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The Lenten special goes beyond the

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#### 💹 Dance, dance

Sara Lewandowski (right) of Canton is seeking donors to help her stay on her feet for 30 hours straight in a Dance Marathon March 15-16 in Ann Arbor.

Lewandowski, a third-year



psychology student and a 2000 Canton High School graduate, will be among 3,000 University of Michigan faculty, students and volunteers participating in the annual fund-raiser. She hopes to raise money for the pediatric rehabilitation programs at Charles S. Mott and Beaumont hospitals.

All dancers in the marathon must stay on their feet for 30 hours, even while eating, reading and catching up on homework. Any dancer taking a bathroom break must be accompanied by a partner to make sure he or she doesn't fall asleep, said Lewandowski, who has danced in the marathon the past two years.

The dance marathon will run from 9 a.m. Saturday, March 15, until 3 p.m. Sunday, March 16, at the Michigan Indoor Track and Field **Building near Michigan** 

Stadium and Crisler Arena. As a dancer, Lewandowski said she is an amateur, but enjoys it as much as a pro.

"Dance Marathon doesn't require any volunteer to have a dance background. which is the case for me,'

said Lewandowski. Checks may be made out to Dance Marathon and sent to 1010 Catherine, Apt. 401, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. Donations may be straight amounts or per-hour

amounts. Lewandowski is the daughter of Joseph and Darlene and sister to Jenna, 18, and Christopher, 14.

#### Seuss celebration

Prominent members of the Canton community will read one book, two books, red books and blue books as part of a Dr. Seuss birthday celebration 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Canton Public Library.

Guest readers scheduled to read Jamie Strassner, Canton firefighter; Dawn Zuber of Studio Z Architecture; Eric Kaledas, Canton police officer; Dr. Nutan Saxena, pediatrician; and Tonda Elementary Principal George Belvitch.

Call the library at (734) 397-0999 for details.

#### 🌃 Police get grant

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

The Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police presented the award at a banquet in Grand Rapids. The department also received a certificate of appreciation for its commercial vehicle safety program.

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Nineteen-month-old Brent Phillips of Canton looks for his daddy, Capt. Glenn Phillips, standing at right.

# Local families wave goodbye to unit

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

Army Drill Sgt. Thomas J. Clark Jr. can measure the impact of leaving his family for active duty just by looking into the eyes of his 6-year-old daughter, Haileigh.

"She asked me 'How long is a year?' I

could see those big cookie dough eyes," said Clark, a Livonia resident.

He was among 36 Army Reserve soldiers from the 84th Division called to active duty on Monday, Feb. 24, in Operation Noble Eagle/Enduring Freedom. They will be stationed in Ft. Benning, Ga., for up to one year.

The 84th Division is an institutional training division responsible for basic combat training, infantry training and officer training to ROTC cadets.

"Whatever mission we have we'll do to above standards," Clark said.

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# People will be focus of speech

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

People who want to know what the inside of the performing arts center in Cherry Hill Village will look like may want to come listen to Canton Supervisor Tom Yack's state of the township address Wednesday.

A scale model of the performing arts center will be on display in the lobby of the Summit on Wednesday, March 5. Yack is scheduled to give his state of the township speech during the Canton Chamber of Commerce's monthly luncheon, which begins at

Also on display will be a scale model of the township administration building, as it will look once renovations are completed. The ongoing \$14.5 million building project is expected to more than double the building's present size, according to Yack.

During his speech, he is expected to show a series of graphic representations of the theater and the administration building, taking audience members on a virtual tour.

Behind every project and accom-

plishment, though, is people. "The theme this year is going to be people making a difference," Yack said. "I want to highlight the achievements of Canton over the past year and focus on people and staff who

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## Pooch hopes to top dog show

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

Lance the Shetland sheepdog of Canton may find it odd he won't have any snow to cushion his falls as he competes in agility competition in the Detroit Kennel Club Dog

Show March 15-16. The sheepdog, commonly referred to as a "sheltie," has been practicing for agility competition in the back yard of owner Marilyn

Runde's Maben Road home. As he practices his agility exercises outdoors, he has snow squishing between his furry toes and padding his drops.

"He has no problem with the cold," Runde

Shelties, relatives of the border collie, originate from the Shetland Islands, northeast of Scotland. The climate there is typically pret-

PLEASE SEE POOCH, A5

## Seniors get free smoke detectors

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

The Canton Fire Department is offering free smoke detectors to senior citizens living in the township.

Fire Capt. Jim Davison said the department recently received donations of smoke detectors from Home Depot and Maple Chase Co.

"We have them available for senior citizens who do not have smoke detectors," he said. "If they call us we'll get information from them, send on-duty guys out to find the best suitable spot and they'll install them." The program is limited to residents of

Canton.

Davison said the department received

about four to six dozen detectors initially. "If we can get another company to jump on board and come up with more smoke detectors, then we can open it up to low-

income residents as well," he said. Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher said the program would be coordinated through the Canton Fire Fighters Charity Foundation, but on-duty fire fighters will deliver and install the detectors.

"They'll be in in-service status," he said. "That means if a call comes in they can drop what they're doing and respond to an inci-

Rorabacher said the program is just another part of the department's fire-pre-

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Canton Chamber of Commerce members Denise Mehl (left), Todd LaJoy and Denise Hollingsworth get ready for a nautical evening at the chamber's 15th annual dinner auction. Top prize in this year's auction is a Caribbean cruise.

## Auction takes on cruise feel

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

When Canton residents and business people turn out for the Chamber of Commerce's 15th annual dinner auction later this month, they'll feel like they're on a cruise ship.

The theme of the auction this

LOOKING AHEAD

year is "Anchors Away" and the Hellenic Cultural Center on Joy Road in Westland, site for the event, will become The Love Boat for the evening.

Guests are being encouraged to dress as their favorite sea-loving character, such as a castaway from

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#### CLARIFICATION

A story in Thursday's Observer about Anika Scott and a lost Mahler manuscript incorrectly identified her stepfather. His correct name is Richard Freeman.

#### ST. PATRICK'S BRUNCH

Waltonwood at Cherry Hill will sponsor a St. Patrick's day brunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 13-16. Those taking a tour of the community will have a chance to win a trip to Mackinac Island. Call Dodi at (734)981-7100 to make a reservation.

#### TAI CHI CLASS

An exercise class designed to be joint-friendly for arthritis patients is coming to the Summit.

The Tai Chi from the American Arthritis Foundation class will be offered from 1-2 p.m. Wednesdays and 7-8 p.m. Thursdays beginning Tuesday, March 12. Tuition for the 10week class is \$99.

All classes are taught by

instructors who have undergone special Arthritis Foundation training.

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Benefits include reduced pain and stiffness, improved mobility, breathing and relaxation. It also may help with memory, concentration, coordination, muscle strength, stamina, stress, depression, circulation and heart and lung function.

To register, call the Arthritis Foundation's Michigan chapter at (800) 968-3030.

#### SPRING GARDENING

Canton Leisure Services is offering a variety of gardening classes at the Summit on three Wednesdays during March which will help in preparing a 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 -

Dahlias, gladiolus, cannas,

tuberous begonias, caladiums are all tender bulbs. Discover how easy it is to grow these beauties and how, when and where to plant them. Learn to properly divide, store, fertilize and care for these bulbs.

#### All About Perennials March 12

This class will show how to choose healthy, attractive plants for both sun and shade, and learn how to amend and prepare soil for 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.

#### ■ Wildlife In Your Garden -March 26

Which plants attract butterflies and hummingbirds? Learn how to invite certain birds that will benefit gardens and landscape, and see how to encourage the natural food chain in a yard and diminish the use of pesticides.

#### **ALBUM CLASS**

Canton Leisure Services

offers a class to teach people how to make a scrapbook album. The class will be held from 7-9:30 p.m. Monday, March 10, at the Summit. Pamela MacIntyre, Creative Memories Unit Leader, facilitates the session. Registration for residents is open at the Summit with a fee of \$8 for Summit members and \$10 for non-members. Nonresidents 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.

#### **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 return will be at approximately 5:30 p.m.

Tickets are on sale for Canton residents only now through Feb. 25 at the Summit.

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Non-residents may purchase tickets between Feb. 26 and March 6 at 5 p.m. Limited seating is available. 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 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.

#### **WILCOX ESSAY CONTEST**

Continuing to fulfill Jack Wilcox's desire to benefit the Plymouth-Canton community, encourage interest in local history and assist in the education of youth, the Wilcox Foundation announces the continuation of a scholarship program for the high school seniors in the Plymouth-

Some \$36,000 will be awarded May 14-15 to 18 Plymouth-Canton students

Canton school district.

who research, then write an essay based on interviews with a Plymouth-area resident of the student's choice who is over 80 years of age and has resided in the community at least 40

Three Plymouth-Canton educators and three members of the Plymouth-Canton community will serve on the panel of judges which selects the

scholarship recipients. According to Win Schrader, a member of the Wilcox Foundation Committee and director of the Scholarship Program, the program, unlike many scholarship programs, is not aimed solely at the top academic students.

"Rather, it is interested in promoting broad participation by Plymouth-Canton youth in learning about the history of Plymouth," Schrader said.

Accordingly, criteria for selecting the participants are centered around the time and effort put into research, resourcefulness in tracking down sources of information and interest shown.

Two \$3,000 first-place scholarships will be awarded, as will 12 second-place scholarships of \$2,000 each. A random drawing will determine the recipients of four \$1,500 scholarships.

Additional information is available in the counseling offices of Salem and Canton high schools.





# "Is It Time To Have a Baby?"

Planning to start a family or just found out you're pregnant? Join us for this fun and informative pregnancy planning seminar in Ann Arbor. You'll get lots of practical information on the physical, emotional and financial aspects of having children.

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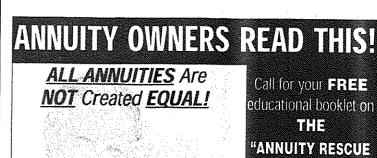
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## Thief makes off with large amount of jewelry

A Glade Road resident reported to Canton Police Feb. 24 that jewelry was stolen from her home while she was away during the day.

She said when she returned home about 6 p.m. lights were on in the house, a closet door was open and the basement door was open. She said she first assumed her husband had left the lights on and the doors

But when her brother came home about 8:20 p.m. they could not unlock the door. When her brother finally got the door unlocked he noticed pry marks on it.

The woman then discovered eight bracelets, a wedding chain, two gold chains and 45 pairs of earrings missing from an upstairs bedroom.

Police have no suspects.

#### **CAR KEYED**

A resident of the 7900 block of Charrington told police he parked his car in his driveway about 2 a.m. on Feb. 25 and about 3:30 a.m. he noticed lines and X's had been scratched on all four sides of the car.

Damage was estimated at \$1,000.

#### TIRE SLASHED

A Marne Court resident reported that between 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 25 and 12:20 p.m. Feb. 26, someone cut a 2-inch slash in the rear passenger side tire of his car.

#### **COP CALLS**

#### **EQUIPMENT STOLEN**

A Westland resident told Canton Police that on Feb. 25 about 5 p.m. he put his son's hockey bag full of equipment down in a spot at High Velocity Sports on Michigan Avenue.

About 10 minutes later it was gone. The bag and equipment were valued at \$178.

#### SPEEDY SHOPLIFTER

A loss prevention officer at Meijer on Ford Road told police that between 1:10 and 1:15 p.m. on Feb. 27, she watched a man putting food

items in a shopping cart.

The man then took two bottles of liquor from a shelf and put them in the cart. She later observed him hide the liquor in his coat. He abandoned the cart at a "U-Scan" aisle and left the store.

When the officer approached him outside the store and identified herself, he ran to a green Ford four-door sedan and sped east on Ford Road at a high rate of speed, almost hitting another car in the process.

The security officer got the license number of the Ford.

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## Aquatics staff lauded

Canton's Summit on the Park aquatics staff has been recognized by Ellis & Associates, Canton's aquatics risk management firm, and received the prestigious silver national aquatic safety award for consistently exceeding safety criteria for 2002. The aquatics staff was the subject of unannounced safety audits and scored an average of 96 percent on administration/record keeping and in-service training standards.

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# More than a fish fry

#### 3-A-Day Dairy

The American Dairy Association/National Dairy Council has launched the 3-A-Day Dairy campaign to remind parents to eat three servings of dairy a day to build stronger bones and better bodies.



A survey completed in November 2002 found that nearly half of mothers (48 percent) think they are getting enough calcium, but the U.S. Department of Agriculture confirms that 75 percent of Americans are not meeting calcium recommendations. The survey also found that only one of three moms drinks milk daily.

The United Dairy Association of Michigan encourages families to incorporate the 3-A-Day of Dairy into family meal plans. Monday kicks off 3-A-Day Week (March 3-9).

Families should seek out milk, snackable cheeses and portable yogurt in at least three meals a day, the UDIM recommends. Three servings a day can help get not only calcium, but potassium, phosphorus, protein, vitamins D and A, riboflavin and niacin.

Families can visit www.3aday.org for recipes and information.

#### Moore is the master

Derin Moore, a former executive chef at the Golden Mushroom and one-time parttime faculty member at Schoolcraft College, has earned master chef status from the American Culinary Federation.

Moore, executive chef at **Dunwoody Country Club in** Dunwoody, Ga., received the certified master chef certification from the ACF, which is the highest and most demanding level of achievement of all ACF certification levels, granted only after the candidate has passed an intensive 10-day test of culinary skills and knowledge. The addition of these three CMCs brings the national total to 70 certified master chefs in the United States. The exam was given Jan. 30-Feb. 9 at The Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y.

Moore graduated from The Culinary Institute of America in 1986. For the next 16 years, he worked in Michigan, at The Bloomfield Hills Country Club, Pike Street Restaurant in Pontiac, and Bay Harbor resort. In 1997, he became executive chef at Detroit's landmark Golden Mushroom Restaurant as it celebrated its 25th anniversary. He also served as a part-time faculty member at Schoolcraft College.

Moore has won many hot food and cold food awards in national and international cooking competitions. He was a member of ACF Culinary Team USA 1996, formed a regional team to compete in Luxembourg in 1998, and was a member of ACF Culinary Team USA 2000.



BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

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There's no rule that says fish has to be fried during

Churches and markets sell just as much baked fish today as fried during Lenten events, according to fish dinner experts.

Lent is just three days away. Some Christians will recognize the 40-day period from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday, the day before Easter, by refraining from red meat consumption for that time period.

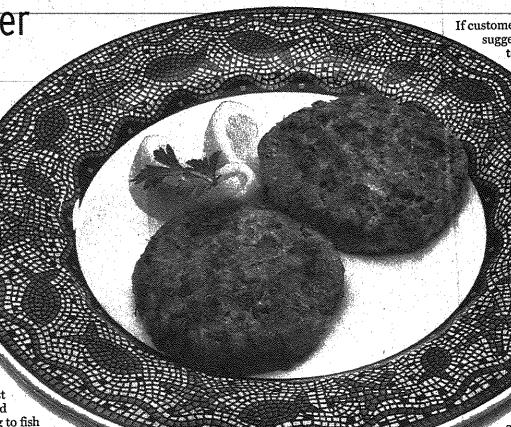
More common, however, is that many will just avoid it on Fridays and opt for fish instead. Local the Lenten traditions by serving fish fry dinners. However, today the fish aren't just hitting the deep fryers. They're on the broilers and pans, too.

"Sure, we sell the fried fish, but we also offer broiled haddock and orange roughy and sautéed perch," said Mark Kromk, manager of the Knights of Columbus on Farmington Road in Livonia. "We also have deep fried cod and shrimp."

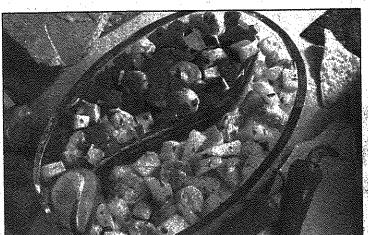
The K of C, 19801 Farmington Road, opens its restaurant to the public every Friday throughout the year. Fish, prepared in a variety of ways, is the specialty. "The golden days of the fish fries are mostly at the

churches and pubs," said Peter Julian, executive chef of Hiller's Markets located in Ann Arbor, Plymouth, West Bloomfield and Berkley. "Frying fish is messy and it's a big event.

Instead of cooking or buying deep fried perch, Julian recommends pan sautéed Grecian tuna steak with calamata olives that can be purchased at Hiller's - or it can be made in residential kitchens.



Fried salmon cakes with green onions, mayonnaise and bread crumbs (above) churches and some nonprofit organizations embrace are an easy creation for Lent. Now this is an easy creation (below). Pre-purchased ready-to-eat shrimp is simply marinated in lime juice and added to a mixture of red pepper, pineapple, avocado and cilantro. Chill and serve.



If customers want to create even simpler meals, Julian suggests sautéed pickerel. Filet style pickerel is easy to work with, he said.

When preparing fish, keep it simple and use less than five ingredients," Julian said. "Marinade for just one hour. Lightly dust the filets with flour and white pepper and then pan fry in lightly coated canola oil for five minutes on each side."

And to be sure it's cooked thoroughly heat an oven to 350º F and bake the pickerel for an additional five minutes if needed. St. Agatha's Parish, on

Beech Daly Road in Redford, hosts traditional fish fries with fried cod and shrimp beginning Ash Wednesday and then every Friday through Lent. But to attract new customers, the church also offers baked cod, clam chowder and macaroni and cheese. The menu was developed by the Rev. Thomas Slowinski seven years ago and has been successful.

Marsha Krozek, a longtime organizer for St. Agatha's fish dinners, said at least 350 dinners will be served each week. It will take at least 10 people to fry and bake the fish every Friday. "We offer baked fish, along with the fried, to meet the requests

of those who attend. Some people want baked fish," Krozek said. The evolution of the basic perch fish fry stems from public demand, Kromk said. Lent, however, is its usiest season for the Knights of Columbus restau-

rant with an expanded fish menu. Hand-battered fish and chips with coleslaw and bread is \$7.25 but customers can also order shrimp, perch and roughy. Fish is a relatively good business for the K of C.

"Twenty-five years ago, we'd serve 700 people each Friday during Lent," Kromk said. "But then regular restaurants starting getting in on the fish dinners. Today we serve about 300 people which is still good ... this is what pays our building rent."

"People aren't just eating their Lenten fish at restaurants anymore because cooking at home is so popular today," Julian said.

The days of worrying about fish tasting "too fishy" aren't as common either, Julian said. Today, markets and good restaurants receive fresh fish daily - the shy taste that's a sign of decay isn't quite as common. At Hiller's, salmon is the "big fish."

"Salmon is huge such as dill poached salmon with white wine, sea salt and white pepper, but right now cod and scrod are, too," Julian said.

## FISH FRY - INDIAN STYLE

One pound of flounder, or any fish of your choice

% teaspoon red chili powder % teaspoon spring onion paste (found at gourmet markets or Indian grocers) 1/2 teaspoon garlic paste

/ teaspoon black pepper 1/4 teaspoon salt to taste 1 cup canola oil

Clean the fish well and marinate it with the ingredients for one hour. Heat the oil in a frying pan on medium heat. Put the fish and fry both sides in low heat until cooked about five minutes on each side. Serve it hot. If desired, fish can be baked for an additional five to 10 minutes in oven at 3509 F.

### BROILED SHAD OR SALMON WITH HERBED LEMON BUTTER

2 pounds salmon or shad fillet

% cup butter, melted 2 tablespoons lemon juice

2 tablespoons chopped parsley

¼ teaspoon dill weed, or rosemary of marjoram, crushed

% teaspoon coarsely ground pepper

Line broiler pan with foil and place fish on the well greased rack. Combine remaining ingredients; baste shad with mixture. Broil four inches from heat, allowing 10 minutes cooking time per inch of thickness measured at its thickest part or until shad flakes easily when tested with a fork. Baste several times during cooking. Makes 8 servings. May also be charcoal grilled. Recipe courtesy of www.adelphiaseafood.com.

# Many reasons to like Badia a Coltibuono wines

adia a Coltibuono, one of Tuscany's loveliest wine estates, situated amid rolling hills planted in vineyards and olive groves, is only an hour's drive from Florence. Sited high on a Tuscan hill in the heart of the Chianti Classico wine zone, this awesome property has a commanding view of 2,000 acres of forests, vine yards, ancient farmhouses and olive trees.

Badia a Coltibuono (Abbey of the Good Harvest) is an 11thcentury medieval Benedictine Abbey and the first documented site of Chianti, the celebrated wine jewel of Tuscany. It is also the home of Lorenza de Medici, whose numerous books on Italian culinary arts have been

published worldwide. Her son, Roberto Stucchi, is the winemaker for the famous



on wine

Eleanor Heald

wines of Badia a Coltibuono.

#### **MAGNIFICENT TASTES**

Coltibuono's 2000 Trappoline (\$13), a blend of chardonnay and pinot blanc, challenges many pinot grigios at this price point!

The 2000 Coltibuono 'Cancelli" Sangiovese di Toscana (\$9) will change your mind about a 100 percent sangiovese. Forget some weak, flavorless stuff from California. This is the real, delicious McCoy - great

with a gourmet pizza.

The 2000 Coltibuono "Cetamura" Chianti (\$11) is 90 percent sangiovese and 10 percent canaiolo. The absence of oak aging retains natural fruit characters in a pleasant quaff at this price.

The 2000 Coltibuono "Roberto Stucchi," Chianti Classico (\$19) steps things up. Aged in oak casks and small French oak barrels, this wine showcases the skills of Stucchi in producing a wine from growers. "And I'm bent on doing it without adding merlot to the blend," he said. "I don't like what blending with merlot or cabernet sauvignon does to the true character of sangiovese and chianti."

With 1999 Badia a Coltibuono Chianti Classico (\$20), the first estate expression is spotlighted

in a concentrated, layered wine with a long finish.

In the 1999 Coltibuono Chianti Classico Riserva (\$33). grapes from the estate's 13- to 15-year-old vines offer a gorgeous, ripe fruit profile with a rich finish. The ultimate estate expression is revealed in Coltibuono's 1999 Sangioveto di Toscana (\$70). Sangioveto is the old Tuscan name for sangiovese and this wine should be paired with a great steak or savory Italian-style stew.

#### **MORE ATTRIBUTES**

In addition to the excellence of the Coltibuono wines, other elements are noteworthy. First, Coltibuono does not have a national importer. Wines are direct imported by interested distributors nationwide.

Elimination of a sales tier lowers the cost-to-consumer price of Coltibuono wines about 25 per-

Secondly, for several years, Coltibuono has been organically growing its estate grapes for chianti production. With rains that often plague Tuscan vineyards during the growing season, such as they did in 2002, one wonders whether vine diseases can be successfully deterred by organic methods.

Vintage 2002 was a true test," Stucchi said. "We kept the organic program intact even with all the rain. The vineyards fared well, even better than some of our neighbors, who continue to use the chemicals forbidden by organic certification."

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# Learn about Jewish holiday meals

Marlene Sorosky, author of Fast & Festive Meals for the Jewish Holidays, will headline The Flavors of Jewish Life, a cooking program to take place Sunday, March 16 at Temple Beth El in Bloomfield Hills.

Other chefs expected to teach classes during the three-hour program include Matt Prentice, president and chief executive officer of Unique Restaurant Corp.; Annabel Cohen, food writer, cookbook author and former caterer; Joan Kekst, Cleveland-based food writer and cookbook author; Paul Wertz, owner of Excellence Too catering; and Eric Novak, editor/founder of Jim Hiller's wine club newsletter and a wine buyer for Hiller's Markets.

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"Memories are very sensorybased," said Jill Sklar, chairperson of the event. "The taste of gefilte fish or the texture of a velvety matzah ball are experiences that can transport many Jews to a past Passover meal. But for those who are new or returning to the faith, you really have no memories of such foods.

"The purpose of the program is to equip these individuals with the tools to create these foods, with the hope that they

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will create their own Jewish memories with these foods."

Beginning at 1 p.m., Flavors of Jewish Life will feature two class periods, each 45 minutes in length. Through advance registration, participants will be able to choose classes such as "Cooking for the High Holidaze," "Don't Pass-

over...Passover Cooking," "Fabulous Finishes," "Sharing Shabbat," and "Mazel Tov! It's a Simcha!" For a ticket price of \$18, participants will be able to register for two of the five classes and will receive a cookbook of all of the recipes presented

The program is sponsored by Project NAOMI (Newcomers Affiliating through Outreach

and Mentoring Initiative), a project of the Agency for Jewish Education and Jewish Family Service. It is co-sponsored by the Community Outreach and Education department of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit, the Detroit Jewish News and the sisterhoods of Adat Shalom Synagogue, Temple Beth El, Congregation Shaarey Zedek, Temple Israel, Congregation Shir Tikveh, Congregation Beth Shalom and Congregation Beth Ahm.

Seating is limited. For more information or to register for the program, please call Kari Alterman at (248) 203-1470 or Lisa Soble Siegmann at (248) 205-2534.

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Top sauce on pan seared fish. (Hint: Heat oven to 350°. Place fish in a skillet heated with oil, sear then cook for about 7-8 minutes for every inch of thickness of fish.) Use to accompany flounder,

#### SEARED LOD MISH

1 bunch spinach, washed and stemmed 1 tablespoon margarine

½ cup cream ¼ teaspoon salt

1/4 cup finely chopped green onion 2 pounds cod, fillet cut in pieces 1 tablespoon vegetable oil

Preheat oven to 350° F. Blanch the spinach in boiling salted water for 90 seconds. Drain and rinse in cold water. Squeeze out juice. Chop.

In a small saucepan, heat butter and add the chopped spinach. Add cream and bring to a boil. Season with salt and pepper and add the green onions. Simmer one minute. For thicker sauce, simmer longer up to four min-

In a skillet, heat vegetable oil. Season fish with salt and pepper and sear one minute per side or and bake for about 7-8 minutes Pour sauce on a plate and lay cooked fish on top. Spoon some sauce over top along with the juice of one-half a lemon.

Recipe courtesy of

1/2 cup clam juice, available at

4 ounces fresh squeezed lemon

just a few tablespoons

and clam juice. Add it slowly as it will quickly rise in the pan. Add cornstarch and water to thicken to desired consistency.

sole, tuna, shrimp or halibut.

Recipe courtesy of Big Rock Chophouse in Birmingham.

cracked black pepper to taste

Juice from half a lemon

until golden. Transfer fish to oven for every inch of thickness of fish.

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#### EASY SALMON CAKES

1/4 cup finely chopped red pepper 1/4 cup finely chopped green onion 1/4 cup mayonnaise 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice ¼ teaspoon seasoned salt Cayenne (red) pepper to taste 1 beaten egg

1 pouch (7.1 ounces) pink salmon, skinless and boneless, (preferably Chicken of the Sea) 1 cup dry breadcrumbs, divided 3 tablespoons butter

In small mixing bowl, combine chopped red pepper, green onion, mayonnaise, lemon juice, seasoned salt and cayenne pepper. Adjust seasonings to personal preference.

Stir in egg, salmon and 4 tablespoons breadcrumbs. Form mixture into 6 to 8 balls. Roll salmon balls in remaining breadcrumbs; flatten into cakes about ½ inch thick. Fry salmon cakes in melted butter over medium heat for three to four minutes per side. Makes 4 servings.

Recipe courtesy of Chicken of

#### BAKED OCEAN PERCH WITH IOMATO, BLACK OLIVES

1/2 cup finely chopped onion 2 tablespoons olive oil 2 garlic cloves, minced 4 cup dry white wine 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano One 14- to 16-ounce can whole tomatoes, drained,

reserving% cup liquid, chopped ¼ pound ocean perch fillets

½ cup black olives, pitted, chopped 1/2 cup crumbled Feta cheese

In a skillet cook onion in oil over moderately low heat, stirring, until it is softened. Add garlic and cook, stirring, one minute. Add wine and boil the mixture until almost all the liquid is evaporated. Add the thyme, oregano and tomatoes with reserved liquid, bring mixture to a boil, and cook it over moderate heat, stirring occasionally, five minutes, or until it is thickened slightly. Spread half the sauce in the bottom of a gratin dish just large enough to hold the fish in one layer. Top it with the perch, skin sides down and spread remaining sauce over perch. Sprinkle olives and Feta evenly over the sauce and bake 15 to 20 minutes at 400°F. Or until fish just flakes when tested with a fork. Serves 2.

Recipe courtesy of cod-

## Wild rice is the key ingredient

You don't need a seat on Bourbon Street to enjoy a "wild" Nawlins-style Mardi Gras celebration. Feast on this hardy, mouthwatering Louisiana dish with a Minnesota twist, Wild Rice

#### WILD RICE GUMBO

½ cup flour 2 slices bacon, chopped I pound beef kielbasa, cut into bite-sized chunks 1 medium onion

2 celery ribs, sliced 2 bell peppers (assorted color), chopped

4 scallions, sliced 3 cloves garlic, minced 2 cans (14 ounces each) chicken

1 can (14 ounces) beef broth 1 can (28 ounces) diced tomatoes 4 cup chopped fresh parsley 1 tablespoon Cajun seasoning 2 bay leaves

4 cups cooked wild rice 1 pound small raw shrimp, peeled (approximately 50) 1 tablespoon filé powder (option-

salt and pepper to taste 1-2 teaspoons hot pepper suace (optional)

Preheat large skillet over medium heat 2 minutes. Add flour; stir constantly until dark beige (approximately 5 minutes - don't scorch). Immediately transfer to plate. In a large saucepan, cook bacon until starting to crisp; add kielbasa, onion, celery, peppers, scallions and garlic. Cover; cook 5 minutes. Uncover. Cook, stirring occasionally until vegetables are lightly browned; stir in flour. Gradually stir in broth; add tomatoes, parsley, Cajun seasoning and bay leaves. Partially cover; simmer 40 minutes. Add wild rice, shrimp and filé powder; simmer 10 minutes. Season with salt, pepper and hot pepper sauce. Remove bay leaves before serving. Makes 8-10 servings.

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CALENDAR

#### Evening herb group

Karla Truxall of Two Sisters Gourmet will be the featured speaker 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, March 3 at the the University of Michigan's Matthaei Gardens educational building. The public and new members are welcome. There will be samples of "Gourmet Taste in Takeout Time" featuring such delights as: herbed spinach, peanut ginger marinade, dried tomato and roasted garlic pesto or seasoned salt. There will also be a video showing of the HGTV special on the Matthaei Gardens, televised in November 2002. Join the group at U of M's Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Rd, Ann Arbor.

For more info call: H. Leland at (734) 459-8454 or e-mail heidmeister@provide.net

#### Learning to cook

Young teens can learn to cook at Nanny's Kitchen, 304 East Street, in Rochester with Beginner's Chefs (ages 11 and up) 7-8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays. March 4-25. Beginner chefs will explore complete meal planning, while reading recipes, making shopping lists, learning kitchen safety and proper table settings. The fee is \$160. Nanny's also offers Country French Cooking with

French cook Elondie Henderson, 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, March 19, Cost is \$45. Adults can learn about make-ahead breakfasts for overnight guests to memorable desserts in a four-week class, 7-9 p.m. on Wednesdays, March 5-26. The class fee is \$160. (This class also includes the French Cooking class on March 19.) For more information, call or email Nanny at (248) 651-1622 or nanny@nannyskitchen.com

#### Pasty fund-raiser

Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail in Livonia, ismaking and selling Cornish pasties for a fund-raiser. Only 1,000 pasties will be made. Pasties are \$3 each and can be ordered by calling the church office at (734) 422-0149 only at these times between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, March 4-5. (Do not leave a message on the machine.) Pickup times will be 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday, March 13, and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, March 14.

#### Book slanina

Ann Arbor nutritionist and psychotherapist Judy Stone will discuss and sign her new book, Take Two Apples and Call Me in the Morning, at 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 6 at Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield.

#### Cooking demonstration

Trevarrow will be demonstrating Wolf ovens, cooktops, duel fuel ranges and other products at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, at a complimentary cooking demonstration at Specialties Showroom, 2800 W. 11 Mile Rd., in Berkley. Call Trevarrow to reserve a place at (248) 377-2300.

#### Hawaii in a Jar-

Create Hawaiian wedding cookies, lavered like a rainbow, inside a canning jar at a community education class in Farmington at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 5. Bring your own 1-quart true canning jar with lid, cutting board, sharp knife and \$15 materials fees. You will receive a book of exotic Hawaiian recipes, and learn about traditional dishes that Hawaiians enjoy. Cost is \$12 tuition and \$15 for materials. Call (248) 489-3333 for information.

#### Texas in a Jar

Chili is the perfect comfort food for a frosty winter night. Create a Texas Chili Soup in a canning jar at a class 79 p.m. Friday, March 7, sponsored by the Lake Orion Community Educational Resource Center, 455 E. Scripps Road. You will need to bring your own widemouth 1-quart true canning jar with lid. cutting board, sharp knife and \$15 materials fees. You will receive a book of traditional Texas recipes like barbecue ribs and brisket, hottest hot sauces, chuckwagon stews, jams, marinades, dips and soups, including the chili recipe that won five world championships. The \$15 materials fees will be collected in class. Call (248) 693-

Winterfest beer tasting Schoolcraft College's Gourmet Club and Merchant's Fine Wine of Grosse Pointe Woods, Dearborn and Royal Oak present the eighth annual Winterfest Beer Tasting 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 19, at the Schoolcraft College VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty in Livonia, one block west of 1-275 between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads. Fine culinary cuisine, and 80 to 100 peers will be among the choices, with tastings limited to 50 beers. Tickets are \$38 per person. Patrons must be 21 years of age and prove it to attend this event. Tickets can be pur-

chased at the Student Activities Office, lower Waterman Center, or at Merchant's Fine Wine locations. Visa, MasterCard and Discover are accepted. Make checks payable to Schoolcraft College. Call for tickets at (734) 462-4422.

#### Sandwich fare

Learn about new takes on the classics with chef Dan Vernia from Zodiac at Neiman Marcus and breads by Noel Black, artisan baker from The Give Thanks Bakery. Learn about Monte Cristo Italian, French Dip. seafood submarine, grilled chicken and cheese and meatloaf on rye at the class 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Thursday, March 20, at Bella Cucina, 2505 Orchard Lake Road in Sylvan Lake. Call Trevarrow at (248) 377-2300 for information.

#### Tropical Escapes

Enjoy wines at Tropical Escapes, a wine tasting and auction gala to benefit student scholarships and educational projects at Madonna University. at 5:30 p.m. Friday, March 28, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, in Livonia. The wine tasting and silent auction are scheduled for 5:30 p.m., while dinner

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and the live auction will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wines, art. crystal, fine jewelryand unique items are among items to be sold at the silent auction. Entertainment will be provided by the Livonia Symphony String Quartet. Tickets are \$125 per person. For information, call (734) 432-5421 or visit www.madonna.edu (click on Auction

#### **Celebrating Women**

Henry Ford Museum will feature the accomplishments of women in medicine, aviation, publishing, politics, music and more. Henry Ford Museum will be celebrating these women with "Celebrate Women's History!" daily during the month of March. Visitors can view an infomercial-style highlighting the kitchen innovations of the 1970s on weekdays at 10 and 11 a.m., 1 and 2 p.m. and weekends at 1:30, 3 and 4 p.m. For information, call (313) 271-1620 or visit www.hfmgv.org Do you have an item for the Taste calendar? Please submit it at least two weeks before the event to Ken Abramczyk, Taste editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham MI 48009 or email kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

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#### **COOKING CLASSES**

An annual series of cooking classes are held in Coltibuono's Renaissance villa. Founded and originally taught by Lorenza de Medici, they are guided now by Tuscan resident John Meis and Coltibuono's Chef Paolo Pancotti. Meis is the author of "A Taste of Tuscany" and collaborator with de Medici in the Villa Table cooking agenda and numerous cookbooks. Cost for double occupancy is \$3,300 per person; single occupancy \$3,900.

During a stay, guests reside in comfortable rooms located in the ancient abbey. Attendance during the week of July 2 offers the special opportunity to experience the world-famous Palio horse race in Siena, enjoying Coltibuono's exclusive seats at the starting/finish line.

Dates for 2003 Cooking Classes are: May 26-31, June 16-21, June 30-July 5 (at supplement of \$500 per person for Palio), Sept. 8-13 and Oct. 6-11. For more information on the cooking school, e-mail the U.S. representative Louise Owens at coltibuono@charter.net or phone her at (214) 739-2846. The Web site www.coltibuono.com offers a visual taste of the estate.

write about wine, spirits, food and restaurants for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave them a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047, mailbox 1864#.



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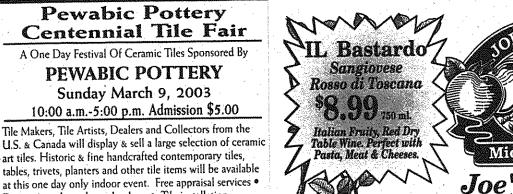
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# Movies that spur debate go up at Detroit Film Theatre

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Elliot Wilhelm doesn't put a spin on the mission of Detroit Film Theatre, which has been under his direction for more than 20 years.

The theater's goal is unequivocal: show great films.

So criteria like urgent storytelling, directorial vision and artistry guide DFT's offerings.

'There's no point in trying to chase down certain segments of the market. We don't pander to demographics," said Wilhelm. "We scour the waterfront and cover the globe to get the best films made."

Other venues can tango with targeting audiences, says Wilhelm. When it comes right down to it, great films don't always find broad appeal.

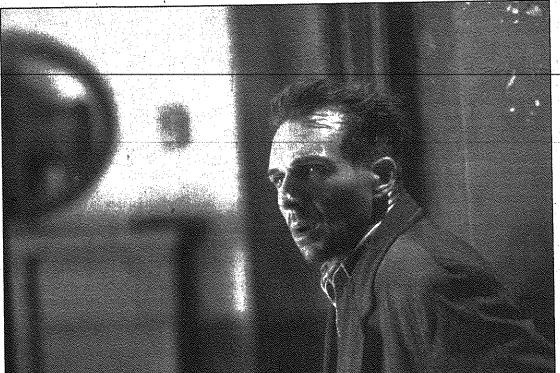
#### **DUKE IT OUT**

Isn't post-movie debate part of the cinema experience, any-

Wilhelm, who's also curator of film for the Detroit Institute of Arts, not only thinks so, he hopes so with every new season. This year's lineup, which runs through May and is expected to remain unchanged despite cuts at the DIA, is no exception.

One film he's counting on to spur controversy is Gerry, the latest from Gus Van Sant, director of Drugstore Cowboy, To Die For and My Own Private Idaho.

"Some hate the film, including Ebert, and some champion it," says Wilhelm. "It really



Ralph Fiennes plays the schizophrenic Spider, a man released on to the streets of London after a lengthy stay in a mental institution, in David Cronenberg's Spider, playing April 4-6 at the Detroit Film Theatre.

divides audiences, which I describe as the good old days when people would argue about movies all night."

Gerry, which stars Matt Damon and Casey Affleck, is scheduled to run Friday-Sunday, March 14-16, at DFT. One week prior, the venue plans to show Van Sant's first feature film, Mala Noche, as well as three short films only available with the director's permission.

"It's a look at Gus' early career," says Wilhelm. "I think it's possible that many people are not familiar with the direc-

tor, and that gets into one of the things that we're trying to do here."

## **JOURNEYS WILD**

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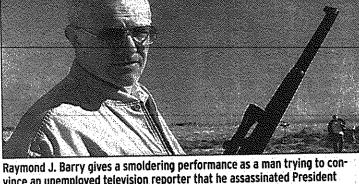
Expected to be a DFT highlight in the what-a-ride film category is Interview with an Assassin with Raymond J. Barry trying to convince an unemployed television reporter that he killed John F. Kennedy in Dallas in 1963. The film is scheduled to run Monday, March 3, and comes from first-

time director Neil Burger.

The Oscar-nominated documentary Winged Migration is another sort of journey, a bird's-eye view of the flight and migration of birds throughout the globe.

"It's an example of how technology can get you a view that you've never had before," said Wilhelm of Winged Migration, scheduled Friday-Sunday, May 9-11, at DFT. "It's really beautiful. It gives you that feeling that you have when you're dreaming of being in flight."

A simpler, but nonetheless suspenseful, journey takes



vince an unemployed television reporter that he assassinated President Kennedy in first-time director Neil Burger's Interview with the Assassin, scheduled for March 3 at the Detroit Film Theatre.



Traudi Junge, who was Hitler's private secretary, breaks her silence after 50 years in Blind Spot: Hitler's Secretary, slated March 28-30 at the Detroit Film Theatre.

place in Blind Spot: Hitler's Secretary, a humble documentary that records the memories of Traudl Junge, Hitler's private secretary, in a series of interviews.

Blind Spot is set to run Friday-Sunday, March 28-30, at DFT.

"It's a suspense film in a sense," said Wilhelm. "We have a chance early in the film to sit back and decide is she (Junge) leveling with us ... Then we want to know is she a human being, as we suspect."

A highlight in the classics category is a rarely seen, uncut version of John Frankenheimer's 1973 The Iceman Cometh, based on Eugene O'Neill's play. Set for Monday, April 7, it stars Fredric March, Robert Ryan, Jeff Bridges and Lee Marvin. The uncut version is more true to O'Neill's work than the one released commercially, said Wilhelm, adding, "I really like to find these things. We're dedicated not to just putting the film up on the screen, but making sure they're the way the director intended them to

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### Fat Tuesday

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tional Mardi Gras King Cakes. On Tuesday, March 4, participate in the crawfish racing or eating contest. Races take place throughout the evening and the at 7 p.m. A King or Queen of Mardi Gras will be named, and at the end of the evening. Call

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Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S. Cranbrook. Awards presentation 7 p.m. The exhibit continues through Friday, April 4. Show juror Richard Nonas will be at Hill Gallery, 407 W. Brown St., Birmingham, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 5 for the opening of his exhibit, "Drawing and Sculpture."

Nonas will present a lecture at the BBAC, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 6, (248) 644-0866, www.bbartcenter.org

### Play ball

It may or may not feel like spring, but the Detroit Tigers will open their season 1:05 p.m. Monday, March 31 at Comerica Park in Detroit. Are you planning to be at the game? Is going to the Tigers' opening game a family tradition? Share your stories, along with suggestions for places to eat before or after the game with us for a story about the Tigers and other good sports to run in Arts & Entertainment, Thursday, March 27. Send, fax or e-mail

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#### Taste of spring

Toast the change in seasons 7:30-10:30 p.m. Saturday, March 29 at the Franklin Village Wine Tasting at the home of Rhonda and Jerry Byer. Tickets \$40 per person available at the Apple Tea Room Yankee Designs and Market Basket, or call Anna Marie Roediger, (248) 851-9179. Event includes wine tasting, food from Market Basket. valet parking and silent auction.

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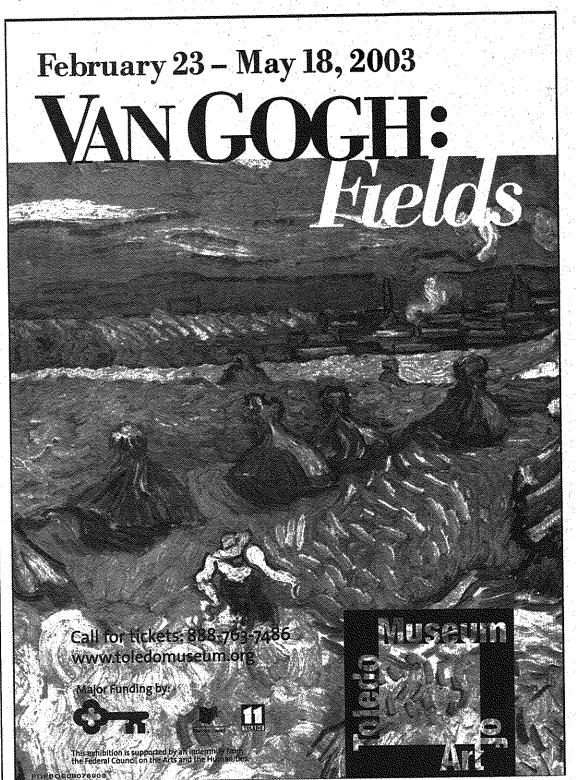
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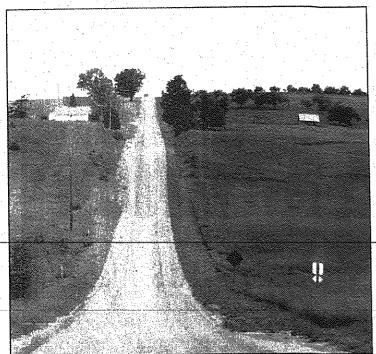
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Placing the road off center made a much more interesting composition. Monte Nagler photographed this road in northern Michigan.

## Open new vistas, point your camera to the road

e've all heard the expression "hit the road." Well, by hitting the road with your camera, you'll be able to add new and exciting pictures to your photo album. Whether it's a freeway, high-

way, or an endless country road, photographing roads will open up new vistas for vou. Roads have

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Begin by studying roads in different types of light and at different times of the day. Notice how a backlit road illuminated by a rising or setting sun will glisten and shine like an unfurling ribbon.

After a rainfall, a wet road with puddles offers reflections of overhanging trees and clouds that will add a mood to your shots no other weather conditions will do.

High angles and low angles

will also add variety to your

Climb a nearby hill so you can get a birds-eye view of a winding road or shoot from a low angle as the road undulates up the mountain.

As in all good photography, pay attention to depth-of-field so that everything is sharp from front to back.

You'll accomplish this by being sure to use a small lens opening.

I've always enjoyed photographing roads so that it appears the road is traveling into infinity.

Whether the road ends in a bank of low clouds or at the top of a hill, there's an element of unknown and mystique because the viewer wonders

The country road shown here was taken in northern Michigan.

what lies ahead.

Notice how I placed the road off center and waited for a vehicle to reach the very top for added interest.

So the next time you feel like hitting the road, do so! Just make sure your camera is with you. Roads, quite literally, will take you and your camera to new and exciting places.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave a message for him at (734) 953-2047.

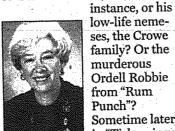
# There are bad guys aplenty in new book

WHEN THE WOMEN COME **OUT TO DANCE** 

By Elmore Leonard (William Morrow,

like bad guys.

Well, maybe not real-life bad guys. Generally, what I'm referring to here are the bad guys in fiction. Specifically, these days, the bad guys who intrigue me the most are those I find on the pages of Elmore Leonard's work. Who can forget that old "redneck," Bob Gibbs, of "Maximum Bob," for



**Victoria** Diaz

family? Or the murderous Ordell Robbie from "Rum Punch"? Sometime later, in "Tishomingo

ses, the Crowe

Blues," we had the juicy pleasure of meeting the creepycrawly cigar-chomper, Arlen

Novis, and several of his cohorts. Remember them?

The bad guys in When the Women Come Out to Dance are sometimes not exactly bad, and sometimes they are not even guys, but gals.

In the lead-off story, cleverly titled "Sparks," we meet a seemingly ambivalent insurance investigator, as he checks up on a young, flirtatious widow who may or may not have set her posh mansion ablaze.

Maybe the best thing about this steamy story is Leonard's dead-on depiction of the sparks that fly, and the chemistry ignited between these two rather wayward souls.

In the title story, we're introduced to two frustrated females who decide to take the bull by the horns - investing in, shall we say, a bit of home improvement. The glam Mrs. Mahmood wants to off her husband (who seems bent on getting rid of her, too, in a particularly brutal way).

Her obsequious Cuban maid, Lourdes, appears helpful at first, until a twist emerges in her own twisted nsuche.

They had dug coal together as young men ... Now it looked like they'd be meeting again, this time as lawman and felon,

Alban Berg

Quartet

Raylan Givens and Boyd Crowder."

Thus begins "Fire in the Hole," one of the strongest, most well-developed stories in the collection. Boyd, a Vietnam veteran fresh out of the penitentiary (he balked at paying his income tax), has organized something called "the East Kentucky Militia." This is "a bunch of boys wearing Doc Martens and swastika tattoos ... all natural-born racists and haters of authority." (Lawman Givens calls them "serious

morons") Seems Givens' ("Riding the Rap" and "Pronto") one-time girlfriend, Ava, has plugged her hateful hubby, Bowman, who happens to be Boyd's brother (stay with me here).

Looks like maybe she had an understandable reason for doing so, and Givens wants to help her out, in more ways than

hing is, he ends up needing some help himself.

On the pages of "Karen Makes Out," we're up-close-andpersonal with a particularly charming bad boy, Carl Tillman. Many readers may think Carl a practically perfect match for our "hero," the hard-working U.S. marshal, Karen Sisco (remember her in Leonard's "Out of Sight"?), but they will be forced to think again (regretfully) by story's end.

Not all these tales are contemporary. Set amid a dusty, bloody landscape of the American Southwest, "The Tonto Woman" and "Hurrah For Captain Early" take place during the 19th century.

One story seems misplaced in the collection. Though it's a compelling, exquisitely observed vignette, "Hanging Out at the Buena Vista" has nothing to do with felonies or misdemeanors of any kind, but, instead, provides a gentle, slightly wry look at two oldsters, making the best of their last days in a Florida retirement community. It's sparked by Leonard's famous "voice" and exquisitely convincing dialogue (not surprisingly, so is the entire) collection.)

Finally. Leonard's love for and Knowledge of the movies pr vides further texture throughout. His characters sometimes talk about or think on such cel-

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luloid luminaries as Jack Nicholson or Christian Slater or Dennis Quaid. One player seems to bear a resemblance to actress Linda Fiorentino,

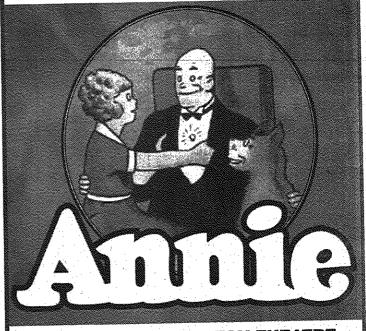
another to Harry Dean Stanton. Obviously, Leonard's low-key

humor punches up the collection as well.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia resident and writes about books, movies, theater and travel for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

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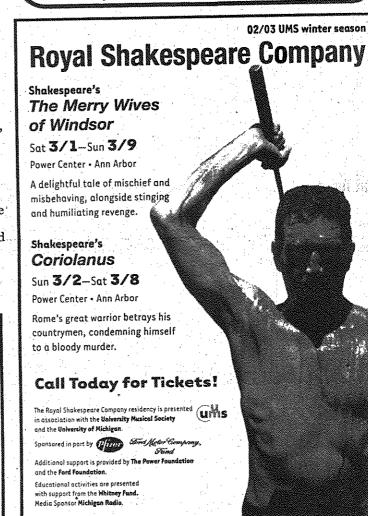
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MON-THURS 130, 410, 659, 930

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SUN 1215, 230, 445, 700, 915 MON-THURS 1215, 230, 445, 700 GANGS OF NEW YORK (R)

SUN 145, 500, 815; MON-THURS 145, 500, 815 CATCH ME IF YOU CAN (PG13) LORD OF THE RINGS: THE TWO TOWERS (PG13) SUN 120, 455, 830; MON-THURS 120, 455, 830

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# 'Laughter is our gift to America'

## Irish show relates to Ireland and U.S. friendship

STAFF WRITER

He didn't mean to sound gushy and sentimental toward

the U.S., he said. But Noel V. Ginnity remembers his childhood days, 50 years ago, when all the money and clothing he owned came

from relatives in America. "Ireland was a dark world, even our clothing was dark," Ginnity said. "And then relatives from Ireland went to work in America and sent us colorful clothing. We survived because of America."

Ginnity is now a popular Dublin comedian and spends much of his time in the U.S. with his show Dublin Irish Cabaret coming to the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center in Dearborn Friday, March 7.

It's a lively blend of traditional Irish music and folk dance. The show features tenor Andy Cooney and musicians Tommy Keane, Pat Marnane and Seamus Bret. There's also a Riverdance tribute.

During a telephone interview from his Dublin home, Ginnity said to expect everything Irish at the pre-St. Patrick's Day event - accordions and flutes, beloved Irish ballads and dance. And, of course, humor.

As "an Ambassador of Laughter" for Ireland, Ginnity blends comedy, music and storytelling.

His comedic style is about humorous Irish tales - a far contrast from comedians of today whose humor revolves around everyday life incidents.

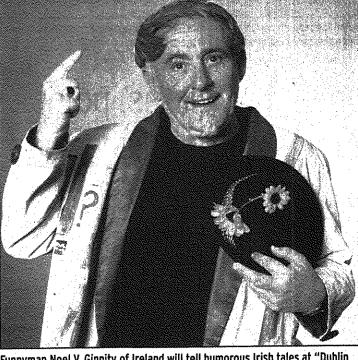
It's Irish humor that Ginnity said Americans appreciate. "It's clean family fun," the

comedian said. Ginnity, an native of Ireland, performed at the original Doyle's Irish Cabaret in Dublin every night, six months a year, for 23 years.

#### WHACKY

One of the last comics whose style represents classic vaudevillians, Ginnity performs in whacky clothing - pointy Irish bicycle shoes painted bright red and feathered hats and bold patterned shirts.

The love affair between Ireland and the U.S. helps his career.



Funnyman Noel V. Ginnity of Ireland will tell humorous Irish tales at "Dublin Irish Cabaret."

#### AT A GLANCE

What: Dublin Irish Cabaret - traditional Irish entertainment including Irish soloist Catherine Coates and comedian Noel Ginnity plus a tribute to Riverdance, and Irish folk music and dance.

When: 8 p.m. Friday, March 7. Where: The Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, 15801

Michigan Ave. at Greenfield, Dearborn. Cost: \$25-30, (313) 943-2350, www.dearbornfordcenter.com

"People see Ireland as a mystical place," he said. "And the way Ireland feels about America, well its nearer u Boston than it is to Brussels, and the show embraces those good feelings."

His pro-American emotion is unique in these times when much of the world has anti-American sentiment. But what does that have to do with Dublin Irish Cabaret?

A lot, he said. Historically, people go to comic shows during difficult times.

"There's a whole lowering of standards and etiquette that I just don't subscribe to," he said. This show is fun for people no matter what the age because I love to hear belly-rolling laugh-

"Today, the first test tube baby was born in Ireland ... in a tiny pub from a bottle of

head." That's Ginnity's humor that's taken him and several musicians in Dublin Cabaret on tours throughout the U.S. He's just finished a tour on Florida cruise ships and soon will spend months in Dollywood -Dolly Parton's theme park in Gatlinburg, Tenn.

Guinness with a big fluffy

"It's a wonderful compliment to go to Dollywood because Ireland loves her."

Ginnity survived his teenage years with a height of just 5foot-2-inches by making people laugh. When you're small, he said, you compensate in other ways. "I did by being the funniest guy in school.

"Now I make people laugh because I love to. It makes me happy to hear an audience filled with joy."

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### WHERE CAN I FIND?

Through reader feedback, this interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate retail merchandise that's difficult to find. If where a product is sold or service is available, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. Please be patient about your requests and feedback; we receive an overwhelming number of phone calls. Also, please spell any uncommon items. If you don't see information about your request, we couldn't find it. Requests are published twice.

WHAT WE FOUND - For a women's consignment store, try Nicole's Revival on 958 N. Newburgh, Westland, (734) 729-1234, or on the Internet at www.nicolesrevival.com.

– Johnson Baby Cream is sold at the Kroger store at Five Mile and Merriman roads in Livonia. -Heaven Scent perfume is

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR - The recipe for Bill Knapp's chocolate, chocolate cake for Carmen of Livonia.

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 A store that sells a 34-by-4by-2 1/2-inch puzzle frame by Springbrook for Joanne of Troy. - A store that sells a giant green shamrock banner for Jan.

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Original chili starter champion chili in a 5 3/8 glass jar made in Livonia for Ollie of Garden City.

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Muscle Rub by Dr. Sheffield (for arthritis) for Loretta of Southfield. - A business that buys used

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Veronica. - A store that sells the sugar cookies from the Butcher Block formerly located (no longer in

business) in Livonia for Melissa. - A store that sells Glade stand and zip bags and Zip-Loc

easy stand bags for Mirabell. A store that sells fabric to be used in making a woman's bathrobe in colorful material, preferably 100 percent cotton for

Carmen of Orchard Lake. A store that sells the book American Babies First Year of Life for Toni.

## Butterflies are Blooming in Grand Rapids

Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids is hosting the largest temporary butterfly exhibit in the country through Wednesday, April 30.

Twenty-five species native to

South and Central America and 10 species native to Asia will fly among the lush foliage and pools of the garden's conservatory. Visitors can watch butterflies feeding at stations

throughout the conservatory, and participate in activities. For package information, call (616) 774-2200 or

www.meijergardens.org/events /butterfly.htm

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

#### **GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)**

#### Ann Arbor Art Center Exhibition Gallery

The Print: An Exhibition of Michigan Printmakers, reception and awards presentation 6-8 p.m. Friday, March 21. Exhibition runs March 14 to April 13 at 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor (734) 994-8004, Ext. 104

#### Artspace

Is celebrating its 20th year of business in March, 303 E. Maple, Birmingham. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday or by appointment, (248) 258-1540, artspace2@mindspring.com

#### Cass Cafe Gallery Works by Robert Mirek, Saturday.

March 8 through mid-May. Opening reception, 7-10 p.m. Saturday, March 8, 4620 Cass Ave., Detroit, ww.lmstudio.com/selections2003

#### Livonia Arts Commission

Paintings and photographs by Jay Asquini, March 2-31 in the exhibition cases, second floor Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road, Livonia, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Sharon Will, original fine art, March 3-31, Fine Arts Gallery (second floor), reception in the gallery, 2-4 p.m. Sunday, March 9, Palette Guild - Art Club, Mixed Media, March 3-28, Livonia City Hall Lobby, 33000 Civic Center Dr.. 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, (734) 466-2540.

#### Meadow Brook Art Gallery

A Heritage of Teaching: The African Art Collection of Catherine C. Blackwell, reception and lecture at 10:30 a.m. March 8 at 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester, Free. (248) 370-

#### Paint Creek Center

Juried drawing exhibition featuring 17 Michigan artists, Friday, March 7 to Saturday, April 12. Reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, March 7, 407 Pine St., downtown Rochester, (248) 651-4110, www.pccart.org

#### FESTIVAL

**Nativity Episcopal Church** 22nd Festival of the Arts, Friday-Sunday, March 28-30, 21220 W. 14 Mile Road, Bloomfield Township, between Lahser and Cranbrook/Evergreen. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, gallery open; 7-10 p.m. meet the artist's reception with harpist Susan Paree (\$10), 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, gallery open, 2-5 p.m. tea with dessert (\$5); noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, gallery open. Admission, \$3 unless noted otherwise. (248) 646-

#### CLASSES

#### Ann Arbor Art Center

The Art Center is offering a second session of youth classes to begin Monday, March 3. A variety of six-week courses are available for children ages 2-12. Registration is in progress at 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor, or (734) 994-8004; to register online: www.annarborartcenter.org

#### Touch of Light

Spring glass blowing classes begin in mid-March, Basic tools and materials supplied. Three hours once a week for eight weeks, at 23426 Woodward, Ferndale, Call gallery for more information (248) 543-1868.

#### CALL FOR ARTISTS

#### ArtFirst

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Looking for artists working in a variety of media for the 23rd annual Labor Day Fine Arts Show, Art on the Green, Monday, Sept. 1. For an application, call (248) 594-3093

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Winter scenes of Livonia: Paintings or 2003. Call Community resources for details (734) 466-2536

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#### **Exhibit**

"Eastern Slope" by Darcy Scott of West Bloomfield is one of the paintings in "Path of Perception," an exhibit that also features Steven Blake Miller, at Ave Maria Fine Art Gallery, Domino's Farms, Lobby B, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright Dr., Ann Arbor. Show opens Tuesday, March 4 and continues to Friday, April 4. Opening reception 6-8 p.m. Thursday, March 13. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. For information, call (734) 930-7514 or www.avemariaart.com

winner announced April 15. (734) 416-

photographs to be entered by Nov. 10,

New fine art gallery seeks art works vas, all media at 213 East 14 Mile Road, Clawson. Call Whitney Jackson at (248) A \$500 fine arts competition for high school seniors in the Plymouth-Canton for details school district. Applications available at 774 North Sheldon in Plymouth. The deadline is Saturday, March 15, Award

#### Warren Cultural Commission

Warren's Annual Art in the Park (23rd) applications now available for original art work or crafts (no kits) This festival will be at Halmich Park July 12-13. Entry deadline is May 10. Call (586) 977-1837

#### **GALLERY EXHIBITS (ONGOING)**

#### **Creative Arts Center**

Black History Month Exhibit: The Art of Ivan Stewart; through March 29 at 47 Williams Street, Pontiac. (248) 333-

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lonely guy who uses the Internet to a date. Trouble ensues when he meets

a woman in prison and she breaks out to be with him and wreaks havoc on his orderly life. Featured players include Steve Martin (Novocaine) as the lonely guy, Queen Latifah (Chicago) as the woman he meets on the internet, Eugene Levy (American Pie) and Joan Plowright (Tea With Mussolini). Adam Shankman (The Wedding Planner) directed the come-

#### dy, making his first since completing A Walk to Remember in 2002.

**COMING ATTRACTIONS** 

(Touchstone Pictures) Rated PG-13

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#### (IFC Films) Rated R.

**TEARS OF THE SUN** Bruce Willis (Unbreakable) stars as the leader of a Special forces unit that is sent into an African jungle on a search and rescue mission: Retrieve a doctor doing humanitarian work in a small village before a civil war erupts. Featured players include Monica Bellucci (Brotherhood Of The Wolf) as the doctor, Cole Hauser (White Oleander) and Fionnula Flanagan

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### THE HUNTED

A suspense-thriller about a tracker, Bonham, who teams up with FBI agent Abby Durrell to hunt down a trained assassin Hallam.

With precision and skill, the predator remains one step ahead, and escapes into the city. Stars Tommy Lee Jones, Benicio Del Toro, Connie Nielsen. Directed by: William Friedkin. (Paramount). Rated R. Running time: 94 minutes.

#### PROZAC NATION

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

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

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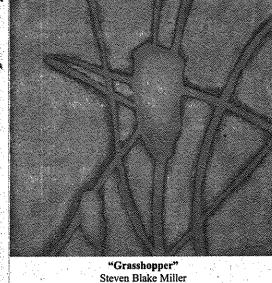
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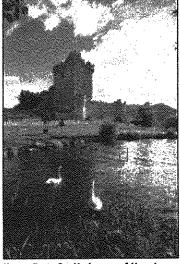
Ireland is comprised of more shades of green than you can count. Not highly populated, the countryside is generally agricultural with rolling hills dotted with sheep. Cities are relatively small and towns are quaint and colorful with paint-

we visited were easily walkable.
Temperatures are mild by our standards, ranging from the 70s to the 40s with rain always a possibility. Probably the best months for price and weather are April, May and October.
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ed storefronts. Most of the cities

Bring a hearty appetite. The cuisine is cosmopolitan. Irish breakfasts are substantial, portions are ample, especially the varied vegetables. Root vegetables like turnip, were mixed with other vegetables. Salads were almost nonexistent, but delicious soups delighted our palates. Fresh salmon, caught in the local rivers, is popular and delicious. To our surprise, coffee shops have appeared every-

where even in the small towns
We chose the seven-day Irish
Highlights Tour from Trafalgar
Tours. Most participants opt for
the package that includes airfare from their home city and
airport transfers. If you plan to
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#### **BUS TRAVEL**

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Bus tours in Ireland offer some advantages. You don't have to drive the rural roads, you'll see a lot of tourist highlights, and get a guide to explain it all.

Dublin, the largest city and capitol of Ireland, is home to literary giants Bernard Shaw, Jonathan Swift, Oscar Wilde and James Joyce. A mecca for the erudite is the Dublin Writers Museum, housed in a stunning Georgian mansion. Dublin's attractions range from castles and museums to art galleries and cathedrals.

A historically entertaining place to visit is the Guinness Storehouse. Once the home of the world's most famous breweries, it now depicts the 250-year history of beer-making. At the end of the tour is the Gravity Bar where visitors receive a free pint of stout or soda and a spectacular view of Dublin.

The building also houses a restaurant and art exhibit.

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City Tour, offered by Hop onHop Off, is a great way to see
the sights. The tours, lasting
one hour and 15 minutes, allow
you to hop on or off at any of
the 16 stops. Buses leave every
10 minutes.

#### CASTLES, CRYSTAL

Next on to Kilkenny to see its ancient castle, a medieval fortress, on 50 acres, and Reginald's Tower, dating from A.D. 1002, en route to the Waterford Crystal Gallery, the No. 1 attraction, founded in 1783.

Several movies have been made in Ireland, including Ryan's Wife and Braveheart. Ireland is also the birthplace of some well-known actors including Pierce Brosnan and Peter O'Toole. We stopped in Youghal, where Moby Dick was filmed, and traveled on to Cork to visit Blarney Castle. The castle was built in 1446, and although what remains is a shell of a massive square tower, it's famous for the Blarney Stone. It's difficult to reach but that does not stop tourists from kissing it to acquire the "gift of gab."

Our bus covered the fabulous 100 mile Ring of Kerry. The

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road traverses a peninsula with the most scenic views of the peaks of MacGillicuddy's Reeks, cliffs, lush Lakes of Killarney, beaches and beautiful Dingle Bay. Lunch was at Waterville on the Atlantic Ocean, location of Charlie Chaplin's hideway.

Adare, the third largest city and a port on the River Shannon, is a lovely village with thatched roofs and Tudor-style houses. A visit to the medieval Bunratty Castle gave us the chance to see a restored castle with authentic furniture, tapestries and works of art. The castle is the focal point of a 20-acre theme park, Bunratty Folk Park. This is a re-creation of a typical 19th century Irish village with thatched cottages, farmhouses, village streets with shops and pub, all open for browsing. It reminded us of a small-scale Greenfield Village.

Galway is a major city with a population of 57,000. It's well-known for its university and the



O'Connell Street in Dublin is a busy thoroughfare.

traditional Claddagh ring, with clasped hands representing friendship, a symbol dating from Roman times.

At the culmination of a trip to Ireland everyone should take in a good Irish dinner show consisting of a comedian, singers, and of course, Irish dancers. We didn't see one leprechaun, but in the sea of green that is Ireland, they are easily camouflaged.

Norma and Wendy Schonwetter are a mother-daughter travel writing team. Norma lives in Farmington Hills and Wendy in Seattle.

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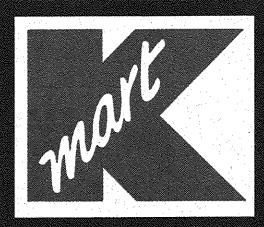
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#### Mall of Famer

The Michigan High School Football Coaches Association's Hall of Fame Banquet is set to start at 5:30 p.m. March 29 at Crisler Arena, and one of the 21 coaches being inducted is a familiar name.

Tom Garrett, a long-time assistant coach at Salem HS under both Tom Moshimer and Bob Cummings, will be

honored with induction.
Garrett has served in a variety of assistant's positions. Last season, he was the Rocks' defensive coordinator and wide receivers' coach.

Also being inducted is Redford Catholic Central head coach Tom Mach. The guest speaker at the banquet will be University of Michigan head coach Lloyd Carr.

The public is invited to attend. Tickets are \$20 per person and may be ordered by sending a check and self-addressed envelope to Ike Muhlenkamp, 2100 Lakeview Ave., St. Joseph, MI, 49085. Checks should be made payable to "Hall of Fame Banquet."

#### Foust honored

Kari Foust, a sophomore at Hope College and a Salem HS graduate, was selected to the all-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association women's swim team after her strong performance at the MIAA Swimming and Diving Championships.

Foust finished second in the MIAA in both the 100-yard

backstroke (1:02.03) and the 200 back (2:13.72), behind teammate Audrey

Audrey Arnold. Hope won the title with 583 points. Calvin College was second with 521.5.

#### Swim standouts

Eric Lynn, a freshman at Oakland University and a Salem HS graduate, helped the Grizzlies win the 200-yard medley relay in the first day at the National Independent Conference Championships, hosted by OU.

Lynn led off the relay with a 23.13 split in the 50 backstroke. OU's team finished first in 1:28.19, bettering the NCAA's provisional qualifying standard.

At a state cut qualifying meet Thursday at Northville HS, Salem's Mike Horgan did what he had to do.

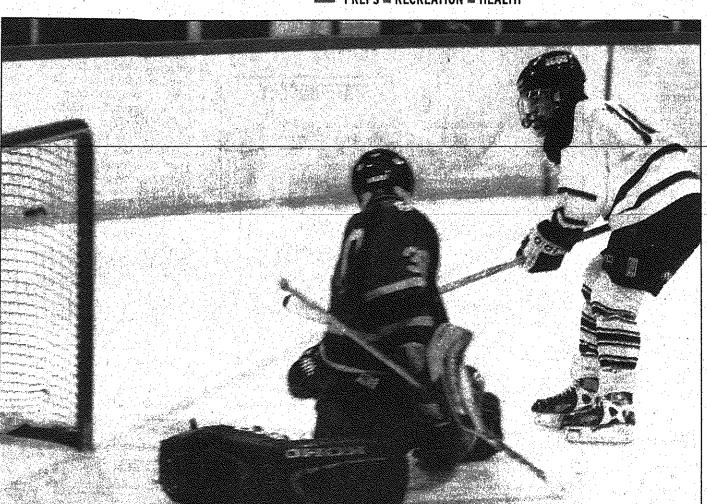
Horgan, a senior, earned his way to Saturday's state championships by clocking 55.89 in the 100-yard butterfly. The state cut for the event is 55.99.

### **■** Baseball meeting

A mandatory meeting for all Plymouth HS boys who would like to tryout for the Wildcat baseball team is scheduled for after school on Wednesday in the Plymouth gymnasium.

The meeting will be with head baseball coach Mark LaPointe and will last approximately 45 minutes.

For more information, call coach LaPointe at (734) 459-3791.



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem's Mark Nagel puts the game-winning shot over the shoulder of Huron goalle Nate Reichwage and into the net in overtime Thursday.

# Nagel gets OT win for Rocks

BY C.J. RISAK STAFF WRITER

Mark Nagel, smiling but weary after 3 1/2 tough periods of hockey, exited the Salem lockerroom at the Ice Cube Arena in Ann Arbor and, after stopping to talk briefly with a reporter, trudged up the stairs leading to the main concourse outside the rink.

As he reached the top, he was greeted triumph over the state's fifth-ranked

by loud cheers from fans and family. They were well-deserved; Nagel, one of three team captains, had come through in the clutch.

He delivered when his team needed it most, scoring the go-ahead goal in the opening seconds of the third period and, after Ann Arbor Huron had re-tied the game, popping in the game-winner 4:18 into overtime to give Salem a 4-3

team Thursday in a state regional semi-

The win put the seventh-ranked Rocks into Saturday night's regional final against third-ranked Brighton, an easy winner over Temperance Bedford Thursday (results of that game will appear in Thursday's Observer).

The regional champ plays the

PLEASE SEE NAGEL, C2

# Ocelots sink Lansing CC in semifinals

Depth makes a difference. Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team proved it in a Michigan Community College Athletic Association state semifinal at

Muskegon CC Friday.
For the second-straight game, James Holmes came off the bench to lead the Ocelots in scoring as they dispatched Lansing CC 102-87.

The win put SC into the MCCAA final against Mott CC Saturday in Muskegon. The Ocelots are 27-2 overall; Lansing CC is 22-6.

"I thought we played well," said SC coach Carlos Briggs. "We showed a lot of poise, a lot of patience.

## COLLEGE HOOPS game, the

OOPS game, the team that he big shots wins the

knocks down the big shots wins the game."

The Ocelots were certainly shooting

well enough. After converting 17-of-32 from the floor in the first half (53.1 percent), they hit 14-of-25 in the second (56 percent). Lansing was 15-of-39 in the second half (38.5 percent) after making 15-of-28 in the first (53.6 percent).

Holmes was the difference, making

10-of-12 floor shots, including 4-of-6 on three-pointers, in scoring a gamehigh 29 points. He also had five assists.

"He's done a good job coming off the

bench for us," said Briggs, "and we need that from him." Gary Johnson (from Wayne Memorial) was also a key factor in the

victory, netting 16 points and 10 assists.

Those performances were needed

when top-scorer Torvoris Baker was
PLEASE SEE OCELOTS, C3

# Madonna University's baseball team seeking to improve

**BY C.J. RISAK** STAFF WRITER

Bigger and, hopefully, better. That's what Madonna
University's baseball team is aiming for. Coach Greg Haeger, now in his seventh season, took a larger team on the spring trip this season (28 players compared with 22 last season); the Crusaders' first game was Friday

against Northwood (Fla.)

University in Homestead, Fla.

There are areas of improvement from a year ago. But the pitching will be a question mark.

Four of the top six pitchers from a year ago, when Madonna was 20-23 overall, are gone: Mike Hayes, Corey Farner, Jeremy Stevens and Eric Williamson. The Crusaders went 13-11 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference and reached the NAIA Region VIII Tournament, but lost their first two games.

Returning from that team are two solid starters in Joel

Halliday, a 6-foot-3 junior righthander from Redford Union who was 5-3 last season (4.05 earnedrun average), and Mark Cole, a 5-9 senior left-hander from Farmington (Redford Catholic Central) who went 3-3 with a 3.86 ERA.

Haeger, who is bringing in 11 new players, has some options he thinks will offset the pitching losses. One is Roy Rabe, a senior pitcher/third baseman and a right-hander from Livonia Stevenson who pitched last season (1-3 record, 33 2/3 innings, 5.88 ERA). Then there's Devin Cole, a senior right-hander from Garden City who was 1-2 last season on the mound and played the outfield as well. And sophomore Adam Kline, a right-hander from CC who led the WHAC in saves

last season with six.

New pitching prospects include senior right-hander

Sterling Mintzer, a 6-6 Orchard Lake St. Mary's graduate who was outstanding at third base last season, batting .318 with five home runs and 28 runs batted in, both team highs. A pitcher in high school, Mintzer gave it a try during fall baseball.

"He looked good in fall ball," said Haeger, adding Mintzer throws in the upper 80s.

PLEASE SEE MADONNA, C4

# Canton stops Stevenson, 54-48

Canton built a 10-point lead after three quarters then turned back a comeback try by Livonia Stevenson in posting a 54-48 basketball victory Thursday in a Western Lakes Activities

Association crossover at Canton. The Chiefs finished their regular season with a 7-13 record.

Stevenson is 13-7.

"The kids hung in there,"
Canton coach Jeremy Rheault
said. "I liked the way we played."

What Canton did was get the ball to its frontcourt scorers, Steve Thornton and D.J. Bridges. Both had excellent games, Thornton scoring 20 points and grabbing 13 rebounds and Bridges netting 16 points.

points.
Stevenson was paced by Brady
Crosby with 13 points. Keith
Hearns added 12 and Brandon
Chitwood scored 11.

After playing to a 12-12 tie after one quarter, the Chiefs took control by outscoring the Spartans 15-8 in the second period for a 27-20 halftime lead. Stevenson managed to trim the deficit to three in the fourth quarter, with Crosby scoring six points, but could never

'The division is something we didn't win last year – Salem won it. So it's nice to win both the division and the Western Lakes.'

Joel Lloyd Glenn coach

catch Canton.
John Glenn 70, Franklin 61: In
the WLAA championship game
Friday at Livonia Franklin,
Westland John Glenn — the
Lakes Division champion — held
off the Patriots despite a 37-point

effort by Derek Opett.
For Opett, a senior guard, it was a career-high. He knocked down 11 3-pointers.

What the Patriots lacked was the Rockets' depth of talent. Darnell Wilson and Darnell Smith, both seniors, scored 20 and 16 points, respectively. Allen Barker added 13.

"We wanted to treat this like a tournament game and it was a tourney atmosphere," Glenn coach Joel Lloyd said. "The division is something we didn't win last year — Salem won it. So it's nice to win both the division and the Western Lakes."

Center Chris Austin had 11 points for Franklin.

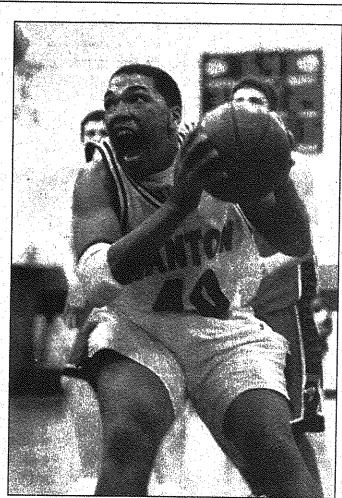
John Glenn enters state district play with a 16-4 record. Franklin is 8-12.

The Rockets never trailed in the game, but found themselves in trouble with 2:47 left when Franklin's Cory Baird, who finished with eight points, sank a pair of free throws to pull the Patriots to within two, 60-58.

To make matters worse, Glenn sophomore point guard Jerret Smith (eight points) went to the bench with his fifth personal foul.

Following a Glenn turnover with 2:15 to play, Franklin had a chance to take the lead, but Opett's baseline triple try grazed

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Canton's D.J. Bridges (40) scored 16 points in the Chiefs' upset win over Livonia Stevenson.

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DISTRICT BOYS BASKETBALL DISTRICT TOURNAMENT DRAWS CLASS A at LIVONIA STEVENSON

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Redford vs. A-B winner, 7 p.m. Saturday, March 8: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Eastpointe East Detroit vs. Detroit

Mumford district champion.) at ROMULUS

Monday, March 3: (A) Romulus vs. (B) Garden City, 6 p.m.; (C) Wayne Memorial vs. (B) Livonia Franklin, 8 p.m.

March 5: Belleville vs. A-B winner, 6 p.m.; Westland John Glenn vs. C-D winner, 8 p.m. March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Ypsilanti Lincoln vs. Taylor Truman district champion.)

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Wednesday, March 5: Canton vs. A-B winner, 5:30 p.m.; Northville vs. C-D winner, 7 p.m. Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to regional semifinals at West Bloomfield vs. West Bloomfield district champi-

> CLASS B at DEARBORN DIVINE CHILD

Monday, March 3: (A) Livonia Clarenceville vs. (B) Detroit Southwestern, 6 p.m.; (C) Dearborn Divine Child\_vs. (0) Detroit Renaissance, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5: Dearborn Heights Robichaud vs. A-B winner, 6 p.m.: Redford Thurston vs. C-D winner, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Riverview vs. Dexter district champion.)

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Monday, March 3: (A) Dundee vs. (B) Allen Park Cabrini, 7 p.m.

March 4: Romulus Summit Academy vs. Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 6: Lutheran High Westland

Saturday, March 8: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Whitmore Lake vs. Detroit St. Martin DePorres district champion.)

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Christian Academy vs. (D) Westland Huron Valley Tuesday, March 4: (E) Detroit Urban Lutheran vs. (F) Redford St. Agatha, 5:30 p.m.; (G) Canton Agape Christian vs. (H) Detroit Westside

Thursday, March 6: A-B winner vs. C-D winner,

5:30 p.m.; E-F winner vs. G-H winner, 7 p.m. Friday, March 7: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Chelsea vs. Adrian-Madison district champion.) BOYS HOCKEY STATE TOURNAMENT

Wednesday, March 5 Div. I quarterfinal, Redford Ice Arena, 7 p.m. Friday, March 7

Div. I semifinal at Ply. Compuware, 6 p.m. Saturday, March 8 Div. I final at Ply. Compuware, 7 p.m. MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Wednesday, March 5

(NJCAA-Region 12 Semifinal at Lansing) Schoolcraft vs. Cincinnati St., 6 p.m. Thursday, March 6 NJCAA-Region 12 final at Lansing, 7:30 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Tuesday-Saturday, March 4-8 District G-H Tourney at Owens Tech, TBA.

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March 2: vs. Northwood (Fla.), 10 a.m.; vs. King's College (Pa.), 1:45 p.m. March 3: vs. Ind. Wesleyan, 10:15 a.m. March 4: vs. Dominican (N.Y.), 10 a.m.: vs. Muhlenberg (Pa.), 2 p.m.

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' 2:15 p.m. March 9: vs. Rhode Island College, 1:30 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL Madonna spring trip: Fort Myers, Fla. March 2: vs. St. Anselm, 11 a.m.; vs. Anna Maria, 4 p.m.; vs. Miss. Valley, 6 p.m. March 3: vs. Wingate, 11 a.m.; vs. Ursuline

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Point Park, 11 a.m.; vs. Ursuline, 4 p.m. March 7: vs. Cornerstone, 9 a.m. PREP WRESTLING Thursday-Saturday, March 6-8 Individual finals, Palace of Auburn Hills, TBA. PREP BOYS SWIMMING

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Whalers at Kitchener, 7 p.m. Friday, March 7 Whalers at Sarnia, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 8 Whalers at Erie, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 9

Whalers vs. Saginaw (Compuware), 2 p.m. We came out and stressed TBA - time to be announced. discipline," said Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni, whose them too much respect, but

> from David McGorty. Eric Reinhardt then score from

# Shamrocks charge past Churchill

STATE HOCKEY

Jason Lewarne at 8:34.

three goals.

The line of Brandon

Naurato, Travis Hamway and

Eric Giosa then went to work,

combining efforts on CC's final

Naurato notched his 31st of

Churchill's Steve Yarber cut

from Brandon Hayes at 10:30

"The second period might

CC put it away with a pair of

third-period goals - Hamway

from Naurato and Giosa, fol-

lowed by Giosa from Hamway

"With those three guys it's

puck movement," Mazzoni

They're constantly moving

their feet and that's tough to

"They also have good special

teams and depth. Year-to-year

they change the names and

the faces, but they're still a

dominant team. And they

have the best goalie in the

state and three top-notch

Churchill netminder Justin

Bolla made 26 saves, while CC

counterpart Jimmy Blanchard

ROYAL OAK 2, STEVENSON 1 (OT): Ryan

Hubbard's goal early at 3:24 of the first over-

time enabled Royal Oak Unified to squeak

past Livonia Stevenson (15-10-1) in a regional

scoring at 8:26 of the opening period on

assists from Mike McCray and Matt Fortier.

Stevenson's Jared Gaudet opened the

But Royal Oak Unified, which defeated

the Spartans 3-2 earlier this season, tallied

the equalizer on Scott Brown's unassisted

The game remained 1-1 through 45 min-

utes before Hubbard's quick shot beat Rob

Thomas nearly four minutes into the first OT.

Russ Auito and Brown drew assists on the

Royal Oak netminder Mike Tatchio made

semifinal Thursday at Redford Arena.

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Mazzoni said.

and Naurato.

defend.

Giosa with 47 seconds left in

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

There was no overlooking its opponent Thursday as four-time defending Division I boys hockey champion Redford Catholic Central connected on three first-period goals to catapult the Shamrocks to a 5-1 triumph over Livonia Churchill at Redford Ice Arena.

The win put CC (23-3 overall) into Saturday's regional final against Royal Oak Unified, which edged Livonia Stevenson in the first game of a double-header at Redford Arena, 2-1, in overtime.

CC was coming off Tuesday's opening-round 4-3 victory over Farmington Unified in battle of the state's No. 1- and 2-ranked teams before 3,500 fans at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

"We tried to emphasize intensity and proper emotion," CC co-coach Todd Johnson said. "I'm sure Churchill saw the draw and loved it hoping we'd come out of our game with a letdown.

"But these guys feel the pressure and the presence of four straight state championships. Somebody can come out and outplay us, but you won't see a mental or emotional letdown beat us."

Only three penalties were called in the game (all against CC), a far cry from the penalty-filled meeting between the two teams on Feb. 1 (won by CC 6-1).

team finished 10-11-4 overall. "The first period I don't know if that we were scared or gave they (CC) definitely had the

CC's Drew Kahle opened the

## NAGEL

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Redford Catholic Central-Royal Oak Unified winner in Wednesday's state quarterfinal at Redford Arena.

The cheers were not for Nagel alone, although those he received may have been a bit higher in volume. His teammates were greeted similarly.

In a lockerroom down the hall from Salem's, the story was quite different. There was no noise emanating from the Huron lockerroom — none. It was a bitter defeat to absorb for the River Rats, losers of just three games previously.

"I thought we clearly outplayed them," said Huron coach John Bacon. "We played a fantastic game and clearly deserved to win."

The shots-on-goal total would validate Bacon's claim: The River Rats had a 28-12 advantage. Still, their slow start allowed Salem to grab an early lead, one the Rocks would never relinquish.

Just 3:09 into the first period, a Salem rush to the goal resulted in a loose puck resting in the goal mouth, which Jeff Harris was only too happy to knock in to give the Rocks a 1-0 lead. Eric Culps and Nagel

Less than two minutes later, that lead was doubled. Working on the power play, Salem — after goalie Brandon DeMars stoned Huron's Keith Ferris on a breakaway — broke in behind the River Rats' defense, with Bryan Young and Aaron Cheesman on a 2-on-1. Cheesman fed the puck to Young and he finished it, making it 2-0 with 10:05 left.

Penalties were rampant through the rest of the period, eight called in total (only five others were called in the rest of the game). DeMars faced a couple of 5-on-3 power plays in the game, but couldn't stop Huron's potent power play completely.

Ross Gimbel's shot from the slot beat DeMars with 1:39 left in the first, a power-play goal that narrowed Salem's lead to 2-1. Bobby Chappuis and Mark Maran assisted

The River Rats tied the game 2:23 into the second period when Moran got their second power-play score, taking the puck at the point and sliding over before unleashing his shot. Gimbel and Perry Merillat assisted.

Huron had regained the momentum by the midpoint of the first period, and would maintain it through much of the game. But Salem, picking its spots, never allowed the River Rats to get in front.

We got into penalty trouble (in the first period)," said Salem coach Fred Feiler. "And it took away the flow of the game. We knew we had to stay out of the (penalty) box.

"Their power play is just awesome."

If Nagel was the game's top star, DeMars was No. 2. He stopped 25 shots to keep Salem alive.

Bacon had barely settled behind the Huron bench for the start of the third period when Rocks got their second power-play goal. Young slipped a pass to Nagel and he got in behind the defensemen to pop the puck past Huron goalie Nate Reichwage, giving Salem a 3-2 lead six seconds into the period. Harris also assisted.

Huron pressured continuously and got the equalizer with 13:10 left on the clock, Phil Coron scoring on the power play from a crowd in front of the Salem net. Gimbel and Chappuis assisted.

That's the way it would stay, although both teams had chances, until 3:42 of overtime had been played. That's when Nagel did something he had been doing his entire prep

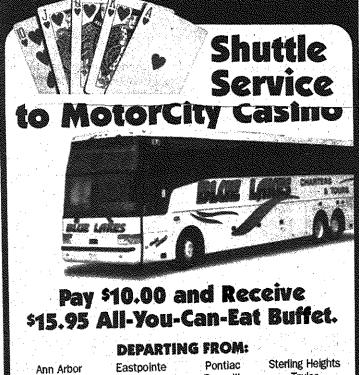
He forced a turnover, deep in the Huron end. "I was trying to force a pass," Nagel said afterward. He then stepped in to intercept and broke in on Reichwage, all alone.

"I went top shelf, off my backhand," he recalled. It worked. Game over. Asked

if he had ever scored such an important goal, Nagel answered, "Not that I can remember. Not in high school, that's for sure." His efforts Thursday gave

him another chance to outdo

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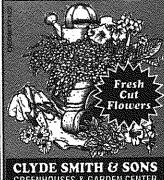
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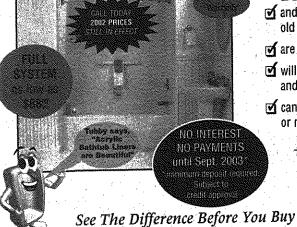
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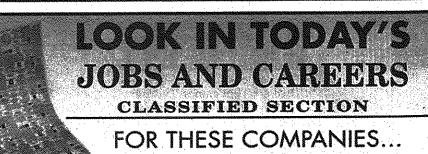
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# Long-range shooting carries CC to win

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Even though it was a win. Redford Catholic Central found a few things that need a lot of work before Thursday's district opener with Redford Union.

The host Shamrocks moved to 10-7 overall with their 82-68 win over Detroit Henry Ford on Thursday afternoon, but the numbers that catch a coach's attention are 21 turnovers and 32-for-71 shooting from the

We've got to work on some things for next week," said CC coach Rick Coratti. "We've got to take better care of the ball.

Henry Ford is quick and forced a Stevenson against RU. "We got lot of turnovers. We'd bring the ball to our waist and it would get stripped, or we wouldn't come down strong with the rebound and it would get ripped."

A couple of things did help the Shamrocks. One was that Henry Ford (9-8) shot worse than CC did, going 29-for-70 from the floor. And while the Trojans' Brian Nelson led everyone with 30 points, CC knocked down 11 3-pointers - many of them coming at key moments when the Trojans started to make a run.

"Three's have been our game, that's nothing new," said Coratti, whose team opens district play at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at Livonia

them at the right times."

Jared Henderson and Jim Cash knocked down the bulk of them as Henderson hit three of his five and Cash one of his four in a 16-2 CC run to start in the second quarter the Shamrocks grabbed a 32-16 lead.

But the Trojans started forcing CC into either one shot and out, or a turnover (eight in the quarter alone) and crawled back into the game - hold the Shamrocks to just a trey by cash as they cut the lead to 35-32.

Henry Ford actually took the lead in the third quarter as Nelson's drive gave the Trojans a 41-40 lead. But CC spread the

wealth in an 11-3 run and the Trojans never pulled within six again.

Cash led CC with 23 points, while Henderson kicked in with 19. Dan Waterstradt added 10, Darnell Tyson had eight and Doug Creighton had six.

Kendal Norflect added 16 for the Trojans, while Kevin Norega had 11 and Harold Martin had

'Games like this are to work things out and stay in condition," said Coratti. "Once we hit the tourney (this week) we could have four games in a week's time and the kids will be running hard."

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## **WLAA HOOP TEAMS**

**ALL-WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION BASKETBALL TEAMS** 

All-Conference: Dave Hoskins, sr., Salem; Chris Austin, sr., Livonia Franklin; Darnell Wilson, sr., Westland John Glenn; Jerret Smith, soph., John Glenn; Genois Safford, Jr., Wayne Memorial; Brandon Chitwood, sr., Livonia

All-Western Division: D.J. Bridges, jr., Canton, Tim Van Dusen, jr., Livonia Churchill; Roger Garfield, sr., Northville; Adam Konst, sr., Northville; John Sowders, sr., Walled Lake Western; Derek Opett, sr., Franklin.

All-Lakes Division: Brady Crosby, sr., Stevenson; Jonathon Raspberry, sr., Wayne; Stevland Davis, sr., Salem; Darnell Smith, sr., John Glenn; Brian Ceckiewicz, sr., John Glenn; Darre' Johnson, sr., Wayne.

Honorable mention: Steve Thornton, Dave Nicoloff, Travis McKinney, Brad Waidmann, Canton; Kevin Savitskie, Brad Clark, Dominique Wahsington, Nick Prentice, Salem; Anthony

Acho, Ronney Neely, Tim Acho, W.L. Western; Andrew Veeck, Jeff Matheney, W.L. Central; Tristen Thomas, Andrew Bannoura, Churchill; Cory Baird, Nick Warra, Eddie Jankowski, Franklin; Scott McNeish, Mark Soronsen. Northville; John Rehberg, Matt McCowan, Mike Kotowski, Keith Hearns, Stevenson; T.J. McClain, Gene Nix, Brian Hearst, Chris Judd. Wayne; John Adams, Allen Barker, John Glenn. Final records

Lakes Division: John Glenn, 7-1 in division, 11-2 in conference, 15-4 overall; Wayne, 6-2 division, 11-2 in conference, 14-5 overall; Salem, 4-4 division, 8-5 conference, 13-6 overall; W.L. Central, 0-8 division, 4-9 conference, 6-13

Western Division: Franklin, 6-2 division, 6-7 conference, 8-11 overall; W.L. Western, 5-3 division, 5-8 conference, 7-11 overall; Northville, 5-3 division, 7-6 conference, 12-7 overall; Canton, 3-5 division, 4-9 conference, 6-13 overall; Churchill, 1-7 division, 1-12 conference, 1-18

# Madonna puts Warriors out of WHAC playoffs

Madonna University's post-season hopes alive by winning for the second time in five days at Indiana Tech, this time the first round of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference

Lindsay Simmon and Nikki improved to 11-19. Madonna also

It seems the Plymouth HS volleyball pro-

McCausland, a former NAIA All-American

at Madonna University and a standout at

Redford Thurston, the Wildcats all-fresh-

men team finished first at the Western

tournament Feb. 20 at Walled Lake

Lakes Activities Association's freshmen

The Wildcats beat Northville 21-11, 21-16

(rally scoring); Walled Lake Northern 21-14,

21-3; Livonia Churchill 21-13, 21-17; and in

ior varsity tournament at the University of

Michigan-Dearborn and reached the finals

The 'Cats reached the final by beating

before losing to Temperance Bedford 16-24,

A day later, Plymouth competed in a jun-

the finals Livonia Stevenson 15-8, 15-4.

sive. Blaszak had 11 boards and

The Warriors, who finished their season at 19-12, were plagued by the same problem that crippled them in their 70-63 loss to Madonna Feb. 22: poor shooting. Tech made just 22-of-68 floor shots (32.4 percent), while the Crusaders converted 24-of-50 (48 percent). Madonna also had a 45-34 rebounding advantage.

Kattina Krings' 14 points and

Thyoshi Chambers and Lashanda Conwell added 13 points apiece.

The Crusaders played at topseeded Tri-State University Saturday (results will appear in Thursday's Observer).

Mott CC 69, Schoolcraft 60: Mott's Monique Edwards-Thames riddled Schoolcraft for 25 points and Tracy Johnson contributed 15 points and 16 rebounds as the Bears pulled off a mild upset in a Michigan Community College Athletic

Association quarterfinal

Wednesday at SC.

The Lady Ocelots led 29-25 at the half, but Mott made 17-of-35 second-half shots (48.5 percent) to outscore SC 44-31. Keiona Johnson also scored 17 points for the Bears, who forced 25 SC turnovers. Edwards-Thames and Tracy Johnson had three steals apiece.

Pam Wingate led SC with 21 points. Tara Charles (from Redford Bishop Borgess) contributed 14 points and seven rebounds, and Mia Henderson had six points and 11 boards.

The result left both teams at

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limited to six points.

Marcus Bennett contributed 13 points and Dion Sherrell and Ronald Dorsey scored 12

The Stars were paced by Levi Rost with 27 points. Luke McKenna had 17, Lyle Hampton scored 15 and C.J. Hassell got 10.

SC led 47-44 at halftime before its second-half sharpshooting doomed Lansing.

Aquinas 86, Madonna 76: Undermanned.

That's how Madonna University entered its Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference playoff game at Aquinas College Thursday, and it showed. The Crusaders were without their all-conference point guard, Dan Kurtinaitis, who suffered a knee injury in their second-to-last regularseason game. The result, and the difference in the game, was turnovers. Madonna had 24; Aguinas had 16.

The Saints converted 30-of-55 floor shots (54.5 percent), including 8-of-16 three-pointers (50 percent). Madonna made 27-of-56 from the field (48.2 percent) and 11-of-26 triples (42.3 percent). Free throws favored the Saints, too: They hit 18-of-22 (81.8 percent), while Madonna made 11-

All five Crusader starters reached double figures in scoring, led by Chad Nadolni with

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17 points, 11 rebounds, five assists and three steals. Chris Behrns and Joe Kofahl contributed 13 points apiece, and Noel Emenhiser and Aaron Cox scored 12 each, with Emenhiser dishing out seven assists.

For Aquinas, David Bush and Chuck Schuba netted 18 points apiece, with Andy Steketee getting 13, Aaron Alsgaard 10 (and five assists) and Mike Blicher nine points, eight assists and three steals.

The Saints led 49-46 at halftime and pulled away in the second half. Aquinas improved to 18-13 overall; Madonna, which finished its WHAC season at 6-8, ends its best season ever at 14-16.

SC 80, Alpena CC 73: Schoolcraft College made the key shots when it had to Wednesday in an MCCAA state quarterfinal played at SC.

James Holmes hit the big shots down the stretch for the Ocelots, scoring 25 points - 15 in the second half as SC thwarted a Lumberjack comeback attempt. Holmes accounted for four of SC's six three-pointers.

Andre Scott had 13 points and Dion Sherrell scored 12 for SC. Torvoris Baker, the Eastern Conference's most valuable player, was limited to just five

Alpena CC, 20-9 overall, was led by Brent Wichtner with 19 points. Josh Walker had 18 (14 in the second half), Justin Miller netted 14 and Erik Parker got 11

The Lumberjacks had 11 triples in the game, five by Wichtner and four by Miller.

women's basketball team kept its by a 73-62 margin Wednesday in

Tournament. Blaszak scored 20 points apiece to lead the Crusaders, who got a huge boost from freshman forward Sarah Thomson, who scored 16 points on 7-of-11 floor shooting and grabbed 12 rebounds, eight of them offen-

gram is on the right track.

Under the coaching of Kelly

Simmon had three steals, while Loriann Tschirhart scored seven points and dished out eight assists.

eight rebounds led the Warriors.

Plymouth Spikers have solid season

Detroit Renaissance 25-13, 25-16; Dearborn 25-20, 25-15; Anchor Bay 25-22, 25-19; and, in the semifinals, Lakeland 25-19, 25-21. All these teams were junior varsities.

**VOLLEYBALL** 

"I could not have been prouder of these girls for their accomplishments these past two days," said McCausland.

They were both mentally and physically exhausted, yet they battled through adversi-

"The strength and conditioning that they have been doing has certainly shown during the season."

Plymouth competed at the Clas district tournament hosted by Whitmore Lake Friday (results will appear in Thursday's Observer).

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the rim at the 2:00 mark.

Glenn then went on to outscore the Patriots by a 10-3 margin down the stretch as the 6-6 Wilson scored five of his 20 to go along with 13 rebounds and five blocks.

Franklin also made a pair of critical turnovers down the stretch that Glenn converted into valuable points.

"We did not do a good job vs. their pres-sure," Franklin coach John Santi said. "We struggled out of the gate, too. Our defensive game plan was to make them shoot jump shots and keep them off the glass.

basketball and control the tempo. A 70-61 score is not our style. That's not where we want to be."





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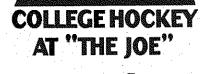












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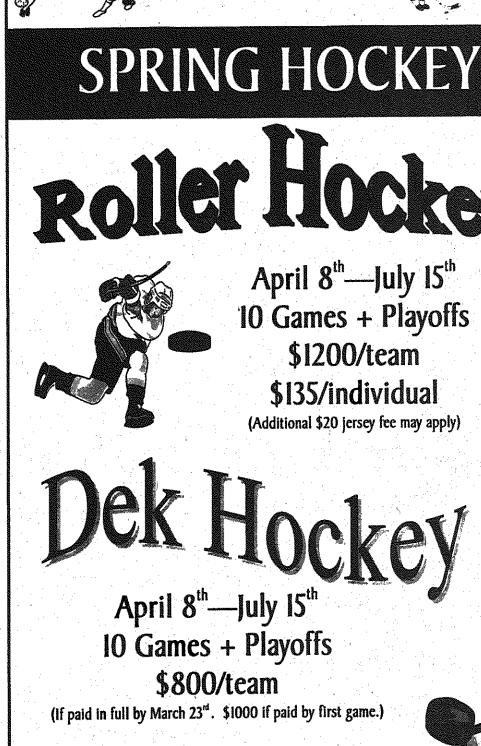


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### MADONNA

Ordinance:

Cherry Hill and west of Lotz Road.

FROM PAGE C1

Other prospects include Dan Duffey, a 6-4 junior right-hander from Farmington Hills who hasn't played since helping the Catholic Central win a state title. He attended Michigan State, then decided he wanted to play again. Bobby Houchins, a freshman right-hander from Farmington HS, and Luke Anderson, a junior left-hander from Kellogg CC, could figure

in the mix, too.

Observer & Eccentric | Sunday, March 2, 2003

PLANNING COMMISSION

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY,

NOTIDCE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public

Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to

the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the

Planning Commission of the Charter Townshp of Canton will hold

a Public Hearing on Monday, March 3, 2003 in the Chestnut

Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at

7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning

SALLY WHITE TRUST REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST

TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 052 99 0016 003, 052 99 0016 004 and

052 99 0016 005 FROM R-2, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

(UP TO 8 DWELLING UNITS/ACRE). Property is located north of

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should

be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150

Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, February 28, 2003 in order to

**ZONING MAP** 

be included in the materials submitted for review

While pitching may be a question, Madonna's position players are solid. The leaders are Mintzer, who will play in the field when not pitching; Chris Woodruff, a senior left fielder from Livonia (CC) who led the team with a .358 average and 13 doubles, as well as 27 RBI; Brian Williams, a sophomore center fielder from Livonia (CC) who hit .311; Matt Rigley, a junior catcher from Redford Union who hit .264 with 11 doubles and 13 RBI; Eric Lightle, a junior from Livonia Churchill who

hit .260 with five homers and 15 RBI as a designated hitter last season; and Mario D'Herin, a senior second baseman who's started since his freshman season (hit .221 last season).

Gone from last season are first baseman Joe Pruchnik (.307, 16 RBI) and shortstop Neil Wildfong. Lightle is expected to replace Pruchnik at first; at short, newcomers Dave Nester (Taylor Kennedy) and Scott Miller (Farmington Hills/ OLSM) are vying for the starting slot.

Rigley is set at catcher, and Mintzer will be at third or, when he's pitching, it could be Rabe. Woodruff, Williams and Cole give Madonna a solid returning outfield with Joe Greene, a sophomore from Southgate Anderson who saw some action last year (.242, five doubles, four RBI) as the fourth outfielder.

"Position player-wise, we're a good team," Haeger said. "We have a very nice offensive team coming back. And we have six or seven guys who have the capability of stealing 20 bases each.

"We lost two pitchers (Farner and Hayes) during fall ball that we thought we'd have back, and that will hold us back a bit. We have a lot of

March 11, 2003.

strictly adhered to.

Saturday, March 8, 2003

First Come, First Serve

appointments:

394-5111.

inexperience on the mound." Which leads to one other

important addition: pitching coach Rick Berryman, who last year was coaching Redford Union's baseball team. Berryman is well-respected as a pitching coach and, if he can develop some of the new arms on the Crusader staff, this could indeed be a special season.

As far as the WHAC season is concerned, it's difficult to tell this early. Indiana Tech and Spring Arbor are always tough. but Haeger believes the better. teams may have slipped some and the lesser teams have improved. "I think the conference has leveled out a bit," he said.

It will be easier to figure where that puts Madonna once the Crusaders return north.

Madonna 5, Northwood 2: Brian Williams had three hits, stole two bases and scored two runs, Chris Woodruff had two hits and drove in two runs, and Sterling Mintzer had a hit and two RBI to lead the Crusaders to a season-opening win over Northwood (Fla.) University in a game played Friday in Homestead, Fla. Mark Cole got the pitching win. allowing two earned runs on three hits and three walks in 5 2/3 innings. Adam Cline got the save with 11/3 innings of hitless relief pitching: he struck out two. s

Sammy Montanez took the loss for the

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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

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

The Following is the schedule for March Board of Review

Monday, March 10, 2003 Hearings from 9:00 a.m. -- 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11, 2003 Hearings from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. AND 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

If you have any questions regarding the March Board of Review,

you may call Emily Pizzo, Secretary to the Board of Review (734)

(Walk-in-Schedule)

AND 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Appointments Only)

(Appointments Only)

Hearings from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

TERRY G. BENNETT Clerk

Charter Township of Canton

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#### **SPORTS ROUNDUP**

#### **HOCKEY BOOSTER ELECTIONS**

The annual meeting and election of officers for the Plymouth-Canton Community Hockey Booster Club is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 11 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, located at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

Current members, and those with Canton or Salem hockey players, are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Mary Maurer at (734) 254-9234.

#### **FLAG FOOTBALL**

Total Soccer will be running 7-vs.-7 Flag Football Leagues on Tuesdays (recreational) and Thursdays (competitive) from March 4 through April 17. The league is open to those 18 years and over.

Flags and umpires fees are included. Team rosters are limited to a maximum of 14 play-

Cost is \$899 per team, with a six-team minimum and a 16team maximum. Trophies and T-shirts will be awarded to the champions.

Call Total Soccer at (248) 669-9817 for more details.

#### **TABLE TENNIS TOURNEY**

A Table Tennis Tournament is scheduled for 10 a.m. March 22 at the Recreation Center at Hillside in the Northville Parks and Recreation.

There will be eight tables

available. Play will be divided into three groups: A - 1900 or above USTTA rating, or the equivalent; B - 1600-1900 rating; or C - under 1600. Individual round robin play will be for small groups, with top players advancing to the second round of playoffs.

Registration is limited; cost is \$15 per player. Top three players in each division will be

awarded trophies. Entry deadline is March 8. Checks should be made payable to CAGD (Chinese Association of Greater Detroit) and set to Yong Huang, 17549 White Pine Ct., Northville, MI, 48167.

Call Yong Huang at (248) 380-0936 (home) or at (734) 416-7253 (work).

#### SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

The TSI Thunderbirds, the TSI Silver Bullets and the TSI Krush are planning tryouts, registrations and informational meetings at 6-8 p.m. on Monday, March 3 at the Doug Gillis Hitting and Pitching Academy in Wixom.

There are girls teams in age brackets from 10-and-under to 18-and-under. TSI is one of the largest girls fastpitch organizations in the area.

For more information, email TSI at playfastpitch@hotmail.com, or call the director of team devel-

opment, Bruce Horste, at (734) 981-1796. Also, check out the organization's website at Thunderbirdsoftball.tripod.com.

#### 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 No Vin Available

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2:30 to 3:00 p.m. - Coach's Corner & Pistons Souvenirs on Sale Limited number so register now!

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ST. MARY MERCY/Livonia Family MCA St. Pat's Fun Run & Pancake Breakfast Saturday, March 15, 2003 Fun Run Entry Fee...\$18 Student Fee...\$10 All runners registered on or before March 6th are guaranteed to receive a long-sleeved T-shirt.All runners receive BREAKFAST...all the pancakes you can eat along with sausages, juice and coffee. Registration: 7:30-9:15 a.m. at Livonia Family YMCA, 14255 Stark Road Start Times: All runs start and finish at the Livonia Family YMCA 1 Mile Run...9:30a.m. • 3 Mile Run...8:30a.m. • 5 Mile Run...9:15a.m. For a registration form or for more info call (734) 261-2161 x 3314 or email: dthayer@ymcametrodetroit.org Attn: St. Pat's Run FREE BREAKFAST to ALL RUNNERS Breakfast Cost for Non-Runners: es 11 and up. \$4.00 Ages 3-10. \$2.00 Under 3. Free



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- River City Brass Band—April 26 Glenn Miller Orchestra—May 16

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Attractive white divorced 45, 5'2", 138 lbs., female, brown/blue, enjoys walking, swimming, movies, music and dining out. Seeks white male, 40-50, slim to medium build, 5'6", non-smoker, occasional drinker, affectionate and sincere, for a meaningful relationship in Garden City. BOX 26999

ATTRACTIVE ITALIAN Petite, divorced, white female, seeks honest and secure, single, white male, 49-55, who likes to laugh and have fun, for friendship, possible long term relationship. Dearborn area. Wayne County BOX

35950 ALL AMERICAN GUY Single white female, 40, 5'5". non-smoker, brown hair, medium to husky, loving, caring, likes a variety activities. sports. Seeking a husky, honest, white guy, 36-46, serious relationship. long-term Macombe County. BOX

36039 ARE YOU...

Looking for someone special, who is sincere, honest, and fun loving, could be me. I am a divorced white female, 54, nonsmoker, who likes to do almost everything. West Side area. Let's talk Wayne County BOX 36084 LET'S GET TOGETHER

You found her! Adorable, petite, prefers gentleman 48-60, full of life, great sense of humor, likes to have new experiences. Call, you won't regret it. Oakland County, BOX

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An attractive brunette, 49, 5'4", 115 lbs, single white professional female, with great smile and good heart, enjoys family and friends, boating, Red Wings and you, if height proportionate. humorous, caring, financially stable and emotionavailable. County, BOX 25014

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with similar interests.

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relationship. Must like chil-

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female. Seeking a sophis-

ticated, Christian man, 62

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27 yr old, single black

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for a caring male, 26 to 35.

who likes having fun. BOX

**NEED A COMPANION!** 

Single white female, 53,

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Seeking a single male, 45

to 55, who likes cats. BOX

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...Looking for a kind, sin-

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male, 48 to 60, non-smok-

er, for long-term, monoga-

mous 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

CHILL PARTNER

Single mother of one, is

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No game players. BOX

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and hair, lives in Troy area,

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get back to you! BOX

SEEKS PERFECT MATE

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Outgoing, petite, and live Divorced female, 52, 5'3". in Plymouth, Looking for 125 lbs, dark hair, green an attractive, non-smokeyes, non-smoker, caring, ing, single white male, 48 thoughtful, blue collar to 58, who is trustworthy, worker, no children. Enjoys emotionally/financially movies, festivals, dining secure, with no dependout, picnics, barbecues, ents. Someone with a jest reading, museums, Seeks for life, Wayne County caring, kind male in Down LET'S CHILL 2GETHER! River area to share life with. BOX 25679 30 yr old, single mother of

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**GOOD TIMES AWAITS** US

of humor, BOX 30884

Single female, 5'2", brown skin, short hair, wear glasses. Would like to 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

SEEKING ITALIAN

Petite, white female, 63, 5'1", 128 lbs, brown hair and eyes, non-smoker, attractive, talkative, good sense of humor. Seeks gentleman 60 to 66, nonsmoker, 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

I HAVE ELAN

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

> Single male is looking for a single female for great together. BOX 14909

**FATHER OF ONE...** ...in Livonia. Single white father of one, 39, 6'1", 190 1bs, 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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a possible relationship.

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Divorced white male, 55,

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getaway weekends. Seeks

family oriented people per-

son with good sense of

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Let us share a class of

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Seeks honest caring

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boating, get away week-

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met coffee, computers,

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for soul sister for relation-

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Single male, 50, 5'11", ath-

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Realistic, respectful, single

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humor. BOX 14102

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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

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

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DREAMS

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white female, 38 to 44,

with height/weight propor

tionate and a sense of

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.

**CALL FOR MORE INFO** 

Attractive, divorced white

male, 37, 6', 190 lbs, child-

less, with brown hair, eyes.

Enjoys working out, sports,

and more. Seeks attractive

female, 26 to 41. BOX

This sweetheart is a socia-

ble single white male, 40,

well groomed, physically

fit, has many interests yet

open to yours. Seeks

friendly female friend and

possible lover. BOX 30914

DO U FIT THE BILL?

Professional white male

52, 5'11", brown hair, blue

eyes, handsome, good lis-

tener, sense of humor, col-

lege educated with multi-

ple degrees, non-smoker,

no dependents. Enjoys

physical fitness, reading,

movies, theater, dining,

concerts, golf. Seeks pro-

fessional lady, affection-

ate, non-smoker, same

COME FLY WITH ME!

Handsome, successful,

professional, 57, 6', fit,

looks and feels younger

spiritual, charismatic, great

sporting, dining, dancing,

music, arts, movies, travel,

attractive, slender female

ready to enjoy life to its

conversation.

interests. BOX 15090

YOU AND I

BOX 13831

humor, BOX 10554

Tall, divorced white male, 6'4", good physical condition, 56, non-smoker, selfemployed, 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

...Please be aware of this 50, responses preferred! **BOX 15072** 

**GETTING IT RIGHT!** HEAD GAMES! Children welcomed, BOX 21155

to Cuddle.

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

EX-MARINE

tant, BOX 30981

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Intense special single

white male, helpful and

romantic. Seeks nice gal,

30 to 50, an outdoor lover,

for sharing of magic

moments under the moon-

light, by candlelight, etc.

WANTING UR OPINION! 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

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 relationship. NO

Single white male, 55, softspoken, down-to-earth, enjoys dancing, theater, movies, etc. Seeks friendly, relationship-minded, single white female, 40's to 50's. Oakland County. BOX 35983

SENSIBLE MAN

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

SHOWS SOME CLASS yet provocative, single white male, promotes understanding and meancommunication. Looking for a pleasant, good natured, single, white female, 35 to 50, to interact with on a daily bases. Oakland County BOX

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 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?** 

How far are you willing to go? Single white male, 44, is less than a hour away and is looking for a sincere relationship with genuine warmth and affection. If I am your Mr. Right, your search is over! BOX 36104 **PLAYFUL AND PRETTY?** Then rock my world! Handsome, smiley face, with no attitude, seeks friends and soul mate. Single white female, 33 to 49, comfortable with real life, yet able to enjoy playescapism. Oakland

Countyl BOX 36111 **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.

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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 and spend time with. BOX 20694 LOVE ME TENDER

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ty. 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 Sue. I'd like to meet you. Ages 38 to 54. Possible long term rela-

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tionship. West Sider. BOX

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SO MUCH TO OFFER Sassy single white gentleman, 56, good looking, healthy, many interests to share. Looking for a lively single white female, 46 to 59. BOX 20857

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#### Geriatrics

The University of Michigan's Turner Geriatric Clinic is hosting a six-week seminar titled "Caring for Aging Relatives" 6-8 p.m. Wednesday evenings, March 12 to April 16. Topics covered in the seminar include: the caregiver role, Medicare and Medicaid, legal issues, community resources, depression and dementia, substance abuse, physical changes of growing older, and planning for the future.

Participants will meet in Room 1139, Geriatric Center Level 1, 1500 E. Medical Center Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48109. There is a fee of \$30 per person and \$50 per couple. Scholarships are available. Please call (734) 764-2556 to register. The deadline is March 5.

#### Super athlete

The Botsford Center for Health Improvement will offer the "Masterful Athlete's Program: Play at the Top of Your Game" 7 p.m. beginning Tuesday, March 4. This threeweek class will help you to break through to higher performance by discovering the secrets of professional and Olympic athletes, Learn strategies to improve your performance, no matter what your sport.

Instructor Carrie Ann Apap is a certified medical hypnotherapist who has worked with sports teams to improve performance and motivation.

The fee is \$175. Individualized sessions also available. To register, call (248) 477-6100. The center is at 39750 Grand River Avenue. between Haggerty and Meadowbrook in Novi.

#### Governor's Award

Canton Health Center was one of six University of Michigan Health System sites honored with the prestigious 2002 Governor's Award of Excellence for Improving Preventive Care in the Ambulatory Care Setting. The award was recently presented to the UMHS sites by the Michigan Peer Review Organization and former Michigan Gov. John Engler.

Specifically, the award honors the UMHS sites' commitment to continuously improving preventive services in the areas of diabetes care, yearly mammograms, and adult immunizations for influenza and pneumococcal pneumonia.

In an effort to make a healthy impact of not only Medicare recipients, but also all of Michigan's residents, Engler challenged health centers and physicians' offices across the state to further their preventive services before leaving office in 2002.

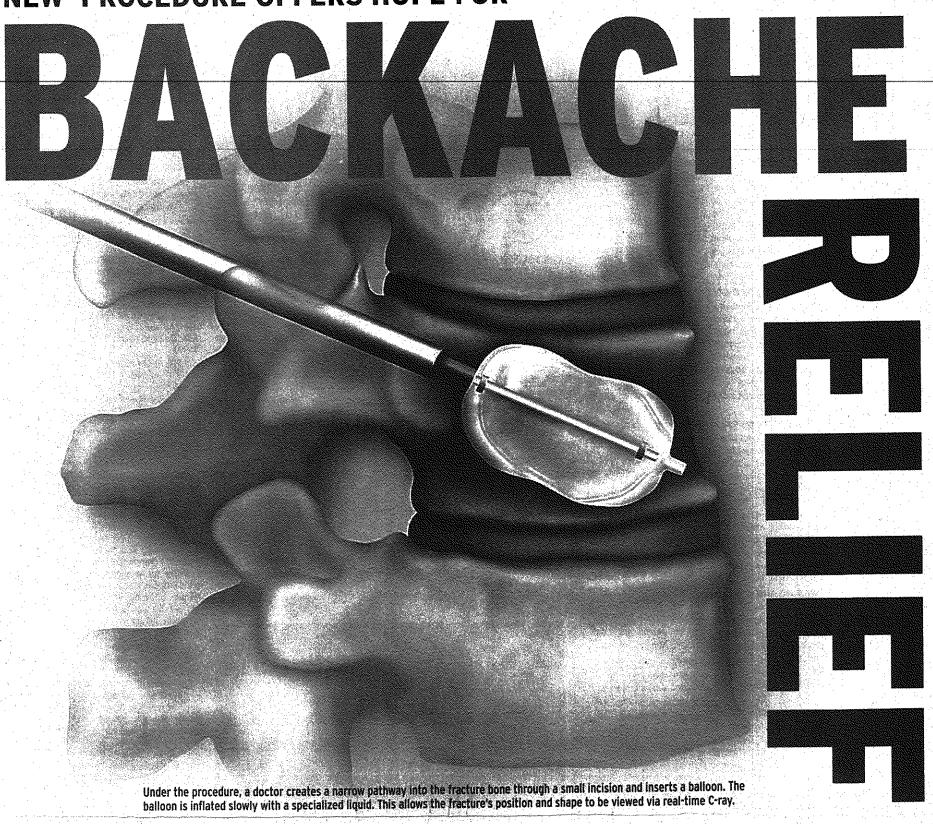
Other U-M sites honored were Brighton Health Center, Briarwood Medical Group, Briarwood Family Practice, Chelsea Family Practice, and Turner Geriatrics Center.

#### **Tea**

Drinking lots of tea may reduce a person's risk of dying after a heart attack, according to the American Heart Association.

In the Determinants of Myocardial Infarction Onset Study, participants who drank the most tea were the least likely to die during the three or four years after a heart attack. The researchers suspect that this may be because tea has flavonoids, antioxidants found naturally in various foods derived from plants. Flavonoids are thought to prevent cardiovascular disease.

## NEW PROCEDURE OFFERS HOPE FOR



BY RENEE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER

h, my aching back" may become a much lessused lament thanks to procedures being implemented at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann

Neurosurgeons at St. Joseph's are using a "balloon" device in a minimally invasive procedure that allows them to repair spine fractures. The KyphX Inflatable Bone Tamp (balloon) allows doctors to repair a collapsed portion of the bone in the spine through a small incision.

A vertebral compression fracture (VCF) occurs when a bone in the spine fractures and collapses. The most common cause is osteoporosis, which most people associate with hip fractures. Over 700,000 VCFs occur each year in the United States. Until now, VCFs were one of the only fractures not traditionally treated in an orthopedic manner with reduction and fixation.

After a VCF is diagnosed, the doctor creates a narrow pathway into the fracture bone through a small incision and inserts a balloon. The balloon is inflated slowly with a specialized liquid. This allows the fracture's position and shape to be viewed via realtime C-ray. The doctor uses the balloon's inflation to attempt an orthopedic fracture reduction, with the goal of returning the vertebra to a more normal position and shape.

Once the doctor has achieved the desired result, the balloon is deflated and removed. The doctor then finishes the procedure.

"The current standard for care for VCFs is bed rest, pain medications and back braces," said Dr. Jason Brodkey, a neurosurgeon with Saint Joseph Mercy Health System. "This standard care is designed to help manage the pain, not correct the spinal deformity. With this new device, we can repair the source of and eliminate the pain instead of treating the pain."

The signs of a VCF are often debilitating back pain and stooped posture. Called kyphosis or Dowager's Hump," the spinal deformity is often seen in the elderly. VCFs can lead to health problems such as chronic pain, eating and sleeping disorders. difficulty walking or performing normal daily activi-

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Dr. Douglas Geiger orthopedic spine surgeon, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

ties and an increased risk of serious or fatal lung disorders. This is a result of the chest and abdomen becoming compressed, making normal activities walking, eating and sleeping - painful or difficult.

#### **ARTIFICIAL DISCS**

Many people with chronic low back or neck pain have a condition known as degenerative disc disease (DDD), which often starts with an injury that weakens the disc and creates excessive motion. Over time this instability, coupled with ongoing inflammation, produces pain that can become chronic.

Doctors at St. Joseph's recently opened two nationwide FDA investigational studies that may revolutionize treatment for patients facing surgery to treat chronic neck and back pain. The study will evaluate the safety and effectiveness of an artificial disc. Saint Joseph Mercy Health System is the only site in Michigan that is currently conducting the

Typically, patients for whom conservative treatments have failed would undergo a surgical procedure, or disc fusion, where bone is taken from another area of the body and is placed between two disc bones. This bone graft is often augmented with plates, screws, rods or cages to provide additional support to the fused area. With an artificial disc, the diseased disc is replaced with an artificial disc. If successful, the new implants will reduce neck or back pain, provide better motion and reduce the risk of disc degeneration at other levels.

This could be a remarkable advancement because

instead of requiring a fusion with its potential longterm risks, we can relieve the pain from pressure on the nerves while preserving spinal motion," said Dr. Steven Swanson, chief of neurology at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. "Results of this study should demonstrate that patients will be more functional and have fewer problems in the future."

For some people, DDD can be successfully treated with anti-inflammatory drugs combined with physical therapy - resulting in lower-grade, continuous but tolerable pain that may occasionally intensify. Others may require stronger therapies, such as oral steroids or epidural injections, or surgical procedures such as discectomy (removal of disc). For many, these conservative treatments are unsuccessful, and they are left with fusion surgery as their only option.

But there are drawbacks to fusion surgery. Fusion surgery stops the motion at a painful segment of the spine by removing the disc and fusing the bones together. This can change the area's mechanics and range of motion. An artificial disc, on the other hand, preserves motion.

For the back (lumbar), an artificial disc made of plastic and metal is screwed into the vertebrae. For the neck (cervical), a stainless steel device comprised of two metal plates that interface via a ball and socket mechanism is inserted into the disc space. Both devices are intended to reduce pain by removing the diseased disc while restoring the disc height and reestablishing normal motion and stability.

"Ten-year follow-up results in Europe have been very exciting with the lumbar disc. The preliminary results in the United States show similar high rates of success," said Dr. Douglas Geiger, orthopedic spine surgeon at St. Joseph's. Greiger is the first surgeon in Michigan to implant this artificial lumbar

Participants in these studies will be randomly placed into either the investigational group (those receiving the artificial disc) or the control group (those receiving standard fusion surgery). Participants in either study must meet all inclusion/exclusion criteria. This includes people who are otherwise healthy, have not had a previous fusion and have failed conservative treatment methods.

# Study shows narrowing gap in access to proper dialysis

BY LINDSEY TANNER AP MEDICAL WRITER

CHICAGO (AP) - A program to improve kidney dialysis appeared to narrow the racial and gender gaps in the quality of care given to patients in the United States.

Blacks and men in the program were still less likely than whites and women to receive adequate dialysis. But the differ-

ences became smaller. In 1993, only 46 percent of white patients and 36 percent of black patients received the right amount of dialysis. In

2000, those figures jumped to 87 percent program. Nearly half the patients

and 84 percent respectively. Also in 1993, only 54 percent of female

patients and 31 percent of male patients received adequate dialysis, compared with 91 percent and 82 percent respectively in 2000.

The study analyzed data on 58,700 kidney failure patients who participated in a project to improve the treatment from 1993 to 2000. The program was sponsored by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the federal agency that oversees the federal medical insurance

were 65 or older. The findings appear in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical

Association. The program to improve dialysis included educating health-care workers with workshops and reading material

about how to improve the care of patients getting dialysis. In dialysis, a machine performs normal

kidney functions of removing waste products from the blood and excess fluid from the body.

Patients generally undergo dialysis

three times a week for about four hours at a time. The optimum treatment can be achieved by changing the length of a session, the rate of blood flow or the size of the blood filters.

The study was led by Dr. Ashwini Sehgal, an associate professor at Case Western Reserve University.

Sehgal said the reasons for the racial and gender disparities are unclear. He said one possibility is that blacks and men tend to be larger than whites and women and thus require longer sessions, and doctors often fail to give them more dialysis.

#### ONGOING

#### Self-Help groups

Anyone seeking information on a variety of self-help groups may visit the Michigan Self-Help Clearing House at the Michigan Protection Advocacy Service Web site, www.mpas.org. If you have a disability rights issue, contact the MPAS at (800) 288-5923.

#### Grief support

Angela Hospice offers ongoing grief support groups every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the center, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Call (734) 464-7810.

#### **Bipolar**

The MDDA-Bipolar Support Group meets 3-5 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday at Beaumont Hospital, Administration Bldg., 3601 W. 13 Mile Road, Royal Oak. Call Kathie at (248) 544-1097.

#### Divorce support

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College will offer a "Divorce Support Group" 7-9 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Call the WRC at (734) 462-4443.

#### Bereavement

"Together to Share," a grief support group, meets 10 a.m. the first Monday of each month at American House on Middlebelt Road in Livonia. The group meets 3 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at Dorvin Nursing Center on Middlebelt Road in Livonia. Both groups are facilitated by a bereavement coordinator from Heartland Hospice in Southfield. Call (800) 770-9859.

#### **Overeaters Anonymous**

Support group for overeaters meets 7 p.m. every Friday at Providence Park-Novi, 47601 Grand River Avenue, Novi. HelpLine: (313) 438-HELP or (248) 474-9456.

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

Everyone is welcome to Providence Hospital-sponsored AA meetings held: noon every Tuesday and Thursday at Providence Medical Office Center-Novi, 39500 W. 10 Mile Road (at Haggerty), Novi. Call (248) 348-9362; noon every Wednesday at Mission Health Medical Center-Livonia, 37595 Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Call (734) 953-1188; and 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Providence Hospital, 16001 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield. Call (248) 333-4911.

#### Headaches

Suffer from constant headaches? Join the Headache Foundation Support Group, which meets 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at Providence Northwestern Medical Center, 30055 Northwestern, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 258-1973. Family members invit-

#### Gambling

The Gamblers Anonymous Support Groups meets 7:30-9 p.m. Mondays at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia, in Classroom 4. Call (734) 655-2944 or (800) 494-0277. Group is open to anyone with a gambling dependency.

#### Cancer

Join "Focus on Living," a cancer support group offered 7-8:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia. The group is designed to help cancer patients and families come together to help each other in living with a cancer diagnosis and treatment. Co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

#### Tremor Disorder Support

Shari Finsilver of Orchard Lake leads a local support group for those who suffer from Essential Tremor, a debilitating and incurable movement disorder. The group meets 7-8:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month at Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake Road in West Bloomfield, Contact Finsilver at (248) 683-4138 or

Finsilver@earthlink.net, or visit www.tremorsupport.com. To learn more about the International Tremor Foundation, visit www.essentialtremor.org or call (888) 387-3667.

#### Parents Supporting Parents

Parents coping with the loss of an infant through miscarriage, stillbirth or newborn death meet 7 p.m. the third Monday of the month at Providence Hospital-Southfield, 16001 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield. Call (248) 849-5342.

#### Stroke

The St. John Health System-Providence offers a Stroke Support Group 7 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at Providence Park-Novi, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi. Call (248) 465-4190.

Medicare counseling Senior citizens with Medicare questions and concerns can get assistance through Beaumont Hospital's

Department of Older Adult Services. The department's staff of trained volunteers can provide counseling on Medicare, long-term care insurance, and insurance plans that supplement Medicare, Call Beaumont's toll-free Senior Resource Line at (800) 328-2241 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday to make an appointment.

#### MARCH

Anorexia/bulimia Beaumont Hospital offers a support group led by recovering or recovered anorexics and/or bulimics 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31. The group meets in the hospital's 10th Floor-Classrooms A and B, 3601 W. Thirteen Mile Road, Royal Oak, Call (248) 551-9790.

#### Weight control

Informational seminars for Beaumont Hospital's Weight Control program will take place 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, 11, 18 or 25; or 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, 12, 19 or 26; and on scheduled Saturdays. The seminars are held at the Beaumont Weight Control Center. 4949 Coolidge Highway (north of 14 Mile Road), Royal Oak. The Center specializes in the treatment of people who are mildly to severely overweight.

#### Breast cancer

Beaumont Hospital's Sharing & Caring program will host a discussion on "Comparing Hormonal Treatments for Breast Cancer" 7-9 p.m. Thursday, March 6, in the 1st Floor Conference Room, Beaumont Cancer Center, 3577 W. 13 Mile Road, Royal Oak. Dr. Nuhad K. Ibrahim, Department of Breast Medial Oncology, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Texas, will be the quest speaker. Coffee and dessert reception to follow. \$10 donation. Reservations required, Call (248) 551-8588.

#### Natural hormones

The advantages and disadvantages of chemical and natural hormone replacements for men and women will be the focus of an upcoming program at the Plymouth District Library. The free program will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, March 8. Scott Popyk is a registered pharmacist and founder of Health Dimensions, a laboratory pharmacy in Farmington Hills. A 1991 graduate of Wayne State University's College of Pharmacy, he now focuses his practice on custom prescription formulating, having obtained specialty training through the Professional Compounding Centers of America. Register for this program at the Reader's Advisory Desk, (734) 453-0750, press 4 or on the Library home page,

#### plymouthlibrary.org.

Yoga **Botsford Center for Health** Improvement, 39750 Grand River, Novi. will offer "Gentle Yoga for Beginners" 10-11 a.m. Mondays. The first six-week session begins March 10; the second beings April 28. The fee is \$55. The class emphasizes stretches for strength, flexibility, relaxation and

#### energy enhancement. Learn techniques to help alleviate insomnia, anxiety and stress. Includes breathing and meditation exercises. To register, call (248) 477-6100.

Thyroid The Michigan Thyroid Support Group will hold its next meeting 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 10, at the Plymouth Library, 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth. Guest speaker Brad Mallard, of Health Strategies, has over 25 years experience in trauma and emergency medicine, family medicine and herbal/holistic/alternative/integrative medicine. Call Tracy Green at 734-453-7945 or

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The Diabetes Support Group at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, will host

demonstration/discussion on "All About Insulin Pumps" 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 12 in the hospital's Auditorium. The speakers are representatives from Mini Med, Disetronic and Animas Insulin Pump Companies and Kelly Mann RN, CDE. The Diabetes Support Group presents a new topic on the second Wednesday of each month for adults with diabetes and family members. Parents and children with diabetes are welcome to attend this special program. There is no charge, and pre-registration is not required. Call 734.655.8961.

#### Falling and home safety

Confused, stressed, and in pain? Get informed, and get relief! Call Toll Free-24 Hour Recorded Message.

St, Mary Mercy Hospital is offering a Community Falls Prevention Program titled "Fall Facts and Home Safety" 1-3 p.m., March 12. Learn the common risk

1-800-414-4013

factors associated with falls in older adults, the consequences of falls on your health and three ways to reduce your personal risk for falls. Free. To register, or for more information, call (734) 655-8940, or (800) 494-1650 (out of area callers only).

#### Menopause naturally

Center for Lifelong Learning, Henry Ford Community College, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail (at Warren, east of Telegraph), Dearborn Heights, will host two discussions on hormones by pharmacist Scott Popyk:

n "Natural versus Synthetic Hormones" 6:30-8:40 p.m. Thursday, March 13, Popyk will describe the role of estrogen, testosterone, and progesterone in managing hot flashes, night sweats, vaginal dryness, insomnia and other symptoms; and present other natural approaches including vitamins, minerals, diet, and herbs. Optional \$10 course book, CEHFS 4947, Section 119078 for general public, \$24. CESBU 4947, Section 119078 for nurses (2 nursing contact hours), \$34.

n "Filling the Gap for Men" 6:30-8:10 p.m. Thursday, March 20. Did you know that men undergo midlife hormone declines that affect muscle strength and the ability to play sports, as well as love life, memory, mood, sleep, and energy? Popyk will describe the symptoms of hormone declines and discuss how natural hormone replacement can benefit men. CEHFS 4049, Section 119076 for general public, \$19. CESBU 4049, Section 119076 for nurses (1.5 nursing contact hours), \$29. To register, visit www.hfcc.edu/CL2 or call (313) 317-1500 or 317-1504.

#### Ovarian cancer

Beaumont Hospital's Cancer Center, 3601 W. Thirteen Mile Road, Royal Oak. will host the "One-to-One Ovarian Cancer Support Group" 4-5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 13. Call Marilyn

#### Brozovic at (248) 597-2710.

#### Low vision

"Peer Support" offers emotional support, coping skills and information for people with visual problems. The groups will meet 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 18 at Beaumont Hospital's Medical Office Building, 5th Floor, Beaumont Eye Institute, 3535 W. Thirteen Mile Road, Royal Oak. Call (248) 551-2020.

#### Autism

**Everyday Miracles Autism Support** Network will host a discussion, "Special Diets for Special Kids," featuring the author of the book by the same title, 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 18, at Zion Lutheran Church, 143 Albany, Ferndale. Tickets are \$20 for group members and \$25 for non-members. Seating is limited. Advance ticket purchase required. Support group meetings are held at various locations the second Monday and Tuesday of each month. Contact Laurey Tedeschi at (248) 398-6220. Online message board available (everydaymiraclesautism@yahoodgroups, com).

#### Post-polio support

The first meeting of the Southeast Michigan Post-Polio Support Group will be 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, March 22, at the First Presbyterian Church of Troy, 4328 Livernois, Troy. The church is about a half mile north of Wattles (17 Mile Road) on the east side of the street, Call (734) 425-0788 or (313) 885-

#### Quit smoking

Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center. 18101 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn, will host the Wellness Seminar for smoking cessation 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 29, in the Kalman Auditorium. The first 45 minutes is a free orientation. If the participant feels comfortable with the program, they pay a onetime fee of \$59. Call (800) 848-2822.

#### Arthritis Today

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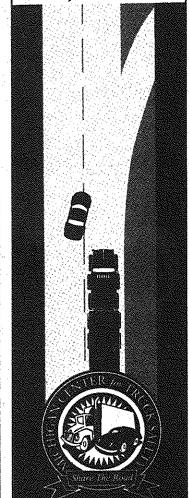
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# Attitudes differ on exam permission

Medical students commonly perform pelvic examinations in the operating room when the patient is under anesthesia.

This educational practice poses no physical harm to the patient, and research shows that most women are willing to allow medical students to perform the examinations, but with the proviso that permission is asked for - and granted Nevertheless, many OB/GYN departments do not regularly inform women when they will be undergoing pelvic examinations by medical students while

under anesthesia. Against this backdrop, researchers wondered, "Is completion of an OB/GYN clerkship associated with a decline in the perceived importance of securing permission from patients before conducting pelvic examinations under anesthesia?"

According to a Philadelphiaarea study published today in the February issue of the American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology, researchers at the University of Michigan Health System believe the answer is YES.

"We found that medical students who have not yet done their OB/GYN clerkship place more value on securing consent than do medical students who have completed the OB/GYN clerkship," says author Dr. Peter Ubel, director, U-M Medical School's Program for Improving Health Care Decisions, and associate professor of internal medicine, "The OB/GYN clerkship seems to be the defining event in this erosion, as opposed to gradual ero-

sion throughout students' many

clerkships or rotations."

The study looked at questionnaires that were distributed in 1995 to all 4,511 medical students at five Philadelphia area medical schools. Students were asked how important it would be for a patient to be told that a medical student is going to perform a pelvic examination under anesthesia. Researchers tested for associations between completion of an OB/GYN clerkship and attitudes toward pelvic examinations using linear regression to adjust for gender and total amount of clerkship experience.

"Something clearly happens during OB/GYN clerkships that is associated with students placing less importance on consent for pelvic examinations under anesthesia," says Ubel, who was on the faculty at the University of Pennsylvania's Center for Bioethics at the time the study was conducted.

The experiences of two of the authors as medical students suggest that consent is either not routinely obtained for educational pelvic examinations performed by medical students in the operating room or, at best, somewhat murky.

"In our medical student experiences, we were unclear whether the patients we were asked to examine had given explicit consent to be examined. The study suggests that similar experiences are associated with a decline in the importance students place on seeking permission for such examinations," Ubel says.

At the U-M Health System, however, policy and practice are in unison, and patient consent is the norm.

# Coalition asks U.S. to withdraw from tobacco treaty talks

**ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER** 

GENEVA (AP) \_ A coalition of U.S. medical advocacy groups said Tuesday that the United States should withdraw altogether from negotiations on a sweeping new international anti-tobacco treaty and accused Washington of trying to sabotage the accord.

With three days remaining before talks on the so-called Framework Convention on Tobacco Control conclude, the chief executive officer of the **American Cancer Society** accused U.S. President George W. Bush's administration of being beholden to cigarette multinationals.

"At this critical juncture, the United States government is working methodically to weaken virtually every aspect of this treaty," John Saffron said. "We call on the U.S. government to observe the first rule of the Hippocratic Oath: Do No Harm."

"I am ashamed of the role my government has played in the negotiations," said Alfred Munzer of the American Lung Association.

U.S. officials rejected the criticism, saying that the team was negotiating in good faith.

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treaty which can be signed and ratified," said Terry Pechacek, of speech. the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Thailand, Saudi Arabia and other developing countries also complained that the U.S. delegation was using strong-arm tactics and financial threats to force through its will.

Representatives from at least 180 countries attending the talks have until Friday to agree on an accord in order for the 192-nation World Health Assembly to approve a deal at its annual meeting in May.

Officials decline to speculate on what would happen if no agreement is reached.

The vast majority of countries want to introduce sweeping restrictions, including a total ban on tobacco advertising and requiring tobacco companies to put graphic images on their products - such as pictures of diseased lungs.

Most also want cigarette companies to stop marketing cigarettes as "mild" and "light" and also want the protections against potential U.S. trade sanctions or retaliation if they try to impose restrictions on cigarette imports.

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A senior Thai government negotiator said the U.S. delegation had told the meeting that the U.S. government would stop funding international antitobacco programs if it didn't get its way on exemptions.

"It's very arrogant," Hat Chitanondh said. "The United States has the technology and sophisticated tobacco control programs and yet they are behaving like this toward the

rest of the world."
David Hohmann, U.S. health attache in Geneva, said Washington had made no threats to withdraw funding for anti-tobacco programs, which he said totals about \$2 million annually.

American health campaigners said the talks would be much easier without the United States government's involvement.

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# When weight goes up, so do costs for employers

Effective worksite weight control programs could bring about substantial savings in medical costs for employers and help prevent overweight- and obesity-related diseases, University of Michigan Health Management Research Center research

The study of 177,971 employees, retirees and adult dependents of General Motors Corp. showed a consistent relationship between medical costs and progressively higher categories of overweight and obesity, according to HMRC lead author Fei-Fei Wang and senior research analyst Shirley Musich.

"The median medical cost for healthy weight people was \$2,225, compared with \$2,388 for the next category of overweight and \$3,753 for the most extreme obesity category. Except for the underweight group, medical costs gradually increase as weight increases, Musich said.

The study, published in January's American Journal of Health Promotion, is the first to examine the relationship between median medical costs and the six weight groups defined by the national Heart, Lungs and Blood Institute in 1988. The NHLB weight guidelines use body mass index or BMI, which calculates weight in kilograms, divided by height in meters

According to BMI measures across gender and age, 55 percent of American adults, or 97 million people, are classified as overweight or obese, Musich said. In the General Motors study population, 40 percent were overweight and more than 21 percent were obese. Healthy weight employees made up

37 percent of the population, and less than 2 percent were underweight.

"Being overweight was more prevalent in men than women in this study: 46 percent of the males were overweight compared with 33 percent of the females. However, in the obese category, the prevalence was approximately the same: 22 percent for females and 21 percent for males.

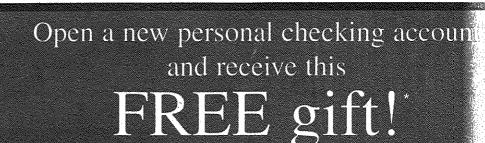
"For the most part, the median costs increased as BMI increased regardless of age or gender," Musich said. "The relationship between BMI levels and costs was only unclear for the oldest males in the study, ages 75 and older.:

The date as collected over two years ending in 2998.

While there is a concern that some people especially those who are overweight - tend to understate their weight, a cross-check of those who had follow-up screenings showed that the margin of error was minimal," Musich said. Further, an underestimation of BMI would put even more people into the high weight/high cost category.

In 1994, researchers conservatively estimated the direct medical costs of obesity in the United States at over \$51 billion. Obesity has been clearly associated with many diseases such as type II diabetes, coronary heart disease, hypertension, stroke and some forms of cancer.

The authors conclude that, "Helping people control and even lose weight could improve their health status and reduce risk of disease, and in the process reduce the overall burden of health care costs for corporations and other payers."





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# Spec houses on lake loaded with luxury features

John Ted Cullen, the financing expert, and Julian Evola, builder, might seem to take a big risk by constructing three spec homes ranging in price from \$1.8 to \$2.7 million on adjoining lots fronting Upper Straits Lake in West Bloomfield.

But they don't think so, trusting their instincts and building acumen.

When people spend that kind of money ... we should have the knowledge to build something they can move right into," Cullen said. "It should be designed - turnkey is the right word. By buying 'wow' properties, I try to minimize risk on investments."

"You try to get a good design up front," Evola said of the nearly completed two-story model.

"The floor plan is very conducive to a family. It's open, generous closet space, as well as a nice trim package. Upscale appliances, upscale cabinets. My trades are good," Evola added.

"Julian's relations with his subcontractors is just great and he's always around," Cullen said. "It's our team that contributes to the fact we provide product desired by people in this market."

Other team members include Chris Ramanauskas of Xavier Designs in Rochester Hills, who designed the nearly completed model; Rob McCalpin of Bryce, McCalpin and Palazzola of Bloomfield Township, who designed the roughly framed second home under construction; and Dottie Cullen, interior decorator, Traditional Design, Troy, and John's mom.

Here's what available from the team at Shore Drive and Shady Beach Boulevard off Old Orchard Trail:

A two-story of 3,550 square feet with four bedrooms, three full baths and two half baths (completed) plus a lower level of 1,500 square feet that will be finished to include a game room, theater and full bath. Listing price is \$1.8 million.

■ A story-and a-half of 4,800 square feet, plus a finished lower level of 3,000 square feet - all just roughly framed now - to include five bedrooms, five full baths and two half baths. The home is expected to sell for about \$2.7 million.

Not yet begun, a two-story of 3,800 square feet on the main two living areas plus a finished lower level of 1,500 square feet all to include four bedrooms, four full baths and a pair of half baths. This home probably will carry a price of about \$2.1 million.

Gwen J. Schultz, sales representative, acknowledges that the homes built by the Cullen/Evola combination on Upper Straits Lake appeal to a niche buyer - business executives/owners, entertainers and high-income professionals.

"People who want a lake lifestyle and have money," she said. "Being in a new house with high ceilings is a big attraction, a sandy beach on an all-sports lake,

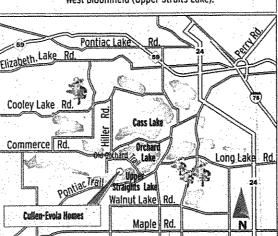
the camaraderie on the water

"Usually when you get lakefront, you don't get a neighborhood. Here you do," she continued. "It's great for summer parties. You don't need the cottage up north and fight traffic. You can have your cake and it too."



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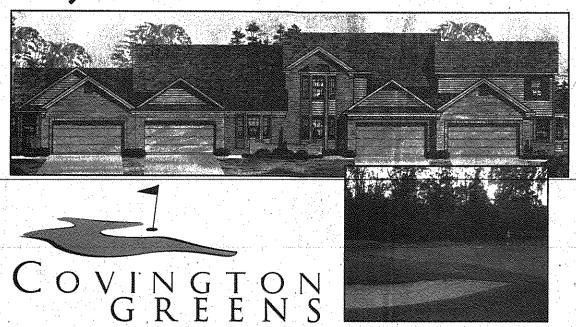


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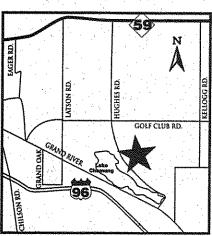
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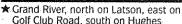


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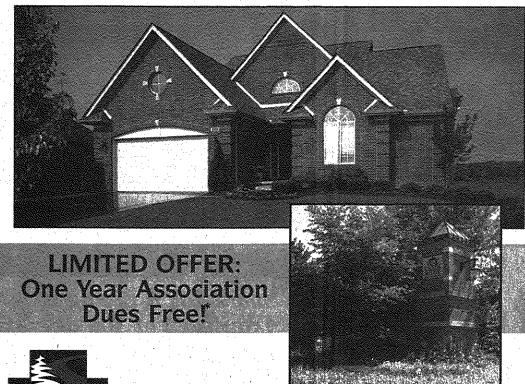
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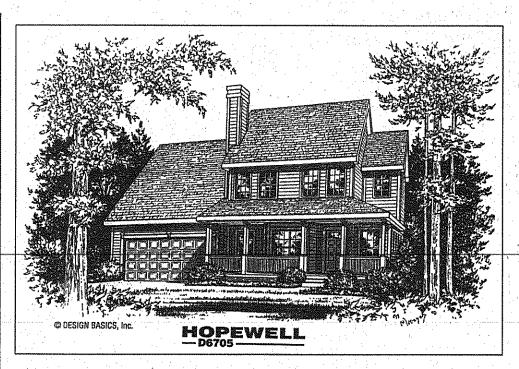


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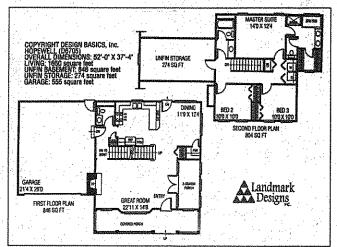
It has a two-car garage and special options of an unfinished basement of 846 square feet and an unfinished storage area of 274 square feet. The many windows not only enhance the exterior of the Hopewell, but bathe rooms in light.

Entry of the Hopewell is into the great room, The front of the home has a bay window facing the street, a fireplace on the left, and three-season porch to right through French doors.

A straight staircase leading up to the second floor and to the unfinished basement divides the great room from the kitchen and dining room.

A corner pantry and closet are at the end of the dining room, which is surrounded by windows. There is a door that opens out to the back yard.

The kitchen is "C" shaped with an eating bar facing the dining area. A double sink with a large window faces the rear. A smaller secondary pantry is across from the main coun-



ters, along with the refrigerator and a storage closet.

A door opens into the garage with a half bath adjacent.

Upstairs are three bedrooms and an unfinished storage area. The two bedrooms in the front have two large windows and long wall closets.

Because all the bedrooms are upstairs, this home has the washer and dryer upstairs. A full bath with a tub is adjacent to the master suite for these secondary bedrooms.

The master has a large suite area The bath contains a shower, spa tub and his-and-her sinks. There is a huge walk-in closet

to the side of the bathroom.

The unfinished storage area could be used for many purposes. It could be a playroom for the kids, if it were finished, or a spare bedroom, or even possibly the family computer room.

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the bedrooms are.

The two-story fover allows bridges upstairs overlooking the front entry and the great room, which includes 10 win-

dows offering a view of Upper Straits Lake. A two-way fireplace separates the great room from a hearth room/kitchen/ nook. An island in the kitchen includes a vegetable sink and food warming drawer.

A butler's pantry serves as a go-between the kitchen and formal dining room with wainscot wall covering. The study with fireplace contains doors with beveled glass.

Half baths are at either end of the main level. The master suite is truly that with a fireplace, built-in refrigerator/coffee bar and terrace balcony overlooking the lake. A

separate jet tub and shower and a pair of walk-in closets complete the picture. A second bedroom upstairs has its own

bath with shower, while bedrooms three and four share a Jack-and-Jill bath. The lower level will be finished to include a theater, game room and full bath.

Brick and stone are primary exterior materials. The spec houses built by Evola/Cullen on Upper Straits Lake will be serviced by

city water and sewers. They're within the West Bloomfield school boundaries. The property tax rate is \$35.91 per

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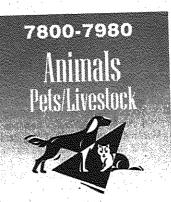




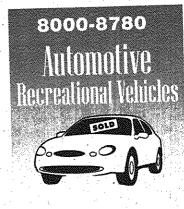
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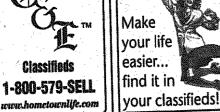


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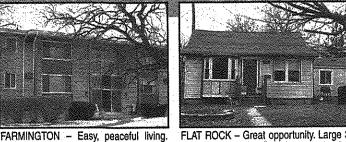
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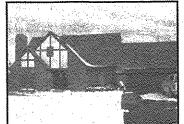
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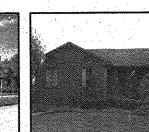
BRIGHTON - Nestled in the woods! Three bedroom, 2 bath on 1,2 acres. Winans Lake access! Raised Ranch, living room with fireplace, newer carpet, dining room with sky light & wooded views. Kitchen with newer cabinets, floors, newer septic & furnace, \$253,000 (91TEA) 734-455-5600



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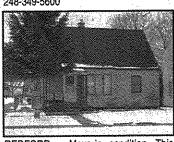
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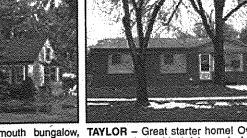
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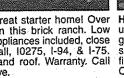
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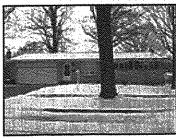
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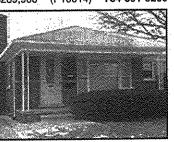
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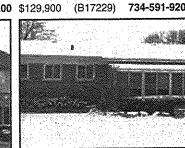
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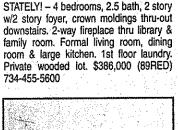
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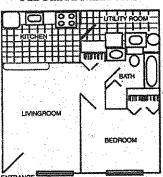
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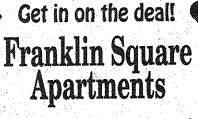
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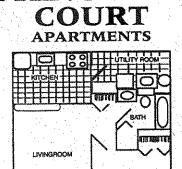
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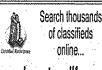
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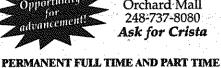
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Anne Fracassa

We've gotten several letters from Observer & Eccentric readers lately, and many of you responded to our report on lease terms and what they all mean. I'm glad we could help make some sense out of what can be a very complicated sub-

Since the response has been so great, and because many of your are asking for even more information, I wanted to dedicate this column this week to providing just a little bit more information on leasing for you.

Also, keep those letters coming. This one in particular caught our attention, from Livonia Dear Anne,

Both my husband and I enjoyed reading your Automotive section article on the Subaru Forest in the Observer & Eccentric on Sunday, Feb. 23, 2003.

When we were ready to trade in our older car a couple of years ago, I researched the safety factors on the available autos and settled on the Subaru Forester not only for its appearance and features, but more importantly, on its safety reputation.

This past January, I was involved in a traffic incident while starting to cross a busy intersection in Livonia. On a green light, an oncoming car apparently did not see my cute little silver Forester and made a left in front of me. I was traveling 40 mph and slammed on my brakes. I almost missed him but caught instead the back corner of his small SUV.

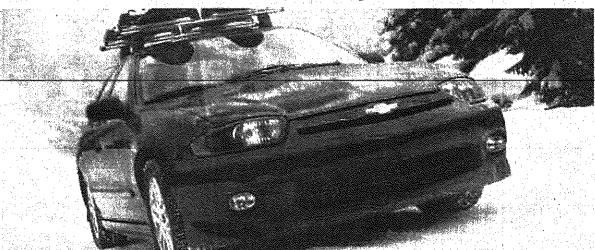
My Forester is still in the collision shop and the repair bill is now up to \$14,000, but I suffered nothing more then a punch in the chest from the deployed air bag. Not a scratch, not a bruise, nothing!

I am thrilled with my choice, and will be even more thrilled to get it back fully recovered when its time comes. So, Anne, you are absolutely right, my socks have already been knocked off! I love driving my little baby.

Warmest regards, Margaret Harris; Livonia, Mich. Thanks Margaret. It's feedback like that that makes us appreciate the opportunity we have to tell other folks about

the great cars on today's market. Now, on the leasing issue.

Shopping different brands and models, comparing prices and options and negotiating your best deal are cardinal rules to follow when buying a car. It's all about shopping smart and spending wisely. The same is true when leasing a vehicle, such



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as the 2003 Chevrolet Cavalier featured on this page. You probably know a lot about leasing if any of your friends, coworkers or family have taken the plunge and raved about the advantages.

But do you know what happens at the end of the lease? Did you know you could actually owe the company more than what the car is worth at the end of the lease? Leasing will be a positive experience if you know the rules. There are several lease-end options to choose from, depending on the leasing company you choose. The safest choices, of course, are the lease companies connected to the major brands - for example, Ford and Lincoln Mercury vehicles have Ford Credit Corp. and General Motors vehicles can be leased through SmartLease, a separate entity within General Motors Credit

The first option is to return your leased vehicle and then just lease another new vehicle. If you've met all the obligations of your lease at its end.

--which include any charges for excess mileage and wear and tear - and you want a new vehicle to drive, just return it to the leasing dealership. That's all there is to it. End of story.

Within minutes of choosing the next vehicle you want to drive, you can start the paperwork on another lease. Another lease can be perfect, especially if the vehicle's actual value is lower than your purchase option amount. The second option is to buy the vehicle you've leased and keep it. In this case, your lease agreement must have a clause allowing a "purchase option" -- and most do.

So if you really like your vehicle, it's still a good value against your purchase option price, you can buy your leased vehicle and keep it. Many people purchase that vehicle as a second vehicle for the family or their children because they have personal knowledge of the vehicle's background and want a reli-

Some people will find at the end of the lease that their car is

worth more than the purchase option amount. In that case, you could purchase the car for the purchase option price, sell the car and then pocket the profit. We've all known someone this has happened to: A person finances a vehicle, then decides to sell or trade it in before the end of the finance contract and then finds out he owes more on the loan that the car is worth. What's happened here is that the loan interest and depreciation of the vehicle have accelerated beyond what you owe. With a lease, you don't have to worry about owing more on the vehicle than what it's worth at the end of the lease. The lease company determines what your vehicle will be worth at the start of the lease.

So, if it's worth less than the purchase option price, your best bet is to just turn it in to the leasing dealer and walk away from the car. You're not stuck owing more than the car is worth, the hassles of trading it in or haggling with the dealer about the car's value.

And if your leased car is wrecked or stolen, most lease contracts have a "gap protection" clause that covers the difference between your insurance check and the lease pay-off price. With this clause, the only responsibility you'll have is the insurance deductible and any existing unpaid payments.

And at the end of the lease agreement, you won't have to worry about the car's value, advertising it, showing it to prospective buyers, negotiating a price or selling it.

Owning the title to a car really isn't all that great for some folks when you consider the value leasing delivers. The older an owned vehicle gets, the more maintenance and repairs it will need. Holding title to a car can get expensive.

Remember, shop for your lease, choose a reputable company and be sure to read all the fine print. If you do, you'll find your lease may be a very pleasant experience - one you're likely to repeat for decades to come. Thousands of Americans do.

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