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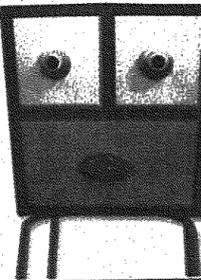
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Double talk

Canton's Youth Variety Series continues 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 1, at Summit on the Park. Saturday's show features ventriloquist Richard Paul.

Tickets are \$3 per person per show and are available at the Summit. Advance purchase is recommended since seating is limited. The shows are targeted at children 12 and under.

Remaining shows of the series are *Cary Ann's Dream Machine Family Concert* on Saturday, March 22, and *A New Breed of Magic* with Jason Hudry on April 12.

For more information, call (734) 394-5460.

Hot chili

Not bad for a first time. The Plymouth Salvation Army, sponsoring its first chili cookoff and basket auction Sunday, raised more than \$565 to contribute to its World Services goal for the year.

Despite less-than-ideal weather conditions, more than 50 people showed up at the Army's hall on Main Street to participate.



Baskets donated by Horton Plumbing (\$50) and Backyard Birds (\$35) were the night's biggest draws and brought in the highest bids.

"Considering it's the first time we've attempted anything like this, we were very pleased with the outcome," said Maj. Stephen Hull, Plymouth commander. "We had a lot of fun doing it."

Workshops

A month of workshops for women is scheduled at the Summit each Monday in March from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The first workshop is March 3, "Time to Get Crafty." You'll learn how to make easy and inexpensive gifts for family and friends.

Other workshops are March 10, "Street-Smart Women: Survival Awareness Workshop"; March 17, "Just Breathe," and deep breathing and relaxation techniques through yoga.

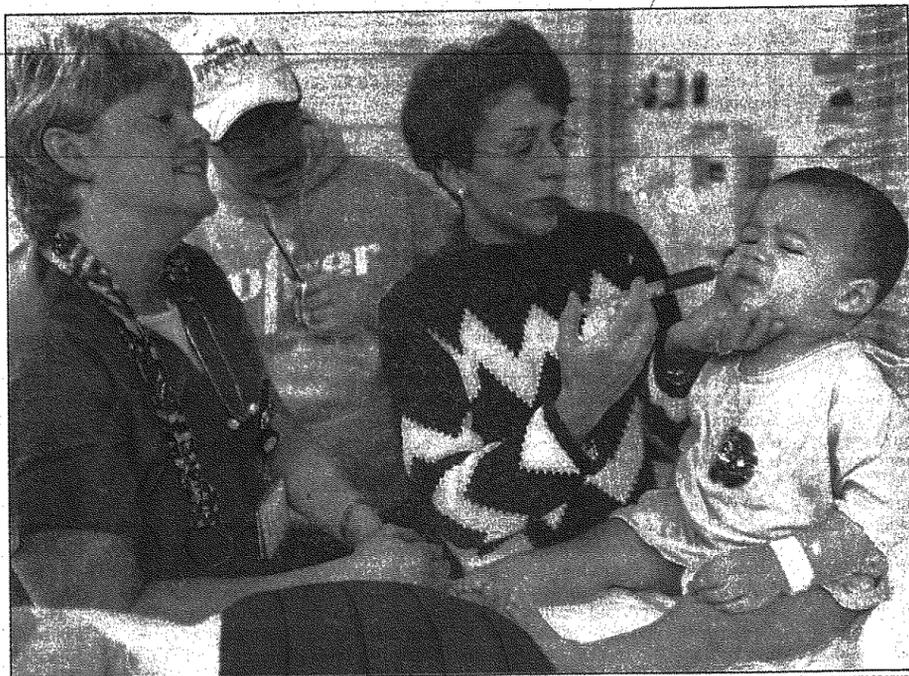
Women age 16 and over are welcome. Pre-registration is required. Call (734) 394-5460.

Safety award

The Canton Police Department has received an award for Excellence in Traffic Safety, along with a \$4,000 grant to purchase traffic safety equipment.

The award, from the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, is given to departments that show outstanding safety programs and initiatives.

Canton Police, along with Plymouth-Canton schools, Wayne County Roads and parent-teacher organizations, worked together to erect fiber optic signs and school warning devices at the elementary schools in Canton. The department also received a certificate of appreciation for its commercial vehicle safety program.



Altigracia Jimenez-Brown administers the pre-surgery medication to Imanol Duran as nurse Vicky Hladys and William Brown look on.

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The chance for a new life

Dominican boy sails through corrective foot surgery

Second of two parts

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Altigracia Jimenez-Brown grips the cup of hospital coffee the way a drowning woman might hold a lifesaver.

Her 18-month-old charge, Imanol Duran, has finally been wheeled into surgery at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital in Wayne, some 11 days after the diminutive Dominican child had originally been scheduled to have his clubfeet corrected. Jimenez-Brown, Imanol's foster mother for his four-month stay in the United States, can finally relax as the turning point in Alta and Imanol's Excellent Adventure arrived.

"You look calmer," a nurse tells Jimenez-Brown moments after she placed Imanol in the skilled hands and warm hearts of the medical staff at Annapolis, the Oakwood Healthcare Systems facility being donated for Imanol's surgery.



Alta comforts Imanol following the surgery. He was fussing quite a bit until she held him, and then he fell right to sleep.

"I've had that first cup," Jimenez-Brown says, smiling.

It's one of the first calm moments the family has had since volunteering for the responsibility of caring for Imanol, the toddler brought up from the Dominican Republic by a nonprofit group called Health Help Project Inc. Founded by Plymouth doctor Frank Patino in the mid-1990s,

Health Help has made it possible for a number of children to have their feet corrected by surgery in Michigan.

It's a problem Patino discovered while on a trip to the Dominican Republic to accept a humanitarian award given for his help in getting medicine and medical supplies

PLEASE SEE SURGERY, A6

Homeowners will start over in drive to change boundary

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

The school district boundary dividing the Plymouth-Canton and Van Buren districts might as well be the Great Wall of China to a group of residents trying to get it redrawn.

Residents in Huntington Place and Huntington Place II subdivisions, near Geddes and Beck, want the boundary redrawn so that their children can attend Plymouth-Canton schools, mainly because Plymouth-Canton schools are closer to their homes and because test scores are higher in that district.

Residents Mark Dixon and Houshun

Zhang led a petition effort to get the boundary changed. They spent six months collecting signatures from 90 percent of homeowners, but recently learned they had to start over.

In cases of dual home ownership, both owners must sign the petition, Dixon said.

"It's bureaucratic red tape," Dixon said.

It is frustrating to live close to a school your children are not allowed to attend, said Dixon, whose daughter attends Belleville High, eight miles away. The closest Van Buren elementary,

PLEASE SEE BOUNDARY, A5

Slavens seeks 2nd term

School board petitions available, due April 7

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton school board Vice President Mark Slavens believes leaving the school board in the middle of a budget crisis would be the wrong decision.

In fact, Slavens figures now is the time the school board needs experienced people to step up and guide it through financial-

ly stressed times.

With that said, the Canton Township resident announced he'll seek a second 4-year term on the school board in the election scheduled for June 9.

"I don't want to leave when the times are getting tough," said Slavens. "We're going to have very difficult times coming up for this school district, and I don't believe now is the time for me to leave."

"I think the board needs some experienced board members, and I feel I can help solve the financial problems we'll be fac-

ing," Slavens said.

Superintendent Jim Ryan predicts Plymouth-Canton Schools will face a \$9 million budget deficit in the 2003-04 school year.

Slavens said the board has achieved a lot the past four years.

"We've brought in three schools under budget and on time, and I'm proud of that," he said. "There was also a point in time when there were some proposed policy changes that would have taken the communi-

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War TV edict brings mixed reactions

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The edict by Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan that pulls the plug on classroom television sets if the U.S. goes to war with Iraq isn't sitting well with some high school educators and their students.

In a one-page letter sent to teachers and parents last week, describing procedures the district will take if war breaks out, Ryan said, "there will be no live television or radio used by our K-12 students. We believe our parents should choose how, and if, they wish to share this information with their students. Coverage has become increasingly graphic, and we do not want to upset students. These discussions are better held at home."

Students at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park said if war breaks out, they want the televisions on to get the latest information.

"The televisions should be left on, especially in classrooms like government," said Danielle Phillips, 15, of Plymouth. "I think we should know what's going on in the world."

Ryan Sharrow, 16, of Plymouth Township, said it will be difficult for the school district to stop the televisions from being tuned to the news. "I think it's good for discussion in school," he said.

"You're going to see it at home, see it everywhere. I don't know about younger kids, but most high school kids can handle it."

A week after the letter was mailed, Ryan said he still has concerns about live television in all classrooms.

"I still have a sincere concern over live television," he said. "I think it's going to be more graphic than ever. The letter in no way wants to restrict any teacher from doing what they do in class. Teachers are doing wonderful things in discussing the war."

"I don't want kids to bring any opinions at home that may cause some hurt feelings in the room," Ryan added. "We do not want to stereotype any cultures or equate terrorism with any ethnic group."

If push comes to shove, at least two social studies teachers at Salem High School say it would be impossible for them to keep the

televisions off if war broke out.

"Kids will have questions, but if they don't have access to that updated information, they're going to just spread rumors in the hall, and make things worse," said Close Up teacher Bill Boyd. "If the kids are out in the hallways without the actual facts, that's when things like violence and racism start, and kids will make assumptions that probably won't be accurate."

Boyd's teaching partner, Darrin Silvester, believes without live television, students will be missing history in the making.

"At age 15, we expect maturity out of them, we expect them to be young adults, and then we tell them we need to take television away from you," said Silvester. "That's a disservice to them, a disservice to America, a disservice to the community."

Boyd said "it isn't television news that's graphic, it's the event that's graphic. It defines these kids' lives, and they should see it."

"If you're teaching about war and not being graphic, (what) you're teaching is a disservice to these kids. They need to learn that war is a bad thing, that the Holocaust was a terrible atrocity."

In its editorial, *The Perspective*, the high school newspaper, said, "We need to discuss these problems, and we need to watch and gain as much knowledge about these problems as we can. School is the best place for this to happen."

Everyone seemed to be in agreement that no television at the elementary and middle school levels is more appropriate.

Jim Burt, principal at Eriksson Elementary, said if war breaks out, he will carry on, just like he and his staff did on 9/11.

"We didn't want to break the news to kids," said Burt. "We didn't talk about it all day. The following day we talked about it in ways appropriate to each age group."

"It's up to parents to decide what they want to say, and how much they want to say, to their children," said Burt. "They need to provide the reassurance and security messages to their students."

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SPRING GARDENING

Canton Leisure Services is offering a variety of gardening classes at the Summit on three Wednesdays during March which will help you in preparing your garden this spring. The classes are taught by Nancy Fedon, Certified Michigan Master Gardener. Each class runs from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Registration can be done at the front desk of the Summit and costs \$30 for Canton residents and \$35 for non-residents.

■ Growing Tender Bulbs - March 5
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■ All About Perennials - March 12
This class will show you how to choose healthy, attractive plants for both sun and shade, and learn how to amend and prepare your soil for your specific garden needs and plant choices. Find out how to properly fertilize, divide and prune, as well as other care and maintenance measures. Discover how perennials can be grown in containers and wintered-over for years of successful blooms.

■ Wildlife In Your Garden - March 26

Which plants attract butterflies and hummingbirds? Learn how to invite certain birds that will benefit your garden and landscape, and see how to encourage the natural food chain in your yard and diminish the use of pesticides. You will also learn which birds you should attract to eat up mosquitoes.

ACT UP

Students in grades 6-12 are invited to take part in something new and exciting over this mid-winter break. For those interested in acting but aren't quite sure how to get started, this is the perfect opportunity. Leisure Services is sponsoring an "Act Up" youth and teen drama workshop at the Summit on Tuesday, Feb. 25 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Award-winning instructor Yvonne Healy jam-packs this fun-filled class with improvisation, theater games, and scene work. Some activities are similar to television's popular show, "Whose Line Is It Anyway?"

Cost is register is \$17 for residents and \$20 for non-residents. Registration is happening now at the Summit, and those under age 18 must be registered by a parent or guardian. Space is limited.

CANTON CONNECTION

ALBUM CLASS

Have you wanted to make a scrapbook album for yourself or to give as a gift but you don't know where to begin? Imagine completing an album in one class! Come to this special class offered by Canton Leisure Services and learn how to make sharp pages that are fast and easy to do. The class will be held on Monday, March 10 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the Summit. Pamela MacIntyre, Creative Memories Unit Leader, will be facilitating the session. Registration for residents is open at the Summit with a fee of \$8 for Summit members and \$10 for non-members. Non-residents may register beginning March 5 for \$13, if space is available. In addition, a supply fee of \$45 is due at the beginning of class.

In this class you will make a 7x7 scrapbook that comes with all the supplies you need to complete it. This simple, fast and memorable way to scrapbook will leave you feeling inspired to create many beautiful pages. There will be color cards with layouts to guide you through each page and many different scrapbooking tools for you to try. Different kits/themes will be available to choose from. This class is great for a beginner or novice scrapbooker.

ALL FOR ANNIE

Bring the whole family out to see the musical *Annie* at the Fox Theater for the 2 p.m. show on Saturday, March 8. The ticket price of \$39 per person includes admission to the show and coach transportation to and from the theater. Boarding takes place at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton between 12:30 and 12:45 p.m., and you will return at approximately 5:30 p.m. You must have a ticket to board.

Tickets are on sale for Canton residents only now through Feb. 25 at the Summit. Non-residents may purchase tickets through March 6 at 5 p.m. Limited seating is available.

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.

SWEAT SUIT DRIVE CONTINUES

The Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Plymouth-Canton is continuing its Annual Sweat suit Drive until the end of February.

This is the sixth year of the event, which supports First Step, the Western Wayne County Project on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

"The staff members of First Step keep the collected sweat suits in their cars ready to give to victims when needed, providing them with some sense of dignity," said Janet Ott, co-chairman of the First Step Sweat suit Drive and secretary of the Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club.

Donations of new sweat suits will be accepted throughout the month of February. All sizes and colors, including children's sizes are needed, since other members of a family may be affected by the assault.

The following establishments have drop boxes for Canton: Canton Chamber of Commerce, 5820 N. Canton Center Road; Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Road; Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge; Help-U-Sell Real Estate, 7242 N. Haggerty; KaDe's Hair Salon, 42013 Ford Road; Keller & Stein, 42158 Michigan Ave.; Republic Bank, 5844 N. Sheldon.

For Plymouth the locations are: Coldwell Banker, 44644 Ann Arbor Road; Herriman & Associates, 41486 Wilcox; Papa Romano's, 555 W. Ann Arbor Road; Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, 386 S. Main; and the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main.

For more information, contact Mark or Janet Ott at (734) 981-0460.

YOUTH VARIETY

Canton Project ARTS and the township's Leisure Services department will be offering four entertainment events for ages 12 and under.

The Youth Variety series events are \$3 per person, starting at 10 a.m. The shows run about 90 minutes and are held in the banquet and conference center.

Upcoming shows include ventriloquist Richard Paul on March 1, the Dream Machine Family Concert on March 22, and A New Breed of Magic with Jason Hudy on April 12.

Advance purchase of tickets is suggested because there is limited seating; call (734) 394-5460 for more details.

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Salem grad enmeshed in story of famed composer

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

When Anika Scott, a former Canton resident and 1991 Salem High School graduate now living in Germany, offered to translate some letters from German to English for a San Diego resident researching his family tree, she was just trying to make a few extra bucks to supplement her income as a freelance writer.

But as the translations unfolded, the project turned into a tale of mystery and intrigue, involving a Jewish family in Austria during World War II, persecution by the Nazis and the discovery of a lost manuscript by renowned composer Gustav Mahler.

And that led to the writing of a book and the development of a Web site, both devoted to the story.

Scott's mother and stepfather, Donna and James Freeman, live in Canton with her half-brother Stephen, 17, who attends Salem now.

Scott's odyssey began in 1991 when she graduated from Salem and attended James Madison College at Michigan State University. She graduated in 1995 with a bachelor of arts honors degree in international politics.

She then attended Columbia University in New York where she earned a master of science in journalism in 1996. After a one-year stint as a beat reporter for the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, she went to the *Chicago Tribune* where she covered education and wrote content and conceptual design for the paper's Web site on music, arts and education.

INTERNET MEETING - SORT OF

"My now husband was working on his Ph.D. in Germany and I lived in Chicago when we first met," Scott said. "We met on the Internet - sort of." She was planning a trip to

Europe in 1999 and asked a question on an Internet message board about travel in Europe. Jurgen Klecker, a psychologist who specializes in addiction treatment at a private clinic in Germany, answered her e-mail query.

"We exchanged e-mails for a month or so and then I visited him briefly on my European trip," Scott said. "After that we flew to visit each other back and forth for about a year until it got too expensive. I decided to leave the States because, what the hey, you have to risk something sometimes. And I'd always wanted to live in Europe."

She landed in Germany knowing not a word of German. "I'd had a semester in college, but that was long forgotten. When I first arrived in Germany I took a three-month intensive course, six hours of lessons a day," she said. "That got me started, but even now I still take a German class every Tuesday night."

She began working as a freelance journalist, writing on European travel and culture for publications and Web sites. "In 2001, I advertised on a Web site that hooked up freelancers with people or companies who needed contract work of one kind or another," she said. "Aside from writing the normal articles and doing press releases, I offered to do translations from German into English with the help of my German husband."

That's when Tom Adler entered the picture. Adler, a 64-year-old retired civil rights lawyer from San Diego, had been doing research on his family tree for a long time. A native of Austria, Adler is the grandson of Austrian musicologist Guido Adler. Tom Adler emigrated to the



Scott

MAHLER CONNECTION

The book former Canton resident Anika Scott worked on can be bought through the Web site losttotheworld.com.

The troubled Gustav Mahler lived primarily in the Victorian Age, from 1860 until 1911. He wrote symphonies but may have been best known as a conductor. He finished his conducting career in New York with the Metropolitan Opera and the Philharmonic.

Even though Anika Scott can translate German she still takes lessons in the language every week.

United States as an infant with his Jewish family shortly after the German army marched into Austria and claimed it. He had spent years trying to track down the whereabouts of his grandfather's priceless library which included, among other things, a manuscript that Mahler had presented to his grandfather as a gift in 1905.

LOST MANUSCRIPT

The manuscript, "Ich bin der Welt abhanden gekommen" (I am Lost to the World), had disappeared along with the rest of the library. In 2000, Adler wrote to a music expert in Vienna in his search for his grandfather's lost possessions.

He was told that the Mahler manuscript had just surfaced at Sotheby's Auction House in Vienna, where a local attorney had put it up for sale. It was his search to prove that the manuscript had belonged to his grandfather that led him to Scott.

"I was researching what had happened to the Mahler manu-

script and I had a lot of documents in German that I was having translated by a former member of the Hitler Youth," Adler said. "He had some physical problems so I put an ad on the Internet for a translator and Anika answered it."

Adler sent her a packet of letters to translate, and the story began to unfold.

"The letters were written mostly by Rudolf von Ficker, an anti-Nazi Austrian musicologist," Scott said. "They were immediately post-war and written to the composer Egon Wellesz, an Austrian who spent the war as an exile in England."

"My husband and I translated the letters. They gave us bits and pieces of what looked to be a much larger story. They talked of Melanie, Tom's aunt, and her efforts to keep the Gestapo at bay as she tried to find a way to flee Austria after the death of her father (Guido Adler)."

"Some of Vienna's most prominent music academics were implicated in the betrayal that finally led Melanie to her death - and that to my mind was enough info for me to start talking to Tom about writing the whole thing as a book."

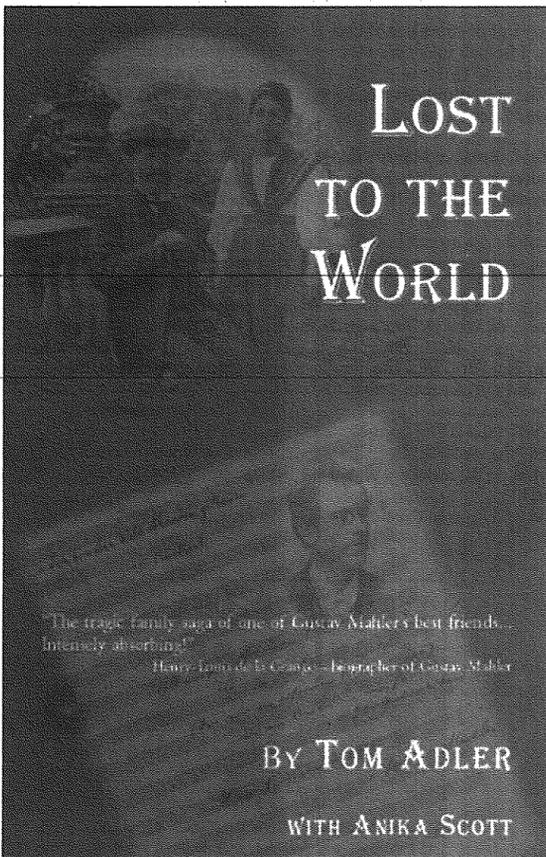
Working by telephone, e-mail and regular mail, the two collaborated on the book.

"At the start of the project, he sent me via e-mail and snail mail every piece of the story," Scott said, "documents, photos, letters, references to the Adlers in secondary sources, just absolutely everything. I spent a lot of time putting the facts together, making links, filling in the holes and building the narrative."

CHAPTER BY CHAPTER

She would write a chapter, send it to Adler who would edit it and return it to her.

"It was sometimes hard to keep up with Tom in this project - he calls it his quest to tell the world the truth, and he's



Anika Scott helped write *Lost to the World*, which involves a famous composer, foreign intrigue and a lost manuscript.

pretty obsessed by it." Last month, the project became a reality with the publication of *Lost to the World*, the book telling the story of Adler's quest, and the mystery and intrigue it unraveled.

Adler also put up a Web site, losttotheworld.com, which offers excerpts from the book and from which it can be purchased.

Adler and Scott only met in person once. He and his wife were in Germany last year, where they met and had dinner with Scott and Klecker.

"It was quite wonderful working with Anika," Adler said. "She is very bright and has a tremendous grasp of European history, which I do not."

And for Scott, the experience was also positive.

"Tom is an amazingly laid-back, down-to-earth guy. I've found it extremely easy to work with him because he respects my abilities and also accepts my limitations as a young writer and journalist."

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ty's say out of some board decisions. I helped make sure those policies didn't go into effect, and the community's voice was allowed to continue to be spoken."

Board member Marcy Staley has already announced she will not seek re-election. She said she will use the time to care for her mother, who has been diagnosed with macular degeneration.

Staley was appointed to fill the seat vacated by Steve Guile in December 2001. She then ran in June 2002 for the one-year unexpired term, defeating Debra Madonna.

"I will miss being on the board," Staley said. "I've enjoyed my tenure, as short as it might seem to some people. If you add it on to the time I've

spent on the housing committee and community council, it's been a long career."

Nominating petitions are now available for any resident of the school district who is registered to vote. Petition forms are available at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center at 454 S. Harvey Street in Plymouth.

Nominating petitions must be turned in by Monday, April 7, at 4 p.m. Candidates can either collect a minimum of 40 signatures of registered voters in the Plymouth-Canton school district, or, as an alternative, pay a \$100 filing fee.

The last day a candidate can withdraw from the ballot is Thursday, April 10.

Any questions concerning the June 9 election can be directed to elections clerk Liz Adams at (734) 416-3095.

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Weather may have sparked damage

Police responded to two reports of property damage, possibly related to the big weekend snowstorm.

In one instance the owner of the management company for Pinetree Plaza on Joy Road reported a 40-foot pole with four lights was knocked down some time after 6 a.m. on Sunday.

He said he checked with the snowplowing service that had plowed the lot and was told that the pole was OK at 6 a.m. when they finished plowing. An employee of the party store noticed the pole down about 10:30 a.m. No one witnessed the incident apparently, although the owner said large trucks sometimes use the lot to turn around. The pole and lights were valued at \$6,500. In another incident a resident of the 800 block of North Lotz told police someone apparently lost control of a vehicle during the storm and knocked down her mailbox and a 20-foot tree. The vehicle left the scene.

The mailbox was valued at \$50 and the tree at \$950.

GRAFFITI PAINTED

The manager of Sears

COP CALLS

Hardware on Ford Road told police some had sprayed graffiti on the back of the store and a storage trailer.

The vandals used blue and pink spraypaint. The incident occurred sometime over the weekend.

BATHROOM STRIKE

An employee of Superbowl on Ford Road reported to police that sometime between 11 p.m. Saturday and 11:59 p.m. someone took a bowling ball into the men's bathroom and used it to smash a wall-mounted urinal.

Police interviewed people in the area of the bathroom, but no one reported seeing anything. Damage was estimated at \$800.

GARAGE THEFT

A resident of the 41000 block of Simcoe Drive told police that between 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, and 9:30 a.m. the next day someone stole a paintball gun from his garage. He said he thought the garage door was open. The gun was valued at \$1,700.

WINDOW SMASHED

An Emerson Drive resident reported that someone smashed the driver's door window of his 1997 Dodge station wagon while it was parked at his home. The incident occurred

between 9 p.m. Saturday and 9:50 a.m. Sunday.

Damage was estimated at \$130. Police have no suspects.

JEWELRY TAKEN

A resident of the 44000 block of Proctor told police a watch, a camera and jewelry were missing from her home.

She said she knew the items were there Christmas Day, but when she went to get them on Feb. 15 they were missing.

She said a Rolex watch valued at \$6,000 was gone along with a tennis bracelet valued at \$2,800, a sapphire and diamond ring valued at \$600 and a camera valued at \$100.

The woman said she had no idea who took the items, although she had had a New Year's party which about 15 people attended and a Super Bowl party attended by about 20 people.

She also said eight to 10 different contractors had been working in her home.

MISSING MOWER?

A Chadwick Drive resident told police that about noon on Saturday, Feb. 22, her doorbell rang.

When she opened the door she didn't see anyone, but a power lawnmower was sitting on her front porch.

She said she waited for two days to see if someone would claim it and no one did.

She then called Canton Police, who took the lawnmower into custody.

Jack Gladden

Kiwanis hopes that flowers brighten lives

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

The Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Plymouth-Canton and the Canton Chamber of Commerce hope that flowers will be the key to making people's lives brighter on the first day of spring.

The two groups are selling mixed spring bouquets and roses and plan to deliver them Friday, March 21 and Saturday, March 22. Proceeds from the flower sale fund-raiser will be used in scholarship programs and to help needy families.

This means the flower recipients won't be the only ones whose lives are made brighter if the sale goes well, said Carol Heminger, Kiwanis fund-raising chair.

Delivery will be provided throughout Plymouth and Canton and the charge is included in the flower price. Keller & Stein is providing the flowers.

The choices are mixed spring bouquet or a dozen roses, both for \$18 each. If two to five are ordered, the cost is \$17 each and \$16 each for six arrangements or more. Deliveries are available between 8 a.m. and noon Friday, March 21 and Saturday, March 22 and between noon and 5 p.m. Saturday, March 23.

Order forms can be obtained by calling Carol Heminger at (734) 451-3500 or the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040 and can be mailed or faxed.

of \$11 million." "I'm confident we'll raise the balance of the funds, but the reality is we don't have those on hand at this time," he said.

The board voted unanimously to award bids to eight contractors to begin basic construction work.

David Williams, construction manager for Auch Company, said the eight bids represented about 84 percent of the cost for trade work.

An official groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, May 20, at the Travis-Bartlett House on Ridge Road just north of the theater site.

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on hand.

In his own memo to the board, Minghine wrote:

"As finance director, I feel it is important to make clear to the board that at this time we do not have a complete funding package developed for the theater project.

"The board has authorized the issuance of up to \$8 million in debt to fund this project, and we have received \$300,000 from the State of Michigan. Based upon the bids being considered, the project

has a total cost of approximately \$11,486,547. This leaves a shortfall of \$3 million."

Minghine said that while the current plan is to raise the additional money through contributions raised by Project for the Arts, if that group were unable to meet their pledge, the township would be responsible for the contracts being awarded.

"The partnership will bear no direct financial responsibility for meeting the obligations approved by this body," he wrote.

At Tuesday's meeting he said the board would be authorizing "partial funding of this project - \$8 or \$9 out

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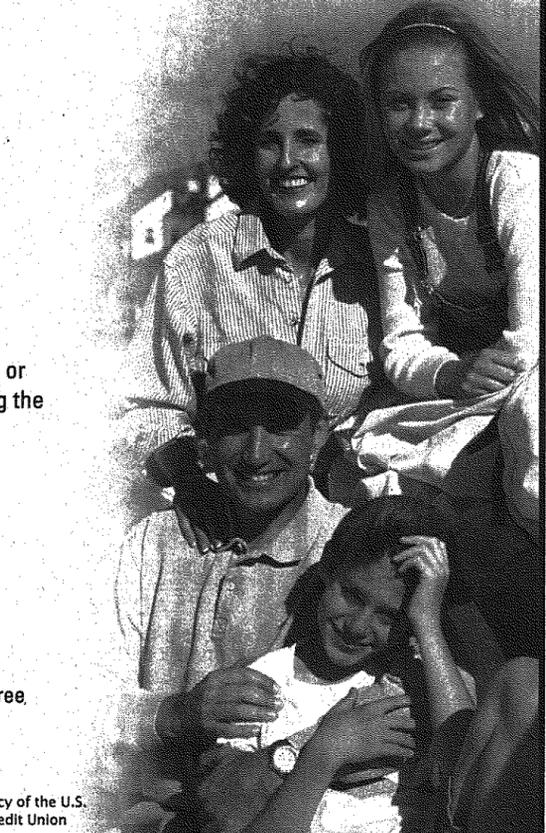
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BOUNDARY

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Tyler, is six miles away. In comparison, Dodson Elementary, a Plymouth-Canton school, is less than a mile from Huntington Place, and the high school complex is four miles away. In Canton, like many other communities in Michigan, the school district boundaries tend to be jagged. That's because when they were first drawn, they followed people's individual property lines and farms, said Terry Bennett, Canton Township clerk.

"You don't cut somebody's property in half," Bennett said. This means the boundary dividing the Huntington Place and Pheasant View subdivision to the north may have, at one time, divided one family's farm from another.

But these old boundaries mean little to people now. "Are these boundaries etched in stone?" Dixon said. It would make more sense to use major roads as boundaries for school districts today, he added.

Zhang said he and many of his neighbors previously sent their kids to Van Buren schools. Now, 73 percent of the school-age children in the subdivisions either attend private or charter schools. Concerns about lower test scores in Van Buren prompted Zhang and others to explore other options.

Zhang's two sons, ages 8 and 11, attend Canton Charter Academy on Ford at Ridge. His youngest son previously attended Tyler Elementary in Van Buren.

"The driving force is education. You can see there are substantial differences between the two districts," Zhang said.

The most recent figures from 2001 show 42.5 percent of Van Buren students passed the MEAP test compared to 62.9 percent of Plymouth-Canton students.

Money is a key issue for both school districts. Van Buren gets \$6,718 per pupil in state foundation grants and stands to lose if the boundary is changed. Plymouth-Canton gets \$6,525 per pupil and stands to gain.

Zhang and Dixon pleaded their case to Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency, the county's intermediate school district. But after learning they would have to petition homeowners again, they withdrew their initial boundary-change request.

Mike Kozicki, executive director of employee and legal services for Wayne RESA, said it is unlikely that the boundary will be changed.

"I don't see it happen a lot," Kozicki said.

The RESA board can approve, deny or not act on boundary-change requests. Once RESA makes its decision, the petitioners will have 10 days in which they can appeal through the state schools superintendent.

Plymouth-Canton Superintendent Jim Ryan agreed that boundary lines are tough to change.

"It's a very difficult ruling to get in your favor," Ryan said. "I realize from past experience

that these people have a tough row to hoe."

Occasionally school districts will voluntarily swap lots, or voluntarily turn over lots to other districts. Plymouth-Canton ceded two lots to Northville a few years ago.

"I did call (Van Buren Superintendent Larry Tabor) when I received information about the request from RESA," Ryan said. "I told him that there was nothing I was doing behind the scenes (to change the boundaries)."

Tabor said that while Van Buren would not want to lose any students, he has no say in whether or not the boundary

is redrawn. He also said that he is aware of people's concerns about Van Buren schools.

When it comes to the MEAP, however, people need to look beyond the numbers, he said.

"I'm not an advocate of the MEAP as a strong indicator of success or failure," Tabor said, adding that his own children attended Van Buren schools and did very well.

"We have the same opportunities for success as Plymouth-Canton," he said.

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Districts are different demographically

Demographically, the Van Buren and Plymouth-Canton school districts are quite different. Van Buren's total enrollment is 6,219 students and Plymouth-Canton's is 16,334.

In Van Buren, an average of 24.4 percent of the student population is "economically disadvantaged," according to the Standard & Poor's school evaluation Web site.

In Plymouth-Canton, that percentage is 5.7 percent.

Median household income in Van Buren is \$44,198 compared to \$54,388 in Plymouth-Canton.

Adults with bachelor's degrees in Van Buren

log in at 18.2 percent compared to 31.8 percent in Plymouth-Canton.

Average property values per student are also quite different.

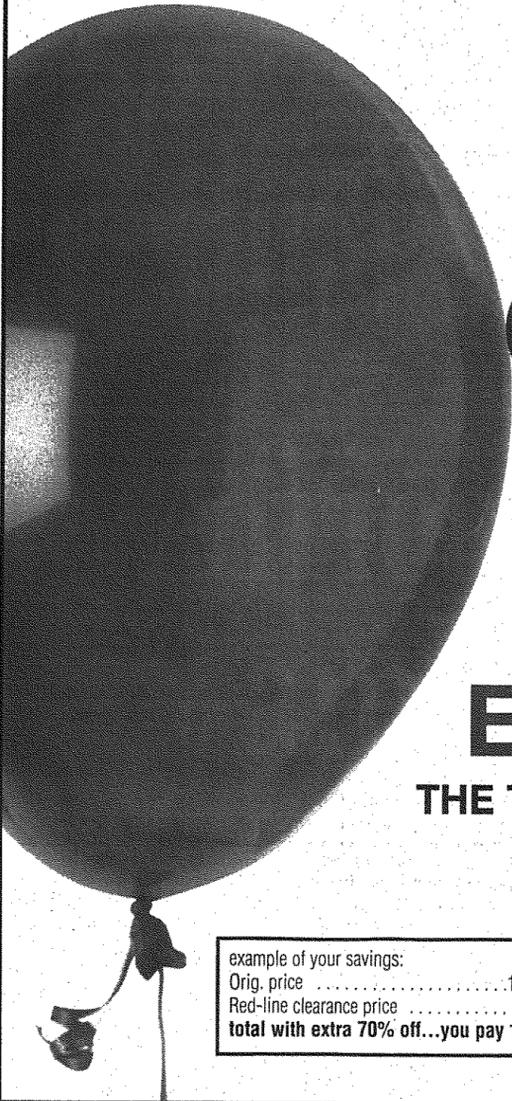
In Van Buren, it is \$151,942 and in Plymouth-Canton, it is \$234,903.

The gap is narrower in some areas. In Van Buren, 82.1 percent of adults possess a high school diploma compared to 89.9 in Plymouth-Canton.

Lone-parent households with children make up 13.4 percent in Van Buren, 11.1 percent in Plymouth-Canton.

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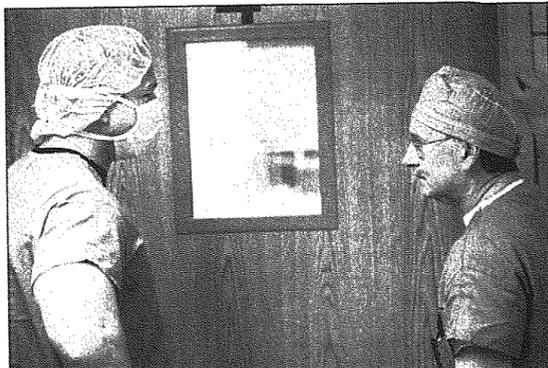
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Drs. Frank Patino, left, and Larry Fallat discuss the procedure before entering the operating room.

SURGERY

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into the region. While touring a town called Cnastica, Patino noticed the deplorable conditions — open sewage and flies all over the place, carrying filth from sewage to food. Nearly every child in the town was ill.

It was also in Cnastica Patino found what would be Health Help's first clubfoot patient, a young boy named Hector. Health Help has screened some 60 children in Santo Domingo, and arranges for a couple of surgeries each year.

To make the program work, Patino needed help. He got it from Oakwood, which donates its facilities. He got it from Dr. Lawrence Fallat, an Oakwood surgeon who specializes in foot and ankle surgery and who donates his time. He got it in Dr. Taufiek Alhadi, the anesthesiologist and chief of anesthesiology at Oakwood Annapolis, who also donates his services.

HELPING HANDS

And he got it from families like Jiminez-Brown's.

Her husband, William Brown, works for the pharmaceutical giant Pfizer, as does Patino.

The firm sent a company memo around seeking host families for Patino's project. Jiminez-Brown remembered meeting another Dominican child whose host mother didn't speak Spanish, Jiminez-Brown's native tongue.

"That left a lasting impression on me," Jiminez-Brown says. "I do speak Spanish, and I could be helping."

She began helping about a month ago, when Imanol arrived, ironically from the same Dominican Republic town from which Jiminez-Brown hails.

The decision to help didn't come until after lengthy and frank discussions in the family, which includes 11-year-old daughter Jessica and 3-year-old Elena.

"We talked about it for awhile," Jiminez-Brown recalls. "(Jessica and Elena) were initially excited."

It's been an adjustment. Jiminez-Brown, a Chelsea resident, is used to dealing with daughters, and the introduction of a boy into the mix has had its effects.

Scheduling has presented the largest challenge, since Imanol wasn't on much of a routine when he arrived. Jiminez-Brown worked hard

in the early days getting him into one. Mixing in with his new "sisters" has also been tough, particularly on Elena.

But it's also been a help in Imanol's development. "He's definitely all boy," Jiminez-Brown says, smiling. "Since we got him, he's been trying to do the things a 3-year-old does, like Elena."

While Imanol has treated Elena much like a brother would treat a sister — there's been some hair-pulling incidents that have scared her — it's been different for 11-year-old Jessica, who has accepted the responsibility of being an elder.

"It's just like having a little brother," Jessica says. "It's a big responsibility to be the big sister."

THE DAY ARRIVES

The day of the surgery finally arrives. It had originally been scheduled for Valentine's Day, but Imanol got a cold and "a really bad cough," and his pediatrician, Dr. Nutan Saxena, made the decision to delay the surgery until Tuesday.

"He had some breathing problems, so we gave him some medicine," says Saxena, a pediatrician who works at Oakwood's medical center in Canton and, like virtually everyone involved in the project, donates her services. "He's in good health. I think he'll come through the surgery OK."

Imanol lies on the gurney, balloon caricatures of Scooby Doo and Elmo tethered to the side. Jiminez-Brown and her husband are right next to him as the parade of medical people files by. There's Dr. Alhadi, who orders an oral sedative to calm the active young boy, who, as always, is all smiles, even at 6:30 a.m.

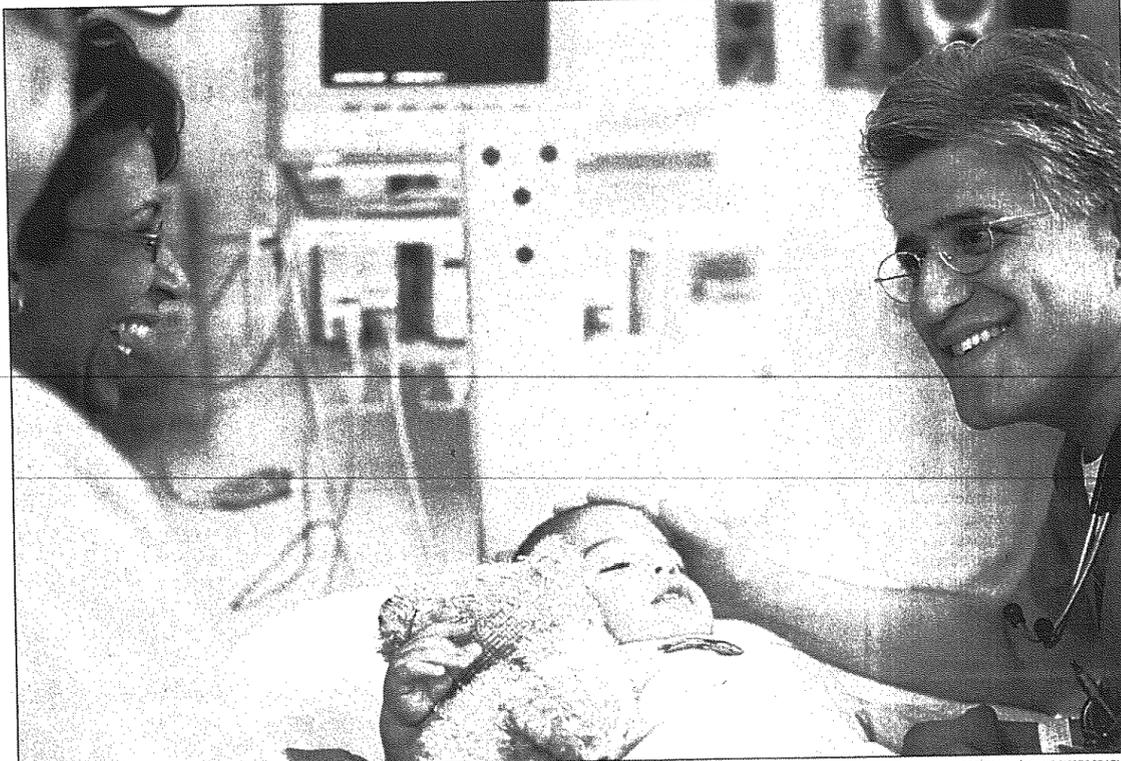
For Alhadi, in his fourth year of helping these children, these operations are a chance to sharpen perspective.

"Often in this business, we're busy doing things in a selfish mode at times," Alhadi says. "At times, we lose perspective about why we're in this business in the first place. It's nice to be able to help children in need."

Nurse Vicky Hladysh tries to help Jiminez-Brown coax Imanol into taking the medication, even pretending to give it to Scooby first.

But Imanol balks at the first taste, and they resort to the old-fashioned way — holding him down and getting him to drink it.

Fallat, who has done several of these corrections as part of his work with a pair of non-profit agencies, stops in to



Anesthesiologist Taufiek Alhadi, right, smiles at Altigracia as Imanol feels the effect of the pre-surgery medication.

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Altigracia Jiminez-Brown and her husband, William, wait out the procedure in the waiting room.

check on the boy.

Soon, Imanol's eyes begin to droop, and he's ready for the operating room. As doctors wheel him away, Jiminez-Brown and her husband find their place in the lobby and begin the vigil. It's the first time in about 36 hours, while the family prepared for the surgery, that the couple has a chance to relax.

"Any surgery is risky," Jiminez-Brown said. "I was a nervous wreck all day, even though he's not my child."

That's not to say she doesn't have anything invested in this child; she obviously does. The connection is actually fairly strong, although Jiminez-Brown admits she constantly has to remind herself Imanol isn't her son; it's an effort to stave off any strong emotional attachment.

They are connected in other ways, since they come from the same small Dominican town. She talks to Imanol's parents frequently, reassuring them their son is in good hands. And the boy's family has done some checking of its own.

"Imanol's mother looked up my family," says Jiminez-Brown, whose father's family still lives in the Dominican Republic. "For her, it was a lot better. When she met my family, she felt much better."

THE SURGERY

Imanol is wheeled into surgery shortly before 8 a.m. Fallat will attempt what is technically called correction of congenital talipes equinovarus bilaterally — clubfeet in both feet. The achilles tendon is so tight "we can't bring the foot up 90 degrees to the leg," Fallat explained.

With clubfeet, the foot is turned so the child, according to Fallat, is literally walking on the tops of his feet.

"It's like the foot and ankle were put on upside down and backward," Fallat says. "A tendon in a child is like kite string; the nerves are like threads. It's very meticulous surgery."

And while it's going on — Fallat told the Browns it could take as long as three hours — the family waits in the lobby, leafing through magazines and talking with reporters and family members.

The family has swarmed around Imanol, treating him like one of its own. Sisters, aunts, cousins and uncles — all helping the Browns take care of him.

"They're really fond of Imanol," Jiminez-Brown says. "On Saturday, they took turns baby-sitting him."

With magazine pages being flipped and coffee being drunk, the family waits for word. Roughly an hour into the surgery, Alhadi, the anesthesiologist, comes out to let them know the first foot is taking a little longer than expected, but that everything is going well.

He returns a couple of times with updates, letting Jiminez-Brown and her husband know that Imanol is holding up well. "You feel anxious to be done and know the outcome," Jiminez-Brown says. "(But) I know he's in good hands, so



His feet bound in plaster casts, little Imanol sleeps in Altigracia's arms in the recovery room shortly after surgery.

that's reassuring."

It's a reassurance Imanol's parents were looking for Monday night, when Jiminez-Brown kept the youngster up past his bedtime so he could talk to them. It's been rough on them, she says, having their son up here, powerless to help him themselves.

"We called them (Monday) night, and kept Imanol up until 8:30," Jiminez-Brown says. "But he was so tired, he kept pushing the phone away. You could hear the parents saying 'I love you.' I tried to reassure them, but they've been so worried."

IT'S OVER

Finally, some three hours after wheeling Imanol into surgery, Fallat and Patino emerge from the operating room with good news — the operation was a complete success. The right foot took the longest, Fallat says, because it appeared to have the worst of the deformity. But it provided a roadmap for the left foot, surgery on which went much faster.



Recovery room nurse Cheryl Rowan, left, and Alta attempt to comfort Imanol in a crib with his two new plaster casts in place shortly after the procedure. He was having nothing of it, though and continued to fuss until Alta picked him back up and held him.



Dr. Frank Patino, right, explains the procedure to William Brown.

Imanol will be in casts from above the knee down, casts that will be shortened periodically over the next few months. There shouldn't be much, if any, physical therapy required, outside of perhaps a special pair of shoes.

Fallat expects a full recovery; in fact, he thinks Imanol may start walking while he's still in the casts.

"Many times the children do that," he says. "You can't keep them down. He should be able to walk up to Mom and Dad when he goes home. That's what we'd love to see."

It's what Jiminez-Brown and her family would love to see, as well, although they're worried about how he'll react to the casts because of how active he is.

Jiminez-Brown talks about finding some Spanish-language children's videos to help Imanol bide his time until he figures out how to move around.

In the meantime, she'll continue battling the emotional attachment as she prepares to send this young child with the infectious smile and happy demeanor back to the Dominican Republic.

She has an uncle who wants to take him home, but Jiminez-Brown won't make the trip.

"I've fought the urge this whole time, and kept telling myself, 'He's not your child,'" Jiminez-Brown says. "I've been able to do it so far. Ask me again when he goes home."

To donate to Health Help Project Inc., run by Dr. Frank Patino of Plymouth, send contributions to Health Help Project Inc., P.O. Box 557912, Miami, FL 33255.

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OBITUARIES

James Raymond Doyle

Services for James Doyle, 73, of Northville were held Feb. 26 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church with the Rev. Joseph Mallia officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Doyle was born July 27, 1929, in Detroit and died Feb. 21 in Mesa, Ariz. He spent 37 years in education. He first came to the Plymouth school system, where he taught physical education and miscellaneous other classes. He then became a counselor in Plymouth and then assistant principal of the old Plymouth High School, now Central Middle School.

He then transferred to the Wayne-Westland district where he began his career in school administration. He was assistant superintendent of schools in West Bloomfield and was deputy superintendent of schools in Troy.

He was a 30-year member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth Township. When able, he attended church every day.

He was a graduate of Central Michigan University, where he was a basketball star. He received his master's and doctorate in education from Wayne State University.

He was a member of the Michigan Education Association, at times he bargained for both sides.

He loved golf, swimming and traveling. His special joy was spending time with his family, especially his 13 grandchildren.

Survivors include wife of 43 years, Barbara Ann Doyle of Northville; sons, Tim (Claudia) Doyle of Northville, Tom (Cindi) Doyle of Hudson, Wis., and Doug (Shawn) Doyle of Grand Rapids; daughter, Ann (Rob) Martin of Chandler, Ariz.; 13 grandchildren; brothers, Tom Doyle of Trenton, Jack (Barbara) Doyle of Trenton and Larry (JoAnne) Doyle of North Carolina.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice, Livonia Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Mercy Bathey

A memorial service for Mercy Bathey, 88, of Naples, Fla., (formerly of Northville) will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 1, at the Unity of Naples Church in Naples, Fla.

Mrs. Bathey died Feb. 19 in Naples. She had moved to Naples from Northville in 1963. She had more friends than she could ever count and all who knew her, loved her. She was an avid sports enthusiast, enjoying golf, tennis, boating and fishing as well as a world-class ice skater and an accomplished pilot.

But unquestionably, that which will be her true legacy will be that of the generous philanthropist.

It was the sheer joy of giving, both of her time and her funds, that Mercy's light shone brightest. Her loving heart and wonderful smile was the true spirit of Mercy's heart.

Mrs. Bathey was preceded in death by her son, David Lawrence in 1976 and her husband of 54 years, Doug Bathey, in 1992.

Survivors include son, Hank (Linda) Bathey of Napa, Calif., son, Richard (Judie) Bathey of Mission Viejo, Calif.; grandchildren, Wendy Bathey Korzelius, Kim Bathey Holmes, Daniel Bathey, and Lorena Moerbeck; great-grandchildren, Jessica Korzelius, David Korzelius, Kendall Moerbeck, and Bryce Moerbeck; and sister, Marjorie Selmeir of Cincinnati, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in her memory to the following charities: The David Lawrence Foundation, 6075 Golden Gate Parkway, Naples, FL 34116; The Education Foundation of Collier County, 2590 Golden Gate Parkway #101, Naples, FL; or The Boys and Girls Club of Collier County, P.O. Box 889, Naples, FL 34101.

Edward Henry

Services for Edward Henry, 90, of Plymouth, will be held at noon, Tuesday, March 4, at St. John's Episcopal Church with the Rev. Lew Trawler officiating.

Mr. Henry was born May 24, 1912, in Plymouth and died Feb. 23 in Plymouth.

He started working for the

railroad when he was 14 and retired from the Ford Motor Company-Rawsonville Plant, where he was in sales. After he retired, he opened a tool and gauge plant "Etronic" in Detroit until 1974. He was born and raised in Plymouth and was a life-long member of St. John's Episcopal Church and a life-long member of the Plymouth Rock Masonic Lodge. He enjoyed gardening and traveling with his wife.

Survivors include daughter, Carole Jean (Jim) Frederick of Plymouth; son, William B. Henry of Franklin, Tenn.; grandchildren, Pamela (Bob) Mason of Calif., William (Selina) Maxwell of Calif., and Jacquelyn A. (Steve) Schlum of Plymouth; and great-grandchildren, Ashley, Nicholas, Corty, Madison, and Maclaine.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Paul Scott Dark

A memorial service for Paul Dark, 51, of Canton will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday March 8 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

Mr. Dark was born Nov. 14, 1951, in Detroit and died Feb. 20 in Dearborn. He was a die maker for Ford Motor Co. for 30 years. He was a graduate of Clarenceville High School. He was a blues and jazz enthusiast and loved to cook.

Survivors include parents, Jeanie (Jim) Everhart of South Lyon; brothers, Francis (Barbara) Dark of Wayne, Steven Dark of Alabama, Christopher Dark of Livonia, Tom Lawson, and Walt G.; sisters, Betty Sue (Jim) Gault of South Lyon, and Marguerite Dark of Livonia; aunts, Susan Earl and Margaret (Bob) Nixon; nephews, Jamie, Jack, Dakota and Sunny; nieces, Shawn, Danica, Fionna, Caitlin and Ava.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan, 3390 Pinetree Road, Ste. 20, Lansing, MI 48911-4212.

Arrangements made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home.

Big clock in the works for Canton

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

The Canton Rotary Club thinks Canton needs a clock. And not just any clock. A clock that will symbolize a downtown atmosphere ... like the ones in downtown Plymouth and Northville.

The only problem is where is downtown Canton?

That was the proposal, and the question, raised at Wednesday's regular meeting of the Downtown Development Authority.

Dr. Gerald Ebmeyer, a dentist and member of the Canton Rotary, said the club is interested in being involved in a specific community project and members are prepared to develop and fund the clock project. He estimated the project

would cost about \$30,000 based on similar clocks in Plymouth and Northville and a new project now under way in the city of Wayne.

"We are here seeking your advice and support for this project," he told members of the DDA board. "The club is committed to going forward with this, but we need some direction."

Considering that the DDA district runs the length of Ford Road from just west of Canton Center to the Westland boundary, the question of what would be the best location was the main topic of discussion.

Board member Melissa McLaughlin suggested the southeast corner of Canton Center and Ford roads at the already constructed TCF bank plaza might be a good location.

Member Greg Greene suggested the area of Ford and Morton Taylor might be a more central location, while Tim Ford mentioned the site of the Bob Evans restaurant at Ford and I-275 might be appropriate. That restaurant is being rebuilt and a new township entry sign is part of that project.

The board agreed to support the efforts of the Rotary Club in its project and the club agreed to work with the DDA as the project progresses.

Also at the meeting McLaughlin, who also serves on the township board and the planning commission, was elected chair, replacing Ralph Shufeldt, who resigned in January. Catherine Foege was re-elected vice chair and Dave Griffin was re-elected secretary/treasurer.

Panel: Use common sense, not duct tape

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

More than 100 people filed into the Livonia Public Library's auditorium, seeking answers about homeland security from those they hoped would be in-the-know. The Tuesday evening meeting was the first Town Hall meeting to be hosted by the Wayne County Homeland Security Commission.

The commission will hold other similar meetings in each district throughout the county. Panelists included Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and newly appointed county director of homeland security Tony Shannon, as well as county commissioners and public safety officials.

Emergency preparedness wasn't a concern of Sylvia Finnegan of Canton, who said her home is well prepared for emergencies of most types. What she wanted to know is how to get out of the metropolitan area in the event of evacuation.

"I moved to Florida the week of Hurricane Andrew. You would be very surprised to see what happens during an evacuation," she said. "The worst side of human nature comes out."

She said people panicked as they tried to escape Florida.

"People were stuck on the highways for hours at a time, not moving. People were driving on the grass and in the medians. They were armed. I was never so scared in my life," she said. "What can you tell me, if anything, to assure me this won't happen on I-696 or I-275?"

Unfortunately, there are no guarantees, panelists told her.

"We will be able to move our people as quickly as possible," Shannon said. "People are going to do exactly what you're talking about."

Still others wanted to know if Livonia's emergency sirens would go off in the event of a security threat (the answer: yes, they will), and do they need duct tape (not necessarily), or where to find the designated emergency shelters in Livonia (the middle schools and high schools).

The homeland security commission is a little behind schedule, according to chairwoman Lyn Banks. However, it is now meeting regularly and hosting informational meetings to keep residents informed.

The commission was recently granted \$250,000 to develop a homeland security master plan.

"What we realized (during the time after Sept. 11, 2001) is that we are an important area because we are a border community," Ficano said. "We have an emergency preparedness plan under the charter, but the concept behind homeland security is to be proactive as well as plan for emergency management."

As for preparing for emergencies, Ficano suggested common sense.

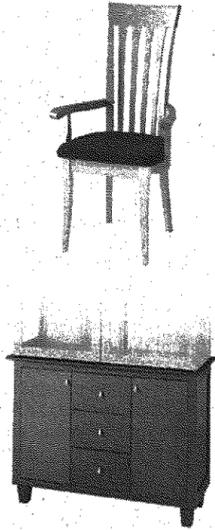
"Most of this stuff, if you were to sit down for an hour by yourself you could figure out on your own," he said.

However, planning for specific emergencies is futile right now, because actions will vary depending on the type of emergency and even which way the wind is blowing, said Livonia police Lt. Ron Dehne.

"This is a new era to us," said Shannon, who recalls "duck and cover" exercises when he was a schoolboy.

"But times were good we went into a lull. Then the planes came. We expected nuclear attacks. We expected weapons of mass destruction. Who ever thought of an airplane with gas? Who ever thought of fertilizer? We forgot the inside and what threats come from inside."

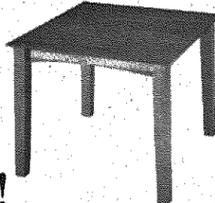
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High schoolers mature enough for war coverage

In this day and age when too many parents are all too willing to cede responsibility for their children to teachers, school officials should be lauded for forcing that responsibility back where it belongs.

Still, we think Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan went a step too far in that direction when he decided to withhold live coverage of a potential war with Iraq from students in the district.

In a letter sent to all parents, Ryan said no live radio or television would be allowed in K-12 classrooms, citing the graphic nature of television these days.

Ryan acknowledged his decision would probably anger teachers at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, who "believe it would be very appropriate for their curriculum to be showing it."

Those teachers are correct.

While we agree with Ryan's general sentiment that parents should decide what their children should see on television, it seems more important to us that students who are studying history shouldn't be sheltered from history in the making.

Allowing students to watch and learn as the war happens enhances the education experience by allowing frank and open discussion of current events as they happen. It seems a bit counterproductive to us to hamstring a teacher's ability to delve into the events of a national crisis by not letting students have access to information vital to any such teaching.

Ryan is trying to be responsive to concerns expressed by parents who think children already watch too much television in classrooms. But there's a big difference between watching history unfold and watching an *Austin Powers* videotape.

And while we applaud Ryan's desire to keep graphic images away from students, we also suggest he take a look at some of the video games these children play. Graphic images aren't going to be a problem, particularly for high school students.

We think it's a good idea to keep live coverage of the war, if it happens, away from elementary school children and perhaps even middle schoolers.

But high school-age children represent our future. They represent the generation that will be fighting the war.

We ask high school students to be mature in so many ways. It seems hypocritical to turn around and tell them they aren't mature enough to handle history in the making.

Common sense is the best protection

In the depths of the Cold War in the 1950s and '60s the threat of nuclear attack was real and frightening.

The government was faced with the challenge of keeping the public on high alert while not stirring panic. It responded in less than stellar style. School children were taught to "duck and cover" under their desks (as if that would provide protection from a nuclear blast) while their parents were encouraged to dig bomb shelters in the back yard.

Today we are faced with the threat of terrorism, including nuclear terror, and advised by the government to buy duct tape to seal up our rooms.

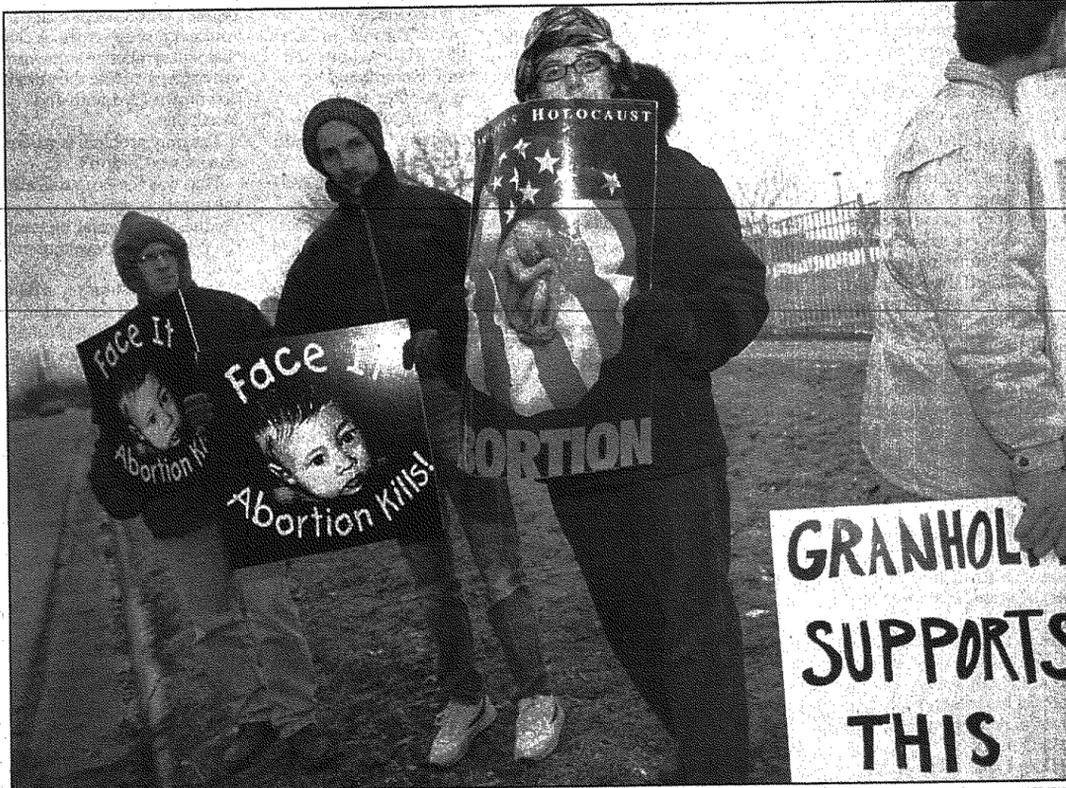
Have we learned nothing in 50 years of threats from one source or another? Our government today issues a rainbow of alerts to keep us apprehensive, often without offering any reason for what prompted the latest warning.

The government, of course, is in somewhat of a no-win situation. No one appears to want to unnecessarily alarm the public, yet if a terrorist attack should occur without an alert being issued there no doubt would be hell to pay.

The bottom line here is common sense. Anyone wanting to create a safe room should do some investigating on the proper procedure on what works and what doesn't. Information is available on the Internet. Take stock of your surroundings and evaluate them.

The common sense approach is true in dealing with the entire threat of terrorism. No one need live in constant fear. We must be vigilant, of course, but more than anything, that means securing our water supply, protecting nuclear plants and closely monitoring our airports. We are also confident that government is working on many intelligence fronts to derail terrorists.

But the CIA, FBI and Department of Homeland Security should leave the handyman products in the tool box.



ELIZABETH CARNEGIE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Craig Dahl, from left, Dave Koehler and Audrey Olenzek hold signs protesting abortion in front of Mercy High School Saturday. The protest was part of the uproar over Mercy's decision first to eliminate, then reinstate lunch with Gov. Jennifer Granholm as part of its auction items.

LETTERS

Gods and Generals

I read with interest an article by Doug Johnson concerning a new Civil War movie called *Gods and Generals* (*Canton Observer*, Feb. 16, page A1) which opened recently.

A teacher from the Christian Academy is quoted as saying: "You can also see in the Bible pencil marks and writing where they highlight passages justifying slavery. I tell my students how and why many Southerners thought they were right and that they would win the war."

I think saying many Southerners could easily be misunderstood as to mean all Americans living in the southern states at the time. That was far from the case. In North Carolina, more than half of the population was against secession.

Many of the soldiers in the rebel army were conscripted illegally, taken by force or were mercenaries paid to take the place of others. To be fair, the practice of paying someone to take your place was also practiced by people in the northern states.

An incident occurred in eastern North Carolina toward the end of the war. At that time, many southerners did not believe they were right and the soldiers were deserting at an extraordinary rate. Gen. Pickett was in command of the region. He captured and caused to be hung many Union soldiers who had chosen to remain loyal and join the United States Army.

The brutality of the action was unprecedented and was unnecessary. His part in this war crime and the hanging of the San Patricio Battalion during the Mexican-American War has never been made clear to most Americans. His fame included putting the flag atop a fortress at Mexico City at which exact moment the men were hung. His life, like many of the men of that time, has become the stuff of legend. It would do us all good to look behind the mists and to seek out the truth. The Civil War caused great hardship and destruction to our nation. It is said that 600,000 died. The conflict, though over a century ago, still brings to sharp contrast differences amongst our peoples. I don't need to list them all here, but keep in mind the recent bad business about certain flags which are still flying above some state capitols.

There is also the issue of the remains of the men of the USS Monitor and the CSS Hunley. Their final resting place was pillaged in order to get to the turret and have it displayed in a Virginia museum. The remains of the men have been, at various times, stored in refrigerators and sent to the United States Army Genetics Lab in Hawaii. Ostensibly for tests. The remains of the men in the CSS Hunley have been in cold storage since they were dragged from the mud in Charleston Harbor. Money from a Hollywood production about them was supposed to be used to bury them with honor, but those remains are also being used in experiments.

I have written and made available for free production a play called, *I Shall Be Released* which details the sorry situation about the murder of the Union

Soldiers in Kinston, N.C. You can view it in its entirety at: <http://users.tn.net/bell-green/> I am not planning on making money on the play. It is for historical purposes. If anything comes of it at all, I ask that anyone that reads it would petition for the remains of the men of the Hunley and the Monitor to be interred immediately.

Alfred Lee Brock
Canton

Creative use of land

Now that the Bathey property belongs to the city of Plymouth, I believe this is the time for thinking creatively for the use of the land. I think of it as a blank canvas that can be used by the City Council of Plymouth creatively. What a great opportunity!

It was mentioned that the zoning could be changed from industrial to residential. I would suggest that some of the property be made into recreational property or a park. This is always a need in the Plymouth community and it is a rare opportunity to have a large parcel of land given to the city.

I would also suggest that communication be done with the Plymouth-Canton school district. Possibly some of the land could be given to the schools in exchange for the school taxes that are due from this property. There is then the possibility the new school could be built on this property and Central Middle School could be used for other purposes.

Some land could still remain for residential. The sale of this would be a financial bonus for the city.

Of course if a small industry is willing to buy the property and maintain a small production facility, this would keep some of the job opportunities in Plymouth.

What a great opportunity for the city of Plymouth to think "outside the box" and come up with the best use of this property for the community.

Ann Ammond La Fond, M.D.
Canton

Thanks to Stewart

On Jan. 29, I sent an e-mail request to (state Rep.) John Stewart regarding my unemployment benefits. I had not received my benefits in over 10 weeks. Every attempt I made to resolve this matter, I hit a brick wall. I was at the end of my rope.

I contacted Mr. Stewart on Jan. 29 requesting his assistance. I received an immediate reply. He sent a letter to the Department of Consumer & Industry Services on Jan. 30, 2003, requesting an investigation. I received a phone call on Feb. 10, 2003, from the department advising me that due to the request from Mr. Stewart, my claim had been reviewed and my checks were being processed and sent out to me.

Mr. Stewart helped me in a way words cannot express. I will be forever grateful. His immediate response to my request was terrific. His letters made me feel I was really important to him, and that he really cared. Words can not express my appreciation.

QUOTABLE

"I thought I had prepared by reading about the conditions there, but I don't think you can really be prepared until you actually live it. People were gracious, very generous, very happy we'd come to see how they live and how they worship."

— Jacquelyn Hayes, Plymouth resident, on her trip to Nigeria

This is the first time I have ever in my life contacted my state representative. What a wonderful experience I have had with my dealings with Mr. Stewart. He is a man who really does care. I had nowhere else to turn. My entire life had been turned upside down but, thanks to Mr. Stewart, I'm getting back on track.

He is a man of his word. He told me he would follow this through, and he did. I will be forever grateful. I would like to thank Mr. Stewart from the bottom of my heart. I'm proud to have him as my state representative.

Joan Gorys
Plymouth

Don't silence war debate

I was deeply disturbed by (people who) characterize those who question our government's policies on Iraq and who urge their communities to engage and take a stand as un-patriotic.

I am against the war in Iraq and support the movement to encourage city councils to pass resolutions and statements against war. I also consider myself a patriot. To me, American patriotism is more about being loyal to the ideals of America — "liberty and justice for all" — then blindly supporting every action of our government.

I was outraged by Sept. 11. I also see the ruling powers of Iraq as oppressive. However, in my opinion, war is an easy answer to our past mistakes. We must face the fact that the super powers of the 20th century ravaged the peoples of the developing world. If we are serious about regime change, human rights and stability, we should also be serious about debt relief for poor countries and our commitment to battling global poverty. We, as a global leader, should be more about building nations than destroying them.

I applaud those who raise their voices in opposition of war and call for peaceful and just resolutions to international conflict. I am troubled and saddened by those who would seek to silence any voice in the public discourse and by officials, at the local, state and national level, who believe it is not their responsibility to face the pressing issues of our day.

Paul Perez
Livonia

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Education cuts can really hurt in long run

Much of last week's news had to do with the budget mess Michigan is in. Gov. Jennifer Granholm took a second whack at the state's budget deficit for this fiscal year, announcing an executive order cutting nearly \$160 million in spending this fiscal year.

■ A 1.4 percent cut in spending for state departments, mostly by not replacing employees who have left.

■ A 12.5 percent reduction in grants going to the Life Sciences Corridor, a program funded by the tobacco settlement that's supposed to fund biotech research at universities and hospitals.

■ Cuts in the budget for the governor's office (including a 10 percent cut in Granholm's \$177,000 salary), the Legislature (\$2.1 million) and the Judiciary (\$1.1 million).

Granholm's cuts were promptly approved by the Legislature. In response to Granholm's suggestions for cutting legislative salaries, several lawmakers countered by proposing sale of the governor's mansion on Mackinac Island. No doubt they reckoned the estimated \$1.5 million sale price would take a big chunk out of the \$160 million deficit.

Gov. Granholm has also been going around the state delivering a PowerPoint tutorial to explain how the state's deficit for the coming fiscal year grew to \$1.8 billion, 20 percent of the \$8.9 billion general fund. By all accounts, her performance has been impressive. At the Detroit Women's Economic Club last Wednesday, she used an interactive voting system to let the audience choose which programs should bear the brunt of the cuts. The majority chose to preserve spending for K-12 schools, prisons and health care, while community colleges and universities would get cut.

Higher education leaders were dismayed. Already reeling from two rounds of budget cuts — former Gov. John Engler's \$42 million reduction last year and Granholm's recent \$30 million reduction — universities were hardly happy at Granholm's offhand comments to the effect that "there is fat in colleges and universities."

Certainly, Michigan colleges and universities should be expected to shoulder their fair share of whatever budget cuts are required. But the fact of the matter is that Michigan universities get about \$1,000 less per student

in state funds than competing states. The issue here is how much of a cut to higher education can be made without causing serious, long-term damage and unendurable tuition increases. To her credit, Granholm also hinted that the \$30 million or so of (so far unscathed) public money that now goes to private schools should go on the chopping block as well.

Plainly, the risk here is that things can go too far, too fast in the urge to slash. A good indication comes from a legislative leader, Rep. Marc Shulman (R-West Bloomfield), who is chair of the House Appropriations Committee. Over the years, I've had several interesting talks with Shulman, a thoughtful guy who wisely passed up a chance to run for the state Senate in order to try to bring common sense to an appropriations process that will need every bit of it.

"If you can find a silver lining in all this chaos," Shulman said, "it's that it gives us a chance to look closely at what the state budget should really be composed of. In the past, it was easy to just cut 3-4 percent across the board, but this is not necessarily the most effective thing to do or the best in the long run."

"There are some areas where cuts are appropriate and others where we should be careful. Education, for example, is an investment in our stock of human capital and skills that drives our economic growth and keeps our best people here in Michigan. Some states have cut education across the board, and they're going to discover that can really hurt in the long run."

Shulman has introduced legislation calling for creation of a Government Efficiency Task Force that would review the relationship between state government spending and the efficiency of programs receiving state funds. "Now is the time to scrutinize carefully a lot of programs in detail," he said. "There are grants and contracts that don't require federal matching that come to \$640 million. That's a lot of money, and we need to look carefully at whether we are really getting full value for money from these."

Shulman's approach — thoughtful, careful — is just what I would hope would be the legislative response to Granholm's budget proposals, which are bound to be radical once she starts looking at the estimated \$1.8 billion deficit for the fiscal year that starts this October.

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.



Phil Power

Elementary school is too early to learn that life has winners, losers

Ten-year-old Kelly was born with a heart condition called "pulmonary atresia" that prevents the proper flow of blood through her pulmonary artery.

The condition restricts her ability to perform certain physical activities. She can't ride a roller coaster, or tumble in a gymnastics class. But, while the condition inhibits her ability, it certainly doesn't quench her thirst, doesn't slow her desire to do those things.

So when Kelly found out her school, Miller Elementary in Canton, was putting on a variety show for fourth- and fifth-graders, her little heart leapt. Here was something she not only enjoyed, but could actually do!

Students wanting to take part in the show, scheduled for March 28, were required to put together a 2½-minute act. A four-woman panel of parent volunteers, headed by the show's director, Suzanne Zabowski, waded through some 65 or 70 acts, whittling them down to the top 22 who could fit in a 90-minute show.

Zabowski, the events coordinator for a Canton entertainment company, apparently rubbed some parents the wrong way with the selection process.

As she has done in previous years, Zabowski sent a letter to parents, outlining very specifically the requirements. The letter clearly states inclusion of all auditioning acts is not possible because of the time constraints.

"If we wanted a six-hour show, then everyone could be in it," said Zabowski.

Kids not chosen can be part of the show in other ways — as a stagehand, making posters or being an usher. Show organizers, Zabowski said, make every effort to involve any child who wants to be involved.

"There are so many kids who absolutely love the show," Zabowski said. "The buzz that goes around this school is phenomenal. The ones who aren't selected I get involved anyway."

"I get so many positives out of it," she added. "There are only a couple of negatives."

The biggest negative this year came from a parent whose child, like Kelly, wasn't chosen. The parent (whose name we're withholding to protect the child) felt organizers didn't do enough to stress the competitive nature of the show and, more importantly to her, shouldn't have been eliminating students to begin with.

But Zabowski is adamant on two points: 1) time constraints force the issue; and 2) it's never too early to learn one doesn't always reach that for which one strives.

The parent, and several others to whom we spoke, think elementary school is a little early to be learning that lesson.

But Zabowski is adamant on the point, pointing to Miller's own musical programs, where auditions are regularly conducted. She also used sports and the Whistle Stop Players, the Plymouth Community Arts Council's acting troupe, as examples.

And she puts the responsibility for preparing kids for the possible consequences of not being chosen squarely on the parents.

"Everything, to a certain measure, is competitive," Zabowski said. "The sad part is the parents don't talk to their kids. They add fuel to the fire, instead of saying it's OK, that's part of life, sometimes you make it, sometimes you don't."

The acts who didn't make it basically shouldn't have made it, Zabowski said. One of them had to whistle through an Eminem song (OK, here I agree with her; no fourth-grader should be emulating Eminem). Other acts simply weren't well-enough prepared, or were too short, some ending in less than half of the two-plus minute format requested in the letter.

Some of those acts were eliminated, according to Zabowski, in an effort to spare them the pain of being teased by other kids.

"Kids can be cruel," she said. "First of all, any kid who can get up on stage and do anything, I commend them and give them the utmost respect. (But) there are some acts, just aren't prepared, and it shows. That's not fair."

"We would be hurting them more by putting them in the show," she added. "That's hurting their self-esteem more than saying, 'Let's use you this way.'"

To which the disgruntled parents say, "Pfooyey." They've offered what they believe are good alternatives, i.e., cutting the acts down from 2½ minutes to a minute or simply extending the show.

Zabowski insists the kids to whom she's spoken who weren't chosen rebound quickly. "I've had them tell me, 'I'm already working on my act for next year,'" she said. "The kids are absolutely wonderful. It's the parents who are unbelievable. They just don't let it go."

Zabowski pours a great deal of her own effort into the show. She puts a ton of time into it, working with kids on a one-on-one basis if they desire.

"It's such a good feeling knowing I'm a part of something that is positive for these kids," she said. "I really don't want any of this to overshadow the show. This is all about the kids."

And it should be. But maybe it should be about all the kids, not just those a four-person panel deems good enough to make it. At the elementary school level, it seems a bit harsh to exclude any child who has the guts to get up on stage and put himself or herself out there.

There's no question Zabowski pours her heart into the production. She doesn't get paid, and doesn't want to.

There's probably some truth to her contention that kids are cruel, that it's never too early to learn there are winners and losers in all sorts of life's competitions.

Personally, I'd rather cling to the belief that kids that age should get to live out their dreams without being told they aren't good enough, and I hope next year there's a way to accomplish it.

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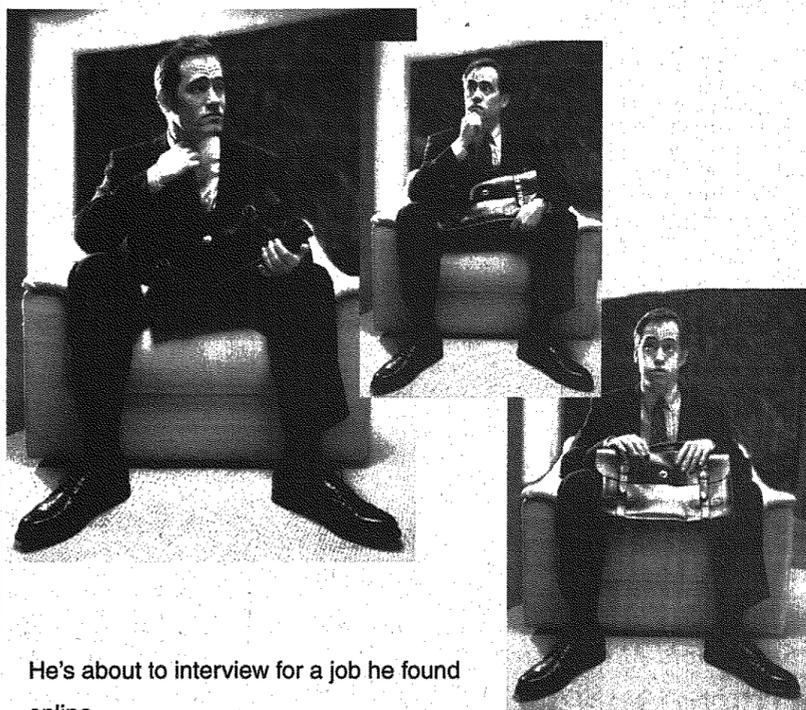
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New security chief seeks cooperation

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County's new homeland security director Tony Shannon wants the county to be prepared, whether it's for a devastating tornado or a biochemical attack by terrorists.

"We have to be sure the community is prepared for what might be," Shannon said. "It's better to do what we can and if it doesn't happen, that's great."

Shannon, 57, of Livonia brings more than 30 years experience in the Wayne County Sheriff's office and doctorate degree to his new position.

"My responsibilities are the same as Mr. Ridge's (U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security Tom Ridge) on a smaller scale," Shannon said. "It is to look after getting prepared for disasters, manmade and otherwise."

County Executive Bob Ficano said the county has always been responsible for emergency management.

"But it's always been reactive ... to tornadoes, floods. The mindset has been reactive," Ficano said.

He said the new position will be proactive about organizing emergency response with the county's 43 local governments and surrounding counties.

"It takes everybody to do their part," Shannon said. "Everyone can't do it alone, there are cost factors."

Shannon said he will act as a central coordinating agency for local communities, working with mayors, supervisors, police and fire chiefs and medical people. He will also be preparing a program to educate the public

EMERGENCY PLANNING TIPS

Tony Shannon, Wayne County's new director of homeland security, offers these tips for being prepared in an emergency:

- Know where the gas cut-off is located in your house in case of fire.
- Keep a First Aid Kit accessible.
- Have a battery-powered radio and extra batteries on hand so that you are able to listen to emergency broadcast stations.
- Be aware of emergency phone numbers.
- Keep cash on hand.
- Have candles available for emergency lighting.
- Have plastic and duct tape ready to cover windows in case of a chemical attack.
- Keep hooded gas masks at home.
- Make sure you have bleach available in order to make a 5 percent decontamination solution.
- Have a three-day supply of food and water available at all times.
- Keep food and water available in your car.
- Keep your car gas tank filled.
- Know how to contact family members at all times.
- Be familiar with evacuation routes from your place of work.
- Have a planned evacuation route from your city or town.
- Have a designated location to meet with family members.
- Keep toiletries and paper toweling ready to travel.

on what to do in an emergency.

Shannon said knowing who to call and where to go in an emergency will help to cut down on panic. He said he will be building on programs already in place.

Wayne County is particularly vulnerable because of its international border and extensive industry.

"We have 100 chemical companies in the county, an oil

refinery, a bridge and a tunnel, three airports," Shannon said. "It's the hub of Michigan. That makes us higher on the target list. It draws attention."

Shannon said his first job will be working with other agencies in the county to develop a mitigation program outlining procedures for dealing with various emergencies. He is working on a couple grant proposals to seek federal funding and wants a coordinated effort rather than competing with other agencies in the region for federal funds.

Ficano said the county has money in its budget to fund the homeland security office but need extra federal funding. He said the money has been promised but "the feds have been much slower than anyone would want."

Ficano said the economic vitality of the region depends on strong security measures. He said Michigan depends on having an open border and he is working with the Canadian government on balancing the need for "just in time" delivery with proper security checks.

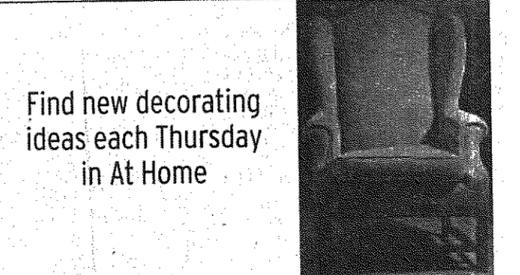
Shannon said he understands the argument that that there is a thin line between responsibly warning people about potential emergency dangers and causing unnecessary panic.

"It is a small line, but I don't now what it is," Shannon said. "If it never happens, we'll have a good exercise and exercise it always good. If we don't do it and something happens, we defeat ourselves."



A history lesson

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano celebrated Black History Month with first-graders last week at the Kay Beard County Building in Westland. The students from the Michigan Automotive Academy learned about black inventor Elijah McCoy, who died at the Eloise Infirmary in 1929. The Beard building is on the former Eloise site.



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■ Fiddling

Mitch Masters stars as Teyve and Shannon Williams as Golde in *Fiddler on the Roof* featuring a cast of 40 metro Detroit residents from Livonia to Clarkson, through



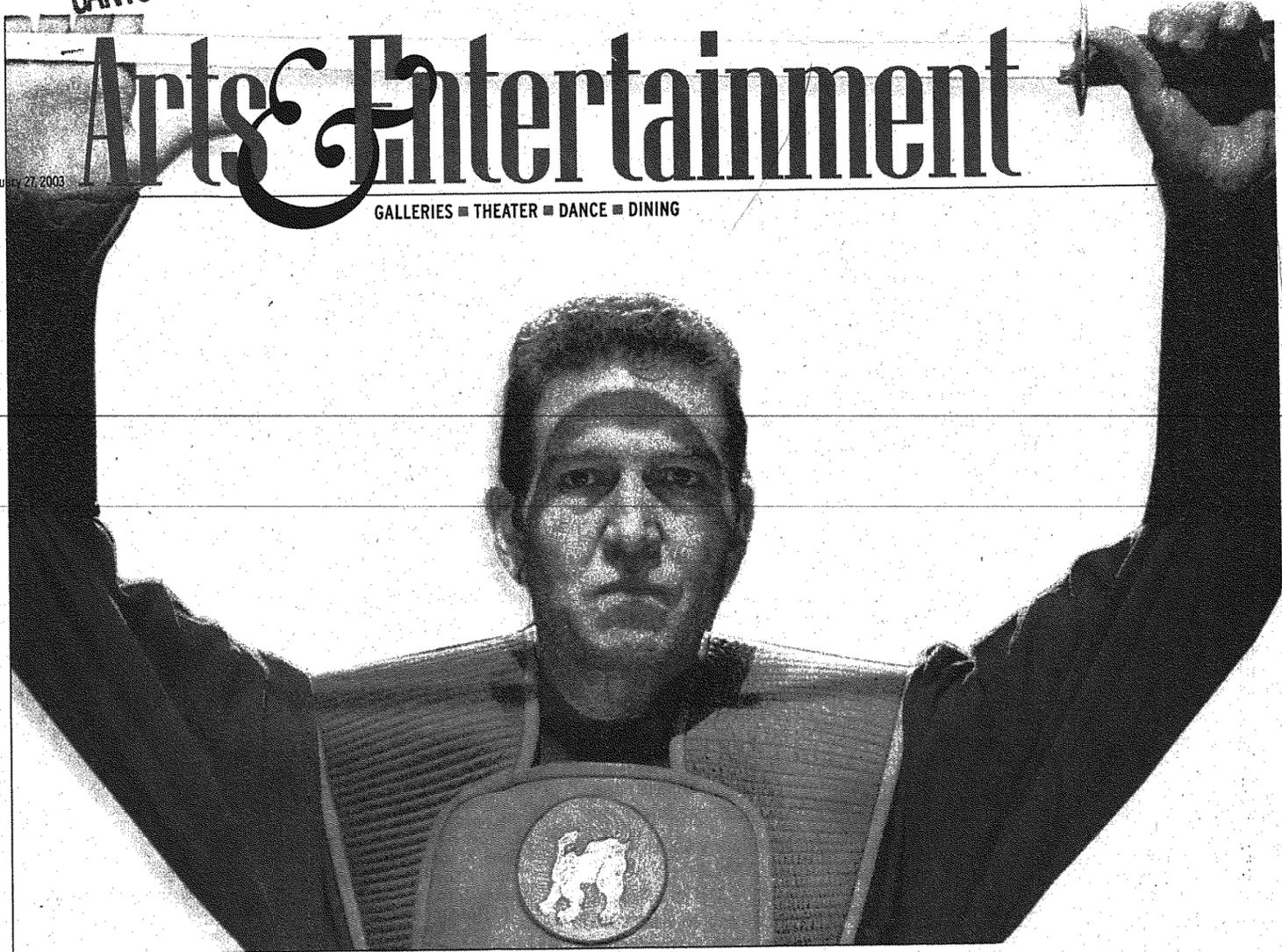
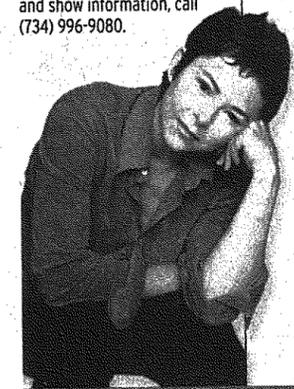
Saturday, March 8, at the new Starlight Theatre in Summit Place Mall in Waterford. Shows 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 4 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets \$15, call (248) 335-1788.

■ Rock on

Leon Russell has played on, arranged, written and produced some of rock and roll's most successful records. He's got four gold albums and two top 40 singles. He'll be at the Magic Bag in Ferndale, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 1. Russell says he's happiest when he's on the road playing music. "It keeps me energized," he said. Tickets \$20, at the box office, 22920 Woodward Ave., or call (248) 645-6666, (248) 544-3030, or www.themagicbag.com

■ Crack up

Margaret Smith, winner of the American Comedy Awards "Best Female Stand-up," will be at Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase, 8 p.m. Thursday Feb. 27, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, and Saturday, March 1. For tickets and show information, call (734) 996-9080.



Greg Hicks has received rave reviews in England as the tragic warrior Coriolanus.

Royal visit

■ By Linda Chomin Staff Writer ■

Shakespearean company returns to dazzle

Just when Shakespeare lovers thought nothing could top a University Musical Society presentation of his rarely performed history plays in Ann Arbor in 2001, the Royal Shakespeare Company is back dazzling audiences.

Royal Shakespeare Company

What: Perform Shakespeare's *The Merry Wives of Windsor* and *Coriolanus*, and Salman Rushdie's *Midnight's Children*

When: Saturday, March 1, to Sunday, March 16

■ *Merry Wives* - 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 1 & 8, Wednesday, March 5, 1:30 p.m. Thursday & Sunday, March 6 & 9

■ *Coriolanus* - 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, Thursday-Friday, March 6-7, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 2, and Saturday, March 8

■ *Midnight's Children* - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, March 12-15, and 1:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, March 15-16

Where: Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor.

Tickets: \$30-\$60, (734) 764-2538 or www.ums.org

This is Shakespeare like he's never been seen before.

Director David Farr sets the tragic Roman *Coriolanus* in 19th century Samurai society while Rachel Kavanaugh places *The Merry Wives of Windsor* in a small town at the end of World War II. The trend to make Shakespeare accessible through the use of familiar settings is why his plays have seen a resurgence of popularity in the last several years.

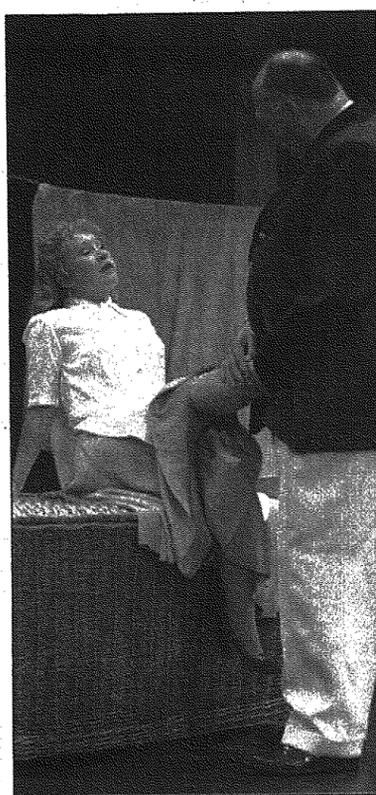
Farr admits to being a huge fan of Japanese director Akira Kurosawa's films about the Samurai. He reinvents *Coriolanus* as the fearless warrior who betrays his countrymen, and in so doing condemns himself to death.

Greg Hicks returns to Ann Arbor in the lead role as part of a 16-day RSC residency for the University Musical Society and University of Michigan. In addition to participating in related educational activities, Hicks and the rest of the 20-member ensemble perform a multitude of roles in *Coriolanus* and *The Merry Wives of Windsor*.

Farr insisted on Hicks playing the part of the tragic warrior *Coriolanus*, and so far critics agree on his choice. Both have been receiving rave reviews at the Swan Theatre, Stratford-upon-Avon.

"When I first read *Coriolanus* for the production I was struck by the un-modern world where a military aristocracy has a divine right to rule over citizenry," said Farr. "The impact it made on me was to stage it in a world unlike our own, where valor is the greatest virtue. I thought the warrior culture was terribly important and found a simple way to portray that. For the Samurai the world changed very fast and collapsed. This is abstract, minimalist, a pared down Samurai world. You don't have to know anything about it."

It's always a challenge for directors to make a story come to



Claire Carrie (Mistress Ford), and Richard Cordery (Falstaff) in *The Merry Wives of Windsor*.

PLEASE SEE ROYAL VISIT, B3

Divine liturgy echoes in new Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus CD

My grandmother would have loved the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus' new CD *Golden Echoes of Kyiv - The Divine Liturgy*. Like many Ukrainians, she was devoted to the church, and the priests at St. John's for whom she cooked and cleaned. Grandmother was among the many Ukrainian immigrants who settled near the church in southwest Detroit, and on the city's east side, in the late 1940s. Some of the new arrivals, who longed for the music of their home-



Artistic Expressions

Linda Chomin

land, formed the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus. Many belonged to the chorus founded in 1918 in Ukraine.

Known for their more than 40 recordings of bandura, a Ukrainian stringed instrument,

and choral works, this is the first time the group's recorded a *capella* style. Their deep male voices take visitors back to 16th and 17th century churches and monasteries, where the music and chants originated.

"It's survived all these years," said chorus member Bohdan Pryjma of Rochester. Pryjma's parents came here in the mid-1940s and regularly took him to Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus concerts while he was growing up. "I get the chills when I hear it. This music is centuries old

and survived all the things our country has gone through, the persecution. As a nation I think Ukrainians are very religious. It's dear to our hearts. I think it's what binds us together."

Generation after generation of Ukrainians have kept the religion and bandurist music alive. Several father and son teams like Wladimir and Anatoli Murha sing and play the lute-like instrument with the chorus.

"We went back to our roots. The music originated in

church. This is the actual liturgy you'd hear in a church," said Anatoli Murha of Livonia. "These are ancient chants of Kyiv where Christianity was founded in 988 A.D."

"It's identical to going to church," added his father Wladimir, who recently returned from a trip to Ukraine where he ordered costumes for an upcoming European tour. On June 25, the chorus leaves for concerts in England, Germany, Austria and

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Theater artists gather to protest war on Iraq

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

When Gillian Eaton heard about the international theater community organizing to take a stand against a war in Iraq there was no question she wanted to be part of it. Since she teaches in the Hilberry graduate program at Wayne State University in Detroit, it was easy to talk her colleagues into putting on a staged reading of Aristophanes' classic war comedy *Lysistrata* on Monday, March 3.

Theater artists in more than 390 communities in 33 countries will gather to participate in the *Lysistrata* Project. Locally, 60 actors from the Performance Network in Ann Arbor, the Purple Rose Theater in Chelsea, Jewish Ensemble Theatre in West Bloomfield, and Meadow Brook Theatre in Rochester will read the play at the 1,100 seat Bonstelle Theatre on the campus of Wayne State University. A smaller version of the project takes place at the Furniture Factory in Detroit.

Admission to the Bonstelle reading is \$5 with proceeds going to Freedom House, an asylum for political refugees from all over the world. The evening opens with Matt Watroba singing at 7:30 p.m.

Admission to the 8 p.m. Furniture Factory reading is \$5 with proceeds going to MADRE, a non-profit international women's human rights organization working in conflict areas.

"We're doing it because it's a way to find solidarity with people

who don't believe war is the only answer," said Eaton, an actress with the Royal Shakespeare Company in London for many years before moving to Plymouth. "We want to bring awareness about the human casualties of war. Just by doing something you feel you're not being passive. We want to all stand together in one place.

"The play itself is very naughty. It's one of the most anti-war plays ever written. Athens and Sparta are at war and the women get together and decide to withhold sex. They're also in charge of the treasury which means they affect the flow of money as well."

Annette DePetris believes the play is as relevant today as when Aristophanes wrote it more than 2,400 years ago. Conceived by New York actors Kathryn Blume and Sharron Bower, the *Lysistrata* Project aims to make the Bush Administration aware of the growing opposition to a war on Iraq.

"It's a large group of women in theater coming together," said DePetris who along with her husband Jeffrey Nahan is involved in the project. DePetris is director of theater at the Roeper School in Bloomfield Hills. Nahan is director of theater at Detroit Country Day School in Beverly Hills.

"In a world swirling out of control, we want to protest the war," said DePetris "For the Bush Administration to know that we believe war is not an alternative. I hope the message we send is one of hope."

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Gillian Eaton played an instrumental role in bringing the *Lysistrata* Project to the Bonstelle Theatre on the campus of Wayne State University in Detroit.

LYSISTRATA PROJECT

What: Local actors stage a reading of Aristophanes' anti-war comedy. The production is part of an international theater artists protest against a war on Iraq

When/Where: Monday, March 3 - 7:30 p.m. at the Bonstelle Theatre, 3424 Woodward Ave. near the corner of Mack; and 8 p.m. at the Furniture Factory, 4126 Third St., Detroit

Admission: \$5 suggested donation. Proceeds from Bonstelle production go to Freedom House, a sanctuary for political refugees. Proceeds from Furniture Factory production go to MADRE, a non-profit international women's human rights organization working in conflict areas.

For more information: Visit www.lysistrataproject.com.

To volunteer: As an usher or parking attendant or to distribute literature or donate money for the Bonstelle production, call Amy Lynch at (313) 577-7899

Local musicians take stage to benefit intimate Trinity House

There's nothing like live music in an intimate setting. And that's the mission at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia where a concert to benefit the venue is set for Saturday, March 1.

"The theater is a very intimate environment. Picture seeing a concert or a play in your living room," said Bill Keith, spokesman for the 90-seat theater, which has been in existence for 22 years. Founded by Paul Patton and members of Trinity Baptist Church, it was incorporated as a separate non-profit arts organization in 1988.

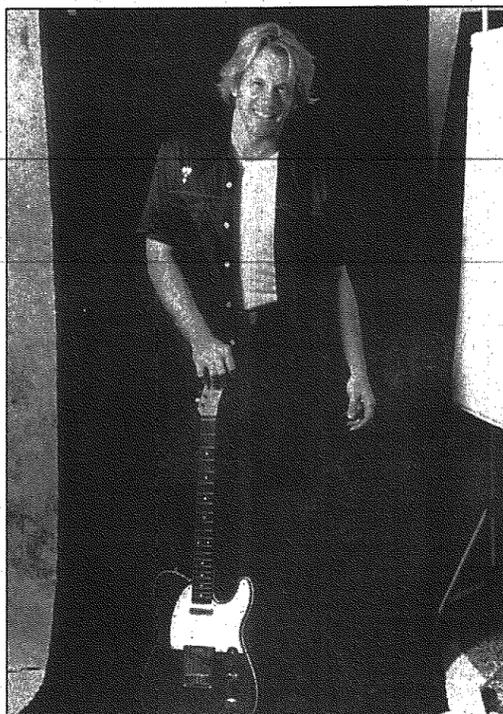
Trinity House focuses on singer-songwriters in the folk genre with some representation of jazz and rock, said Keith. "The theater's mission is to enrich and enliven the communities of southeastern Michigan through brave, truthful and necessary works of art."

Slated to perform at the benefit concert are local musicians Stewart Francke of Huntington Woods, Jim Roll of Ann Arbor, Jim Bizer of Detroit, Jan Krist of Royal Oak and Lucy Webster and Ralston Bowles, both of Grand Rapids.

Francke, a well known local musician who has received numerous Detroit Music Awards, will be performing songs from his most recently released *Wheel of Life*.

Jim Bizer's music is a blend of humor and catchy melodies with monster guitar playing and vocals. Bizer was selected as a finalist in the Kerville Folk Festival's "New Folk" songwriting competition in 2000. Last summer, he released *Closer To The Surface*.

Jan Krist is a Trinity House favorite who began writing and singing songs in local folk clubs in 1980. She received praise at the Kerville Songwriting



Stewart Francke will perform songs from his recently released "Wheel of Life."

BENEFIT CONCERT

What: Showcase of local musicians in a concert to benefit Trinity House Theatre.

When: Saturday, March 1, doors open 7:30 p.m., concert starts at 8 p.m.

Where: Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia.

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Competition in 1991 and released her first album of songs, *Decapitated Society*, in 1992. Over the years, she has won numerous Detroit Music Awards, including Outstanding Acoustic/Folk Recording in 2002 for

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UMS hosts U.S. premiere of Rushdie's 'Midnight's Children'

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Kenneth Fischer can't wait for the Royal Shakespeare Company's second residency for the University Musical Society and University of Michigan. And rightly so. In addition to presenting *Coriolanus*, *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, and 70 related educational events, the University Musical Society president is coordinating the U.S. premiere of Salman Rushdie's *Midnight's Children* in association with the Royal Shakespeare Company, University of Michigan and Columbia University. After playing in Ann Arbor, Wednesday-Sunday, March 12-16, the production, based on Rushdie's best-selling novel, travels to the Apollo Theatre in New York City for five performances.

Set in modern times, *Midnight's Children* tells the story of Indian independence from Britain, and the birth of

Pakistan and Bangladesh as seen through the eyes of one family. In Bombay, two babies born to Muslim and Hindu families, are switched at birth.

"I'm excited about the significance of putting an epic novel on stage," said Fischer. "As a presenter, we're concerned with advancing the art form. It was an opportunity to be involved with bringing this piece of literature onto the stage and to pool the resources of the institution to deal with the fascinating components of the book. People traveled from 30 states to see the history plays. This production should draw with its tale about history, ethnicity, strife and religion."

Ralph Williams believes all three productions offer food for thought. That's why the University of Michigan English language and literature professor is inviting students, and the community to take part in educational offerings connected with the Royal Shakespeare Company's residency

including "The Plays of the Royal Residency" lecture series he's giving on Monday evenings in the Modern Languages Building (see chart).

Williams saw all of the productions in England in December and January. "*Midnight's Children* is a global drama," said Williams. "Rushdie was born in Bombay in the midst of a mix of religions - Hindu, Muslim, Christianity - and English colonization. This was late 20th century cosmopolitan culture."

"The Shakespeare productions are spectacular and the Salman Rushdie is a major international event. In England, every child reads the book. It's one of the most important novels of the 20th century. And RSC is the premier producer of drama in the English-speaking world. The complexity of the company is astounding. Resources in terms of expertise are truly impressive."

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- *Coriolanus* round table - 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, Power Center
- *Merry Wives of Windsor* round table - 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, Power Center
- *Midnight's Children* round table - 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, Rackham Auditorium.
- Insights: Behind-the-scenes lecture/demonstrations presented by Royal Shakespeare Company Education, Artistic and Technical teams - 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 4 (*Coriolanus*); Wednesday, March 5 (*Merry Wives of Windsor*); and Thursday, March 13 (*Midnight's Children*), Power Center.
- Interviews with Salman Rushdie - 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, and 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 12, Rackham Auditorium.
- Center for South Asian Studies Film Series - 6:30 p.m. Saturdays to March 8, Natural Science Auditorium.

For complete listing of events, visit www.umich.edu/pres/rsc.

Related event:

- "The Plays of the Royal Residency" - 7 p.m. Mondays through April 14, Modern Languages Building Auditorium 3. No registration required for public observation, call Pattie Rayl (734) 647-6771.



A cast of 20 actors, most of whom are of Asian descent, is featured in the U.S. premiere of Salman Rushdie's *Midnight's Children*.

ROYAL VISIT

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life especially if audiences have never seen or read the play. Farr's had plenty of experience with Shakespeare's political plays. In *Coriolanus* he goes for the visual aesthetic to create a complete theatrical world in which the viewer is plunged.

"We begin with a specific world, with a specific set of values, where if you're not born of a certain class, tough," said Farr. "It answers the profound question about the role of democracy. I'm in my early 30s and my generation doesn't have the same faith in democracy. We don't believe our politicians. This production casts doubt. It asks the motives of elected tribunes. It has a lot to say about war. Back then war was a way of life. Now when people do things it's in name of democracy. It's a very interest-

ing play that debates moral compromise."

CHANGING TIMES

War plays a minor role in the *Merry Wives of Windsor*. Set in the late 1490s, the comedy focuses on the struggle that takes place between men and women with the return of the soldiers. The production originally opened in October at Stratford-upon-Avon.

"It's meant to be entertaining, a fun night out for everybody," said Kavanaugh. "I want to find a setting that an audience could have access to. It's an era they could easily recognize from movies or photos."

"In England this was a time of great social change and women getting power. For the first time they were working outside of the home and when the men returned from the war they were not about to give that up."

Richard Cordery plays Sir

John Falstaff, the burly, fun-loving rogue first seen in *Henry the IV, Part 1*. It was due to a special request from Queen Elizabeth I that Shakespeare decided to have the character reappear in *The Merry Wives of Windsor*.

"There's lots of mischief-making and glimpses of the kind of despair Falstaff falls into in *Henry IV, Part 1*. He's exactly the same. It's the people around him who have changed," said Kavanaugh.

"As a director there were lots of challenges. It's written nearly all in prose. It is about a small English world. The language is eccentric. I had to find a way in. I thought Richard (Cordery) had the right qualities for the role. He's a serious classical actor whose a lot of fun, and comfortable with Falstaff's words. All we had to add was lots of padding to him. Richard's not that rotund."

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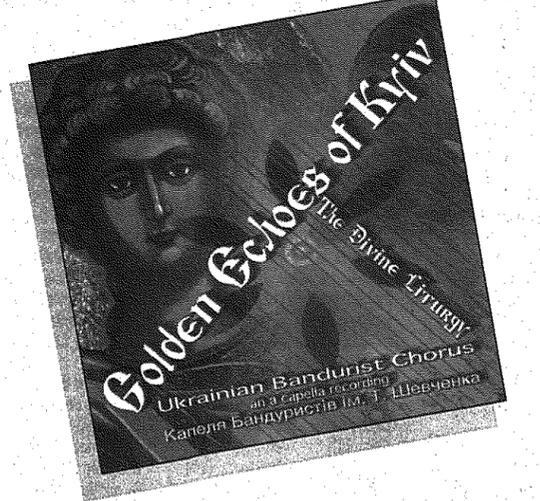
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the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris to introduce the CD. On April 6, they'll sing at a noon church service in Immaculate Conception Ukrainian Catholic Church, corner 11672 McDougall at Connor, in Hamtramck.

Local churches have always supported the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus since it set down roots in Detroit in 1949. George Korol remembers St. Mary the Protectress Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral in Southfield supporting the chorus from the time he arrived here from a displaced persons camp in Germany in 1950.

In addition to offering rehearsal space and music lessons, the church paid CD production costs as a memorial to the late Sylvia Blake of Birmingham. The Rev. Pavlo Bodnarchuk of Farmington, a priest at the parish, is featured on the CD. Dozens of parishioners have belonged to the chorus over the years.

"We still try to maintain our cultural heritage," said Korol, president of the parish council at St. Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral. "I remember the music growing up. The Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus toured the camps. I heard the music in church services in the



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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

The Detroit Opera House
The Vagina Monologues, March 4-9, 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday; 7 p.m. Sunday; Matinees, 5 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. \$27.50-\$40 (248) 645-6666

Fox Theatre
Annie, March 4-9, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. \$22-\$60, (248) 433-1515, (313) 471-6611, www.olympiaentertainment.com, www.ticketmaster.com

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

Jewish Ensemble Theatre
Peter Sagal's *Denial*, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday through March 30. Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple at Drake, West Bloomfield. \$18-\$30, senior/student discounts. (248) 788-2900.

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

COMMUNITY THEATER

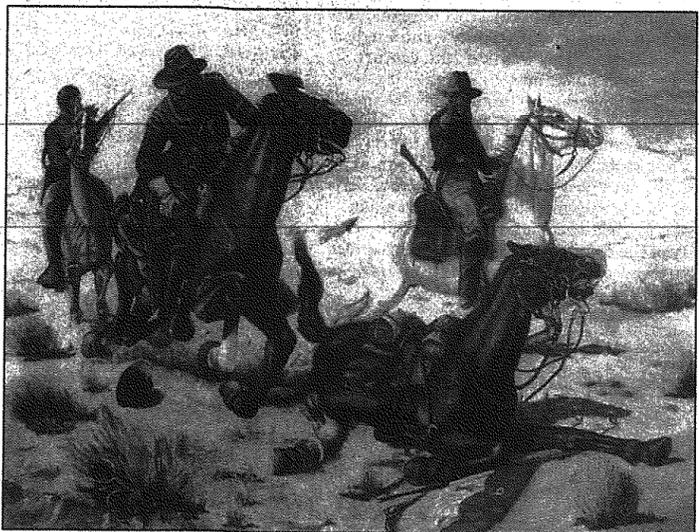
Rosedale Players
Call Me Madam 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 28 and March 1, 4 p.m. Sunday, March 2, Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard at West Chicago, Livonia. \$7, \$3 students through grade 12. (734) 422-0494

Ridgedale Players
Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up? 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, March 7-9/14-16, 21-23, 28-30. \$15 adults, \$14 students/seniors. (Sunday), (248) 988-7049, www.ridgedaleplayers.com

Bloomfield Players
The Wiz, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 14-15, March 21-22; 2 p.m. Sunday, March 16 & 23, Bloomfield Hills Lahser High Theatre, (248) 433-0885.

Stagecrafters
Floyd Collins, Friday-Sunday, Feb. 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, March 1-2, March 7-9, 2 p.m. Sunday, March 9, Burgh Historical Park, corner of Civic Center Dr. and Berg Road, Southfield, \$10 adults, \$8 students/seniors.



Ivan Stewart exhibits his oil paintings and bronze sculptures through Saturday, March 29, at the Creative Arts Center, 47 Williams St., Pontiac. For more information, call (248) 333-7849. Pictured is a work titled "The Rescue." There are several new works in the exhibit as well as older ones depicting the Buffalo Soldiers, the first Black pilots, musicians and other scenes from Black history. More information about Stewart available at www.historythroughart.com.

(248) 827-0710.

COLLEGE THEATER

Bonstelle Theatre
The Imaginary Invalid 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 28-March 1; 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 28 student matinee; 2 p.m. Sunday, March 9, 3424 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 577-2960

Hilberry Theatre
The Comedy of Errors, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 27-28; *Cloud 9*, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 1, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 577-2972

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

Studio Theatre
Hospice 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 27-March 1, 4743 Cass Ave. Detroit (313) 577-2972

CHILDREN'S THEATER

Detroit Puppet Theatre
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

AUDITIONS/OPPORTUNITIES

Birmingham Musicales
Oakland county students grades 9-12, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 16 (application deadline Saturday, March 8) Congregational Church of Birmingham

(Cranbrook Road & Woodward) (248) 645-9312

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, 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. Tuesday, St. Paul Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia. (248) 681-2578

MARDI GRAS

Andiamo
New Orleans style celebration, 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, Andiamo Celebrity Showroom, E. 14 Mile Road, Warren. Music, door prizes, benefits Turning Point. \$15, (586) 463-4430.

Fishbone's Detroit
Appetizers, live music, chance to win \$1,000. 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, 400

Monroe St., \$10. (313) 965-4600.

Fishbone's Southfield
Standard menu, drink, dinner specials, 11 a.m. to midnight Tuesday, March 4, prizes for best costume, 29244 Northwestern Highway. (248) 351-2925.

Zydeco
Live music, Louisiana-style buffet, 6-11 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, \$39.95/person, 314 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 995-3600

WINE TASTING DINNER

Steve & Rocky's
Cabernet Sauvignon from the Robert Modavi Winery, five course menu and surprise signature dessert, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 6, 43150 Grand River, Novi, \$135 per person, (248) 374-0688.

BENEFITS

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, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, Seligman Music Hall, Country Day, 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. Proceeds benefit the theater. (248) 375-0850

CHORAL

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. Send e-mail to rschuessle@aol.com, or call (734) 453-0574

Metropolitan Singers
Third annual Free Family Concert and Sing-A-Long, 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 23, Southfield Civic Center, Room 115, 26000 Evergreen at Civic Center Drive (10 1/2 Mile Road), special guests The Choirsters and Children's Hand Chime Choir from St. Genevieve, Livonia. (248) 545-8743, (248) 932-0390.

CLASSICAL

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

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

Birmingham Community House
"The Crusade for Strings of the National Federation of Music Clubs" 1 p.m. Thursday, March 6, 380 Bates Street, donations accepted. (248) 288-3723

Detroit Symphony Orchestra

FOLK

Royal Oak First United Methodist Church
Christine Lavin 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 1, 320 W. 7th Street, Royal Oak, \$18/adults, \$15/students/seniors. (248) 541-4100

Dublin Irish Cabaret
Irish tenor Paul Hennessy, comedian Noel Ginnity, Irish dance, ballads, songs, 8 p.m. Friday, March 7, Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Dearborn. \$25-\$30, (313) 943-2354, (313) 943-2350, www.dearborn-fordcenter.com

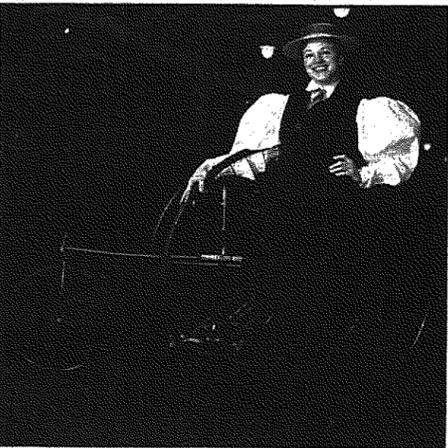
Blackthorn
CD release concert, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, Farmington Players Barn Theatre, 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. \$12 adults, \$10 seniors/students at the Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, (248) 473-1857.

POPS/SWING

Detroit Symphony Orchestra
Marvin Hamlisch guests 1:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 28-March 1, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 2, Orchestral Hall, Detroit. \$15-\$55. (313) 576-5111

JAZZ/BLUES

Creative Arts Center
The John Lindberg Ensemble with Wendell Harrison, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21, 47 Williams St., Pontiac. \$15, \$12



Celebrate Women's History Month this March by taking a tour of the exhibits and listening to presentations at Henry Ford Museum, 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn. Tickets \$8.50-\$13.50, children under age 5 free. Call (313) 271-1620. Did you know some of America's most pioneering inventors and explorers were women? Historically women have made remarkable advancements in medicine, aviation, publishing, politics, and music. Meet Clara Ford and Eleanor Roosevelt look-alikes and view the newly renovated Rosa Parks bus.

The Detroit News Young People's Concerts, 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m., Saturday, March 1, Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$10-\$26, (313) 576-5111

Plymouth Symphony
Russian classics, features PSO concert master Juliana Athayde and the Our Lady of Good Counsel Handbell Choir, exhibit of art by Felix Braslavsky, 6:45 p.m. exhibit, preconcert discussion 7:15 p.m. followed by concert, Saturday, March 8, Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Plymouth. \$16 adults, \$14 seniors, \$10 college students, no charge children grades k-12, (734) 451-2112, www.plymouthsymphony@aol.com

in advance (248) 333-7849

Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church
Steve Wood Quintet, 4 p.m. Sunday, March 30, 8625 E. Jefferson, Detroit. Free. (313)

Kerrytown Concert House
ICP Orchestra, 8 p.m. Saturday, March 29

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

Nardin Park United Methodist Church
Clarinetist, David Bennett, 2 p.m. Sunday, March 9, 29887 W. Eleven Mile Road, Farmington, \$15/adults, \$10/seniors/students. (248) 476-8860

Rosie O'Grady's
Tim Flaherty, Marvin Conrad and George Bennett-Tuesday Night Open Blues/Jazz Jam, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tuesday, Rosie O'Grady's, 175 W. Troy Street, Ferndale. (248) 591-9163

Vince James Trio
Compari's, 8-11 p.m. Wednesdays 350 S. Main,

Nichole Nordeman sings songs from her new CD "Woven & Spun" 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, at Bethesda Christian Church, 14000 Metro Parkway, Sterling Heights. Tickets are \$10, \$12 Gold Circle. Call (586) 264-2300. Guest artist Andrew Peterson performs selections from his third CD "Love & Thunder."

Plymouth, (734) 416-0100

BANDS

Emerald Theatre
Cell 85 with Ananda and Tangent, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, 18 and over. \$6, 31 N. Walnut, downtown Mt. Clemens. (586) 913-1920, www.emeraldtheatre.com.

Fifth Avenue
Robb Roy, 10 p.m. Saturday, March 1, 21 (over), www.robroy.com

Lager House
A Pollinaire Rave ... multimedia acoustic pop show... joined by Dean and Dom from the Waxwings, Thursday Feb. 27, Clone Defects record release party, Friday, Feb. 28 Gold Cash Gold w/the Ariel Spies, and Field Trip, Saturday, March 1, Doors open, \$5, 1254 Michigan Ave., three blocks east of Tiger Stadium and two blocks west of MGM Grand, (313) 961-4668

Magic Bag
Mega 80's, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, 21 (over), \$10, Saw Doctors, 8 p.m. Sunday, March 2, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, (248) 544-3030, www.themagicbag.com

Royal Oak Music Theatre
Grinder CD Release Party, 8 p.m. Friday, February 28, 18 and over; Oldspeak and Mourning Star, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 1, all ages, \$10 advance, \$12 door, 318 W. Fourth St., downtown, Royal Oak, (248) 544-7949.

PROFESSIONAL DANCE

Fox Theatre
Michael Flatley's *Lord of the Dance*, Feb. 28-March 2, \$15.75-\$60.75. Tickets at Marshall Fields, Ticketmaster or box office. (248) 433-1515, www.olympiaentertainment.com

SOCIAL DANCING

Contra Dancing
1:30-4:30 p.m. first Sunday of each month, Lovett Hall Ballroom next door to Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn. \$8. (313) 982-6100, ext. 2262

Dance Elite Ballroom Studio
Swing & Salsa dance instruction 8 p.m., Dance 9 p.m. to midnight, DJ, open to the public, Friday, Maple at Haggerty (inside Bloomfield Avenue Shoppe II), West Bloomfield. \$10, \$9 Michigan Swing Dance Association, singles welcome. \$10 per person (248) 926-8522

Italian Cultural Center
Country Western dance by Blackberry Creek Dancers, 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, 28111 Imperial Dr., Warren. DJ, lesson, snacks, soft drinks & coffee. \$10. Singles/couples welcome. (313) 526-9432

St. Patrick's Day Dance by Wolverine Silverspur Dancers, 7 p.m., Saturday, March 8. \$10. (586) 573-0668

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



Dave Tatrow and his Wally's Warehouse Waifs perform Dixieland music for a Mardi Gras Party 3-6 p.m. Sunday, March 2, at the Troy Elks Club, 1451 E. Big Beaver, east of Rochester Road. Mardi Gras costumes encouraged. Tickets are \$10, call (248) 476-2674. Wally's Warehouse Waifs features Tatrow on trumpet; Keith DeWitt, trombone; Dave Miller, banjo/guitar; Jim Wyse, clarinet; Bill Meyer, piano, Milt Sernick, drums, and Don Mayberry, bass.

Making contact: Please submit items for publication in Going Places to Linda Chomin two weeks in advance of event. Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or fax (734) 591-7279

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Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs offering grants

The Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs will present free workshops on the 11 grant programs it funds. The workshops are available to all non-profit organizations and will be hosted by the College for Creative Studies 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, at the Wendell W. Anderson Jr. Auditorium in the Walter B Ford II Building on Frederick Douglass between John R and Brush on the CCS campus.

Registration is not required. MCACA programs provide funding for arts and cultural projects taking place between Oct. 1, 2003, and Sept. 30, 2004. The next application deadline is May 1, 2003. For more information on MCACA programs, call (517) 241-4011, or visit www.cis.state.mi.us/arts. Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs is also now accepting applications for its

Creative Artist Grant program. Step One Applications for the FY2004 (FY04) Creative Artist Grant are available at ArtServe's offices, by mail or online. The CAG program has alternating year eligibility. Applications for FY04 will be accepted in: Visual Arts, Traditional Arts, Design Arts, Dance, Theater, Opera/Musical Theater and Inter/Multidisciplinary categories only. Next year (FY05) we will take applications for

Music, Creative Writing, Film/Video and Inter/Multidisciplinary. The Creative Artist Grant supports the creation of new works of art or the completion of a work of art in progress by individual artists residing in Michigan with funding provided by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs. The application is a two-step process. The first step includes a simple form and submission of

samples of artwork and resume. The second step is by invitation of the review panel and includes the proposed project, budget and public service. This brief initial application carries a deadline of 6 p.m. Friday, May 9, (this is not a postmark deadline). Following a peer panel review, artists meeting certain criteria will be invited to submit the more detailed Step 2 application for their project.

To receive a Step 1 application by mail, send a self-addressed envelope 9- by 12-inches or larger bearing 60 cents in postage to CAG FY04, ArtServe Michigan, 17515 W. Nine Mile Road, Suite 1025, Southfield, MI 48075-4426. The application may be downloaded. Questions may be directed to Christine Schefman, Director, Artist Services, at (248) 557-8288, Ext 14 or artists@ArtServeMichigan.org.

FILM BEAT

Film Beat lists what's playing at alternative film theaters, special movie events and local flicks. Offerings and movie schedules may change after press time, so be sure to call ahead. Film beat listings and movie information can be submitted to: Nicole Stafford, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 801 East Maple, Birmingham, Mich. 48009 or e-mail nstafford@oe.homecomm.net.

DETROIT FILM THEATRE. Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 833-3237. www.dia.org/dft. Adult admission, \$6.50, senior citizens, full-time students with valid identification and DIA members, \$5.50. Discount tickets available in book for five for \$25. Films screened Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday. All Monday shows are in the evening. Feb. 28 and March 1-2, *Ikiru* (Japan), 1952, directed by Akira Kurosawa. An office bureaucrat with six months to live tries to make sense of his life and the most of his remaining days. March 3, *Interview with the Assassin*, first-time director Neil Burger's witty and clever thriller about a man desperate to convince an unemployed television reporter that he assassinated JFK - with Raymond J. Barry and Dylan Haggerty.

REDFORD THEATRE, 17360 Lahser in Detroit, call (313) 537-2560. Regular admission, \$3. March 7-8, *The Producers*, Albert Brooks' 1968 film about a Broadway promoter and neurotic accountant's scheme to produce an intentional flop entitled *Springtime for Hitler* - with Gene Wilder and Zero Mostel. March 14-15, *Wings*, a silent war film that won the first Academy Award for

Best Picture - with Charles "Buddy" Rogers, Clara Bow and Richard Arlen. brew and view at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030, www.magicbag.com, movie nights on Wednesdays and Thursdays in small theater setting with full bar, must be at least 21, doors open at 8 p.m., films start at 9:30 p.m., box office hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., \$2. Feb. 27, 8 Mile, Eminem makes his film debut in a story about life and survival in the big city. Check out all your favorite Detroit landmarks on the big screen - with Kim Bassinger.

MAIN ART THEATRE, 118 North Main at 11 Mile in downtown Royal Oak, (248) 542-0180. Adult evening admission is \$8.50. Matinees before 6 p.m. and admission for seniors and children is always \$6. Call theater for schedule.

MAPLE ART THEATRE, 4135 West Maple in Bloomfield Township, (248) 542-0180. Adult evening admission is \$8.50. Matinees before 6 p.m. and admission for seniors and children is always \$6. Call theater for schedule.

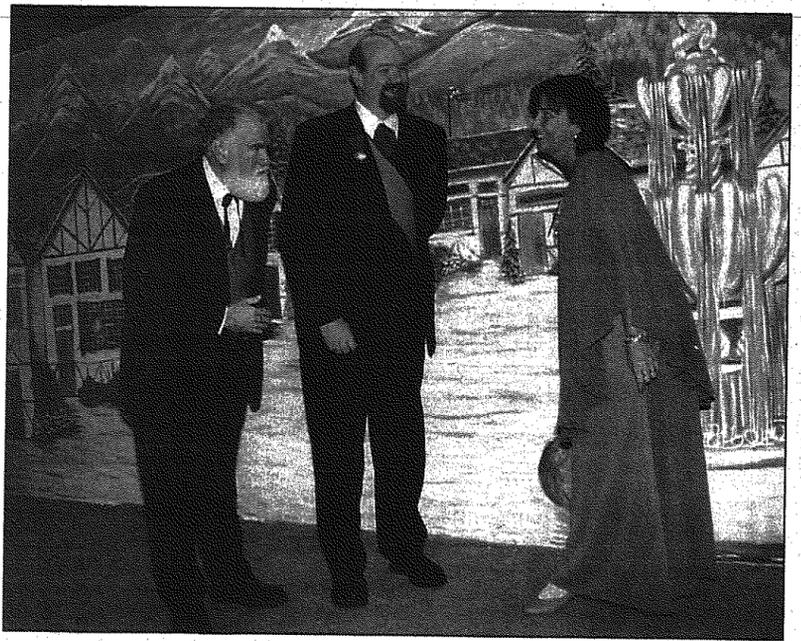
MICHIGAN THEATER, 603 East Liberty, Ann Arbor, (734) 668-8463, www.michtheater.com. Adult admission, \$8, students and senior citizens, \$6.25, Michigan Theater members, \$5.50. Films are shown daily. Opening Feb. 28, *El Crimen Del Padre Amaro* (Spain), A recently ordained priest sent to a small parish church in Mexico meets Amelia, a beautiful 16-year-old girl whose religious devotion turns into attraction - directed by Carlos Carrera. Opening March 2, *Derrida*, biographi-

cal documentary about the life of French philosopher Jacques Derrida, Feb. 27, *Le Cercle Rouge*, (France), 1970 thriller by director Jean-Pierre Melville - with Alain Delon and Yves Montand. Continuing, *Talk to Her* (Spain), Director Pedro Almodóvar's chilling love story about a nurse and a writer.

STATE THEATRE, 233 State St., Ann Arbor, (734) 761-8667 or www.michtheater.com. Adult admission, \$8, students and senior citizens, \$6.25. Continuing, *The Pianist*, Roman Polanski's film based on the memoirs of the talented pianist Wladyslaw Szpilman, a Polish Jew who miraculously survived World War II. Continuing, *The Quiet American*, Director Phillip Noyce's adaptation of the Graham Greene novel with Michael Caine as a veteran English journalist and Brendan Fraser as an idealistic American. The story is a murder mystery with a love triangle set in Saigon during the French Indochina War.

UPTOWN BIRMINGHAM 8, 211 South Old Woodward in downtown Birmingham, (248) 644-3456. Adult admission is \$8.50 in the evening and \$6 for matinee showings before 6 p.m. Admission for seniors age 55 and older is \$5.50 all the time. Admission for children age 12 and under is \$5.75 all the time. Call theater for schedule.

LOCAL FILMS & FILM ETCETERA Opened Feb. 21 with run of several weeks expected, *P.I. Blues*, directed, written and produced by Jim Dudek of Detroit with local actors, a romantic comedy about a private detective wanna-be. *Imagine Theatre*, 44425 W. 12 Mile in Novi, call (248) 319-3456.



Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church presents Irving Berlin's "Call Me Madam" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 28 and March 1, and 4 p.m. Sunday, March 2, at the church, 9601 Hubbard at W. Chicago, Livonia. Tickets \$7, \$3 students through grade 12. Call (734) 422-0494. Pictured are Cathy Stage (right as Madam Ambassador), John Chew and John Niemesto on the village square in Lichtenburg. This is the 30th musical directed by Martha Kuykendall and performed by members and friends of the church now celebrating its 75th anniversary.

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Restaurants, churches, clubs offer Lenten fare

BY MARY QUINLEY
CORRESPONDENT

If you're searching for a meatless meal during the Lenten season, you might want to head to a local pub or eatery, a neighborhood church, or a fraternal organization's meeting place to dine.

Here's a sampling of what's available:

RESTAURANTS/PUBS

■ **Hope's Fish & Chips** - 28370 Joy, between Middlebelt and Inkster Roads, Livonia, (734) 427-2130. Open: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; noon to 8 p.m. Sunday; closed Monday. A variety of fried, baked and broiled fish dinners, average price \$7.95.

■ **Plymouth Fish Seafood Market & Restaurant** - 578 Starkweather, Old Village, Plymouth, (734) 455-2630. Open: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Shrimp, fish & chips, scallops, ocean perch and more than 20 other fish selections (prices vary). On

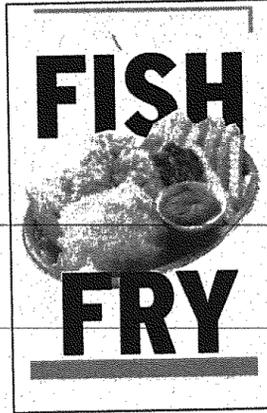
Mondays, all-you-can-eat grilled or fried cod (\$8.43).

■ **Page's Food & Spirits** - 23621 Farmington Road, one block south of Grand River, Farmington, (248) 477-0099. Open: 11 a.m. to midnight Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday. All-you-can-eat fish & chips (\$10.95); baked or broiled cod, sautéed lake perch and Friday fish specials.

■ **Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center** - 8768 North Territorial, Plymouth, (734) 453-7272. Open: 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Fridays. All-you-can-eat fish or pasta dinners (\$8.75).

■ **Red Robin Restaurant** - 36350 Warren, Westland, (734) 421-4081. Open: 11 a.m. to midnight Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday. Fish & chips (\$8.99), clam strips and fries (\$7.99) and seafood pasta (\$10.99).

■ **Johnson's Family Restaurant** - 42400 Ford, Canton, (734) 981-6877. Open: 6



a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. All-you-can-eat fish & chips (\$7.95, lighter appetite \$4.95). Lenten specials feature grilled trout, salmon and fried clams.

■ **Senate Coney Island & Restaurant**, 34359 Plymouth, Livonia, (734) 422-5075. Open: 4 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily. Fish & chips (\$7.25), baked salmon (\$8.45) Fridays only.

■ All area Big Boy

Restaurants offer an all-you-can-eat seafood bar on Fridays beginning at 4 p.m. Buffet is \$11.95 for adults and \$6.95 for children under 10.

Locations include - 29661 Plymouth in Wonderland Mall, Livonia, (734) 425-5500; 33427 Plymouth, west of Farmington Road, Livonia, (734) 421-4349; 37123 Six Mile, east of Newburgh, Livonia, (734) 464-6670; 29548 Seven Mile, in the Livonia Mall Shopping Center, Livonia, (248) 477-8608; 44681 W. Ann Arbor, west of Sheldon Road, Plymouth, (734) 455-8070; 28340 Ford, Garden City, (734) 425-2360; 20788 Farmington, north of Eight Mile, Farmington, (248) 477-2590; 6360 N. Wayne, Westland, (734) 595-1700; 45250 Ford, Canton Township, (734) 459-5555.

CHURCHES

Unless otherwise noted, beginning March 7, dinners will be served at these locations on Fridays during Lent, including Good Friday, April 18.

■ Our Lady of Good Counsel

- 47650 N. Territorial, Plymouth, (734) 453-0326. Serving: 5:30-7:30 p.m., excluding Good Friday. Fried and baked fish (adults \$6.50, seniors \$5.50, children \$4).

■ **St. Edith** - 15089 Newburgh, Livonia, (734) 464-1222. Serving: 4:30-7:30 p.m. All-you-can-eat fried cod with salad bar, fries or macaroni-and-cheese and beverage (\$6.95).

■ **St. Aidan** - 17500 Farmington, Livonia (734) 425-5950. Serving: 5:30-7 p.m. on March 7, 14, 21 & 28. Buffet style dinners include baked cod, vegetables, potatoes, roll, dessert and beverage; adults \$7, kids (5-10) \$4, four years and younger, free.

■ **St. Raphael** - 31530 Beechwood, west of Merriman, two blocks north of Ford, Garden City, (734) 427-1533. Serving: 4:30-7 p.m. except on Good Friday 3-7 p.m. Fish, shrimp and fish-shrimp combo dinners (\$7), fish sandwich plate (\$5.75).

■ **St. Kenneth** - 14951

Haggerty, Plymouth Township, (734) 420-0288. Serving: 5:30-7:30 p.m. Fish & chips (\$5), fisherman's platter (\$6), fried shrimp (\$6.75), kids' dinners (\$2.50). Dinners include salad, fries and beverage. Vegetable lasagna and clam chowder soup available.

FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

■ **Monaghan Knights of Columbus** - 19801 Farmington, Livonia, (248) 476-8385. Serving: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5-8:30 p.m. every Friday throughout the year and Ash Wednesday. Fish & chips with coleslaw and roll (\$7.25); broiled haddock, perch, shrimp and frog legs available.

■ **Elks Lodge** - 31117 Plymouth, one block east of Merriman, Livonia, (734) 425-2246. Serving: 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 5:30-8 p.m. Fish dinners (\$7-\$8.25), fish & chips (\$5.50), fish sandwich (\$4.25) and kids' fish dinner (\$4.25).

Mary Quinley is a Livonia resident and writes about food and travel for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Big burritos featured at new Birmingham Qdoba

BY ELEANOR HEALD
CORRESPONDENT

A long-held belief is that food trends gravitate toward the middle of our nation from its coastlines. It smacks of truth since Mexican food is the favorite of those who eat out in California and more Mexican eateries have opened in Detroit's suburbs in the last year.

Yet it must be asked, are we eating more Mexican food or are there more franchisees willing to take on the nation's largest chain, Taco Bell?

Qdoba's interior is not the least reminiscent of a Taco Bell. In the Birmingham location, in addition to the standard Mexican mural, stainless-topped tables and blond wood-accented chairs, there are com-

fortable booths.

What's Qdoba? "Qdoba is just a name; it sounds good; it has no meaning in Spanish," Operations Manager Patrick Higley said.

Qdoba Mexican Grills are now in 18 states. There are eight locations in Michigan, two in metro Detroit; the new Birmingham has a sister eatery in Royal Oak. The first Qdoba Mexican Grill restaurant opened in Denver in 1995. It was an immediate success, with revenues of more than \$1.5 million in the first year. The cost of opening the 1,300-square-foot store was only \$180,000. Birmingham and Royal Oak General Manager Matt Barcey indicated that since then, locations have enlarged to 2,000 to 2,200 square feet with an average opening cost of \$350,000.

SPECIALTIES

For the last few months, a sign on the front window of the new Qdoba in Birmingham read "Not just big burritos. Big flavors." That's a Qdoba trademarked description, but it delivers the message about Qdoba, which opened in Birmingham Tuesday, Feb. 25.

Most popular among Qdoba's clientele nationwide is the Chicken Burrito that's made with boneless, skinless thigh meat in a tortilla with the signature cilantro lime rice, black or pinto beans, a choice from among five salsas from mild to hot, cheese, sour cream or guacamole. Among the Signature Burritos, Chicken Pablano Pesto tops the list.

In addition to big burritos, customized by patrons who

select from fresh ingredients at the display cooking area, there are other options. Tacos, taco salads, three-cheese nachos, five different salsas, homemade chips and guacamole, steaming hot three-cheese Queso and tortilla soup can be ordered to eat in or carry out.

Quesadillas debut with the Birmingham menu. Made in a 13-inch folded crispy flour tortilla with chicken or steak, pico de gallo, cheese, sour cream and guacamole then cut in four wedges, it's an ideal lunch to share. Cost is \$4.89 for vegetarian, \$5.69 for chicken and \$5.99 for steak.

For those who are not into big burritos, no matter how great the flavor, the Chicken Taco Salad (hot grilled chicken on cool romaine lettuce, with black bean corn salsa, picante

ranch dressing, pico de gallo and sour cream) in a crisp tortilla bowl is a less-filling option. But definitely not a grab and go item. Another option for the taste of Mexican without high calories and carbs from a flour tortilla is the Naked Burrito, your choice of customized ingredients in a bowl without the tortilla wrap.

ULTIMATE CARRYOUTS

The Q-to-Go Hot Taco Bar for make-your-own tacos at \$7.20 per person may be the perfect answer anytime there are 20 to 100 in a group. Order by phone at least 24 hours in advance of pick-up. Delivery is not possible, but the description of what's available to go is a good summary of selections available for eating in.

QDOBA MEXICAN GRILL

Where: 685 E. Maple Road, Birmingham (248) 593-3486 and 301 S. Main Street, Royal Oak (248) 336-9661.

Open: Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., until 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Sunday. Food style: Mexican eat in and carry out.

Cost: Tacos and burritos \$1.89-\$5.79. Kids Meal \$2.50.

Thirsty? Qdoba serves Coke products, ice tea and trendy Jones sodas in many flavors.

Eleanor Heald is a Troy resident who writes about dining, food, wine and spirits for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave her a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 18644.

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Accents

The chef's kitchen

The country's top chefs work in state-of-the-art kitchens at hotels and trendy restaurants, but their personal choices vary in the privacy of their own homes.

For example, Dwaine Clare, executive chef at the Our



Lucaya Beach and Gold Resort in the Bahamas, prefers to work at an oversized island in the center of the kitchen. Robert Carter, executive chef of the Peninsula Grill in Charleston, S.C., opts for laminate countertops instead of granite and other expensive stones because laminate is easy to clean and doesn't stain.

The above counters and island is Wilsonart's Sunstone, the newest addition to the company's Stone Series of laminate designs. Sunstone's warm, golden tones illustrate the union of natural stone and man-made concrete.

Light up!

The Michigan Association of Illuminating Engineering Society of North America is sponsoring its annual product show 3:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, March 20, at Burton Manor in Livonia.

The newest technology from the lighting industry will be displayed from more than 60 lighting manufacturers. Products and displays include lighting for commercial, industrial, health care, hospitality, residential and exterior applications. The show is open to the public and is \$30 per person (\$20 for students). Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres are included and advance reservations are required by March 17.

To register, mail check payable to IES Michigan Section and your business card to Cheryl Yates at the Lighting Group, P.O. Box 214445, Auburn Hills, MI 48321. For more information and reservations, call Yates at (248) 852-0731.

Wanted: Your remodeling project

Do you have a home improvement project that you boast about to relatives, friends or neighbors?

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Marshall Field's designer Mario Kocaj's *Sitting Room* is just one of 60 room vignettes featured at *Orchestrations for the Home*, a showcase of work by local designers at the Michigan Design Center in Troy to benefit the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Harmonious orchestration

Designers instrumental in DSO benefit

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

For the past several years, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Volunteer Council Designer

Showhouse has opened special doors in grand style. The showhouse involved designers from around the area donating their talents to furnish a house

that would then be open for public tours, with proceeds benefiting the DSO.

This year, different doors will be open as the Michigan Design Center in Troy is the site of *Orchestrations for the Home: A Design Showcase*. This venue and featured events promise to be as noteworthy as a visit to a showhouse.

"It will be quite a feast for the senses," said Maureen D'Avanzo, DSO Volunteer Council president.

Orchestrations for the Home, a fund-raiser for the DSO, will



Troy designer Randie Federman's *Sunroom, Fresh! Clean! Simple!*, is a fantasy vignette that blurs the line between indoors and outdoors.

take place Friday-Sunday, March 7-9, at MDC, 1700 Stutz. The public will be able to visit more than 40 showrooms featuring between 60 and 65 vignettes by area designers, and hear lectures by local professionals. Four nationally acclaimed design experts will also give presentations.

A gala premiere is scheduled Thursday, March 6, featuring a performance by DSO musicians, and a strolling supper catered by Opus One. (See related articles.) "Visitors could stay as little or as much as they like," said

Susan Zinger, MDC executive vice president and general manager. "There's that much to see and hear, between the lectures and the vignettes, you could spend the whole day."

"We're all excited about it," said Barbara Czamanske, event chair.

"There's a mystique about the design center. On these days you don't have to have a designer (with you), you can go in."

Plans for *Orchestrations for the Home* have been in the works since August. It was modeled after a similar event in Chicago.

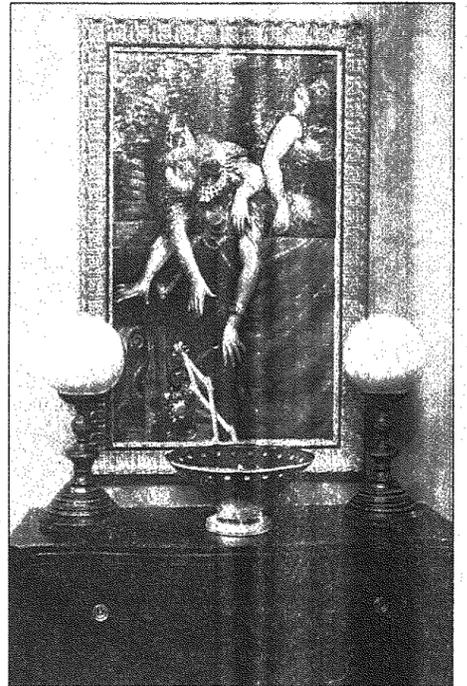
"I had been at the Chicago Merchandise Mart event about five years ago," D'Avanzo said. "I thought 'Gee, this is a great event.' While I like showhouses, I thought 'What can we do different?'"

Designer Judith Langenbach said that MDC wanted to get involved with the symphony, D'Avanzo said. The volunteer council approached the design center with the idea.

"It was one of the great synergies, all of us thinking at the same level," D'Avanzo said.

"We loved the idea and really wanted to support the symphony and do an event," Zinger said. "We went to our showrooms and they overwhelmingly said yes, so off we went."

PLEASE SEE DESIGNERS, C3



Artwork pops against the metallic hand-rubbed fresco walls in Mario Kocaj's *Sitting Room*. Kocaj is a designer at Marshall Field's at Northland in Southfield.

Local designers accent the possibilities

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

There's no contrived continuity here, just beautiful design and roomfuls of possibilities.

Orchestrations for the Home, a showcase of more than 60 room vignettes by local designers, is in the making at the Michigan Design Center in Troy.

The event, slated March 6-9, benefits the

Detroit Symphony Orchestra and is open to the public.

With such a diversity of designers, styles and living spaces represented, *Orchestrations* will no doubt inspire and astonish. And attendees will likely depart with not only new appreciation for interior design, but also a plethora of ideas and concepts to

PLEASE SEE ACCENT, C3

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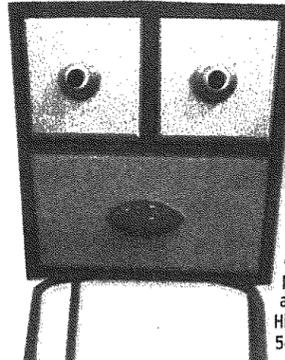
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Stick'n Stile design appliques bring a splash of color, texture and creativity to your bathroom. Shown here is the Orchid and Narcissus design, a spray of fragile white flowers against a light, sand-colored background by well-known artist Cheri Blum. These easy-to-use appliques - just peel and stick - offer an inexpensive option to change the look of your bathroom at a fraction of the cost to replace plain tile. Stick'n Stile also covers "ugly" tile and will add color, enhancing



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your current decor. The appliques adhere to bathroom tile, shower doors, tub and shower surrounds and mirrors. They have a raised design, and look



Let's face it

Decorating should be fun. This Funny Face furniture, made by Pylone Studio in the south of France, will put smiles on your family's faces. Ideal as a child's night stand, an eye-catching entranceway accent, or a funky family room focal point, this wooden chest of drawers sitting atop a colorful metal stand is 36 inches tall, 16 inches wide and 14 inches deep. Whimsical drawer pulls are high-lacquered resin. Available at The Print Gallery, 29173 Northwestern Highway in Southfield. Call (248) 356-5454 or visit www.everythingart.com.

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Granite, decorative concrete grows in popularity

Though there are concerns about the economy, the number of home improvement shows seems to indicate that at least this segment is still strong. The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan alone has scheduled five shows this spring.



Ask Dad

Harry Jachym

drive the market and vendors will display what they expect to sell. It's just that this show seemed to have greater diversity than past shows.

We were happy to see more in the way of landscaping this year. Both contractors and suppliers were well represented. Karen was eyeing up a fountain/pond exhibited by National Landscaping of Milford. Looks like Dad has a project in line this spring. Well, it will probably make a good topic for a column.

Granite was a hot item this year. With granite prices

becoming more and more affordable (often in line with the high-end solid surface materials), it is now a very popular countertop material. There was at least one vendor showing counters made of thin granite veneer over a wood substrate. This product should make granite tops even more competitive.

Another item we saw big this year was decorative concrete. Since our driveway will need replacing this spring, we took special interest in this area. Several contractors were at the show displaying their concrete imprinting techniques.

Imprinted concrete looks very much like real brick, stone, tile, even wood. Anyone who has walked around theme parks, the Las Vegas Strip or some shopping areas has undoubtedly seen imprinted concrete.

Colored concrete is placed in the conventional manner. Additional colors are sprinkled over the wet surface to enhance the realism. The surface is then textured using a plastic or metal stamping tools. The surface is sealed after curing. This technique has been very popular on patios and is now finding its way into other uses such as walks and drives.

The cost for imprinted concrete, like all concrete work, varies widely depending of conditions. We got quotes at

the show ranging from \$6 to \$10 per square foot.

For the past twenty years or so, people in Florida and other warm climates have used polymer coating to decorate concrete. This method is now available in our area. Old (or new) concrete surfaces are covered with a decorative polymer coating. There are numerous colors and patterns to chose from.

The polymer can cover cracks up to 2 inches. It has great durability, and should hold up well even in our winters.

A big plus to this method is stain resistance. Even oil drips can be washed away. Cost for this surface range from \$4 to \$6 per square foot.

It was also nice to see the folks from TLC Greyhound Adoption (www.tlcmi.org) with some four-legged friends at the show.

Speaking as a rescued greyhound owner, these retired racers are phenomenal pets.

Harry Jachym writes Ask Dad, a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident.

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

'Bird' is the word for these hobbyists

Everybody should have a hobby. Bowling's good. It's one of the special opportunities this world gives us to wear shoes that aren't our own.

Hiking's nice. The problem with hiking would be the weather. Sure, things might be pleasant when you start, but



About Animals

Dr. Brad Davis

before you know it, you're trapped in El Blizzardo Diablo. As I always say: I think the outdoors are great - everyone should drive through them. Sometimes hobbies can grow beyond just moseying through the big woods or rolling a ball at some small woods. These hobbies can become obsessions. Sports fans often become obsessed. I love sports, but I guarantee you I've never painted my body team colors to attend a game.

A group that can become obsessive about their hobby would be birders. I can speak about them as, much like Jane Goodall with her chimps, I have lived among them.

My wife, Dr. Sharon Sheehy (also a vet), loves birds. We have six birds at the house now. These aren't enough, so we trek all over the country to see more birds.

The point is, that's not unusual. On a bird watching tour in Anchorage, Alaska, a man in our group who happened to be an emergency room physician from upstate New York spoke about his last few trips to bird watch.

He had been to the barren and freezing Pribilof Islands, which extend from Alaska to near Siberia. He had also been to Costa Rica, which, if the oohs and ahhs from the other birders are any indication, is basically bird watcher Valhalla.

WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE

Birders congregate where birds can be found, starting through their spotting scopes, snapping pictures, and discussing the subtle differences between a red-throated whatever and a scarlet-throated whatever.

To me there are two types of birds: a bird, and another bird.

To birders, the life list is incredibly important. This is the list of birds you have seen in your life. I'm the type of person who has to complete everything he starts, so this would be a nightmare, as there are just too many types of birds.

In the Everglades, another birding heaven, two British birders were scanning the glade from a platform with my wife when one excitedly called her over to see a blue jay. These are rare in London, so they were excited beyond belief. I even looked, on the off chance a Toronto baseball player might have been standing there.

Of course I'm just teasing birders, as the hobby couldn't be more harmless, and certainly can be a wonderful educational experience for youngsters and for interested adults alike.

Areas with birding potential have learned about ecotourism. The state of Texas has a birding trail, a series of locations on or near main roads where birders might achieve avian nirvana. Specialty maps show locations and describe the areas, and clearly marked signs designate spots on the trail. Although not as elaborate as Texas, Florida has also put this together over the last few years. You don't have to drive to Florida or fly to Central America or wear a 10-gallon hat to look at birds. There are very nice ways to watch birds close to home.

CLOSE TO HOME

First would be Point Pelee,

Ontario, our nearest birding haven.

People come from all over the world to this spot on Lake Erie where multiple types of birds can be seen, especially during migration (last resting spot before, and first resting spot after, flying over the lake).

Nice facilities and a short drive from Detroit help make this a great location for local birders.

Local Metroparks can be good places for spotting a few birds, but a great spot would be Crosswinds Marsh, south of the airport, on Haggerty, just west of the Will-Carleton Road exit from I-275. This marshy area features loads of the feathered critters, and certainly has great trails for nice walks all year round.

Don't forget about your yard. There are ways to get birds to come to you instead of you going to them.

"Remember that birds need the basics: food, water and shelter," Sharon informed me. "If you build it, they will come!"

Also, remember to move slowly and quietly.

Birds are more receptive to guests if they don't know they're there, or at least if the guest doesn't look like something who might eat them.

"Birding is a great hobby," Sharon said.

"It's a chance to get close to nature, and to really see and learn about the birds. They're usually beautiful and always interesting."

Yeah, but bowlers never get rained on.

Dr. Brad Davis is the medical director for the VCA of Garden City, 2085 Inkster Road, Garden City, MI 48135. Feel free to write him there with questions and comments. He is also one of the hosts of the nationally syndicated radio show *Animal Talk*. Visit the Web site at www.AnimalTalkRadio.com. You can send e-mail questions or comments to Questions@animaltalkradio.com.

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DESIGNERS

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Designer Cynthia Ohanian spread the word to other designers, and plans snow-balled.

"It will be spectacular," said Jeanette Keramedjian, volunteer council vice president of public relations.

The seminars are scheduled in a way that visitors will be able to take advantage of many of them, Keramedjian said.

"These are very well-known professional designers who are giving seminars and talks on the half hour," she said.

"Everything from entertainment to fashion to gardening to landscaping and architecture to interior design ... kitchens, tiles ... There's just something for everyone."

Also on the steering committee are Barbra Bloch, gala chair; Denise Lutz, event co-



Northville designer Laura Kaminsky's vignette, *Family Retreat*, evokes a sense of togetherness and stability.

chair; and Patricia Nickol, vice president of projects. Honorary gala chairs are David and Jennifer Fischer of the Suburban Collection.

"The chairs are just fabulous," D'Avanzo said. "I couldn't ask for better chairs."

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ACCENT

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tinker with in their own homes.

Maha Jano, a Troy interior designer, chose to explore intimacy and the notion of "down time" in her vignette, a cozy corner for high tea done with Marie Antoinette in mind.

"I wanted to achieve a luxurious setting," said Jano, whose Maha Jano Interiors is based at the design center. "A luxurious retreat for forgetting all about the outside world."

In close quarters, a gently curved Baker settee in terra cotta and Louis XV and XVI chairs in pale tones encircle a contemporary all-mirror table set for tea. French crystal pieces in teal, lilac and periwinkle punctuate the intimate space, entitled *Salon de Thé*.

"It's gathering around the cocktail table, rather than gathering around tables in a room," said Jano of a growing desire among design clients for intimate home settings.

"People are entertaining now in smaller numbers, so smaller spaces are more in demand - and so is closeness in a room."

Northville designer Laura Kaminsky's vignette, *Family Retreat*, also seems aimed at inspiring togetherness. Though Kaminsky uses more floor space than Jano, several, intimate gathering places reside within the room. Accents evoke a sense of heritage and family stability, and in so doing, graceful comfort. The vignette houses the recently introduced Natchez Collection by Ficks Reed.

Function quickly gives way to fantasy at the sight of Randie Federman's *Sunroom, Fresh! Clean! Simple!*, a bare fusion of old and new atop white tile and faux green grass.

"It's supposed to have the feeling of indoor-outdoor," said Federman of Maxwell-Ross Associates at the design center.

Federman wanted to explore the popular indoor-outdoor design trend, so a friend offered up some white wicker furniture. The designer promptly declined in favor of a stark white contemporary sofa with attached side tables. To the left, an antique Danish butler's secretary serves as a bar and a white-painted cello on a stand waits for practice hour. On either side of the room, curly wild branches

sprout from black zinc urns elevated on pedestals. "I wanted something sophisticated," she said, adding today's homeowners are looking for something more polished and cosmopolitan in spaces designated indoor-outdoor.

Other vignettes contain simply astounding elements.

Marshall Field's designer Mario Kocaj's *Sitting Room* is one with its rich metallic hand-rubbed fresco walls and a soaring Art Nouveau chair, gilded gold over carved wood. The dining room table in Birmingham designer Cynthia Ohanian's *Age of Elegance* - gold, crystal and lace make up the setting on a table with intricately carved ribbons on the apron and legs - is another.

Perhaps most astonishing, though, is the breadth of Orchestrations. There are living, sitting, music and dining rooms; table tops, kitchens, bathrooms, libraries and bedrooms; a home conservatory, wine and coffee bar, rooftop Pied-à-terre, even an English keeping room.

Indeed, many rooms and many views.

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Seminars, presentations on tap

The events take place March 7-9 unless noted otherwise

- Colors, Textures, Tones, 11 a.m. - Arturo Sanchez and Barry Harrison, Art Harrison Interior Design Studio
- Different Types of Crystal and Their Origin, 11 a.m. March 7-8 only - Stanley Samet, Nulco Lighting
- The Showhouse: A Retrospective of Work by Brian Killian, 11:30 a.m. - Brian Killian, Brian Killian & Co.
- Floral Arranging, 11:30 a.m. - Dale Morgan, Blossoms
- The Home Conservatory Today, 11:30 a.m. - Joan Whitman, Joan Whitman Interior Design
- Eclectic Decorating, noon - Joseph Keenan, Joseph A. Keenan & Associates
- A Moment in Time 1925-1975: The Designers, Architects and One Woman Who Defined It, noon - David Boyd Smith, lecturer, University of Michigan School of Art and Design
- The Finishing Touches, 12:30 p.m. - Renea Lewis,

- Design By Choice
- Bathroom, Kitchen and Closet Design, 12:30 p.m. - Susan Winton-Feinberg, Walter Herz Interiors
- Elements of Landscape Design, 12:30 p.m. - Charles W. Loughrey, Charles W. Loughrey & Associates
- The Art of Accessorizing, 1 p.m. - Brian Clay Collins, Marshall Field's Interior Design Studio
- The Diverse World of Tile, 1 p.m. - Donna Stevens, Ann Sacks Tile & Stone
- Learn More About the Arts and Crafts Movement, 1 p.m. March 7 only - Michael Danial, Stickley Furniture
- How to Use Rugs to Enhance Your Interiors, 1:30 p.m. - Edgar Hagopian, Hagopian World of Rugs
- Kitchens by Design, Function, You and Your Home, 1:30 p.m. - Vita Buffa, Modern Trend Enterprises Inc.
- Dr. Decor is Here!, 1:30 p.m. - Barbara Kopitz, Barbara Kopitz Designs Inc.
- Let the Mixing Begin, 2

- p.m. - Timothy P. O'Neill, O'Neill-Harrington Interiors
- Showcase of a Magnificent Lakefront Residence, 2 p.m. - Louis DesRosiers, DesRosiers Architects
- Color Your Mood, 2 p.m. - Debi Hollis, Interior Lifestyles
- The Pleasure of Building a House, 2 p.m. - David Kellett Sr., Kellett Construction Co.
- Embellish - Design with Passion, 2:30 p.m. - Gene Galley, The Robert Allen Group
- All About Plants, 2:30 p.m. - Gerych Inc.
- Ask the Professional Designer, 2:30 p.m. - David Weiss, Interiorcorp Ltd.
- Ikebana, 3 p.m. March 8-9 only - Kay Masuda, Kay Masuda Florist
- Working with Document Fabrics, 3 p.m. - Brenda Treece, Marshall Field's Interior Design Studio
- Putting together the perfect team for building a home, 3 p.m. - Dominick Tringali, Dominick Tringali Architects Inc.

Orchestrations for the Home information

What: A design showcase to support concert and educational activities of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Where: Michigan Design Center, 1700 Stutz, north off Maple, between Coolidge and Crooks in Troy.

When: Vignettes by interior designers, and presentations by interior designers, architects, landscape architects and garden and floral artists, will be open to the public 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday-Sunday, March 7-9.

Tickets are \$18 in advance, \$20 after March 6 and at the door.

Advance tickets are on sale now at the Orchestra Hall box office; Suite 25 at Michigan Design Center; the Somerset Collection Concierge, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy; Blossoms in Birmingham; Hagopian in Novi; all English Gardens locations; and the League Shop in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Tickets can also be bought by calling (313) 576-5111 or visiting www.detroitssymphony.com.

Gala opening: 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 6, with a cocktail reception and buffet supper catered by Opus One, and chamber music performed by DSO members.

Gala tickets are \$400 (benefactor), \$250 (patron) and \$150 per person (donor). For tickets, call (313) 576-5154.

Tour: Groups of 15 or more are eligible for a pre-opening docent-led tour, beginning at 9:30 a.m. March 8 and 9. Space is limited. Call (313) 576-5154 to make arrangements.

Guest speakers: Internationally renowned guest speakers will present a series of design-related lectures: Carlton Varney, who designed the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island and who is head of Dorothy Draper & Co., the oldest established interior

design firm in the country, 2 p.m. March 7; Jim Caughman of Baker Furniture, speaking on Furniture, Fashion and Music in the 18th Century, 11 a.m. March 8; and designer Mariette Himes Gomez, 2 p.m. March 8.

Guest speaker tickets are \$15 in addition to general admission and include a catered tea.

Brunch: A brunch with designer Alexa Hampton will take place 11:30 a.m. March 9. Hampton will speak at 12:30 p.m. The brunch will be catered by Cregar's. Hampton is president of the design firm founded by her father, Mark Hampton.

Tickets to the brunch are \$50 and include general admission.

Information: The 24-hour design showcase information hotline is (313) 576-5155. Information is also available from the volunteer council at (313) 576-5154 (be sure to leave a message).

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Get through chills with garden plans

A nice variety of books will help to get us through the rest of this cold, cold winter.

The Successful Herb Gardener: Growing and Using Herbs - Quickly and Easily, Sally Roth (Hearst Books, \$25), has bright photographs of many herbs.

Descriptions include historical facts, siting, planting, cultivation, harvest, and use tips. Be sure to read the first part of the book that features more in-depth information about all that.

There's not a whole lot of new information for "herbies," but some new ideas are refreshing. Roth has given the important stuff to make herb gardening successful.

The Design Puzzle: Putting the Pieces Together, Bobbie Schwartz, is self-published. She has been gardening for 30 years and a landscape designer for 20.

Schwartz sees the perennial garden as a jigsaw puzzle, and shares her thoughts on each piece, dividing them into specific subjects (i.e. elements of design, plant material sites and seasons, color, textures, particular plants and combinations).

Do you have a shady area? She has the answers for that and other specific garden situations. There are no pictures, but that doesn't take away from Schwartz's information and ideas.

(Cost is \$20 per book, \$18 each for three or more; add \$4.95 per book for shipping and handling. Send cash, or personal or company check, to: Bobbie's Green Thumb, The Design Puzzle: Putting the Pieces Together, 18405 Van



Garden Spot
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STERLING

The following four books are published by Sterling.

Another book about design, **Country Living Gardener Gardening Basics: How to Design, Plant and Maintain Your Garden**, Ken Beckett, Steve Bradley, Noel Kingsbury and Tim Newbury (\$19.95), is filled with necessary information to do just as the title states.

The encyclopedic style helps simplify the process - design; choose trees, shrubs, climbers and all other plants; choose and manage vegetable, fruit and herb crops; care for the soil and tools; and nurture and propagate the plants. Learn to create compost and deal with pests and diseases.

This gem covers all the steps for success; the descriptive photographs enhance it.

The Country Gardener Water Pleasures for Every Garden, Helen Nash (Hearst Books, a division of Sterling, \$17.95), has all kinds of ideas to enhance the water garden, from waterfalls to art.

Learn how to enhance these water features whether they are large or small, formal or informal. Every conceivable type of garden is shown, many of them designed and planted by homeowners.



MARTY FIGLEY

Water gardens are featured in two books this month.

You'll learn how to install a water garden and use the proper finishing touches to make your own garden special. Some of the garden titles are: Child-safe Ponds, Tropical/Rainforest, Collectors, Cottage, Butterfly and Wildlife, Xeriscape, Patio/Courtyard, Evening, Marsh/Damp, and Stream - something for everyone.

Beginner's Guide to Water Gardening, Graham Clarke (\$19.95), was first published in 2002 by Guild of Master Craftsmen Publications Ltd. It gives step-by-step instructions, clearly stated, for a water garden. Each of the five sections gives great advice. The section on creating a water feature explores decisions, how to start, adding features, and clean water. Among other topics are using plants, fish and wildlife, and a year-round maintenance schedule.

The book concludes with frequently asked questions - which you might want to read first, to learn about some problems you might encounter. This book may encourage a

summer project for a family.

Window Gardens for Windows, Walls, Decks and Balconies, Jane Forster and Stephen Roberts (Hearst, \$30), will inspire creativity to design such gardens. The authors show how to design your creations and use color effectively to achieve a "just right" look for each situation. There are ideas that are simple and easy, and others that are more challenging. Planting schemes are shown for each design and alternative flowers are listed.

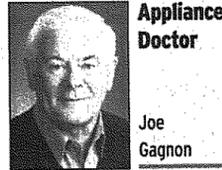
The authors follow through from design to maintenance for each planting. They've also included instructions for constructing a box, illustrations of various hanging baskets and brackets, propagation, general maintenance, and pests and diseases. Descriptions of the plants and growing instructions round out this book.

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

Dishwasher fails, again and again

I've said - and written - it many times. You get what you pay for when you purchase a major home appliance.

This consumer's complaint is one too many. Mr. Rafaniello wrote me about a dishwasher he purchased for \$800. His story reflects the case of too many who suffer this experience even with an expensive product. (I will substitute the product name by calling it X Brand for the obvious reason.)



Appliance Doctor
Joe Gagnon

and energy efficiency, but now I am wondering what I should do. Should I repair this one or start the search again for a new dishwasher?

I am a little gunshy at this point to spend \$800 again for a dishwasher. Any recommendations on what I should do and if I do buy a new dishwasher, is there a reliable brand you would recommend? We had a KitchenAid brand before and it lasted over 20 years with minimal problems except for the rusted racks. We look forward to your reply."

A lot of faith is put upon me by consumers who read this column or listen on radio. You constantly hear my words which rip on quality and the overall lack of it in products built today. Sadly, it happens even on the high end products, but not as often as the low end grade. This customer has already laid out \$900 for a product and repairs and is looking at another \$500 to get the thing going.

WRITE THE COMPANY

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In today's world of appliance woes and these burdens, homeowners have little recourse against manufacturers. I get tons of calls and mail similar to this one and they do not make me proud of the appliance industry.

It appears that the company viewpoint is contrary to enhancing brand loyalty. Can't they figure out that you will tell the average of 20 people about your problems and at least 10 will not purchase that particular brand? Will the day come when chat rooms are set up on the Web and before anyone buys an appliance, they will check these sites to find out which product is worse than another?

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 telephone number is (248) 455-7281.

DISHWASHER TROUBLES

He writes: "I currently own the X Brand dishwasher which I purchased in October 1998. We have had some difficulties with this unit, but ever since a few months ago, we have been living a nightmare.

"When the dishwasher was installed, it didn't work, so the pump was replaced. It worked fine for a while, then we slowly lost use of some of the five cycles. Eventually, only the rinse cycle was functioning and we had the serviceman replace the extremely poorly engineered pushbutton device. That part was replaced in February 2002 for \$100.

"It worked until just before Thanksgiving when the washer did not complete its cycles, and a noticeable humming noise was present. (We've had a serviceman in now four times and the problem is still not corrected.)

"On his second visit he identified the pump as the problem and replaced it during the third visit for \$250.

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NEW PUMP, WRONG PART

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"My dishwasher is now in the garage. I tried contacting the manufacturer, but company officials were not helpful since they claim that my dishwasher was never registered and they have no record of any problems. (Odd, since as I mentioned earlier I had warranty work done when was it first installed.) While it worked, we were very happy with the dishwasher and its low water usage

GARDEN CALENDAR

Livonia Garden Club

The Livonia Garden Club will meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, at the Livonia Senior Center, Farmington Road and Five Mile. Guests are welcome.

Iris club

The Iris Club of Southeast Michigan will host a slide presentation at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27, at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center, 3500 Marais, three blocks east of Crooks

and three blocks north of 13 Mile. The American Iris Society's hybridizers provided the club with 140 slide photos of their 2002 iris introductions. The event is free. For information, call (248) 280-0848.

Farmington Garden Club

The Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon Monday, March 3, at Longacre House, on the west side of Farmington Road between 11 and 10 Mile. Jan Dolan will present a workshop on basic flower arranging. Bring a bowl, cylinder or other basic container, adhesive to secure pin holder, iceberg or other small mums, boxwood or any suitable material. Call (248) 615-3616 for information.

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Disability Talks

Carrie Tynan

Relationships can sometimes be difficult

February is the month of love and celebrating relationships. Being in a relationship can be fulfilling in many ways - companionship, support and sharing your life with someone. In some cases, relationships can bring heartbreak, confusion and sadness.

For people with disabilities, relationships can be very difficult. For example, I have always had trouble trusting others because at times I get the sense I am being judged by my disabilities rather than my character. Over the years, I have lost friends because they could not accept or understand my impairments. It is sad in our society how people feel pity and just judge people's limitations. Every day in my professional and personal life I find myself proving that despite my disabilities I am a person.

There are also other issues that people with disabilities contend with, such as communication and fears of exposing their disability. Several of my deaf friends have expressed frustrations with communicating with others. Some, like myself, are forever reminding others to face forward for lip reading, and to speak slowly and clearly. People with hearing impairments also have to deal with hearing in noisy situations. I always avoid noisy places and make arrangements to meet others in quiet environments so I can enjoy myself.

Wheelchair-bound individuals must deal with making sure public places are wheelchair-accessible for themselves. Before entering a relationship or loving anyone, it is vital to feel comfortable about yourself and love yourself first. It took me several years to learn to love and see my true self. I have figured out my goals, gained my independence and found my place in society. Today I am at peace and very happy with where I am in life. I also know that I, along with others, deserve the best in life. That is why standards are important.

For example, I look for honesty, a good heart and a positive attitude in people I meet. I like to surround myself with individuals who have good spiritual energy. Never allow yourself to be degraded. More importantly, learn to leave things in the past and start with a fresh new beginning. Always stay positive, because if you do you will attract positive experiences. I also always go with my gut instinct and follow my heart. I have always been very honest about my disabilities and willing to answer any questions about them. Why shouldn't I? My disabilities are a part of me, and if people cannot deal with it I move on without them in my life. It can be very difficult to meet people in this day and age. Contacts are made at the work place, bars and churches. The latest thing is an online dating site where people can post and answer ads. Several friends have tried it and been very successful.

However, there are some precautions that should be taken. Be honest about yourself, don't reveal too much personal information and always meet in public places. A couple good sites to visit are Yahoo Personals, Match.Com, and I Can Date.

Most importantly, stay safe and be happy with what life has to offer. Carrie Tynan lives in Livonia. Contact her by e-mail at carriewrites@yahoo.com or her Web site <http://clix.to/writerfiction>.

African ambassadors

Episcopal delegation travels to embrace religious brothers, sisters on Nigerian trip

BY BRAD KADRACH | STAFF WRITER

Things being what they are in the world today, Jacquelyn Hayes expected to encounter some trouble traveling abroad as an American. She expected to see poverty and strife.

But when Hayes, a Plymouth resident who was part of a Michigan Episcopal delegation, arrived with her comrades in Nigeria, she also got something she didn't expect.

In a country where things are tough, where the average income is roughly \$300 a year, Hayes found the Nigerian people to be gracious and hospitable, with bright smiles for their American guests.



Roger Matthews, parishioner at St. David's, Southfield, discusses health care needs with an Anglican woman in Nigeria.

"For the average person, living conditions are fairly harsh," said Hayes, a controller for Ford Motor Co.'s Windsor engine and casting plant. "But in the midst of all that poverty, they really gave us the best they had to offer, with smiles on their faces. That surprised me a little bit. With things going on today, as an American traveling abroad, you just never know."

Hayes' interest in the trip was piqued by a woman who spoke at her church, Trinity Episcopal Church in Belleville. She saw it as a means to accomplish a life-long wish to travel to Africa, and a way to go with "a good group of people."

And she wasn't disappointed.

"It was all I hoped it would be and more," Hayes said. "I thought I had prepared by reading about the conditions there, but I don't think you can really be prepared until you actually live it. People were gracious, very generous, very happy we'd come to see how they live and how they worship."

WARM WELCOME

Hayes and 10 others, joined Bishop Wendell Gibbs representing the Diocese of Michigan, were greeted on their trip by choirs, marching bands and renditions of what quickly became the delegation theme song, "You are welcome in the name of the Lord," during their two-week trip to Nigeria in January.

Hosted by the Diocese of Ilesa and the Diocese of Ekiti, the dozen sojourners also had an audience with the first pri-



Jacquelyn Hayes of Plymouth, second from left, along with Bishop Wendell Gibbs and his wife Karla meets with one of several local Nigerian kings.



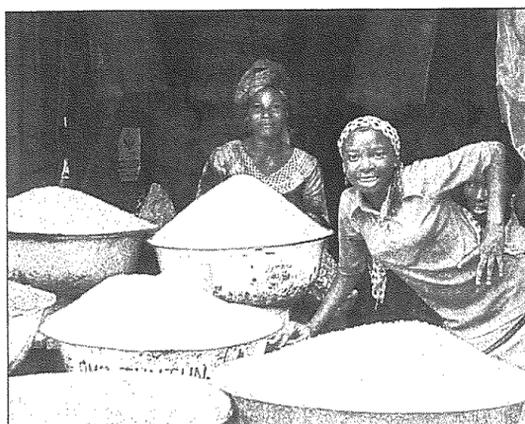
A young boy sells yams in the Nigerian marketplace.

mate of the Anglican Church of Nigeria, Bishop Timothy O. Olufosoye (1979-1988), Ekiti State Gov. Niyi Adebayo and a half-dozen local kings.

Michigan has shared a companion relationship with Ilesa and Ekiti since the founding of the Anglican province of Nigeria in 1979. The January trip marked the first visit to Nigeria by a Michigan bishop since Bishop Coleman McGehee's trip in 1984.

And the delegation couldn't have picked a better time for a visit, because the Americans witnessed an historic event on the first day in the country. Three administrative provinces were replaced with 10 and seven archbishops, who were elected in November 2002, were proclaimed by Archbishop and Primate of the Nigerian Church, Peter Akinola.

The four-hour service at Christ Cathedral Marina, in Lagos, was a signature event for the Anglican Church of



Local girls sell goods in the markets of Ekiti, Nigeria.

Nigeria, which claims more than 15 million members. When the companion relationship was inaugurated 25 years ago, Nigeria had 16 dioceses. The Anglican Church of Nigeria now has 78 dioceses.

That level of religion was another surprise for Hayes.

"They have Anglican churches that originally started in England, but there are some customizations for the people in Nigeria," Hayes said.

"Some of the music might be different, some of the services are in traditional African

languages, things like that. They have Bible studies that help parishioners learn more about the Biblical text."

RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS

The delegation traveled 200 kilometers northeast of Lagos to Ilesa, where it embraced a rigorous schedule of visiting schools, churches and clinics. While in Ilesa, the delegation was housed at an international school by its benefactor, the local king Oba Samuel Olashore.

The Michigan group also attended three nights of the Jesus Celebration, the 10th annual event of the Ilesa diocese that underscores the Nigerian Church's emphasis on evangelism and its commitment to hold ground against the current of non-denominational, apostolic church growth in Africa. "They have lots of

PLEASE SEE AFRICA, C9

Members of the Plymouth/Westland Grange host their own quilt show

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

Sharon Strebbling unfolds her aunt's vintage quilt across a table in the upper room of the Westland Bailey Center. It is a visual representation of a person's life on a farm, an exquisite collage of flowers, fruit and wildlife needlepointed on swatches of black velvet and brocade. It is so artfully put together it should be hanging in the Smithsonian's National Museum of American Art.

The quilt was found in Strebbling's aunt's attic. It was buried in a chest underneath a pile of blankets, with just its backing showing. If Strebbling hadn't been curious, she might have missed a treasure. Still, she knows little about the quilt's history.

"My aunt died before we found out about the quilt. In 1924, it was entered in the Wayne County 4-H fair. I had an appraiser look at this and she dated it 1886. It obviously came from a farm person

because of the butterflies, the fish and the strawberries. There's even an owl, and the owl is a symbol of good luck," said Strebbling, a Westland resident.

Strebbling learned that the fabrics and thread were made at different times, and it was estimated it took one year to make the quilt.

"It's only gone out of my arms long enough to display it like this. I cherish it," she said.



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sharon Strebbling of Westland shows an antique quilt that she will have on display for the Grange show in Westland.

PLEASE SEE QUILTS, C9

CALENDAR

AROUND TOWN

Plymouth Newcomers
A membership mixer is being held from 7-10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28. Anyone interested in joining this non-profit social group is invited to attend. For more info, contact Diane Peyton at (734) 354-9519.

Mardi Gras
A Mardi Gras event is being held Saturday, March 1, at the Ypsilanti Freight House. The goal is to create a fantasy street in New Orleans at Mardi Gras for the night. The ticket price is \$25 which includes an open bar with a selection of beers, wine, sangria and soda. Performers will include two bands, a DJ, street performers, a mime and tenor sax musician. Purchase tickets through www.mardigrasdetroit.com or in Plymouth at M'Lou on Forest St.

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.

Nursery Co-op Registration
Plymouth Children's Nursery Co-op registration has begun for the 2003-04 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 7:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, March 10, 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.

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.

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.

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.



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Bingo!

Seniors at Tonquish Creek Manor enjoy an evening of bingo hosted by the Plymouth Rotary recently. It was the annual party sponsored by the Rotary as a community service for the area's senior citizens.

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 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.

Marie, President of Donna Marie Consulting and Training as guest speaker. RSVP to Brenda Durling at (734) 462-4670.

P/C Vietnam Vets of America

Chapter #528 meets every second Monday of the month at the American Legion Post #32, 9318 Newburg, Livonia. If you were a U.S. serviceman or woman and served between 1961 and 1975, you can join the Vietnam Vets. Visit the Web site for more information, www.mihometown.com/oe/PlymouthCantonVVA.

BNI Plymouth II

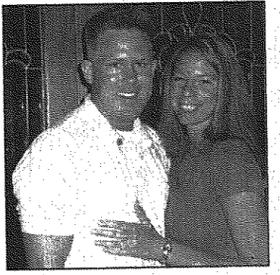
The Plymouth Chapter II BNI Group meets Wednesdays at 7 a.m. at Denny's Restaurant located at I-275 and Ann Arbor Road. The group is actively looking for new members. Please call (734) 459-5696 for further information.

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The March meeting will be held at Ernesto's Restaurant from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, with Donna

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Legwand-Beardsley

Dave and Carol Legwand of Grosse Pointe Woods announce the engagement of their daughter, Carla Diane Legwand, to David William Beardsley II, son of Dave and Deborah Beardsley of Canton.

Carla is a 1995 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School and Western Michigan University. She is a second-grade teacher at Priest Elementary in Detroit and is currently pursuing a master's degree at Eastern Michigan University.

Dave is a 1994 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School and Michigan State University, where he earned a degree in construction management. He is currently working with Toll Brothers in Northville.

A June wedding is planned.



Elisberg anniversary

Ben and Miriam Elisberg of Plymouth have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married Feb. 15, 1953. They returned to Michigan last summer after living 19 years in Colorado. They have a son, David Elisberg, his wife, Mary, and two grandchildren, Skylar and Jillian in Colorado, and a daughter, Carol Savoni, her husband Tony, and grandchildren Kevin and Michael in Canton.

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WAITING AND HOPING
27 yr old, single black female with light brown eyes. Likes having fun, playing pool, video games and outdoors. Searching for a caring male, 26 to 35, who likes having fun. BOX 11904

NEED A COMPANION!
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

MOTOWN GAL
...Looking for a kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 48 to 60, non-smoker, for long-term, monogamous relationship. I am 51 yr old divorced female. I love Motown music and classic cars. I believe in romance and enjoy simple pleasures. Down River area. BOX 14471

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Single mother of one, is looking for a chill partner. No game players. BOX 14944

DON'T MISS OUT!
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SEEKS PERFECT MATE
Attractive, 50+ widow, fun loving, physically fit. Seeks male desiring travel, working out, bicycling, golf, mountain hiking, skiing, swimming, dancing, dining out, family, cooking, quiet evenings, closeness, sharing, intimacy, love. Requesting too much? Tell me. BOX 24980

PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR
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Divorced female, 52, 5'3", 125 lbs, dark hair, green eyes, non-smoker, caring, thoughtful, blue collar worker, no children. Enjoys movies, festivals, dining out, picnics, barbecues, reading, museums. Seeks caring, kind male in Down River area to share life with. BOX 25679

FIND YOUR FUTURE
Single black professional female, 32, 5'2", 143 lbs, brown hair and eyes, enjoys jazz, movies, dining out and travel. Seeks male, 45 to 55, for serious, long-term relationship. BOX 25764

CUTE AND CLASSY
Single black female, mid 50's, enjoys jogging, concerts and walks in the park. Seeking a gentleman over 50, with similar interests. Oakland County. BOX 26066

CONTACT ME A.S.A.P.!
Attractive divorced white female, professional, college degree, petite, 5'1", weight proportionate, optimistic. Enjoys exercise, good conversation, movies, concerts, music, sports. Seeks professional divorced male, 45 to 55, no beard or mustache, sense of humor. BOX 30884

GOOD TIMES AWAITS US
Single female, 5'2", brown skin, short hair, wear glasses. Would like to meet a single male who enjoys bowling, listening to music, shopping, watching videos and just chilling together. BOX 31001

FIRST TIME AD
Educated, well traveled, loving professional single female, 5'2", medium build, non-smoker. Enjoys conversation, music, travel, quiet times, and theater. Seeking refined gentleman, 60-70, for friendship first. Oakland county. BOX 35999

SEEKING ITALIAN
Petite, white female, 63, 5'1", 128 lbs, brown hair and eyes, non-smoker, good sense of humor. Seeks gentleman 60 to 66, non-smoker, sharing the things in life we both enjoy, especially travelling. BOX 36003

ATTRACTIVE WOMAN
Soft spoken, non-smoker, white female, 5'11", size 11, wishes to meet a white male, 6'2", or taller, 49 or older, no games, no heavy drinkers, no drugs, height/weight proportionate. Wayne County BOX 36053

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Eclectic, attractive, slender, romantic, quality lady, enjoys most music, dancing, golf, tennis, boating, sports and theater. Seeks special, non-smoking, gentleman, over 59, and 5'10" plus, that is honest, loyal and fun. Oakland county. BOX 36061

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A SPECIAL GUY
Divorced white male, 55, 5'10", medium build, successful businessman. Enjoys candlelight dinners, flowers, plays, dancing, concerts, boating, travel, getaway weekends. Seeks family oriented people person with good sense of humor. BOX 14102

STOP...LOOK...CALL!
Divorced white male, 49, medium build, looking for a single woman, late 40's early 50's, shape, looks important, that wants a long term relationship. Loves the outdoors and home cook meals. Stop here and call and will talk more! No games, always calls back. Redford area. BOX 25753

LIVE TO THE FULLEST
Divorced white male, 43, 6'4", enjoys movies, sports, travelling, dining out, and more. Looking for an athletic female, 36 to 45, over 5'6", and love living life to the fullest. BOX 10431

A GREAT KISSER
Handsome, single white male, 32, 5'11", dark hair, green eyes, athletic, honest and confident. Enjoys outdoors, roller blading, biking and running. Searching for a single white female, 18 to 32, attractive, athletic, affectionate, honest with similar interests. BOX 10525

HONEST
Tall, divorced white male, 6'4", good physical condition, 56, non-smoker, self-employed, honest, sincere, sense of humor. I would like to meet a slender lady, 45 to 53, who is easygoing, with good values, for companionship, and possible long-term relationship. BOX 35984

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

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

SENSIBLE MAN
Single white male, 55, soft-spoken, down-to-earth, enjoys dancing, theater, movies, etc. Seeks friendly, relationship-minded, single white female, 40's to 50's. Oakland County. BOX 35983

ABOVE AVERAGE GENT
Single white male, mid 40's, gets into travel, music, cars, photography, sports, home decorating, etc., looking for an above average lady to partner with. Oakland county BOX 35993

TIRED OF BEING ALONE
I'm your man. Hard working, divorced white male, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs., seeking easy going and intelligent, pretty white female, in her 40's for a possible long term relationship. I'm waiting to hear from you. Redford Area, Wayne County. BOX 36011

SHOWS SOME CLASS
yet provocative, single, white male, promotes understanding and meaningful communication. Looking for a pleasant, good natured, single, white female, 35 to 50, to interact with on a daily bases. Oakland County BOX 36015

COMPATIBLE?
Single white professional male, 45, 5'8", fit, no dependents, Catholic, communicative, introspective, enjoys varieties of music, movies, reading, thinking, etc. Seeking fit, emotionally available, single white professional female. Oakland County. BOX 36037

MORE THAN FRIENDS
Attractive, single white male, 40's, warm hearted and honest, enjoys travel, photography, concerts and the outdoors. Seeking a bold lady with a sense of humor. Oakland county. BOX 36064

LOOKING FOR LOVE?
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PLAYFUL AND PRETTY?
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HOLISTIC GENT
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

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

ARE YOU OUT THERE?
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SUBURBAN GENT
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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

SINCERELY SEARCHING
Middle-aged, hard-working, dependable, black male enjoys creative arts, non-fiction and more. Seeks loving female with similar attributes. BOX 13768

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

READY TO GAMBLE?
46 yrs old, attractive, healthy, single, white male seeks lady like, single, white female, 40's to 50's. BOX 14811

JUST LOVABLE
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HERSHEY KISS!
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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

JUST THE FACTS
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

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Go ahead and call open minded, single white male 39, easy to talk to, romantic and adventurous, Seeks single white female 24-42, for meaningful relationship. Wayne county BOX 25010

FALL RIGHT INTO...
My arms! 39 yr old, single male, 5'8", 210 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, physically fit. Enjoys hunting, fishing, movies and going for walks. Seeks a smart, caring, loving, understanding lady with similar interests for friendship first, possibly leading to a long term relationship. BOX 25306

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

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 Sus. I'd like to meet you. Ages 38 to 54. Possible long term relationship. West Side. BOX 26039

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

FULL FIGURED LADY'S
Divorced, white male, 43, 5'9", 185 lbs, blondish brown hair, green eyes, 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

MUSCULAR FRIENDLY
Single white male, 44, 6'2", 215 lbs, brown hair, clean cut, degree, never married, no dependents, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, working out, new activities. Seeks friendly single female, age location open. Wayne County BOX 27018

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WOMAN OF MY DREAMS
Divorced white male, 5'11", 48, athletic build, healthy, searching for a single white female, 38 to 44, with height/weight proportionate and a sense of humor. BOX 10554

GIVE ME A TRY
Divorced white male, 45, brown hair, eyes, tall, slim, good healthy, fun loving, easy going. Searching for a single white female, 35 to 50, who enjoys going to galleries, camping, fine dining and more. BOX 30979

WISFUL THINKING
Single white male, 55, 6', 180 lbs, fit and attractive. Enjoys sports, bike riding, theater, movies, and more. Seeks a single female, 40 to 55, height and weight proportionate, non-smoker who enjoy the outdoors during the summer time. BOX 13831

EX-MARINE
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 30981

UNDER THE STARS
Intense special single white male, helpful and romantic. Seeks nice gal, 30 to 50, an outdoor lover, for sharing of magic moments under the moonlight, by candlelight, etc. Oakland County BOX 35916

SOUL FOOD
Single white male, 40, 5'10", 190 lbs, insurance representative, home-owner. Loves cats, gourmet coffee, computers, vegetarian foods. Looking for soul sister for relationship. BOX 10433

CALL FOR MORE INFO
Attractive, divorced white male, 37, 6', 190 lbs, childless, with brown hair, eyes. Enjoys working out, sports, and more. Seeks attractive female, 26 to 41. BOX 26617

YOU AND I
This sweetheart is a sociable single white male, 40, well groomed, physically fit, has many interests yet open to yours. Seeks friendly female friend and possible lover. BOX 30914

BLIND DATE
Single male, 50, 5'11", athletic, masculine, likes chilling out, fun times and dating. Seeks single female for dating and possible relationship. BOX 10552

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

COME FLY WITH ME!
Handsome, successful, professional, 57, 6', fit, looks and feels younger, spiritual, charismatic, great sense of humor. Enjoys sporting, dining, dancing, music, arts, movies, travel, conversation. Seeks attractive, slender female ready to enjoy life to its fullest. BOX 25779

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

CALL 4 MORE INFO
Single male is looking for a single female for great times together. BOX 14909

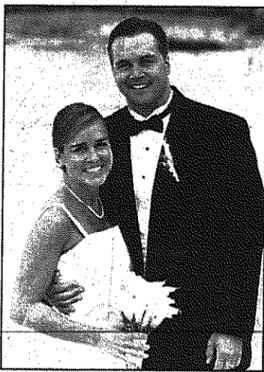
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WEDDING



Velles-Migyanyica

Rita Velles of New London, Conn., is proud to announce the marriage of her daughter, Flora Anne Velles, to John Charles Migyanyica, son of Janis and Chuck Migyanyica of Canton.

The ceremony was performed Aug. 24, 2002, at St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church with the Rev. Charles Simonos officiating. The reception was held at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre Center in Waterford, Conn., outside on the ocean.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of the University of New Hampshire with a bachelor's degree in International Business and Greek Studies. She was a sales representative for Celgene Corporation.

The groom is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a 1992 graduate of Western Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in marketing. He is employed as the regional business director for Gelzyne Corporation.

Attending the bride was Callie Velles Manwaring as maid of honor and bridesmaid Susan Migyanyica.

Attending the groom was Russell Stokes as best man; and groomsmen Steve Prain, Don Abrams, Chris Crews, Joel Goebel, Jeff Speaks and Wes Johnson.

A wedding trip is planned in the future to Hawaii.

The couple will reside in Plymouth.

AFRICA

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fellowship and outreach for the parishioners," Hayes said. "Organizations for women and children, and the church is also active in setting up medical facilities and food for the children."

In Ado-Ekiti during the second week, the delegation was housed at the Christian Guest House on the Cathedral grounds.

They visited the Ile-Abiye Hospital, (which received a large gift from Michigan in the mid-1980s for an X-ray machine), the diocesan high school and one of four theological seminaries of the Anglican Church of Nigeria, located in Akure.

The delegation also paid a courtesy call on Bishop Samuel O. Oke, the bishop of Ekiti-West, which was formed in 1999 from the Diocese of Ekiti.

Gibbs stressed that the relationship with the Nigerian dioceses is about more than money and materials.

"We have to break out of the thinking that the only thing we have to offer is material, because we have things to offer that are not material," the bishop said.

"The sense I got from both bishops and from talking to the clergy and some of the people was not merely a need for material support for their projects and ministries. They want to get to know us. They want to know what makes us tick, what makes us think the way we do."

Now that the trip is over, Hayes is glad she went.

"I felt that the people who went on the trip were blessed," Hayes said. "The fellowship you have with other human beings is just tremendous. In many ways, as humans we have more in common than things that are different."

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QUILTS

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QUILTERS MEET

Strebbing is president of the Plymouth/Westland Grange 389, which hosts the F.U.N. (Friendly! Unique! Necessary!) Quilters Club. The club meets 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. the first and third Monday of every month and 5:30-8:45 p.m. every second Friday at the Westland Bailey Center.

Strebbing's mother, Ruth Strebbing of Plymouth Township, shares her daughter's love of quilting. "I've been quilting since I was 7 years old," she said.

The two women, along with other members of the club, are preparing for their Spring Quilt Show Saturday, March 1, at the Wayne Ford Civic League. They still may need someone to man a booth of quilting supplies, a quilt appraiser and lots of quilt displays. Amateurs and experts are all welcome.

Tina Wing of Canton is a beginner quilter. "This is my second quilt," she said, holding

up her artwork. "Ruth is my mentor. She is wonderful."

"Flattery will get you lunch only," replied Ruth, a Grange member for 41 years. Her husband, Howard, also is a Granger.

Ruth still lives in the same house in which her husband was born and raised. It was once a farm of 80 acres with cows and crops.

Along with Helen Eckles, another Grange member, Ruth made the apple and pumpkin pies for the Plymouth Fall Festival. Helen and Ruth were neighbors.

"I could jump over the fence to get to her house. I found out she loved quilting. In between our cooking, we'd get down to quilting," said Ruth.

Bea Donatti of Wayne is the newest member of the F.U.N. Quilters Club.

"I've been quilting a long time, but now I want to do the easy stuff," said the mother of eight grown children. "I make all the tops (of the quilts) and send them to my mom up north in Escanaba, and she quilts them. All my sisters got a top I made."

MOTIVATION

Eleanor Sisneros of Westland has been quilting for two years. She makes two-sided lap quilts that go to hospitals and nursing homes.

"I just love quilting. I love to sew," she said.

The F.U.N. Quilters Club is a natural extension of the Grange's tradition of social activism.

"The Grange was founded as a farmers' organization to help out with legislative issues. It's still very active," said Sharon Strebbing.

In addition to the quilter club donating lap quilts and stuffed animals made out of quilt scraps, the Grange participates in the nationwide Memory Box Program. Members of the Grange handpaint small boxes that are distributed by hospitals to parents whose babies were either born dead or died in the hospital. The boxes can contain the baby's layette, perhaps a piece of hair or a footprint.

"The parents carry this so they don't go out empty-handed," said memory box painter JoAnn Super of Belleville.

"We've gotten so many thank-you letters on this. Every hospital wants several boxes a month. You wouldn't believe how many babies die. It's been a very rewarding program."

Tina Wing, who suffers from fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue syndrome, had very personal reasons for joining the quilter club. In the past, her condition often left her feeling depressed and isolated.

"Quilting makes you feel good. I say, look at this. I'm not useless."

None of the women participate in the quilter club for the money they may get when they sell a quilt.

"You have \$125 in this quilt and people want to give you \$20," said Tina. "You can go to Wal-Mart and pick up a quilt for \$35. We know these poor women in China probably get paid a nickel a day."

No, the reason why the women meet twice a week to quilt together is more altruistic.

"Part of the reason I joined the F.U.N. Quilters Club was not just for the friendship. It was for the community service," said Tina.



**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.

Hearings 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

Publish: February 20 & 27, 2002

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**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.
(Appointments Only)

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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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2003
REQUEST FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES
EXEMPTION FOR TRAM, INC.**

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: That a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 11, 2003, during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider a request from Tram, Inc., for an Industrial Facilities Exemption for a new facility, including new machinery, equipment furniture and fixtures to be installed in the facility. The proposed facility is located on lots 2, 3 and 4 of Plymouth Corporate Park, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan.

The request of Tram, Inc. is on file in the Clerk's Office where it is available for public perusal from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the date of the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of Trustees may consider the request.

The public hearing commencing at 7:00 p.m. will be held in the Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, on Tuesday, March 11, 2003, during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustees Meeting. Telephone number 734-354-3224.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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**JOINT STUDY SESSION OF THE
CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
TRUSTEES, AND THE
WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES
AUTHORITY - FEBRUARY 18, 2003**

A joint study meeting of the Board of Trustees from Canton Township, Northville Township, Plymouth Township and the Western Townships Utilities Authority held Tuesday, February 18, 2003 at 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan. Canton Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call Canton Township Members Present: Shefferly, Burdzyk, McLaughlin, Bennett, Yack, Zarbo, Kirchgatter; Absent: None.

Also Present: Aaron Machnik, Director of Municipal Services / Northville Township Members Present: Abbo, Banner, Gans, Klokkenka, Werner, Hillebrand; Absent: Henningsen; **Also Present:** Don Weaver / Plymouth Township Members Present: Griffith, Edwards, Curmi, Mann, Massengill; Absent: Arnold, Munfakh; **Also Present:** James D. Anulewicz, Director of Public Service / WTUA Present: Tim Faas, Director of Operations; Chuck Barbieri, Foster, Swift, & Collins, P.C. / YCUA Present: Perry M. Thomas, Larry Thomas **Also Present:** John Grader from the Community Crier.

PRESENTATION ON THE WTUA BUSINESS PLAN

Presentation by Mr. Tim Faas, Director of Operations at WTUA. The following issues were presented:

Business Plan History - There have been 3 updates since the plan was adopted in February of 1997. Negotiations that started in 1997 between YCUA and WTUA were concluded in the fall of 2000.

Seven Prime Objectives - Flow metering system - Redirection projects - Obtaining additional temporary capacity - Capital alternatives evaluation - Negotiate an expansion with YCUA - Sale of RVIS capacity - Communicate the Business Plan.

Secondary Objectives/Issues - City of Plymouth / Plymouth Township flow separation planning - Non-point source (storm water) pollution - DWSD CSO Control Plan - Institutional capacity in the County RVIS.

Questions were asked regarding the flow monitors and the storm sewer water infiltration problem.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor
TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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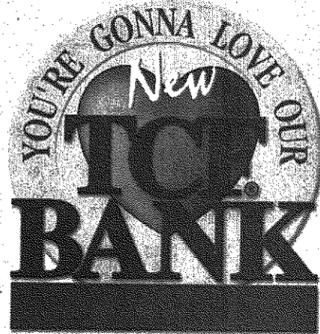
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Couples considering adoption can get information on issues and alternatives through an educational group sponsored by Beaumont Hospital.

As part of the Adoption Information Series, the hospital will sponsor "Working with an Agency" 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, March 3, in the hospital's Administration Building West (lower level, Classroom 2),

3601 W. 13 Mile, Royal Oak.

The series is offered monthly and presents a variety of speakers on different adoption programs, adoption types, preparations and issues such as family impact. This month's guest presenter is Paul Spring, of Adoption Associates.

To register, call toll-free (800) 633-7377.

RELIGION CALENDAR

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar, fax it to (248) 477-9722 or write: Religion Calendar, Farmington Observer, 33411 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335. The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

EVENTS

Spaghetti Dinner

St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church will hold an all you can eat spaghetti dinner 5:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 8. The menu will include spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, garlic bread, dessert and coffee, tea or milk. Cash bar for beer and wine will be available. The cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under. Children under six eat free. The Church is located at 29200 W. 10 Mile in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 477-9870.

Nardin Quartet Concert

The David Bennett Quartet, featuring jazz clarinetist David Bennett, will perform at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 9, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for seniors and students. The afternoon will include 90 minutes of Jazz and Dixieland music and a 30 minute intermission that includes a variety of snacks, desserts and beverages. All proceeds will benefit the New Generation Youth Choir. Call (248) 476-8860.

Coffee talk

Single Point Lighthouse Cafe offers an evening of relaxation and fun while listening to live entertainment provided by other Single Pointers. Cost is \$5. Hot dogs, goodies and coffee provided. Call Single Point Ministries at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road (near Haggerty), Northville, at (248) 374-5920.

LENTEN SERVICES

First Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church of Farmington will celebrate the beginning of the Lenten season with a worship service at 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday, March 5. The celebration continues with a potluck supper and worship service at 5:30 p.m. each Sunday of Lent beginning March 9. The Church is located at 11 Mile and Farmington Road. Call (248) 474-6170.

Bethlehem Lutheran

Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills will hold Wednesday Lenten bible study sessions 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. March 12, 19 and 26; and April 2 and 9. Bring a brown bag lunch. Soup suppers will also be held on these days at 6 p.m. with a service following the supper. The Church is located at 35300 W. Eight Mile.

ONGOING

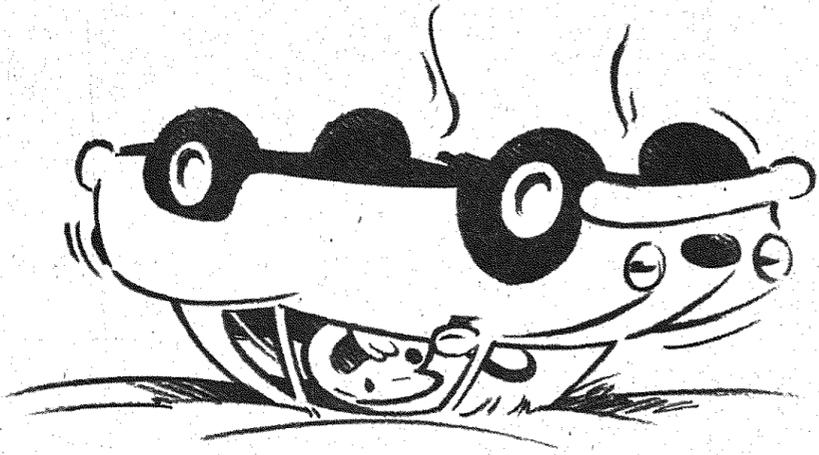
Widow/Widower Support

New Hope Center for Grief Support, a Christian-based bereavement outreach center, offers support for widows and widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The group meets at 7 p.m. at St. Kenneth's Parish offices, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth. New Hope for Kidz meets at the same time and place and is aimed at ages 4-11. (248) 348-0115.

Aglow

Aglow International, a community lighthouse for women, meets for dinner and discussion at 6 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Best Western Executive Hotel, 31525 W. 12 Mile in Farmington. For information or reservations call (248) 476-1053.

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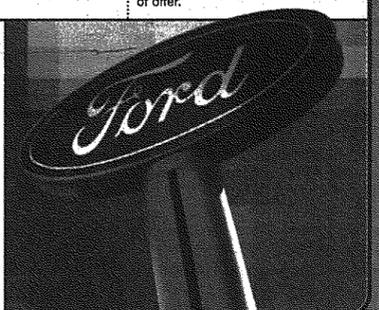
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Sidelines

■ Kurtinaitis lauded

Dan Kurtinaitis, a 6-foot-3 junior guard for Madonna University's men's basketball team, became the first Crusader named to the all-Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference's first team. Kurtinaitis, from Dearborn, led Madonna in scoring, averaging 18 points a game. He was joined on the all-WHAC first team by Cornerstone's Bryan Foltice and Justin VandePol, Siena Heights' Steve Biggs and Indiana Tech's Detonio Hawkins. Two other Crusaders were also singled out for honors. Noel Emenhiser, a 6-5 sophomore guard from Monroeville, Ind., was named to the all-WHAC second team; he averaged 17.1 points and 5.0 rebounds a game.

And Aaron Cox, a 6-0 senior guard from New Boston, was named to the all-defensive team. He had 55 steals and 13 blocks for Madonna. He was joined by Concordia's Erik Uhlinger, a senior guard from Livonia Churchill who had 71 steals and 18 blocks.

Cox and Kurtinaitis were also named to the WHAC's all-academic team. Cox has a 3.9 grade-point average majoring in education; Kurtinaitis has a 3.4 GPA with a business administration major.

Unfortunately, Kurtinaitis was lost for the season with a knee injury suffered Feb. 18 at Concordia.

■ Impressive group

Madonna University's women's basketball team got some recognition, too, with Lindsay Simmon, a 5-foot-11 senior forward from Grosse Pointe, being selected to the all-WHAC first team. Simmon was second in the conference in scoring, averaging 16.2 points and 6.8 rebounds.

Courtney Rehbine, a 6-2 junior center from Clawson, was named to the all-WHAC third team; she averaged 10.3 points and 6.8 rebounds a game for the Crusaders.

And Sarah Thomson, a 5-10 freshman forward from Roseville, was picked for the WHAC's all-rookie team after averaging 7.9 points and 4.9 rebounds a game.

Simmon, Lorian Tschirhart and Nikki Blaszk were also named to the all-academic team. Simmon has a 3.68 grade-point average with a double major in math and elementary education; Blaszk has a 3.77 GPA with a criminal justice major; and Tschirhart has a 3.5 GPA with a business administration major.

■ Blick picked

Ryan Blick, a sophomore forward for Lawrence University's hockey team and a Canton native, was named to the all-Midwest Collegiate Hockey Association's first team.

Blick was one of four players from the Appleton, Wis., school to be honored. Blick shattered the school's records for assists and points in a season, collecting 16 goals and 24 assists (40 points). He had 11 goals and 17 assists (28 points) in MCHA play.



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mark Nagel scored Salem's first and last goals against Howell — he celebrates his third period goal above — and added an assist in between.

Rocks roll in region opener

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

Monday's game was a warm-up. Nothing more.

Tonight Salem's hockey team will meet fifth-ranked Ann Arbor Huron in the Division I Region 3 semifinal at 5:30 p.m. at the Ice Cube in Ann Arbor. It will be a huge test for the Rocks, ranked seventh in the last state poll.

They had the luxury of evaluating the River Rats on Monday after they had dismissed Howell in the first round of

regional play by a 6-0 margin at the Ice Cube (which made Salem 19-4-1). That's because they played first; in the second game, Huron bumped Canton, 5-2.

Asked what he thought of Huron, Salem standout Mark Nagel — who scored twice against Howell — replied, "They're big."

The River Rats are fast, too. And they've only lost three times, two of those to Trenton, ranked No. 1 in Division II.

Unfortunately, Howell (a 9-12-3 final record) was neither big enough nor fast

enough to cope with Salem. Asked what concerned him most about the Rocks going into the game, Highlanders' coach Randy Montrose handed over a scouting report that had as the top concern Salem's "snipers."

"That's a good team," Montrose conceded. "In the first period we played even up with them. ... I thought we did pretty well. Then after a period-and-a-half of hockey, we got off of our style and they took it to us."

PLEASE SEE ROCKS, D3

Top-ranked Shamrocks hang on to beat Flyers

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
CORRESPONDENT

Both coaches agreed that it was a great game for high school hockey.

Maybe a bit better for Redford Catholic Central than Farmington Unified, however.

Top-rated CC built up a 4-1 lead early in the third period Tuesday night but had to hang on at the end for a 4-3 first-round victory over No. 2 Farmington Unified in a MHSAA Division 1 regional opener held at Compuware Arena.

"What could be more exciting than to fill this place?" Shamrocks' co-coach Gordie St. John said after his team improved to 21-3.

"This was great exposure for high school hockey that this many people could see this game."

The Michigan High School Athletic Association made a quasi-controversial decision to move the venue of the first-round matchup from Redford Ice Arena to the home of the Plymouth Whalers of the Ontario Hockey Association, whose 3,500 seats gave more than twice as many people the opportunity to watch the game.

Attendance was announced at 3,578 and included numerous area high school coaches including Pete Mazzoni, whose Livonia

PLEASE SEE SHAMROCKS, D3

Rocks slide in WLAA semis

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

All nine girls volleyball teams in the Western Lakes Activities Association took their shots this season at top seed Livonia Churchill.

All nine went down.

The Chargers, who led the WLAA regular season with a 9-0 record, became undisputed champion Saturday by winning the 10-school Western Lakes tournament held at Wayne Memorial.

Number two seed Walled Lake Central got the final crack against Churchill in the championship final, but the Chargers bested the Vikings for the fifth time this season, 15-4, 16-14.

Churchill, which forfeited last year's WLAA championship when it used two ineligible players, reclaimed the title with stellar defense, precision passing and timely hitting.

"It was an interesting day," Churchill coach Mike Hughes said. "I love to watch us play defense. We also had good transition from

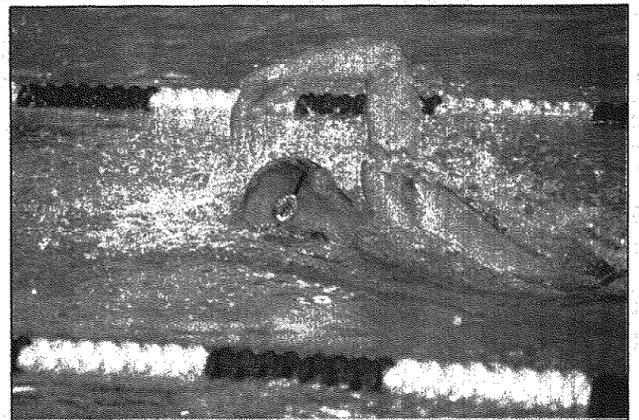
defense to offense."

Left-side hitters Jacqui Gatt and Tania Morkert, each standing just 5 feet, 5 inches apiece, combined for 84 kills in six matches on the day, which also included pool play victories over Canton (15-3, 15-7), Livonia Stevenson (15-4, 15-7), Walled Lake Western (15-3, 15-11) and Wayne (15-6, 15-11).

In the semifinals, Churchill disposed of Salem, 15-7, 15-4. "Our two left-side hitters have been wonderful all year, along with our two middle hitters, (Michelle) Phillips and (Kelsey) Mack," Hughes said of Gatt and Morkert. "We also got solid setting from our sophomore, too (Kristyna Archer)."

Eva Jedruszko, a 5-6 outside hitter, and Phillips, a 5-9 senior middle hitter, contributed 25 kills each on the day, while Mack, a 5-10 sophomore, added 19, including five in

PLEASE SEE VOLLEYBALL, D5



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem's Nick Dixon finished first in the 200-yard individual medley at the WLAA Finals, and he was second in the 500-yard freestyle.

Salem stretches WLAA title streak to 11 in a row

Canton wins 3 events, finishes 2nd

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

No real big surprises — that's what the Western Lakes Activities Association Swim Finals produced Saturday at Salem High School.

And that's just the way Salem coach Chuck Olson wanted it. Considering his Rocks have now won 11-straight WLAA championships, his reasoning is understandable. Salem, which trailed Canton after Thursday's preliminaries, collected itself for Saturday's finals and easily won the championship, scoring 615 points.

Runner-up Canton placed second with 420, with Northville third (401.5), Livonia Stevenson fourth (358), Walled Lake Central fifth (275), Livonia Churchill sixth (241), Walled Lake Western seventh (216), Wayne Memorial eighth (151.5),

Westland John Glenn ninth (132) and Livonia Franklin 10th (109).

"We kinda swam good on Saturday," said Olson, in typical understatement. "On Thursday, they did what they had to do. Canton was ahead of us, but we just sat on our starts (so as not to get disqualified)."

"The whole meet got faster. It got very competitive. There was good quality up top and a lot of depth." With the Farmington schools having transferred out of the WLAA, it wasn't certain how fast the meet would be. Olson thought there was little difference.

And there was little he didn't like about his own team's performance.

"There's not too much I was displeased with," he said. "We scored in 35 of our 36 entries at the league meet."

PLEASE SEE SWIMMING, D4

Did you miss the deadline for Thursday's Classifieds?

You have a second chance to make Thursday's edition, if you call us by noon on Wednesday we'll put your ad in a special mini-directory, "Too late to Classified," which appears in Arts & Entertainment. Call 1-800-579-SELL (preferably by deadline) to place your ad.

PCA's Baloga shoots down a pair of records

The only real interest in the second half of Plymouth Christian Academy's basketball game against Warren Immaculate Conception Tuesday was if Ben Baloga could do it.

Turned out he could.

Baloga, a junior guard, used his extraordinary sharpshooting skills to break a couple of school records as the Eagles walloped Immaculate Conception, 73-28.

The win gave PCA a 9-10 overall record. Immaculate Conception is 3-15.

Baloga broke the PCA scor-

BASKETBALL

ing record by pouring in 37 points. The former mark was 36, held by Manish Mandani.

But as impressive as that was, how he did it was even more spectacular. Baloga knocked down 10-of-13 three-point attempts — he was 10-of-14 overall — and made 5-of-6 free throws.

His 10 triples also broke the school record of nine threes in a game, previously held by Scott Cart, who did it twice in 1997-98.

Whalers struggle during 3-game stint

Matters went from good to bad to worse for the Plymouth Whalers, who played three Ontario Hockey League games in three days for the second consecutive weekend.

After beating Sarnia 6-2 on Thursday in Sarnia, the Whalers traveled to Guelph to take on the Storm on Friday. The results weren't good: After taking an early one-goal lead, they fell behind by two goals, battled back to knot it at 3-all late in the third period, then lost 4-3 by surrendering the game-winner with 3:30 left.

Plymouth got back to Compuware Arena's home ice for a game Saturday against Owen Sound, but that didn't

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turn out well either. The Attack's goalie, John Ceci, stopped 31 of 32 shots in a 2-1 Owen Sound win.

The Whalers remain in first place in the OHL's West Division with a 36-13-8-2 record (82 points). Owen Sound, third in the Midwest Division, improved to 25-26-5-3 (58 points), while Guelph was 23-26-9-2 (57 points), fourth in the Midwest.

In Friday's loss at Guelph, a goal by Plymouth's Chris Thorburn (assisted by John Mitchell and Karl Stewart) at 4:08 of the first period gave the

Whalers an early lead. It didn't last; the Storm's Dustin Brown got the equalizer at 13:43 of the first, and a pair of power-play goals by Ryan Callahan in the second period put them up 3-1.

James Wisniewski (from Canton) narrowed the gap for the Whalers with a power-play goal with just :02 left in the second period (assisted by Stewart and Ryan Ramsay). Mitchell tied it with 4:55 left in regulation (Wisniewski, David Liffiton assisting).

But Aaron Lobb knocked in the game-winner for Guelph just 1:25 later.

Jeff Weber had 33 saves for Plymouth; Andrew Penner made 23 stops for Guelph.

The Whalers never did lead against Owen Sound Sunday. The Attack got a power-play goal from Mark Giordano at 4:40 of the first period, but the Whalers tied it with just :33 left in the period on a goal by Mitchell (assisted by John Vigilante and Liffiton).

The Attack's Jeff MacDermid got what proved to be the game-winner past Whaler goalie Paul Drew at 6:21 of the second period. Although the Whalers outshot Owen Sound 18-9 in the third period, they could not get the equalizer.

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CHIEFS
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tioned deep in his own end, slid a long pass to Chris Fragner that was just on-side near center ice.

The pass resulted in a breakaway for Fragner, and he beat Canton goalie Charles Kemp to make it 1-0 with 11:39 left in the first period.

The Chiefs' problems didn't dissipate after that. The River Rats owned the puck for most of the opening period, and with 4:04 left they doubled their lead when Keith Ferris won the battle for the puck at his own blue line, then beat a Canton defender and Kemp to make it 2-0.

A team's success is often determined by how it reacts to adversity. The second period would challenge both Canton and Huron.

Certainly the Chiefs came out flying. "I liked our second period," said Abraham. "I thought we out-chanced them."

Problem was, they either couldn't find the net, their shots missing the net completely, or they were stopped by Huron goalie Nate Reichwage.

Their pressure finally paid dividends when Mitch Wolfe pounced on a rebound Reichwage couldn't corral and poked it in, making it 2-1 with 7:39 left in the second. Mike Stewart and Garrett Hyman assisted.

However, any momentum Canton may have gained was lost 41 seconds later. Again having trouble clearing their own zone, the Chiefs lost possession in front of their own net and Huron's Pete Heeringa scored out of a scramble to restore the River Rats' two-goal lead.

That hurt Canton's chances; what happened in the last 4:30 of the second period ended them. The Chiefs were working on the power play when Huron's Bobby



Canton's Matt Oliver put this shot past Huron goalie Nate Reichwage late in the third period, but it wasn't enough to save the Chiefs.

Chappius drew a roughing penalty, giving Canton a two-man advantage for :45.

But the Chiefs couldn't score. When the River Rats' Fragner got his second goal of the game — he would finish with a hat trick — with 1:35 left in the period (assisted by Noah Bradley and Ferris) to make it 4-1, Canton's hopes for victory sunk.

Not that the Chiefs gave up. "We expected just what we got," said Huron coach John Bacon, "a hard-fought game from a well-coached team. We started (the game) out well, and in the playoffs that's important."

Fragner pushed a bouncing puck past Kemp at 9:09 of the third period to make it 5-1; Heeringa and Ferris assisted. The

Chiefs got a measure of redemption when Matt Oliver took a pass back from Kyle Tollison and beat Reichwage with 2:04 remaining.

It was, of course, too little and too late. Huron outshot Canton, 25-19, but more importantly the River Rats cashed in on their chances.

"You get those kinds of opportunities against a team of that caliber and you have to score," said Abraham. "But I was very happy with this team's work ethic. We were not loaded with talent."

The Chiefs did make the most out of what they had, but against a team of Huron's caliber, it wasn't enough.

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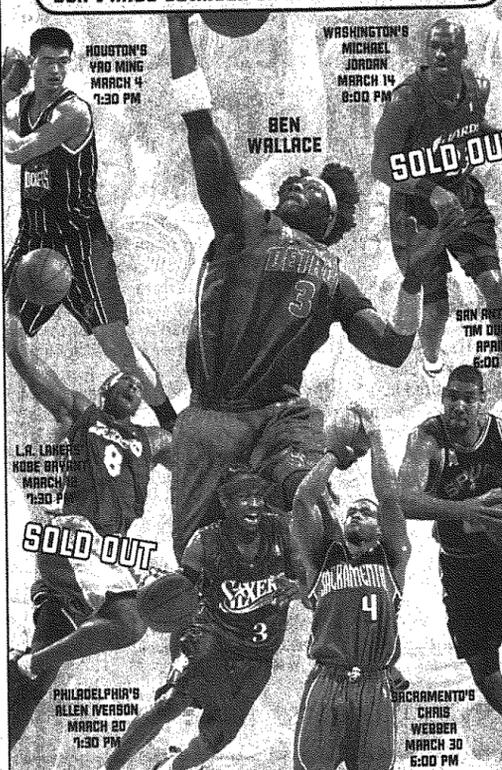
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REGIONAL WRESTLING

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103 pounds: Sean Dong (Redford Catholic Central) won by major decision Ryan Stump (Salem), 14-1; consolation final: Jon Adgate (Ann Arbor Pioneer) dec. Craig Gin (Temperance Bedford), 5-1.

112: Dino Monnett (Bedford) dec. Matt Steintz (Redford CC), 9-5; consolation: Nick Naber (Westland John Glenn) won by technical fall over Justin Williams (Belleville), 17-2.

119: Charlie Rabaut (Livonia Stevenson) dec. Tim Davis (Belleville), 6-0; consolation: Ghassam Hamka (Dearborn Fordson) dec. Drew Conner (John Glenn), 6-3.

125: Brian Clement (Livonia Churchill) dec. David Brighton (Bedford), 8-3; consolation: Shawn LaChance (South Lyon) dec. James Erickson (Belleville), 7-5.

130: Mike Goethe (Salem) dec. Wissam Majed (Fordson), 5-2; consolation: Tim Hammer (Wayne) won by tech. fall over Joe Caudill (Belleville), 20-5.

135: Josh Churella (Novi) won by major dec. over Rece Cox (John Glenn), 15-3; consolation: Rudy Weirich (Woodhaven) won by default Chad Ditty (Bedford).

140: Jake Williamson (S. Lyon) dec. Kyle Burkett (Bedford), 15-8; consolation: Marty Everin (A.A. Pioneer) dec. Nick Loos (Belleville), 11-4.

145: Scott Weyher (Monroe) dec. Ryan Furniss (Belleville), 11-7; consolation: Bryce Bankowski (Bedford) dec. Daron Cruickshank (John Glenn), 10-3.

152: Matt Velasco (Jackson) pinned Brad Bartram (Redford CC), 1:49; consolation: Kevin Zink (Bedford) won by major dec. over David Toepe (Monroe), 10-2.

160: Trevor Stewart (Redford CC) dec. Hassen Berri (Dearborn), 9-5; consolation: Troy Maxwell (Monroe) dec. Dario Mainella (Stevenson), 5-4.

177: Steve Wallace (Wayne) won by major dec. over Eric Schambers (John Glenn), 15-4; consolation: Brad Brown (Monroe) dec. Scott Schwarlose (Redford CC), 5-2.

189: Jake Fairchild (John Glenn) dec. Matt Kezior (Novi), 12-5; consolation: Chris Watson (Belleville) won by default over Cory Bunch (Monroe).

215: Alex Murray (Churchill) p. Jim Abercrombie (Dearborn), 4:37; consolation: Jesse Cummings (Southgate) dec. Cliff Fauser (Woodhaven), 9-3.

275: Kyle Schuyler (Saline) dec. Rick Nieman (Bedford), 6-3; consolation: Matt Morris (Monroe) won by default Josh Haron (S. Lyon).

Club elections set

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, 525 Farmer in Plymouth. Current members, and those with Canton or Salem hockey players, are encouraged to attend. Call Mary Maurer at (734) 254-9234.

SHAMROCKS

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Churchill team will play Catholic Central in the second round tonight - at Redford Ice Arena.

"The game lived up to this building," said Farmington first-year coach Mark Vellucci, whose Flyers lost for the first time in a 25-game season. "I was so glad they changed venues. They saw one of the best games in high school history."

"We had our chances. I'm a rookie coach and I learned a lot. Hopefully it's going to help me in the years to come."

Farmington rooters filled a good portion of one side of the arena and exchanged some raucous chants with their CC counterparts.

"Moving the game was the right thing for high school hockey," St. John said. "Over three times as many fans were able to see the game. For the sport, I think it was the best thing."

"Remember, we didn't have anything to do with it. We were asked by the state high school athletic association to do it. It was neutral site. It was fair to both teams."

Brandon Naurato collected a hat trick for the Shamrocks including a top-shelf shot that turned out to be the game-winner with 10:58 to play. He converted a feed from farther out by Eric Giosa and burned a too-low Aaron Allor to give CC its 4-1 lead.

But then it seemed the ice started to tilt, and at the end it was the Shamrocks who were hanging on by their fingertips and needed a big point-blank save by goalie Jimmy Blanchard with three seconds to play to salvage the win.

"Psychologically, what I think happened was that we were up by three goals and I think we let up a bit," St. John said. "They jumped on it. We made one mistake - we opened up the net and they put it in."

"That gave them an opportunity and they just ran with it."

Blanchard had gone behind the net to clear the puck but somehow it wound up on the stick of Mike Hand, who passed it to Keith Hay near the blue line between the faceoff circles.

Blanchard was unable to get back into his net in time and



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Catholic Central's Brandon Naurato put three shots into the Farmington Unified goal in the Shamrocks' 4-3 victory Tuesday.

Hay had an open lane in which to score. His goal cut the margin to 4-2 with 10:21 to play.

Just 1:15 later the Flyers sliced the deficit to 4-3 - with the help of a couple of fortunate bounces.

A shot by CC's left defenseman was blocked at close range by Nick Herniz - with the puck bouncing nearly straight back to center ice.

Hand outraced a CC defender to the puck, broke in on Blanchard and fired a shot that the Shamrocks' net-minder blocked. But the puck came right back to Hand and he was able to score on the rebound.

A Shamrock defender preserved the lead with 4:40 to play when he blocked an attempt by Hay to score from right in front of the net.

The Flyers made a nicely timed timeout call with 55 seconds left. Top-scorer Hay had just gone off the ice after about a minute of playing time. The timeout gave him enough of a rest to finish the game.

"If we had tied it up in the last two minutes," Vellucci said, "we all felt that with the heart this team has that we would win it in overtime, or in the last minutes."

"But they're a great team. They're the four-time defending state champs. They were a little deeper, a little better."

"I was pacing a bit more at the end of the game than I did at the beginning," St. John said.

"That's a good hockey team. They did a good job."

Farmington was outshot in the game, 28-23, but CC dominated the first period "by a much greater margin than the 14-8 shot margin showed."

Naurato broke a scoreless tie with 2:12 left in the first period, breaking in on left wing and skating across the goalmouth. He faked a shot, withdrew the puck and then fired back to the far left corner. It gave goalie Blanchard an assist because he'd hit the forward with a heads-up pass.

Naurato scored on a power play right at the end of the period, burying a shot from left wing off a feed by Pat Coldren.

Nathan Perkovich hiked the lead to 3-0 just 3:09 into the second period, jamming home a loose puck in front of Allor.

Farmington cut the lead to 3-1 minutes later on a power play, with Hay booming in a rebound of a shot by Brett Laird that Blanchard stopped.

"It just came down to a couple of lucky bounces on their part," Vellucci said. "They're a veteran team. They have a lot of skilled players."

"I told our guys they had nothing to be ashamed of this season. It was an honor, a pleasure to coach them."

The pairing of the highest rated teams in the state in the first round of the tournament won't lull CC to sleep, St. John said.

ROCKS

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Which is what Salem does best: Look for opportunities and pounce. That style of play led to the Rocks' first goal, scored by Nagel just 1:19 into the game. He intercepted the puck at center ice, deked a Howell defender and beat goalie Trevor Bushong, scoring unassisted to make it 1-0.

It would be their only goal of the first period, during which they played steadily but not spectacularly.

"In the first two periods we took too many penalties," said Salem coach Fred Feiler (the Rocks had six; Howell had three). "Once we got everyone in the flow of the game, things went our way."

"We were trying to play patient hockey. We've been telling them, 'You can't win the game in one shift.'"

In the pivotal second period, Bryan Young had a hand in three Salem goals that made it 4-0 entering the

third. Young scored the first two, getting a goal at the 11:12 mark on a pretty pass from Rob Quigley, who drew a pair of defenders toward the corner before centering to Young for the finish.

Penalties, however, plagued the Rocks - Howell had three power-play chances in the first 1 1/2 periods, which were successfully killed. When Salem finally got a power-play chance, the result was a quick goal, Young getting it with an assist from Nagel to make it 3-0 with 4:45 remaining.

Special teams played a part in the next goal, too, only this time the Rocks were trying to kill the Highlanders' fourth power-play chance. Young started this play, winning the puck deep in the Howell end and slipping a pass to David Gill for the short-handed goal - and a 4-0 lead with 3:00 left in the second.

Chris Parrott replaced Bushong in goal for Howell, but the outcome wasn't altered. Salem got a second

power-play goal at 7:50 of the third period when Mike Barr's tip attempt was inadvertently kicked in by Parrott; Gill got the assist.

Nagel scored his second goal of the game (making it 6-0) with 6:02 remaining, going high over Parrott's shoulder; John Schultz and Cameron Schambro assisted.

"We thought their third line might be kind of weak, so we wanted to capitalize on that," said Feiler of Howell. "I thought if we could limit the number of shots they got, we'd do all right."

The Rocks did that all right. They had 25 shots at the Howell goal; the Highlanders managed just eight, none in the third period, giving Salem goalie Brandon DeMars one of the easiest shutouts he'll ever get.

With an advantage like that, a team should win. Now we'll see if the Rocks can duplicate it tonight.

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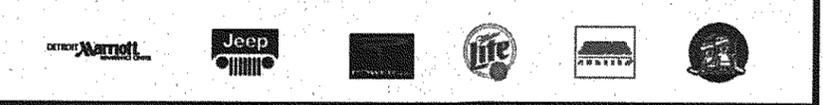
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SWIMMING

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"You can't expect much more than that. I had no problems with the effort. The guys were doing what they're capable of."

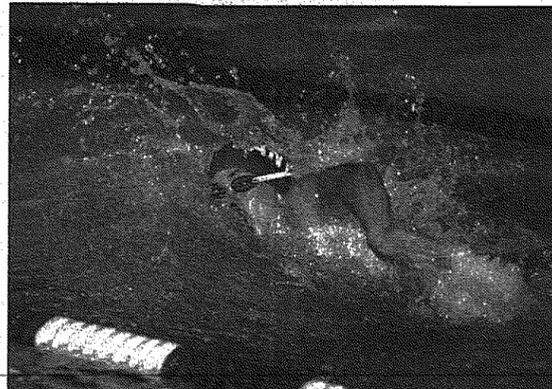
In individual events, there were a couple of double-winners in individual events — but Salem didn't have one. And the reason was Joe Lunn of Northville.

Lunn edged the Rocks' Ben Dzialo in the 200-yard freestyle, Lunn clocking 1:46.59 and Dzialo 1:47.04. Both were state-qualifying times; those produced by Churchill's Andy Grant, who was third (1:49.42), and by Salem's Matt Jurcak, who finished fourth (he went 1:50.02 in the prelims), made the state cut, too.

Lunn also beat Salem's Nick Dixon in the 500 free, winning in 4:52.20 to 4:59.94. Both were state cuts.

Dzialo did win the 100 butterfly rather handily in 53.10, more than two seconds faster than second-place Yuhel Uno of Canton (55.36). Garrett Baringhaus of Stevenson was third in 55.62; all three were state cuts.

Dixon finished first in the 200 individual medley (2:02.59), with Central's Ryan Booms second (2:04.04). Both were state qualifiers. The Rocks' Joe Aumiller placed third and made the state cut in the prelims (2:04.64).



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Canton's Joe Le finished first at the WLAAs in both the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard freestyle.

The meet's other double-winner was Canton's Joe Le, in the 50 free (22.44) and the 100 free (48.55). Both were state cuts.

Canton also got a first from Uno in the 100 backstroke (57.12).

Central claimed the other two individual wins, Justin Fenwick earning top honors and making the state cut in the 100 breaststroke (1:03.32) and Brian Chrzanowski edging Franklin's Dan Rais in the one-meter diving (355.95 points to 351.25).

The Rocks owned top honors in all three relays. Dixon, Matt Showalter, Mike Horgan and Matt Vivian won the 200 medley relay (1:42.19, a state cut); Vivian, Horgan, Bill Clark and Dzialo were first in the 200 free relay (1:30.80, also a state cut);

and Dixon, Jurcak, Aumiller and Dzialo got top honors in the 400 free relay (3:21.24, another state cut).

Others, however, made an equally big impression on Olson and the Rocks. Pete Skinner, a senior, swam the 500 freestyle, his best time this season 5:41.00. "We were hoping for the top 18 from him," said Olson.

They got something more. Skinner trimmed 17 seconds from that time, placing 12th in 5:24.70.

"That was super," Olson added. "Those kinds of effort really help out."

"That's how you win a meet like this by 195 points."

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WLAAs SWIM RESULTS

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION SWIM FINALS
Feb. 22 at Salem HS

Final team standings: 1. Salem, 615 points; 2. Canton, 420; 3. Northville, 401.5; 4. Livonia Stevenson, 358; 5. Walled Lake Central, 275; 6. Livonia Churchill, 247; 7. Walled Lake Western, 216; 8. Wayne Memorial, 151.5; 9. Westland John Glenn, 132; 10. Livonia Franklin, 109.

Event results

200-yard medley relay: Championship heat — 1. Salem (Nick Dixon, Matt Showalter, Mike Horgan, Matt Vivian), 1:42.19 (state qualifying); 2. Canton, 1:44.15; 3. Northville, 1:44.48; 4. Stevenson, 1:45.37; 5. W.L. Central, 1:45.62; W.L. Western, 1:47.35.

Consolation heat — 7. Wayne, 1:50.86; 8. Churchill, 1:51.21; 9. John Glenn, 1:52.53; 10. Franklin, 2:01.38.

200 freestyle: Championship heat — 1. Joe Lunn (N), 1:47.04 (state qualifying); 2. Ben Dzialo (S), 1:47.04 (state qualifying); 3. Andy Grant (C), 1:49.42 (state qualifying); 4. Matt Jurcak (S), 1:51.42; 5. Brendan Cummings (S), 1:53.65; 6. Brad Farris (N), 1:53.65.

Consolation heat — 7. Billy McIntosh (N), 1:53.32; 8. Adam Sonnanstine (S), 1:53.66; 9. Andrew Schoff (C), 1:55.92; 10. Matt Poniatowski (S), 1:57.15; 11. James Sattler (C), 1:57.63; 12. Lorenz Herrmann (N), 2:00.35.

Consolation heat — 13. Garrett Stricker (S), 1:58.38; 14. Joe Hogan (N), 1:59.27; 15. Mike Handley (N), 1:59.76; 16. Aaron Flohr (N), 2:00.52; 17. Ryan Frost (WM), 2:00.98; 18. Greg Scully (C), 2:01.32.

200 Individual medley: Championship heat — 1. Nick Dixon (S), 2:02.59 (state qualifying); 2. Ryan Booms (WLC), 2:04.04 (state qualifying); 3. Joe Aumiller (S), 2:06.39; 4. Justin Fenwick (WLC), 2:06.79; 5. Jeff Hevi (S), 2:09.35; 6. Steve Reasor (C), 2:12.59.

Consolation heat — 7. Andrew Drennen (WM), 2:09.09; 8. Matt Showalter (S), 2:11.93; 9. Michael Yutzy (N), 2:12.93; 10. Penn Chou (S), 2:14.03; 11. Jason Anderson (S), 2:14.36; 12. Hunter Schwartz (N), 2:18.25.

Consolation heat — 13. Nathan Phillips (C), 2:18.66; 14. Chris Brown (S), 2:15.66; 15. Joshua Pappalardo (S), 2:18.63; 16. David Godzinski (S), 2:18.85; 17. Eric Budal (WLV), 2:20.74; 18. Geoff Wrobel (WLC), 2:21.60.

50 freestyle: Championship heat — 1. Joe Le (C), 22.44 (state qualifying); 2. Matt Vivian (S), 23.10; 3. Morgan Truscott (C), 23.11; 4. Steve Helewski (WLV), 23.51; 5. Ben Jyljka (WLV), 23.55; 6. Orien Dashi (JG), 24.14.

Consolation heat — 7. Bill Clark (S), 23.82; 8. Jordan Champagne (C), 23.89; 9. Tyler Carter (N), 24.06; 10. Brad McIntosh (N), 24.13; 11. Logan Bullock (C), 24.14; 12. Brian Wolak (WLC), 24.23.

Consolation heat — 13. Greg Calabrese (C), 24.41; 14. Kevin Gardner (S), 24.56; 15. Dan Lynam (WLC), 24.63; 16. Casey Johnson (S), 24.77; 17. Kevin Kilgore (S), 24.82; 18. Rob Steiner (N), 25.09.

One-meter diving: 1. Brian Chrzanowski (WLC), 355.95 points; 2. Dan Rais (LF), 351.25; 3. Jason Abosta (N), 346.50; 4. Cody Stafford (S), 328.15; 5. John Campbell (N), 306.85; 6. Kevin Cafarelli (C), 302.30; 7. Mark Chrzanowski (WLC), 290.20; 8. James Quesada (C), 280.10; 9. Andrew Murovski (S), 276.85; 10. Steve Kiljanczyk (C), 247.40; 11. Matt Williams (C), 237.25; 12. Ed Moore (LF), 235.90; 13. Robert Bolish (WM), 231.95; 14. Nate Lindman (S), 229.65; 15. James Corp (WLV), 228.05; 16. Brad Sokolowski (S), 223.70; 17. Steven Smith (S), 222.75; 18. Chuck Elstone (C), 203.35.

100 butterfly: Championship heat — 1. Dzialo (S), 53.10 (state qualifying); 2. Yuhel Uno (C), 55.36 (state qualifying); 3. Garrett Baringhaus (S), 55.62 (state qualifying); 4. Horgan (S), 56.10; 5. Helewski (WLV), 56.65; 6. John Faraoni (C), 56.93.

Consolation heat — 7. Shogo Uno (C), 59.10; 8. Champagne (C), 59.97; 9. Phil Washara (WLC), 1:01.23; 10. Andrew Hall (WLV), 1:01.73; 11. Pappalardo (S), 1:02.58; 12. Nick Landis (C), 1:02.79.

Consolation heat — 13. David Buskey (S), 1:03.85; 14. Flohr (N), 1:03.91; 15. Dmitry Glouchchenko (S), 1:04.39; 16. Patrick Sautural (S), 1:04.88; 17. Jon Wejroch (JG), 1:06.22; 18. Stephen Sanney (LF), 1:10.10.

100 freestyle: Championship heat — 1. Le (C), 48.55 (state qualifying); 2. Truscott (C), 50.62; 3. Grant (C), 50.74; 4. Cummings (S), 51.26; 5. Kris Kinsvater (S), 51.49; 6. Jyljka (WLV), 52.51.

Consolation heat — 7. Vivian (S), 51.59; 8. Clark (S), 52.39; 9. (tie) Dennis Hermetz (WM), Brad McIntosh (N), 53.18; 11. Garrett Stricker (S), 53.79; 12. Paul Potocki (S), 53.84.

Consolation heat — 13. Nick Yee (S), 53.83; 14. Herrmann (N), 53.83; 15. Orien Dashi (JG), 53.99; 16. Tyler Carter (N), 54.50; 17. Joe Washara (C), 54.67; 18. Jason Savage (WLV), 57.05.

500 freestyle: Championship heat — 1. Lunn (N), 4:52.20 (state qualifying); 2. Dixon (S), 4:59.94 (state qualifying); 3. Stone (JG), 5:08.55; 4. Baringhaus (S), 5:08.91; 5. Sonnanstine (S), 5:11.33; 6. Sattler (C), 5:19.07.

Consolation heat — 7. McIntosh (N), 5:09.96; 8. Aumiller (S), 5:11.27; 9. Horgan (S), 5:12.10; 10. Brown (S), 5:21.14; 11. Schoff (C), 5:24.43; 12. Pete Skinner (S), 5:24.70.

Consolation heat — 13. Poniatowski (S), 5:23.06; 14. Aaron VanProyen (C), 5:25.59; 15. Jeremy Bowling (WM), 5:26.98; 16. Nick Folas (N), 5:29.45; 17. Sam Manees (C), 5:32.52; 18. Mike Handley (N), 5:47.32.

200 freestyle relay: Championship heat — 1. Salem (Vivian, Horgan, Clark, Dzialo), 1:30.80 (state qualifying); 2. Northville, 1:33.12; 3. Churchill, 1:34.17; 4. W.L. Central, 1:34.59; 5. Stevenson, 1:35.41; 6. Canton, 1:37.20.

Consolation heat — 7. W.L. Western, 1:42.40; 8. Wayne, 1:42.59; 9. Franklin, 1:47.36; 10. John Glenn, 1:52.35.

100 backstroke: Championship heat — 1. Uno (C), 57.12; 2. Savage (WLV), 57.93; 3. Nevi (S), 59.02; 4. Stone (JG), 59.05; 5. Schwartz (N), 59.21; 6. Farris (N), 59.44.

Consolation heat — 7. Jack Oliver (WLC), 59.16; 8. Yee (C), 59.32; 9. Faraoni (C), 59.77; 10. Jurcak (S), 1:00.22; 11. Scully (C), 1:01.57; 12. Phillips (C), 1:02.34.

Consolation heat — 13. Ken Belrose (WLV), 1:02.24; 14. Glouchchenko (S), 1:04.20; 15. Alex Marinica (C), 1:06.08; 16. Adam Whalen (S), 1:06.30; 17. Brian Gurta (WLC), 1:09.21; 18. Dan Lynam (WLC), 1:09.58.

100 breaststroke: Championship heat — 1. Fenwick (WLC), 1:03.32 (state qualifying); 2. Booms (WLC), 1:03.73; 3. Showalter (S), 1:04.20; 4. Drennen (WM), 1:05.12; 5. Anderson (S), 1:05.81; 6. Kinsvater (S), 1:07.35.

Consolation heat — 7. Johnson (S), 1:06.84; 8. Chou (S), 1:07.33; 9. Reasor (C), 1:07.81; 10. Yutzy (N), 1:08.99; 11. Sanney (LF), 1:09.02; 12. Godzinski (S), 1:09.37.

Consolation heat — 13. Jeremy Bowling (WM), 1:06.91; 14. Jeff Kotowski (WLC), 1:09.52; 15. Billy Horgan (S), 1:09.55; 16. Abosta (N), 1:09.67; 17. Wrobel (WLC), 1:10.08; 18. Scott Franke (C), 1:12.25.

400 freestyle relay: Championship heat — 1. Salem (Dixon, Jurcak, Aumiller, Dzialo), 3:21.24 (state qualifying); 2. Northville, 3:22.15 (state qualifying); 3. Canton, 3:27.42; 4. Churchill, 3:27.60; 5. Stevenson, 3:31.20; 6. W.L. Western, 3:31.42.

Consolation heat — 7. Wayne, 3:35.07; 8. W.L. Central, 3:37.73; 9. John Glenn, 3:41.86; 10. Franklin, 4:05.64.

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SPRING 2003 CANTON CENTER TREE PLANTING

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

David Medley, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

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BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
(734) 453-1234

A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, March 6, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following items:

Z 03-02 1149 Ross Non-Use Variance Requested
Front Yard Setback
Zoned: R-1, Single-Family Residential
Applicant: Todd & Manda Mustaine

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48187, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 206

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CITY OF CANTON CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
1150 S. CANTON CENTER RD.
CANTON, MI 48188

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction on Tuesday, March 4, 2003 at 10:00 A.M. The auction is to be held at Westland Care Care Towing, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI 48185.

Please note: the bidding will start at the towing and storage charges.

Home Made Trailer Gray	No Vin Available
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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:

<p>Shurgard of Canton South 45229 Michigan Ave. Canton, MI 48188 734-398-5416</p> <p>#5166 Household goods. #4164 Household goods. #4206 Household goods. #1009 Household goods.</p>	<p>Shurgard of Woodhaven 25080 Hall Rd. Woodhaven, MI 48183 734-678-8500</p> <p>#233 Household goods. #313 Household goods. #324 Household goods. #709B Household goods.</p>
<p>Shurgard of Plymouth 41877 Joy Rd. Canton, MI 48187 734-459-2200</p> <p>#2021 Household goods. #333 Office furniture/goods. #9232 Household goods.</p>	<p>Shurgard of Telegraph 24200 Telegraph Southfield, MI 48034 248-208-9000</p> <p>#3245 Household goods. #2094 Household goods. #1070 Household goods. #3053 Household goods. #3025 Household goods.</p>
<p>Shurgard of Taylor 9300 Pelham Taylor, MI 48180 313-292-2950</p> <p>#5023 Household goods. #6034 Household goods. #4083 Household goods. #4078 Household goods. #9019 Household goods. #9042 Household goods.</p>	<p>Shurgard of Canton 2101 Haggerty Canton, MI 48187 734-981-0300</p> <p>#4226 Household goods. #4211 Household goods. #5031 Household goods. #5002 Household goods. #4268 Household goods. #4066 Household goods.</p>
<p>Shurgard of Livonia 30300 Plymouth Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 734-522-7811</p> <p>#2011 Household goods. #4002 Household goods. #4073 Household goods.</p>	<p>Shurgard of Southfield 19350 W. Eight Mile Southfield, MI 48075 248-357-1137</p> <p>#1069 Household goods. #1109 Household goods. #1113 Household goods. #1120 Household goods. #1303 Household goods. #1183 Household goods. #1186 Contractors equipment. #1194 Household goods. #1313 Household goods. #1322 Household goods. #2009 Household goods. #2022 Tires. #2052 Household goods. #2099 Household goods. #2109 Household goods. #2128 Household goods. #2142 Household goods. #2150 Household goods.</p>
<p>Shurgard of Ann Arbor 2500 South Industrial Canton, MI 48104</p> <p>#3049 Household goods. #4111 Washing machines. #3029 Household goods. #5045 Household goods. #2051 Household goods. #1058 Household goods.</p>	<p>Shurgard of Walled Lake 1901 East West Maple Walled Lake, MI 48390 248-669-4020</p> <p>#2027 Household items.</p>

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ON THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF INTENT 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

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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WLAA VOLLEYBALL

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT
Feb. 22 at Wayne Memorial
Championship final: Livonia Churchill defeated Walled Lake Central, 15-4, 16-14.
Semifinals: Churchill def. Salem, 15-7, 15-4; W.L. Central def. Livonia Stevenson, 15-4, 15-9.
Elimination round: Stevenson def. Northville, 15-13, 15-9; Salem def. Canton, 15-4, 15-13.

POOL PLAY RECORDS (top 3 teams advance)
(A): 1. Churchill, 8-0 (by games); 2. Stevenson, 5-3; 3. Canton, 4-4; 4. Wayne, 2-6; Walled Lake Western, 1-7.
(B): 1. W.L. Central, 8-0; 2. Salem, 6-2; 3. Northville, 3-5; 4. Livonia Franklin, 2-6; 5. Westland John Glenn, 1-7.

ALL-CONFERENCE: Michelle Phillips, Sr. MB, Churchill; Katie Rademacher, Sr. MH, W.L. Central; Kelsey Cross, Sr. S, W.L. Central; Cindy Rotramel, Sr. OH, Canton; Tania Morkert, Sr. OH, Churchill; Amanda Bradley, Sr. OH, Salem; Erin Mazzoni, Sr. OH, Stevenson.

ALL-WESTERN DIVISION: Eva Jedruszko, Sr. RSH, Churchill; Jacqui Gatt, Jr. LSH, Churchill; Jessica Beard, Jr. MH, W.L. Western; Elyse Pachota, Sr. S, Franklin; Kristen Lake, Sr. MH, Canton; Colleen O'Brien, Sr. OH, Canton; Lauren Temple, Sr. S, Northville.

ALL-LAKES DIVISION: Jenny Yonish, Jr. OH, W.L. Central; Raquel Fiorentino, Jr. OH, W.L. Central; Kristi Igo, Sr. OH, Wayne; Laura Flaughner, Sr. S, Stevenson; Lisa Montgomery, Jr. MB, Stevenson; Jordan Falcusan, Jr. S, Salem; Kari McLeod, Sr. OH, John Glenn.

HONORABLE MENTION (WLAA records included)
Churchill (9-0): Kristyna Archer, Stephanie Gorte, Kelsey Mack; W.L. Central (8-1): Laura Byerle, Jackie Fisher, Tarrin Miller; Salem (7-2): Ellen Canale, Nicole Genrich, Lauren Price, Maggie Tudor; Canton (6-3): Kelly Baker, Kate Esper, Kristen Lillie, Katie Mills; Stevenson (4-5): Ashley Aja, Ami Perreault, Clarissa Schick; Franklin (4-5): Janice Hudy, Ashley Sako, Jenny Schniers; John Glenn (3-6): Brooke Albery, Jennie Albrecht, Lauren James, Jackie Schroeder, Brittany Zywick; Wayne (2-7): Shannah Jones, Jessica Rowland, Stacy Vojtkofsky; W.L. Western (1-8): Ashley Belrose, Teri Burt, Shannon Osso; Northville (1-8): Kristen Dolmetsch, Nicky Horn, Katie Kneisel, Kelly Wasalaski.

VOLLEYBALL

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the Central match. Churchill breezed to a 15-4 win in the first game over Central, holding the dangerous Raquel Fiorentino to no kills.

But the second game was a different story as Fiorentino began to launch missiles against Churchill's right-side block to the tune of nine kills.

Florentino, a 5-7 junior, also got help from 5-10 senior Katie Rademacher (seven kills/one block) and Tarrin Miller (five kills/one ace).

"Central is tough," Hughes said. "We knew where the ball was going, but we couldn't stop her (Florentino). She jumps and swings. They also passed very well."

With Central serving for game point at 14-12, Churchill reeled off four straight points for the victory including a kill by Jedruszko at 14-all and an ace serve by Kimmy Meyer for

match point. "What a war," Hughes said. "It was tough. Our sophomore (Mack) stepped up and Kimmy served the last couple of points tough."

Phillips had six of her seven kills, while Morkert had five kills and one ace serve in the second game.

Defensively, Morkert had 34 digs; Jedruszko, 24; Gorte, 20; and Gatt, 15. Archer finished with 44 total assist-to-kills with only six errors in 168 attempts.

Meanwhile, the loss left Central at 37-17-1 overall. In the other semifinal, Central cruised by Stevenson, 15-4, 15-9.

Seeded fifth, Stevenson finished runner-up behind Churchill in Pool A with a 5-3 record, one game ahead of fourth seed Canton.

The Spartans then ousted Northville in the first-round of elimination, 15-13, 15-9.

"We arose to the challenge, we came to play," said Stevenson

coach Kelly Graham, whose team is 22-20-1 overall. "We had lost to Canton twice, then we split with them. We definitely played together today, but the hex (serve receive) came back against Central. And maybe we got a little tired."

Junior Linda Montgomery was Stevenson's top hitter on the day with 23 kills. She also had eight solo blocks and 17 assist-blocks.

Kelly Gibbons, also a junior, added 20 kills, 10 solo blocks and 28 assist-blocks, while Clarissa Schick had 17 total kills.

Standouts defensively included Kristen Hutchins (45 digs) and Erin Mazzoni (35 digs). Ami Perreault served five aces, while setter Laura Flaughner had 64 assists-to-kills.

If there's a team that stands in Churchill's way this Saturday at the Class A district tourney at South Lyon, it's 28-13 Salem.

The Rocks finished 6-2 in Pool B behind Walled Lake

Central, then reached the semi-final with a 15-4, 15-13 win over rival Canton.

Senior Amanda Bradley led Salme with 38 kills on the day, while sophomore Ellen Canale and freshman Lauren Price added 22 and 20, respectively. Setter Jordan Falcusan had 62 assists, while Nicole Genrich served five aces. Jill Niemi led with 15 digs, while Maggie Tudor contributed 13.

But Salem, the third seed, had no answers for Churchill, much like last year's WLAA final.

"They (Churchill) are faster, stronger and more experienced," Salem coach Tom Teeters said. "They have the edge in every area except serve, but maybe not even there."

"Their consistency factor is higher than most. They're hustlers, workers, a blue collar team. They play with a good intensity level."

"No doubt they did a better job setting, passing, digging,

serving, hitting and blocking. Their blocking intimidated us. The first game I didn't think they (Churchill) played well, and that was the game we had to win."

Agape tops Baptist Park

Canton Agape Christian will take a 16-9 record into Saturday's Class D volleyball tournament at Novi Franklin Road Christian after handling Taylor Baptist Park Tuesday 15-5, 15-0 at Baptist Park.

Lisa Ther and Amy Henry each had five kills for the Wolverines, with A.J. Creps collecting four service aces and Emily Tong getting three.

On Monday at Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, Agape was edged 15-6, 15-11. And last Thursday in a three-way match at Harper Woods Lutheran East, Agape got a split, defeating Trinity Catholic 15-7, 9-15, 15-8 and losing to Lutheran East 15-6, 15-10.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL
Thursday, Feb. 27
Det. Henry Ford at CC, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Northville, 7 p.m.
Salem at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at Canton, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 28
John Glenn at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Huron Valley at Det. Urban Lutheran, 7:30 p.m.

REGIONAL BOYS HOCKEY PAIRINGS
DIVISION I
at ANN ARBOR ICE POND
Thursday: Salem vs. A.A. Huron, 5:30 p.m.; Temperance Bedford vs. Brighton, 8 p.m.
Championship final: 7:30 p.m. Saturday (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals Wednesday, March 5 at Redford Arena vs. Ann Arbor Huron regional champion.)

at REDFORD ICE ARENA
Thursday: Royal Oak vs. Stevenson, 5 p.m.; Churchill vs. Catholic Central, 8 p.m.

Championship final: 8 p.m. Saturday (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals Wednesday, March 5 at Redford Arena vs. Ann Arbor Huron regional champion.)

PREP GIRLS HOCKEY
Saturday, March 1
Ladywood vs. Regina (S.C. Shores), 6 p.m.

DISTRICT GIRLS VOLLEYBALL PAIRINGS
CLASS A
Friday, Feb. 28 at LIVONIA LADYWOOD

First round: (A) Livonia Franklin vs. (B) Detroit Redford, 4:30 p.m.

Semifinals: Livonia Ladywood vs. Redford Union, 5:30 p.m.; Livonia Stevenson vs. A-B winner, 6:30 p.m.

Championship final: 7:30 p.m. (Winner advances Saturday, March 8 at Ypsilanti Lincoln vs. Ann Arbor Huron district champion.)

Saturday, March 1 at Ann Arbor Huron
First round: (A) Ann Arbor Huron vs. (B) Northville, 1 p.m.; (C) South Lyon vs. (D) Livonia Churchill, 25 minutes later.

Semifinals: Canton vs. A-B winner, 25 minutes after completion of first round; Salem vs. C-D winner, 25 minutes later.

Final: 25 minutes after completion of semifinals.
CLASS D
Saturday, March 1 at Novi Franklin Road Christian

First round: (A) Westland Huron Valley Lutheran vs. (B) Canton Agape Christian, 9 a.m.

Semifinals: Ann Arbor Rudolf Steiner School vs. Plymouth Christian Academy, 10:30 a.m.; Novi Franklin Road Christian vs. A-B winner, noon.

Final: 1:30 p.m.

TEAM WRESTLING
DIVISION IV STATE QUARTERFINALS
Friday, Feb. 28

Lutheran Westland vs. Decatur champ at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena, 1 p.m.

PREP GIRLS GYMNASTICS
Saturday, March 1

Division I regional at Canton, TBA.

PREP BOYS SWIMMING
Saturday, March 1

Catholic League Finals at R.O. Dondero, TBA.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Thursday, Feb. 27

WHAC Tournament: Madonna at Aquinas, 7 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Friday, Feb. 28

Whalers vs. Ottawa '67s (Compuware), 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 1

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

Run set June 21

The Galyan's Northville Solstice Run will be held Saturday, June 21. For more information, please call the Northville Parks and Recreation Department at (248) 449-9941 or race director Alan Whitehead at (248) 420-1376.

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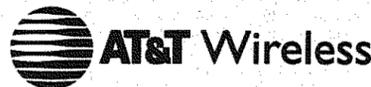
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Outdoorama offers plenty at Novi Expo

At this time of year, outdoor enthusiasts are constantly on the lookout for a cure for cabin fever.

Sure, ice fishing is heating up on many area lakes, and the bay of a beagle hot on the trail of a cottontail rabbit does have its medicinal effects.

But the only real cure for being cooped up all winter is a trip to an outdoor show to make plans for the warm-weather season.

Outdoorama Family Sport and Travel Show "the Granddaddy of outdoor shows in southeastern Michigan" opened this weekend and runs through March 2 at the Novi Expo Center.

Outdoorama is sponsored by the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, the largest statewide conservation group in the nation with over 500 affiliated clubs and close to 100,000 members.

Want to book a chartered fishing trip or a dream hunt out west or up in Canada? Looking for a new fishing pole, hunting vest, turkey decoy or bow and arrows? You can get all of the above and more at Outdoorama, which features over 200,000 square feet of floor space devoted to over 300 exhibits featuring the latest in hunting, fishing and camping equipment, boats, RV's and outfitters from across North America.

Outdoorama is much more than just an exhibitor's show. It's family entertainment at its best.

Master illusionist Lawrence Gregory will make history at Outdoorama when he makes a full-sized RV disappear right before your eyes.

Rock-n-roll guitarist Ted Nugent will also be on hand signing autographs and presenting a seminar on "Ted Nugent Spirit of the Michigan Wild."

There will also be a display entitled: "Great Cats of the World," which features a variety of African lions, leopards, cougars and tigers including a royal white Bengal tiger. The popular Hawg Tank, a 45-foot mobile aquarium holding



Outdoor Insights

Bill Parker

dozens of big bass, pike and walleyes will be the focal point of live demonstrations by some of the best professional fishermen from around the country.

There is also a trout pond for the kids, BB gun shooting ranges, fly tying seminars and a display of live birds of prey.

If that's not enough to break the fever, consider attending one of the specialized theme nights: Big Buck Night is Thursday, Feb. 27; and Family Night is Friday, Feb. 28.

Show hours are 4-9 p.m. Feb. 27 and 28; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. March 2; and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. March 1.

Admission is \$8 adults, \$4 for children 12 and under and children under age five will be admitted free. Family passes for four (one adult and three kids of two adults and two kids are available for \$20.)

TURKEY PERMITS ARE OUT

Hunters who applied for a spring wild turkey permit should have received a card in the mail informing them of their success "or lack thereof" in the lottery drawing. If you haven't heard you can check for yourself at the DNR's web site, www.michigan.gov/dnr.

Unsuccessful applicants can purchase one of the leftover licenses on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 10 a.m. Monday, March 3, at any authorized license dealer.

The number of leftover licenses is outlined on the DNR web site at the above address.

Bill Parker covers the outdoors for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Bill Parker, c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.

MU men's cagers fall to WHAC's 5th seed

Madonna University's men's basketball team qualified as the No. 5 seed in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tournament, which begins today, with a 14-15 overall record.

The Crusaders' 6-8 WHAC mark is their best ever; they play tonight at No. 4 Aquinas College.

Even though this is Madonna's best season in men's basketball, some of the luster was lost when star guard Dan Kurtinaitis — the first Crusader ever to be selected all-WHAC — was lost for the rest of the season to a knee injury suffered Feb. 18 in a loss at Concordia.

He was missed at Indiana Tech last Saturday. The Warriors outrebounded Madonna 46-26 and caused 36 turnovers to win easily, 79-60.

Chad Nadolmi led the Crusaders with 14 points, 10 rebounds and four steals. Aaron Cox added 13 points and five

assists, Noel Emenhiser had 12 points and Chris Behrns finished with 10.

Tech got 19 points from Detonio Hawkins, 11 points, nine boards and four steals from Kyle Anderson, and 10 points apiece from Chris Goings and Wayne Redmond. JuJuan Cooley totaled eight points and 10 steals.

The Warriors enter the WHAC Tournament with a 22-9 overall record (8-6 in the conference) as the No. 3 seed. They host sixth-seeded Spring Arbor (15-17 overall) tonight.

Siena Heights (25-6 overall) is the top seed; the Saints host No. 8 Tri-State (10-22 overall), while No. 7 Concordia (11-20) travels to No. 2 Cornerstone (24-6).

MADONNA (WOMEN) 70, INDIANA TECH 63: This was not a pretty basketball game.

Last Saturday at Indiana Tech, Madonna University was clearly dominant in both shooting and rebounding. But the Crusaders could not handle the ball nor shoot free throws, key reasons why they struggled to win by seven.

It was, nevertheless, a big win for Madonna, which entered last night's WHAC playoffs as the No. 5 seed — and that meant a return trip to play No. 4-seeded Tech for the Crusaders (results will appear in Sunday's Observer).

Both teams finished 8-6 in the WHAC; Madonna is 10-19 overall, Tech is 19-11.

Poor shooting plagued the Warriors, who converted just 18-of-67 floor shots (26.9 percent). Madonna made 28-of-60 (46.7 percent).

The Crusaders also had an enormous rebounding advantage, 61-31.

However, something that has troubled Madonna through much of the season — turnovers — was a big problem Saturday. The Crusaders had 33 of them; Tech made 13.

And Madonna was just 12-of-23 on free throws (52.2 percent), while Tech made 24-of-34 (70.6 percent).

Four players reached double figures in scoring for the Crusaders: Lindsay Simmon with 23, Nikki Blaszk with 16, and Courtney Rehbine and Loriann Tschirhart with 10 apiece.

Rehbine also had a team-high 12 rebounds, while Rehbine collected nine and Simmon and Tschirhart got eight apiece. Tschirhart also dished out seven assists.

DeNisha Gray and Thyoshi Chambers scored 13 apiece for Tech.

BEST BOYS SWIM TIMES

OBSERVER'S BEST BOYS SWIM TIMES

Through Feb. 18

200-yard medley relay
(Division 1 state cut: 1:44.09)

Salem	1:42.19
Catholic Central	1:46.59
Canton	1:44.15
Stevenson	1:45.30
Redford Union	1:49.72

200-yard freestyle
(Division 1 state cut: 1:50.39)

Ben Dziadlo (Salem)	1:47.04
Andy Grant (Churchill)	1:48.92
Nick Dixon (Salem)	1:50.00
Matt Jurcak (Salem)	1:50.02
Joe Le (Canton)	1:51.12
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
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	1:56.29

200-yard individual medley
(Division 1 state cut: 2:04.99)

Rob Cyrek (CC)	2:01.81
Nick Dixon (Salem)	2:02.54
Ben Dziadlo (Salem)	2:03.78
Andrew Carlin (CC)	2:04.29
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	2:04.64
Jeff Nevi (Salem)	2:09.05
Andrew Drennen (Wayne)	2:09.09
Yuhei Uno (Canton)	2:09.09
Steve Reasor (Canton)	2:10.35
Joe Le (Canton)	2:11.35

50-yard freestyle
(Division 1 state cut: 22.94)

Ben Dziadlo (Salem)	22.51
Joe Le (Canton)	22.44
Matt Vivian (Salem)	22.89
Morgan Truscott (Churchill)	23.11
Andrew Carlin (CC)	23.52
Dan Jones (CC)	23.54
Orlen Dashi (John Glenn)	23.66
Kris Kinsvater (Stevenson)	23.86
Bill Clark (Salem)	23.82
Jordan Champine (Canton)	23.89

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 Dziadlo (Salem)	52.78
Rob Cyrek (CC)	54.69
Nick Dixon (Salem)	54.97
Yuhei Uno (Canton)	55.36
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson)	55.62
Mike Horgan (Salem)	56.10
John Faraoni (Canton)	56.81
Andrew Carlin (CC)	57.03
Shogo Uno (Canton)	58.49
Joe Le (Canton)	59.11

100-yard freestyle
(Division 1 state cut: 49.99)

Joe Le (Canton)	48.55
Ben Dziadlo (Salem)	49.21
Rob Cyrek (CC)	50.26
Morgan Truscott (Churchill)	50.38
Andy Grant (Churchill)	50.74
Andrew Carlin (CC)	51.06
Brendan Cummings (Stevenson)	51.26
Nick Dixon (Salem)	51.42
Kris Kinsvater (Stevenson)	51.49
Matt Vivian (Salem)	51.59

500-yard freestyle
(Division 1 state cut: 5:01.49)

Nick Dixon (Salem)	4:53.91
Ben Dziadlo (Salem)	5:00.92
Nick Stone (John Glenn)	5:06.66
James Sattler (Canton)	5:07.43
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson)	5:07.96
Adam Sonnanstine (Salem)	5:08.97
Andy Grant (Churchill)	5:10.65
Joe Aumiller (Salem)	5:11.27
Joe Zatkoff (CC)	5:11.99
Mike Horgan (Salem)	5:12.10

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	1:34.17
Redford Union	1:36.60

100-yard backstroke
(Division 1 state cut: 57.09)

Nick Dixon (Salem)	56.41
Yuhei Uno (Canton)	56.92
Ben Dziadlo (Salem)	58.39
Nick Stone (John Glenn)	58.65
Jeff Nevi (Salem)	59.02
Nick Yee (Salem)	59.32
Matt Jurcak (Salem)	59.38
John Faraoni (Canton)	59.77
Dale Donahue (Redford Union)	1:00.30
Greg Scully (Churchill)	1:01.36

100-yard breaststroke
(Division 1 state cut: 1:03.49)

Matt Showalter (Salem)	1:04.07
Ben Dziadlo (Salem)	1:04.47
Andrew Drennen (Wayne)	1:04.51
Kris Kinsvater (Stevenson)	1:05.52
Jason Anderson (Stevenson)	1:05.81
Casey Johnson (Salem)	1:06.51
Andrew Knisely (Plymouth)	1:07.21
Andrew Carlin (CC)	1:07.21
Penn Chou (Salem)	1:07.33
Jeremy Bowling (Wayne)	1:06.91

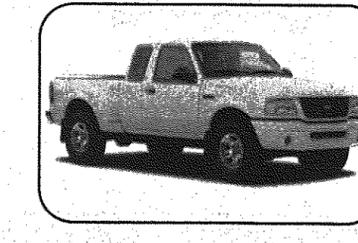
400-yard freestyle relay
(Division 1 state cut: 3:25.39)

Salem	3:21.24
Catholic Central	3:24.59
Canton	3:27.04
Churchill	3:27.60
Stevenson	3:31.20

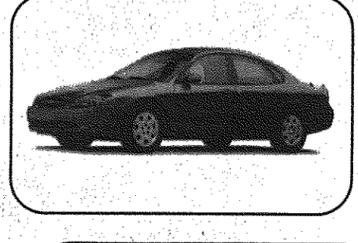
Greg Phil, Livonia Stevenson's girls swim coach, is compiling the boys' best times. Updates for the Thursday edition of the Observer must be reported by 2 p.m. Sunday. Phil may be reached at (734) 464-9443, or email him at gphil15269@aol.com.



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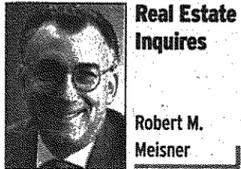
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Real Estate Inquires
Robert M. Meisner

Buying in D.C. area

I am thinking about relocating to the Washington, D.C., area and am wondering if you have any knowledge of housing in that area in terms of price and availability?

The real estate in Washington, D.C., and the surrounding Maryland and Virginia suburbs continues to be a hot market. The prices of housing continue to escalate at somewhere between 10-15 percent a year and the demand appears to outweigh the availability, and in that regard, new construction. While there has been a great deal of development in the condo area in Virginia, Maryland and in downtown D.C., property continues to appreciate substantially in value. Do your homework first in the area in which you want to reside to make sure you will be getting the amenities that you wish. You are best advised to consult a real estate adviser in the locale in which you are interested.

I have inherited along with my brother and sister various property in Florida, which is now in a family trust with each of us as beneficiaries. The trustees are in concurrence with selling the property to a third party or one of us buying the other party's interest. I would appreciate your insight as to the specific steps if we sell it ourselves through a Realtor or possibly purchase it without a Realtor, and can we do it through a Michigan lawyer with a Florida law license?

It all depends on where the trust was entered into which way you go. Obviously, if you sell the property through a Realtor you will have to pay a commission. If you buy it yourself, it would be a document that would be prepared between the trust and you, which could be prepared in Michigan so long as the conveyance complies with the recording statutes of Florida. You are best advised, however, to seek an attorney in Michigan. Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer, concentrates his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. He can be reached at bmeisner@mich.com.

LOOKING AROUND

How do average 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages with 20 percent down here stack up against other large metro areas? Here's a sampling for the week of Jan. 29.

Location	Percent
Dallas	5.89%
Detroit	5.86
Los Angeles	5.94
Washington D.C.	5.96
Philadelphia	5.97
Boston	6.01
Houston	6.02
New York City	6.08
San Francisco	6.09
Chicago	6.13
National Average	5.99

Source: ASSOCIATED PRESS

Home tax benefits add up

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

At no time do the financial implications of home ownership become more clear than tax preparation season.

Sure, folks usually realize a healthy profit when they sell, especially if they've stayed put for a while. But taxes come due every year.

And deductions - or offsets to taxable income - for mortgage interest and property taxes paid month after month during ownership can result in an annual bonanza with the filing of Schedule A for Federal Tax Form 1040.

Deductions for home ownership can be substantial.

Marrieds Larry and Lauren, owners of a \$174,950 home in Livonia with a \$139,960 mortgage for 30 years at 5-7/8 percent, can deduct \$8,175 in mortgage interest their first year of ownership.

At current rates, they also could deduct \$3,024 for property taxes paid, which includes the Livonia school district.

Those two deductions alone total \$11,199. The standard deduction for married filing joint is \$7,850.

Sally, single, owns a \$160,000 home in Southfield with a mortgage of \$128,000 at an adjustable rate of 5-1/8 percent. Her first-year deduction for mortgage interest is \$6,517. Property taxes at current rates, Southfield school district, run \$4,471.

Those two deductions alone total \$10,988. The standard deduction for filing single is \$4,700.

TAX BENEFITS

The more that individual itemized deductions like mortgage interest and property taxes exceed the standard deduction, the less federal income tax people pay and the more valuable home ownership becomes financially.

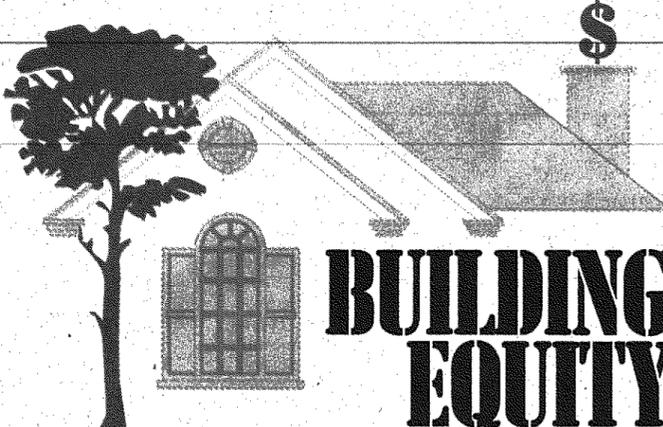
That doesn't even include the benefits of building equity, appreciation resulting from market forces and, perhaps most important, enjoying the home while paying for it, real estate professionals and builders point out.

"Deductions are huge, huge," said Daniel B. Smith, senior vice president and sales manager for Republic Bank in Plymouth. "It just makes housing that much more attractive."

"Renters get double whacked," he added. "They pay and don't own and get no deductions."

Many buyers, especially first timers, vaguely may be aware that there are tax benefits to home ownership, said Bobbye J. Williams, a Realtor with Century 21 Elegant Homes in Southfield. But they don't know specifics.

"It often comes up," Williams said. "Home ownership is one of the biggest tax write-offs. Especially if they're self-



employed and working out of the home. I always recommend that they seek out expert advice."

Crunching the deduction numbers can be a real eye-opener, added Marilyn Moir, associate broker with RE/MAX Encore in Clarkston.

"Once I showed a prospective homeowner the savings they would realize with ownership versus renting. They were not only pleased, but surprised," she said.

Lifestyle probably is the main reason most people decide to buy a house, Moir conceded, but tax deductions are a close second.

"We may be living in an apartment and may have a baby on the way and the primary motivation may be more space," she said. "A secondary motivation might be, 'Wow, look at what we can save on taxes.'"

SOME TIDBITS

Here are a few interesting facts about home ownership and taxes:

■ Interest is deductible for a primary mortgage, second mortgage and home equity loan.

■ Mortgage interest and real estate taxes are deductible on a personal tax return for two homes used primarily for personal enjoyment and not business.

■ Points paid to obtain a more favorable interest rate on an original mortgage are deductible totally in the year the mortgage is obtained. Points on refinancings must be pro-rated over the life of the refinancing. All outstanding point amounts may be recaptured on sale.

■ A point is 1 percent of the loan amount.

■ Condominium association fees however charged - monthly, quarterly or annually - aren't deductible.

■ Special assessments to replace deteriorating sidewalks and roads are

deductible, but special assessments for original public improvements aren't.

■ Boats and mobile homes qualify for the same deductions as more traditional houses and condos as long as basic living accommodations including sleeping space, toilet and cooking facilities.

■ Some folks believe they must buy a home of equal or greater value when moving to avoid capital gains taxes on the sale of the preceding home.

Not so. For sales after May 6, 1997, single filers can exclude \$250,000 of appreciated value, married joints \$500,000 before paying capital gains tax on a sale.

This applies to a home used as a primary residence at least two of the five years preceding sale. And two years must pass before this exclusion can be used again.

■ Moving expenses - available to both owners and renters - may be deductible with a job change. Generally, the new workplace must be at least 50 miles farther from the old residence than the former residence was from the former workplace.

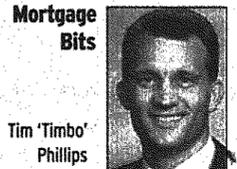
Deductible expenses include travel, meals, lodging and van rental/labor costs.

■ Michigan also provides a property tax credit - a direct reduction on tax due - on state returns for homeowners whose household income is \$82,650 or less.

The credit generally is 60 percent of the amount that property taxes paid exceeds 3-1/2 percent of household income. The credit is reduced 10 percent for every \$1,000 that household income exceeds \$73,650.

Renters also may qualify for this credit, as 20 percent of rent is considered property tax paid.

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Mortgage Bits
Tim 'Timbo' Phillips

Seek help before you refinance

As with other investment decisions, homeowners contemplating mortgage refinances must evaluate whether such a move is fiscally wise.

Unfortunately, borrowers often overlook important factors that should play into their refinance decision.

A common means of making refinance decisions involves the use of a simple rule: If you can improve your interest rate by 1 percent and you will remain in the new mortgage for two years, then it is a good idea to refinance. As a young loan officer, I tried to use that tenet, but found that it was rarely accurate enough to suit my needs.

The problem with that rule is that it is entirely too broad, and it fails to consider several important factors. It also does not help borrowers who may be refinancing out of an FHA loan into a conventional mortgage, or from a fixed-rate into an adjustable-rate. There's also no accounting for the benefits of refinancing to pay off debts, or to eliminate private mortgage insurance from your monthly payment.

As with any other area of your family's financial planning, it usually helps to have a professional assist with your refinance decision. To provide you with the best information to make your decision, your loan mortgage loan officer should ask you questions specific to your situation.

How long will you be in the new loan? What is your current interest rate?

What type of mortgage do you have now? How large is your existing loan?

Will you be taking out cash to relieve other debts? Do you currently pay mortgage insurance?

The answers to these questions play an important role in deciding whether or not you should refinance. They will help your loan officer determine whether you should use a no-cost ARM, or a discounted fixed-rate mortgage, or something completely different. More than anything, an accurate cost analysis will let you know a very important thing - that you made the right decision.

Making life decisions without facts is really no different than taking a guess. Hopefully, your mortgage is your family's largest debt. It makes sense to manage that debt deliberately and with care.

Timothy J. Phillips is a mortgage specialist and newspaper columnist. You may reach him at (734) 797-5522, or via www.HomeQuarters.BIZ. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

War will impact housing market, but how?

If the U.S. gets involved in a war, housing prices may fall, according to RealEstateJournal.com, *The Wall Street Journal's* guide to property.

Although every war - and its economic backdrop - is different, wars often depress housing prices because they hurt consumer confidence. Especially, when they occur during periods of economic distress.

"If the U.S. goes to war in 2003, housing is going to be vulnerable," said Valerie Patterson, senior producer of RealEstateJournal.com.

Just how vulnerable, though, depends on how long the war lasts.

If it's quick and decisive, many analysts think it could actually help the economy by reducing the uncertainty that

now hangs over the stock market and consumer confidence.

But if the war drags on, it could easily lead to higher oil prices and higher interest rates, two problems that could result in fewer home sales.

People are cautious about major purchases during wartime, Patterson said.

Don Catlett, a Realtor with Remerica Integrity in Livonia and president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors, echoes that sentiment.

"With war, I expect a big stop while people gather their thoughts on what's going on," he said. "They figure, 'Now I've lost control.' If it's a short war ... it might give a big pop to the economy."

"If war lasts a long time, it will be a long pause, a short

war, a short pause," he said.

The cold weather and uncertainty about the economy - especially oil prices - have kept houses on the market longer in recent months, Catlett added. But mortgage interest rates remain low, sales prices holding firm, he said.

Beverly Bartus, president of the North Oakland County Board of Realtors and manager of the Prudential Chamberlain Stiehl office in Clarkston, is a bit more upbeat.

"I'm not saying war will have no effect, but housing will go on," she said. "People need to buy and sell houses regardless of circumstances. As long as we can keep the economy going, jobs, interest rates (low), it won't stop everything. It will make people concerned."

"Companies are still bringing people in," Bartus said. "Interest rates are so good."

"Initially, things would slow down some as people process what's going on," said Gary Arini, president of the Metropolitan Consolidated Association of Realtors and broker/owner of Century 21 AAA in Eastpointe.

"The first thing on their mind isn't going to be go out and buy houses," he said. "A week or two, depending on what happens, will dictate. If there's another attack here, it will slow down. If it (war) is completed quickly, it will be business as normal."

Action is better with more affordable properties now, Arini said.

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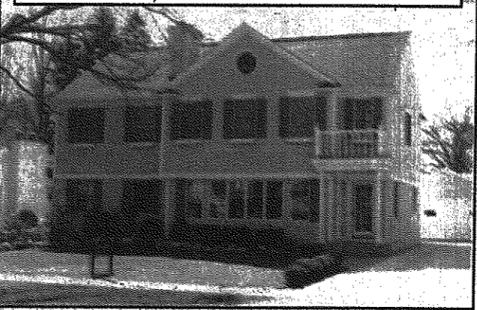
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These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of Nov. 18-22 at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Auburn Hills	6166 Stonewood \$77,000	2537 Mueller \$157,000	30783 Everett \$125,000
385 Alberta \$116,000	9811 Trotter \$245,000	4581 Rohr \$185,000	20184 Evergreen Meadows \$175,000
2484 Allerton \$152,000	6492 Waters Edge \$265,000	1016 S Long Lake \$180,000	24153 Evergreen \$123,000
784 Alpeana \$112,000	5216 Woodcreek \$209,000	227 Stratford \$192,000	24898 Farmbrook \$155,000
3699 Eaton Gate \$290,000	Commerce Township	363 W Church \$197,000	26601 Franklin Pointe \$147,000
3420 N Squirrel \$160,000	528 Andrews \$157,000	2872 Walmsley \$273,000	19017 Green Spruce \$185,000
278 S Grey \$253,000	1893 Applebrook \$410,000	37 Waterview \$270,000	27220 Harvard \$250,000
865 Southampton \$55,000	4942 Fair Lane \$330,000	Lathrup Village	21400 Independence \$218,000
	8490 Golf Lane \$309,000	27250 Evergreen \$132,000	23572 Lahser \$106,000
	754 Hummerside \$272,000	27427 Lathrup \$212,000	20175 Ledgestone \$175,000
	3350 Mandrake \$163,000	Oxford	20669 Mada Ave \$105,000
	1407 Oakley Park \$115,000	408 Hillcrest \$105,000	20669 Mada Ave \$75,000
	2794 Orenda \$174,000	2278 N Baldwin \$175,000	20133 Rodeo \$175,000
	5010 Parkgate \$338,000	604 Oxford Oaks \$338,000	25530 Southfield \$140,000
	4501 Phillip \$440,000	51 Park \$130,000	29939 Spring River \$158,000
	634 Sherbrook \$185,000	5 S Washington \$320,000	15999 W 11 Mile \$64,000
	3401 Stallion Way \$508,000	1835 Seymour Lake \$420,000	26906 W 12 Mile \$161,000
Beverly Hills	5270 Williamston \$380,000	201 Tanview \$129,000	Troy
31614 Auburn \$310,000	Farmington	160 Aberdeen \$270,000	3597 Acorn \$397,000
31154 W Chelton \$370,000	33650 Hillcrest \$180,000	886 Aspen \$275,000	3424 Alpine \$283,000
Bingham Farms	35285 Lone Pine \$214,000	1078 Bloomview \$438,000	1139 Boyd \$160,000
32840 Outland \$535,000	31732 Marblehead \$186,000	1682 Maple Creek \$333,000	1371 Burns \$368,000
Birmingham	Farmington Hills	3707 Oakmonte \$170,000	1639 Caliper \$333,000
1451 Cedar \$371,000	29491 Arlington Way \$308,000	3725 Oakmonte \$220,000	2091 Chalgrove \$189,000
1832 E Lincoln \$215,000	22173 Atlantic Pointe \$122,000	742 Shortridge \$342,000	6860 Dakota \$162,000
759 Forest \$145,000	37583 Burton \$313,000	3157 Silverbrook \$228,000	4529 Gaylord \$650,000
1724 Graefield \$161,000	22611 Clear Lake \$345,000	3664 Sunnyside \$398,000	6761 Granger \$348,000
684 Madison \$448,000	32480 Dohany \$197,000	245 Taylor \$147,000	6904 Granger \$525,000
751 N Old Woodward \$285,000	36950 Dunstable \$349,000	411 Woodward \$110,000	184 Harrington \$149,000
559 W Brown \$450,000	27800 Forestbrook \$210,000	Rochester Hills	2028 Hartshorn \$197,000
1822 Washington \$268,000	28961 Green Castle \$162,000	2318 Arizona \$197,000	759 Kirks \$155,000
1591 Webster \$162,000	26740 Holly Hill \$270,000	1377 Autumn \$155,000	3269 Newbury \$285,000
Bloomfield Hills/Township	37709 Hollyhead \$990,000	3027 Burlington \$252,000	3684 Old Creek \$161,000
28 Balfour \$990,000	27471 Kallish \$408,000	1213 Candlestick \$285,000	2774 Orchard Trail \$358,000
518 Brownley \$754,000	29318 Lake Park \$291,000	838 Castlebar \$176,000	2826 Roundtree \$133,000
5765 Crabtree \$390,000	21960 Leyte \$185,000	1614 Crestline \$247,000	2184 Rushmore \$197,000
2464 Devonshire \$185,000	22801 Lisa \$340,000	2860 Crooks \$340,000	2783 Saratoga \$92,000
1909 Eagle Pointe \$242,000	28638 Oak Point \$469,000	3082 Florence \$365,000	71 Timberview \$455,000
804 Edgemont Run \$469,000	32643 Olde Franklin \$425,000	2487 Gerald \$257,000	2225 Vermont \$170,000
4457 Far Hill \$320,000	31508 Orchard \$320,000	3125 Grant \$155,000	1535 Witherbee \$190,000
5430 Forest Way \$320,000	31554 Orchard \$320,000	911 Hampstead \$157,000	West Bloomfield
1963 Fox River \$320,000	31574 Orchard \$285,000	3140 John R \$150,000	4128 Autumn Ridge \$575,000
4655 Franklin \$285,000	26400 Springland \$418,000	114 Longford \$148,000	6010 Beachwood \$355,000
1787 Hickory Bark \$418,000	29273 Stillwater \$430,000	2889 Longview \$375,000	6951 Brook Hollow \$745,000
2086 Lakewood \$430,000	29302 Stillwater \$490,000	2589 Melvin \$400,000	5175 Corners \$262,000
712 Parkman \$490,000	30138 Stockton \$270,000	1373 N Acree \$125,000	2202 Forest \$215,000
2751 Rambling Way \$270,000	28498 Thorny Brae \$70,000	827 Oakbrook \$5,000	6226 Golden \$185,000
1520 Surria \$630,000	28498 Thorny Brae \$70,000	1182 Oakwood \$254,000	6581 Heather Heath \$225,000
4113 Telegraph \$70,000	31993 W 12 Mile \$540,000	85 Orcharddale \$92,000	6068 Kiev St \$300,000
14 Vaughan Ridge \$540,000	Keego Harbor	449 Pinhurst \$260,000	7923 Lawrence \$226,000
100 W Hickory Grove \$85,000	1996 Lakeland \$160,000	1596 Rivers Edge \$177,000	6380 Norma Lee \$330,000
Clarkston	3399 Orchard Lake \$285,000	3502 Rocky Crest \$370,000	5364 Pocono Dr \$277,000
6796 Balmoral \$200,000	Lake Orion	1377 Ruby Ave \$205,000	5316 Pond Bluff Dr \$430,000
6489 Church \$160,000	3121 Buckner \$195,000	144 Stratford \$155,000	4798 Rolling Ridge \$515,000
8355 Fawn Valley \$304,000	745 Central \$295,000	162 Tartan \$308,000	7391 Sherwood Creek \$238,000
6164 Lake Waldon \$270,000	160 Conklin \$161,000	1733 W Ridge \$879,000	6648 Stonebridge \$465,000
6628 Laurelton \$185,000	803 Fairview \$319,000	755 Woodfield Way \$270,000	7249 Westchester \$181,000
9528 Maple \$347,000	3428 Gingell \$143,000	Southfield	6585 Westphalia \$232,000
8835 Minne Wana \$260,000	3452 Gingell \$138,000	18790 Addison \$188,000	7273 Woodlore \$445,000
9939 N Eston \$282,000	600 Hemingway \$160,000	29895 Brentwood \$101,000	
7243 N Village \$77,000	3992 May Center \$299,000	18800 Capitol \$248,000	
5220 Ridge \$418,000			

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In his RealEstateJournal.com column House Talk, Wall Street Journal reporter Patrick Barta noted some good news on the current housing front. Interest rates for 30-year mortgages are extremely low - below 6 percent. The supply of

homes is tighter than during the Gulf War. Also, Americans appear to be more willing to view real estate as a safe haven than in the early 1990s. Home sales have been robust since Sept. 11, 2001. While all of that won't necessarily prevent a slowdown in the event of a conventional war, it could help offset some of the pain.

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GREAT LOCATION - Easy access to all expressways, while still enjoying the country in your own backyard. Spacious 4 bedroom, 2 full bath bi-level. A must to see! Sellers motivated. Priced to sell! \$179,500 (569NO)



READY TO MOVE INTO! - 4 bedroom, 2 bath cape cod in a great neighborhood. 2 car garage, full bsmt totally updated in last 6 months, new furnace, A/C, HWH, carpet, paint, ceramic tile, interior/exterior doors, garage doors, glass block windows, roof, windows, gutters, kitchen cabinets, countertops & dishwasher. A must see! \$189,900 (557GA)



NEWER HOME ON PRIVATE ROAD - 2,300 sq. ft. colonial w/4 bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths. Open floor plan w/spacious rooms & spectacular views. Two car attached, side entry garage. First floor laundry. \$305,000 (726PI)



UPSCALE TREATS! - GR & master BR offer extra prestige in this 3 BR, 2 1/2 bath superbly maintained, single-owner condo. 2-car garage. Foyer, open to GR w/FP. Stylish custom blinds, master w/walk-in closet. Full bath & vaulted ceilings. Large view deck for outdoor living. Well kept grounds. Immediately available. \$209,900 (207SA)



NORTHVILLE LAKEFRONT! - Enjoy the views from this Mocerri built classic colonial with walk-out. Two story foyer, dual staircase, family room w/dual fireplace, gourmet kitchen, spacious master suite, deck off kitchen, brick paver patio, and a 3-car garage. Many extras! \$1,280,000 (952MI)



VALUE PRICED COLONIAL - Two year old home is better than new with landscaping, deck, and sprinklers already installed. Gourmet island kitchen, deluxe master suite with Jacuzzi bath, and a fabulous open floor plan. Circular drive. Swim club membership. \$389,900 (934OA)



INVESTOR ALERT - Looking for a great investment? These 2 buildings each are fully occupied, have 8 units each & offer income growth. Each unit comes complete w/stove, refrigerator & A/C. On-site coin operated washer/dryer. Updates include roof & siding. Great location, close to highways & airport. Call for details. \$449,900 & \$399,900 (934HO)



THINK SPRING/SUMMER NOW! - Great 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath north Canton home with a stunning in-ground pool and hot tub. Numerous updates too! Windows, family rooms, bath, roof, furnace, air, siding, cedar deck. Add a perfectly finished basement with 1/2 bath. Special home! \$245,900 (245PR)



IMMACULATE! - 3 BD, 1700 sq. ft. ranch on a corner lot - great neighborhood. This is the one to call home, meticulously maintained. Features inc. remodeled kit, newer windows, FR w/gas FP, C/A, brick paver patio, newer carpet, in-ground sprinklers, neutral decor. Matching stove, refrigerator, & dishwasher included. \$178,000 (903MU)



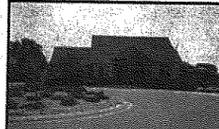
BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED - Hurry on this 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath ranch with full finished basement w/wet bar and featuring vaulted ceilings, newer full baths. The upstairs study could be furnace, A/C, freshly painted, updated used as a 4th bedroom. Seller is willing to help with closing costs. \$178,900 and 3-tier decking. Garage (845WA)



COUNTRY LIVING IN THE CITY of Livonia on over 1/2 acre. This charming 3 bedroom bungalow with 2 full baths. The upstairs study could be used as a 4th bedroom. Seller is willing to help with closing costs. \$178,900 (845WA)



CUSTOM BUILT ONE OF A KIND - Plymouth's prestigious Hunters Creek colonial - 3,800 sq. ft. Over \$70,000 in upgraded kitchen, granite counters, 2nd room, 2 1/2 baths, walkout basement, sink in island, built-in China cabinet & more. Large bedrooms, neutral decor throughout, bright & cheerful home. Court location, easy access to freeways. A must see. \$599,900 (693HU)



PINE BLUFFS OF MILFORD - Great floor plan, 1962 sq. ft., 1st floor master bedroom, loft overlooks great Jacuzzi bath, and a fabulous open floor plan. Circular drive. Swim club membership. \$389,900 (934OA)



RECOMMENDED - A custom kitchen to behold, striking light fixtures, obvious architectural interest and style, French doors to second bedroom/study, doorwall off master suite and just steps to the golf course. \$347,500 (798LO)



BETTER THAN NEW - Just under an acre and loaded with upgrades. Priced to sell and featuring: hardwood floors, granite counters, custom woodwork, built-ins including a 42" plasma TV and outstanding landscape package. \$495,000 (680TT)

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RE/MAX to give scholarships

RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan, headquartered in Bingham Farms, extends its community involvement with a college scholarship program for high school seniors in Oakland, Wayne, Macomb and Monroe counties.

The company will award 25 \$1,000 scholarships on this its 25th anniversary here.

The deadline for submitting applications is Monday, March 31, 2003.

To obtain an entry form, contact Jeanette Schneider at (248) 644-6420, check on-line at www.many-houses.com or visit any local RE/MAX office.

"We established The American Dream scholarship in part to acknowledge that this is a special year for our company," said Schneider, vice president and co-

'This is an exciting opportunity and we urge every school ... to encourage their grade 12 students to apply.'

Jeanette Schneider
RE/MAX

regional director of RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan. "Of equal importance, we believe in the value of education as a means for today's youth to become tomorrow's community and business leaders," she said. "This is an exciting opportunity and we urge

every school in our four-county region to encourage their grade 12 students to apply."

RE/MAX introduced the American Dream sponsorship program to recognize the interests and ongoing pursuits of local students.

To apply, students must provide a short essay on what the American Dream means to them and the role that higher education plays in helping to achieve that dream.

Essays and supporting materials will be judged on content, originality and creativity.

Specializing in residential sales, RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan covers Oakland, Macomb, Wayne and Monroe counties with more than 1,100 sales associates in 60 offices.

MOVERS & SHAKERS

Mavrinac received a law degree from the University of Michigan and a bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College. He lives in Plymouth.

Dave Cornwell, Del Cornwell, Joyce Cornwell and Mary L. Bush, brokers/owners of Cornwell & Bush Real Estate have purchased RE/MAX Associates and are operating at 33104 Grand River just east of Farmington Road in downtown Farmington.

The telephone number is (248) 477-5114, the fax (248) 477-5113.

Toyoda Gosei and Tokai Rika Co., both headquartered in Japan, will collaborate globally for the development and testing of safety systems in a building under construction in Plymouth.

A hydraulic reverse crash sled accelerator will be placed in the 60,450-square-foot building on Port in Industrial Corporate Park. August is the targeted completion/operational time frame.

TG North America, a subsidiary of Toyoda Gosei, is in Troy.

Friedman Real Estate Group, a commercial firm headquartered in Farmington Hills, has been involved in several recent transactions.

Harry Cohn represented the purchaser, FSA Real Estate, of a 24,500-square-foot office/industrial building in Warren; also, he represented both the seller, Gulliver Co., and buyer, city of Taylor, in the sale of a former Farmer Jack store in that city for a condominium redevelopment.

Barry Swatsenbarg and David Friedman represented the seller, World Vision, in the sale of a 136-500-square-foot single-tenant shopping center in Flint.

Barry Landau represented Universal Mall in Warren in the lease of 25,000 square feet there to T.J. Maxx; Jim Roberts represented both the landlord, C.I.M. Building, and tenant, Riverfront Plastic Products, in the lease of 7,000 square feet of industrial space in Wyandotte.

Rob Hibbert, Kevin George and Mitchell Lipton represented both the buyer, Camelot Homes, and undisclosed seller of 2-1/2 acres of vacant land on Harrison in Royal Oak to be developed as townhomes.

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other news within the real estate, construction, architecture and mortgage communities.

Send a brief summary including town of residency and black and white photo to Real Estate Movers and Shakers, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150. Our fax number is (734) 591-7279.

Two staffers with Neumann Smith & Associates, an architecture, planning, interior design firm in Southfield, have passed professional certification examinations.

James M. Stock, RA, successfully completed the National Council of Architectural Registration Board exam and is a registered architect in Michigan.

Stock joined Neumann/Smith in 1993 and since has worked on some of the firm's most challenging projects.

He earned bachelor of science in architecture and bachelor of architecture degrees from Lawrence Technological University and a master of architecture degree from the University of Illinois.

Stock lives in Berkley.

Jamie Millsbaugh successfully completed the National Council for Interior Design Qualifications examination.

Millsbaugh joined the firm in 2000 and has been responsible for space planning, workplace performance, computer design, construction documents, finish selection and construction administration.

She has a bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University with a major in interior design and a minor in industrial supervision and management.

Millsbaugh lives in Royal Oak.

Anthony J. Mavrinac has been elected a principal with the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone in Detroit.

Since joining the firm in 1995, Mavrinac has specialized in real estate, construction and equipment financing.



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Millsbaugh

Average mortgage rate hits record low

(AP) - Mortgage rates last week set new lows, and economists said that means more good news for the housing industry.

The average interest rate nationally on a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage dipped to 5.84 percent, down from 5.86 percent the previous week, the mortgage company Freddie Mac reported in its latest survey.

That was the lowest since Freddie Mac 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.

Rates for 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, edged down last week to 5.21 percent from 5.26 percent. The new rate is the lowest since Freddie Mac began tracking 15-year mortgages in 1991.

Rates for one-year adjustable rate mortgages also set a record, dropping to 3.81 percent after three straight weeks at the previous record low, 3.89 percent. Freddie Mac began tracking these rates in 1984.

'Current record-breaking low mortgage rates are keeping demand for housing strong, even as the overall economy stumbles sluggishly into the first part of the year.'

Frank Nothaft
Freddie Mac

gishly into the first part of the year," said Frank Nothaft, chief economist at Freddie Mac.

Mortgage applications are holding at high levels, a good indication "housing will continue to prop up the economy for a while longer," he said.

Low 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 has helped to support consumer spending, one of few sources of strength for the economy.

Mortgage rates reported by Freddie Mac don't include add-on fees known as points. Thirty-year and 15-year mortgages each carried an average fee of 0.6 point last 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 6.81 percent, 15-year mortgages were 6.28 percent and one-year adjustable mortgages stood at 4.96 percent.

Low mortgage rates sent sales of both new and existing homes to record levels last year.

Last week, the government reported that construction of new homes and apartments posted a 16-year high in January, which analysts saw as a sign the housing industry was off to another good year.

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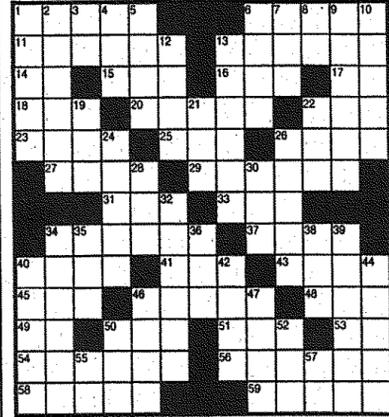
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Bookkeeper-Full Charge or Accountant Construction Industry. Job cost analysis experience. General Ledger thru financial statements. Computer accounting/Quickbooks Pro. Supervising office & accounting staff. Interact with sales department. Send resume & salary requirements: PO Box 40051, Redford, MI 48240.

CERICAL

Novi area Co. with friendly casual environment seeks individual to perform order entry and varied clerical tasks. Good computer skills required. Diversified Recruiters 248-344-6704 diversified@qbsdr.com

Clerical/Receptionist

No weekends, full-time, less than 5 days? It's possible for the right person! We need talented, trained staff, looking for a change from a traditional medical office. Thriving Novi natural health professional practice position for clerical/receptionist. Send resume to DHS, 143 Cady Centre, PMB 331, Northville, MI 48167 or fax 248-477-8320 Attn: Lanetta

CREDIT CLERK

Virginia Tile Company in Farmington Hills is seeking a credit clerk w/2-3 yrs. experience. Candidate must have Excel, Account Analysis, and payment reconciliation skills. Full time position includes benefits & 401K. Call: HR Manager, 248-476-7850 x2264 or fax resume to: 248-476-3828

CUSTOMER SERVICE-INSURANCE

Personal Lines CSR for insurance agency in Novi. Insurance experience & computer background required. Excellent working environment & benefits. Fax resume to: 248-380-6178

DATA ENTRY CLERK

A Westland based co. is seeking a temporary data entry clerk w/1-2 yrs of exp. Accounts payable, data entry of sales & various internet functions. Excel & Word skills are a must, & Quickbooks exp. helpful. Please fax resume to 734-728-4475 or mail to Easy Rest LLC, 6132 Executive Dr. Westland, MI 48155 or email to mcles19@hotmail.com, Attn: Leslie, NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

Highly-organized/energetic individual needed to perform a wide variety of duties for small assoc. in Farmington Hills (correspondence, mailings, AR/AP, scheduling, mag. production (lay-out), minutes/agendas, membership database maintenance & advertising. Must be proficient in MS Word Office Suite; database exp. a plus. Must have exc. oral/written communication skills & at least 3 yr. exp. Some travel required. HR Director -ASA P.O. Box 9094 Farmington Hills, MI 48331 FAX: 248-848-3771

FILE CLERK/RECEPTIONIST

For Southfield law firm. Must have reliable transportation & typing skills. Call Debbie: 248-552-8500, btwn. 8-3pm.

GENERAL OFFICE ASSISTANT

Full time entry level position in Bingham Farms office. We have an opening for a dependable, dedicated person with phone & computer skills. Some client follow up, report processing & additional responsibilities. Mon. thru Fri. Full benefits, paid vacation, sick time & 401k. Please forward resume to: fax 248-901-1956 mail 30700 Telegraph #4701, Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

Office Clerical 5020

HR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - Immediate need for enthusiastic self-starter whose duties include benefit administration and support to executive staff. Must be detail oriented, have excellent communication skills and proficiency in Word, Excel & PowerPoint. Washtenaw County area. Competitive salary and benefits. Fax resume in confidence to Debbie @ 248-737-5878

Insurance

Large insurance agency desires trainee for bond department. Insurance experience preferred. Applicant must have excellent communication, typing and computer skills. (Word, Excel, Etc). Send resume to: dmadden@vncins.com or P.O. Box 4960, Troy, MI 48099-4960

LEGAL ASSISTANTS

The Office of the Chapter 13 Trustee Krispen S. Carroll has immediate openings for Legal Assistants. Responsibilities include review and analysis of Chapter 13 bankruptcy cases, assisting attorneys at court hearings, auditing of case and claim information and providing a broad range of support to the legal department. Qualified candidate should be motivated and dependable with superior mathematical, analytical, verbal and written communication skills. A minimum of 2 years previous legal experience is required. Bankruptcy experience preferred.

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Service contractor in Bloomfield Hills. Full or part-time. \$8-16/hr PLUS BENEFITS. (248) 334-1200

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Responsible, take-charge person w/good math, typing, data entry & people skills. Apply in person weekdays: Newton Furniture, 15950 Middlebelt. 734-525-0030

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Needed 3pm-5pm Weekends (Sat. & Sun.) Senior Living Community, Westland. (734) 451-1155

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Troy firm seeks experienced legal secretary. Litigation experience and computer skills required. Pleasant atmosphere, new offices, competitive salary and benefits. Fax or email resume to (248) 641-7073; levittlaw@aol.com

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NEW TODAY LEGAL SECRETARY Word Processor

Southfield law firm has position for word processor/legal secretary with light accounting experience. Working knowledge of Word a must, knowledge of Wordox, or similar document management program, a plus. Basic understanding of accounting preferred. Successful candi-dates will be well organized, dependable, professional and have strong written and oral communication skills.

Excellent benefits and competitive salary. Send resume with salary requirements to:

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Basic computer skills. Jerry (248) 306-5625

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General office with Data Entry skills needed for insurance agency in Novi. Computer experience a must. Fax resume to 248-380-6178 attention Dave.

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Full time for Northville mortgage company. Some computer skills and background check required. Please send resume to 248-426-5343 or tbrown@hometownlending.cc

RECEPTIONIST

Multi-task, phone, typing, computer experience (Excel & Word), filing. Send resume & salary requirements to: P.O. Box 40051, Redford, MI 48240

RECEPTIONIST NEEDED FOR BUSINESS OFFICE. Flexible work hours, professional dress required, multi-line telephone system experience helpful. Must be customer service oriented & able to work independently. Pay related to experience & professionalism. Part time to start. Call & leave our name & phone number at (248) 865-6900.

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY For Livonia company. Previous exp. required. Send resume to: Box 0519, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150

SECRETARY NEEDED For Garden City law firm. Fax resume: 734-261-4737

SECRETARY NEEDED- Part of full-time, flexible hours, for home office in Novi. Should have good organizational & computer skills. 248-219-3762

SECRETARY/GENERAL

For Landscape firm part-time, exp. required. Minimum 3 yrs exp. Apply at CR Stasak Landscape 31177 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150

TEMPORARY CLERK

Canton Township is accepting applications for the position of Temporary Clerk (Treasurer's Department), 40 hrs. per week commencing early May 2003, for up to 3 months. Experience with Equalizer software helpful. \$7.50/hr. Applications can be picked up at the Canton Township Human Resources Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at www.canton-mi.org. Job description will be posted at the Township Administration Building. All applicants must complete a Canton Township application form in its entirety and be received by the Canton Township Human Resources Division prior to 4pm., February 28, 2003. Faxed or e-mailed applications will not be accepted. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

TRANSCRIPTIONIST

Southfield area, full/part time, medical knowledge helpful. Contact Carol at 248-357-2195 or fax resume 248-357-2496

TRAVEL AGENT - Immediate position. Travel exp. required. Part-time. 16-21 hrs/wk. Westland. (734) 425-5834

DENTAL 5040

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

proficient, multi-tasked. Call Lisa at 734-427-9300.

DENTAL ASSISTANT

Are you longing to join a team where you are valued and your clinical skills fully utilized? Do you enjoy the variety of family dentistry? Would a pleasant and professional environment, competitive benefits, and 3 days weekends be what you're seeking? If yes, we want to hear from you! Please fax resume to: 734-451-0231.

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST/ MANAGER NEEDED

In West Dearborn office. Knowledge of computers and insurance required. Full-time. Call (313) 561-0500

DENTAL ASSISTANT

with experience needed part-time for our pleasant Canton office. Friendly atmosphere. Call Arlene at 734-207-0865

Dental Assistant

Work in a office with high standards both morally & ethically. Good salary & benefits, paid holidays, 3 day weekends Work 2 nights till 8. Experience required. Call 248-593-8356 Fax resume 248-593-8358

DENTAL ASSISTANT

1 yr. exp. Approximately 25 hrs/wk. Canton area. Call 734-455-2510; fax 734-455-7848

DENTAL ASSISTANT

Chairside full time position in friendly Farmington office. Exp. only. 248-478-3285

DENTAL HYGIENIST

For progressive Livonia dental office. Call Connie (734) 542-4999

Dental Hygienist for Livonia office

Thurs evenings, 2-7pm. Salary based on experience. Send resume to W. E. McMinn, DDS, 36180 Five Mile, Livonia, MI 48154 or call: (734) 464-7771

DENTAL HYGIENIST For Livonia periodontal practice. Part time, weekdays only. Call Betty 734-522-7313.

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST

Experienced for small private practice, Dearborn Heights/Redford area. 313-531-7800 Fax 313-531-7801

Dental 5040

Do you want to work with a great team? We are looking for an organized, responsible Dental Assistant for busy pediatric dental office. Must work well under pressure. Salary commensurate with experience. Call 248-547-6080 or fax resume to: 248-547-6082. Email gtlul_lon@yahoo.com

FRONT OFFICE

Friendly, busy pediatric dental office in Novi seeking full time individual. Self-starter, computer experience a must, Dentech experience helpful. 248-478-3232

HEATING & COOLING New house duct work installers. 5 or more years experience. Fax resumes: 248-615-3707

ORTHO ASSISTANT Experienced, Part-Time For group practice. 734-722-5130

Medical 5060

ADMISSIONS CLERK

Specialized Pharmacy Services is seeking a full-time Admissions Clerk for our Livonia location. Responsibilities include input of patient data, verification of medical coverage, preparation of patient folders, filing of patient information and other related tasks. Candidate must be self-starter with basic computer and excellent typing skills. Accounting or insurance verification experience is helpful. SPS provides pharmacy services to long-term care facilities and we offer a competitive wage and benefits package. Interested candidates should forward your resume to S.P.S. Attention HR-Admissions, P.O. Box 3347, Livonia, MI 48151, by fax at (734)513-9418 or email to jobs_sps@omnicare.com E.E.O.

Medical 5060

PSYCH RNs

RN positions available working with adolescents. Full and Part time (all shifts). Detroit area. Great compensation. Please call LISA at 248-350-1764 or fax resume to: 248-350-1765.

OPTICIAN

Plymouth, dispensing, ordering, inventory, fax time. Exp. necessary. 734-453-6190

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To oversee quality monitoring at 72 bed skilled nursing facility. Contact Cleo at Lutheran Heritage Village Livonia, 734-421-6564

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Full-time, benefits. Pediatrics office, Farmington Hills area. Fax resume to 248-203-0093

RN/LPN or MA

With exp. needed for GROWING dermatology practice in Ann Arbor/Plymouth area. Full or part-time. Pay commensurate w/exp. Exp. benefits. APPLY TODAY Fax resume to: 734-992-2682

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ASSISTANT RESTAURANT SUPERVISOR

Entry level preferred. Restaurant exp. preferred. Fun, friendly atmosphere. Family business. Good pay. Fax resume to John 248-348-1975

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COOKS with experience wanted full or part-time. Apply Mon-Thurs, 4-7pm & Wed-Sat, 1-8pm. O'Toole's, 205 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. No phone calls please.

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Small company. Passion for food, wine, service. Excellent trainer. Growth Potential Top Compensation Fax resume: 248-646-5281

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MT/MLT

Full time afternoon shift position (4pm-12:30am) in our Hematology Dept. No Sundays or Holidays. Rotating Saturdays. Experience in a high volume environment preferred. Apply in person, mail, fax or e-mail resume: HOSPITAL CONSOLIDATED LABORATORIES 23775 Northwestern Hwy. Southfield, MI 48075 Fax: 248-226-2075 email: hclresumes@providence-hospital.org Re: MT/MLT Hematology NW

Dishwashers Servers Outside Service Staff Line Cooks Locker Room Attendant

We offer competitive pay, free employee meals, insurance, 401(k) and pension plans and much more! We are a fun, free work place. For consideration please fax resume to: Jamie Bigger at 313-436-8170 or email to: jlbigger@pgatourpc.com No calls please.

Call for details: 1-800-579-SELL

Medical 5060

Newly opened U of M outpatient PT/OT clinic in Canton is looking for the following:

Full-time Physical Therapist Assistant with Associate degree from an accredited APTA program is necessary. 2-3 years experience preferred.

Part-time OT Hand Therapist minimum with 2-3 years experience or CHT preferred.

Physical Therapist contingent at all-sites.

Fax resumes to: Attn: Chris Magnant: (734) 998-6340

NURSING ASSISTANTS

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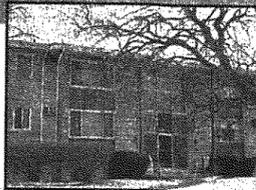
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WESTLAND - Livonia schools! Three bedroom Ranch offers family room & kitchen combined with fireplace, doorwall to huge fenced back yard, some appliances plus 3 car attached garage. \$162,000 (74ANN) 734-455-5600



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FLAT ROCK - Great opportunity. Large 3 bedroom Ranch on good size lot. Roof & central air '02, some windows & furnace '01, vinyl siding '00. Large foyer with bay window. Bath remodeled. Home still needs some work, but the majors are done. \$99,500 (26SEN) 734-455-5600



LIVONIA - Awesome Colonial, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, maintenance-free home on treed lot with awesome oak kitchen overlooking family room with fireplace. Large master, finished rec room & cedar closet. Many upgrades like: windows, furnace, central air, sprinkler system & more. Must see this beauty. \$239,900 (15PAR) 248-349-5600



REDFORD - Priced for quick sale. This charming 3 bedroom home has so much potential. Dining room with bay windows. Nice sized living room and bedrooms. Plaster walls, hardwood floors in most rooms. Finished basement. Two car garage. Located on a corner lot. \$119,900 (06SOU) 248-349-5600



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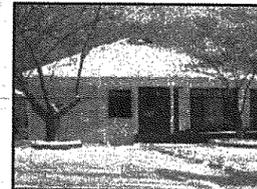
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DEARBORN - Great home for the money. Three bedroom, 1 bath Ranch with open floor plan and newer flooring. Large fenced-in yard and 1 car garage. One year home warranty. Priced to sell quickly. \$134,900 (62BUR) 248-349-5600



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WEST BLOOMFIELD - Views galore! Four bedroom, 3.2 bath Colonial. Gorgeous lot with spacious walk-out. Two-tier deck, dual staircases with bridge overlooking great room and nature preserve. Formal dining room and master with fireplace. \$827,500 (46BRI) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Spacious brick Ranch. Three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, bright country kitchen, cozy family room with fireplace, refinished hardwood floors in bedrooms, rec room with lavatory, 2 car attached garage & fenced yard. Walk to public & private schools. Great terms. \$145,000 (08LIN) 734-455-5600



INKSTER - Almost new construction. Seller has updated this 3 bedroom Ranch. Newer roof, furnace, air conditioning, siding & much more. Remodeled kitchen and newer carpeting make this home a must see. Home warranty provided. \$89,000 (11WOO) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE - Prestigious Northville Condo. Three bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, finished walk-out lower level with kitchen facilities. Large master bedroom suite with alcove & loft. All appliances stay + washer and dryer. Doorwalls, patio and balcony, central air and 1 car garage. \$299,000 (44EAS) 248-349-5600



WOODHAVEN - Wonderful Cape Cod. Charming 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Cape Cod with 2 car attached garage, library, part finished basement, large kitchen with breakfast bar, dining room leads to 1 of 2 decks. Master bedroom with full bath & walk-in closet. \$245,000 (76CRE) 734-455-5600



WESTLAND - Immaculate! Three bedroom brick Ranch with many updates! Newer kitchen with white-washed oak cabinets, Corian counters & Tiffany lamp. Newer furnace & hot water heater. Newer windows. Cathedral ceilings & newer carpet. \$134,900 (48NAN) 734-455-5600

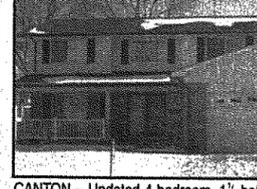
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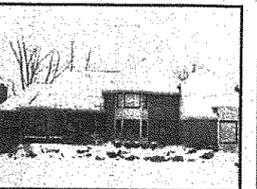
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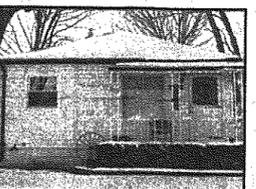
WESTLAND - Spacious Colonial. Well-maintained 5 bedroom, 2 bath home with newer furnace, central air, hot water heater and carpet. Huge master bedroom with full bath and walk-in closet. One year home warranty included. \$159,900 (14WAL) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Updated 4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Colonial with newer windows, roof, etc. Two car attached garage. Family room with fireplace. Partially finished basement. A beauty. \$249,900 (62CAR) 248-349-5600



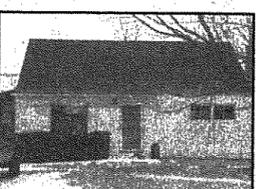
MILFORD - Builders' home. Custom built 4 bedroom, 2 full and 2 half baths with 3 car attached garage, finished walk-out basement, 2 master suites and gourmet kitchen with appliances. \$579,900 (01DEE) 734-455-5600



REDFORD - Charming starter. Nice 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home with 13 x 9 Florida room & major updates done. Roof, siding, copper plumbing, windows, furnace & hot water heater. Cute covered porch, fenced yard and 1 1/2 car garage. Come take a look! \$106,000 (79NOR) 734-455-5600



NOVI - Seldom seen! Two bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Split-level end unit Condo with basement. Open floor plan with studio ceiling, spacious rooms, newer kitchen floor, appliances, ceramic bath and newer carpet. Garage. \$137,000 (02STO) 734-455-5600



WHITMORE LAKE - Horses welcome. Enjoy country living in this 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Bungalow with possible fourth bedroom. Hardwood floors, walk-out basement, pole barn on approximately five acres. Newer roof, well, pump and furnace. \$212,500 (03KEA) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE - Location! Location! This stunning 3 bedroom Cape Cod, 1996-built Condo sets new meaning to prime lot. It is located on a gorgeous waterfront lot with a breathtaking view. Add a professionally finished walk-out basement & large deck off great room. Sharp, clean & wow. \$429,900 (38LAK) 248-349-5600



YPSILANTI - Lakefront Condo. Awesome 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 3 story unit with beautiful scenic view of an all sports lake. Boat and dock facilities available. Fireplace in living room. Large working kitchen. \$119,900 (92CLI) 248-349-5600



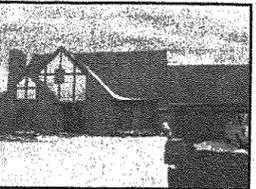
DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Move right in! Charming 3 bedroom brick/aluminum Ranch offers finished basement, 2 car garage plus newer roof, central air, furnace and storm doors. \$149,900 (38HAS) 734-455-5600



ALLEN PARK - Rare find! Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial has oversized master suite with bath and hardwood floors, formal living room, dining room, family room with fireplace open to kitchen and basement. Located on a cul-de-sac. Allen Park schools. \$245,000 (00NOR) 734-455-5600



BRIGHTON - Nestled in the woods! Three bedroom, 2 bath on 1.2 acres. Winans Lake access! Raised Ranch, living room with fireplace, newer carpet, dining room with sky light & wooded views. Kitchen with newer cabinets, floors, newer septic & furnace. \$253,000 (91TEA) 734-455-5600



GREEN OAK - Beautiful family home. Move right into this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial. Large kitchen with a lot of cupboards & granite counters. Ceramic floors, newer driveway & gutters. Painted inside & out. Large deck & covered porch. Finished basement with wet bar. \$359,000 (11DIC) 248-349-5600



NOVI - Move in and relax. What's your choice - TV in finished walk-out with room for games & exercise or gathering in large family room by fireplace overlooking fenced yard & beautiful pool. Five bedroom, 3 1/2 bath. Filled with quality design. Buy now and be ready for spring. \$535,000 (93BRI) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Custom throughout. Incredible lot offers custom Ranch with 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths and finished lower level. Home features oak crown moldings, hardwood floors, custom window treatments, newer carpet, 3-tiered deck and brick paver patio. \$419,900 (25STM) 248-349-5600



REDFORD - Immaculate custom 3 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath brick Ranch with 2 natural fireplaces on over 1/2 acre well maintained private lot. Updates: windows, exterior & garage doors, 4-season Florida room, 90+ efficiency furnace & AC, finished basement, 2 car attached garage with separate work shop. \$229,900 (92INK) 734-455-5600



REDFORD - Beautifully maintained 3 bedroom Ranch, hardwood floors, vinyl windows, plaster walls & coved ceilings. Updates include furnace, central air, electric and carpet. Neutral colors, ceramic tile in kitchen and large basement. Two car garage has 1 car door and South Redford schools. \$136,000 (73ORA) 734-455-5600



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



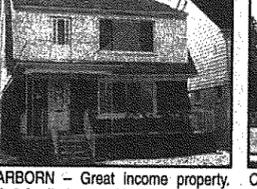
REDFORD - Move-in condition. This super 3 bedroom, 2 bath home has a beautiful updated kitchen, windows, furnace, central air, electrical breakers, fresh paint, decor & much more. Finished basement with bar, glass & block windows. Two car garage. Fenced yard & quick occupancy. \$119,900 (01SOU) 248-349-5600



COMMERCE PINES - Four bedroom, 3 bath contemporary Ranch. Large great room with fireplace. Vaulted ceiling & Florida room. Wooded lot overlooks pond. Outside lights & sprinklers. Multi-level deck with hot tub. Home warranty included. Lower level rec room with bath. \$259,900 (77SPR) 248-349-5600



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DEARBORN - Great income property. Brick 2 family home with 2 bedrooms on each floor, separate furnaces and utilities, newer roof and siding, dining room, full basement, 2 car garage and fenced yard. Great investment. \$139,900 (05KEN) 734-455-5600



CANTON - Stately! Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath 2 story with 2 story foyer, crown moldings throughout downstairs. Two-way fireplace through library and family room. Formal living room, dining room & large kitchen. First floor laundry. Private wooded lot. \$386,000 (89RED) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - Immaculate! Two bedroom, two bath spacious Ranch Condo. Open floor plan. Updated kitchen and breakfast room with appliances included. Large living room with gas fireplace. End unit with extra wide doors. Handicap accessible. \$183,900 (00WOO) 734-455-5600



FARMINGTON - Great 3 bedroom, 3 bath Ranch with newer hardwood floors and carpet. Natural stone counter tops, newer paint and front door. Finished heated Florida room and huge basement. \$219,900 (10MID) 248-349-5600



WEST BLOOMFIELD - Beautiful end unit, 2 bedroom, 3 bath 1 story in a wooded lot with pond. Vaulted ceilings, sky lights, fireplace in living room & oak kitchen with appliances. Master with walk-in closet & bath. Finished lower level could be third bedroom with full bath. First floor laundry. Pool & tennis courts \$199,000 (11DAN) 248-349-5600



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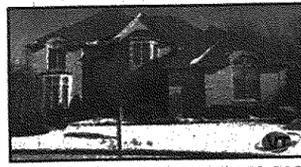
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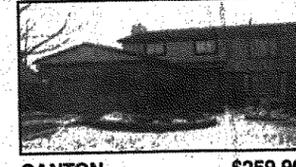
CANTON \$349,900
DISTINCTIVE & ARTFULLY ELEGANT! This 4 BR 2 full & 2 half bath brk colonial is nestled deep in the sub and offers eat in kit, GR w/cath cell, FR w/FR prof fin bsmt, & more! Over 2300 SF.(H45769)

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CANTON \$334,900
STUNNING 4 BR, 2.5 BA BRICK COLONIAL. End of a cul-de-sac in one of the largest lots in the sub. Includes gas FP, 6 panel drs, garden tub & sep shower in mstr, 1st flr laundry, & part fin bsmt.(W1051)

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CANTON \$259,900
IF FAMILY MATTERS, THIS HOME IS FOR YOU! Over 2162 square feet with 4 large bedrooms. Family room is 23x13 w/ fireplace. Built in 1988! Great Canton location.(K1107)

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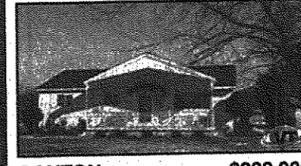
CANTON \$249,900
EXQUISITE CAPE COD! Shows like a model- neutral interior, attached 2 car garage. Dual fireplace- upgrades too many to list! Priced to move fast!(23T1727)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$239,900
LOOKING FOR A COUNTRY HOME IN THE CITY? A 4 BR Colonial on .82 acres of land is lit 3/4 full baths, updt kitchen, brand new full bath on 1st flr, GR w/skylights and french doors to 26' patio and more!(50DOH2)

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CANTON \$239,900
PERFECT FOR ENTERTAINING is this 3 bedroom ranch on 1.38 acres in Canton. Formal dining rm w/doorwall to beautiful lg deck & hot tub. Remodeled kit & bath w/oak cabinetry & more!(D270)

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PLYMOUTH \$210,000
WALK TO DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH! Sharp and updated four bedroom 1560 Sq. Ft. Tri-Level w/2.5 car mechanics dream garage. Updates include kit, furn & CA, windows, HWF's and much more!(S845)

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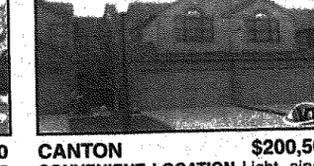
PLYMOUTH IN-TOWN! \$209,000
PLYMOUTH IN-TOWN! Spacious 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath, huge kitchen, red oak floors, updated and well located to walk to everything!(23P1300)

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LIVONIA \$204,900
HOME SHOWS BEAUTIFULLY! 3 BR, 1.5 BA colonial features hwdw flrs w/o, neutral decor, newer furn & hwh, vinyl Anderson wndws, remodeled baths, fin bsmt, Indscpd w/deck & sprinklers.(G36507)

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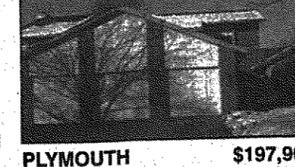
CANTON \$200,500
CONVENIENT LOCATION Light, airy, 2 BR, 2.5 BA condo, loft overlooks GR w/FP & new carpet, finished bsmt, 2 car attached garage, & more. Over 1500 sq ft!(H45141)

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NOVI \$197,900
ALL THE FEATURES AND UPGRADES YOU EXPECT 9 ft ceilings, gourmet granite kitchen, enormous professionally finished rec rm, private & beautifully landscaped lot, & Northville schools.(B21859)

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PLYMOUTH \$197,900
PLYMOUTH TWP - COLONY FARMS Well maintained 2 BR condo, master bath, 2 lavs, updated kitchen, newer carpet, finished basement, attached garage, awesome wooded backyard.(C48144)

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LIVONIA \$179,900
CHARMING & COMFORTABLE HOME IN LIVONIA! Open flr plan, lots of natural light & neutral decor. Oak flrs, super kitchen, fin bsmt, lg stone patio, great landscaping, perennial gardens & lots of updates.(04SUN2)

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DEARBORN \$172,900
MUST SEE! SUPER CLEAN! Live in 1 unit, rent the other or could be 1 large home! 3-4 bedroom, 2 bath, living room/fireplace, dining room, study/den, garage, basement and more!(S772)

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WESTLAND \$159,999
COUNTRY IN THE CITY! Professionally decorated interior. Updates galore. New kitchen, baths, HW floors, steel doors, oak trim & crown moldings. 1st fl bath w/ceramic tile & spa tub.(L163)

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WESTLAND \$159,900
TERRIFIC RANCH! GREAT LOCATION! 3 bedroom, brick ranch, attached 2.5 car garage, doorwall to patio, full finished basement. Updates include roof, gutters, windows, bathrooms and more!(M733)

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$154,999
OPEN NEW BIG BRIGHT KITCHEN all updated and freshly painted. Updated throughout entire home, ceramic bath, hardwood floors, good size living room and family room. Two driveways!(K596)

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LIVONIA \$149,900
LOCATED ON STREET W/COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE! 3 BR Ranch w/new kitchen, cove ceilings, wet plaster, high-efficiency furnace, 2-car garage, fenced yard & 12 mo. home protection plan. Great home for the money!(61MIL2)

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

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NOVI \$144,900
BEAUTIFUL 3 BR RANCH CONDO W/ FULL BSMT! Lg spacious rms, white kit cab w/glass inserts, pergo flrs in kit/DR, newer berber carpeting, stove, fridge & dishwasher. Enclosed deck, pool, clubhouse/tennis!(36W002)

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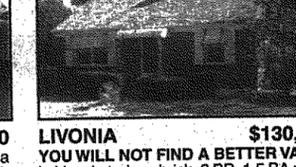
REDFORD \$135,000
KNOCKOUT BUNGALOW IN SOUTH REDFORD! Lrg lot & updates galore. Beautifully decorated. Newer rf, siding, furn, a/c, front dr, most newer wndws, remodeled bath, updated kit, fin bsmt, & much more!(C13568)

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REDFORD \$134,900
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LIVONIA \$130,000
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CANTON \$129,900
GREAT CONDO, CONVENIENT CANTON LOCATION! Upper level Condo w/air/att ceiling, open floor plan, neutral, 2 BR, 2 baths & all appliances. Quiet location!(36LIL2)

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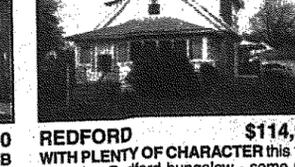
WAYNE \$125,900
HOMEBUYERS BEWARE! This is a sizzlin' hot deal! 3 bedroom, 1096 square foot solid brick ranch. Updated and ready to move into.(23H5092)

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DETROIT \$119,900
IMMACULATE WARREN-DALE SUB Wonderful 3 bedroom Bungalow completely finished & updated. No work, immediate occupancy! Move in today!(D773)

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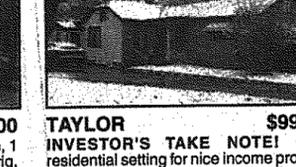
REDFORD \$114,900
WITH PLENTY OF CHARACTER this 1929 charming Redford bungalow - some newer wndws - rf 8 yrs - furn approx 10 yrs, double lot - enclosed porch - 2 car gar w/opener - not a drive by!(A14881)

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SOUTHFIELD \$104,000
JUST FOR YOU! Spring into this 2 bdrm, 1 bath Southfield home. Built in range, refrig, screened Florida rm, 2 car det gar. Nice neighborhood with mature pine trees. Enjoy.(23S27034)

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INKSTER \$89,900
START THE NEW YEAR In this 3 bedroom Ranch with full finished basement. Newer windows, roof shingles, carpeting, furnace and hot water heater. Close to schools and shopping.(C147)

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FARMINGTON
WALK TO DOWNTOWN FARMINGTON! Cozy 3 BR, 2 bath Ranch w/large, private yard! Roomy oak kitchen, sunroom, fieldstone fireplace, family room & 2-car heated garage.(00NIN2)
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WESTLAND
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Single male, 50, 5'11", athletic, masculine, likes chilling out, fun times and dating. Seeks single female for dating and possible relationship. BOX 10552

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Realistic, respectful, single white male, 45, believes in destiny and chemistry. Ready to embrace a special sweetheart. Looking for a single white female, 36 to 56. BOX 26832

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...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, 49, medium build, looking for a single woman, late 40's early 50's, shape, looks important, that wants a long term relationship. Loves the outdoors and home cook meals. Stop here and call and will talk more! No games, always calls back. Redford area. BOX 25753

LIVE TO THE FULLEST
Divorced white male, 43, 6'4", enjoys movies, sports, traveling, dining out, and more. Looking for an athletic female, 36 to 45, over 5'6", and love living life to the fullest. BOX 10431

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This sweetheart is a sociable single white male, 40, well groomed, physically fit, has many interests yet open to yours. Seeks friendly female friend and possible lover. BOX 30914

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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

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WOMAN OF MY DREAMS
Divorced white male, 5'11", 49, athletic build, healthy, searching for a single white female, 38 to 44, with height/weight proportionate and a sense of humor. BOX 10554

WISHFUL THINKING
Single white male, 55, 6', 180 lbs, fit and attractive. Enjoys sports, bike riding, theater, movies, and more. Seeks a single female, 40 to 55, height and weight proportionate, non-smoker who enjoy the outdoors during the summer time. BOX 13831

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COME FLY WITH ME!
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FORD 1994 F-150 XL 4.9L auto, air, 8 ft. box, mint cond. \$3850/best. 734-721-1041
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FORD 2001 F-250 Club Cab Lariat, with cap, 37K, \$22,000, 248-647-1827
FORD 2001 RANGER Sport, 1 owner, auto, 18k, cd, fair side, \$7800. 734-657-9751
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Ford F250 1997 XLT Crewcab, 52k, warranty, exc. cond. \$18,995. (734) 455-6286
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FORD RANGER 2001 4x4, Club cab, 29K, ps/pb, air, 6 CD, loaded \$14,000 313-248-2519
GMC 1992 - extended cab, 4x4 pick-up, 8' bed, 350, auto/OD, \$4500. 248-476-7989
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GMC 3500 1983, Mint cond., 35K, New tires & clutch. \$7500/best. 248-360-4875.
RANGER 1996 - V6, auto, 2WD, pw/pl, bedliner, 76K, \$2000. 734-762-4227
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GRAND CARAVAN 1999 SE, 49K miles, air, cruise, power, \$11,500. 248-960-9592
GRAND CARAVAN 1999 white, 36,000 miles, loaded, \$7,980.
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GRAND CARAVAN 2000 Sport Exc. cond. 37K mi. Extend warranty. \$13,500. 734-722-5829
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PLYMOUTH 1999 Grand Voyager SE Express, 60k miles, \$9800. 248-474-3781
Plymouth 2000 Grand Voyager SE - 40K miles, exc. cond. \$11,500. 734-421-7147
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WINDSTAR 1998 - V6, 3.8L, 94K mi., excellent condition. \$4400/best. (734) 420-3644
WINDSTAR 1998 LX 83K, 3.8 liter w/trailer tow, loaded. \$8000. 734-953-4219
WINDSTAR 2000 - 2 slid dr. rear air, tow pkg. 70K. Good cond. \$9400. 734-657-8560

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CHEVY 2002 Silverado extended cab pickup 4x4, tilt, cruise, power windows/locks, \$20,995.
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F-350 1997 - 4x4, low miles, 8 foot Fisher snowplow. \$12,500. 248-347-6089
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Ford Explorer 1999 XLT 4wd, 4 dr., 4.0L, remote start, 6CD, pw, power seat, new Pirelli tires, rustproofed, exc. cond. 248-446-0146, 248-324-1015
FORD F-250 1995 LX 90K, Forest Green, Western 8' plow, \$8250/best. 734-421-0155.
GMC 2002 EXTENDED CAB Sierra SLT 2XK Exc. cond. \$23,500. 248-652-4896.
GMC SUBURBAN 1500 1997, 85,000 miles, good cond. \$11,500. (248) 349-5493
Jeep 1998 Grand Cherokee Laredo, Loaded. 75K Hwy miles, \$10,500. 734-936-8970
Jeep 2001 CHEROKEE Limited, 4.0 liter, 18,500 miles, fully loaded, \$16,500. 248-922-3673
Jeep GRAND CHEROKEE 1994 Laredo, 6 cylinder, extended warranty, exc. cond., \$5500/best. 734-729-3711
RAM 1999 1500 4x4, certified 8/80,000 warranty, \$14,995.
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RANGER 2002 XLT Super Cab V6, auto, step bar, 5K mi, \$16K, \$15,900. 248-740-8121
TOYOTA 1991, 4x4, pick-up, extended cab, bedliner, 100K, \$3300/best. 248-840-5370
TOYOTA TACOMA 2000, 4x4, 23,000 miles, red, cd, air, \$13,600. (248) 446-9049 or 248-921-4863
Sport Utility (8290)
AZTEC 2001: exc. con., AWD, fully loaded, factory warranty, \$14,900. Eves: 248-348-6149
BLAZER 1999 LT 4x4, leather, 13,000 miles, EZ finance, \$14,980.
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CHEVY 1999 SUBURBAN LS, 4x4, 76k, rear heat & air, TV VCP, tow package, 3rd row seat, \$17,250. 734-266-7015
CHEVY 2001 Blazer LS 2 dr., black beauty, \$12,995.
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CHEVY BLAZER 1995, 4x4, auto, full power, new alternator, brakes, EGR, very clean, \$7,000. (586) 443-5617
CHEVY TAHOE 1997 LT 113K, Leather, 4x4, buckets, towing package, loaded, clean, \$9995. 734-522-6900 734-462-6235
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DURANGO 2002 Sport, V-8, 18,000 miles, loaded, priced to sell, just \$16,990.
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SPORT UTILITY (8290)
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FORD 2002 Explorer XLT 4x4, 7,000 mi. Heated seats, flawless, \$21,500 248-426-9379
Ford 2002 Escape 4x4, V6, auto, 13K, red, gray leather, 6 CD in dash, moonroof! Must sell/best offer. 734-455-0675
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FORD EXPLORER LIMITED 1999, 69K, Loaded, sunroof, exc. cond., \$14,500 or best offer. (248) 374-0474
FORD EXPLORER LTD 2002, 4x4, 3rd row seat, leather, moonroof, 9,000 miles. \$25,000. (734) 542-9029
Ford Explorer 1997 - XLT, 4x4, loaded w/leather & 6 CD. \$7,000. (734) 641-1592
FORD EXPLORER XLT 1994 Loaded, remote start. Exc. cond. 91K, \$6500/best. 313-562-6152
GMC 1994 JIMMY S-15 SLT 4 dr., 4x4, 92K, exc. cond. 1 owner \$4300. 313-337-9693
GMC 1996 JIMMY SLT 4x4, 49K, great condition, fully loaded, \$8900. 248-851-6126
GMC 2000 Jimmy 4 dr. SLE, moonroof, don't miss this one, \$13,995.
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GMC 2002 YUKON SLE 4WD, 5300 V8, black, Mint! \$32,400. (248) 672-7770
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GMC JIMMY 2001 4 dr., 4x4 diamond edition. Loaded, 15K, 6 yr. warranty. Exc. cond. \$19,900. 734-692-0319
GMC JIMMY, 1996 - 2 Dr., 4x4, all power, tow package, remote start, 111K hwy miles. Clean, \$5290. 313-655-2905.
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GRAND CHEROKEE 1998 LTD, 8 cyl, heated leather seats, exc. cond., assign balance, zero deductible, 7 yr/100K extended service plan. \$15,250. 248-202-0778
Grand Cherokee 2000 - Clean, new tires, CD, power, silver, \$15,500 248-553-3007
Grand Cherokee Jeep 1997 Laredo 56K, clean, loaded, \$12,500. 734-422-6122
HONDA 1998 CR-V EX - 54K, silver, 4WD, ABS, auto, cd, \$12,500/best. 248-320-4141
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SUBURBAN 1999 LS Loaded, 60K mi, 2WD, new tires/brakes \$16,500. 734-467-4932
SUBURBAN 1999 LT Loaded, 4x4, 125K, excellent condition, \$15,000. 248-628-3119
TAHOE 1997 LT - mint, 4x4, leather, burgundy, 75K, \$11,750. (248) 866-7582
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AUDI 1992 100CS Rare pearl white/113K/leather/heard seats. \$4800. 734-453-2606
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CORVETTE 1996 - red/black, 2 tops, auto, 40K, new chrome rims, \$19,000. 248-477-4921
CORVETTE 1999 coupe, pewter, 6 speed, loaded, warranty, \$26,000/best. 248-493-0821 734-261-7530
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MERCEDES 1999 CLK430 AMG, black coupe, winter wheels, 44K, warranty \$33,900. 734-207-1767
MERCEDES 2000, S430 - silver/black loaded, \$39,900.
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The new version of the L-Series 300 is Saturn's most ambitious attempt so far at grabbing consumers' attention with its vehicles as well as with its exemplary customer service. The L300 also is Saturn's best attempt yet at putting product over pampering.

But the much-improved vehicle still proves that Saturn has a distance to travel before its vehicle offerings truly can make it competitive in the crowded market for mid-sized sedans. The L300 strikes lots of the right notes, just not as many as it must in order to stand out. That's why Saturn — which alone among domestic auto marques has resisted offering commodity-type consumer incentives for so many years — finally has to slap a \$2,500 rebate on the L-Series just before the end of last year.

Upon presentation, the L300 struck me more impressively than I had expected for such a reasonably priced vehicle, especially by contrast with the visually anemic product line that Saturn had been relying on for so many years. Built in Wilmington, Delaware, the car is based on a platform for a GM Opel model made in Germany — and it succeeds in its attempt to suggest its European heritage.

The black top-of-the-line L300 I reviewed, which retails for a suggested price of \$20,645, showed off well the vehicle's upgraded styling for 2003, which includes a redesigned front end featuring wrap-around projector-beam headlamps with visible optics and chrome trim, fog lamps with chrome bezels integrated into the new fascia, a larger grill and a raised hood. New European-looking, triangular taillamps highlight a revised rear end. The previously contrasting rocker panels and the lower sections of front and rear fascias are now body-colored, contributing to the car's more substantial feel.

One last tweak that gives the L300 its substantial look was to raise the front end 9 millimeters on its springs and shove the rear down 8 mm. The revised spring heights also apparently contribute to the L300's



Saturn L300 Series styling suggests a European heritage

solid feel and responsive handling on the road. The addition on 16-inch, five-spoke alloy wheels as standard on the L300 also play a part. Saturn has refined the steering system to enhance the car's road feel at highway speeds and to better block out road harshness.

Revisions to the shock and strut valving also make the L300's ride smoother than previous editions over rough surfaces, including some of the best winter potholes that metro Detroit has to offer. While the L300 won't threaten the ride provided by the best domestic or imported sedans, it's wholly adequate for the average driver at whom the vehicle is aimed.

The most pleasant surprise provided by the L300 was the robustness of the three-liter V6 engine. Pickup was remarkable, providing a lot of confidence as I drove the L300 through city and highway traffic. One quibble: when I really punched the accelerator to gain a quick surge, there was a short but annoying delay before the engine came through.

Saturn has tried to make even more of a statement with the interior of the L300, especially with the top-of-the-line version. All L300s have more roominess than anyone has had a right to expect in any Saturn, very comfortably accommodating my two teenagers, their backpacks and gym bags on their morning ride to school. And across the board, the L300s sport an upscale brushed-nickel finish in trim plates in the center console and instrument panel, silver faceplates in the

instrument cluster and European-style upholstery.

In the "DVD Entertainment Package" version that I reviewed, those seats are a comfortable leather. This version also includes, naturally, a seven-inch, fold-down DVD screen for the pleasure of rear passengers; the OnStar telematics system; a power-adjustable driver's seat and an upgraded audio and climate-control system.

But in some ways, the long reach toward rich amenities that is attempted by the top-of-the-line L300 only underscores that near-luxury still isn't quite within Saturn's grasp. For one thing, there were no overhead or map lights specifically for drivers or front passengers — at least that I could find; apparently, an annoyingly dim dome light, traditionally positioned toward the rear, is supposed to handle such needs. The DVD player is awkwardly positioned toward the rear of the front-compartment center console, not easily accessible to rear passengers, and that gave the feature an aftermarket sort of feel.

Two other flaws afflicted my L300 and, presumably, the less expensive LW300 version. The climate-control system had an exasperating tendency to actually allow the interior to cool once it reached the desired temperature. And the wimpy horn — well, let's just say that it belonged on the econobox of Saturns of a decade ago rather than a vehicle that is supposed to help turn the division around.

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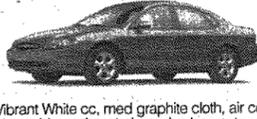
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A-PLAN	ZERO DOWN	\$1500 DOWN	248
36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	\$256 ^{23**} MO.	\$214 ^{12**} MO.	Taurus Available

2003 RANGER 4X2 XLT SUPERCAB



0%
60 Month
Financing
Available

Black cc, dk graphite cloth, tachometer, 4-wheel ABS, 3.0L EFI flex fuel V-6 eng, 5-sp auto O/D trans, P225 steel BSW all season tires, 3.73 ratio reg. axle, 4000 GVWR, sliding rear window, pwr windows/locks, remote keyless entry, privacy glass, speed control/tilt leather wrapped steering wheel. [Stock #32336] **WAS \$19,630**

\$13,028^{32*} OFF LEASE BUY

A-PLAN	ZERO DOWN	\$1500 DOWN	61
36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	\$226 ^{40**} MO.	\$181 ^{78**} MO.	Rangers Available

2003 WINDSTAR LX



0%
60 Month
Financing
Available

Light Parchment Gold, med parchment cloth, elec AM/FM stereo/disc/cass/lock, remote keyless entry, A/C, luggage rack, enhanced steering group, 2nd/3rd row privacy glass, 3.8L OHV engine, 4 speed auto O/D trans, P215/70R15 BSW tires. [Stock #32020] **MSRP \$23,431**

\$19,276^{68*} OFF LEASE BUY

A-PLAN	ZERO DOWN	\$1500 DOWN	137
36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	\$358 ^{30**} MO.	\$314 ^{47**} MO.	Windstars Available

2003 MUSTANG COUPE



0%
60 Month
Financing
Available

Redfire cc, dk chrl cloth, frnt fir mats, sngl wing rr spoiler, pwr drv's seat, spd cntrl, air, AM/FM stereo CD w/clk, 16" pntd alloy whls, 3.8L EFI eng, 5-sp manual trans, P225/55R16 94T BSW all-ssn, pony pkg, lthr wrpd strng whl, 16" plshd alum whls, 6CD chng r radio w/mach. [Stock #31099] **WAS \$20,410**

\$15,990^{36*} OFF LEASE BUY

A-PLAN	ZERO DOWN	\$1500 DOWN	48
36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	\$308 ^{25**} MO.	\$257 ^{25**} MO.	Mustangs Available

2003 EXPLORER XLS 4x2



0%
60 Month
Financing
Available

2003 model year, Aspen green clearcoat, graphite cloth capt chairs, floor mats, C/K carpet, air, XLS sport group, privacy glass, prem cassette/CD radio, cast aluminum wheels, 4.0L SOHC V6 flex fuel eng, 5-speed auto o/d trans, P235/70R16 A/S OWL tires, 3.73 LS axle. [Stock #30545] **WAS \$23,060**

\$19,459^{57*} OFF LEASE BUY

A-PLAN	ZERO DOWN	\$1500 DOWN	214
36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	\$309 ^{91**} MO.	\$257 ^{68**} MO.	Explorers Available

2003 EXPEDITION XLT 4x2



0%
60 Month
Financing
Available

Silver birch clear coat met. flint grey capt chair, cloth, P265/70R17 OWL all-season tires, 3.73 ratio lim slip axle, running boards, auxiliary heater/A/C, prem stereo 6-CD/cass w/lock, fog lamps, third row seat, 4.6L EFI V-8, 4-sp auto trans, reverse sensing system. [Stock #32343] **WAS \$29,495**

\$25,255^{08*} OFF LEASE BUY

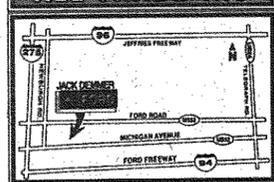
A-PLAN	ZERO DOWN	\$1500 DOWN	30
36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL	\$402 ^{28**} MO.	\$358 ^{70**} MO.	Expeditions Available

MODEL	DOWN PAYMENT	TOTAL DUE AT INCEPTION
FOCUS	0 Down \$1500	\$359 \$1898
WINDSTAR	0 Down \$1500	\$586 \$2129
TAURUS	0 Down \$1000	\$474 \$2017
RANGER	0 Down \$1500	\$379 \$1922
MUSTANG	0 Down \$1500	\$435 \$1973
EXPLORER	0 Down \$1500	\$579 \$2102
F-150	0 Down \$1500	\$493 \$2032
EXPEDITION	0 Down \$1500	\$609 \$2151



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