607 Arrowhead	\$180,000	4110 Fenmore	\$154,000
22801 Camelot	5001 Kensington	\$405,000	34965 Bunker Hill	30851 Country Ridge	\$425,000	5107 Glengate	\$320,000	1377 Ashford	\$279,000	1311 Florence	\$198,000
17341 Kinross	932 Lamppost	\$425,000	30851 Country Ridge	37146 Fox	\$350,000	3463 Hixon	\$240,000	1389 Ashford	\$260,000	4403 Forest	\$572,000
22175 Orchard	3799 Peabody	\$548,000	37146 Fox	29817 Muirland	\$319,000	1012 Mahaffey	\$215,000	1466 Ashford	\$270,000	1345 Glenview	\$195,000
30150 Woodhaven	355 S Williamsbury	\$310,000	29817 Muirland	34024 Northwick	\$271,000	3695 Oakmonte	\$150,000	1881 Boulton	\$147,000	3073 Harbor	\$148,000
Birmingham	4320 S Willoway	\$409,000	34024 Northwick	31518 Orchard	\$147,000	3721 Oakmonte	\$157,000	1831 Brentwood	\$174,000	298 Highgate	\$163,000
1309 Bird	Clarkston		31518 Orchard	37835 River	\$405,000	3764 Piedmonte	\$154,000	124 Charleston	\$375,000	1840 Manse	\$164,000
238 Catalpa	5505 Chickadee	\$174,000	37835 River	28418 W 8 Mile	\$82,000	657 Springview	\$738,000	1792 Crestline	\$245,000	995 N Cass Lake	\$62,000
444 Chester	6450 Cramlane	\$163,000	28418 W 8 Mile	Franklin		1200 Welland	\$412,000	3625 Estates	\$270,000	2771 N Lake	\$178,000
2261 Dunstable	5005 Crestview	\$170,000	Franklin	24520 S Cromwell	\$235,000	4616 Woodland Hills	\$130,000	174 Hickory	\$165,000	5548 Rowley	\$134,000
1646 Graefield	5415 Drayton	\$167,000	24520 S Cromwell	Lake Orion		Rochester Hills		6528 Hill Top	\$362,000	1263 S Cass Lake	\$113,000
1684 Graefield	5554 Fox Chase	\$192,000	Lake Orion	3523 Bald Mountain	\$221,000	1811 Blue Grass	\$520,000	1293 Milverton	\$207,000	185 S Hospital	\$255,000
1704 Graefield	9164 Kelly Lake	\$460,000	3523 Bald Mountain	977 Golfview	\$20,000	1019 Minnesota	\$230,000	1019 Minnesota	\$230,000	419 Salus	\$235,000
1810 Henrietta	Commerce Township		977 Golfview	3063 Oakridge	\$102,000	3244 Newbury	\$260,000	3389 Newgate	\$242,000	409 Scott Lake	\$135,000
946 N Adams	6009 Ravine	\$315,000	3063 Oakridge	832 Pine Tree	\$228,000	289 Redwood	\$171,000	901 Robinwood	\$130,000	3580 Shaddick	\$150,000
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LIVONIA. Beautiful four bedroom & 1.5 bath quad level in a nice neighborhood. Replacement windows '00, newer vinyl siding & alum trim. Newer oak cabinets in kitchen and bay window in eating area. natural fireplace in family room. Hardwood under upper level carpeting. \$224,900 (D88Jam)

WESTLAND. Over 1/2 acre on a private road resides this 3 bedroom and 1 bath ranch. The interior has been remodeled incl new kit, bath, and flooring. Oversized two car garage w/a workshop. Above ground pool completes this masterpiece. \$134,900 (L55Hal)

WESTLAND. Move right into this perfect starter home! Updates incl: newer windows, roof, furnace, C/A, interior doors, blinds throughout, glass block wndw, crpt in bsmt, & gar dr opener. New bthr & remodeled kit w/new appls all staying. \$134,900 (L48Hen)

WESTLAND. Must see this fantastic 3 bdrm & 1.5 bath contemp home. Country kit w/bay window, ceramic floor and countertop. Hrdwd floors in bdrm & dining rm. Above ground pool and beautiful landscaped yard w/pond. All appliances stay. \$174,900 (L78RRed)

PLYMOUTH. Start off right in this 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath colonial you'll love to live in. Lg bay window in the living room, hrdwd floors & wainscoting. Updated kit w/oak cabs & newer appls that all stay. Very lg fenced yd w/deck, playscape, and grill. \$194,000 (L23Wol)



LIVONIA. Just listed and ready to show this clean & sharp three bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch with all the updates, including beautiful oak kitchen, newer roof, furnace, central air, windows, & bath. Full finished basement, two car garage and privacy fenced rear yard. Don't pass this one up! \$172,900 (D78Mc)

FARMINGTON. This three bedroom tri-level has many updates throughout the home. The new dream kitchen has maple cabinets and newer appliances. Baths have newer oak vanities with molded tops. Living room has crown moldings and newer carpet '00. Door wall leads to large patio and treed back yard. \$189,900 (L41Mee)

FARMINGTON HILLS. Nearly 1.25 acres in the heart of the city, with all the conveniences is what is offered with this charming three bedroom ranch home with full finished basement. Completely updated with beautiful remodeled kitchen, complete with appliances, wet plaster walls with coved ceilings. A must see! \$204,900 (L25Hul)

FARMINGTON HILLS. Beautiful three bedroom & 2.5 bath home backing to pond. 1,000 foot deck surrounds the back of this professionally landscaped home. Newer hot water heater, carpet & paint throughout, and wainscoting. Updated kit w/oak cabs & newer room. Finished basement with bedroom and full bath, 2.5 car garage. \$349,999 (L10Lan)

Radiant heat offers alternative to forced air gas furnace

FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Ancient Romans circulated warm water beneath floors to heat the stone. American in the 21st century are doing almost exactly the same thing under kitchen, family room and bedroom floors.

It's called radiant heat, and although the technology is centuries old, it is just now coming of age.

According to the Home Service Store, which oversees installation of home-heating systems, radiant heat has roughly the same operating costs of forced-air heat but the two contrast markedly in how rooms are kept warm.

Radiant systems use a small heater to pump a continuous flow of 105 degree water through closed-loop plastic pipe to warm entire floors with low temperature heat.

Natural gas uses a furnace to push air heated to 120 degrees or more through a system of vents.

Proponents of radiant heat cite a litany of pluses, including no furnace or fan noise or drafty air circulation. There are no vents to interfere with furniture placement or become too hot for children to touch. The

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Bill Asdal
Asdal Builders

lukewarm temperatures don't affect floors, carpet and furnishings.

But the biggest draw for homeowners is comfort.

Bill Asdal of Asdal Builders, says radiant heat warms people and objects instead of air.

"The basics of radiant are you heat the entire mass, the floor and what's on it. People become warm by touching objects at or just above floor level," he said.

"This differs from convection heating, where air is heated and rises to the ceiling where you lose the benefits," Asdal said.

While day-to-day expense for the competing systems are nearly the same, installation costs of radiant systems are 20 percent higher.

Ideally, installation is done when a home or addition is built, Asdal said. Retrofitting existing space to accommodate the 3/8-inch pipe can be even more expensive.

Pipes are embedded in concrete slabs or snaked through holes in floor joists to snug pipes up against the floor. Asdal says installation isn't usually a do-it-yourself project. Homeowners should seek experienced installers.

But it appears to be worth any added expense.

"Radiant is a more stable source of heat that holds a steady temperature for longer periods of time because it's rarely turned off," says Asdal.

"People literally soak up the heat. That's the first thing they notice. They really like the added comfort," he said.

The Home Service Store manages home maintenance, repair and improvement tasks in more than 130 markets nationwide and can be found at www.TrustHSS.com.

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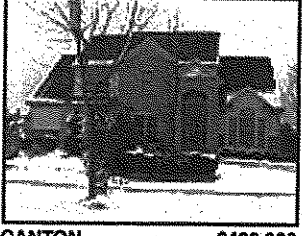
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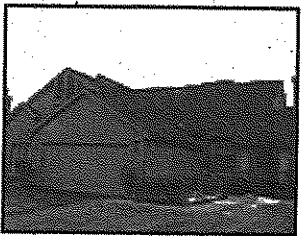
CANTON \$429,900
Must See! 4br, 3.5 bth, Colonial 2 story family rm, large kitchen w/island, sun room, deck, patio, fin. bsmt w/2nd kitchen, cir.dwy, mbr w/jet tub, 2 stairs, lots of features. (BGN70KIN) 888-870-9123



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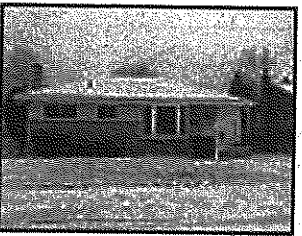
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Start Packing! This super ranch style home is full of updates. Marble foyer & bath. Oak kitchen w/Granite counter top. Huge great room w/fireplace. Professionally fin.basement. (BGN85SUN) 888-870-9123



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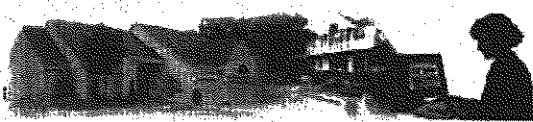
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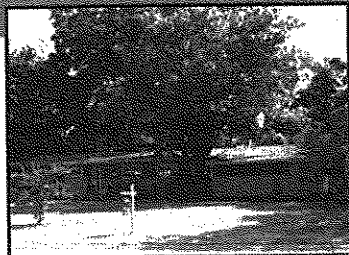
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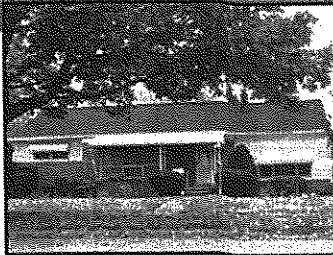
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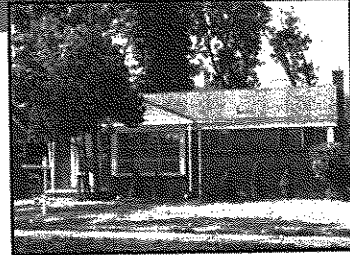
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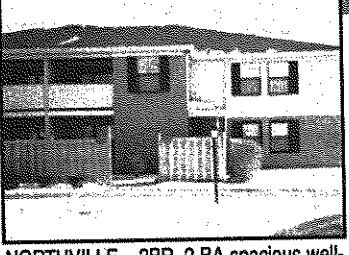
GARDEN CITY - Check it out! Large master bedroom in this 3 bedroom ranch with 2.5 car garage, hardwood floors, great closet space, + updated bath, ceramic tile, roof and gutter, FP in family room. \$129,500 (04LAT) 734-455-5600



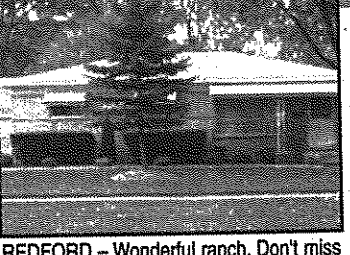
DEARBORN - Great starter home. 3 bedroom, 1 bath brick ranch. Coved ceilings, hardwood floors in living room and bedrooms, plus basement. Close to Oakwood Hospital and expressways. \$104,000 (00SOU) 734-455-5600



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DEARBORN - Classic elegance! Backing to a private wooded setting. This 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath town home with private courtyard entrance. Living room with marble fireplace, formal dining room opens to large deck. Kitchen with Corian and cherry cabinets. Master suite. \$327,500 (23TIM) 734-455-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - This one's a winner. Spacious 3BR, 2BA ranch is tastefully decorated. Features include: an updated kitchen & master bath, great room with fireplace, ceramic entry and kitchen floors, all oak floors, finished lower level, 2 car att. garage. All this and more on a great lot. \$219,000 (13BRO) 248-349-5600



WESTLAND - Condo living at its best. Seller hates to leave this delightful ground floor condo. Best location in the complex w/view of pond. 2BR unit w/large deck for entertaining. Great floor plan. All appliances included. \$113,400 (08SHO) 248-349-5600



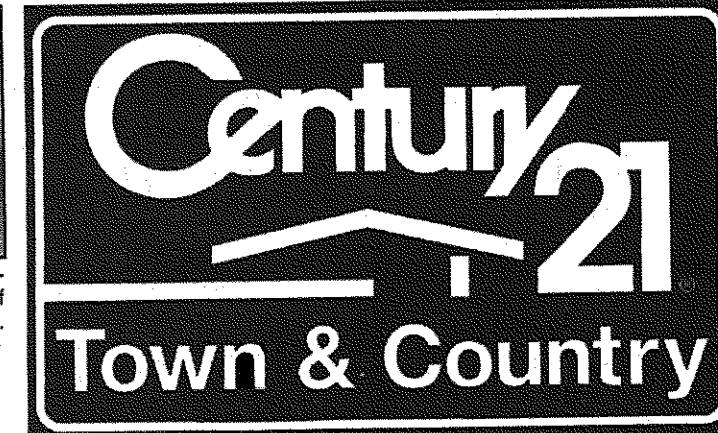
NORTHVILLE - Stunning plantation style Cape Cod. 4BR, 3.5BA home w/granite counter tops, hardwood flooring, custom screened porch, extensive stone walkways, landscaping and extensive decking. 1st floor master suite. Many built-ins. Major upgraded amenities. \$691,000 (67FOX) 248-349-5600



GARDEN CITY - Great Garden City ranch! 3BR, 1BA. Don't miss this one! Finished basement with 2nd kitchen and knotty pine. Updated kitchen, roof, windows and siding. Coved ceilings, freshly painted with hardwood floors. \$139,999 (24ROS) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Lovely. Hard to find 4 bedroom sprawling ranch nestled in one of Plymouth's most prestigious areas. \$334,900 (03POR) 734-455-5600



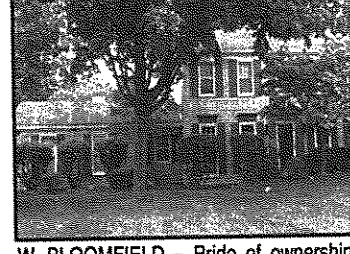
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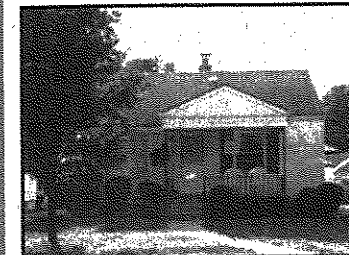
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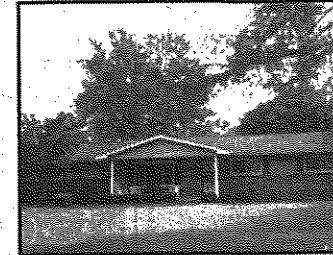
WIXOM - Detached condo. Still like new 3BR with finished basement. Neutral decor, first floor laundry & attached garage. Beautiful deck & great location with easy access to freeways. All appliances included. Fireplace in great room. \$225,000 (12YOR) 248-349-5600



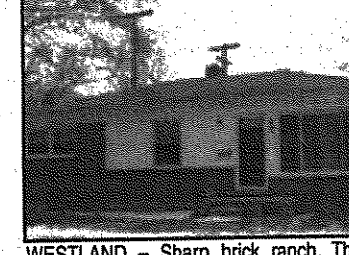
W. BLOOMFIELD - Pride of ownership. Original owners have taken loving care of this 4BR Colonial w/country-kitchen & many updates. Lovely landscaping with walking paths to parks. Large tiled mudroom & foyer. Painted inside & out. Extra windows added. \$289,000 (72GRE) 248-349-5600



REDFORD - Super clean ranch! 3BR, 1.5BA. Must see! C/A, newer bath, kitchen, windows, basement w/glass block windows, newer garage door with opener, neutral decor, all appliances stay and HPP. \$119,900 (65BRA) 734-455-5600



VAN BUREN - Sprawling ranch! 3BR, 1.5BA on almost an acre! 2.5 car attached garage, family room with fireplace and blowers. Updates include: windows, roof, vinyl siding, some carpet and paint. Near Lower Huron Metro Park. \$198,000 (21RIG) 734-455-5600



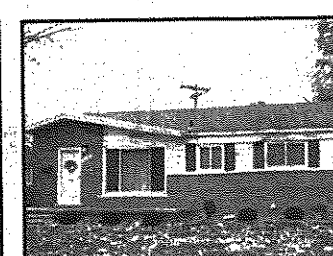
WESTLAND - Sharp brick ranch. This 3BR home has newer windows, updated kitchen and a newer furnace with central air. 2.5 car garage, basement, 1.5BA, private fenced yard, sprinklers, brick pavers, pool and more. Great price and a motivated seller. \$139,900 (60SUS) 248-349-5600



ROCHESTER HILLS - Open floor plan condo. Updated kitchen, newer furnace and A/C. Deck overlooking treed yard. Replacement windows, corner brick fireplace and finished basement. Breakfast nook, dishwasher & microwave new in 2000. Close to school. \$159,900 (09WIL) 248-349-5600



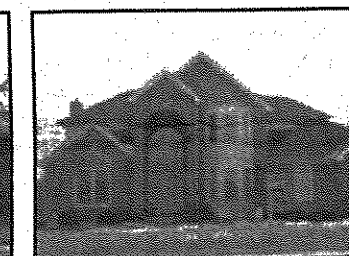
SUPERIOR - Turn of the century farm house. Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial offering recent renovations, kitchen, baths (1 with Jacuzzi tub), entire 2nd floor, great room, formal dining room with wood burning stove, separate living quarters. All in a beautiful country setting. \$283,900 (90CHE) 734-455-5600



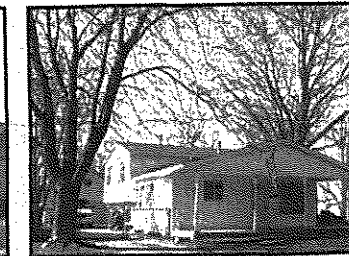
REDFORD - Regal Redford ranch. 3 bedroom brick ranch with 2.5 baths, 2 car garage, rec room has kitchen, wet plaster, C/A with electronic air cleaner, huge deck, vinyl thermo windows, country kitchen with secretary and dishwasher, 100 AMP service with circuit breakers. \$139,900 (12ROB) 734-455-5600



SOUTHGATE - Immaculate condition. Beautiful 3 bedroom brick ranch close to schools and shopping. Partially finished basement with family room and bar, hardwood floors, appliances and garage. \$139,900 (86TRE) 734-455-5600



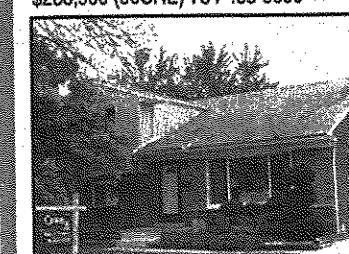
CANTON - Stunning Colonial. This one is beautiful inside and out. 4BR, 2.5BA with 2 story foyer with hardwood floor. Oak kitchen, dual staircases, all neutral colors and lots of added features t/o. Added features in basement. Prof. landscaping, sprinklers system. Wow. \$328,000 (36SOU) 248-349-5600



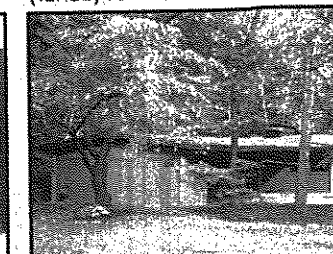
PLYMOUTH - Updated charmer. Spacious & charming describes this 3BR recently remodeled home. Newer oak kit. w/beautiful maple hardwood floors. Newer ceramic tiled baths. Large FR and LR. Great closet & storage space T/O. Newer vinyl siding. Custom built 2 car garage w/storage. \$219,900 (47BUT) 248-349-5600



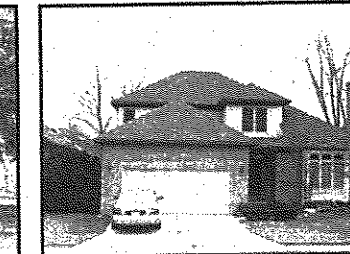
SOUTH LYON - Affordable retirement. Lower 2 bedroom ranch co-op in 55+ community on Lake Angela. \$200 monthly fee includes: taxes, insurance, heat, water, garbage pick up, lawn care and snow removal. Entry level unit. \$59,900 (40SPA) 248-349-5600



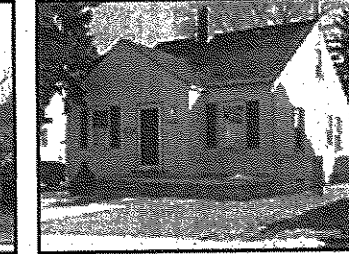
WESTLAND - Livonia Schools! 4BR, 1.5BA Quad Level. Updated windows, siding, gutters, furnace, C/A and Berber carpet. Ceramic tile in kitchen. Newer cement drive. Screened-in back porch and privacy fence. \$163,900 (75COO) 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLE - California contemporary! 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch on beautiful 1.4 acre lot. Great room with wood vaulted ceiling, natural fireplace, slate entry, updated kitchen, custom lighting, master suite with Pergo. Newer windows, roof, C/A and furnace. \$279,000 (60ROB) 734-455-5600



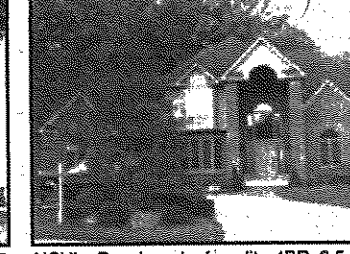
DEARBORN - Spectacular home at TPC. Luxurious gated community offers hardwood floors in spacious foyer, library and gourmet kitchen which has white cabinets, wine rack & built-in appliances, basement rec room and 2 car attached garage. All this offered in this 3 bedroom, 3 full & 2 half baths. \$579,000 (36TUR) 734-455-5600



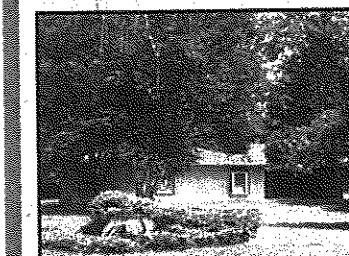
DEARBORN - Charming bungalow. Move in condition home in prime area. Clean and maintenance free living with 3 bedroom, 1 bath basement, garage, C/A, newer vinyl windows, fenced yard. All kitchen appliances. One year home warranty. \$137,500 (05GRI) 248-349-5600



DEARBORN - All brick Cape Cod. 3BR, 2 BA home with hardwood floors throughout. First floor master, two large bedrooms up, plus area for small 4th bedroom. Plaster walls and block basement. \$117,500 (07COL) 248-349-5600



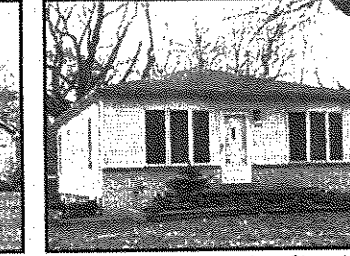
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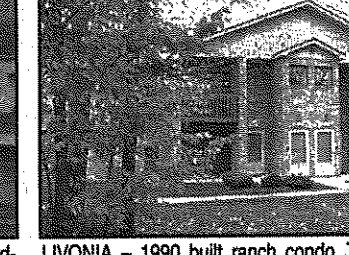
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Applications are available during regular business hours, Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. from the Clerk's Office, Building #3, Charter Township of Plymouth, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170, and must be returned by 3:00 p.m. no later than March 7, 2003.

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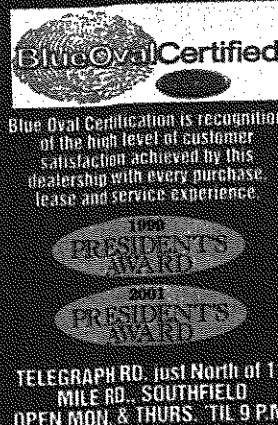
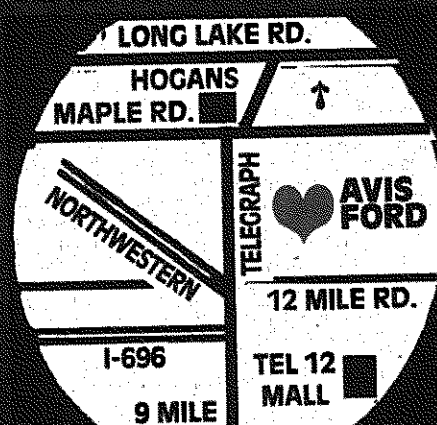
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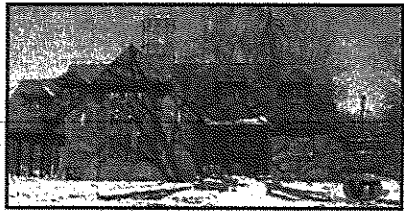


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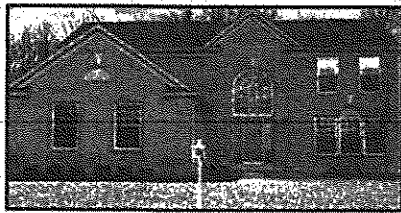
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CANTON \$349,900
Distinctive & artfully elegant! This 4 BR 2 full & 2 half bath brk colonial is nestled deep in the sub and offers eat in kit, GR w/ cath cell, FR w/FP, prof fin bsmt & more! Over 2300 SF.(H45769)

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CANTON \$259,900
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FARMINGTON HILLS \$249,900
DELIGHTFUL WOODED SETTING! Spacious Ranch Condo, 2 BR, 2 bth, freshly painted, new carpet, vaulted GR, oak kit w/ hwd flrs, doorwall to deck, full bsmt, 2-car garage. Imm occ available!(60R1V2)

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WAYNE \$214,900
UNIQUE HOME HAS LOTS OF CHARM & UPDATES Master BR w/FP & balcony, 2 sunrooms, FR w/FP & wet bar. 36x15 inground pool is 3-1/2 to 9 Ft deep w/much decking. 21x16 sunroom overlooking pool area & patio.(C350)

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CANTON \$203,000
OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS Great location, clean, freshly painted 3 bdrm Colonial offers a wood burning fireplace & new carpet in Fam Rm, kitchen & lav re-floored, finished basement.(R171)

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HOWELL \$199,900
BEAUTIFUL NEW RANCH; ON ONE ACRE! Open & airy floor plan, lg kitchen w/ plenty counter & cupboard space. Lg pantry, 2-car garage w/ lg workshop & full bsmt. Minutes to x-ways, city sewer.(80HEN2)

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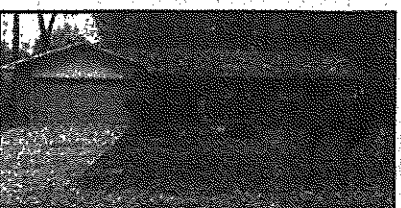
WESTLAND \$194,900
NEW CONSTRUCTION 1,560 sq ft Ranch nearing completion. Features include full basement, 3 bdrms, 2 baths, 1st floor laundry, great room w/fireplace, 2 car attached garage.(N695)

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WESTLAND \$192,500
BEAUTIFUL BROWNSTONE, CONDO Comfortable living on all 3 floors, Bay windows on 1st & 2nd floors, fireplace, hardwood floors, near shopping & restaurants. Must see to appreciate!(C677)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$183,900
COUNTRY IN THE CITY! Welcome home to your 3 BR brk ranch blt in 1989, nestled on quiet folliaged street. Features open flr plan, neutral decor, 2 full BA, FR, 2 car att'd & much more!(W21535)

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WAYNE \$182,000
GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE NEWLY BUILT home. Builder will allow certain customizations, such as a optional study. 14x12. Brick facade optional. Walk in closets, spacious master w/full bath.(V342)

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WESTLAND \$177,900
OUTSTANDING HOME HAS MANY UPDATES huge 3 bedroom, multi baths, large lot, oak cabinets, walk-in closet, paved patio, outstanding landscaping, ceiling fans plus a walk out finished basement.(N258)

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LIVONIA \$174,900
MINT CONDITION RANCH! Features abound in this fabulous home w/oak kitchen, soaring ceilings, vinyl windows, newer roof, c/a, hwd flooring & 2-car garage. Wont last long!(121OW2)

248-348-6430



LIVONIA \$174,900
It's A 10 Plus! Mint condition & totally updated 3 bdrm Rosedale beauty. 1842 sq ft, extra deep 2 car garage, superb landscaping/location, family room, den. Just move right in!(23H31520)

734-455-7000



MILFORD \$173,000
WONDERFUL MILFORD RANCH! Walk to quaint Milford! Fin'd LL with rec room, 4th BR & full bath. Updated kitchen, newer windows, hwh & 2-car garage. Deep lot. A must see home!(06KNI2)

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TAYLOR \$169,900
SPACIOUS COLONIAL FOR GROWING FAMILY Completely updated Colonial home. 1495 Sq Ft, 3 bed, 2.5 bath, 2 car attached garage, family room w/FP. Affordable living in Taylor.(M153)

PC 220292

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WESTLAND \$164,900
PARTICULAR BUYER ALERT! Very popular location in Westland on a low traffic winding street. All kinds of updates: garage, driveway, deck, rf, wndws, siding, & much more. Cozy FR off kit.(C33076)

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

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DEARBORN HGTS. \$159,900
Well Maintained Home! 3 bdrm brick ranch. Oak cbnts in kit. Fnshtd bsmt w/half bath, ceramic, new cpt, wndws, paint. Alarm system. Landscaped, 2 car gar, sprinklers, outside lights.(23H6151)

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GARDEN CITY \$154,900
YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED! Loads of updates including rf, wndws, furn, c/a, entry drs, HWH, siding, drywall, fresh paint. Country kit w/lots of counter & cupboard space, lg FR w/drwl.(L33522)

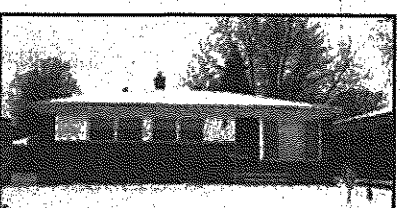
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DEARBORN \$154,900
CLOSE TO SCHOOLS & SHOPPING! 4 bedroom bungalow with newer roof (tear off), furnace, water heater, gas fireplace in large 25x16 family room, premium privacy fence.(23W3401)

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WESTLAND \$152,000
ONE LOOK WILL DO 3 bdrm Ranch w/ fireplace has these updates: 2 baths, newer carpet, oak kitchen, vinyl windows, all appliances, glass block, furnace, A/C, elec, doors, roof.(R174)

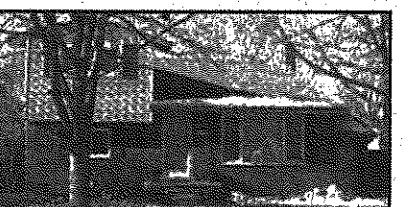
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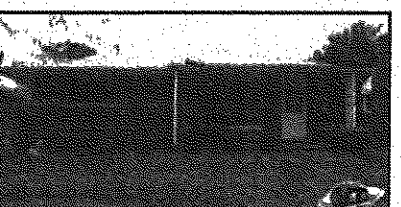
REDFORD \$149,900
LOVELY UPDATED REDFORD HOME! Beautiful new gourmet kitchen, breakfast room, 4 BR, bsmt & 2-car garage. Updts incl: furnace, windows, roof, electric & more! Shows pride of ownership.(95NOR2)

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GARDEN CITY \$149,900
HUGE SHOWPLACE! Yes, 1448 square feet with total updates, attached garage, 3 bedrooms, all appliances stay, newer roof and a 3 season Florida room.(23F6445)

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REDFORD \$141,900
QUALITY 3 BR, 1.5 BA BRICK RANCH with finished basement, 2 car garage, fenced & landscaped yd, newer furn & c/a, new roof & carpet. Location, value & charm!(S14148)

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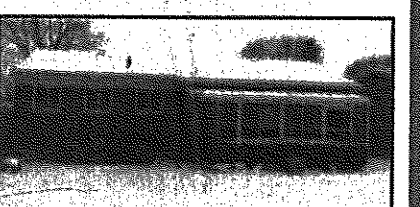
REDFORD \$134,900
EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY Live in a 1143 SF brick broad front ranch in South Redford. Complete w/all appliances, 2 car garage, basement & more!(M8829)

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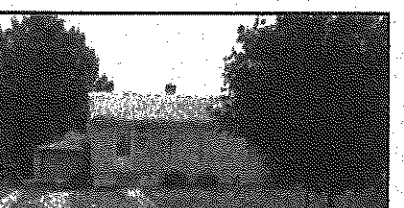
NORTHVILLE \$134,900
STYLISH, AFFORDABLE GROUND LEVEL CONDO! Move right into this super Ranch Condo in one of Northville's most popular complexes w/pool. Neutral carpet, light cabinets, great ceramic flr in kitchen & DR.(14NOR2)

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WESTLAND \$134,900
GREAT STARTER HOME In a quiet neighborhood. 3 BR, fresh paint, brk ranch, lg 2+ car gar, partially fin bsmt, great front sunporch, new kit flrs, many updates. All red brk.(R723)

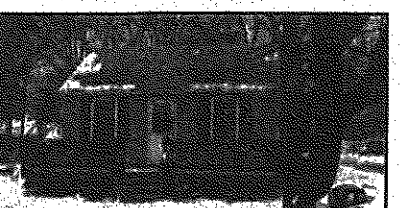
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GARDEN CITY \$133,900
GARDEN CITY RANCH WITH A DECK AND GAZEBO Newer shingles, re-finished hardwood floors, newer white kitchen cabinets. Newer counter, sink & flooring, beautifully finished basement with recessed lights.(S284)

PC 220522

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$130,000
LITTLE CHARMER WITH FARMINGTON SCHOOLS! Immaculate with many updates including: furnace, water heater, carpet, flooring & paint. Perfect starter home with 2 BR, 1 bath!(91ALB2)

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CANTON \$127,900
GREAT CONDO, CONVENIENT CANTON LOCATION! Upper level Condo w/vaulted ceiling, open floor plan, neutral, 2 BR, 2 baths & all appliances. Quiet location! (36LIL2)

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WESTLAND \$125,900
MINT CONDITION, WESTLAND CONDO! 2 BR, 1.5 bath Condo has oak kitchen, new carpet, vinyl flooring & freshly painted, vinyl windows, ceramic foyer & huge mstr w/walk-in-closet.(92CAR2)

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REDFORD \$114,000
VERY SHARP 3 BR, 2 FULL BATH HOME! Impeccably maintained w/beautiful refinished hwd flrs. Includes: stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer, dryer & microwave!(09FIV2)

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LIVONIA
HOME SHOWS BEAUTIFULLY! 3 BR, 1.5 BA colonial features hwd flrs, neutral decor, newer furn & hwh, vinyl Anderson windows, remodeled baths, fin bsmt, insdcpd w/deck & sprinklers.(G36507)
\$204,900

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WIXOM
GREAT LOCATION FOR THIS ALMOST NEW Condot Open floor plan offers 2-3 bdrms, 2.5 baths in great complex See-thru FP, skylights & super deck for entertaining. Minutes to x-ways & shopping.(85CAL2)
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Dental 5040

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MEDICAL ASSISTANT
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MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Wanted for busy Internal Medicine practice. Exp. required. Part-time w/ Full-time option. Send resume to fax (734) 641-8970, Attn: Debbie

MEDICAL ASSISTANT, EXP.
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Single white female, 53, dark hair and eyes, 5', physically fit, social drinker. Enjoys bingo, bowling, casinos, funny movies, yard sales, garage sales, sports, dining out and just having fun. Seeking a single male, 45 to 55, who likes cats. BOX 13728

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Single white female, 40, 5'5", non-smoker, brown hair, medium to husky, loving, caring, likes a variety of activities, sports. Seeking a husky, honest, white guy, 36-46, serious long-term relationship. Macomb County. BOX 36039

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TRY THIS OUT

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DON'T MISS OUT!

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LOOKING 4 THAT GIRL

Hard working, divorced white male, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs. Looking to find an easy going, intelligent, pretty white female, mid to late 40s, nice shape and build, for a long term relationship. No games please. Redford area. BOX 14640

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COME FLY WITH ME!

Handsome, professional, 57, 18 on the dance floor, 6', fit, looks and feels younger, spiritual, charismatic, enjoys sporting events, arts and travel. Seeks attractive, slender female who is ready to enjoy life to its fullest. BOX 25779

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LOVE ME TENDER

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READY TO GAMBLE?

46 yrs old, attractive, healthy, single, white male seeks lady like, single, white female, 40's to 50's. BOX 14811

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Divorced, attractive, fit, white, easy going male, 6'1", 200 lbs, 50's, ex-Marine, engineer. Seeks attractive, younger, fit, shapely female for a lasting relationship. Troy area. Material status not important. BOX 30398

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Divorced, white male, 43, 5'9", 165 lbs, blondish brown hair, green eyes, down to earth. Seeking a single or divorced, white female, 38 to 45, who is down to earth and enjoys the simple things in life. For a possible relationship. Wayne county BOX 27006

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IS THIS YOUR NAME?

Divorced white male, early 50s, dark hair, blue eyes, 6', looking for Carol, Charlotte, Chris, Debbie, Diane, Denise, Donna, Joy, Karen, Kathy, Linda, Lori, Nancy, Pat, Sally, Sandy, and Sue. I'd like to meet you. Ages 38 to 54. Possible long term relationship. West Side. BOX 26039

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POLISH ITALIAN GUY

50, attractive and healthy, youthful and light hearted. Enjoys doing fun things and going to interesting places. Seeks lady to spend time with and get to know. BOX 20745

GETTING IT RIGHT!

Handsome teacher, 50, 6', 210 lbs, divorced, likes hunting, fishing, movies, playing the guitar, cooking, gardening, dining out and being with that special person. Seeks single female, same interests for a long term relationship. NO HEAD GAMES! Children welcomed. BOX 21155

PLEASEANTLY PLUMP?

Go ahead and call open minded, single white male, 39, easy to talk too, romantic and adventurous. Seeks single white female 24-42, for meaningful relationship. Wayne county BOX 25010

DO YOU QUALIFY?

White male, 48, muscular, attractive, financial and self secure. Seeking selective, classy, attractive white or Asian female, under 45, for long term relationship. Wayne county. BOX 25970

LET STAY 2GETHER...

For ever. Single white male, 45, honest, faithful, trustworthy, caring, loving, up front, smoker, social drinker, 6', 165 lbs, looking for a white female, 35-50, on the slim side, 100-140 lbs, who has the same qualities as I do. Looking for a very serious relationship, no head games. Oakland County. BOX 28014

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SEEKS LADY 2 BE...

...My wife! White male, dark hair, nice looking, non-smoker, non-drinker, enjoys sports, dancing and more. Looking for a single woman, 26 and up, for a long term loving relationship. BOX 27318

I'M LOOKING FOR YOU!

Single African American male, 34, slim, wears glasses, likes going to parks, basketball, football, playing video games. Looking for a single, adventurous female, with similar interests who believes in God, 26 to 35, slim, casual dresser for a meaningful relationship. BOX 27341

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MORE THAN FRIENDS

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HERE'S A SURPRISE

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ADVENTUROUS

Passionate, funny, intelligent, tall, handsome, well built, 6'3", 205 lb single white male, 38, looking for passionate, intelligent, attractive, fun female for romance and possible long-term relationship. Oakland County. BOX 36072

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There's no better prospect than taking a Cadillac Escalade for a trip through the Upper Midwest when the snow is falling and winter winds are swirling. The eight passenger SUV is huge, high off the ground and sure-footed, and the feeling of security it provides driver and passengers is matched only by the 2003 Escalade's luxurious creature comforts.

That's the ample good news. But along with the cod-dling and cocooning come some not-unexpected drawbacks as well: Escalade rides and handles too loosely; it gets atrocious mileage; and operating the vehicle's various acouterments can be so complicated as to seem to require a co-pilot.

Listing at prices starting at \$50,795, Escalade is the two-year-old SUV entry for Cadillac, which once again is trying to recapture some of its past glory with an overhaul of its entire product lineup. Cadillac says that Escalade appeals to younger buyers, and it received the 2001 "Most appealing Luxury SUV" award from J.D. Power & Associates, a renowned evaluator of customer satisfaction with autos and auto makers.

No doubt the Escalade's cabin scored huge with consumers. The front, middle and rear seat levels each have their own climate controls, ensuring maximum comfort even for family members whose internal thermostats diverge widely. Heated mid-level seats that recline are a pleasant plus as well. One quibble: Heat for the middle seats emerges from the ceiling too close to the head of the right-side occupant.

On our family trip, the 2003 Escalade's vast entertainment options were a big hit. The optional Panasonic DVD system for mid-and-rear-seat passengers allowed my two teenagers to pass the hours quickly watching *Lord of the Rings*. The newly available XM Satellite Radio was an absolute delight: How many places can you find hour after hour of music from the tortured but significant Seventies, or a continuous program of fami-



2003 Cadillac Escalade is loaded with luxurious creature comforts.

ly-oriented humor from old Bill Cosby routines to snippets from *Laugh-In*? We never even got to the point of playing a CD on the Escalade's Bose-equipped audio system--how nineties would that be?

Minor complaints about the interior include the fact that buttons and knobs bearing only icons are so numerous that they could overwhelm many drivers' ability to remember the associated functions. Instead, words of description with many switches would be a big help. And while Bulgari is certainly a gold-plated brand, placing one of its clocks on the center console seems redundant, with a large digital clock just a few inches away on the dashboard.

For 2003, in addition to making the cabin even more a den of comfort, Cadillac has improved Escalade's handling and performance. A new four-channel electronic-brake-control system replaces a three-channel hydraulic control, providing benefits such as more stable, controlled ABS stops--as illustrated by the necessity for quick braking on a snow-covered stretch of Interstate 94 recently near Jackson.

The robust six-liter Vortec 6000 engine in the all-wheel-drive version lends Escalade 345 horsepower, more than any other SUV, and remarkable pickup for such a huge vehicle. Another pleasant surprise is Escalade's turning ratio of just 39 feet, very tight for a mammoth SUV and handy when you're poorly navigating unfamiliar city streets.

The 2003 Escalade also features safety enhance-

ments including front-seat dual-level airbags for driver and passenger-sensing system so the airbag knows whether to deploy. Huge arrows on the side mirrors that blink along with front and rear turn signals are a useful touch. GM also has added power-adjustable feature to the brake and accelerator pedals for the new model year.

A striking advantage at night in Escalade is the high-intensity discharge headlamps, which drench the road ahead with simulated daylight; GM says Escalade is the only SUV to carry these lamps as a standard feature.

Yet, for all that functional aplomb, Escalade doesn't necessarily turn heads the way some of Caddy's new sedans do. It is boxy-looking and unremarkable, especially compared with some of its competition in the ultra-luxury niche. Escalade looks rakish only by contrast with plain-looking cousins such as GMC Yukon and Chevrolet Suburban.

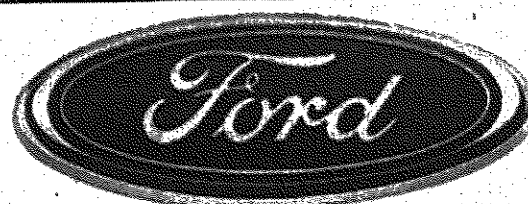
Escalade doesn't display best-in-class handling either. It's a bit mushy and unresponsive. And while even large potholes on the rustic roads of Oakland Township are effectively damped by Escalade's cushy suspension, the ride overall seems more truck-like than it should.

With fuel efficiency on a 900-mile round trip to Wisconsin that averaged only about 15 miles a gallon even on the Interstate system, Escalade required way too many stops to refill its 26-gallon tank. But once the fuel-tank cap was back on, it sure was a nice vehicle to climb back into.

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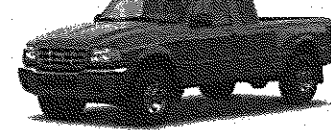
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