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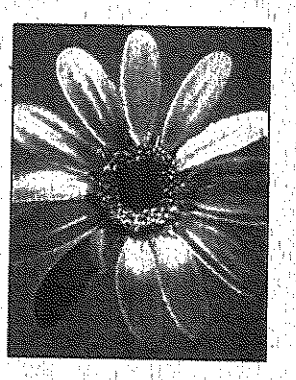

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Formula change could cost district

Shift in student count may add to budget problem facing schools

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

A proposed change in the formula used by the state to calculate how it reimburses school districts for student enrollment counts could cost Plymouth-Canton Schools more than $723,000.

The projected decrease, plus the nearly $1 million cut the district received from the state earlier this year, are at least two reasons why Plymouth-Canton faces a $5.6 million budget deficit for the 2003-04 school year.

Last Thursday, Board of Education trustees Carol Saunders and Marcy Staley testified before the School Aid (K-12) Education Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee regarding the new formula.

"I explained our plight as a growing district, and what it would mean to us in dollars and cents if they change the blended count," said Saunders, who made the five-minute presentation. "They might need to consider doing something different for different types of school districts. Not one size fits all."

Unlike many school districts that can cut spending because of declining enrollments, Plymouth-Canton continues to grow. This year, the district added 415 new students and similar growth is expected next year.

"Growing districts experience financial difficulties as they open new buildings, even in the best of times," Saunders said. "But difficulties become crises when

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Kriss Rautio, last year's winner, presents the 2003 Athena Award to Linda Shapona during Wednesday's Business Recognition Luncheon at The Summit.

Winner experiences Athena at both ends

Former chamber director honored

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

For Linda Shapona, 2003 winner of the Canton Chamber of Commerce Athena Award, the honor has always been close to her heart – and to her professional life.

After all, as former executive director of the Canton Chamber of Commerce, she helped oversee the Athena Award program. As former executive director of the Westland Chamber of Commerce, she spearheaded the award program.

But being involved in the Athena Award and becoming an Athena winner were completely different experiences for Shapona as she received the award on Wednesday.

Last year's Athena winner, Kriss Rautio of Community Bank of Dearborn, first began listing the accomplishments of the Athena winner before actually naming the person.

"This award celebrates the incredible accomplishments of men and women who care enough to challenge the process,

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Summer camp

Registration is fast approaching for a pair of summer day camps sponsored by the Plymouth Salvation Army.

The first session runs from June 16-July 11; the second session is from July 21-Aug. 15. The camps are open to children ages 6-12 years, and run 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Cost is $160 for the camp held at Plymouth Township Park, at McClumpha and Ann Arbor Trail; and $200 for the camp held at the Salvation Army headquarters, on Main just south of Ann Arbor Road. A limited number of scholarships are available at a 75-percent discount; proof of income is required.

Registration takes place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Plymouth Salvation Army headquarters, on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call (734) 453-5464. The Plymouth Salvation Army serves Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Belleville.

Volunteer honor

The Salvation Army Eastern Michigan Division announced the winners of the Divisional Volunteer Awards for 2003, and a local resident was one of the big winners.

Angela Kae Hull, a long time Salvationist, will be honored as the Youth Volunteer of the

Year winner May 13 at the Salvation Army's annual Volunteer Dinner at Burton Manor in Livonia. Hull has also been selected as the Youth Volunteer of the Year award winner for the entire Central Territory of The Salvation Army. She has served as an active member of the Salvation Army since her birth, as her parents are corps officers at the Plymouth Salvation Army Corps.

Hull, a resident of Canton, is a Sunbeam leader for the Plymouth Corps and spends many hours planning and preparing for this ministry.

Dog jog

Downtown Plymouth goes to the dogs once again around noon on Saturday, May 10, when the annual Plymouth Dog Job takes place.

The Kiwanis Club of Plymouth and the Kiwanis Club of Plymouth-Canton Breakfast Club present the annual jog, which starts at 1 p.m. All proceeds go directly to benefit the Michigan Humane Society and the Kiwanis clubs. The route begins and ends in Kellogg Park.

Prizes will be awarded in three age groups for males, three age groups for females, the best costume, longest tail and best look-alike.

Registration starts at noon; the fee is $27 the day of the race.

For more information, call (734) 459-7000 or (734) 981-5116.

Canton drivers brace for construction projects

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

Several major road construction projects will be under way in Canton this spring and summer, which may force some motorists to seek alternate routes to avoid the bottleneck.

Roads like Ford and Michigan Avenue may be difficult to avoid – but will be among the Canton roads getting the most extensive work this summer. Whenever necessary, detour routes will be prominently posted.

"The big project is Ford Road," said Todd Zilincik, a township staff engineer. "It definitely needs resurfacing – the eastbound lanes are really bad."

Beginning in mid-May, Ford Road will be milled and resurfaced from the eastern township limits, just east of Lotz, to Marlowe, three blocks west of Sheldon. One lane will remain open in each direction and left-turn lanes will remain open at major intersections.

Night and weekend work is planned to minimize disruption, but some day work may be necessary.

Another big project begins this summer – the reconstruction of Michigan Avenue from Belleville to Denton Road. In this project, the asphalt roadway will be completely replaced with concrete.

The Michigan Avenue project could spell headaches for motorists already detoured by the Canton Center Road bridge project north of Geddes. The work is scheduled to be finished by mid-

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Storm warning response shows sirens don't cover township

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

A tornado warning Monday in Canton made one thing abundantly clear to emergency personnel: The township's emergency siren system doesn't seem to be sounding throughout the township.

Brian Tilley, meteorologist with the National Weather Service's White Lake office, said the storm that swept through southeast Michigan did not leave any damaged buildings in its wake.

"There was a tornado spotted in northeast Oakland County but there were no confirmed touchdowns," Tilley said.

Tornado warnings are issued when there are storms capable of producing tornadoes – or an actual tornado – spotted.

People using the Summit Monday night were alerted of the tornado warning at about 7:40 p.m., and told to seek cover in an interior room; in this case, it was the professional development center.

Vic Gustafson, chairman of the Canton Planning Commission, said the interruption of Monday's regular meeting did not cause any obvious panic.

"I thought Summit personnel did a good job of alerting everybody," Gustafson said.

Canton Public Safety Director John Santomauro said Canton's emergency siren system was not fully operational Monday night, as it should have been. The township plans to buy a new system this year, with $96,000 budgeted for the purchase. It is expected to increase the system's capacity by 50 percent.

"The system is now up and running," Santomauro said, adding he is unsure exactly how many of the sirens stationed throughout Canton did not go off during Monday's weather emergency.

"The (present) system cannot adequately cover a full 36 square miles," Santomauro said.

Testing the system requires visiting each siren location and testing it on site. That will change with the new high-tech system.

"The benefit of the new system is we

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May Day
Megan Piwowar of Plymouth, 17, (left) and Cheri Porter of Canton, 18, blow bubbles during May Day festivities at Salem High School Monday. Humanities students from Sue Welker and Mary Beth Carroll's classes plan and execute the May Day project as part of their second semester showcase requirements. The students research the Middle Ages, the Renaissance, costuming and spring games from the period and plan out options for indoor or outdoor events. Monday's events were held indoors on the second floor commons due to the bad weather that day. The students also collect prizes, flowers and donations from local businesses to enjoy the project more fully.

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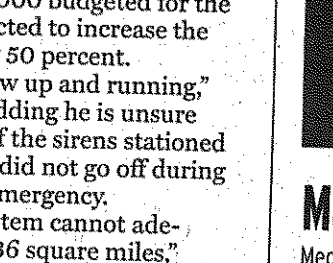

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PATTERSON POST

Senate Majority Leader Ken Sikkema, R-Wyoming, named Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, to the Environmental Task Force of the Council of State Governments.

"I take my role in protecting Michigan's natural resources very seriously," Patterson said. "As vice chair of the Natural Resource and Environmental Affairs Committee and now a member of the nationally recognized Environmental Task Force, I will continue my efforts to preserve and protect the outdoor heritage of our great state for future generations."

HONORING TROOPS

State Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, and State Rep. Phil LaJoy, R-Canton, join forces to honor local troops at a celebration from 1-3 p.m. Saturday near the children's playscape in Canton Township Park.

Patterson and LaJoy will collect international phone cards as well as donations to purchase international phone cards, in an effort to say "thank you" to soldiers serving overseas.

Light refreshments will be provided. Attendees will have a chance to pick up a flag and talk to both Patterson and LaJoy.

SENIOR PARTY

The Senior party committee is accepting donations, either monetary or door prize gifts, for the seniors from any source. Anyone wishing to donate can call Sue Poniatowski, (734) 453-2570, or Lisa Hajduk, (734) 397-3432.

Parent volunteers are needed for decorating and chaperoning. Decorating volunteers should call Dottie Kelly, (734) 397-1423; chaperone volunteers can call Mary Ann McKinnon, (734) 459-0133, or Barb Martin, (734) 453-7161.

Tickets for the party can be purchased for $35 at school on Thursdays in May during the lunch hour at Plymouth or Canton cafeterias. In addition, ticket sales will take place during lunch hours May 28-30 and June 2-4. Tickets can also be purchased through the mail by sending a check, along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Bob Boyko (734-451-1893), 49308 Harvest, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Any students who purchased tickets during registration at the beginning of the school year and have NOT received their tickets please submit a self addressed stamped envelope to Bob Boyko.

BOTTLE DRIVE

The Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps holds its annual bottle-can drive from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, May 10.

The collection will be concentrated between Canton Center Road and Lilley to the east and west, and between Ann Arbor Road and Ford Road to the north and south.

Funds raised from the drive will go toward the purchase of new uniforms. Donations may be dropped off and given to the corps members who will be located at the Kroger store located at Ann Arbor Road and Sheldon from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. May 10.

For more information, call Tim or Mary Ayers at (734) 207-5026.

MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

Spaces are still available for the first annual Luca Ingle Memorial Golf Outing, benefiting The University Congenital Hear Center at Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

The scramble-style outing is scheduled for a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start on Saturday, May 31 at Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth. A donation of $150 gets the participant 18 holes of golf on the classic course with a cart, hot dogs, chips and beverages on the course and a dinner reception with full bar.

There will be contests at several holes and a 50/50 raffle with many prizes. Tickets are available for the dinner reception and bar only at a cost of $50. Program sponsors are available beginning at $100 and hole sponsors are available beginning at $150.

For more information e-mail Erika & Kenny Ingle at emaingle@yahoo.com.

Luca Ingle was born with congenital heart disease on May 8, 2002.

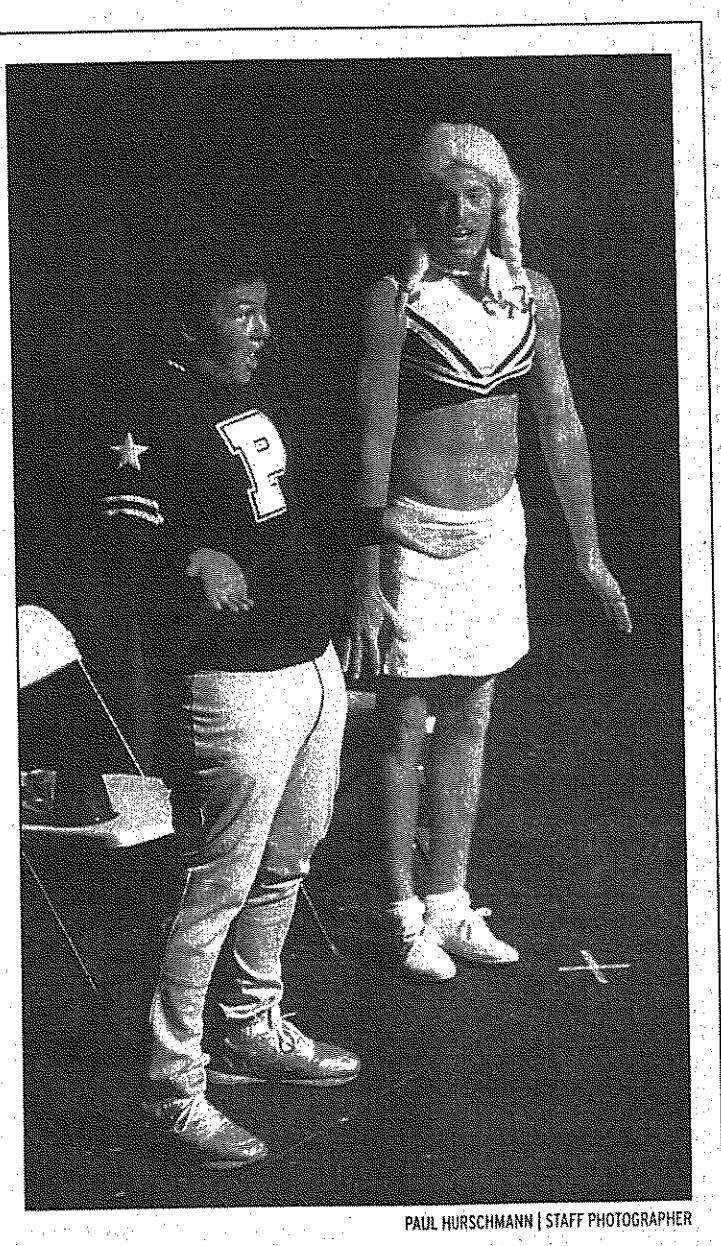
Luca was a patient at the University of Michigan Congenital Heart Center, located within C.S. Mott Children's Hospital.

DOO WOP

Adults 18 and over are invited to an alcohol-free Doo Wop Dance Party at the Summit on Friday, May 9, from 7:30-11 p.m. Oldies attire is suggested.

Cost is $5 per person or $30 per table of eight. Light concessions and refreshments will be available. Register at the Summit through Tuesday, May 6.

The Doo Wop Dance has been organized to promote the "limiting alcohol" habit during Canton's 100 Days to Health program.



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On stage

Pat Tokarski of Plymouth, 17, (left) and Jason Lewis of Canton, 17, perform a takeoff of the 'Saturday Night Live' skit, 'Cheerleaders,' doing the perfect cheer. The boys were two of the masters of ceremonies for the Rockettes Varsity Variety Show Saturday at Salem High School.

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An estimated one-third of people between the ages of 63 and 94 have osteoarthritis of the knee, which is a degenerative condition that limits the ability to climb stairs and stand comfortably. Active and passive range-of-motion exercises have traditionally been an important component of physical therapy programs for osteoarthritis to improve joint mobility and function. To gauge the effectiveness of physical therapy, one study compared the effectiveness of a fixed therapeutic regimen for the knee, hip, ankle, and lumbar spine with placebo in patients with osteoarthritis of the knee. After four weeks of twice-weekly sessions, it was found that the treatment group had improved symptom scores and significantly increased walking distance compared with the placebo group. There are a range of physical therapies and exercise programs that can benefit individuals with osteoarthritis. They include aquatic therapy, strengthening and stretching exercises, and Tai Chi. For assistance in developing an exercise program that is both enjoyable and effective in relieving pain and increasing mobility, ask your physician for a referral to the HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY. You'll find our facilities located in Plymouth, at 650 South Main Street. To learn more about our many services, please call 455-8370. Blue Cross and Medicare provider.
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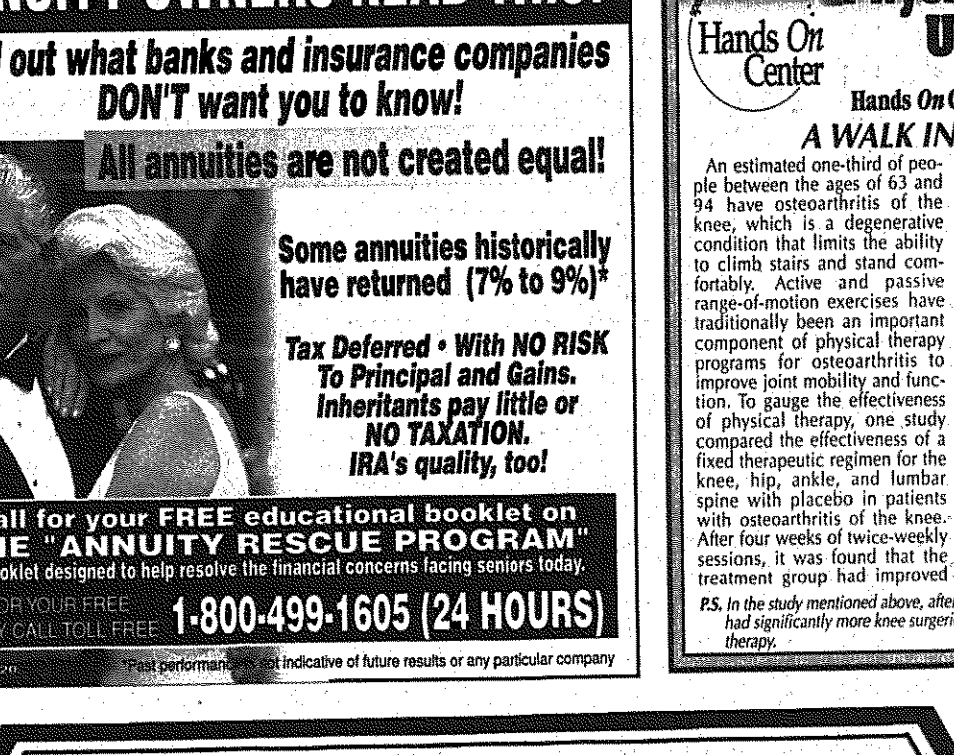
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School candidates square off in forum

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Budget cuts, pay reductions, state funding and class size were among the many topics discussed Tuesday night at the Plymouth-Canton Schools candidate's forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Western Wayne County and the Observer newspapers.

Four people are vying for the two seats up for grabs in the June 9 election. Mark Slavens, the current Board of Education vice president, is seeking a second four-year term. Roland Thomas has twice been elected to the board, serving a total of 17 years. Richard Ham-Kucharski is attempting his third run for the board. And, Roy McCutcheon, who calls himself the new kid on the block, is seeking a seat on the board for the first time.

In opening remarks, each gave an insight into what their priorities would be, if elected.

"I want to continue the theme of moving forward and improving the academic success of our students," declared Slavens.

"We are facing an unprecedented financial crisis," said Thomas. "My experience, knowledge, passion and focus on children can help provide that leadership."

Ham-Kucharski said his focus would be on "class size, federal and state regulations and how they impact our future. The best way to predict the future is to help create it."

McCutcheon acknowledged having a dissenting voice could be a good thing for the Board of Education.

"I don't like the idea of laying off teachers every year," he said. "I'm interested in alternative funding.

"Sometimes you need a dissenting opinion, or a straw to stir that drink. And, I might be that dissenting opinion," said McCutcheon.

While the district is attempting to cut $5.6 million from the 2003-04 budget, the candidates were asked to look ahead to the 2004-05 budget year.

""We're going to have to open our minds and find ways to reduce costs without touching the classroom, if we can," said Thomas. "We have to look at administrative costs, and the cost of technology to improve our efficiency and eliminate positions."

McCutcheon said he wants to take a look at administrative costs to determine where cuts can be made.

"I want to look really hard at things that aren't academic," he said. "I want to be able to explain to the voters where the money is going. We shouldn't touch the student-teacher ratio in kindergarten through second grade class sizes."

All except one candidate expressed a desire to look at possible pay cuts to help stabilize the budget.

"We should try to distribute that pain as much as possible across the entire (school) population," said Ham-Kucharski. "We can potentially reduce or eliminate job cuts by doing that."

Slavens, who said he has an insight into the district's finances because of his tenure on the board, said the district is already "lean and mean."

""Our superintendent has already gone beyond pay cuts," said Slavens. "Dr. (Jim) Ryan has already taken the extraordinary step of not replacing the second-in-command, which has saved this district $110,000-$120,000."

All the candidates believe the State of Michigan needs to provide more funding, whether it be the foundation grant or money for mandated programs.

"We need to close the gap between rich school districts and the rest of us," said Thomas. "They need to help us improve our safety and security in the schools by providing support services."

Slavens believes there's money available from the state for local programs. "I've been advised by legislators for the last six years that there's no money there," he said. "I don't believe it."

The hour-long forum was videotaped by Comcast Cable, and will be replayed several times before the June 9 election. Check local cable listings for broadcast times.

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Plymouth Canton Community School Board candidates Roy McCutcheon (from left), Roland Thomas, Rich Ham-Kucharski and incumbent Mark Slavens answer questions at Tuesday's school board forum at the Plymouth Library.

Council picks Slavens, Ham-Kucharski

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The Michigan Education Association 2A Coordinating Council is recommending its 1,350 members vote for incumbent Mark Slavens and candidate Richard Ham-Kucharski in the June 9 Plymouth-Canton school board election.

The council, which represents 1,000 Plymouth-Canton Education Association teachers, plus 350 para-professionals and custodians in the district, interviewed all four candidates before making its recommendation to the rank-and-file.

Slavens is currently vice president of the school board, and is seeking his second consecutive four-year term. This will be Ham-Kucharski's third attempt at being elected to the board.

The council decided not to recommend the other two candidates, former board member Roland Thomas and newcomer Roy McCutcheon.

Board member Marcy Staley is not seeking re-election.

"We want to move forward; we don't want to move backward and the old ways," said Tracy Quigley, Council spokeswoman. "These two candidates will move us forward."

"We liked what they had to say," added Chuck Portelli, president of the PCEA. "It's time for a change. We don't want to go back to the past."

References to the past by Quigley and Portelli were obvious references to Thomas, who served 17 years in two separate stints on the Board of Education.

Portelli said the MEA 2A Coordinating Council will send out postcards to nearly 2,000 MEA members who live in Plymouth and Canton, recommending Slavens and Ham-Kucharski. He said the group was undecided if it will hold a phone bank the weekend before the election in support of the two candidates.

In the past, because of low voter turnout, the MEA 2A Coordinating Council has been somewhat powerful in the outcome of the school board elections.

"I think we have a big influence because of the apathy of the voters in both Plymouth and Canton," said Portelli.

The figures appear to support Portelli's claims. Last year, only about 5.5 percent of the district's 76,000 registered voters went to the polls. In 2001, the figure was even lower at 3.5 percent.

Elections clerk Elizabeth Adams said district residents can register to vote through May 12 at the municipal clerk's office, or the Secretary of State.

Absentee ballots are being sent out this week. Requests for absentee ballots can be made to Adams at (734) 416-3095.

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Canton planners table shopping center discussion

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

Life was anything but a bowl of cherries for a developer attempting to get site plan approval for a shopping center at Canton Center and Cherry Hill at a Canton Township Planning Commission meeting Monday night.

Planning commissioners said they didn't like the proposed red brick and green roof - and did not like the idea of the development not having an outdoor trash bin. Residents living nearby said they didn't like the idea having a shopping center crammed in their back yards.

Both parties said they thought the vacant 1.02-acre space was too small to accommodate a 9,250-square foot shopping center.

Commissioners voted 5-0 to table the measure, in order to give the developer, AC Investment Group, time to iron out some issues with the development.

The parcel is on the north side of Cherry Hill, just west of Canton Center. Proposed tenants include a smoke shop and a coffee shop.

Project representative Tarek Zoabi said that getting the project moving has been frustrating because of a neighboring property owner apparently refusing to fairly share the costs to construct a driveway.

"We've been trying to move on for some time," Zoabi said. "The other people are holding us hostage.

The other parcel in question is on the corner of Canton Center and Cherry Hill. The developer, who was not present at the meeting, tentatively plans to build a 50,000 square foot convenience store on the parcel. They have not yet officially submitted plans.

Natalie Rice, who lives behind the proposed development on Savannah, said that she deals with enough noise and light pollution from Rose's Restaurant - and doesn't want more of it.

"We hear trucks at Rose's loading and unloading in the middle of the night," she said.

Rice's husband, Dwain, said, 'It's going to be like living in Alaska - it's not ever going to get dark."

Both Rices said they didn't like the idea of the developer putting up a brick wall to shield the business from neighbors. They said that a landscaped berm would be a better option.

"I do not appreciate the brick wall. You guys are trying too hard to fit something into this tight space. I am totally against this brick wall."

Commissioner Cathy Johnson, after listening to residents air their concerns, suggested that the petitioners consider using a natural landscaping berm instead of a wall and to try being good neighbors.

Another issue raising a stink with residents and commissioners was the trash bin - or in this case, the lack of a trash bin. Plans do not call for an on-site outdoor trash bin, but call for businesses storing their own trash inside. This is because there was not enough rear or side space to put the trash container.

"I don't see everyone packing up trash to take it home," Johnson said.

Zoabi said the only other option was to put the bin in front - which is prohibited under Canton's zoning ordinance without a variance.

Commissioner Melissa McLaughlin suggested the petitioners plead their case to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

"Why couldn't we share 15 feet on the east (for a shared driveway) and add it to the west," McLaughlin asked.

Senior planner Judy Bocklage said, "In an ideal world, we could do that." But because of the other property owner's property line, that could pose a problem, she pointed out.

Bocklage said the ZBA could make a ruling because the 15 feet in question cuts into the neighboring parcel. The ZBA would not need consent from the other property owner to approve the measure.

"We have to consider other ways to get the driveway configured into shared access," Bocklage said.

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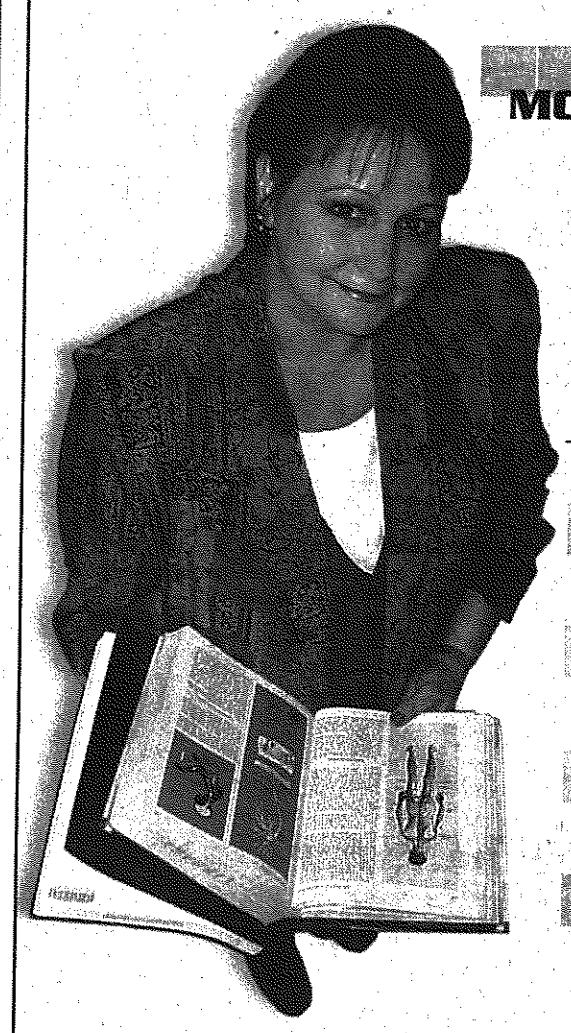

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SIRENS

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will have the ability to test the system to make sure it's working from the dispatch area," Santomauro said.

It also will be louder and more reliable, he added.

Five new sirens will be added this year, bringing the total number throughout Canton to 15. The older sirens will be replaced within the next two years.

When people hear the sirens, it means they should take immediate cover and shelter. Weather emergencies are the primary reason the township sounds the alarms. The township has a written severe weather communications policy that dictates how residents are notified of weather emergencies.

"The system we're using now, even though old, really has been historically dependable," Santomauro said.

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Paper's Web site notes record usage

Hometownlife.com, the portal web site for the Plymouth Observer, registered record usage for the month of April 2003, according to Dan Sutton, HomeTown Digital General Manager.

Total site hits for the month were 20,263,358, nearly double the hits registered last December, while total site page views were 2,575,439, up 17 percent from March 2003.

A more meaningful statistic, according to Sutton, is the total number of unique visits to Hometownlife.com. In January 2003, the site registered 463,430, up nearly 5 percent from March.

"To see usage gains of this sort on our site is unprecedented," said Sutton. "We are offering a site that brings to Web users the very best of our local hometown newspapers and telephone directories, together with the 24x7, fully searchable capability of the Web. This is obviously very attractive to our audience.

"Through our sister company, the *Canton Observer*, we're also offering digital upgrades for people advertising in the newspaper. These are offer an advertiser great extended reach at a very small price. I suggest you check with your sales representative for detailed information and prices."

Hometownlife.com is the main Web presence for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

It includes local news items from the Plymouth Observer, as well as classified ads and retail advertising from the paper. The site also includes fully searchable lists of advertising from the other 40-plus community newspapers in Michigan published by HomeTown Communications Network, as well as searchable ads from telephone directories published by sister company, Michigan Directory Co.

The site offers links to help wanted classified ads placed by employers in HomeTown newspapers. Total help wanted ads viewed this April were 239,923, up 33 percent from March. "With the labor market being what it is, now is a good time for employers to upgrade their staff," according to Sutton. "When lots of people are looking for good jobs, the help wanted advertising on our site offers lots of local jobs, right around the corner."

The site also offers up a listing of up to date real estate offered for sale, downloaded regularly from the MultiListService computer files. For April, a total of 2,504,650 views of MLS real estate search results were logged onto Hometownlife.com. A total of 250,465 detailed listing views were registered in April and a total of 16,886 unique detailed MLS property listings were viewed by Web users interested in shopping for a home, Sutton said. "This last number is extraordinary. It shows that nearly 17,000 individual houses listed for sale were reviewed in detail by interested prospective buyers, all on our hometownlife.com site."

Hometownlife.com also offers (in the section called "Market Place") ads from HomeTown Directory Company's local Michigan telephone directories; a total of 695,416 site page views were registered in April, up 19 percent from March. April views of news items selected from HomeTown community newspapers were 296,621, up nearly 20 percent from the previous month.

In addition to maintaining the Hometownlife.com site, HomeTown Digital offers custom web design services, together with eBusiness Cards and eBrochures. The company may be reached at (800) 989-4614 or at support@hometownlife.com.

COP CALLS

A 58-year-old Canton man was arrested for a third drunken driving offense just before midnight Tuesday, May 6 on Warren west of Canton Center. Officers, responding to complaints of a disorderly male at a 7-Eleven store, pulled the man over and administered sobriety tests and a Breathalyzer test after apparently seeing him cross the center line twice. His blood alcohol registered .20 on the breath test, exceeding Michigan's legal limit of .10.

Another drunken driving incident was reported Saturday, May 3 at Michigan and Canton Center. The woman, of undisclosed age and residence, reportedly became argumentative with a police officer after getting pulled over and initially refused to provide her ID.

She eventually gave in, but later refused to take a breath test when first requested. Her alcohol level showed an .08 level when she finally agreed to the test. She was arrested for operating under the influence of liquor and refusing to take a breath test.

Attempted break-in

Someone reportedly attempted to enter an apartment in the Village Squire complex, in the 40000 block of Eaton, sometime Tuesday, May 6. Damage included paint on a closet, $52 and a screen, $25. Nothing was reportedly disturbed.

Generator stolen

An $800 generator was stolen 1 a.m. Wednesday, May 7 from a locked storage trailer at the Super 8 motel, 3933 Lotz. Entry reportedly gained by cutting a padlock.

By Heather Needham

The Heart of a Woman Lecture Series

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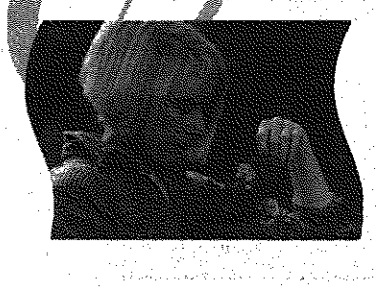

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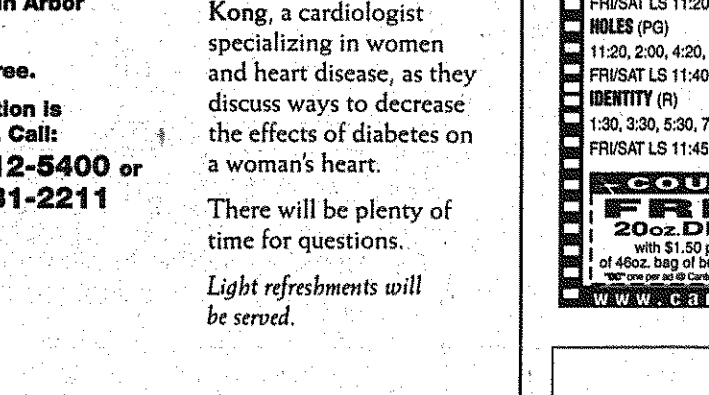

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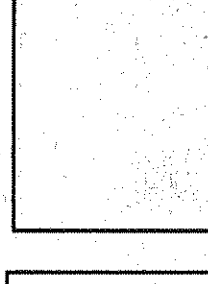

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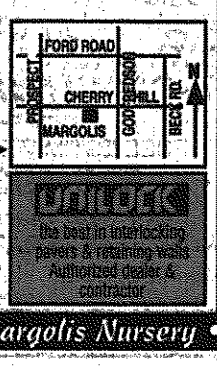

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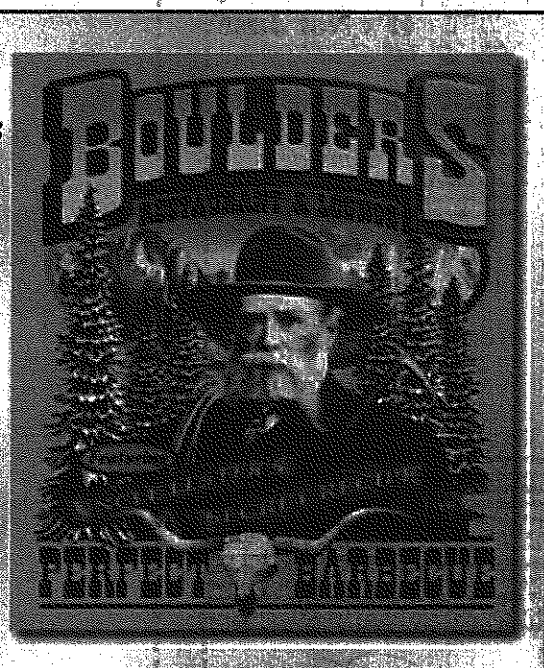

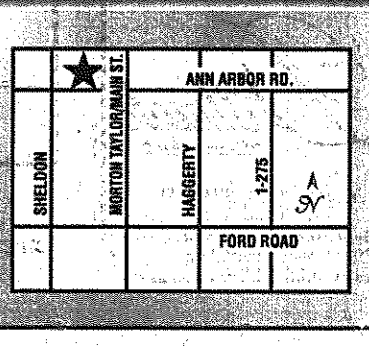

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ATHENA

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take the risk and accomplish what no one thought could be done by anyone," Rautio said in her introduction.

For starters, Shapona was named a 1991 Canton community achiever, served on the Canton Economic Development Corporation, co-chaired the Lions Pancake Breakfast at the Liberty Fest and worked on Canton Project Arts.

Soon, people began looking in Shapona's direction.

"For once, I'm speechless," Shapona said, choking back tears as she accepted the award. "The first person to introduce me to the award was Phyllis Wordhouse. I've always greatly greatly admired her. With all that Athena has done to support women, it's just an unbelievable honor. To receive this is just amazing."

The Athena Award is named for the Greek goddess of wisdom, practical arts and warfare and is awarded to professional men and women who demonstrate support of other professional women.

Other Athena nominees included Shahnaz Broucek, Approved Mortgages; Marian Bunch, Community Bank of Dearborn; and Denise Staffeld, Group One Mortgage Corp.

During the luncheon, Terry Jobbitt of Modern Insurance was named the 2003 Business Person of the Year. The 2002 winner, Greg Greene, presented the award to Jobbitt. He described him as a "tireless worker" and said that they are good friends.

"He has energy like you wouldn't believe and has a heart to match," Greene said. "If you do not know this person, it's your fault."

Jobbitt was brief in his acceptance speech.

"This is an award for all of us," Jobbitt said. "I can't thank you enough. I can't say enough about this."

Jobbitt has served on a multitude of Canton Chamber of Commerce committees, including fund-raising, education and the golf outing. He has worked for Modern Insurance for 10 years – starting the business from scratch. He has been nominated for Business Person of the year twice.

Both Jobbitt and Shapona received certificates of recognition from U.S. Congressman Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia.

Longstanding chamber-member businesses also were recognized in the luncheon.

Sponsors of this year's awards were Waltonwood Retirement Communities, Wordhouse Financial Legacy Planning, National City Bank and the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*.

Past Athena winners include Kriss Rautio, 2002; Dr. Judi Fleischaker, 2001; Debbie Zevalkink, 2000; Ginnie Hauck, 1999; Sally Bailey, 1998; Nicki Wilson, 1997; Bonnie Berg, 1996; Phyllis Wordhouse, 1995; Carol Felker, 1994; Janet Volante, 1993; Frankie Middleton, 1992; and Maria Holmes, 1991.

Past Business Person of the Year winners include Greg Greene, 2002; Mike Gerou, 2001; John Pardington, 2000; Dr. Tom Cassidy, 1999; Tom Gerou, 1998; Robert Boyer, 1997; Timothy Ford, 1996; Thomas Adamusik, 1995; Frankie Middleton, 1994; Hazen Miller, 1993; Mel Morris, 1992; James Gillig, 1991; James Glinski, 1990; Frank McMurray, 1989; Jack and Bob Koers, 1988; Dave Willett, 1987; Austin "Woody" Lynch, 1986; Jack Falvo, 1985; John Schwartz, 1984; and Bob Card, 1983.

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FORMULA

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funding is either withdrawn or cut, especially when the foundation grant ($7,025 per student) is one of the lowest in southeast Michigan.

"This situation our district faces now, and a change in the blended count formula, will only exacerbate the problem," she added.

According to figures from the school district, under current funding formulas the district would receive more than $1.9 million. The proposed change would mean the district would collect $1.2 million.

"Eighty-eight percent of our budget is salaries. We don't have more to cut," Staley said. "We're already lean and mean. We've made cuts that already have gotten us to the point that we are cutting at the bone.

"The blended count cut, plus the one million (dollars) this year, and the frozen foundation grant (next year) is more than we should have to handle," she added. "We've opened three new buildings, and we're at 99 percent capacity. We either add more classrooms, or more buildings, and that means more overhead. We have to have teachers in our classrooms."

State Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, has been working with Plymouth-Canton Schools in attempting to keep the present formula, or at least a less dramatic change.

"Right now, it's too early to tell," Patterson said. "I hope it remains the same, but there will be winners and losers in changing the count formula.

"I talked to Sen. (Ron) Jelinek (R-Three Oaks, chairman of the K-12 subcommittee), and I will continue to have sidebar discussions with him," Patterson added. "I don't expect a decision for a couple of weeks."

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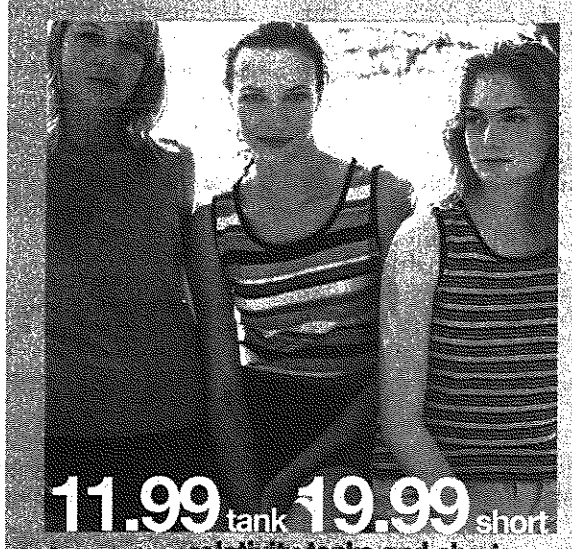
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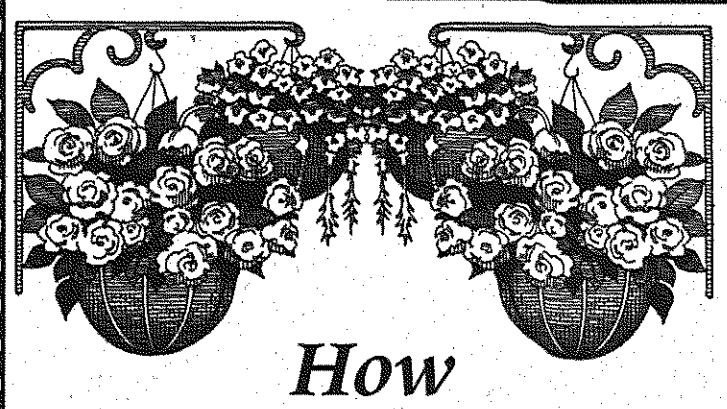

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Plymouth Showcase draws crowds to St. John's

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Looks can be deceiving, as the results of the 15th annual Showcase Plymouth event proved Monday.

This year, people taking part in the annual business expo, restaurant exhibit and pizza challenge didn't have to trample all over each other or move through narrow aisles to visit the more than 80 businesses which signed up for the affair.

But it wasn't because the crowd was any thinner. On the contrary, hundreds of people pushed through the rooms at St. John's Golf and Conference Center. The difference this year was Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce officials and organizers at St. John's decided to spread the wealth, for the first time using both upper- and lower-level rooms surrounding the atrium to provide a more user-friendly area.

"It gave us the means for getting more businesses, and potentially more people, to come and see the best Plymouth has to offer," said chamber Executive Director Fran Toney, who ran the event despite the pain from a shoulder injury she suffered setting things up. "We wanted to get as many businesses into the showcase as possible, and at the same time make it as comfortable as possible for the people who came to see the event."

The move was a key one, according to many of the business representatives on hand.

"In the past, it's been very, very crowded," said Dr. George Atsalis of Comprehensive Modern Dentistry. "It was a good idea to give it more space, because this year people aren't stepping on each other. It's a little more enjoyable."

Atsalis also benefitted from the positioning of the restaurant booths. His table was directly across a wide aisle from that of Station 885.

"We've got a lot of people coming by, and we're right across from them serving steak," Atsalis said with a laugh. "It doesn't get any better than that."

The Station 885 table was one of many showcased in the "Taste of Plymouth," which highlighted the specialties of restaurants from all over the community. It included samplings from E.G. Nick's, Station 885, Atlantis, Jack Dunleavy's Grill, Bennigan's, The American Grill, Compari's, Steak and Ale, Fazoli's and St. John's.

The "Pizza Taste Off" featured slices from Mother's, Papa Romano's and Jet's pizzerias. Jet's held off Papa Romano's, 131-102, to win the challenge.

The event also featured an appearance by Plymouth's Maureen Huebel, who is the reigning Mrs. Michigan U.S. Beauties, who autographed photos and talked with people from her spot at the chamber booth.

In addition, the various area service clubs all handed out their respective "Volunteer of the Year" awards.

"All in all, I'm very happy with the way it turned out," Toney said. "The Plymouth community has some of the best businesses around, and they were all able to show their stuff (Monday). It turned out to be a great event."

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Cynthia Anderson of Arbonne International (left) consults with Jennifer Clifton of the Plymouth Chamber while Michelle Yax, far right, works with Marlene Nauts and Justine Paluch of Plymouth at Showcase Plymouth at St. John's Conference Center Monday. Arbonne International is a Swiss skin care product line.

CONSTRUCTION

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summer.

The bridge work is causing headaches for some businesses, too, like the Farmer Jack at Canton Center and Cherry Hill. A store manager confirmed that the bridge work has slowed business, but declined to comment further.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack said the Ford Road construction will be an inconvenience, since it is Canton's major business district. But customers should have no reason to avoid Ford Road.

"We wanted to make sure that doesn't happen," Yack said, referring to access drives to businesses remaining open during construction.

When one road gets used more to spare another, the increased traffic takes its toll. Zilincik said that Sheldon Road at Cherry Hill appears to be taking a beating since bridge work began, because motorists are using Sheldon more. The official detour route is Haggerty, but detour traffic has unofficially been routed to Beck and Sheldon, too.

"There is accelerated deterioration of the road," Zilincik said.

Utility extension projects include replacing water mains at Michigan Avenue, Sheldon Road, Lotz Road and Leopold.

In Cherry Hill Village, a sanitary sewer project in the Kirkway subdivision is nearly complete.

On Napier, between Warren and Ann Arbor, water main installation is complete. Landscape planting is expected to be finished by the end of May.

Residents living in the affected areas will be notified of projected start dates and will be provided with phone numbers to call for more information.

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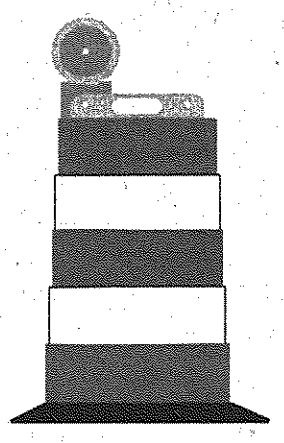
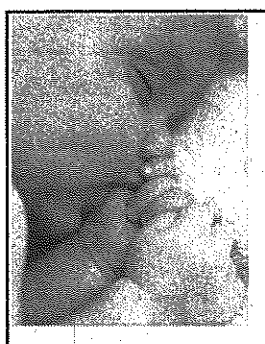
Canton sees its share of road construction



Other upcoming and current Canton road projects include:

- Paving Lotz between Palmer and Cherry Hill, expected to be complete by summer or fall. Water main replacement also is planned.
- Saltz Road paving, expected to begin in summer or fall
- Joy Road paved west of Beck, to begin in late summer/early fall.
- Warren Road paved west of Ridge to Hampton Bridge. Completion expected by summer.
- Warren Road widened to five lanes from Canton Center to Morton Taylor. Construction is scheduled in 2004.

Some resurfacing projects planned include Haggerty from Van Born to Michigan, Palmer from Canton Center to a half mile east of Morton Taylor and Sheldon, just north of Ford.



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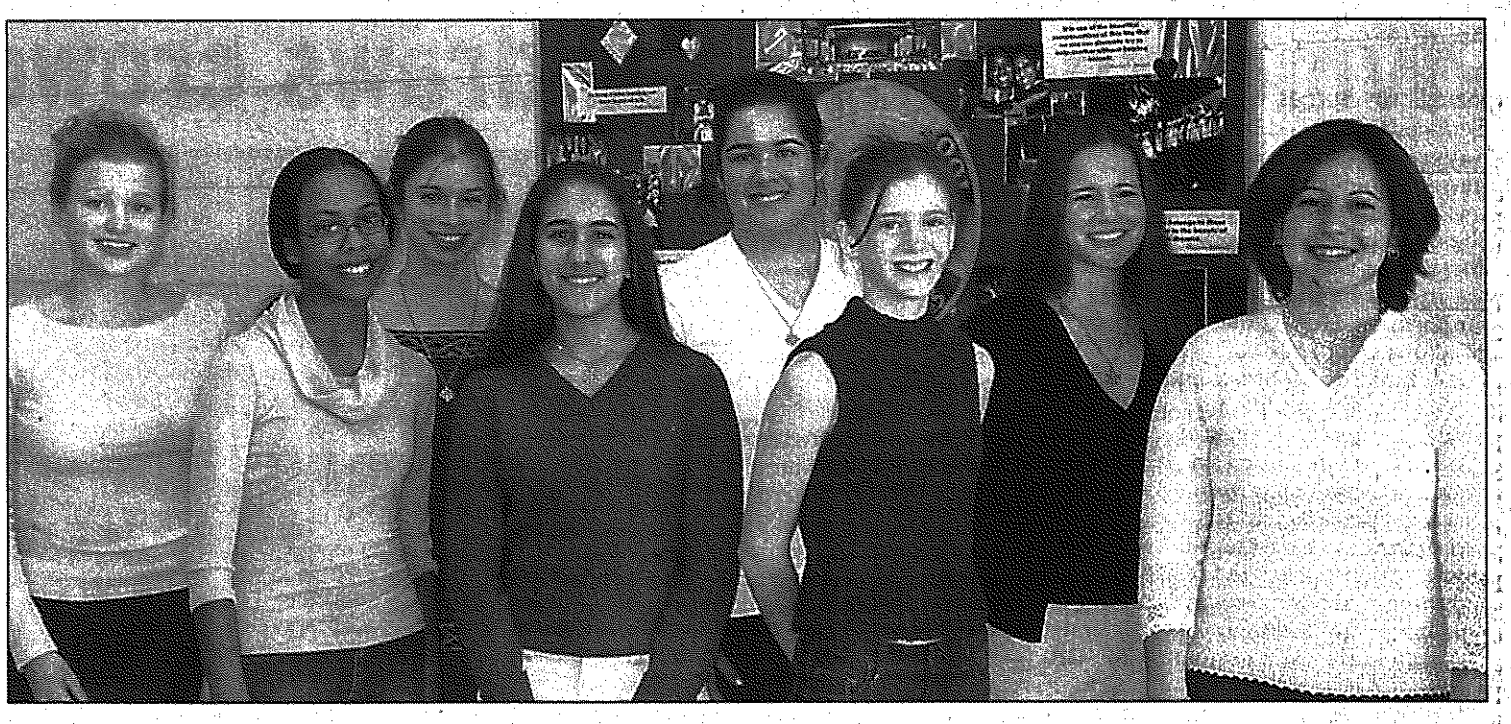

Mercy High School Merit Scholarship finalists pose together after hearing the good news. They include Jenna Beras, (left to right) Caryn Smith, Emily Gruber, Francine Shammami, Monica Boomer, Ellen Cappo, Erin Blebuyck and Megan Messana of Plymouth.

Mercy recognizes scholarship finalists

Mercy High School announces that eight young women have become finalists for the 2003 National Merit Scholarship Awards. Megan Messana of Plymouth and her classmates Jenna Beras, Erin Biebuyck, Monica Boomer, Ellen Cappo, Emily Gruber, Francine Shammami and Caryn Smith are among the honorees.

To become a finalist, semifinalists must have a record of very high academic performance, be endorsed and recommended by Mercy's principal, Carolyn Witte, and earn SAT scores that confirm their earlier qualifying test performance.

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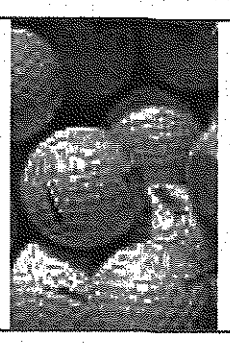

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Private First Class Kevin Kinnelly, a 2000 graduate of Plymouth-Salem high school received his basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C. and did his advanced training in food service at Fort Lee in Virginia. He was then assigned to the Third Armed Cavalry Regiment at Fort Carson in Colorado as a Quartermaster. PFC Kinnelly is currently serving in the Iraqi Freedom theatre. His parents, Rich and Kathy Kinnelly, brothers and sister, are very proud of him and all of the troops serving in the armed forces whether they are overseas or not.

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Lindsey Rowe is currently serving in the U.S. Navy, stationed at Bangor Submarine Base in Silverdale, Wash. Her current rank is E-4-MAA (Master At Arms). She is a 2001 graduate of the Westland Christian Academy.

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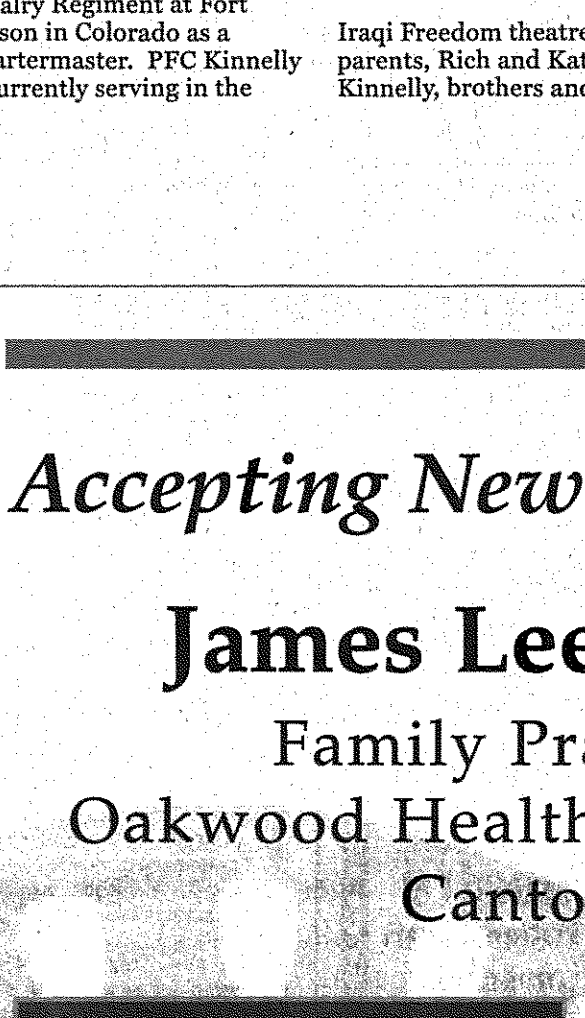

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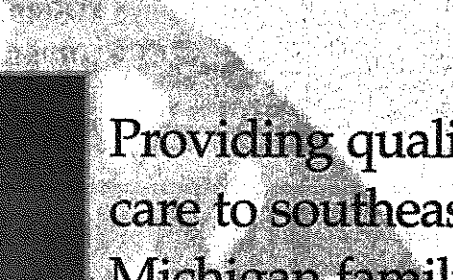

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Donald Edwin Burger

Services for Donald Burger, 77, of Livonia were held May 2 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert McGrath officiating.

Mr. Burger was born July 11, 1925, in Detroit and died April 29 in Livonia. He was the retired owner/operator of Livonia Building Materials and lived his whole adult life in Livonia. He was a member of St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livonia. He graduated from Plymouth High School. He loved to travel to his cottage in Baldwin, Mich. He loved to build things. Mr. Burger was a loving father, grandfather, great-grandfather and brother. He was a veteran of the Navy in World War II.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Kathleen of Livonia; children, Donna (Michael) McGuire of South Lyon, Marsha Breaugh of Rochester Hills, Jeffrey Burger of Westland, Donald (Norma) Burger of Harrison Township and Joseph Burger of Canton; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister, Virginia Burk of Westland; and brother, Thomas (Gladys) Burger of Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice in Livonia.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Philip A. Nicholas

While studying to be an art history teacher in the late 1940s, Phil Nicholas hired on as an office boy with Giffels & Rossetti, a large architectural/engineering firm in Detroit. In one of life's serendipitous moments, Phil took a class on the History of Architecture and he was smitten.

He transferred to Lawrence Tech to study architecture and spent the next forty years as a registered architect, marketing professional and teacher in the Detroit area.

Philip A. Nicholas, AIA, died April 20, 2003, at the age of 74 after a short battle with cancer.

During his career, Phil worked with a number of firms

Mr. Nicholas

in the area, including Albert Kahn, Meathe-Kessler and Harold Fischer. He was a founding principal in Ellis, Naeyaert. Phil also spent many years with the R.E. Dailey Division of Perini Corporation, a national construction management firm. Phil returned to Giffels Associates, now Arcadis, in 1992 as vice president and Business Practice Manager and was still enthusiastically involved in the profession he loved at the time of his death.

Phil's design signature can be seen in a great number of projects including the Civic Center complex in Grand Rapids, Mercy High School in Farmington Hills, as well as several libraries and other buildings in the Detroit area.

In addition to his architectural experiences, Phil was involved in a number of civic activities. Over the years, he served on the Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Commissions and Building Committees in St. Claire Shores, Rochester Hills and the City of Plymouth. He brought his energy and expertise to a number of professional organizations as well, working with Michigan and National AIA, the Construction Association of Michigan, Society for Marketing Professional Services and the Engineering Society of Detroit.

Phil was a wonderful teacher and mentor and shared his knowledge freely. He taught at Lawrence Technological University for many years, helping young architects understand the business side of architecture through the Practice Management course work he developed. His time in the classroom was one of his treasured experiences.

Ever creative, Phil enjoyed painting with water colors and many of his works hang in his Plymouth home and those of friends and family. He loved listening to classical music, gardening and was an avid golfer.

Phil is survived by his wife, Candace; daughters Paula and Kathryn; grandchildren Katlin, Elise, David, Andrea and Michael; and his brother, John (Jack) Nicholas.

The family has established a scholarship fund in Phil's name for the School of Architecture at Lawrence Technological University. Those wishing to remember Phil may make their check payable to the "Philip A. Nicholas Memorial Scholarship" and mail it to: Lawrence Technological University, 21000 W. 10 Mile Road, Southfield, MI 48075, attn: PA Nicholas Memorial Scholarship.

Arrangements made by R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Livonia.

E. Vance Glore

Services for E. Vance Glore, 87, of Canton were held May 3 at St. Michael Lutheran Church with the Rev. Jerry Yarnell officiating. Burial was at Meade Cemetery in Macomb Township.

Mr. Glore was born June 22, 1915, in Doniphan, Mo., and died April 29 in Ann Arbor. He was a sales representative for AAA for 27 years. He also worked for General Motors Corp. for 14 years. He came to the Canton community 20 years ago from Detroit. He was a member of St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton, and the Plymouth Elks. He enjoyed dancing and traveling to the Caribbean, Asia, Europe, and Australia. He also loved family gatherings on holidays.

Mr. Glore was preceded in death by wife of 62 years, Irene Glore of Canton.

Survivors include daughter, Carol Ano of Ann Arbor; son, James D. (Beverly) Glore of Schaumburg, Ill.; grandchildren, Sheila Glore, Sharon Fincher, Allison Glore, Allen Ano, and David (Sydney) Ano; great-grandchildren, Ethan Fincher and Summer Ano; and sister-in-law, Ethel Glore Farrell of Florida.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Hazel Trudell Grove

Services for Hazel Grove, 96, of Westland were held May 3 at the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home Canton Chapel with the Rev. Jack Spitza of the First Baptist Church of Westland officiating. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial West Cemetery.

Mrs. Grove was born May 28, 1906, in Burnside, Pa., and died May 1 in Livonia. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Grove was preceded in death by her husband, Samuel.

Survivors include son Edward Grove; daughter, Beatrice (John) Molesky; sisters, Sarah Brady and Margaret Krochka; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

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

Arrangements made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Patricia Ann Woznick

A memorial service for Patricia Woznick, 73, of Plymouth was held May 2 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. George Charnley officiating.

Mrs. Woznick was born Sept. 5, 1929, in Detroit and died April 22 in Plymouth. She was a registered nurse.

Survivors include daughters, Karen Cornwall, Anne Garcia, Sharon Pfaff and Marie Woznick; sons, Joseph Woznick and Michael Woznick; eight grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

Arrangements made by Neely-Turowski Funeral Home.

Cecelia Contario

A memorial service for Cecilia Contario, 94, of Canton will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 17, at the Cherry Hill Methodist Church with the Rev. Larry Wik officiating.

Mrs. Contario was born Dec. 3, 1908, in Staunton, Ill., and died April 25 in Howell. She was a homemaker. She was a member of Cherry Hill Methodist Church for over 50 years, where she sang in the choir. She enjoyed gardening and church activities.

Mrs. Contario was preceded in death by her husband, John Contario; two brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include son, John Contario of Danapoint, Calif.; daughter, Joann Heiler of Brighton; grandchildren, Leon Rutley of Roswell, N.M., Jill Rutley of Crawfordville, Fla., Kelly Walker of Coraopolis, Penn., Brian Contario of Milford, Ohio, Natalie (Gered) Carlisle of Sparta, Wis., Jana Contario of Danapoint, Calif.; and two great-grandchildren.

Roger A. Daoust

Services for Roger Daoust, 56, of Plymouth were held May 6 at Mast-Mock-Hoffman Funeral Home in Defiance, Ohio, with the Rev. Robert Seiltz and the Rev. John Stites officiating.

Mr. Daoust was born Jan. 1, 1947, in Defiance, Ohio, and died May 2 in Belleville. Mr. Daoust worked at Thompson-McCully Co, L.C.C. for three years, was a U.S. Marine veteran of the Vietnam War; lifetime member of the VFW No. 3360, D.A.V., member of the Herman Hesselschwardt Det No. 758 of the Marine Corps League; former policeman at the Bowling Green State University; and former Defiance City firefighter.

Mr. Daoust was preceded in death by his father, William Daoust.

Survivors include wife, Janet; daughters, Julie (Joe) Kelley of Kalamazoo and Suzan (Ryan) Quick of Grand Haven; mother, Maxine Daoust of Defiance; sister, Barbara Hesselschwert of Defiance; brothers, William of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Thomas of Glendale, Ariz., David of Defiance, Gerald of High Point, N.C., and Douglas of Defiance.

Arrangements made by Mast-Mock-Hoffman Funeral Home.

Peter H. Carson

Services for Peter Carson, 73, of Plymouth were held May 4 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Mr. Carson was born March 31, 1930, in Detroit and died May 1 in Farmington Hills. He was distribution control manager for Awrey Bakeries for 37 years. He came to the Plymouth community in 1993 from Detroit. He was a member of the Independent Foresters Association and was a veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard during the Korean Conflict. He attended the Henry Ford Trade School. He and Jessie had been married for 46 years. He loved sports, especially the Detroit Red Wings, and reading.

Survivors include wife, Jessie Carson of Plymouth; daughter, Denise (Chris) Acosta of Corona, Calif.; son, Chris (Mary) Carson of Richmond. R.I.; grandchildren, Nicholas Acosta and Joseph Acosta; and brother, Richard Carson of Lake Forest, Calif.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Michail T. Schuster

Services for Michail Schuster, 76, of Canton, were held May 6 at Uht Funeral Home in Westland with the Rev. Bob McDonald officiating.

Mr. Schuster was born Oct. 22, 1926, in Michigan and died May 3. He was a carpenter.

Survivors include son, Mike (Sue) Schuster; daughter, Ronnie (Ed) Peterson; son, Bill (Elaine) Schuster; son, Keith (Brenda) Schuster; son, Chris (Patty) Schuster; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

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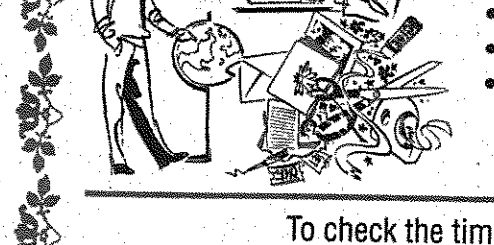

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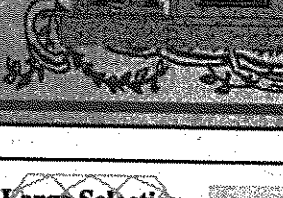

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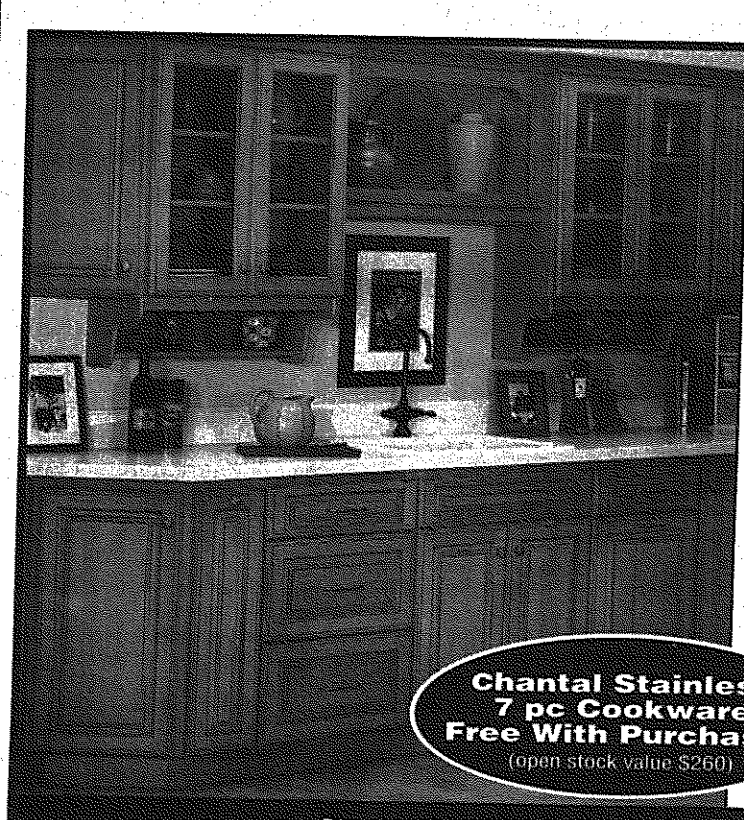

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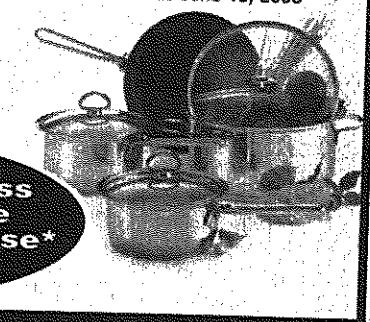

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District must protect quality of education

As tough a decision as it was for Superintendent Jim Ryan and the Plymouth- Canton Board of Education, the laying off of some 23 teachers may not have been the most difficult part of his budget balancing act.

The hardest part will come when district officials try to avoid cutting into the meat of the education the Plymouth-Canton school district provides our children.

For instance, grumbling has already started because the district is considering cutting programs such as Reading Recovery, which provides specially trained staff to ensure first-graders with reading problems are reading at grade level before advancing past first grade.

According to some estimates, fewer than two dozen students take part in the program, which costs the district some $150,000 to provide.

That's a lot of investment, for which district officials are going to have to weigh the return. People, such as former school board member Mark Horvath, say the program should be saved, and we agree – if it makes fiscal sense, board members should save such programs.

Of course, it's easy to sit in the ivory tower and say all programs should be saved. If it were that simple, Ryan could balance the budget in his sleep.

Another danger area when school districts talk budget cuts is class size, long a hot-button issue in Plymouth-Canton. When a district lays off 23 teachers, such issues are bound to once again creep to the top.

While the possibility of larger class sizes looms, especially at the middle- and high-school level, school board members are talking about holding classes from kindergarten through second grade harmless, meaning they would stay at the 25-student level.

According to district officials, other class sizes remain below 30 students, a range the district obviously hopes to maintain. We strongly urge them to keep it there, so the fiscal crisis gripping the district doesn't begin to detract from the quality of education our children receive.

When 88 percent of a district's budget is consumed by costs related to personnel, it makes sense that cutting that budget is going to involve people. Other fixes would be welcome, and have been suggested. Trustee Carol Saunders, for example, recently suggested a top-down pay cut for everyone in the district. And, while it sounded nice from a political perspective, it's not likely to happen, what with union contracts and such to consider.

No, the board is going to have to go about it the old-fashioned way, making tough cuts while trying to find alternative revenue sources. Ryan's been at this a long time, and we trust he'll find a way to do it without compromising the educational quality he was hired to protect.

Stay sober, safe this prom season

Every year at this time, we join other newspapers across the country to warn young adults about the dangers of alcohol.

Proms and graduations are prime time for teenagers to get wild and use alcohol to take away their inhibitions. It's a dangerous decision that leads to deadly auto accidents, unwanted sexual situations and violence.

It is all too common during this season for the *Observer* to bring the tragic news that some group of young people have been injured or killed in a drunken driving accident, or that they have injured or killed someone else.

We tell the stories and show the pictures. A senior class picture shows a handsome young man, a pretty young woman, full of confidence in the future. The accident photos show the mangled steel, the shattered glass, the death of dreams.

Family, teachers and classmates remember the young life that had so much promise.

But every year the story repeats itself with a depressing regularity.

We can cite the statistics, we can repeat again the effects of just one drink on the body of an underage drinker, we can admonish about the dangers of peer pressure. But we know that our words will have little impact on those young people as they set out in their tuxedoes and gowns to the big night.

Stay sober, stay alive and live your dreams!

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Brothers Abhi Sastry, 6, (left) and Avinash, 3, help their dad, Sri, with their kite during the recent Sky's the Limit event at Heritage Park. The event featured kites, a boomerang demonstration, juggling and other family entertainment.

LETTERS

Thanks to Applebee's

I wanted to thank the Canton Township Applebee's for raising funds for Burger School's playground equipment. My son, Alex, is 4 and has autism, as do one in 250 children in this country.

Autism is a neurological disorder that falls within a multi-tiered spectrum, and affects speech, gross, and fine motor skills, and behavior. It is often disregarded as bad parenting, which it is not, and it is so nice for a public establishment to come out in support of a group of very special children.

The Canton Township Applebee's restaurant deserves to receive a commendation for their kindness and devotion to children with autism spectrum disorder. I represent a group of moms whose children have a variety of special needs, and once a month, we all take a deserved evening out, appropriately called "Ladies Night Out," and we always attend Canton Applebee's because of their generosity and great service, and most importantly, because of their support of the needs of the children with autism in our community.

"Ladies Night Out," which also includes grandmothers and any professionals and friends or relatives of children with special needs, began in February with just two people, and grew in March to a party of eight, and has multiplied to a group of 22 ladies, who were at Canton Applebee's April 28th for a well-deserved evening out, with many of the moms coming from such a distance as Downriver, Fenton and Oakland County.

Thank you so much to the Canton Applebee's for always accommodating us, and for their support of children with special needs.

Dawn Ham-Kucharski
Canton

Save Reading Recovery

As one of the efforts to reduce the financial crisis created by the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education, the board is considering the elimination of the Reading Recovery Program. This program provides specially trained staff to ensure that first-graders with reading problems are reading at grade level before leaving the first grade.

Using district data, this program costs $150,000 per year to operate, and the elimination of the program is therefore thought to save the district $150,000 per year. This estimate does not, however, include the savings from the reduction in remediation expenses due to fewer children needing special programs for reading assistance in future grades.

Even using very conservative estimates for these remediation costs, the reading recovery program will save the school district over $250,000 per year by reducing remediation costs. Using this very simple, purely financial analysis, the school district will actually be costing itself an additional $100,000 per year by elimination of Reading Recovery.

A program that ensures our first-graders can read and is a proven, cost-effective method for reducing the need for remediation in future grades must not be cut by this school board. I urge you to hold each board member personally responsible for making sure that Reading Recovery is retained by our school district.

If board members such as current Vice President Mark Slavens, the only board member currently running for re-election, want to continue to act as educational leaders in our community, they must demonstrate their leadership by delivering the board votes necessary to retain Reading Recovery.

In this time of financial crisis, why would our school board want to eliminate a program that is both educationally and financially beneficial?

Mark Horvath
Canton

Proper use of funds

In response to John Sullivan's letter (May 1), I take great offense to an elected government official that "knows" how and why I voted last November ("The people of this state did not vote against using the tobacco settlement funds for health care") without even asking me.

I don't understand how, if our state is in such dire financial condition ($1.7 billion budget cuts) we can cut merit scholarships 80 percent and then "increase" Medicaid funding.

I don't know if Mr. Sullivan has ever worked in the health care field, but I do. Throwing more money at the Medicaid program will not solve its problems. Just ask Detroit hospital emergency rooms that routinely treat minor health problems in the ER vs. a doctor's office (at a greatly inflated cost) because they are required to. This aspect of the Medicaid program has to be corrected.

Mr. Sullivan states that "it is not government's responsibility or role to pay for ... college education." Where is it written that government's funding of education should be limited to K-12? Or that health care for able-bodied individuals should be provided free, similar to Canada's?

If we really wanted to use the tobacco settlement funds for their righteous intent, they would be spent only on tobacco-related illnesses (lung cancer, throat cancer, anti-smoking education, etc.) and not the wishes of special interest health-care lobbyists or current governor wish-lists.

Tom Kelly
Plymouth

Teacher shines

In honor of National Teacher Appreciation Week, our family would like to say thank you to Ms. Cannon. Ms. Cannon is a first-grade teacher at Fiegel Elementary School and an outstanding teacher. She teaches our twin boys and has welcomed their desire to be in the same class. She has taught them as individuals while understanding the comfort some twins have from having one another in the same classroom.

She has touched our lives personally with her natural gift of teaching. Our children have learned so much while in her classroom. She teaches with a firm, yet understanding knowledge of children and their behaviors. She continually focuses on the positive with the children in the classroom and comments more on good behavior, not bad.

She addresses each child's needs and is always available to parents. Not only has she taught our children above and beyond our expectations, she has become a role model for our son, who now wants to be a teacher, just like Ms. Cannon.

Thank you, Ms. Cannon, your enthusiasm for teaching shines through you to the children that you touch each and every day.

the Skopczynski family
Canton

Supporting Slavens

It is time to take note that the annual Plymouth-Canton schools election is due in just a few weeks, on June 9. That is the second Monday of the month.

A simply superb school board member is running for re-election. That is Mark Slavens. In all those years I served on that board, I am sure I never saw a better candidate. He has integrity, good judgment, concern for the children and youth and support for educational improvements.

For example, he has worked tirelessly for a change in the state school support program to give the Plymouth-Canton schools equal amounts of money with our surrounding school districts.

He has put his great knowledge and skill in planning to assist the superintendent and the superintendent's staff to develop the best budget possible for the coming year.

I urge all voters, especially those with students in the schools and those who care about kids, to vote for Mark. Do yourself, all our kids, the whole Plymouth-Canton community, yes and me, a great lift – I say again, please vote for Slavens.

Dr. E.J. McClendon
past member and past president
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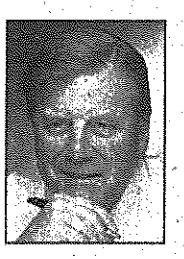
– Theresa Brizoe, first vice president, First Step board of directors

What is done in dark may be most dangerous of all

In the good old days, if the FBI wanted to snoop into what books folks were checking out from the local library, it had to get to a formal subpoena signed by a judge.

But in the post-9/11 frenzy of patriotism, the U.S. Congress passed something called the USA Patriot Act. The act allows FBI agents to walk into libraries or bookstores and demand a list of books obtained by anybody or to see computer records indicating which Web sites they had looked at. Sure, the government has to assure a judge that this information is required for an investigation into terrorist activities, which is a nice way of saying that all the FBI needs to do is assure a judge of its good intentions and go on its happy way.



Phil Power

Worse, the act forbids the library or bookstore from telling a patron he or she is being investigated by the FBI.

Lest you think this is some abstract problem cooked up by some liberal lawyers working for the ACLU, consider the e-mail message I got last month from Charlene Huget, director of the Brighton District Library, which is used by about 5,000 people each month:

"The thing that has my board anxious is that if the FBI came into the library, took all our computers out and looked into our circulation lists, I could not tell my board they had been in. Staff who were present and observed the FBI being here ... could not go home and tell their spouses. Currently, in the library world, it is believed that 175 libraries have been visited — all rumor, of course, because this information cannot be made public."

I called Kathleen Zaenger, director of the Howell Carnegie District Library, to ask her how all this makes her feel. "Very uncomfortable." How come? "Because it doesn't comply with the intent of our Constitution about individual privacy and because it keeps secret what information our government is gathering."

In Michigan, with the largest concentration of Arab-Americans in the country, the possibility that federal agents are secretly looking into the circulation lists of libraries in Dearborn is hardly an abstract worry, either.

The Justice Department refuses to say how many libraries have been asked for information about their patrons' reading habits. But a survey conducted by the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign concluded that some 550 libraries around the country had been asked by federal or local investigators about what some of their patrons are reading.

Steven Kershner, the executive director of the Michigan Library Association, says that local librarians are put into a bind by the provisions of the Patriot Act. The Michigan Library Privacy Act, for example, says librarians may not disclose the records of who takes out what book, except upon a written order from the court or permission by the individual in question.

The MLA is working to let librarians and library board members know what they can and cannot do with panels and workshops, posting frequently asked questions on its Web site, and so forth. Kershner says the FBI agent in charge of the Detroit office has been pretty sensible about the agency's new powers, preferring to get court orders or search warrants instead of "barging in on innocent libraries." But he's concerned.

"It's important for citizens to know that libraries take very seriously the issue of privacy for library users, whether it has to do with books taken out or computer use and Web sites," Kershner said. "Libraries will comply with the law, obviously, but at the same time we will be advocates for individual rights and privacy."

I asked the librarians I interviewed if lots of their patrons had been worried about the Patriot Act. It seems almost nobody knows about it, which goes to prove that what is done in the dark of public ignorance may be the most dangerous things of all.

For example, there is evidence the U.S. Justice Department has prepared for introduction to the Congress an 86-page Domestic Security Enhancement Act of 2003 that would, among other things, strip Americans of their citizenship for giving "material support" to a group designated as "terrorist." This could mean that sending a check to help fund an organization's lawful activities without knowing of its other acts could lose somebody their right to have any rights at all.

And, according to *The New York Times*, the Bush administration tucked a surprise proposal into the intelligence authorization bill to give the CIA and the military the authority to issue administrative subpoenas — known as "national security letters" — that require Internet providers, credit card companies, libraries and other such organizations to produce material like phone records, bank transactions and e-mail logs.

Benjamin Franklin was right when he observed that, "Those who give up essential liberties in order to secure a little temporary safety deserve neither safety nor liberty."

Phil Power is the chairman of the board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2047 or at ppower@homecomm.net.

First-time soccer dad experience becomes one of life's sweetest joys

I'd been a soccer dad for all of five minutes before I realized I'd already violated one of the cardinal rules.

I'd forgotten that little canvas director's chair all soccer parents sit in on the sidelines.

To that point, I'd done everything else a first-time soccer dad was supposed to do. I'd overpacked Robert's soccer bag, put an unnecessary turtleneck beneath his jersey in case he got cold.

Obviously, running around the soccer field actually made him hot, a circumstance I realized after the first period. When my 6-year-old came to the sideline, I asked him if he was hot in the turtleneck. He looked at me, sweat on his brow, cheeks rosy red – and I decided not to repeat the question. We simply removed the turtleneck.

Brad Kadrich

Other than that, things went pretty well on my first day as a soccer dad. There we were on the elementary school field right on time Saturday for his second game, but my first. I didn't bring my chair, but as it turns out, the chair would have been empty anyway, because I couldn't stop prowling the sidelines.

I'd been the same way as a high school wrestling coach, unable to keep my seat. Why I thought it would be any different when my own son was playing the game is beyond understanding. The chair's only purpose would have been holding my jacket (sort of like the treadmill at home).

Robert doesn't know all the kids' names yet, so as we approached the field, he'd see a teammate and call out, "Hey, No. 5!" or "Dad, that's No. 2." He does know the other Robert's name, but he's still learning the rest.

He was excited, but nowhere near as excited as I was. I wrestled and played football and a little baseball in high school and, as a typical male jock, couldn't wait to watch my son on an athletic field of some sort. My older sons live in South Carolina; Matthew doesn't play sports and I've not yet seen one of Marcus' baseball games.

So I'd waited a long time for this, an eternity to feel the thrill of watching my progeny exert his influence in an Olympian effort, propelling his team to victory! Isn't that what all fathers assume is going to happen? Their sons are always going to be the ones who hit the game-winning home run, or score the deciding touchdown or, in this case, knock in a kick from the 18 to win the game.

Every father throughout history has wanted that opportunity, the chance to scream, "That's MY boy!"

It didn't happen for me, at least not on this Saturday. Only one parent got to have his son score the game-winner, because Robert's team – the Shark Attacks – won the game, 1-0. But that didn't stop me from having all those "dad" feelings, my chest swelling with pride as Robert jogged into the fray with his teammates.

His coach, a young woman named Debbie who seemed very nice, had them organized. She took the players and walked them to their positions – Robert started at midfield – and showed them the area they were to patrol.

Of course, as soon as the opening kick was taken, every player on the field converged on the ball, forming a scrum of some 20 kids kicking at the ball but more often hitting someone's shins. I was delighted to see Robert right in the middle of it, tried to will him through the sheer force of telepathy to knock the ball past the opposing goaltender.

As a former sports writer, I've watched a lot of youth sports, and I've always wondered about parents who shout directions at their children, frequently in direct opposition to what their coaches are yelling. I vowed, during those sports writer days, not to become that kind of parent.

And I lived up to that vow – for about six minutes. Then, there I was, hollering at Robert to move up on defense when the ball was deep in the opposition's end, urging him to watch the ball, rather than play kick-the-rock when the action wasn't anywhere near him.

I understand better now the parents who holler at their children during the game. I used to think they were doing it because they figured they knew better than the coaches; now I realize they simply can't help themselves. It's part of trying to support them, trying to help them be the best they can be. No one can do that better than a parent, can they?

I bet Steve Yzerman's dad hollered instructions at his son, even with Hall of Fame coach Scotty Bowman on the bench.

There's still enough detached sports writer in me to evaluate Robert's game in a fairly unbiased fashion. He didn't score a goal, but made several good clearing kicks during his time on defense. He hustled upfield when his team was advancing with the ball. Passes never got to him, although I remain unflinchingly convinced he would have converted them into goals had they reached his little feet.

Frankly, it didn't matter what kind of game he played. He could have stood around, never touched the ball and allowed 14 goals to get by him, and I still would rather have been there than anyplace else on the planet.

For one hour, on one Saturday morning at one elementary school, I got the chance to watch my son having the time of his life, doing something he loves to do, and allowing me to be part of it.

That's my boy!

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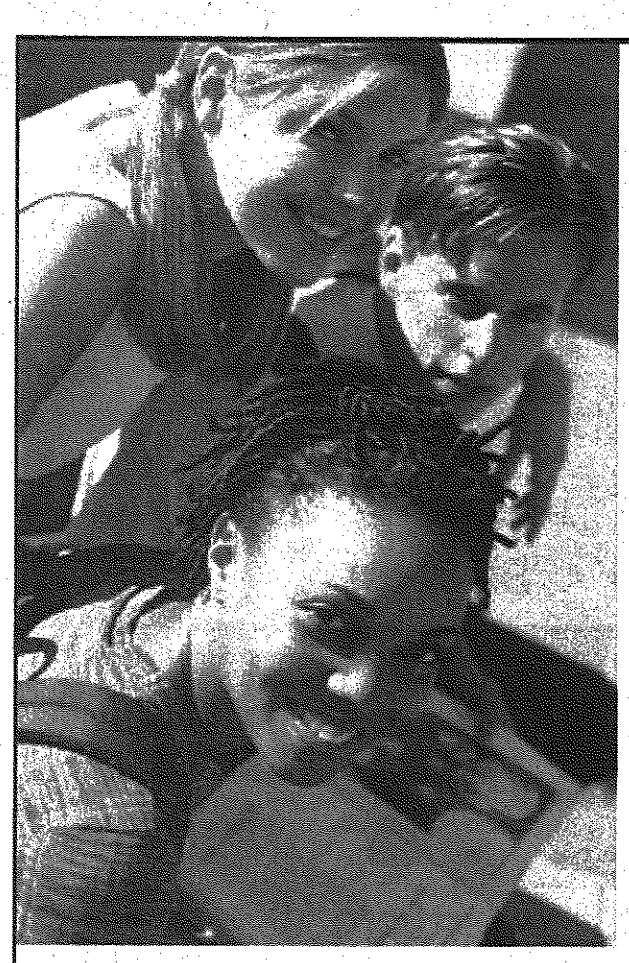

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Beardmore remembered as education champion

BY SARA CALLENDER
STAFF WRITER

Dorothy Beardmore inspired boards of education, teachers and parents for more than three decades.

"The name Dorothy Beardmore is synonymous with service to children," said Tom Watkins, Michigan superintendent of public instruction.

Beardmore, who served at various times on the Rochester Community Schools, the Oakland Schools and the State of Michigan boards of education, died May 2. The Rochester Hills resident was 76.

Mrs. Beardmore served on the Rochester board from 1967-74 and the Oakland Schools board from 1974-84. On state board from 1985-2001, the Republican never missed a meeting in 16 years.

"Mrs. Beardmore made outstanding contributions to public education in this district and at the county and state levels," Rochester Superintendent John Schultz said. "She continued to advocate for public school children through her volunteer efforts after leaving the state board. Recently, Dorothy served as a member of the Rochester Community Schools Foundation. She will be dearly missed."

During her tenure on the state board, she helped adopt new teacher certification rules and curriculum standards. In that era, the board also adopted inter-district schools of choice, special education policy framework, character education policy, parental involvement policy, alternative routes to teacher certification, statewide technology plan and policies for creating effective learning environments.

"She was the epitome of the model citizen — she was very caring and concerned and considerate," said Kathleen Straus, a current state board member. "She was an excellent board member. She was completely dedicated, devoted and thorough. Even when she left the board, she still wanted to make sure education could be the best it could be."

Beardmore

Straus, a Detroit Democrat, and Beardmore were also close friends, despite their party differences.

An advocate for early childhood education, Beardmore also served on several committees of the National Association of State Boards of Education. From 1995-97, she chaired the Healthy Schools Network, a 15-state interagency coalition to promote good health for school-age children and their families. She also chaired the state's Healthy Schools Network until 2001.

She received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of State Boards in 2000; the Michigan Education Association Distinguished Service Award in 1999; the Education Leadership Award from the Association of Elementary and Middle School Principals in 1995; and was inducted into the Michigan Hall of Fame in 1996.

In April, the state Board of Education created a new award in her honor — the Dorothy Beardmore Service to Education Award, which will annually honor a person whose past or current efforts on behalf of education are deemed to be of outstanding benefit to the quality of education for all Michigan students.

In addition to her involvement with education, Beardmore and her husband, William, were founding members of University Presbyterian Church of Rochester, where she served as an elder.

Beardmore was also a founding member of Rochester's Neighborhood House in 1968 and was elected chair of the board in February.

"She was a pillar in our organization and our community," Neighborhood executive director Susan Vidican said. "She truly was a gentle soul. There will be a tremendous hole."

Beardmore was born Oct. 19, 1926, in Chicago.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, William Beardmore; daughter Nancy Beardmore Weiss, of Bainbrige, N.Y.; son Alan Beardmore, of Morrison, Colo.; brother Charles Van Zoeren, of Kalamazoo; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at University Presbyterian Church, 1385 S. Adams in Rochester Hills.

Memorial gifts should be made payable to the Community Foundation of Greater Rochester and indicate on the memo line that funds should go to the Neighborhood House-Dorothy Beardmore Memorial Fund.

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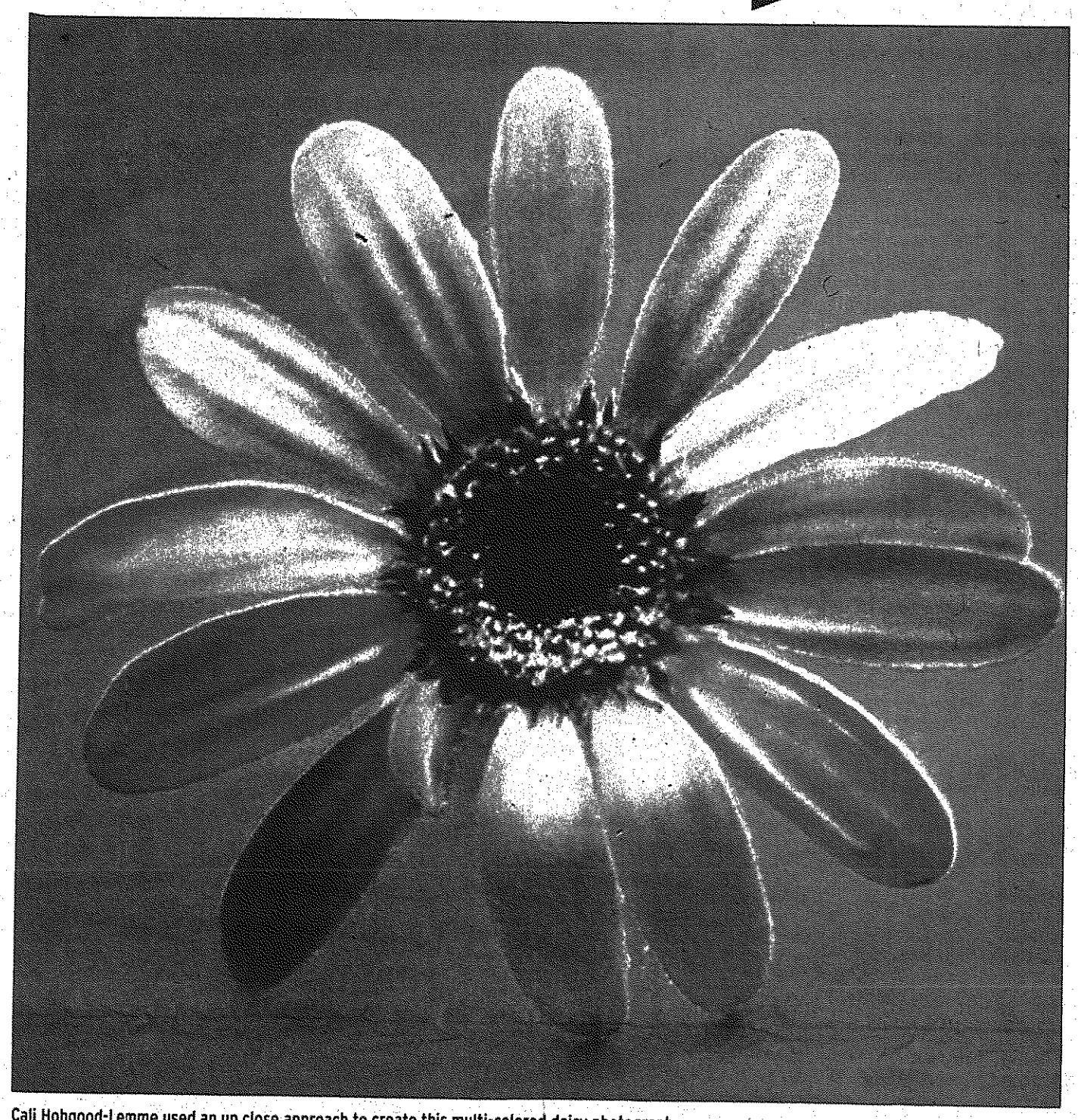

Cali Hobgood-Lemme used an up close approach to create this multi-colored daisy photograph.

First fair of season this weekend in Birmingham

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Just like daffodils and tulips popping up in area backyards are a sure sign of spring, the Birmingham Fine Art Festival heralds the arrival of the outdoor art fair season. Held Mother's Day weekend, the festival kicks off a string of art shows in Plymouth, Ann Arbor, Rochester, Farmington, and Franklin. *(See related sidebar).*

This year's 22nd annual event returns to Shain Park in downtown Birmingham Saturday-Sunday, May 10-11.

Presented by the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center and Birmingham Bloomfield Chamber, the festival spotlights 300 artists working in 17 media ranging from painting to jewelry, glass, sculpture, photography and ceramics.

"It's the first art fair of the season and the first art weekend of the summer in Birmingham," said Janet Torno,

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Joe Smith creates wheel thrown functional pottery. He will be exhibiting the functional wares in the Birmingham Fine Art Festival.

Dance in contrast

Joffrey troupe presents American, Russian works

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Think twice about attending just *one* Joffrey Ballet of Chicago performance.

The company has two decidedly different programs planned for their Detroit visit this weekend at the Detroit Opera House

"Like night and day," said David DiChiera, DOH director. "And, ballet watchers are going to be fascinated by both."

The first, *Encore, Arpino!*, offered May 8-9, represents late 20th century dance. The second, *The Diaghilev Dynasty*, runs May 10-11 and recalls some of the great Russian choreography of the early 1900s.

Encore, Arpino! is comprised of signature works created by Joffrey Ballet of Chicago's founder and artistic director Gerald Arpino.

Arpino, whose choreographic style has been described as youthful, passionate and precise, co-founded New York City's Joffrey Ballet with Robert Joffrey in 1956.

In 1995, Arpino established Chicago's Joffrey Ballet.

Among the pieces presented in *Encore Arpino!* is *Light Rain*, the most requested work in the dance troupe's repertoire.

Arpino's choreography "is steeped in the tradition of ballet but has such youth, which gives it an American vitality," DiChiera said, adding, "It appeals to a very wide audience. It's not like an interpretation of an old-style European ballet."

In contrast, *The Diaghilev Dynasty* is rooted in the art form's legacy. The

PLEASE SEE **BALLET, B6**

'L'Air d'Esprit' is a tribute to Russian ballerina Olga Spessivtzeva. The pas de deux is performed in Encore, Arpino!.

BALLET ON STAGE

What: Joffrey Ballet of Chicago presents two programs, Encore, Arpino! (May 8-9) and The Diaghilev Dynasty (May 10-11).

When: 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 8-10; 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11.

Where: Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit.

Tickets: $17-$75, call (313) 237-SING, Ticketmaster (248) 645-5555 or www.MichiganOpera.org

Hot tickets

On stage

Colin Gibbings and Jon Wright are busy rehearsing for the Michigan Opera Theatre production of *Dead Man Walking*, premiering June 7-15 at the Detroit Opera House. Gibbings and Wright have supporting singing roles, and are 10th-graders in the Creative and Performing Arts program at Churchill High School in Livonia, For tickets, or more information about the show, call (313) 237-SING or visit the Web site at www.MichiganOpera.org. Look for Linda Chomin's article about *Dead Man Walking* on June 5 in our new Filter entertainment guide.

Military discounts

Military personnel and their families are eligible for buy-one-get-one-free lawn area tickets at Freedom Hill Amphitheater in Sterling Heights. Upgrades are also available. Offer applies to all branches of the military including active, reserve, retired and civilian and their immediate families. A valid military I.D. is required when purchasing tickets. "This is our way of saying thank-you to the defenders of our freedom, past and present," said Kevin Cassidy, Freedom Hill general manager. For more information, call the box office (586) 268-5100 or visit www.freedomhill.net. Tickets on sale now. Season opens 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 24, with Third Eye Blind.

Drum roll

In honor of *Blast!* – opening Tuesday, May 13, at the Fox Theatre in Detroit – Olympia Entertainment is calling on local drumlines who can make crowds dance to the beat of their drums just like the cast of *Blast!* Interested drumlines who can explain in 50 words or less why they have what it takes to beat out the rest can enter the *Blast!* Drumline Exhibition by sending an e-mail to Contests@OlympiaEntertainment.com, with *Blast!* Drumline Exhibition in the subject line, by Friday, May 9. Include name of the drumline, number of members, representative's name, and evening phone number. Ten drumlines will be asked to report to Comerica Park 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 13. Each drumline will have a few minutes to perform a drumline dance-style cadence. The drumline with the most memorable beat and dynamic performance will win a prize package that includes the opportunity to perform outside the theater 6-6:45 p.m. Thursday, May 15, tickets to the show, and a meet and greet with the cast.

Gallery tour

Tour 13 downtown Birmingham galleries 6-9:30 p.m. Friday, May 9. Cowboy Trader Gallery, 251 Merrill St., upper level, is hosting a reception for Susan Guy, an acclaimed painter of horses from Buffalo, Wyo., from 7-10 p.m. For more information about Birmingham Art Walk, and the reception for Guy, call (248) 647-8833 or visit www.cowboytradergallery.com. Other participating galleries are Artspace II, Avenue Gallery, Bloomfield Fine Arts Gallery, Bruce White Gallery, David Klein Gallery, Gallery Nikko, Habatat Gallery, Hill Gallery, Posner Gallery, Robert Kidd Gallery, Yaw Gallery, and Zoom Artistic Photography.

Brazilian rhythms jazz up Beatles songs on new CD

Artistic Expressions

Linda Chomin

There's no doubt The Beatles changed music as we knew it in the 1960s. Their albums introduced foreign elements of classical and world music into the pop vocabulary.

Rich Kowalewski and his band Brazil and Beyond continue the musical journey with the release of their CD *Beatles.* Set to a Brazilian beat, the recording covers early to late 1960s songs like *This Boy, Blackbird,* and *Norwegian Wood.*

Brazil and Beyond perform music from the CD at a release party Wednesday, May 14, at the Bird of Paradise in Ann Arbor. They'll also play tunes from their latest recording 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11, at the Birmingham Fine Art Festival in Shain Park.

"We've been together five years and always included Beatles songs in our sets," said Kowalewski. "They adapted well to Brazilian rhythms. I grew up in the late '60s with The Beatles. Every new record was a big event full of anticipation and excitement. The Beatles took us on a journey from *Rubber Soul* onward. They introduced new sounds, Indian music through George Harrison. They were good influences introducing us to new and positive things. That makes for good music making."

Brazil and Beyond pick up where The Beatles leave off by arranging songs in samba, Bossa Nova and Afro-Brazilian styles. The latest CD opens our ears to instruments like the cavaquinho. Kowalewski performs the melody line of *This Boy* on the ukulele-like instrument. He also plays six-string Brazilian bass guitar and double bass on the CD. Frank Marinello plays classical and steel string guitar, Dennis Sheridan a number of percussion instruments including the African berimbau. Rob Emanuel sticks to drums and tamborim.

Kowalewski developed an appreciation for classical and jazz music while studying bass at Wayne State University. He now teaches the instrument at Oakland University in Rochester, Farmington Public Schools and Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn.

"The Portuguese brought the cavaquinho to Brazil," said Kowalewski. "It's from the same family of instruments that includes ukulele. We're basely an acoustic group with nylon string guitar, drums, world percussion playing Brazilian, pop and jazz standards. Brazil is a melting pot like the U.S. It's Latin music but has an African and European influence. I was on the jazz scene 20 years and an important part of jazz is Brazilian and Latin. Jazz is always keeping ears open to world music. Brazilian music is exotic, intoxicating."

Beatles is Brazil and Beyond's third release after *Brazil* in 1999 and *Amanha,* which was introduced at the 2001 Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival. *Beatles* differs from the first two because we're already familiar with the songs written by John Lennon and Paul McCartney, and George Harrison. *This Boy* and *Blackbird* are sure to become favorites with Beatles fans, especially those who like their music with exotic flavors.

PHOTO BY STEVE GALLI

Brazil and Beyond introduce their new CD, 'Beatles,' at the Bird of Paradise. Pictured are Frank Marinello (left), Rob Emanuel, Dennis Sheridan with berimbau, and Rich Kowalewski.

BRAZIL AND BEYOND

- Birmingham Fine Art Festival - 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11, Shain Park, stage in front of Birmingham City Hall on Martin
- CD Release Party - 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 14, Bird of Paradise, 2312 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, (734) 662-8310
- Landry's Big Fish - 8-11 p.m. every Friday-Saturday, Fairlane Town Center, Dearborn, (313) 336-6350
- Rio Bravo - 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 20, 240 Town Center Dr., Dearborn, (313) 271-2900
- Troy Summer Concerts - 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, Civic Center Lawn, 500 W. Big Beaver, north of Liberty, east of I-75
- Rochester Concerts in the Park - 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 24, Rochester Municipal Park, Rochester
- Music Under the Stars - 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Greenmead Historical Village, 20501 Newburgh at 8 Mile Road, Livonia

Brazil and Beyond's "Beatles" CD is available online at www.brazilandbeyond.com or at Tower in Birmingham, Harmony House, Berkley, and Dearborn Music.

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

JAMbalaya Street Festival could attract 100,000 to Pontiac

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

It's going to be a lively, funky, musical, artistic, tasty, spiritual Cajun event.

There's a lot of activities already announced to kick-off summer, but mark your calendars because the JAMbalaya Street Festival in Pontiac is expected to big.

Very big.

Authentic tastes and sounds of New Orleans topped with Latin American beats and a big Mardi Gras-style parade is why Pontiac Mayor Willie Payne anticipates 100,000 people to attend the three-day festival Friday-Sunday, May 30 to June 1.

"Jambalaya means a mixture of many good things rolled into one – this JAMbalaya is just that...vibrant and fun..people are already talking about it," Payne said.

It helps to know that Payne is a New Orleans native.

"We want to bring some Southern hospitality to the North. We want to show the Northerners how we do it in the South... and we want to provide an upbeat, safe activity to get our neighbors excited about downtown Pontiac," Payne said.

Payne unveiled the JAMbalaya plans at Bo's Bistro in downtown Pontiac last week.

"The idea started at my mayor's birthday party last year that had a Louisiana-Mardi Gras theme," Payne said.

Replacing Pontiac's *Hot Wheels, Cool Nights* – the plan is to make JAMbalaya a new summer kick-off tradition in Pontiac.

"When you talk of New Orleans think jazz, blues, Blood Sweat and Tears, think authentic Cajun food....including Mayor Payne's Shrimp and Potato stew," JAMbalaya Producer John Witz said. "This event is for you."

Some of the major highlights:

- The food. Authentic Southern cooking with dishes ranging from beignets to Jambalaya. Every participating restaurant will offer at least one Southern dish. Participants include: BD's Mongolian BBQ, Sweet Georgia Brown, Zef's Restaurant, Kettle Korn of Michigan, Crystal Lake Cafe, Carter's Ribs & Tips, Howe's Bayou, Mercurio Food Specialties, Big Daddy's Cool World Enterprises, Bert's Marketplace Jazz Club/Bert's on Broadway, Bo's Roaster Co., Olympian Cafe, and The Almond Hut.
- The Latin Quarter part of the festival will be on Saginaw Street between Pike and Lawrence. Cha-cha to Latin music from The Reno Band and Saoco. A complete musical lineup will be announced later this month. Authentic Mexican and Puerto Rican cuisine from Mario's Meat Market and Trini & Carmen's Express will be offered.

JAMBALAYA STREET FESTIVAL

When: 4 p.m. to midnight Friday, May 30, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 31 and June 1.

Where: Downtown Pontiac

What it is: A kick-off to summer in Pontiac. The theme is a Taste of New Orleans as JAMbalaya. Activities include live entertainment, fine arts show, carnival, Mardi Gras theme parade, Southern and Cajun foods.

For more information: www.pontiacfestivals.com

- Music: Bands like Blood, Sweat and Tears, Sax Maniacs, Reefermen, Maison Bleue, Motorcity City Mama's Mania, Quincy Stewart Quartet, Twistin' Tarantulas, Kentucky Headhunters, Spyro Gyra, Alexander Zonjic, a Gospel showcase featuring Zamar instruments of praise, Troubadors, Black Bottom Collective, and Inohs Sivad.
- The Parade. Music, Shaka Zulu dancers, drummers and stilt walkers from the Big Easy. The parade begins 11 a.m. Saturday, May 31at the corner of Saginaw and Lafayette and marches through downtown Pontiac to the Phoenix Center.
- Two fairs. Witz said one is an eclectic juried art fair that includes artists from at least 25 states.

The second fair is called *Body, Mind and Spirit* created by the health publication phenomeNEWS. It includes body workers to restore energy, psychic readers, holistic health practitioners, massages, pyramids, yoga, natural cosmetics, and healthy food.

- NBA Rhythm n' Rims in the parking lot of Saginaw Street. It's an interactive basketball and music tour consisting of an 18-wheel vehicle that unfolds into a 30,000 square-foot basketball theme-park. The stage features pop, R&B and alternative musicians, NBA and WNBA autograph sessions, slam dunk, three-point and free throw competitions and more.

There will be a full-size carnival with rides open to the public. Proceeds from the "Carnival for Courage" will benefit Kids Kicking Cancer. The Detroit Red Wings are involved.

Payne called JAMbalaya an important "quality of life" initiative for the city and metro-Detroit area. Proceeds from beverage sales will benefit local charities.

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Celebrate National Music Week

Here's what's happening on the Sears Stage at Livonia Mall, Seven Mile Road at Middlebelt during the Community Celebration of National Music Week. For more information, call (248) 476-1160.

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Friday, May 9
Noon C.J. Nodus, medley of Broadway favorites

Saturday, May 10
4 p.m. Arbor Opera Theatre
6 p.m. Mike Dunn, banjo

Sunday, May 11
Mother's Day – no performances

Monday, May 12
2 p.m. C.J. Nodus, medley of Broadway favorites

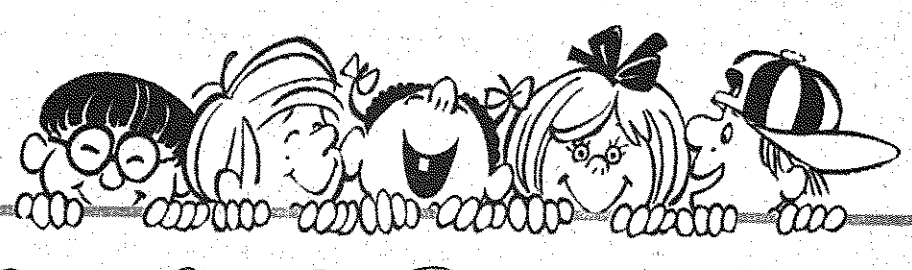
Tuesday, May 13
12:30 p.m. Gary Cooper, saxophone
5 p.m. Marjorie Van Hoy, composer and pianist

Wednesday, May 14
11:30 a.m. Ladywood High School Orchestra
2 p.m. C.J. Nodus, medley of Broadway favorites
6 p.m. Detroit Fine and Performing Arts Middle School Band & Orchestra

Thursday, May 15
11 a.m. Birmingham Musicale String Ensemble
11:45 a.m. Ladywood High School Chorus
2 p.m. Clarenceville Middle School Show Choir
7 p.m. Renaissance Barbershop Quartet

Friday, May 16
11:30 a.m. The Three Shades of Gold
1 p.m. Clarenceville High School Choraliers
4 p.m. Maria DiCinco and students, piano
6 p.m. Connie Randall and Friends, piano and vocals

Saturday, May 17
3 p.m. Arbor Opera Theatre
6 p.m. Mike Dunn, banjo



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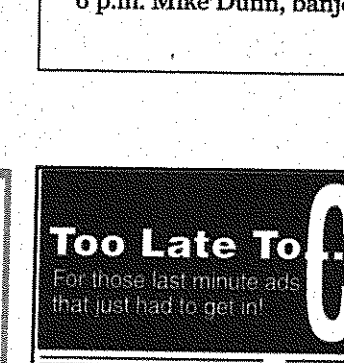

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Marching band meets Broadway on Fox stage

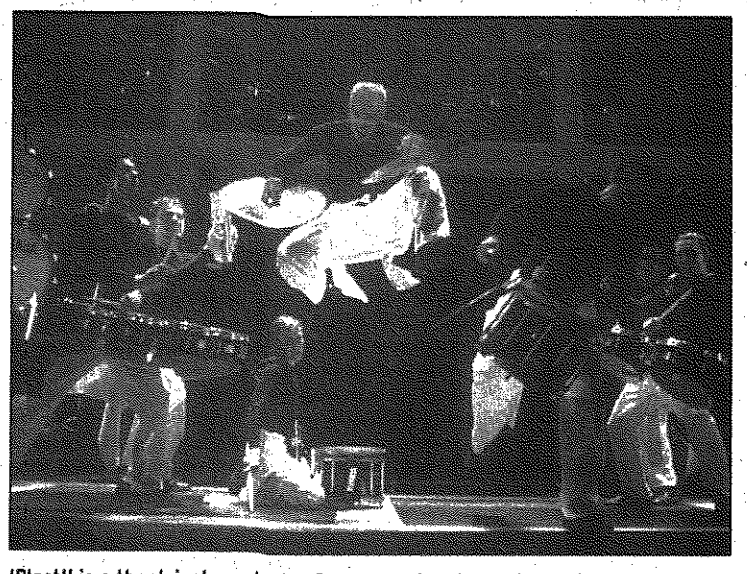
BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Blast! is an entertainment experience. Don't go to this celebration of movement, color and music expecting to see a show strung together by a story.

Imagine a marching band flashing instruments and sabers to music on a Broadway stage. That's *Blast!*, the 2001 Emmy Award winner for Best Theatrical Event and Best Choreography.

Blast! explodes onto the stage of the Fox Theatre Tuesday-Saturday, May 13-17.

"There's no story line, just sit back and enjoy it," said Bryan Sutton, one of 56 cast members putting on the spectacle. "There's comedy, some sadness but most of it's high-end, fast-paced, energetic.



'Blast!' is a theatrical spectacle of movement, color and sound.

"*Blast!* is like a visual representation of the emotion a color gives you. It's like a live fantasy with a light show, loud music, lots of dancing to songs that go from purple to red hot and end with *Malaguena*. There's every kind of music from techno pop to classical to jazz and show tunes."

Like the rest of the cast members Sutton's theatrical experience hails from his years with Lakeview High School's competitive marching band and color guard in St. Clair Shores. *Blast!* is based in marching band and drum corps. The show evolved from the marching band pageantry of Star of Indiana drum corps founded by businessman Bill Cook in Bloomington, Indiana in 1984. Artistic director James Mason shaped the competitive drum corps into the theatrical show Brass Theatre and eventually into *Blast!* which opened to rave revues at the London Apollo in December 1999.

The 28-year old Sutton joined the cast four years ago. He's part of the visual ensemble creating dance and movement with flags and sabers but also plays tuba and drums.

"I know all of the parts," said Sutton who attended Oakland Community College in Royal Oak and competed with a number of award-winning marching bands. "We're all kind of multi-talented and all sing in the show."

Marching and moving around a stage while toting an instrument or saber takes an enormous amount of energy.

"It's kind of strenuous on tour doing mostly one week runs," said Sutton, who goes through seven costume changes during the show. "My life fits into two suitcases and a carry on."

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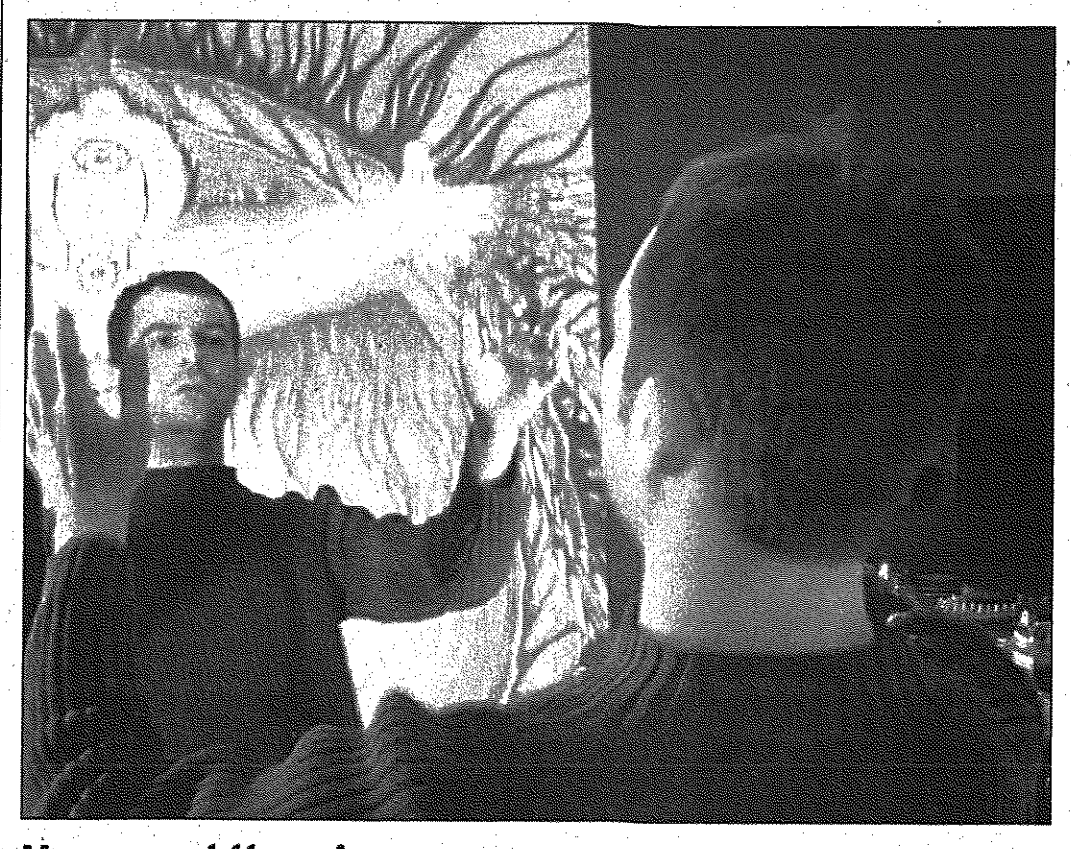
BLAST!

What: Theatrical spectacle of music and movement drawn from marching band pageantry

When: 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, May 13-17; 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 17-18; 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 18

Where: Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit

Tickets: $25-$59, call (248) 433-1515, for information, (313) 471-6611

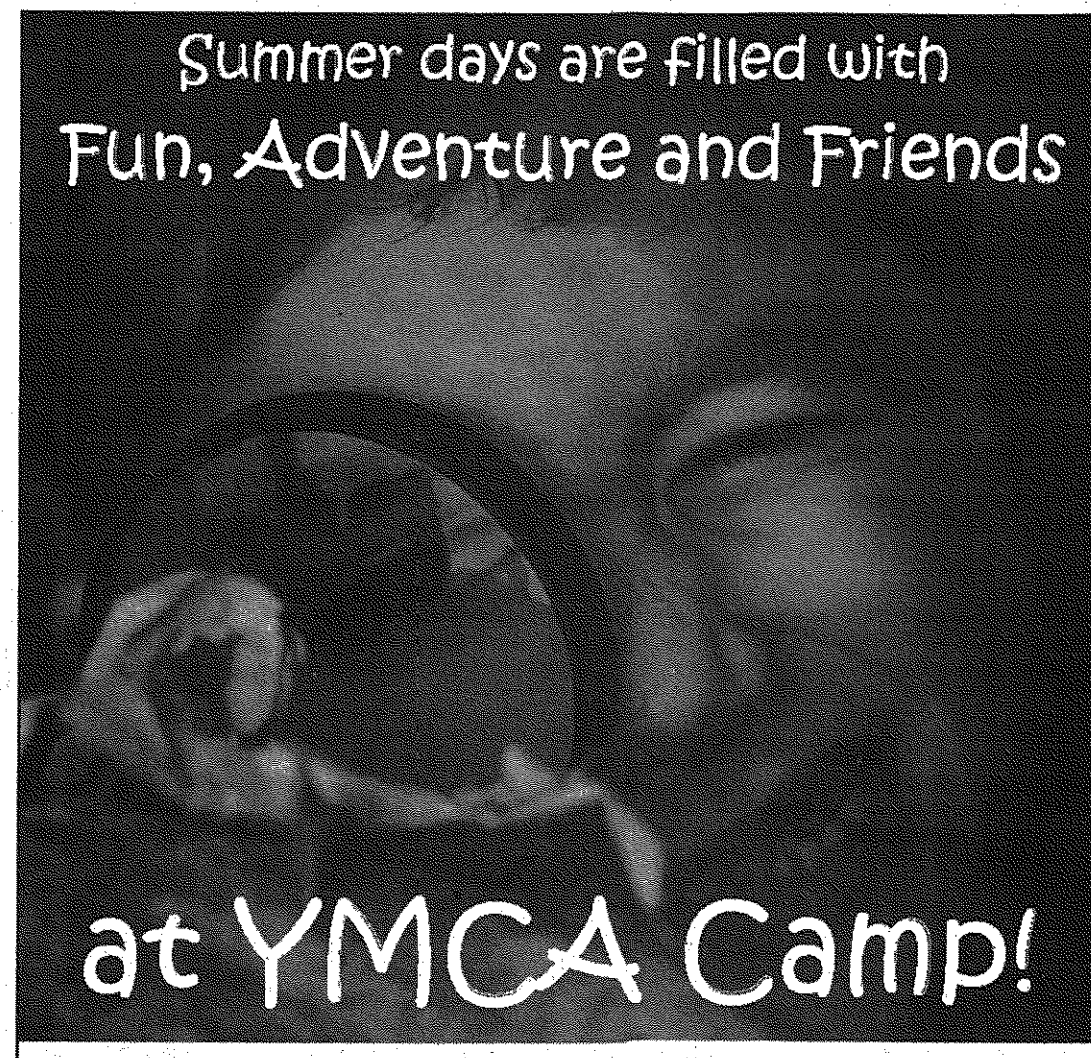


Manny and the mirror

Chris Korte plays the lead character drudging up his past in 'Manny and the Mirror: A Rock Opera,' running 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 9-10, and Thursday-Saturday, May 15-17, and 6 p.m. Sunday, May 18 (doors open one hour before with performances by local artists), at Hastings Street Ballroom, 715 E. Milwaukee, Detroit. Tickets $10. Call (313) 870-9002. Franklin composer and lyricist Daniel Roth tells the suspenseful story of Manny, his girlfriend and dead brother through the songs. He also narrates the rock opera.

Spring concert

Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan presents its annual Spring Concert 12:30 p.m. Saturday, May 10, at Stevenson High School, 33500 Six Mile Road, west of Farmington Road, Livonia. Tickets $7 at the door, $4 children and students, under age 3 free. Call (248) 350-3028. Different groups will perform including the Beginning and Intermediate Youth Orchestra, Advanced String Group, Concert String Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Flute Choir, and the Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Derek Weller.



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Detroit Repertory Theatre
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Gem Theatre
Shear Madness through May 18, 333 Madison, Detroit. $24.50 to $34.50. (313) 963-9800

Meadow Brook Theatre
Meshuggah-Nunsl continues 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday through May 11, Meadow Brook Theatre in Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester Hills, $24-$38, previews $19-$26. (248) 377-3300

Flanders Theatre Company
Could This Be Love?, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday to May 9; 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile Road at I-275, east of Haggerty, Livonia. For directions, call (734) 464-6302 Tickets $14, $12 seniors, call (313) 538-5739

Purple Rose Theatre Company
Hope For Corky to May 31, 137 Park Street, Chelsea $17.50-$32.50. (734) 433-7673

COMMUNITY THEATER

Village Players of Birmingham
Side Show, the 1998 Tony-nominated musical about conjoined twins who were vaudevillians in the early 20th century, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 9-10, 16-17; 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11 & 18, 34660 Woodward Ave. $15. Call (248) 644-2075

Ridgedale Players
Belles, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 8-10 and Friday-Saturday, May 16-17, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 18, at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake Road, between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. $12, $11 seniors and students on Sunday. (248) 988-7049

Genesis Troupe
You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 9-10 and 16-17, and 7 p.m. Sunday, May 11 and 18, St. Kenneth Catholic Church Social Hall, 14951 N. Haggerty, Plymouth. $8, $5 students. (734) 420-0288

Spotlight Players
Present the Stephen Sondheim musical A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 9-10, Watertower Theater on campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road, west of Haggerty, Northville. $14 ages 19 and older, $10 ages 2-18. (248) 349-7110

Avon Players
Cabaret 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 9-10, and Thursday-Saturday, May 15-17, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11, at the theater, 1185 Washington Road, one mile east of Tienken and Rochester roads, Rochester Hills. $15. (248) 608-9077 or visit the Web site at www.avonplayers.org

Farmington Players
Nunsense, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 8-10 and 15-17, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11, Farmington Players Barn Theater, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. $15. (248) 219-0800

Stagecrafters Baldwin Theatre
Cowgirls, 8 p.m. May 9-10; 2 p.m. matinee, May 11, 415 South Lafayette, Royal Oak. $5-$16, (248) 541-6430

Clarkston Village Players
The Cover of Life by R.T. Robinson, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, through May 17, Depot Theatre, Clarkston. $10 Thursday and Sunday, $12 Friday-Saturday. (248) 625-8811 or online at the Web site www.clarkstonvillage-players.org

Rosedale Community Players
Sylvia, a comedy by A.R. Gurney 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 9-10, Upstage Theater, 21728 Grand River, east of Lahser, Detroit. (313) 532-4010

SRO Productions
Amy's View, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Friday, May 9 sold-out benefit. Performances, May 10-11, May 16-18, 1854 Church, Burgh Historical Park, Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, $10 adults, $8 children 12 and under, senior adults, 50 and over, (248) 827-0710.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Farmington Hills Youth theater
School House Rock, a musical version of the 1970s television cartoon, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 8, and 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, May 10, Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster. $8. (248) 219-0020 (reservations), (248) 473-1800 (information)

Dora the Explorer
Live show, Thursday-Sunday, May 8-11. Performances 7 p.m. Thursday-Friday; 10:30 a.m. Thursday; 11 a.m. 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday, Fox Theatre, Detroit. $18.50, $23.50 and $29.50 available at the box office, Hockeytown Authentics in Troy, and all Ticketmaster outlets, (248) 433-1515 or www.olympiaentertainment.com or www.ticketmaster.com.

Paper Bag Productions
Charlotte's Web, noon (lunch), show 1 p.m. Saturday, May 10; 1 p.m. (lunch), show 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11, Livonia Mall, Seven Mile Road and Middlebelt, use G entrance. $10 includes lunch, $7 show only. (586) 344-7774

DANCE PERFORMANCE

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble
Center Dance Ensemble, debut concert, 8 p.m. Saturday, May 10, Varner Recital Hall, campus of Oakland University. (248) 852-5850.

BOOKS/WORKSHOPS

Write on
Four days of poetry, fiction and non-fiction workshops, readings by faculty and students, and panel discussions on publishing and creative writing programs are highlights of the Far Field Retreat for Writers, Thursday-Sunday, May 15-18, at Oakland University in Rochester Hills. Featured writers include Maureen Dunphy, Thomas Lynch, and Gerry LaFemina. For more information, visit www.2.oakland.edu/english/farfield

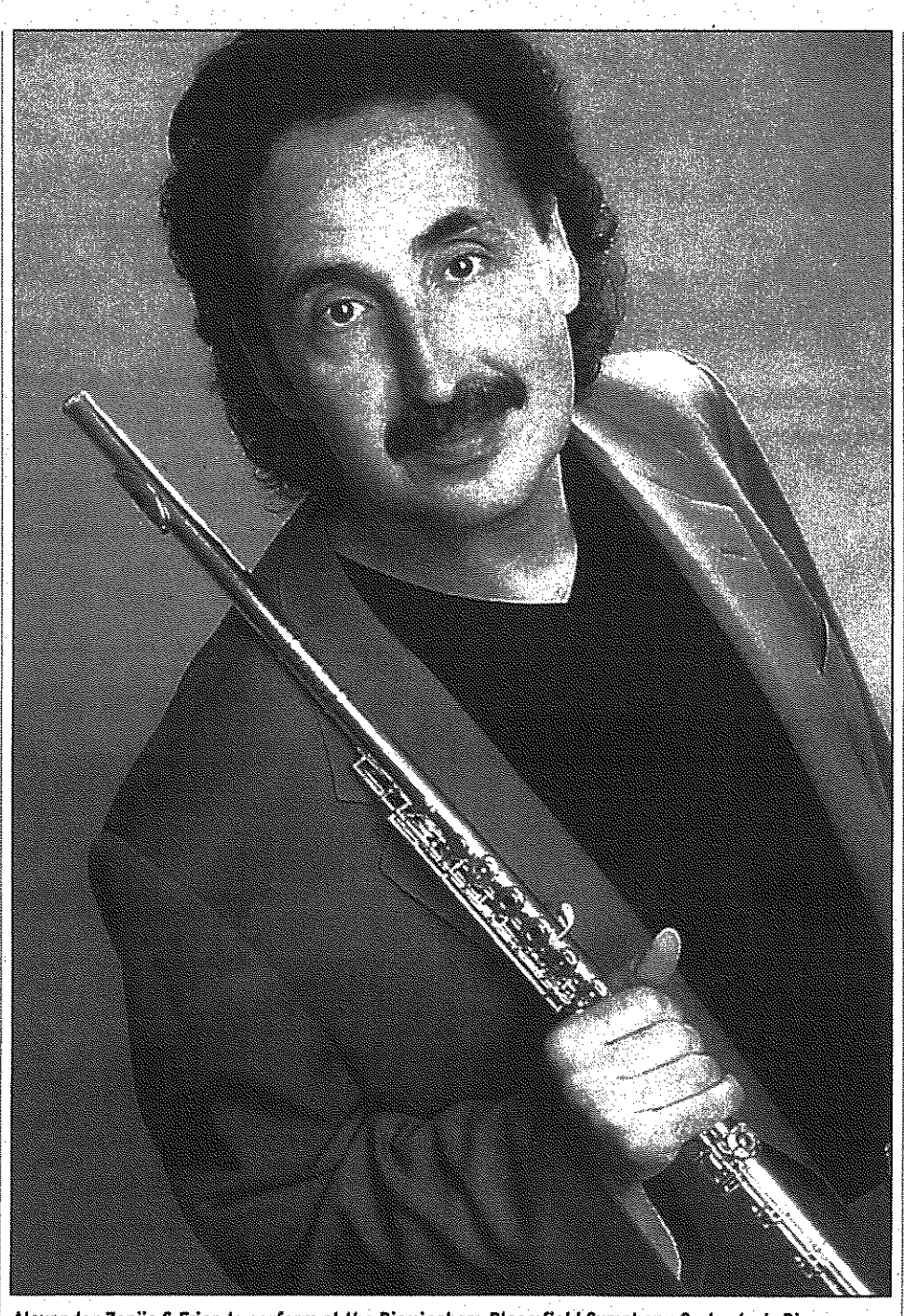
CLASSICAL

Detroit Symphony Orchestra
Leif Sgerstam conducts Brahms from the North concerts 1:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, May 9, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 10, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $15-!$56. (313) 576-5111

Elijah
Highland Park Baptist Church of Southfield presents Felix Mendelssohn's work with full orchestra and soloists, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 17, 6 p.m. Sunday, May 18, 28600 Lahser Road, south of 12 Mile Road, Southfield. No charge, nursery available for children under 2 for Sunday concert. (248) 357-5464, Ext. 490.

Westminster Concert Bell Choir
The Sanctuary of Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 14. $30 for families of four or more, $15 general admission, $10 seniors, $8 students. (248) 626-2515, Ext. 109.

Nightnotes
Brazilian-born pianist Maria Meireles 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 16, Hagopian World of Rugs, 850 S. Old Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Preceded by an hors d'oeuvres reception at 8 p.m. $19, ($10 children 12 and under), (248) 559-2095.



Alexander Zonjic & Friends perform at the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra's Dinner Auction fund-raiser 6 p.m. Friday, May 9, Townsend Hotel, 100 Townsend St., Birmingham. Tickets are $100, includes gourmet dinner. The event is the orchestra's major fund-raiser for the year. Call (248) 645-2276.

CHORAL

Farmington Community Chorus
8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 9-10, Seligman Performing Arts Center, Detroit Country Day School, 22305 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills. $10. (810) 632-4067 or (248) 473-1800

Livonia Civic Chorus
Present the music of Andrew Lloyd Webber 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 16-17, and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 18, Marquis Theatre, Northville. $10. (734) 422-2589

COMEDY

Genitti's
Bob Posch, comedy, 7 p.m. May 9 & 23, 7-course dinner and show, $50, 108 E. Main, Northville (248) 349-0522 for reservations

Joey's Comedy Club
8 p.m. Tuesday is open mic with Beer Money Improv show, above Kicker's All-American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. (734) 261-0555, www.joeyscomedyclub.com

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle
Open mic 8 p.m. Wednesdays ($2). Improv troupe 8 p.m. Tuesdays ($5), 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak. (248) 542-9900 or www.comedycastle.com

Century Theatre
Comedy works brings game-style and sketch improvisation to the stage 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, to June 28, 333 Madison, Detroit. $12.50. (313) 963-9800

SPECIAL EVENTS

Bloomfield Hills Toy Show
9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 31, at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 1100 Lone Pine Road. $4, kids under 12 free. (248) 646-1047

BENEFITS

Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra
Dinner and auction fund-raiser 6 p.m. Friday, May 9, at the Townsend Hotel, Birmingham. Alexander Zonjic and Friends entertain. $100. (248) 645-2276

Romanian Folk Music Concert
A Rotary Club International fund-raiser 7 p.m. Friday, May 9, St. George Cathedral Romanian Cultural Center, Southfield. $30, $10 students. (734) 421-5048

Great Lakes Chamber Gala
Classical Meets Jazz, benefit for the 2003 Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 10, Gem & Century Theatres, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. $175 per person, (248) 559-2097

Art on the Avenue
Champagne Preview Party 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, June 4, Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Dearborn. $30 advance, $32 at door, proceeds benefit Dearborn Community Arts Council. (313) 943-3095

JAZZ/BLUES

Steve Turre Quintet
And Russell Malone Quartet 8 p.m. Thursday, May 8, Orchestra Hall, Detroit. $18-$50. (313) 576-5111

DSO Civic Orchestra and Civic Jazz Orchestra
Perform world premiere of *Motor City Memories,* a work by legendary jazz artist Frank Foster 3 p.m. Sunday, May 11, Orchestra hall, Detroit. $10. (313) 576-5111

Barbara Ware
With Kevin Grenier & Vermillion Moon 6-8:40 p.m. Monday, May 12, and 9:30 p.m. to midnight Monday, May 19 with Johnny Trudell & Friends, Motor City Casino, Overdrive Lounge, Detroit.

Hidden Agenda
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday through Saturday, June 21, Fox & Hound, 39560 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. No cover. (248) 644-4800

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

Vince James Trio
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Ursula Walker/Buddy Budson
7:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, May 31, Friday, May 16 and 30, The Classic Grill in the Pontchartrain Hotel, 2 Washington Blvd. (313) 965-0200

Bugs Beddow band
8 p.m. to midnight Friday, May 16, Blue Martini, 201 Hamilton Row, Birmingham, (248) 258-3005. 10 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, May 30-31, Bo's Brewery, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac, (248) 338-9088, and 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, May 17, Cavern Club, 201 S. First, Ann Arbor, (734) 332-9900

FOLK/WORLD

Festival
Flutist Ginka Ortega presents Groupa Musica Viva with Passions, Festival of World Music and Dance, Latin and Flamenco classics, Shelia Landis Trio, and an African Music and Dance Ensemble, 8 p.m. Friday, May 9, Smith Theater, Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills, $16 in advance, $18 door, $20 reserved, up front seating, (248) 522-3667.

Blackthorn
The Lash Thursday-Friday, May 8-9, and Blackthorn Saturday, May 17, John Cowley & Sons, 3338 Grand River, Farmington. (248) 474-5941 (Celtic)

Tish Hinojosa
Mexican-American pop/folk singer/songwriter, 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 9, Royal Oak First United Methodist Church, 320 W. 7th Street, Royal Oak. $15 adults, $12 students, seniors 60 and over, (248) 541-4100.

MAKING CONTACT

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

SOCIAL DANCING

Hustle
Do the Hustle 7-9 p.m. Friday, May 9, during a two-hour intergenerational dance class at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Road (between Inkster and Middlebelt) in Livonia. Suggested donation is $8. Call (734) 421-1760 or visit www.unityoflivonia.org

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

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

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

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

All Star Dance Parties
7 p.m. Sunday (one hour Cha Cha lesson by Glen Clark) through April, $6, ballroom dancing 8-11 p.m., $6, $10 for both, White Heather Club, 150 Vester, Ferndale. (313) 521-6564

A-1 Dance Parties
8 p.m. to midnight, Thursday, Top 40s, Oldies, Line Dances, requests, Italian Cultural Center, Warren. $6. (313) 521-6564

Country Western
Mother's Day Dance, 7 p.m. Saturday, May 10 (lesson), 7:30 p.m. dancing to DJ music, couples, flow and line dancing, $10, Italian Cultural Center, 28111 Imperial Dr. South of 12 Mile Road, east of Hoover, Warren, (586) 573-0668.

MUSEUMS, PARKS AND TOURS

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

Detroit Science Center
Titanic: The Artifact Exhibit continues to Sept. 7. Advance timed tickets for the exhibit $16.95, $13.95 seniors, $11.95 ages 2-12. IMAX film and planetarium shows $4 each or $6 for both. (248) 645-6666. Also a planetarium show recreating the stars the night the ship went down, and IMAX movie on the ghostly ship at the bottom of the ocean. Digital Dome Planetarium Show, weekends, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, at 5020 John R, Detroit. (313) 577-8400, www.detroitsciencecenter.org

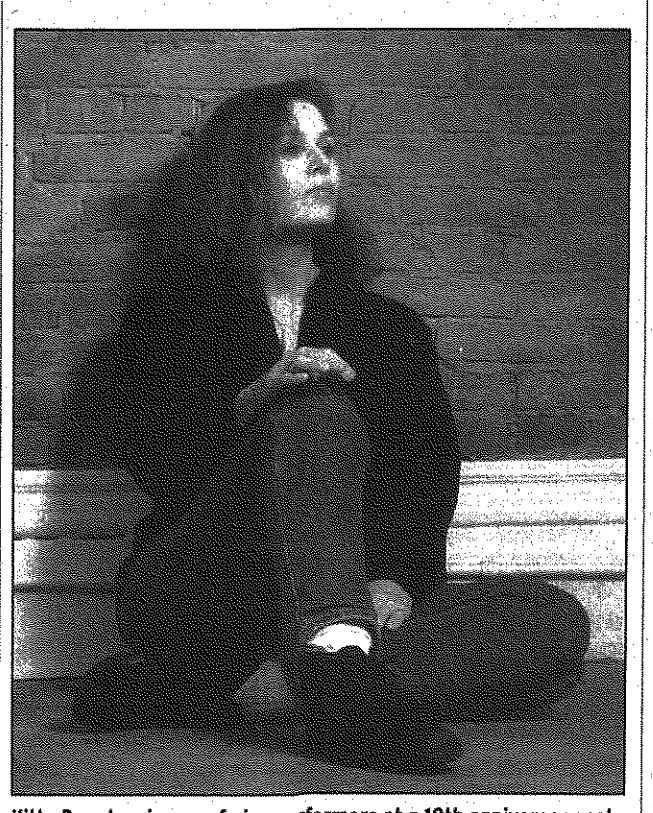
Detroit Zoo
Kids will love The Arctic Ring of Life, which features a 70-foot see-through acrylic tunnel where polar bears swim around visitors. $8 adults, $6 seniors and children. For more information, call (248) 398-0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroitzoo.org. Now open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.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

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

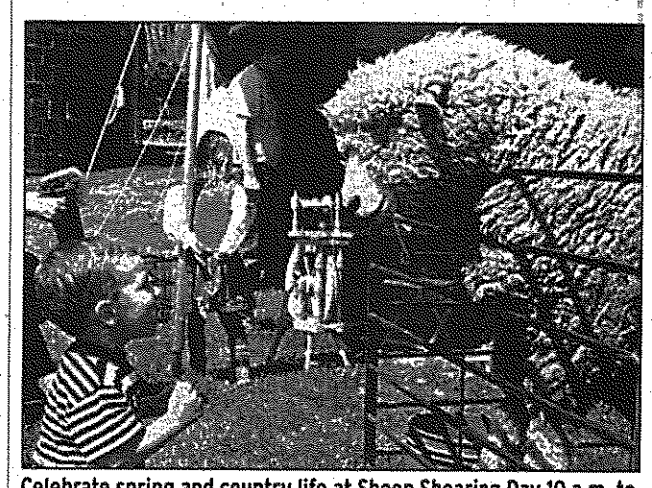
Meadow Brook Hall
Tours 1:30 p.m. Monday-Sunday, and 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, cost is $12.50, $8.50 seniors over age 62, $6 children under 12, children under 2 free;Tea on Tuesday $35, at Meadow Brook Hall on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. For information, visit the Web site at www.meadowbrookhall.org

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

Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm
The 16-acre museum complex tells the story of Oakland County's earliest pioneers. Admission includes tours of the 1840 Van Hoosen Farmhouse, 1850 Tenant Red House and 1927 Van Hoosen Dairy Barn. The museum's new permanent exhibit, A Lively Town, uses more than 200 images and 100 artifacts to show the development of the Rochester area. $5, $3 children, students and seniors. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, at the museum on Van Hoosen Road, one mile east of Rochester Road off Tienken. (248) 645-4663 or visit www.rochesterhills.org/museum.htm



Kitty Donohue is one of nine performers at a 10th anniversary celebration 7:30 p.m. (Open Mic 7:15 p.m.) Saturday, May 10, at Mama's Coffeehouse at Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 N. Woodward Ave. near Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. Tickets $10, $8 seniors and under age 16. Call (248) 569-0965. To reserve a slot for Open Mic, call (248) 626-4650. The coffeehouse will donate profits to Kids4afghankids, a charity building a school and clinic in the mountains southwest of Kabul. The performers are all donating their talents as well. Also performing are Jim Perkins and Finvarra's Wren, Mustard's Retreat, Jan Krist, Matt Watroba, Robert Jones, Jim Bizer, Dennis Kingsbury, and David Folks.



Celebrate spring and country life at Sheep Shearing Day 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 10, at the Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm, 1005 Van Hoosen Road, off of Tienken, one mile east of Rochester Road, north of downtown Rochester. Learn how raw wool is turned into clothing, play old-fashioned games, pet animals, and see the alpacas, llamas and angora rabbits. Admission is $5, $3 seniors and students. Call (248) 656-4663 or visit the Web site at www.rochesterhills.org/museum.htm.

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BALLET

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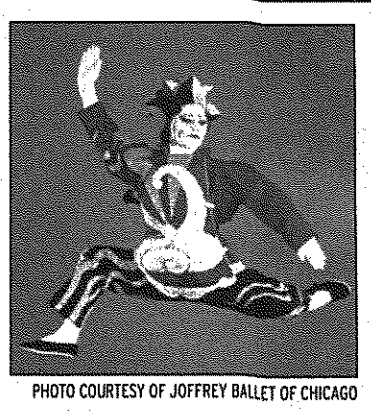
program resurrects three works performed by the celebrated Russian dance company Les Ballets Russes de Diaghilev.

The most controversial of the pieces is *Le Sacre Du Printemps*, which translates into *The Rite of Spring*.

Created by legendary choreographer Vaslaw Nijinsky to music by the equally renowned Igor Stravinsky, the piece's debut in Paris incited street riots. The ballet depicted a fertility rite, during which a girl is sacrificed. Consequently, the piece was performed only a few more times and considered a lost masterpiece.

Nijinsky's sister Bronislava Nijinska choreographed *Les Noces*, which is also set to



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Les Ballets Russes de Diaghilev's 'Parade' was a collaborative effort: choreography by Leonid Massine, set design by Pablo Picasso and theme by Jean Cocteau.

music by Stravinsky. Four grand pianos accompany the vibrant depiction of a Russian peasant wedding.

The third selection, *Parade*, was a collaboration by several well-known artists of the time: Leonid Massine choreographed the piece, Pablo Picasso designed the set and Jean Cocteau created the circus theme.

"It was revolutionary at the beginning of the 20th century to bring together different artists," commented Carol Halsted, dance coordinator at the Detroit Opera House.

Of course, the Diaghilev-era choreography was itself radical. "It absolutely revolutionized what was being done at the time," said DiChiera.

Today, pieces like *Les Noces* and *Le Sacre Du Printemps* are considered the building blocks of modern and contemporary choreography, said DiChiera.

"These pieces altered the evolution of dance and have been influential up to the current day."

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ART FAIRS

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BBAC executive director. "Our silent auction of works, donated by artists, grows bigger and better every year. And we have lots of new art activities for families – patriotic flag T-shirts ($12) to decorate with stamps or painted silk scarves ($8) to make for mom, or treasure boxes.

FAMILY FESTIVAL

"We want this to be a family festival. We have a variety of live entertainment and new food including healthy alternatives from Lettuce Plan It in Southfield. There's plenty of great food, great fun."

This year for the first time the weekend begins with a trolley tour of Birmingham galleries 6-9:30 p.m. Friday, May 9. While Sharon Stanton is excited about partnering with local businesses to feature art indoors, the BBAC special events coordinator is ecstatic about artists in the Birmingham Fine Art Festival outdoors.

The quality of work has increased as word of mouth about the festival spreads among artists on the art fair circuit. For the first time this year judges will award $2,600 in cash prizes for Best of Show. The monetary awards are sure to draw even more artists to create a larger pool from which to choose.

"I'm excited about artists like Karen Howell of Pennsylvania whose porcelains are based on the Japanese legend of the Rabbit and the Moon," said Stanton. "There are a lot of interesting types of art – Birmingham artist Andrew Madvin's glass flowers are for outdoors and indoors. They have a glass bloom mounted on a steel stem and are lyrical and beautiful. About one-third are new artists working in fiber, photography, and glass.

"There will be very colorful lampworked glass beads by Lee Cox of Florida, from New Mexico acrylic abstract paintings by Bill "Wild" Weldon. Sherri Tracey of Illinois is bringing 2-D mixed media. She begins with batik then adds wire, wood, silver leaf to create works with titles like *Journey into the Woods*. They're very colorful and tell a story."

ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE

Ceramist Joe Smith doesn't have as far to travel as most of the artists in the festival. Smith is an instructor and artist-in-residence at Cranbrook's Kingswood Upper School in Bloomfield Hills. His functional plates, vessels, bowls, plates, and serving pieces come in rich colors that remind him of the bronze patina of sculptures on campus.

Smith studied ceramics at Kansas City Art Institute in Missouri before moving to Michigan to study with Tony Hepburn at Cranbrook Academy of Arts. This is his first time in the Birmingham show.

"I'm looking forward to it," Smith said. "Back in the '80s and early '90s I did art fairs but teaching is a full-time job. Birmingham's the only show I've applied for this year.

"I've been throwing 34 years. My work's changed over the years. It used to be clean unbroken lines, but my latest work is looser and has a Zen quality as if a Zen master was following me around. There are hidden things in my work a good eye can find."

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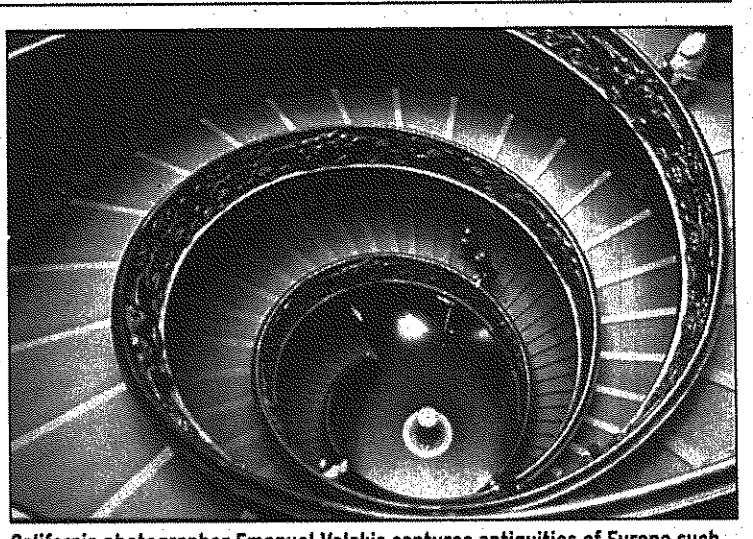

California photographer Emanuel Volakis captures antiquities of Europe such as this spiral staircase in his work.

BIRMINGHAM FINE ART FESTIVAL

When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 10; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 11

Where: Shain Park, north of Merrill, east of Bates, downtown Birmingham. For more information, call (248) 644-0866

Entertainment Schedule

Saturday, May 10

- 11 a.m. Tri-Force, rock and blues
- Noon The DirtBros, folk, classic rock, bluegrass, blues
- 1 p.m. Village Players of Birmingham perform music from Side Show
- 2 p.m. Donna Lee Holman, country
- 3 p.m. Sheila Landis Trio, jazz
- 4 p.m. The Hope Orchestra, high-energy original music
- 5 p.m. Michael King Band

Sunday, May 11

- 11 a.m. Blackman and Arnold Quartet
- Noon Julie Kovich, progressive pop
- 1 p.m. David Nefesh, ballads
- 2 p.m. Brazil and Beyond, music from new Beatles CD
- 3 p.m. Chris McCall
- 4 p.m. Hotsmoke, rock n' roll

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Shop for art at street fairs

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

The Birmingham Fine Art Festival kicks off a summer of outdoor art fairs. It's a great time to shop for gifts. In fact, many people begin their holiday shopping at this time of year. So grab a pair of comfortable shoes and plan on making a day of it.

Here's a list of upcoming art fairs. Admission is free except where noted.

■ **Greektown Arts Festival** – 5-10 p.m. Friday, May 16, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 17, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 18, on Monroe, St. Antoine and Beaubien, in Detroit's Greektown, (313) 963-3357

■ **Jambalaya Street Festival** – 4-10 p.m. Friday, May 30, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 31; 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, June 1, (248) 334-4600 or www.pontiacfestivals.com

■ **Livonia's Arts & Crafts Festival** – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 7-8, Greenmead Historical Village, 20501 Newburgh at 8 Mile Road, (734) 466-2540

■ **Art on the Avenue** – 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 7, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, June 8, on Monroe and Garrison, north of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn, (313) 943-3095

■ **Royal Oak Clay & Glass** –10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 14, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 15, on Washington between Fourth and Lincoln, (248) 547-4000

■ **Art in the Sun** – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, June 14-15, in downtown Northville, (248) 349-7640

■ **Fine Art at Meadow Brook Music Festival** – 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 21, until 5 p.m. Sunday, June 22, on the Oakland University campus, Rochester, admission $3, (248) 377-0100

■ **West Bloomfield Arts Festival** – Presented by Chamber of Commerce 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 21-22, on the grounds surrounding Henry Ford Medical Center on Maple Road, (248) 626-3636

■ **Art Around the Pond** – 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 21, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 22, at Heritage Park, Canton, (734) 453-3710

■ **Wyandotte Street Art Fair** – 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, July 9-12, (734) 324-4506

■ **Plymouth Art in the Park** – noon to 8 p.m. Friday, July 11, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, July 12; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 13, downtown Plymouth, (734) 453-1540 or visit www.artintheparkinc.com

■ **Art on the Grand** – 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, July 17-19, Memorial Park, downtown Farmington on Grand River, (248) 473-1856

■ **Royal Oak Art Fair** – 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 12, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 13, Memorial Park, Woodward Avenue at 13 Mile Road, (248) 547-4000

■ **Ann Arbor Art Fairs** – 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, July 16-18; until 6 p.m. Saturday, July 19, downtown Ann Arbor, (800) 888-9487

■ **Arts, Beats & Eats** – 4-10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 30-31; 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 1, (248) 334-4600 or www.pontiacfestivals.com

■ **Art on the Green** – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 1, on the Franklin Village Green, west of Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile roads, (248) 594-3093

■ **Art & Apples** – 4-7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7, Rochester Municipal Park near Pine St. at University, (248) 651-4110

■ **Spotlight Arts and Gifts Boutique** – 4-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7, downtown Rochester. Benefits Meadow Brook Theatre, (248) 375-9840

■ **Detroit Festival of the Arts & Children's Fair** – 4-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 14-15, in Detroit's University Cultural Center, (313) 577-5088

■ **Birmingham Art in the Park** – presented by Common Ground to benefit its crisis programs 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 21, Shain Park, (248) 456-8150

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'A Mighty Wind' opens; winged creatures take flight on the big screen

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Movie-goers looking for a breath of fresh air have two spirituous films from which to choose this weekend: *A Mighty Wind*, which opens in theaters Friday, and *Winged Migration*, showing Friday-Sunday, May 9-11 at Detroit Film Theatre.

While both films sound a bit like *National Geographic* productions, only *Winged Migration* tackles natural phenomenon, that of the flight of birds. Oscar-nominated for best documentary, the film tracks species from seven continents, capturing the experience of flight thanks to cutting-edge technology and unprecedented efforts by cinematographers and pilots.

Winged Migration took three years to film and is visually stunning, said Elliot Wilhelm, DFT director. "You feel as if you're flying alongside them."

Winged Migration, a Sony Pictures Classics release, is rated G. For schedule or tickets, call (313) 833-3237 or visit www.dia.org/dft.

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Three '60s folk music groups reunite for a concert in the mock documentary 'A Mighty Wind' featuring Eugene Levy and Catherine O'Hara.

MATHIEU SIMONET

If there's a way to convey the experience of flight to human beings on film, 'Winged Migration,' Oscar-nominated in the category of Best Documentary, has done it. The film shows Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Detroit Film Theatre.

A Mighty Wind, directed by Christopher Guest (*Best in Show* and *Waiting for Guffman*) is a mock documentary – otherwise known as a mockumentary – about three 60s folk groups who reunite for a concert following the death of a manager.

The film genre – fiction with actors filmed like a documentary – makes for hilarious entertainment.

Guest's other mockumentary *Best in Show* did well in the box office. *A Mighty Wind* is doing even better in cities where it has already opened. Whether you like folk music or came of age in the '60s is unimportant here. The idiosyncrasies of folk artists and absurdities of the Age of Aquarius are universal fodder for great comedy.

A Mighty Wind, a Warner Bros. release, is rated PG-13.

FILM TUNES

Movie music will be in the air at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 10 at the Redford Theatre in Detroit. Organist Ron Reseigh has a century of film tunes to play on the historic theater's original organ.

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'The Lizzie McGuire Movie' is a giggly teenage girl's fantasy

THE LIZZIE MCGUIRE MOVIE
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Extra Butter

Daniel Kraus

Lizzie McGuire (Hilary Duff) is a giggly teenager with a knack for screwing up. At her junior high graduation, she trips and pulls down the curtain backdrop, knocking her entire class from the risers. Her little brother – a master blackmailer who possesses a folder entitled "The Lizzie Files," which includes subfolders like "Trips & Falls" and "Embarrassing Moments" – tapes the incident and sends it to CNN.

Desperate to duck prime-time humiliation, Lizzie joins her class trip to Rome, under the militaristic eye of their chaperone, Mrs. Ungermeyer.

Things take a turn for the totally dreamy when Lizzie meets Italian pop star Paolo, who wants Lizzie to impersonate his former girlfriend and singing partner, Isabela, at an awards show that takes place at – but of course! – the Roman Coliseum.

The song Lizzie sings at the end of the film – a moronic, embarrassingly catchy teeny-bopper number called *What Dreams are Made Of* – is really the perfect comment on the preceding exercise in adolescent fantasy, because *Lizzie McGuire* is exactly that: a teenage girl's fantasy.

It's pretty clear that *Lizzie McGuire* isn't exactly re-drawing the map of modern-day gender roles, and this is what is most irritating and endearing about the film. Lizzie encounters no adventure. No international intrigue. Her only competition? Other girls, locked in savage competition to outglam their bitter rivals.

Sure, Lizzie does her fair share of conniving, but it is solely in aid of nabbing the romantic attention of a boy she hardly knows. With Lizzie in an almost constant state of swoon, *Lizzie McGuire* is borderline offensive – what happened to all the faux-feminist "girl power" that was all the rage a couple years ago? Lizzie makes the Spice Girls look radical.

But let's be honest with ourselves here: 14-year-old girls do dress in pink outfits with the word "love" stenciled on them. They do obsess over clothes and make-up. Because if they don't succeed in getting that idiotic 14-year-old boy to look at them they might, like, totally die! If you've ever seen the kids' TV show that *Lizzie McGuire* is based on, you know that the opening credits look like a JC Penny's commercial: the clear message, in a nutshell, is to dress up, fit in, and be cute – and the world will be your oyster.

Despite all this, I liked *Lizzie McGuire* precisely because it contained no messages. It simply embraces modern middle-class WASP girlhood and treats all its neuroses and hang-ups as par for the course. The young ladies at my screening loved the film, feasibly in part because it reassured them that all their "unimportant" desires weren't unimportant at all. "It's OK to spend three hours planning your wardrobe," the film assured them. And, for better or worse, there was an almost audible sigh of relief.

Duff makes it all work. Like many child actors, her acting is slightly overconfident, but behind her bluster you can still see an overwhelmed youngster – and is this not how one braves the daily junior high gauntlet?

Unfortunately, Duff is way too pretty – never for a second did I believe Lizzie could ever be as unpopular as the film implies. After all, Duff is a Britney Spears look-alike, and lest we miss it, there are several Britney-style dance sequences to solidify the comparison.

Like Britney, Duff treads an uncomfortable middle ground of being aggressively sexy while still being very young (oddly, the film's reoccurring bits of animation portray Lizzie as an awkward beanpole, quite unlike the buxom starlet she really is). To neutralize this, Duff is put into a storyline so safe Pamela Anderson could emerge unscathed – there is never a threat of sex here, only of super-duper pop stardom.

To those of us who aren't adolescent females, *Lizzie McGuire* may seem to be part of the problem when it comes to issues of young women's confidence, self-esteem and self-worth. Still, Lizzie's contemporaries should feel welcome to embrace the movie. After all, don't they get enough preaching outside of the theater?

Daniel Kraus is a syndicated columnist and filmmaker. Info on his latest film, Ball of Wax, can be found at www.ballofwaxmovie.com.

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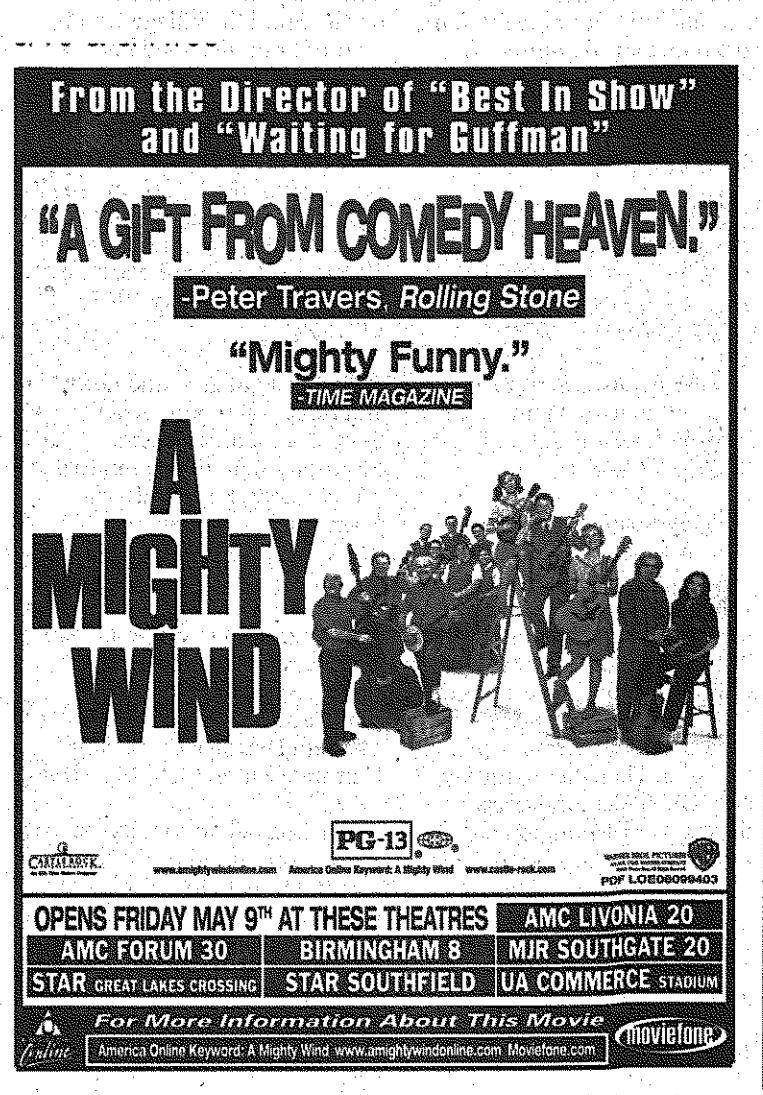

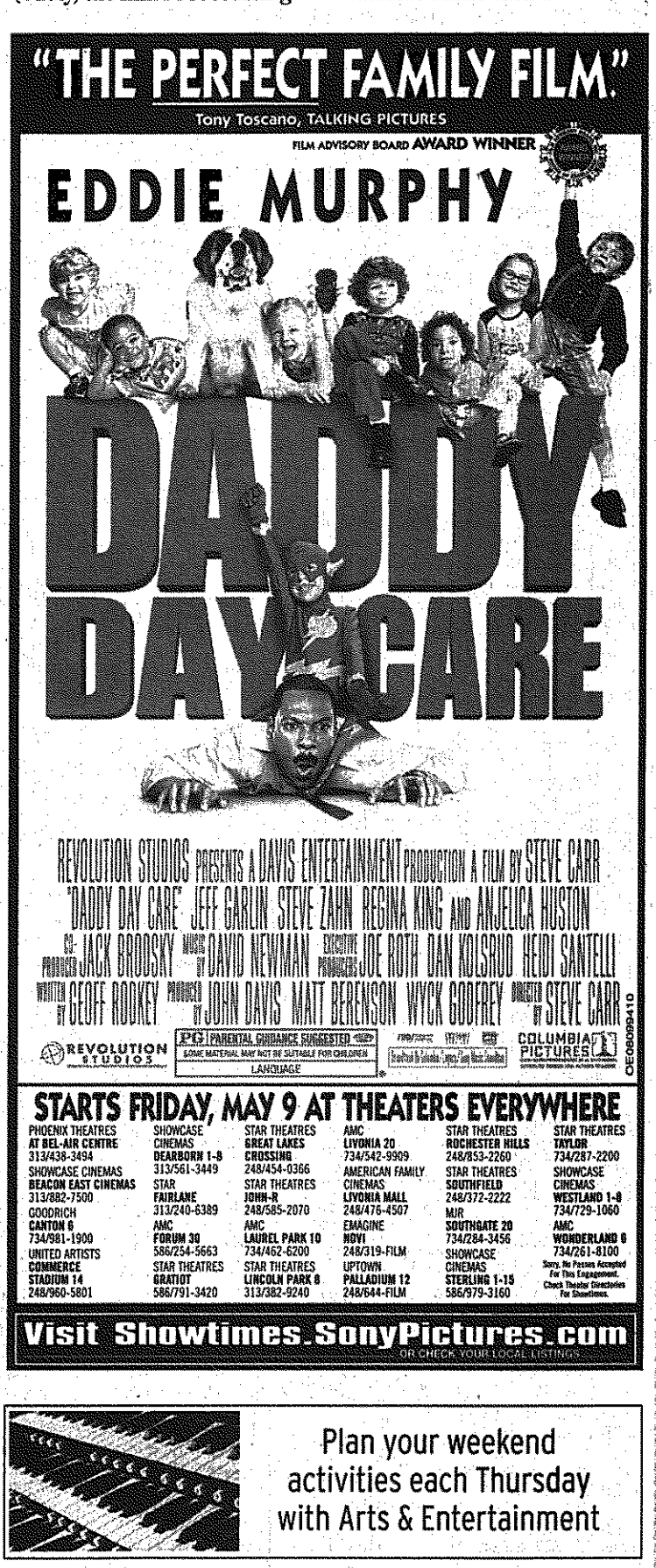

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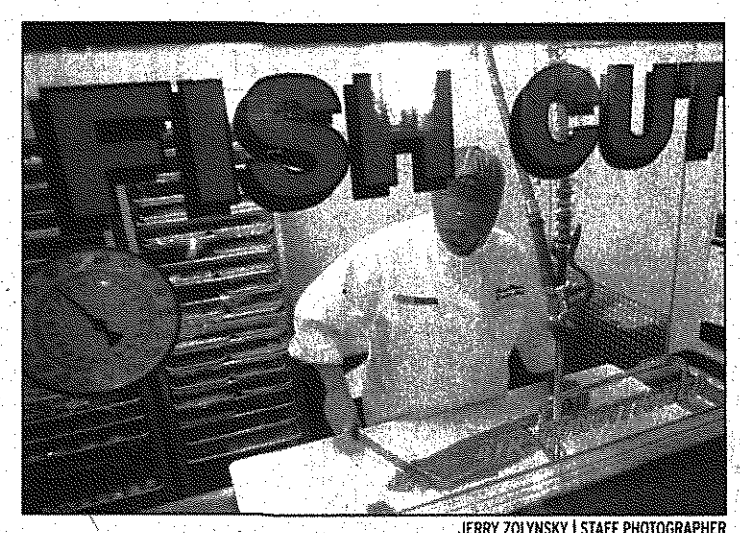
Birmingham reels in Mitchell's Fish Market

BY ELEANOR HEALD
CORRESPONDENT

Over the last few years, southeast Michigan has attracted a number of upscale national-chain restaurants, choosy about their high-profile locations. The latest of these is Mitchell's Seafood Market, which opened Friday, May 2 on the ground floor of The Willits, a luxury condo complex in downtown Birmingham.

Owner/president Cameron Mitchell is the energy and idea-man behind the restaurant corporation Cameron Mitchell Restaurants, headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The company has grown from a single unit in 1993 to 19 units with nine different concepts in four states. Birmingham is the seventh Fish Market restaurant to open.

Mitchell knows the restaurant industry from dishwasher to the president's desk. In 1979, he got his first taste of the business as a dishwasher at a local Columbus, Ohio steakhouse. A few years later, he graduated from the Culinary Institute of America and began to climb the corporate ladder of another Columbus restaurant group. As an entrepreneur in 1993, he left to form his own company.



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Executive Chef Seanne Myers prepares salmon at the cutting station at Mitchell's Fish Market.

MITCHELL'S FISH MARKET

Where: 117 Willits St., Birmingham (248) 646-3663.

Open: Lunch and dinner daily. Sunday brunch 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Food style: Eighty preparations of daily-delivered fresh seafood from national and international waters and selected turf items.

Cost: Lunch $7-$13. Dinner $8-$20. Sunday brunch specials $8-$11. Fun kids' menu items at $5.

Reservations: Accepted.

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Mitchell's seats 250, including a private dining room for 18. The great seafood houses of coastal America inspire the design and atmosphere, complementing the over 80 menu items utilizing fresh seafood, flown in daily from coastal origins and displayed at the entrance to the open kitchen.

A custom-designed refrigerated seafood preparation room at a constant 35 degrees Fahrenheit, maintains maximum freshness once seafood deliveries are made. True to the "Market" in its name, Mitchell's Fish Market also features a retail seafood menu of fresh fish and seafood to go.

A large reception area divides a cigar-friendly bar with 35 stools and additional table seating for 40 from a richly wooded no-smoking main eating area off the open kitchen. A nautical bar mural hints at boating on local waterways while the non-smoking area offers the feel of eating on a docked private yacht with rich wood decor. Many polished brass-accented comfortable booths set another mood while tables at the windows offer a city "shore" view.

Among the unique cocktail pours is Whatyoutalkinbout Willits, a spin on a Cosmopolitan, christened by General Manager Mark Weiss, a Birmingham resident. The name is but one clue about a restaurant that takes seafood, fun and gracious hospitality seriously.

ON THE MENU

"Preparing seafood is all I've ever done," said 27-year-old Executive Chef Seanne Myers, a graduate of Pennsylvania Institute of Culinary Arts in Pittsburgh. A native of Kent, Ohio, she now makes her home in Troy. "With seafood, the concept is all about what's fresh," she added.

Except for sandwiches at lunch and steak or chicken options at dinner, the menu for each service time is nearly identical. Based on Mitchell's Seafood Market in other locations, Chef Seanne noted the trendy menu items.

"From the raw bar, oysters are popular," she said. "Oysters have seasons, therefore we source them that way and from the coldest waters. We always have three East Coast and one from the West Coast."

Other house special "starters" are Beer-Boiled Jumbo Shrimp Cocktail, Seared Rare Salt 'n Pepper Tuna, and N'Awlins BBQ Shrimp or if you prefer soup, it's Maine Lobster Bisque.

The Beachcomber's Platter offers three tastes in one, broiled Atlantic salmon, shrimp and scallops, accompanied by creamy garlic mashed potatoes and vegetable garnish of the day. Sweet corn sauté in addition to creamy garlic mashed potatoes are an excellent plate accompaniment to Chesapeake Bay Crab Cake. To heighten the experience, pair this dish with a food-friendly chardonnay, such as the 2000 Byron, 2000 St. Francis or 2001 Chateau St. Jean "Belle Terre."

These are only a few of the well-priced selections on the progressive wine list (wines listed from lightest to heaviest), accessible on the back of the daily-dated menu.

Chef Seanne, whom you'll see visiting tables, especially likes her Cedar Roasted Atlantic Salmon, roasted and served on a cedar plank, and her Blackened Florida Mahi Mahi, served with flash-fried rock shrimp, sautéed spinach, sweet onion hash browns and a Zydeco BBQ sauce ($11.50 at lunch and $17.95 at dinner).

Keeping with the seafood theme, don't miss Sharkfin Pie, Johnson's butter fudge ice cream, honey-roasted peanuts, fudge, peanut butter, Oreo cookie crust, all topped with whipped cream. Or if you like your dessert in liquid form, a number of specialty coffee drinks, Single Malt Scotches, cognacs and Ports require only a simple request.

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

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Tribute's executive chef wins James Beard Award

BY ELEANOR HEALD
CORRESPONDENT

At the 13th annual James Beard Foundation Awards event, Monday, May 5, in New York's Marriott Marquis hotel, Executive Chef Takashi Yagihashi of Tribute restaurant in Farmington Hills was named Best Chef of the Midwest.

Established in 1990 and akin to an Oscar in the film world, The James Beard Foundation Awards are the premier honors for fine food and beverage professionals in North America.

Nominees and winners are selected by an independent volunteer panel of more than 500 food and beverage professionals from around the country who vote in specific award categories related to their expertise. The accounting firm, Lutz & Carr, tabulates ballots. Winners' identities remain confidential until the awards ceremonies. Winners receive a bronze medallion engraved with the image of James Beard.

The James Beard Foundation presents its annual awards with generous support from a host of contributors. American Express sponsored Best Chef in the Midwest that also included other talented chef nominees Roger Johnsson from Aquavit in Minneapolis. And from Chicago Paul Kahan of Blackbird, Michael Kornick of MK and Tony Mantuano from Spiaggia.

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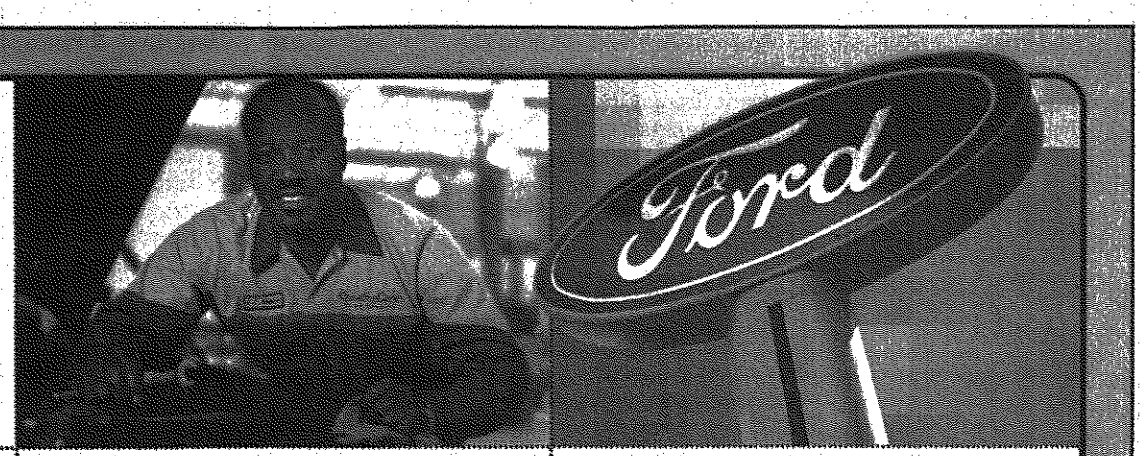

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In 1965, most flower orders were not made with local flower growers, so they decided to try and find a way to increase awareness and availability of plants in the Detroit area. They decided that the first Sunday after Mother's Day, at Eastern Market in Detroit, they would host the largest display of annuals, perennials and vegetable plants.

The first Flower Day drew more than 20,000 people, even though plants were not sold, only displayed, and questions were answered by the growers about plants. The following year, growers sold the plants and the event grew.

Today, more than 100,000 flats of plants are on display, making it the biggest event of its kind in the world, according to organizers. On Saturday, May 17, Blooming Affair Day will be sponsored by the Detroit Recreation Department and the Eastern Market Merchants Association. On Sunday, May 18, Flower Day will be sponsored by the Metro Flower Growers Association and EMMA.

For more information, contact the Eastern Markets Merchants Association at (586) 393-8800.

Swap plants

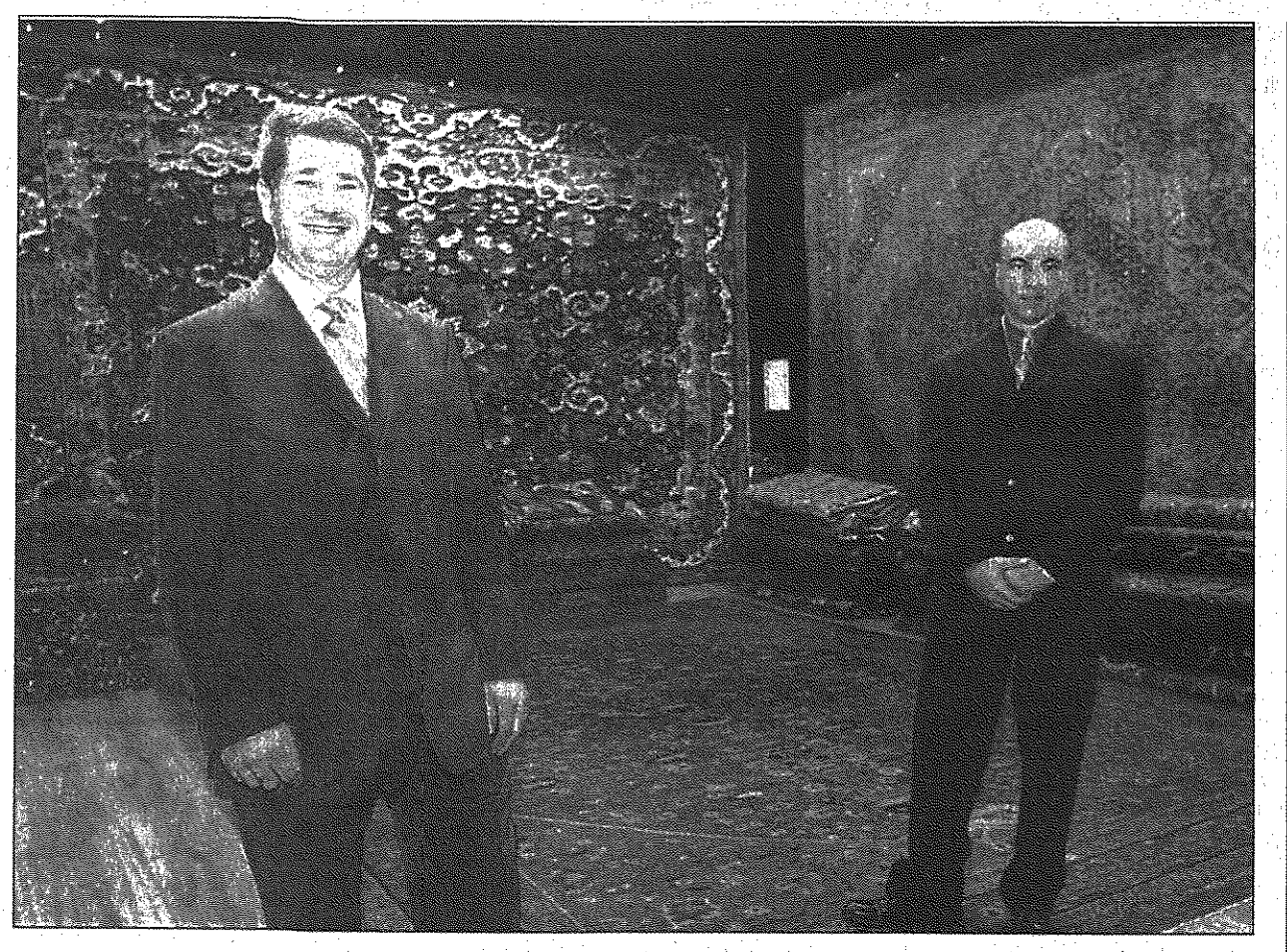
The city of Farmington Hills Spring Plant Swap is set for 8:30-11 a.m. Saturday, May 17, in the City Hall parking lot at 11 Mile and Orchard Lake roads. All gardeners are invited to bring perennials and seeds to swap with other gardeners.

Sunscreen

As summer approaches, most people are conscious of the necessity for sunscreen. Unfortunately for our furnishings, people are not as aware of the necessity to protect their homes against the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays.

Ultraviolet rays can eventually fade floors, furniture, upholstery and drapery fabrics – or even worse – a treasured painting. Natural, undyed fabrics can become yellowed. Wood in furniture can fade, leaving an unevenly colored piece of furniture or split in the wood, due to the heat. The right window covering can block up to 99 percent of UV rays. Look for a percentage of UV blockage rating. The higher a product's rating, the better the home's interior is protected.

Silhouette window shadings from Hunter Douglas feature soft fabric vanes suspended between sheer fabric panels. The vanes rotate for varying degrees of light control and privacy. When the vanes are open, they block 66 percent of UV rays, and when they are closed, they block 99 percent. Luminette Privacy Sheers, a similar concept to Silhouette shadings that are oriented vertically, provide almost the same level of protection. For more information on window coverings, call (800) 937-7895 or visit www.hunterdouglas.com.



Geoffrey Orley of Shabahang Persian Carpets of Bloomfield Hills poses with Zsolt Ensol with some antique Persian carpets.

Rugs, rings and things

Antiques take center stage

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Phyllis Sheppard of Farmington Hills remembers how she and a friend helped convince her husband, Bill, to purchase a Wedgwood ring from 1830 for her at an Antiques Show & Sale at Greenfield Village.

"We kind of cornered him," she said with a laugh.

"It's a beautiful ring. You take off the ring and there's another design inside."

"They kind of talked me into it," Bill said.

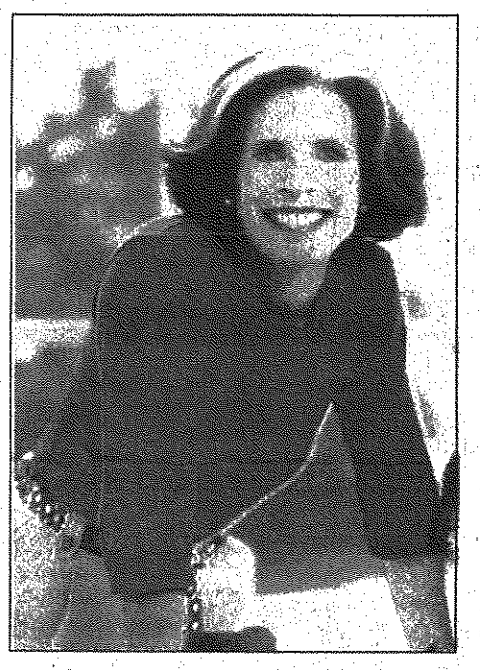
Actually, the Sheppards are not antique buffs, looking for some rare, hidden treasures. They volunteer at Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum's complex (now known as The Henry Ford), and help with the Antiques Show each year. This year they'll help wallpaper booths for the exhibitors.

This acorn border soup tureen is circa 1830, displayed by Elva Needles Antiques in Kansas City.

But what impresses them are the variety and significance of historical pieces exhibited in such an appropriate venue – at Lovett Hall, adjacent to Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum. More than 40 art and antique exhibitors carry a diverse assortment of fine antiques and collectibles for sale on May 17-18. (See related box.)

Kitty Bartholomew, host of HGTV's *Kitty Bartholomew: You're Home*, will lecture on using color and antiques in the home at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 17.

"There is just so much involved with the show, and some of it is just unbelievable," said Bill. "They have little glasswares, jewelry, Oriental rugs and old books." One year, the show had books dated from the 1800s from England. Bill is a retired civil engineer so he really appreciated an old surveyor's instrument he saw one year.



Kitty Bartholomew, host of HGTV's 'Kitty Bartholomew: You're Home,' will appear at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 17, at the Greenfield Village Antiques Show & Sale.

"They have a beautiful display of sterling silver, candelabra and antique spoons," said Phyllis.

"It's a marvelous sight to see, even if you don't buy anything. It's a nice thing to see."

Geoffrey Orley of Shabahang Persian Carpet in Bloomfield Hills hasn't exhibited at the show for several years.

"I'm absolutely looking forward to it," Orley said.

"It's sort of a 'coming home' event."

Susan Bishopric, Orley's publicist, said Orley spends much of his time explaining the differences between city and tribal prints in antique rugs."

He spends a lot of time educating people about antique rugs," Bishopric said. "He explains the difference in quality and technique that keeps the colors vibrant."

Bishopric said the city carpets are "more sophisticated,"

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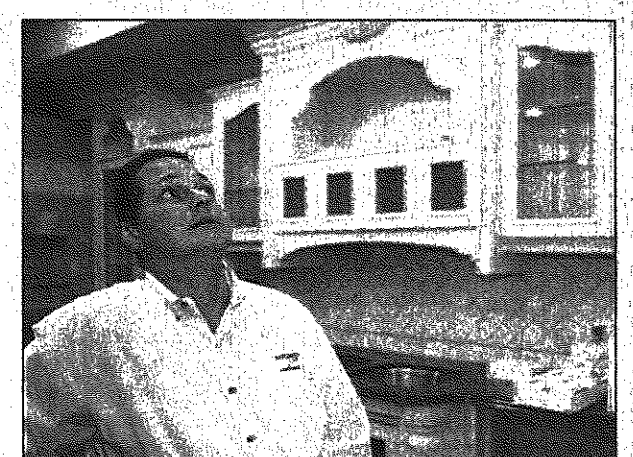

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John Scobie of Kitchen Studios in Birmingham looks over maple cabinets with a glazed finish he recently installed inside The Ultimate Show House at the Somerset Collection in Troy.

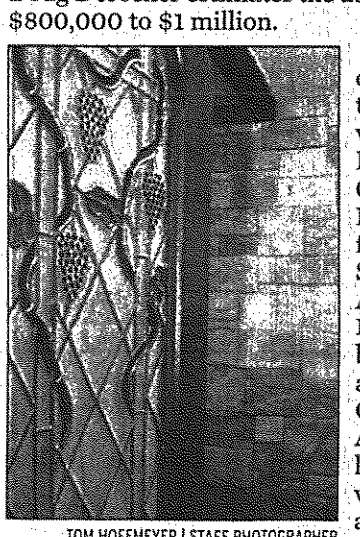
Show House opens for visitors at Somerset

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

You'd thought you'd just run over to the Somerset Collection and browse the stores. After a few minutes of walking, you've come across a new storefront.

Actually, it's not a store at all. It's a replica of a home, a show house, a stonemason's throw from Neiman Marcus in Somerset South in Troy.

The 2003 Somerset Home and Garden Show features The Ultimate Show House, 6,000 square feet with 16 rooms, which retails for about $2.5 million in a real-life setting in the Birmingham area. Builder Doug Derocher estimates the actual cost at $800,000 to $1 million.



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The wine pantry of the house comes complete with a stained glass door and cultured stone walls.

Nearly 80 percent of that was donated through the volunteer work of the Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters and Millwrights; supplies from Stock Building Supply & Stock Architectural Millwork; and the brick, landscaping and masonry of J.C. Cornillie. Approximately 35 local businesses provided building materials or labor to assist in the project.

Opening May 12 through June 20, the home will be the site of parties to raise money for charities or nonprofit organizations, such as the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Suite Dreams Project, CATCH, Habitat for Humanity and the United Way. The public can view the home during Somerset's business hours. Admission is free.

The idea of a show house was conceived after representatives of Dominick Tringali Architects of Bloomfield Hills made a site visit to a Las Vegas show house last winter.

That group discussed with a group of women what they wanted to see in a future dream home. Comments ranged from a place to "drop papers and mail when friends came over" to an "easy-to-operate home automation system."

Dominick Tringali Architects developed the house after discussing it with clients. Derocher, a third generation builder and owner of Custom Homes by Derocher in Royal Oak, was the builder. Standard Federal Bank served as a third sponsor.

Usually, Somerset is the site of a garden show to help charities, but this year Somerset's marketing officials wanted a different kind of event, said Leah Plotkin, marketing coordinator for Dominick Tringali Architects.

"We wanted to put together all the things that you would want in a dream home," Plotkin said.

"The only things that are missing are a roof, foundation and live plumbing," Derocher added.

The home was built in Somerset when a vacant storefront became available. Derocher only had two months and no money to build the site, but volunteer builders and architects got to work, he said. Derocher completed the project in 2-1/2 months.

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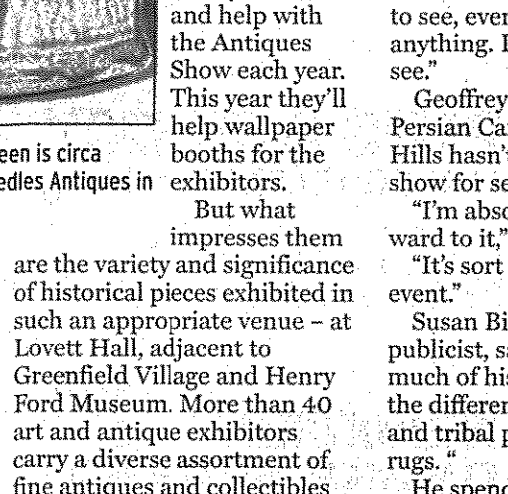
MARKET PLACE

Submissions

Do you have a special item you'd like to showcase in Marketplace on the front of At Home? We'd like to feature it!
Send a photo or slide of the piece, along with information, to: Ken Abramczyk, At Home editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.



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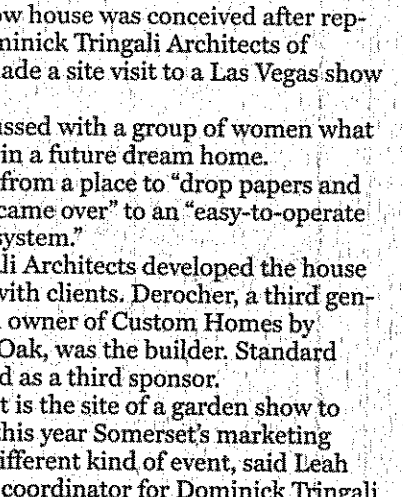

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and the tribes are "more jazzy."

Cathy Hemmer of Farmington Hills will be a dealer at the Utica Antiques Market. (See related box.) She will sell signed prints and jewelry there.

"I generally sell what I like myself," Hemmer said. "I look for aesthetics, and see if it is useful as well as beautiful."

Hemmer enjoyed the show last year, which was her first appearance there, so she's returned. "They have pretty much everything from A to Z there. There's lots of small items, china and giftware from the '30s, '40s and '50s, and good oak furniture."

When she purchases, then later sells, jewelry, she looks for pieces that are hard to find and unusual, she said.

"I look for anything that is different, and where people say 'I've never seen such a thing,'" Hemmer said.

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ANTIQUE SHOWS

Utica Antiques Market 2003

What: More than 200 dealers will attend, specializing in antiques and collectibles for serious collectors or the novice. Now in its 18th year.

When: 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 10, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 11. Shows also are scheduled July 12-13 and Sept. 6-7.

Where: Knights of Columbus grounds, 21 Mile Road, one mile east of Van Dyke in Utica

Admission: Adults, $5; children 12 and under free

19th Annual Greenfield Antiques Show and Sale

What: More than 40 art and antique exhibitors carry a diverse assortment of fine antiques and collectibles available for sale.

When: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 17, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 18

Where: Lovett Hall, adjacent to Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn

Admission: $10 at the door, includes an informational program book, admission to the show and sale, and the Saturday lecture with Kitty Bartholomew. Proceeds support kids' camps, classes and field trips, programs which serve 300,000 kids each year with exhibitions, films and programs of the museum and village.

For information and to order tickets, call (313) 982-6001.

Special guest: Kitty Bartholomew, HGTV's host of *Kitty Bartholomew: You're Home*, presents a special lecture at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 17, at the historic Anderson Center Theater on "Thinking Outside the Box: Using Color and Antiques in Your Home."

Other highlights: Preview Evening is 6-10 p.m. Friday, May 16, in Lovett Hall. This evening gives patrons a chance to view exhibitor pieces on sale before the public event. A special sneak preview of Greenfield Village's restoration will be part of the evening's festivities. Preview tickets range from $100 to $350 per person. For more information and to order Preview Evening tickets, call (313) 982-6115. In addition, one lucky ticket holder has a chance to win a 2003 Special Edition, 007 Ford Thunderbird, donated by Ford Motor Co. Raffle tickets are $10 each or six for $50 and may be purchased at Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village through July 6. Drawing will be in early September.

Learn the right way to choose a PDA

Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

"Which PDA should I buy?"

It's the rare day that I don't hear this question from a friend, neighbor, or family member. As someone who's spent the last half decade writing about the little marvels (PDAs, not my family), I guess I'm something of an expert, or so I've told people.

Admittedly, it's becoming increasingly complex to choose a PDA (a.k.a. personal digital assistant, or handheld PC). As with other consumer electronics, you face a dizzying array of brands, models, and prices. How can you make a smart decision? Have no fear; I'm an expert. (Note: if you're interested in PDAs that double as phones, stay tuned—I'll cover those in a future column.)

Start with price. You probably have a number in mind, and that will help narrow your choices. For instance, if your budget tops out at $100, you have two options: Palm's $99 Zire (www.palm.com), or whatever closeout deal on last year's models you can find in stores or online (try www.overstock.com). The Zire is a solid entry-level PDA—stylish, easy to use, and capable—but its screen isn't backlit, so you won't be able to read it in low- and no-light situations.

At the $200 price level, I recommend the Sony Clié PEG-SJ22 (www.sonystyle.com), which sports a gorgeous color screen, plenty of memory, an expansion slot, and one of my favorite features: a "jog dial," which lets you operate the unit one-handed.

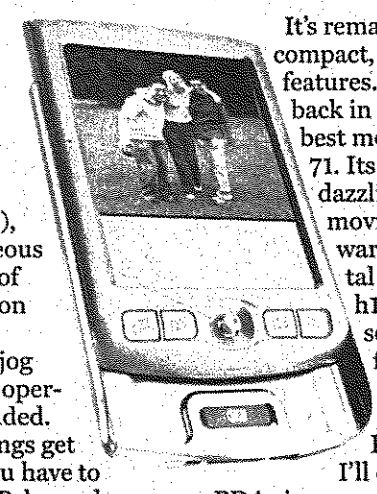
Beyond $200, things get a little trickier, as you have to decide between the Palm and Pocket PC operating systems—the core software inside the PDA. (It's not unlike choosing between Windows and Macintosh.)

Palm, Handspring, and Sony are the major manufacturers of Palm-based handhelds; Hewlett-Packard and Toshiba rule the Pocket PC camp. Microsoft makes the Pocket PC operating system, meaning those PDAs offer a more Windows-like interface.

Trust me when I say that's not necessarily a good thing.

Indeed, it's widely accepted—and I strongly agree—that Palm-based PDAs are much easier to learn and use than Pocket PCs. If you're a self-proclaimed technophobe or new to PDAs, you may appreciate a gentler learning curve.

That said, I've recently become smitten by the Hewlett-Packard iPAQ h1910 (www.hp.com)—a Pocket PC.



It's remarkably thin and compact, but still loaded with features. Meanwhile, Palm is back in the game with its best model in years, the Zire 71. Its highlights include a dazzling color screen, movie and music software, and a built-in digital camera. The iPAQ h1910 and Zire 71 each sell for $299, making for a decidedly tough choice.

Don't look at me—I'm no expert.

I'll discuss higher-end PDAs in an upcoming column.

In the meantime, happy shopping!

Rick Broida has joined the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* as a columnist who will write about computers and technology for the At Home section.

Broida grew up in Farmington Hills, graduated from North Farmington High School in 1986 and Michigan State University in 1990 with a degree in English. He resides in Commerce Township with his wife Shawna and their two children.

Broida has written for over 13 years, mostly in computer and technology magazines, including Wired, PC Magazine, FamilyPC and Home Office Computing. Broida is a co-author of several books on handheld computing, including "How to Do Everything With Your Palm Handheld", third edition. Broida also started Tap, the first and only magazine for users of PalmPilot handhelds, which later became Handheld Computing, where he is editor. Readers who have questions for Broida can email him at rickbroida1@excite.com

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Charity raffles: Somerset Collection and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Suite Dreams Project, CATCH, Habitat for Humanity and United Way will sell tickets for the Ultimate Home Raffle.
Tickets will be $10 each or three for $25. When purchasing raffle tickets, guests will have an choice (should they win) of a $2,500 gift certificate from Crate and Barrel, Pottery Barn/Pottery Barn Kids, Williams-Sonoma or Restoration Hardware. One winner will be drawn on June 20, the closing of the Ultimate Home.

Live Auction: Saturday, May 17, an black-tie optional evening of live auctions and appetizers with all proceeds benefiting charities.
For ticket information, call (248) 643-6360 or visit www.TheSomersetCollection.com.

Concert: A concert with the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra, Sunday, June 1. Enjoy an evening of music by the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra. Appetizers will be available.
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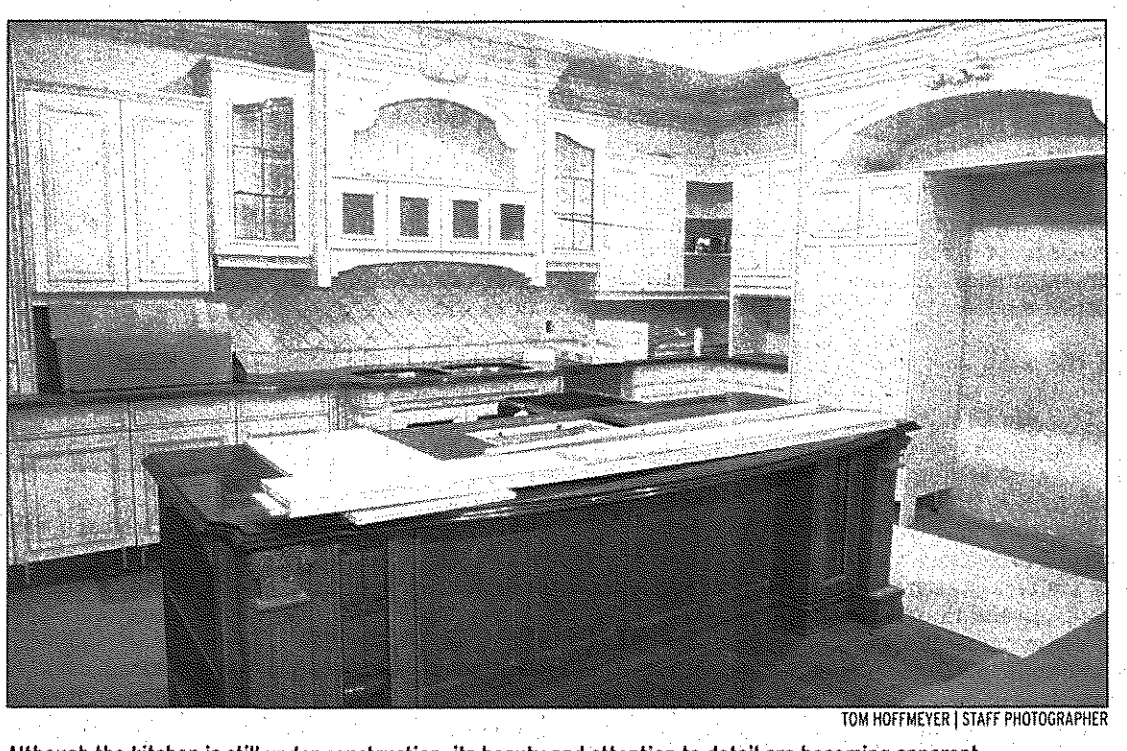

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Although the kitchen is still under construction, its beauty and attention to detail are becoming apparent.

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And what a home it is.

Beyond the entry, there's a foyer, adult gathering room and a library.

The home will be furnished with pieces donated by local stores.

A baby grand piano and 50-inch plasma TV are in the adult gathering room. Distressed, wide-planked oak floors add a comfortable feel to the formal dining room, and the cultured stone walls present an Old World, European look.

Bill Derocher, Doug's brother, also added distressed beams.

"It's a nice effect, it warms the room up," Bill said.

A butler's pantry features a yellow limestone countertop, and a wine room with a stone wall sits between the kitchen and dining room.

The kitchen is John Scobie's work of Kitchen Studios in Birmingham. Maple cabinets with a glazed finish grace the walls, which are also distressed with cracks and wormholes. Glazed cabinetry is a new trend in kitchens, Scobie said.

"Utility is the most important thing in being a functional kitchen," he said.

There are hard-drawn carvings, appliance garages, a drawer refrigerator and an in-wall coffee maker.

A dual elliptical ceiling in the vestibule will greet visitors who are walking through the home.

Brick veneers in the walkways add to the Old World motif of the home.

An outside courtyard features a fireplace and cultured stone.

Brick pavers and bluestone with the live plants create a balance of rock and greenery.

Plotkin credits Somerset officials with their efforts in working with Dominick Tringali and Derocher to make the Show House a success and raise thousands for the local charities.

"We'll try to top what's been done in the past," she said.

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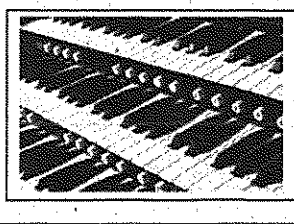

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HOME AND GARDEN CALENDAR

School of Gardening
The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes.
Register early. Seating is limited. For more information, call (248) 4-GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com.
The schedule includes these classes, which meet at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia, just west of Middlebelt in the Milo Shopping Plaza:
Designing the Outdoor Living Room (fee, $40), Monday, May 12; and the five-session Practical Gardening: So Many Ways to Grow ($162), beginning Tuesday, May 13, or Wednesday, May 14.

Ikebana International
Detroit Chapter 85 of Ikebana International will meet at noon Wednesday, May 14, at Southfield Presbyterian Church, 21575 W. 10 Mile.
Toshi Shimoura, Dolores Alexander, Mary Oshika and Rose Smitka will present the program, Japanese Fabrics for Home Decorating.

Plant sale fund-raiser
The Belle Isle Botanical Society has scheduled its annual plant sale fund-raiser 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, May 24, at Belle Isle Greenhouses across from the Belle Isle Aquarium on Inselruhe Avenue. Perennials, annuals, herbs, hostas, geraniums, mini-roses, rose varieties, heirloom tomatoes, houseplants and water hyacinths will be available. Profits will go to material, equipment and repairs to the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory. For information, call (313) 852-4064.

Climbing roses
Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, are celebrating spring with a series of free public programs Sundays and Mondays at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road, between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) roads in Sumpter Township.
Succeed with Climbing Roses, a slide presentation by Nancy Lindley, will take place 1 p.m. Sunday, May 11, or 11 a.m. Monday, May 12. Treat Mom to this colorful show and enjoy the many climbing roses in the display garden and nursery.
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Busy workers keep Cranbrook buzzing

Things are really buzzing at Cranbrook Gardens.

Cranbrook's Spring Plant Sale is scheduled noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 14. Note the **new hours** for the sale.

Garden Spot

Marty Figley

The entrance to Cranbrook Gardens is at 380 Lone Pine Road, just west of Cranbrook Road in Bloomfield Hills. Park at the Christ Church lot on Lone Pine Road across from the gardens and take a free shuttle to and from the sale.

Why the buzz? A special Golden Bee award is given to the House and Garden Auxiliary members who have volunteered the most hours in a year. The award is a beautiful gold bee lapel pin and is a coveted honor for the recipients.

There are a lot of "worker bees" in the House and Gardens Auxiliary, and you may wish to join and become a part of a great group of people.

There are two sections: the House and the Gardens.

The House section conducts fund-raisers for the upkeep of the house, carpets, art work, furniture, etc. The Gardens section keeps the greenhouse and gardens in tiptop condition and conducts plant sales for funds for the upkeep of the gardens. There are places for volunteers in the office, library, gatehouse and other areas; even a small commitment of time is helpful. Pick up a membership application when you shop at the sale.

AT THE SALE

This annual spring sale features the very best in plant material. Don't forget a shopping list!

The wildflower rescue team has assembled for your choosing another large group of plants. In addition, there will be herbs, perennials and greenhouse plants, including orchids.

A children's shopping area again will be open. Unusual garden items and books will be offered at the Thistle Shop.

The wildflower rescue team goes to areas that are designated for renewal and saves the wildflower plants that would otherwise be plowed under and destroyed. The volunteers then care for them until sale time. Greenhouse workers have been propagating many favorites and have been assembling dish gardens and specially mounted bromeliads. The orchid house is also overflowing with beautiful specimens.

All Auxiliary volunteers will be wearing bright yellow neck scarves for quick identification. Some of them will be buzzing around to answer **your** gardening questions. They will also give advice about planting and care of the plants you buy. Look for them at their designated spot.

LECTURES, RAFFLE

Two free lectures will be given during the sale.

The first, Rain Gardens: A New Concept in Ecological Gardening, will be presented at 6 p.m. May 13 by Lillian Dean, coordinator of SOCWA's Healthy Lawn and Gardens Program. You won't want to miss this informative talk. Rain garden plants will be sold at the perennial area.

Designing Container Gardens will be presented at 11 a.m. May 14 by Julia Dingle and Alison Mackinder of The Classic Garden. Learn about new and innovative combinations. The popular raffle will once more be conducted.

MARTY FIGLEY

The border garden at Cranbrook is maintained by Auxiliary volunteers.

As of this writing, the following businesses have been very generous and donated exciting items: Tiffany Florist, Goldner Walsh Nursery Inc., Blossoms, Tellys Greenhouse, Breath of Spring Florist, Bordine Nursery, Studio 330 and Michigan Gardener. Also: the wildflower, herb, perennial and greenhouse areas, Cranbrook Auxiliary, Marty Figley and Gerald Salerno.

VISIT CRANBROOK

Cranbrook Gardens is now open for visitors. Make a date to visit the 40 acres of gardens so lovingly tended by the Auxiliary members.

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Cranbrook House is maintained for the public and is also now open for visitors. Groups of 15 or more may arrange a guided house tour; luncheon may be arranged for 20 to 50 people. Four weeks notice is required.

Cranbrook House and its 40 acres of gardens are part of the Cranbrook Educational Community, which also includes Cranbrook Academy of Art and Museum, Cranbrook Institute of Science and Cranbrook Schools.

For further information about the sale and house and garden visits, call (248) 645-3147.

Good Garden Word

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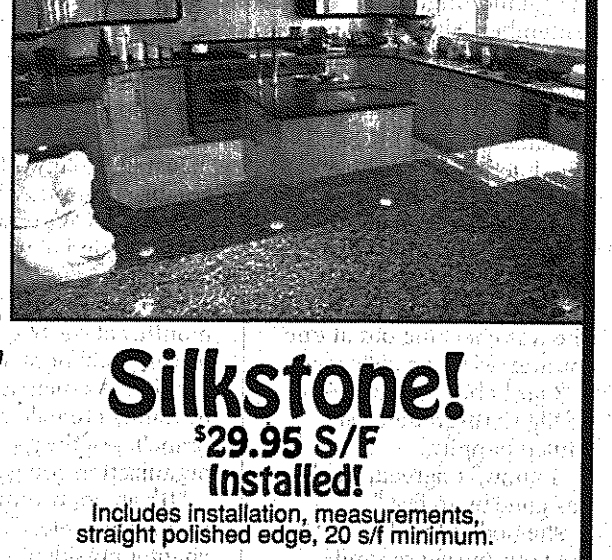

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Observer Life

Life Lines

Cathy Standish

A rose for Julie's mom

It was 11 years ago that we met in the prenatal exercise class. She was pregnant with Julie, I was pregnant with Taylor.

That year that exercise class was just what I needed. All day I would chase two tireless little boys, busy with friends, schools and activities. I needed a respite, a time to concentrate on this new baby to come. I loved meeting with all of the women; we would chat, share stories.

I learned she was the mother of two little girls and, like me, she was expecting baby No. 3. She was a nurse and I was a writer. In that 20 minutes of bending and stretching we shared stories of life and husbands and recipes. When it was all over 45 minutes later, we would run back to our schedules.

After the girls were born, there was no time. Feeding, burping, changing, the routine of caring for baby three. Then one day, before we even knew it, our babies went to school. Taylor in the morning kindergarten session, Julie attending school in the afternoon.

A couple of years ago she moved just a few blocks from me. I sometimes would see her jogging past my house, sometimes I run into her grocery shopping at Costco, some days I would see her picking up a child at school, or I might run into her at Target.

Somehow we had lost touch; life has a funny way of doing that. There seemed no more time to stop and chat, no time to compare stories. She had her life, and I had mine.

I heard once that she appeared on the "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" show. She actually sat across from Regis, and she won some money.

Through the years of passing in the hallway of that elementary school, through the years of waving a passing hello, shouting a greeting, I never forgot that prenatal exercise class.

I never realized how fast 11 years could fly by. Taylor and Julie are now fifth-graders preparing to move on to junior high in September. They are classmates this year, but their moms still don't see much of each other. I keep busy with the kids, with my husband's schedule; she keeps busy with her girls.

I ran into Julie's mom at Target just a couple of weeks ago. Her once-curly brown hair was covered with a hat. She was checking out at one counter, I was an aisle away.

"Our babies are going to be big sixth-graders," she smiled happily.

"I know," I agreed, "it all has gone by so fast."

She nodded and we gathered our purchases and walked through the door. I wondered why I didn't stop to talk longer. I wondered why I didn't invite her to lunch. I wondered why I didn't run through the parking lot, to ask her how she was doing. As I put my bags in the back of my van, I looked one more time for her. But she had gone.

Some days now, I look for her to jog past my house, I look for her during my runs to Costco, I look for her to pick up Julie from school; but that isn't needed any longer. Julie walks home from school with her friends. Taylor gets a ride

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They're Stepping Out

Scouts help raise awareness of domestic violence

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Victims of domestic violence should take heart from the patter of some 3,000 little feet through Kellogg Park and downtown Plymouth Sunday.

That's when some 1,500 Girl Scouts, all from the Huron Valley Council, took to the streets downtown for the eighth Stepping Out for a New Beginning Walk, the annual effort run by the Ann Arbor-based scouting headquarters to benefit domestic shelters serving Livingston, Monroe and Wayne counties.

"The event is held to raise awareness for domestic violence, and to provide local shelters with needed supplies that help them provide support to women and children in our community," said Jenny Haggerty of the Huron Valley Council.

The idea was born out of a brainstorming session during the infamous O.J. Simpson trial. Prosecutors in that case presented evidence of domestic abuse between Simpson and his former wife, Nicole, whom he was acquitted of killing, then later found responsible in a civil case.

According to Stepping Out co-chair Barb Svec, "we wished we could do something" to make people more aware of domestic violence. "This idea just came to us."

The Girl Scouts, their parents and adult leaders spend time before the walk collecting items — toilet paper, laundry soap, diapers, linens, wipes, food and other personal care items — and bundling them up to be handed out to shelters.

The scouts then bring the collected items to the walk in downtown Plymouth, where they are loaded into vans for distribution to the shelters run by First Step and La Casa.

The girls then walked a little more than a mile along a pre-determined route that featured various activities.

Margaret Hoffman, program director for the Huron Valley Council, said the shelters depend heavily on the donations.

"When you hear shelter officials saying they actually budget for this, you realize the need to fill this place up," Hoffman said.

Local officials agreed.

"The items collected from the Stepping Out Walk are extremely important to the families at our shelter," said Theresa Brizoe, first vice-president of First Step's board of directors. "The walk provides the basic necessities that keep the shelter pantry and linen closets stocked for months. The Girl Scouts do much to increase awareness by making the community of Plymouth aware of First Step's mission and needs."

The event was organized in 1995, and many of the scouts participating this year have been involved in most or all of them, and they've come to know the importance of the event.

"When we came to understand why we're doing this, it got to mean more to us," said Teja Paruchuri of Canton. "It's a great cause."

In addition to the annual walk, event organizers decided to put together a Girl Scout troop at the First Step shelter. Cadette Girl Scout Troop 900 participates in Girl Scout program activities.

"This is especially important to the shelter residents because of the uncertainty in their lives," said Girl Scout Leader Karen Clark, a member of the planning committee. "Joining a stable organization like the Girl Scouts can help them meet new friends when they relocate to their new home."

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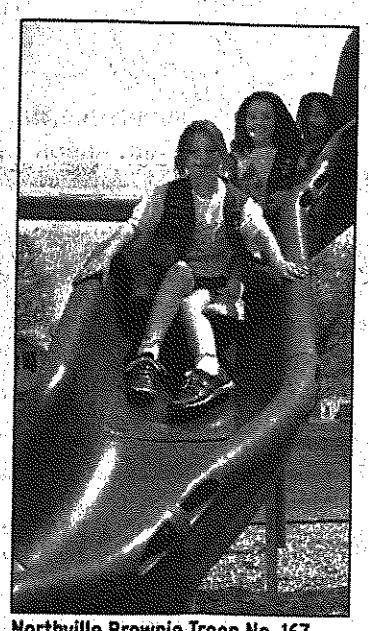
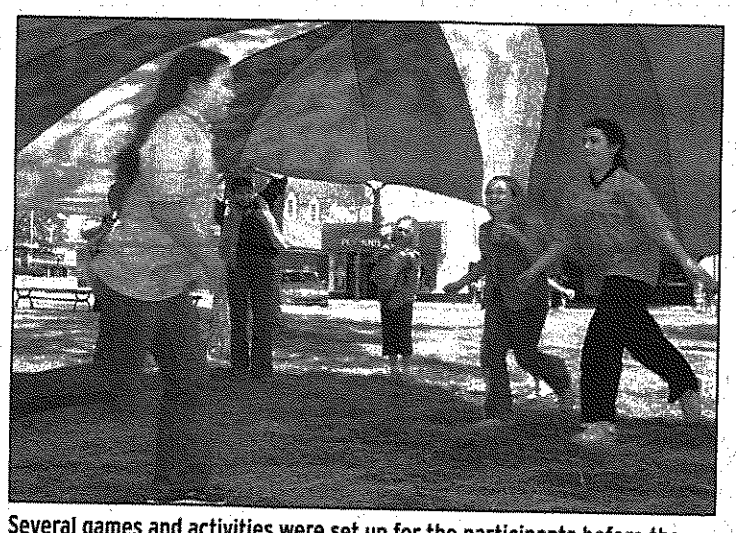
Canton Troop No. 163's members (from left) Katherine Coffey, 11, Amanda Aquiline, 11, Michelle Boji, 11, Gina Antonucci, 12, and Morgan Frayer, 11, help sort out the plethora of donations on Sunday during the Stepping Out for a New Beginning 2003 event in Plymouth.



Northville Brownie Troop No. 167 members enjoy a ride down the slide. They are (from left): Brittany Browers, 9, Emily Rencsok, 8, and Michelle Liu, 9.



Several games and activities were set up for the participants before the walk on Sunday. Here, Scouts run under the tarp when the caller names something that matches. They have to get across before the other holders can pull the tarp down on top of them. Running in this instance is Newport Troop No. 466's Meghan Baum, 11, Courtney Weiss, 9, and Canton Troop No. 900's Elizabeth Gives, 13.

WAC seeks members as 62nd year nears

BY MARY MCDONOUGH
STAFF WRITER

Just like many other veterans organizations, the Women's Army Corps, or WAC, is now fighting a different kind of war — that of its own survival.

WAC Chapter 15, which meets monthly at the Southfield VFW, has only a handful of active members left. As such, it is reaching out to younger female veterans in all branches of the military to keep the organization going.

"It's an opportunity to be of service to other veterans," said WAC chapter president Lt. Col. Freida Williams of West Bloomfield, a career military officer who is called on regularly to play Taps at military funerals.

Williams said the members work closely with Detroit's V.A. Hospital, raising money for activities and supplies, hosting a spring carnival, making visits with coffee and doughnuts and decorating a Christmas tree each year. Dues are $18 a year and the group meets the second Saturday of the month for a potluck. The national WAC organization also holds a conference every year, where all the local chapters can get together.

"Whenever a member dies, we make a $100 donation to the Army Women's Museum in Virginia," Williams said.

The WAC was a division of the army created in 1943, to which all women were assigned, to provide additional support during World War II. From there, they would be assigned duties in mostly secretarial, clerk and communications jobs.

Unlike its precursor, the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps, the WAC afforded women all the same military benefits, pay and protection of male soldiers. Through the WAC, 150,000 women served in World War II, including overseas in the South Pacific and European Theaters. The organization was disbanded when the army was integrated in the 1970s.

"The assimilation of males and females for basic training, I still think it is a stupid idea," said Barbara Becker of Plymouth, a retired master sergeant. "A lot of these women come from no rules to a long list of rules and they can't take it. And they don't need the harassment of some of these men."

The WAC insulated female soldiers and protected them from the type of sexual harassment that goes on today, said four members gathered at the VFW on a recent Wednesday to tell war stories over cookies and ice cream.

They spoke of days when female soldiers were not allowed to wear pants or jewelry and were required to wear lipstick in public.

Women have always been in combat, they said, just not in any official capacity until recently. "There have been women in combat ever since the Revolutionary War, just not officially," said Williams.

"Every person at this table has been in situations where there has been a lot of danger," said Mary Baker, who served as an army medic. "When I was 18 years old, I wanted to be an army nurse so bad."

In 1943, 1st Sgt. Sandra Intorre worked as a cryptographer, helping decode messages about military operations. Her turn in the war effort was short-lived however, because she had family living in Italy and as such, was considered a possible threat to national security. She was reassigned to the Pentagon and made the army a career, ultimately becoming a recruiter.

The stories could go on forever, but the numbers of those who served in the WAC, or even know what the WAC is, continue to dwindle. "When you go to the convention, you see it," said Becker.

Added fellow soldier Baker: "That's why we need new blood."

The U.S. Women's Army Corps is hosting a 62nd-annual birthday buffet lunch at 12 noon on Saturday, May 10, at the Ray Dunham VFW Hall located on Nine Mile, west of Telegraph. An $8 donation is required to attend and all female Army veterans are invited.

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Women's Army Corps members (seated, from left) Frieda Williams of West Bloomfield and Barbara Becker of Plymouth; and Mary Baker of Northville, (standing, from left) Sandra Intorre of Allen Park and Kay Vartanian of Dearborn, are among the active WAC members who meet monthly at the Southfield VFW.

AROUND TOWN

Art Fair
The Chelsea Painters 30th Annual Art Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, June 7-8, on the grounds of Chelsea Community Hospital.
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Book Appraisal
The Plymouth District Library will hold an informative session for book lovers when expert Jay Platt shares his knowledge of used, rare and unique books at 10 a.m. Friday, May 9. Call (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4, for more information.

Senior Housing Expo
The Senior Housing Expo is being held 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, May 15, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The expo will feature a guest speaker on senior housing, a luncheon, housing community booths and prize drawings. Reservations are required to (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

Spring Concert
The 16th annual Spring Concert performed by the Ann Arbor Youth Chorale will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 17, at the Chapel of the Holy Trinity at Concordia University in Ann Arbor. Contact Erin Claflin at (734) 996-4404 for further information.

Fish Fry
The Veterans of Foreign Wars sponsor a fish fry Friday, May 9, to be followed by karaoke at 8:30 p.m. Plymouth VFW is located at 1426 S. Mill St.

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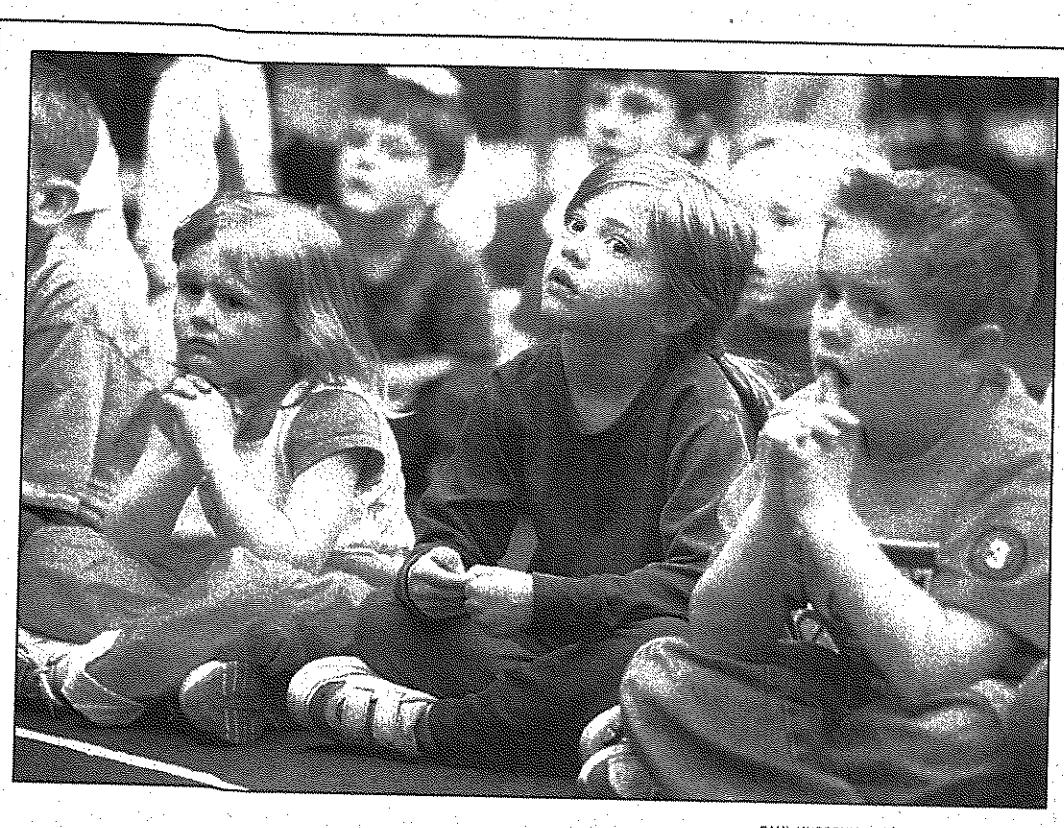

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Listening up
Ashley Thuernau of Canton, 4½, (from left) Katie Kleabir of Plymouth, 6, and Scott Thuerau, 6½, listen to Michael Brophy of R.E.P.T.I.L.E., Inc.

Crafters
Crafters are needed for the 16th annual juried show on Saturday, Oct. 18. The show will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at West Middle School. Call Jan at (734) 844-1707 or e-mail theways@comcast.net

Preschool Registration
Willow Creek Co-op Preschool is accepting registrations for the 2003-04 classes for 3 and 4-year-olds. Call Sherry Haskell at (734) 326-5735 for more information.

Inline Roller Hockey Leagues
Skatin Station II in Canton is accepting registration for the spring season. One game a week. Call (734) 459-6401 for more information.

Crafters Wanted
St. Thomas a'Becket Church in Canton is accepting applications for the Christmas Craft Show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6. Interested crafters should contact Gloria at (734) 981-0279.

Volunteer Training
First Step, the Western Wayne County Project on Domestic and Sexual Violence, is looking for volunteers. Call (734) 416-111, Ext. 202, for more information.

Plymouth Community Council on Aging
Free health screening for seniors 1-3 p.m. April 29 at the Plymouth Township Friendship Station. Please bring the name of your physician and relevant health history information. Please pre-register by calling (734) 453-1234 ext. 236.

Preschool Registration
The Plymouth Salvation Army is opening registration for its preschool programs for fall 2003. The 3-year-old program is on Tuesday and Thursday and the 4-year-old program runs Monday, Wednesday and Friday. For more information, call Peggy at (734) 459-1358 or (734) 453-5464, Ext. 25.

Fish Fry
Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center is again hosting an "All You Can Eat" 5-9 p.m. Friday night fish fry or pasta dinner at the Fox Classic Clubhouse. The cost is $8.75 per person.

Nursery Co-op Registration
Plymouth Children's Nursery Co-op registration has begun for the 2003-04 school year. Openings for 3-4 year olds, various class times and days. Call Nola Wellman at (734) 453-0595 for information.

Storytime
Peggy Price Heiney presents a special story time for children ages 5-7. Stories, creative dramatics and book selection round out this monthly session at the Plymouth Library. Registration is required. Call (734) 453-0750 for further information.

Plymouth Symphony
Plymouth Symphony League is launching the 2003 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale. The cost is $30. Place your order at the Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453-3016.

Free Blood Pressure Screening
Free blood pressure screenings will be taken at the Plymouth District Library 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month. No appointment is necessary. Call (734) 453-0750 for further information.

Recreation Registration
The City of Plymouth is now taking registration for its classes for all ages. Classes include gymnastics, dance, core body exercise, tots jump-a-rama, tae-kwon-do, personal development, aerobics, clogging, senior trips and programs and much more. Call (734) 455-6620 for more information.

CLUBS

NAMI
The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill will hold its public education meeting at 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 12, at St. Clare's Episcopal Church/Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard, Ann Arbor. For information, call (734) 994-6611.

DAR
The Sarah Ann Cochrane Plymouth-Northville Chapter of the DAR is holding the May meeting at Annette Heindryckxs' home at noon Monday, May 19. The program is the history of the Heindryckxs farmhouse. Contact Annette Heindryckxs at (734) 455-2864.

NACW
Sylvia Durant, author of *A Better Woman, A Better Man and A Better Child,* will be the guest speaker at the Tuesday, May 13, NACW meeting. The meeting is scheduled from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Ernesto's Restaurant in Plymouth. RSVP to Brenda Durling, (734) 462-4670.

Kiwanis Evening Club
Meetings are held at Station 885 at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday evening. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, contact Charline Miller at (734) 455-4782.

Mothers & More
The Wayne County chapter of Mothers & More meets twice a month in Plymouth. Call (866) 841-9140, Ext. 4329, or visit Web site mothersandmore63@onebox.com.

Exchange Club of Canton
Meetings are held the second and fourth Monday at Palermo's Restaurant in Canton.

P/C Vietnam Vets of America
Chapter No. 528 meets every second Monday of the month at the American Legion Post No. 32, 9318 Newburgh, Livonia. If you were a U.S. serviceman or woman and served between 1961 and 1975, you can join the Vietnam Vets. Visit the Web site for more information.

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

West Suburban Stamp Club
Meetings are 8 p.m. the first and third Fridays at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main in Plymouth.

BPW
The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Atlantis Restaurant on Ann Arbor Road. Guests are welcome. For more info and dinner reservations, contact Mary Brooks at (734) 420-0320.

SEPAC
Open to all residents of the Plymouth Canton community as well as school staff and administrators, SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Committee) meets 7-9 p.m. every second Monday of the month at Discovery Middle School in Canton. For additional information, contact Rich Ham-Kucharski (734) 844-1714.

Plymouth VFW
Fish fries continue every Friday from 5-7:30 p.m, through May 16. The price is $6 at the Plymouth VFW, 1426 S. Mill. All-you-can-eat fish and chips, additional items available. Call (734) 459-6700 for take-out.

MOPS-Plymouth
The MOPS group is now enrolling for fall. Relaxing fun time for moms while the kids ages 0-5 enjoy program of games, stories, singing and play. Meets first and third Fridays of the month from 9-11 a.m. at Lake Pointe Bible Chapel, 42150 Schoolcraft, Plymouth. Call (734) 420-0515.

Colonial Kiwanis of Plymouth
The Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth meets at noon Thursdays at Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Guests are welcome.
For information call Ernie Hughes, membership chairman, (734) 414-0400.

MOPS-Westland
Westland MOPS meets at Westland Free Methodist Church September through May on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. Free child care. Contact Nikki Guenther at (313) 937-2479.

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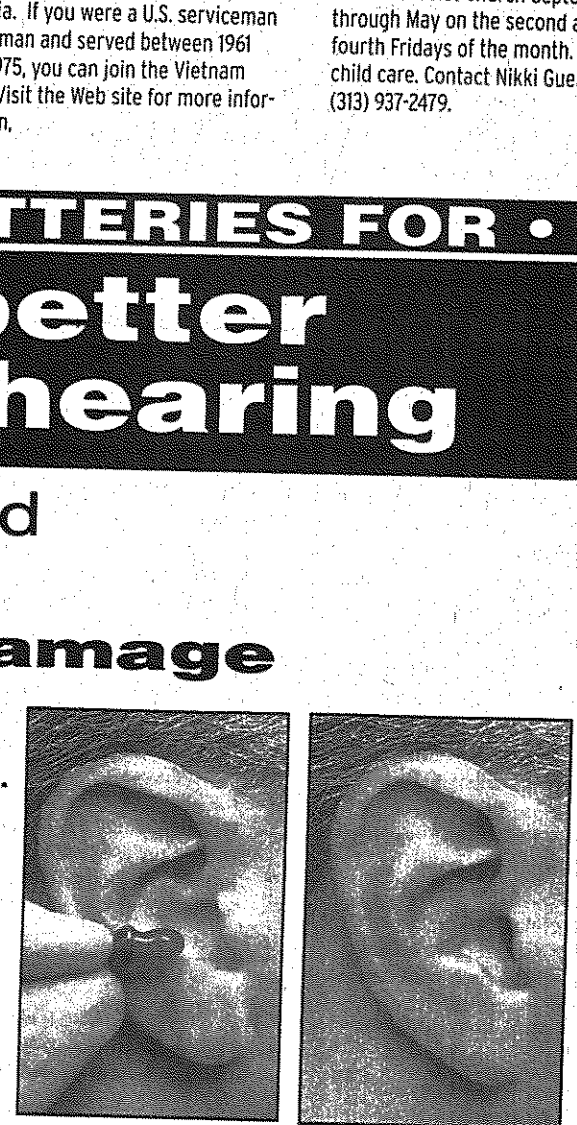

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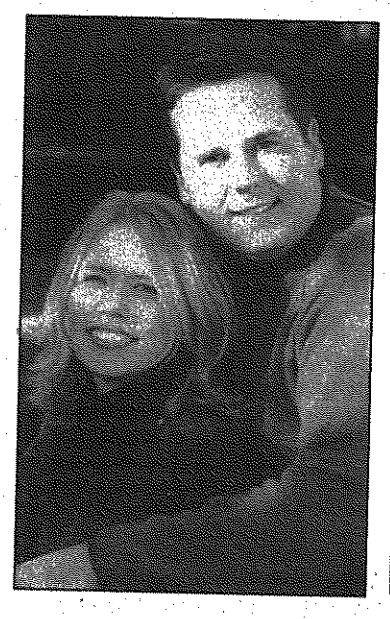


Shooks-Kraus

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Shooks of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacy Shooks, to Gary Kraus Jr.

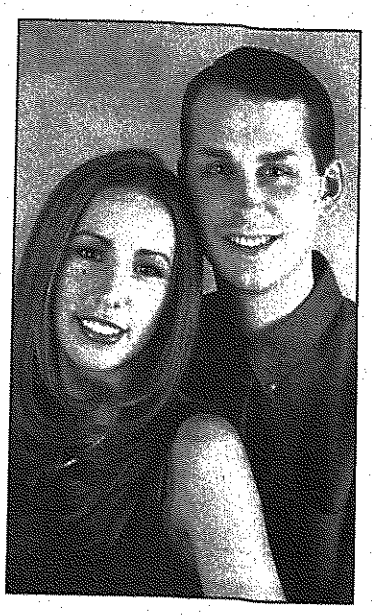
Stacy is a 1995 graduate of Churchill High School and a 2000 graduate of Central Michigan University. She is a third grade teacher for Wayne-Westland Schools.

Her financé, Gary, is the son of Gary and Marietta Kraus of Livonia.

He is a 1997 graduate of Churchill High School and a 2000 graduate of Michigan State University.

He is currently pursuing his masters and doctorate from Lawrence Technological University. He is an engineer for DaimlerChrysler.

The couple is planning an October wedding and will be making their new home in Livonia.

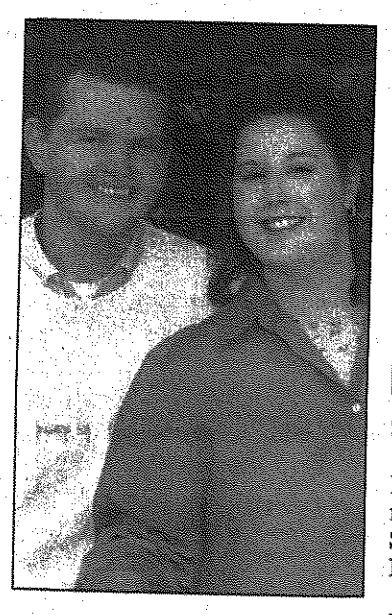


Carpenter-VanBelle

Glenn and Janice Carpenter of Lambertville announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Laura Ann Louise Carpenter, to Michael Bryan VanBelle.

Laura is a 2001 graduate of the University of Michigan where she earned a bachelor's degree in industrial and operations engineering. She is an engineer at Ford Motor Co.

Her fiancé Michael, is the son of Michael and Kathleen VanBelle of Livonia. He graduated from the University of Michigan in 2001 with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. He is an engineer at Ford Motor Co.



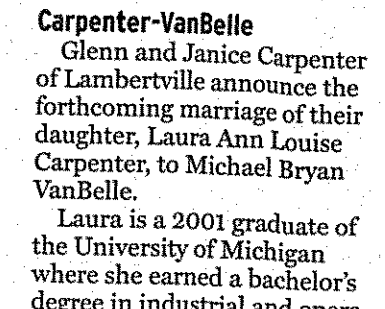
Strasser-Hughes

Robert and Kathleen Strasser of Westland announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Robyn Lynn Strasser, to Johnathon Preston Hughes of Livonia.

Robyn is a 2002 graduate of Wayne State University with a bachelor of science degree in psychology. She is employed with Comerica Bank.

Johnathon is the son of Sharon Hughes of Canadian Lakes, Mich. He is a carpenter with F.J. Pine Hollow.

The couple are planning a May wedding in St. John's Chapel.



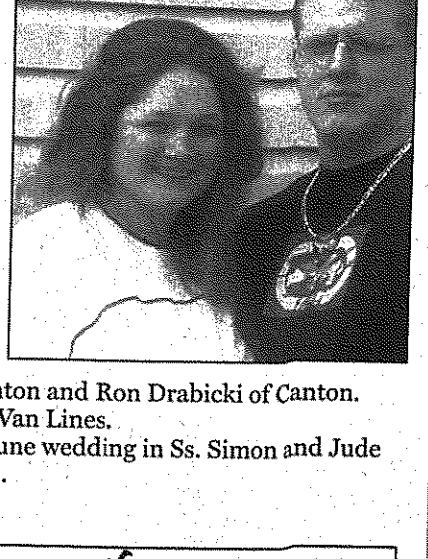
Schaefer-MacDonald

Joan and Jack Schaefer of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Ann Schaefer of Plymouth to Michael Patrick MacDonald of Westland.

Julie is a 1992 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1997 graduate of Madonna University. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in library science at Wayne State University.

Her fiancé, Michael, is the son of Pat and Harvey MacDonald of Livonia. He is a 1990 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1997 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He is a customer service manager for Comcast High Speed Internet in Ann Arbor.

The couple is planning a November wedding in St. Francis of Assisi Church, Ann Arbor. They will be making their new home in the Ann Arbor-Dexter area.



Prince-O'Kopski

Alan and Linda Prince of Plymouth and Judy Prince of South Lyon announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Rebecca Ann Prince, of Westland to Jerame O'Kopski of Westland.

Rebecca is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

She is employed by Comcast.

Her fiancé, Jerame, is the son of Jewel O'Kopski of Canton and Ron Drabicki of Canton.

He is employed by Grable Van Lines.

The couple is planning a June wedding in Ss. Simon and Jude Catholic Church in Westland.

'Women on Wednesdays' returns

The Detroit Tigers have announced the return of "Women on Wednesdays" to Comerica Park in Detroit for the 2003 season. A unique monthly pre-game program focusing on the achievements of women throughout Major League Baseball and sports, "Women on Wednesdays" is presented by Henry Ford Health Systems, *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* and FOX 2.

WXYT & WWJ Operations Manager Georgeann Herbert will be the first featured guest of the new season on Wednesday, May 14 prior to the Tigers game with the Oakland Athletics. Herbert was named the operations manager for WXYT & WWJ in November of 2000 and 2003 marks her 30th year in radio. She has received awards for news coverage from the Associated Press, UPI and the Radio Television News Directors Association, including the Edward R. Murrow Award twice. Additionally, Herbert has received the National Headliner Award.

The "Women on Wednesdays" program will take place in the Upper Deck Lounge, located on the 300-level of Comerica Park, from 5:30-7 p.m., and each program is scheduled to feature an interview with a current Tigers player and coaches.

New to the "Women on Wednesdays" program this season is a pre- and post-event networking segment, providing all guests the opportunity to meet the featured guest, as well as members of the Tigers front office.

Additionally, numerous door prizes will be awarded to Tigers fans in attendance, including a day at Visage Spa in Bloomfield Hills.

"This event provides a unique, fun opportunity for Metro Detroit professional women to enjoy Tigers baseball and meet others in an affiliated or similar industry to theirs," said Tigers executive assistant to the senior vice president's Tamara Mitin.

Admission to "Women on Wednesdays" is free with a ticket to the game on May 14 against Oakland. Tickets may be purchased by calling (248) 25-TIGER, or by visiting www.detroittigers.com, the box office at Comerica Park or any Ticketmaster outlet.

The upcoming schedule (with guests):

June 18 - Lucinda A. Treat - chief legal officer, Boston Red Sox

July 9 - Wendy Lewis - vice president of recruitment & diversity, Major League Baseball

Aug. 20 - Phyllis Merhige - vice president of club relations, Major League Baseball

Sept. 3 - Denise Ilitch - president, Ilitch Holdings, Inc.

RELIGION CALENDAR

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar fax it to (734) 591-7279 or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150. The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

EVENTS

Hospice/loss workshop
Madonna University's hospice education department will offer its third annual Grief and Loss Summer Institute May 8-10. The three individual workshops will be held 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Topics include Assisting Children and Teens in Grief; When Families Grieve; and a Bereavement Coordinators Workshop. Cost is $85 for each workshop. Call Dr. Jack LoCicero (734) 432-5471 or e-mail jlocicero@madonna.edu

Spaghetti dinner
St. Dunstan Catholic Church, 1526 Belton, Garden City, will hold a spaghetti dinner 4-7:30 p.m. Friday, May 9, to benefit its "Feed My Lambs" pantry program. Adults, $6; children 4-10, $3; children 3 and younger, free. Call (734) 425-4396.

Talk it Over
The topic for Talk it Over this month is verbal abuse. Round table discussion followed by refreshments. Childcare provided. 7 p.m. Friday, May 9.

Plant sale
Don't forget to buy flowers for mom on Mother's Day. St. John Episcopal Church's "Premiere Plant" sale will be held Mother's Day weekend 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 9-11. The church is located at 555 South Wayne Road (between Palmer and Cherry Hill), Westland. Call (734) 721-5023.

Ongoing celebration
On Sunday, May 11 as part of our ongoing celebration of our congregation's mission and ministry for over 50 years, we will welcome the return of Pastor Paul Nuechterlein as guest preacher. Please join us for a special time of fellowship with Pastor Nuechterlein and his family at 9:30 a.m. and then our gathering around word and sacrament in worship at 10:30 a.m.

Blood drive
St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia (1 block west of Inkster Road), Livonia, will hold a blood drive 1-6 p.m. Monday, May 12. For an appointment, call Jay Hohenshil at (734) 455-3349. Walk-ins welcome.

Mission choir
The choir from Grundy Mountain Mission will be at Kenwod Church of Christ, 20200 Merriman Road, Livonia, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May14. This widely acclaimed choier has sung internationally, and has appeared on television and at Disney World and Opry Land. For more information, call Memorial Church of Christ at (734) 464-6722.

Dementia
Church of the Holy Spirit Episcopal, 9083 Newburg Road, Livonia, will host a speaker and video presentation on dementia 7 p.m. Thursday, May 15. Mr. John Robertson is a therapist in the geropsychiatric unit at Botsford General Hospital. Question-and-answer period will follow presentation. Refreshments. Free will donation requested. Call (734) 591-0211.

Mother/Daughter Dinner
A Mother and Daughter Dinner at Villa Marie will begin at 6:30 p.m. May 15 at St. Edith's Church, 15131 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Adults, $12, children 10 and under. $6. Call (734) 464-9494 by May 5 for reservations.

Women's fellowship
Meeting in room C317-C319 for Women's Fellowship movie night 7 p.m. Friday, May 16. Bring a blanket, pillow and slippers (no pajamas, sorry). Popcorn and pop available.

Concert
The Langsford Men's Chorus, whose repertoire ranges from classical hymms to spirituals, all sung in glee club tradition, will hold a concert at the First Baptist Church of Detroit, 21200 Southfield Road, Southfield, 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 16. A free-will offering will be accepted. Call (248) 569-2972.

Marriage encounter
Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy, and renew their love for each other. The next weekends are schedule May 16-18 and June 20-22 at the St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mild Road, Plymouth. $50 registration fee. Call Bill and Carol at (248) 528-2512 or Dan and Debbie at (810) 286-5524.

Festival of music
The Choirs of the Episcopal Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Detroit will present "A Festival of Cathedral Music" 4 p.m. Sunday, May 18. The concert will feature the Choir of Men and Boys, the Choir of Women and Girls, and the Chamber Choir. Suggested donation: $10 adults, $8 students and seniors, and $25 families. The Cathedral is located at 4800 Woodward Avenue at Warren Avenue, in the heart of Detroit's Midtown Cultural Center. There is lighted, gated parking accessible via East Warren Avenue. Contact Robert Kellerman at (313) 833-4438.

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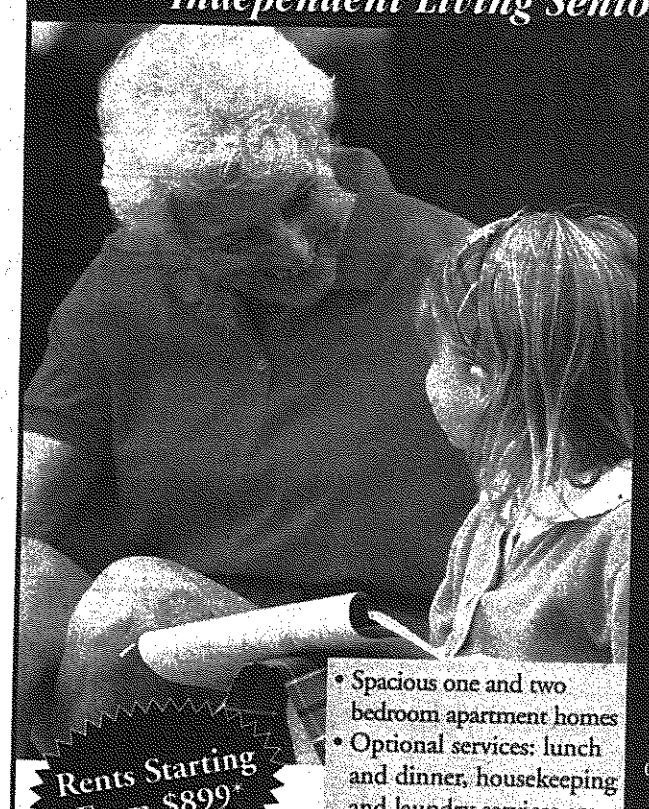

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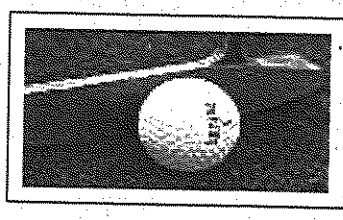

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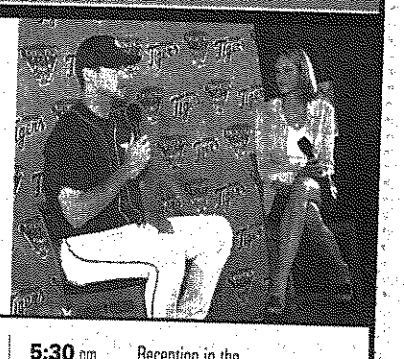

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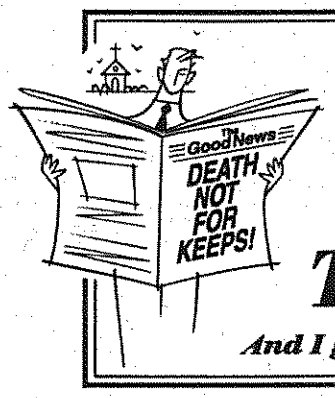

The Easter message is the core of the Gospel. The good news of Christianity is that death is not the last word, but rather a transition to our true home with God. Death may seem invincible; after all, each of us will die, having little control over the details of when, where and how we will die. On the surface, death looks both inescapable and permanent. However, we should not be fooled by the external appearance of death. For death affects only our bodies. At the core of our being is our immaterial soul, the eternal spirit which we share with our Heavenly Father. Although we tend to identify ourselves with our earthly bodies, the Easter message reminds us that this is a mistake. Our physical bodies are nothing more than transient shadows and not our true selves. Easter is a celebration of our true selves, our eternal souls. The Bible tells us: "The Good News was promised long ago by God through His prophets... It is about His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: as to His humanity, He was born a descendant of David; as to His divine holiness, He was shown with great power to be the Son of God by being raised from death." (Romans 1:2-4).

The Good News

And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, and no one shall snatch them out of My hand. R.S.V. John 10:28

So many projects, so little time

Squeeze the Day

Lynn Waldsmith Pawlik

School is winding down, and so, for awhile hopefully, will the number of projects the kids bring home. Don't get me wrong. I love all of their handmade creations, especially my 3-year-old's most recent drawing of me. I look like a fetching alien with a gigantic head, big eyes and tiny stick arms and legs. My refrigerator is plastered with renderings of mermaids, animals, flowers and other original artwork from my two Picassos.

But to tell the truth, I need a break from all the "projects." Every month, my first-grader brings home a new "family project." It's simple enough, really. We are asked to decorate one side of a shape made out of construction paper with items like beads, fabric, stickers, cereal, etc. (Let me say right now that whoever invented glitter should pay, and I mean pay.)

We are also instructed to include all family members in the monthly project. This involvement usually consists of big sister telling little sister not to touch anything, at which point little sister starts whining and crying that she wants to help. So big sister tells little sister she can help only if she does what she says.

Dad's role usually consists of gluing one tiny sequin on the nearly finished project, or walking by and remarking how nice it looks. My duties typically include locating all materials, laying down newspaper in preparation for the inevitable spills and mess to come, giving suggestions and encouragement, and, of course, cleaning everything up.

Our first successful attempt at family creativity involved transforming a blank paper doll into a Hawaiian hula dancer, complete with a skirt made from leftover plastic green grass from the previous year's Easter baskets. Since then, we've tackled the artistic challenge of decorating a pumpkin, a turkey, a Christmas tree, a snowman, a heart, a shamrock, and a raindrop. Now, we have to do a flower.

But that's just for starters. There are many more projects.

In March, for example, my daughter brought home instructions for three required school projects in one week. In addition to decorating a shamrock for the monthly project, she had to decorate a Mardi Gras mask and make a "leprechaun trap" to bring to school on St. Patrick's Day.

I looked at my husband. "You do the leprechaun trap with her," I told him point blank. I may be creative, but I draw the line when projects become mechanical in nature. Even if they only require first-grade mechanical skills.

Then I can't forget the biggest project of the school year. It was the "100 Day" project. Students had to make something, anything they wanted, out of 100 things and bring it on the 100th day of school. I had saved some Popsicle sticks and helped Eileen count them out. Then she spent days painting them vibrant colors before my husband helped her glue them together in the shape of flowers.

I have to admit, seeing the proud look of accomplishment on her face made it all worthwhile. (And it even made me almost forget my mad dash to Michael's in a desperate search for a green Styrofoam base.)

Even little Erin brings projects home from preschool. I had to help her make a "Me and my family" poster by assembling a collage of photos. We also had to look through magazines and cut out pictures for the "What do people wear" project and the "What do people eat" project. Besides gluing the pictures, she gave the projects finishing decorative touches with markers and glitter glue. (If there's one thing I've learned when it comes to projects, it's that kids like "sparkly" things.)

Now, all these projects are good for kids, I know. Nothing can replace hands-on work for promoting their creativity and self-esteem. And I know these projects are also meant to promote bonding between parents and their children. And they have. It's just that when you add homework and all the rigors of daily life into the equation, tackling project after project can be a bit tiresome at times.

Not only that, but we have our own never-ending home maintenance and home improvement projects to deal with. Sometimes it's just overwhelming to think of all the projects we have to do around here and all the school projects we'll be doing with the kids for years to come.

I guess when you come right down to it, life is one big project. We, ourselves, are all works in progress, so to speak. But it sure would be nice just to do nothing for awhile ...

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SENIOR CITIZEN FIX UP/CLEAN UP COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Saturday May 31, 2003

Sponsored by the Youth of Unity

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'Fix Up-Clean Up' project is May 31

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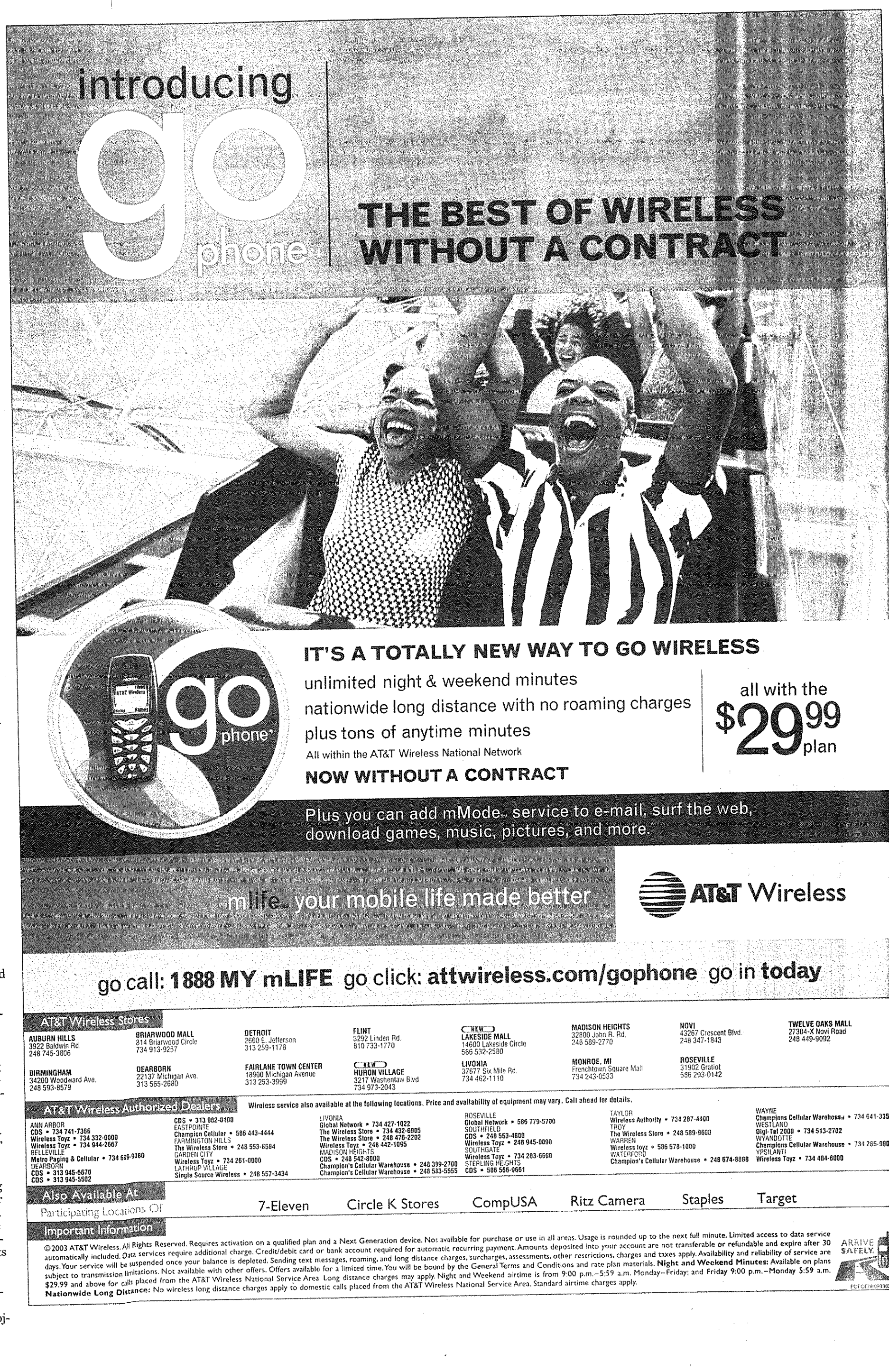
What is the Fix Up-Clean Up project? Teams of parents and teens go into the community once a year to help the elderly in and around their homes by doing odd jobs.

Who qualifies for free chore services? All persons 65 years or older living in Livonia, Novi, Farmington, Farmington Hills and any Unity congregation member. . Special consideration will be given to those with physical handicaps or difficulties with activities of daily living.

When will services be provided? May 31, 2003

How do you apply? Fill out the application below and mail it to us by May16.

We will select applications based on seniors most in need and the availability of workers. We will contact those who are selected.



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SBF, 33, sweet, loving and kind. Enjoys flowers, massages and more. Seeking SM, 29-45, who is honest, loving and kind-hearted. Ad#: 415616

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I am a happy, SBF, 52, hoping to meet an older, friendly, happy and I am hoping to have a positive, open relationship. Ad#: 415321

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SWF, 51, shapely, blonde hair, green eyes. Enjoys sports, animals, time with family and friends. Seeking a SWM, 46-59, who is an honest, sincere gentleman. Ad#: 409894

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SWF, 38, 5'6", slim, brown hair, blue eyes, humorous and open. Enjoys the outdoors, swimming, hiking, walking, biking and more. Seeking a SWM, under 50, who is honest, trustworthy, dedicated, loving and fun. Ad#: 408455

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Meet this active, petite, SWF, 60, who enjoys life and has a great sense of humor. Seeking a SWM, 57-70, to spend time with. Ad#: 406650

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SWF, 52, 5'6", brown hair and eyes. Enjoys movies, long walks, music, biking and more. Seeking a SWM, 45-52, who is humorous, easygoing, well-educated and enjoys the same. Ad#: 406420

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Laid-back SWF, 39, 5'6", who enjoys hockey, movies, reading and exercising, seeking an honest, hard-working SM, 35-49. Ad#: 405231

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Single white female, 61, 5'6", 135lbs., blonde, non-smoker, likes dancing, music, dining, flea markets, boating, swimming. Seeking a romantic, sincere, humorous, single white male, for friendship, possible long term relationship. Oakland County replies only! Ad#: 404120

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31 yr old, divorced mom, 5'4", 110 lbs, likes skating, music, rock concerts, water sports and more. Seeks attractive white male, 30 to 40, who plays no games. Ad#: 403693

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32 yrs old, 190lbs., 5'5", Hispanic mother of three, likes movies, dining in and out. Seeks male who likes children. Ad#: 403700

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Cute, classy female, seeks male, 62 to 70, to share casino, travel, movies, family fun and more. Oakland County preferred. Ad#: 403699

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38 yrs old, 5'8", full figured, professional, secure, Italian female, non-smoker. Likes dining in and out, movies, theater, sports, fishing, swimming, boating and more. Seeks male, 35 to 45, for a posible commitment. Ad#: 403695

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43 yr old, fit, single black female, seeks single black male, 40 to 45, who is fit and employed. Likes life, movies, jazz and more. Ad#: 403710

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34 yrs old, single white, full figured female, likes Bingo, movies, the mall and more. Seeks single, Hispanic or white male, 28 to 45, who likes having fun. Ad#: 403708

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Financially secure, employed, single mother of two, looking for a single male with good family values, who would like to do things together. Ad#: 403932

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5'2", 165 lbs, single black female, searching for a black male with a nice build and honest. Enjoys outdoors, karaoke, church and more. Ad#: 403939

WHERE ARE YOU?
50 yr old, divorced white female, 5'2", 112lbs., blue eyes. Enjoys music, concerts, outdoors, motorcycles, dancing, etc...Searching for a single male to enjoy life, who's honest, loyal and with a sense of humor. Ad#: 403942

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46 yr old female, 5'7", brown hair and eyes, Irish/Greek. Enjoys pets, dining out, quiet times at home. Seeks level headed, down to earth, generous, kind male. Ad#: 403983

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42 yr old, blonde Polish female, wishes to meet blonde Catholic. Likes sun tanning, Camp Dearborn, sports, music, shopping, dancing. Ad#: 403975

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Attractive, 32 yr old single mom, blue eyes, red/blonde hair, 5'6". Loves hockey, coaching sports, fishing, boating, long walks, outdoors. Seeks man who loves children and isn't afraid to try new things, honest and open. Ad#: 403976

AWAITING YOUR CALL
Attractive widowed white female, enjoys nature, outdoors, dining out, gourmet cooking, music, dogs. Seeks intelligent, non-smoking man who enjoys the simple life. Ad#: 403981

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32 yr old single mother of one, red/blonde hair, blue eyes, 5'6". If you are interested, give me a call. Ad#: 403984

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Single white female, 55, non-smoker, social drinker, active, well groomed, healthy, sincere. Loves theater, playing golf, travel, flowers, Florida in the winter, outdoors. Seeks male. 56 to 65, who has lived a good life and is looking for a stable companion Ad#: 403974

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Divorced white female, 5'8", 125 lbs, hazel eyes, outgoing, fun loving, enjoys dining out, movies, dancing and more. Searching for an honest, intelligent, down to earth single male, 50 and older, to share romance and adventure. Ad#: 403970

AM I ASKING TOO MUCH
55 yr old female, widow, 5'7", 140lbs., employed, has two grown daughters. Enjoys sports, long walks, quiet evenings, movies. Looking for a man, 5'10" and up, height and weight proportionate, sincere, not into mind games. Ad#: 403910

LOOKING FOR YOU
Single white female, dark brown hair and eyes. Enjoys biking, bowling, movies, candle light dinners, dancing, camping. Seeking a single white male who is honest, outgoing and enjoys a variety of interests. Ad#: 403895

DON'T BE SHY
37 yr old, white female, employed, plus size, 5'2", enjoys movies, outings, sporting events, family get togethers. Seeks employed, tall male, 27 to 47, who can make her laugh, non-drinker preferred. Ad#: 403878

NO GAMES
56 yr old female, 5', enjoys movies, walks, cards. Looking for an honest and caring, good hearted man with good morals. Ad#: 403889

FIND YOUR FUTURE
Single female, likes church, being home, and more, looking for single male who likes having fun, traveling, and more. Ad#: 403674

KEEP ME COMPANY
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Single female who enjoys reading, gardening, cooking, painting and sports events. Searching for a single male with similar interests. Ad#: 403860

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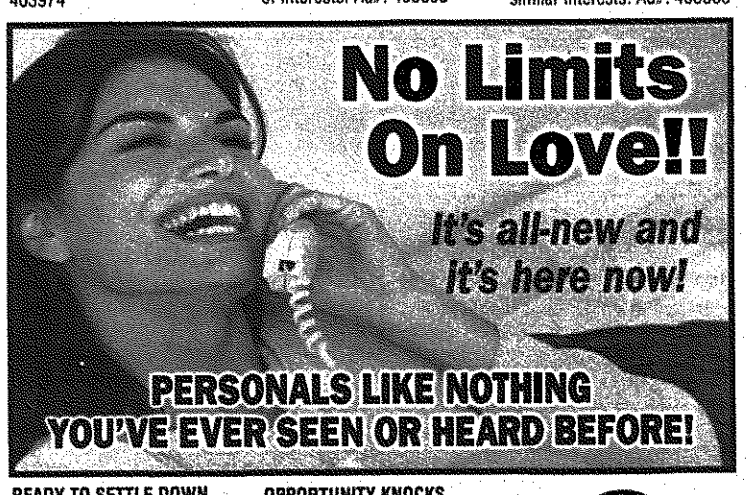
THINKING OF YOU
24 yr old, white single Christian female, full figured, likes church, long walks, movies, candlelight dinner, and more. Searching for a single Christian male, of any race, 26 to 35, who shares similar interests. Ad#: 403866



READY TO SETTLE DOWN
29 yr. old single white mother of one, full figured, 5'9", auburn hair, brown eyes. Enjoys camping, country music, playing cards, NASCAR, quiet evenings at home. Seeks family man, 30 to 45, over 5'9" non-smoker, who is ready to settle down and enjoy family life Ad#: 403930

LOOKING FOR YOU
22 yr old single African American female, mother of one, non-smoker. Enjoys shopping, movies, long walks in the park. Seeking non-smoking male, children ok. Ad#: 403924

JUST WHAT YOU NEED
Single female, brown skin, 136 lbs, 5'4", works out, looks good, is honest. Loves music, walks, antiques and having fun. Seeks honest man who is not afraid to share himself. Ad#: 403972

ITS A WONDERFUL LIFE
White Christian female, attractive, enjoys playing board games, writing, gospel music, singing, dining out, movies, sports, classic cars, dressing up like a lady. Seeks down to earth Christian gentleman, 35 to 53, non-smoker, non-drinker, no head games. Ad#: 403917

SEEKING MR. RIGHT
42 yr old divorced white mother of two, average height and weight. Loves animals, cookouts, family get togethers, sports, camping, hiking, bike riding, fishing. Seeks down to earth, romantic, hard working, caring male for serious relationship. Ad#: 403923

LOOKING FOR YOU
21 yr old black female, brown skin, smoker, likes music, reading, movies. Seeks intelligent, honest, loyal good looking, caring male, 25 to 35, prefers smoker. Ad#: 403919

NO GAMES
44 yr old female, tall, medium build, very attractive, college graduate. Enjoys theater, fine dining, dancing, travel. Seeks professional man, 40 to 55, nice build, with no young children, non-smoker. For friendship, maybe more. Ad#: 403900

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS
55 yrs young female, looking for an honest, caring man with a sense of humor, who likes dancing and quiet times alone. Friends first, possible relationship. Ad#: 403904

ALL FOR YOU
Single, white female, blonde, 5'6", 135 lbs, 60, non-smoker, enjoys dancing, dining, music and flea-markets and life. Would like to share life with a humorous man. Ad#: 404117

MAKE ME SMILE
Single white mother of one, 25, 5'4", 125lbs., brown hair and eyes, professional. Enjoys dancing, movies, sports. Seeks male, 25 to 40, who enjoys life and can make her smile. Let's get to know each other and then see what happens! Ad#: 403682

SERIOUS REPLIES ONLY
African American female, 28, 5'7", thick but shapely, enjoys working out. Seeks male, 28 to 35, race unimportant, children welcome. Tattoos and piercings are a plus. Ad#: 403683

PICK UP THE PHONE
Divorced mother of one, petite, brown hair and eyes, educated, employed. Likes water sports, rock concerts, roller skating. Seeks handsome guy, 30's, to enjoy life with one step at a time. Children okay. Ad#: 403688

ENJOY LIFE WITH ME
5'4", medium weight, short hair, wears glasses, good smile, good sense of humor. Enjoys sports, sewing, interior design. Seeks intelligent, fun, family oriented, financially secure, adventurous male. Ad#: 403880

I'LL MAKE YOUR DAY
45 yr old female, non-smoker, 5'8", medium build, fit, romantic. Enjoys working out, outdoors. Looking for non-smoking male who is health conscious, enjoys working out. For long term relationship. Ad#: 403891

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS
Divorced white mother of one, 29, non-smoker, 5'4", 120lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes. Enjoys golf, roller blading, camping, fishing. Seeks single white male, 29 to 34, who's honest, fit, intelligent, good looking, caring, decent and likes children. Ad#: 403886

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LOOKING FOR YOU
SWM, 44, 5'10", enjoys movies, dining out, the beach and much more. Looking for a SWF, 36-55, with similar interests, for friendship first. Ad#: 403714

TIRED OF BEING ALONE
SWM, 49, hard-working, 5'8", 175lbs. Seeking a SWF, 45-48, who is easygoing, intelligent and fit, for a long-term relationship in the Redford area. Ad#: 406401

LOOKING FOR LOVE
SWM, 51, 5'10", 180lbs., enjoys going to church, concerts, the outdoors and much more. Seeking SWCF, 40-53, who is a N/S, S/D, with similar interests. Ad#: 415081

HONEST & AFFECTIONATE
Caring, SWM, 52, 6', 190lbs., who enjoys the outdoors, dining out and movies. I can offer honesty into a relationship with a SWF, under 60. Ad#: 415392

WAITING TO MEET YOU
5'9", blue eyed, SWM, 44, who is active but sometimes shy. His hobbies are rollerblading, biking, working out, etc. Seeking a SWF, 18-50, who is physically fit and outdoorsy. Ad#: 415904

HELLO
SBM, 30, 5'7", 185lbs. Enjoys sports, cars, reading, movies, music and more. Seeking a SBF, under 45, who is easygoing, open, honest and loving. Ad#: 411134

FUN & FRIENDLY
SWM, 44, brown hair, blue eyes, fun, interesting and assertive. Enjoys playing guitar, riding my motorcycle, concerts, movies and more. Seeking a SWF, 34-45, who is fun, humorous, outspoken, warm, caring, generous and has a nice smile. Ad#: 409214

EASY TO TALK TO!
Single white male, 45, 6'2", 209lbs., muscular, atheltic, brown hair, blue eyes, clean cut, degree, never married, no dependents, outgoing personality, enjoys rollerblading, working out, etc. Seeks a friendly single female. Wayne County Ad#: 404066

CONTACT ME SOON
SWM, 43, loves being active, traveling and the outdoors. Very loving and is looking for a SF, 18-45. Ad#: 416039

LOVES LIFE!
5'9", SWM, 44, who is easy-going, very honest and considered a very nice guy. He enjoys the outdoors, boating, etc. Hoping to meet a SF, 25-45, for a possible relationship. Ad#: 415956

TRUSTWORTHY
SBM, 26, 6'4", muscular, outgoing, and loving. Enjoys sports, travel, movies and more. Seeking a SAF, under 41, who is goal-oriented, honest, fun-loving and dedicated. Ad#: 415847

DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH
Attractive, DWM, 39, 6', 220lbs., reddish-blond hair, blue eyes. Interests include dining, boating, concerts, Michigan football and movies. Seeking an attractive, SWF, size 10-20, who has a great sense of humor, 30-45, let's share the summer together. Ad#: 402353

READY?
SBM, 33, 6'3", 200lbs., is a smoker and a S/D. Enjoys a wide variety of interests. Seeking a SWF, 30-39, who is intelligent, goal-oriented and honest. Ad#: 415694

MUST BE HONEST
SBM, 41, tall, attractive, warm and friendly. Enjoys sports, reading, walking, the outdoors and more. Seeking a SBF, 25-46, who is honest, healthy and goal-oriented. Ad#: 415539

COULD IT BE U?
SBM, 41, tall and has 3 years of schooling. Seeking a SBF, 28-45, who is fun-loving enjoys dining, walking and more. Ad#: 415534

DOWN-TO-EARTH
SWM, 45, 180lbs., 6', blond hair, blue eyes, healthy, fit and humorous. Enjoys time with my sons, music, biking, sports, animals, dining and more. Seeking a SWF, 40-48, who is a Christian, humorous, fit, warm-hearted and loving. Ad#: 415445

LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU
SWM 36, who is hoping to meet a foreign female, 18-44. He is 6'2" with a great sense of humor and very friendly. Likes traveling and dining out. Ad#: 415384

GIVE HIM A CALL
SWM, 30, who is looking for a SWF, 18-40, to spend quality time with and to enjoy life with! Ad#: 415154

PROFESSIONAL
SWM, 53, N/S, S/D, 5'11", brown hair, blue eyes, honest and humorous. Enjoys working out, the outdoors, boating, sunsets, cooking, dining and more. Seeking a SWF, 40-50, who is a professional, attractive, humorous and who enjoys similar interests. Ad#: 415056

FUN-LOVING
SNAM, 27, 5'10", 210lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, shy at first and friendly. Enjoys cars, sports, going out with friends and more. Seeking a SNAF, 22-27, for a friendship first. Ad#: 415003

DEDICATED
SBM, 40, 6', 195lbs., S/D, outgoing and friendly. He enjoys sports, the outdoors and more. Seeking a SWF, 31-45, who is honest, employed and likes children. Ad#: 414996

CHEMISTRY
SWM, 42, 5'10", 190lbs., fit, brown hair, fun-loving, laid-back and humorous. Enjoys animals, music, working out, biking, boating, concerts, dining and more. Seeking a SWF, 35-50, who is fit, kind-hearted, fun-loving and who enjoys the same interests. Ad#: 414977

JUST BELIEVE
SBM, 23, 6', dark complexion and his personality is considered friendly. Seeking a SBF, under 30, who goes to Church, is mature and ready for a long lasting relationship. Ad#: 414950

HONEST & CARING
SWM, 48, 5'2", 135lbs., friendly and kind. Enjoys working out, dining, movies, sports and more. Seeking a SWF, 35-51, who is caring, goal-oriented, health conscience and enjoys the same. Ad#: 414924

IS IT YOU?
SWM, 37, 6'1", 205lbs., blond hair with blue eyes, is fit and active. Seeking a SF, 25-45, who is fit and attractive. Ad#: 414915

POSITIVE ATTITUDE
SWM, 40, father of 2, secure, fit, N/S, 5'9", 180lbs. Enjoys travel, biking, sports and dancing. Seeking a SWF, 30-44, who is honest, sincere and down-to-earth. Ad#: 414882

TWO OF A KIND
35 yrs old, 5'6", 170lbs., clean shaven male, non-smoker and non- drinker. Likes camping, fishing, boating, walks, movies, cooking, day trips and more. Seeks slim female, 30 to 40, for a long term relationship. Ad#: 403709

DEPENDABLE
Would you like to meet this happy, SWM, 46, 5'2"? He enjoys the outdoors and animals and is seeking a caring, happy and honest, SWF, 35-50. Ad#: 414626

GENUINE
Honest, energetic, loyal, warm-hearted and passionate, SWM, young looking, people say I look 31, but I'm really 51. I enjoy reading, gardening and sports. I can offer honesty and compassion to a intelligent, SWF, over 18, who is beautiful inside/out. Ad#: 414613

LET'S SEE
SWM, 37, seeking an attractive SF, 22-45, to start as friends and see where it goes. Ad#: 414601

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Hello, I am a financially secure, fit, SWM, 70. Now that I am retired from GM, I have more time for fine dining, traveling, casino trips and more. I'd like to meet an attractive, non-smoking, SWF, 55-65, for a long-tern relationship. Ad#: 414493

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Meet this fun, good-hearted, SBM, 32, who likes kids, movies and going out. Seeking a full-figured, brown or red haired, SWF, under 50. Ad#: 414113

FOR-REAL
Down-to-earth, SBM, 54, who enjoys chess, working out and sports. Looking for a attractive, fit, SF, 23-55, who is open and independent. Ad#: 414084

LOVE TO MEET YOU
Independent, fit, SWM, 37, who loves the outdoors is seeking a SWF, 30-40, with similar interests to share the simple things in life. Ad#: 414029

YOUR WISH IS MY COMMAND
SWM, 48, 6'1", 220lbs., blond hair, enjoys movies, dancing, concerts, will try any adventure once. Looking for a SWF, height/weight proportionate, 35-47, for dating or possibly more. Ad#: 413955

HI
Outgoing, fun to be around, SBM, 45, 6'2", 198lbs., who enjoys sports, reading, travel and cuddling at home. Seeking a fun, loving, SWF, 36-41, who wants to be treated like a lady. Ad#: 413919

NOT YOUR AVERAGE
Financially secure, SWM, 70, 6', who is seeking an attractive, SWF, 55-65, non-smoker, for a long-term relationship. Ad#: 413859

ALL MY HEART
Honest, caring, SBM, 26, 6'1", who enjoys basketball, movies and much more. Seeking a caring, sincere, SF, over 18. Ad#: 413815

ONE ON ONE
Good-looking, non-smoker/drinker, SWM, 31, seeking a loving, respectful, full-figured, SWF, over 31, who is looking for a SERIOUS, loving relationship. Ad#: 413641

APPRECIATE
Spontaneous, SWM, 48, who is seeking a SWF, 40-50. He enjoys the outdoors, cars, kids, the water and more. Ad#: 411496

LOYALTY
SBM, 34, 5'7", brown eyes, black hair, heavy build, fun-loving and easygoing. Enjoys sports, movies, quiet evenings at home, dining and more. Seeking a SF, 21-50, who is fun-loving, honest, pretty, kind-hearted and open-minded. Ad#: 412856

SEARCHING
SBM, 42, has 3 years of schooling. Seeking a SF, over 25, who is down-to-earth and outgoing. Ad#: 412374

FUN-LOVING
SWM, 44, social-drinker, has 5 years of schooling. Seeking a SWF, 35-50, who enjoys good-times, the beach, dining, movies and more. Ad#: 411615

STOP, LOOK & CALL!
DWM, 49, medium build. Enjoys the outdoors, home cooking and more. Seeking a SWF, 45-52, who is seeking a long-term relationship. Serious replies only, no games please. Ad#: 411537

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NO DEPENDENTS
SWM, 52, N/S, S/D, 5'11", brown hair, blue eyes, 198lbs. Enjoys the outdoors, fitness, travel, boating, sunsets, dining, movies, theater and more. Seeking a SWF, under 52, who is a professional, affectionate and humorous. Ad#: 406694

BORN AGAIN CHRISTIAN
Born again, SWM, 30, 6', 240lbs., with brown hair/eyes, enjoys walking, working out and swimming, seeking a godly, SWF, 24-42. Ad#: 406576

COMMITTED
SNAM, 55, 5'11", 210lbs., brown hair, blue eyes. Seeking a SWF, under 55, who is petite, slim, loyal, honest and true, who enjoys motorcycles, music, the outdoors and more. Ad#: 406233

SEARCHING
SWM, 36, 5'11", 158lbs., fit. Enjoys skiing, sports, boating, concerts and more. Seeking a SWF, 28-37, who has similar interests. Ad#: 406204

TRUE BLUE
SBM, 43, kind and outgoing. Enjoys movies, dining, quiet evenings, good conversation and more. Seeking a SBF, over 25, who is pleasant, attractive, fun-loving and confident. Ad#: 406192

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CALL NOW!
SWF, 42, height and weight proportionate, enjoys dining, dancing, travel, casinos and more. Seeking a SWM, 40-47, who is financially secure, clean-cut, professional and attractive for a possible relationship. Ad#: 415051

LEVEL-HEADED
SWF, 19, a full-time student, N/S, S/D. Enjoys working out daily, the outdoors and much more. Seeking a SWM, 21-27, who is a N/S, S/D, trustworthy, loyal and friendly. Ad#: 414702

CALL ME!
SWF, 49, 5'6", red hair, green eyes, vivacious, outgoing and optimistic. Enjoys theater, antiques, yoga, movies, dancing and much more. Seeking a SWM, 45-55, who is intelligent, kind, honest and employed. No couch potatoes please! Ad#: 413094

PRETTY GREEN EYES
Up-beat, happy, outgoing, SWF, 49, 5'5", who loves to smile, likes tennis, reading, theater, cooking and walking with an honest, well-read, humorous, SM, over 18. Ad#: 404789

GETTING TO KNOW
Fun-loving, curious, SWF, 53, 5'3", who enjoys cross-stitching, sports, the outdoors and long walks. I can offer a great sense of humor to a caring, SM, 43-59, who loves life and knows how to make a lady feel special. Ad#: 403323

BE MY SWEETHEART
20yr old, attractive, single white female, hazel eyes, long hair, 5'4", 145lbs., loves reading, bowling, fishing, movies, animals and dining out. Seeking single white male, 20 to 25, non-smoker, non-drinker for a long term relationship. Oakland County! Ad#: 403985

THE LOVE OF MY LIFE
Single white female, 34, good natured and sincere, currently seeking an attractive, professional, physically fit, black male, 35 to 45, non-smoker, honest, sincere, caring, who enjoys children, sports, quiet times, outdoor activities for a long term relationship Ad#: 403986

INTERESTED?
Employed, 30 yr old, single mother of one. Looking for a single male, who's interested in meeting a full figured female. Ad#: 403933

LIFE PARTNER WANTED
56 yr old, single female, enjoys outdoors and the simple things in life. Searching for a caring male to spend quality time together, holding hands, cuddling and more. Ad#: 403938

WISHFUL THINKING
38 yr old, non-smoking, single white female, 5'5", 175lbs., light brown hair, hazel eyes. Enjoys spending time with family and friends, traveling, weekend trips, casinos and more. Searching for a single male, 35 to 50, old fashioned type. Ad#: 403936

ARE YOU OUT THERE?
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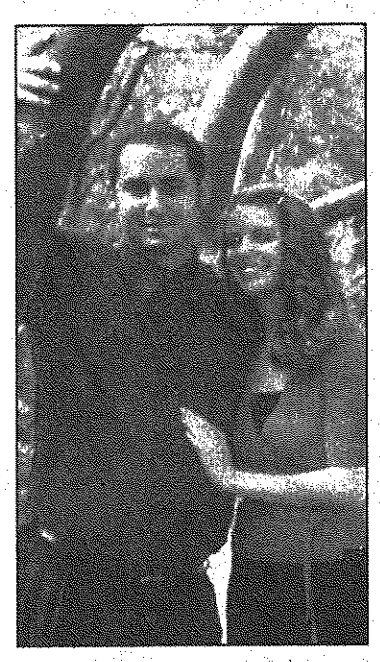


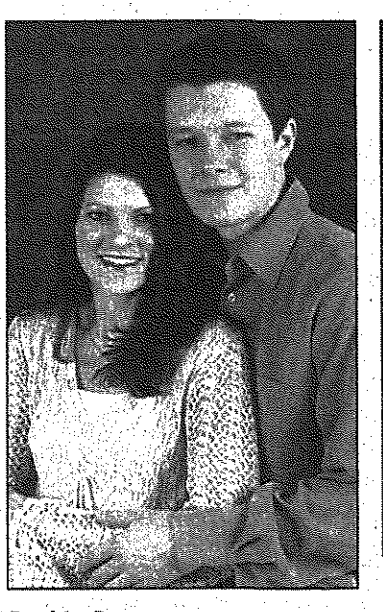
Thomas-Bedoun

Al and Ann Thomas of Canton are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Megan Jessica Thomas, to Jason Hussein Bedoun, son of Ed and Debbie Bedoun of Canton.

Megan is in her junior year at Eastern Michigan University, majoring in secondary education, political science and English. She is employed at Mongolian Barbeque.

Jason will graduate in the fall of 2003 from Michigan Institute of Aeronautics. He is employed at Frito-Lay.

A July 2003 wedding is planned for Henry Ford Mansion.



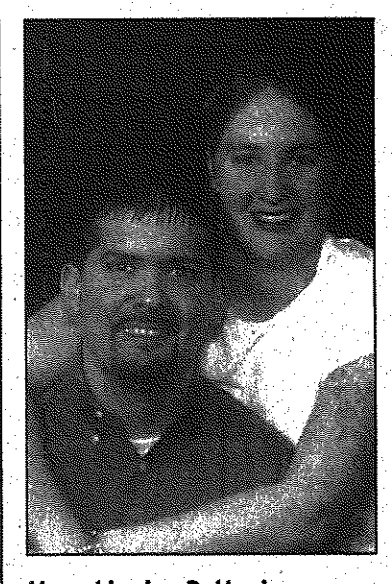
Ravida-Dusseau

Jacqueline and John Ravida of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Rosina Maria Ravida, to Chad Robert Dusseau of Plymouth.

Rosina received her bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University. She is currently employed as a marketing director for the Ann Arbor Art Center.

Her fiancé, Chad, is the son of Steve and Cindy Dusseau of Plymouth and Ron and Bobbi Martin of Houghton Lake. He received his bachelor's degree from Schoolcraft Community College. He is a sales representative for AV Detroit.

The couple is planning a May wedding in St. Edith Church, Livonia.



Mazurkiewicz-Battagin

Richard and Elizabeth Mazurkiewicz of Canton are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy, to Edward Battagin, son of Luigi and Amelia Battagin of Dearborn Heights.

Amy is a 1997 graduate of Western Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in communications. She works as a buyer at Yazaki North America.

Edward is a 1997 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn with a bachelor's degree in environmental studies and psychology. He works as a customs analyst at Delphi Automotive for Sandler and Travis Trade Advisory Services.

A June 2003 wedding is planned in Novi.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Hospice Volunteers Needed
Heartland Hospice of Southfield, are looking for caring, compassionate and dedicated individuals that would like to be trained as hospice volunteers. Call Mary at (800) 770-9859 for further information.

Home Care & Hospice of Michigan
Anyone willing to help assist the needs of the dying and their families with a few hours of conversation, reading, hold a hand or just being there with a person while the family is out, is needed.
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Volunteers Needed
First Step Project on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteers in the following areas: emergency shelter services, 24-hour-help line, court advocacy, crisis response team, general office tasks and special projects. Training is provided and opportunities are available throughout western Wayne County. Volunteers must be 18 or older. Call (734) 416-111, ext. 216.

American Cancer Society
Recruiting volunteers for its Road to Recovery program. Volunteers help to drive cancer patients to and from their treatment at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. To learn more, call (248) 557-5353.

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Looking for volunteers to help with building homes, office duties, and fund raising. No experience needed, training will be provided. For more details call (734) 459-7744 and ask for Deidre.

Discovery Shops
The American Cancer Society's Discovery Shops are looking for volunteers interested in retail. Various positions, flexible hours and training are available. For more information, call the American Cancer Society at (248) 557-5353 or toll-free at (800) 925-2271.

Cancer Center
The Patient Education Resource Center at the University of Michigan Cancer Center is looking for volunteers to help patients and families obtain information about cancer. Basic computer skills and knowledge of the Internet required. One four-hour shift per week during business hours. For more details, call Ruti Volk at 936-9947.

STANDISH

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home from school nearly every day. Her after-school activities demand it, even though we just live a couple blocks away from the school.

There seems as if there is just never enough time.

There are times in life that stay with you and times that fade away. My time in that exercise class with Julie's mom has stayed with me. I think of those times, before the girls were young, and I smile. As the years pass, as our daughters continue to bloom and blossom, they are growing into young women before our very eyes.

There are days I think about a reunion for that exercise class. Bringing together that group of diverse women who in that 45 minutes 11 years ago found a moment of commonalty, a bond of Motherhood.

It is true, life does have a funny way of changing. My babies are almost grown now. Julie's mom's girls have grown too.

And so, in these moments of memories, I offer this rose to Julie's mom. A rose offered in celebration of the spirit of a shared Motherhood, in celebration of hope, in celebration of the bloom for tomorrow.

I just never realized how fast 11 years could fly by.

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

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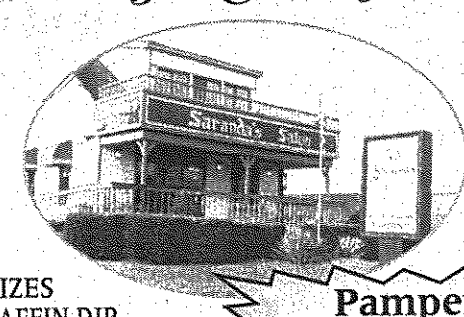

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League leaders
Salem, Canton golf teams rank with the best in the WLAA. **D2**

Canton edges N'ville; Salem splits with Wayne

BASEBALL

Canton completed one of its scheduled baseball games Monday before the rains hit, forcing the second game to be halted after two innings.

In that first game, the Chiefs emerged with a 4-3 triumph at Canton. Northville led 3-2 after three innings, but the Chiefs struck for two runs in the fourth on back-to-back doubles by Shawn Little and Ryan Powell (Powell's scoring the game-tying run), a hit batsman, a walk to Andy Howald and, after a runner was thrown out at the plate trying to score on a passed ball, a double by Dave Mintz to knock in the winning run.

Canton improved to 8-7 overall, 2-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Northville is 6-4 overall, 3-1 in the WLAA.

Mintz and Matt Kay each had two hits (Kay had two doubles) and an RBI, while Zach Fishaw had a hit and an RBI.

Carl McDevitt got the pitching win for Canton, allowing two earned runs on eight hits and two walks, with four strikeouts.

In Monday's second game, the Mustangs were ahead 2-0 after two innings when it was postponed. The game will be resumed next week.

Last Saturday, Canton competed in the Big 11 Tournament in Farmington and came away with a split. In the Chiefs' first tourney game, they went up against state-ranked Kalamazoo Central and came away with a 10-0 five-inning mercy loss in a game played at Farmington HS.

Rich DeMeyere pitched well for the Chiefs, surrendering three earned runs

PLEASE SEE **CANTON, D7**

PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's Sarina Gorney (left) manages to get back safely to third under the tag of Salem's Amanda Bradley in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Rocks are on a roll

Slip past Chiefs, 2-1

So far, perfect.

That's what Salem's softball record is thus far in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division after Monday's double-header sweep at Wayne Memorial, 12-1 and 8-3.

And if that was nice, Tuesday's result was even sweeter: a 2-1 win over cross-campus rival Canton at Massey Field.

The Rocks improved to 15-4 overall, 7-1 WLAA and, with Monday's wins, 5-0 in the Lakes Division.

Tuesday's win over Canton allowed Salem to avenge an earlier one-run loss to the Chiefs. This meeting was a "defensive battle, that's for sure," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland. "We came up with some big plays."

Canton had a 1-0 lead going into the sixth inning, but the Rocks scored twice in the inning for the decisive margin. Alycia Murawski started the inning by reaching base on an error. Maggie Tudor followed with a bunt single, with both runners moving up

PLEASE SEE **ROCKS, D7**

Sidelines

An era ends

There's little doubt the success the different hockey teams that have called Plymouth's Compuware Arena their home have experienced over the last few years. But for the Detroit Compuware Tier II team, winning wasn't quite enough.

On Tuesday, Detroit Compuware president Mike Vellucci announced that the Tier II program will suspend operations indefinitely. Detroit Compuware will continue to operate its other youth hockey programs, which includes seven AAA teams spanning all age divisions.

"Because of the increasing costs of operating a Junior A franchise, we have made the difficult decision to suspend team operations," Vellucci said in a press release. "It was a very difficult decision to have to make after operating a team for 20 years."

A highly successful team, at that. The 2001-02 team won the Robertson Cup and the Gold Cup national championship; through its history, the Detroit Compuware Junior A Tier II team has a record of 508-176-61, a winning percentage of 68.2 – higher than any other Junior A franchise in the U.S. The 1989-90 squad was 42-0-2 and included on its roster Eric Lindros, Pat Peake and Brian Rolston, all NHL first-round draft choices.

The team won a record four USA Gold Cup National championships and captured 11 North American Hockey League titles. Other notable alumni from the Compuware franchise are NHL players David Legwand, Derian Hatcher and Doug Weight.

Madonna sweeps

Madonna University's baseball team managed just nine hits in two games played against Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference rival Siena Heights last Saturday. But the Crusaders still managed to get a pair of victories at Livonia's Ford Field.

In the first game, Sterling Mintzer handcuffed the Saints on just three hits and two walks, giving up two unearned runs while striking out eight in a 3-2 Madonna win.

Mintzer also started the game-winning rally, doubling to lead off the seventh inning. Tony Kern ran for Mintzer and, after a sacrifice by Eric Lightle (from Livonia Churchill), Justin Fabian doubled to score the winning run. Fabian had two hits in the game to pace Madonna.

In the second game, Mark Cole (Livonia/Catholic Central) was nearly unhittable for the Crusaders, stopping Siena Heights on two runs (one earned) on two hits and five walks, striking out six in 6⅓ innings of another 3-2 win. Madonna scored all three of its runs in the second inning, Mintzer collecting three hits in the game and Lightle singling in two runs.

Madonna finishes its season at 22-30 overall, 6-18 in the WHAC. Siena Heights is 14-38 overall, 9-15 in the WHAC.

Stewart leads WMU to a title

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Laura Stewart's first two years as a pitcher for the Western Michigan Broncos softball team were pretty much lackluster.

The Plymouth Township native was a dominating force for the Canton High School Chiefs, but the college game was much different.

"The hitters are a lot better; it's like taking the big hitter on every high school team and putting them on one college team," said Stewart. "And, there's the three feet back (pitching mound) that takes some adjustment. It's a lot of time and mental strain."

In fact, in Stewart's freshman year the Broncos finished dead last, so there was nowhere to go but up.

And that's exactly what's happened this year, as the Broncos, led by the pitching of Stewart, a junior who helped WMU capture its first Mid-American Conference West Division title (27-22, 17-7 MAC). The Broncos head into this week's MAC tournament as one of the favorites.

In the game that clinched the division title, Stewart allowed only five hits over five innings in a 9-2 victory at Ohio on the final day of the regular season.

The win improved Stewart's record to 10-3 overall, 10-1 in the MAC (including four shutouts), with an earned-run-average that is now less than two runs per game. Her only losses were to the University of Michigan, Stanford and MAC foe Toledo.

"My change-up has improved a lot, I have a better curve ball, and better control of my rise ball," said Stewart. "I picked up a lot of speed with weight lifting."

According to pitching coach Jamie Mandarino, it was more than just better control of pitches that lifted Stewart to MAC West Division

PLEASE SEE **STEWART, D3**

Whalers look for size at OHL draft

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

OHL HOCKEY

The future is now for the Plymouth Whalers, and their view of it is something big.

At last Saturday's Ontario Hockey League Priority Draft, the Whalers chose a left wing, a right wing and a defenseman with their three selections in the first two rounds. All three share one common trait: size.

"It was evident the success a guy like Chris Thorburn had in the playoffs and we wanted a guy who could do that for us," said Whalers' coach/general manager Mike Vellucci. "We wanted somebody who could work hard along the boards and score goals."

The Whalers' first-round pick (18th overall) was Michael Lombardi, a 6-foot-2, 180-pound left wing who played last season for the Minor Midget Vaughn Kings. In 28 games for the Kings, Lombardi had 17 goals and 32 assists (49 points), with 139 penalty minutes.

"Michael Lombardi is a power forward – big, strong and skilled," said Vellucci. "I know a lot of coaches say this, but he was a guy we had rated very high on our board and were happy to see he was still around by the time we picked."

Lombardi, who is a native of Richmond Hill, Ontario, is looking forward to joining the Whalers. "I am very excited to be in Plymouth," he said. "The Whalers are a great organization.

PLEASE SEE **WHALERS, D6**

Hawks stop Chiefs' Observerland streak

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

It was just a little ironic that Farmington Harrison coach John Reed had to change a flat tire on his car late Saturday night following the 33rd annual Observerland Relays.

"That was the only thing that went bad," he said.

Otherwise, it had been a perfectly good day for Reed and his team, which finished first among 20 area schools in the boys track and field competition at Farmington High School.

There was nothing flat about the Hawks' performance. They won half of the 16 events and dethroned three-time defending champion Plymouth Canton. It was the second team title and first since 1997 for Harrison, which had 87.5 points. Canton (80) and third-place Northville (62) also received team trophies.

"It's awesome; the kids came ready to run," Reed said. "It's a senior team; they're focused and have excellent attitudes. We've been working really hard, and we're just very happy to win the meet."

It was either feast or famine for the Hawks, who scored 80 points with their eight first places and just 7.5 in the other eight events.

Despite winning five of the first 13 events, Harrison still trailed Canton, 59-57.5. The Hawks had a big finish, winning the last four – the shuttle hurdle, 400, 1,600 and pole vault

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Salem's Justin Hajduk got the only win at the Observerland Relays for his team, finishing first in the 1,600-meter run.

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Rocks' golfers are looking better than ever

BY C.J. RISAK
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The bar has been raised.

Used to be breaking 200 as a team was a reasonable goal for a girls golf team like Salem. Not so anymore.

Going into today's key dual match with Livonia Stevenson, the Rocks are not satisfied with bettering 200. Their goal now is more like 180, something they'll have to do to compete with the likes of Stevenson and Northville.

And that's surprised even their coach, Rick Wilson. After all, Salem lost two key golfers from last season's squad in Danielle March and Kellie Tamme. The Rocks have just one senior, Lindsay Young, who is consistently among the team's top eight.

For example: Last Thursday, Salem outshot Walled Lake Central by 28 strokes at Edgewood CC. That improved the Rocks' dual-meet record to 4-0.

"We've never been that low before," said Wilson. "It used to be we'd try to get four girls at 50, which would be a 200 team score. Now it's 180."

SALEM OUTLOOK

Against Central, Salem's four scorers were Ashley Smith at 39, Jamie Siedlaczek at 40, and Amyrose Mitchell and Young at 47 each. Team total: 173.

What startled Wilson wasn't just the scores, but the ages of the girls shooting them. Smith is a freshman; Siedlaczek is a sophomore.

"A little bit," Wilson admitted when asked if his team's success surprised him. "What really surprised me was the level Ashley Smith came in playing."

Adding someone like Mitchell, a junior who transferred in from Dearborn Fordson, and freshmen Kristen Schwan and Anna Ross to a lineup that already included the aforementioned as well as juniors Danielle Powers, who was all-division in the Western Lakes Activities Association last season, and Emily Brockschmidt will transform any team into a contender.

"Our strongest players are our younger players," said Wilson. Indeed, Smith and Siedlaczek are the team's top players at present.

"Our strongest players are our younger players.'

Rick Wilson
Salem girls golf coach

"We've improved," he added. "Siedlaczek, Powers and Young have all improved and the new players have really helped."

Which brings a couple of team goals within reach, such as the WLAA championship (which combines the league tournament finish with dual-meet record) and a berth at the state meet.

"My belief is the young ones will continue to get better," Wilson said. "We haven't been to the state meet as a girls team."

One reason is that Salem, and Canton, have always competed at the very tough Brighton Regional at Oak Pointe. They won't this year; they travel to the Temperance Bedford Regional at Giant Oaks on May 15. The WLAA Tournament is scheduled for May 20 at Brentwood.

Trying to get a team that includes six freshmen to perform at a consistently high level would seem difficult, but thus far the Rocks have managed.

"They just go out and play," Wilson said. "They have no concept of what it would be like to go to state meet.

"We just have to continue to beat the teams we think we can beat."

Today's dual match against Stevenson at Fox Creek, the Spartans' home course, will be a major test.

"I think it will be an advantage for Stevenson because it's their home course," said Wilson.

But then again, who knows for certain?

Pinckney best-ball

On Monday at Timber Trace in Pinckney, Salem shot a best-ball total of 175 to finish fourth in the 16-team field.

The top score was carded by Saline, 156, followed by Livonia Ladywood at 169 and Farmington Mercy at 172.

Following Salem came Farmington Unified at 176, Livonia Churchill at 184, Canton at 188, Milford and Linden tied at 189, and Dearborn at 197.

Salem's Smith and Siedlaczek shot a best-ball total of 80 to place fourth overall.

Young and Mitchell had a 95 total and Schwan and Brockschmidt shot 97.

Canton's top scoring team was Megan Depp and Beth Treadwell at 94.

The Rocks competed at two other tournaments, the Brighton Invitational at Oak Pointe April 11 and the Hartland Invitational at Dunham Hills April 16. At Brighton, Salem finished 11th out of 28 teams, with Smith shooting an 82 to place 10th in her first-ever high school tournament.

The Hartland Invitational was another best-ball tournament, with three two-girl teams for each school. Salem was sixth with a 280, with Canton seventh at 285. Northville won the tournament with a 249.

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Chiefs are capable of a title challenge

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
STAFF WRITER

CANTON OUTLOOK

An experienced lineup has been leading the Canton golf team on the links so far this spring, and the team appears ready to take the next step into the upper echelon of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The Chiefs have finished in the top 10 in two tournaments this season, both featuring at least 20 competing teams, and they have won four of five dual meets in WLAA play. Coach Dan Riggs said his team should remain competitive in both tournaments and in duals.

"We have an experienced team and a good dual meet team," Riggs said. "We have been playing consistent and I'm pleased with our improvement."

Leading the Chiefs is four-year starter and captain Megan Depp. Fellow senior Michelle Corwin has been a top player for Canton for three seasons. Their leadership and experience are valuable assets to the team.

Rounding out the top six for Canton are juniors Beth Treadwell and Heather Hugasian and sophomores Natalie Slupek and Katie Hoeksema.

Last year the Chiefs finished seventh out of the 12 teams in the league. Riggs said a change in the league pecking order is anticipated.

"We have more consistency than we did before," he said. "In this league, you have to be careful in every match. But the girls help each other out a lot and our seniors complement each other real well on the course."

Like all spring coaches, Riggs said the timing of spring break has made it a challenge for his athletes to stay sharp. With the resumption of league play last week, the breakneck pace towards league and regional meets has started.

"It makes it tough, because before, you had lots of time to practice and get into matches right away," Riggs said. "Now, everything is condensed into 3 1/2 weeks."

Not that it's hurt the Chiefs much. On Tuesday, they hosted Livonia Franklin and Walled Lake Northern in a double-dual at Hilltop. Canton led with a 198; Franklin was second with a 259 and Northern was third with 279.

Canton's low scorers were Slupek and Corwin, each with a 48; Depp at 50; and Treadwell at 52.

The Chiefs also have dual victories over Walled Lake Western (202-218) and Walled Lake Central (200-229). Their only loss has been to Northville in the first week of the season, by a 189-196 margin.

"I'm real happy with the kids," he said. "They're doing a real good job. They've been together for two of the last four years — it's time."

At present, Northville together with Livonia Stevenson (which Canton faced yesterday) and Salem figure to be at the top of the WLAA race.

Together with the Chiefs, who could be in the mix as well.

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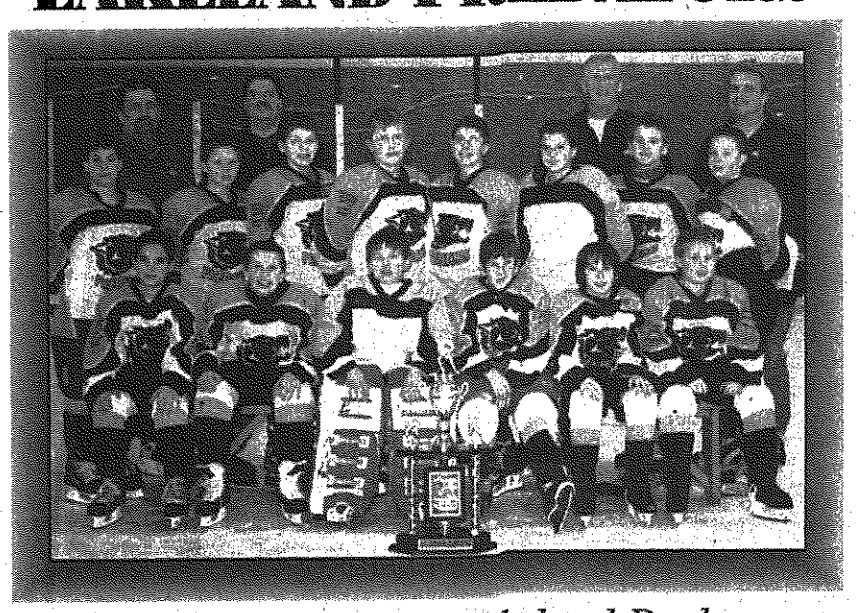

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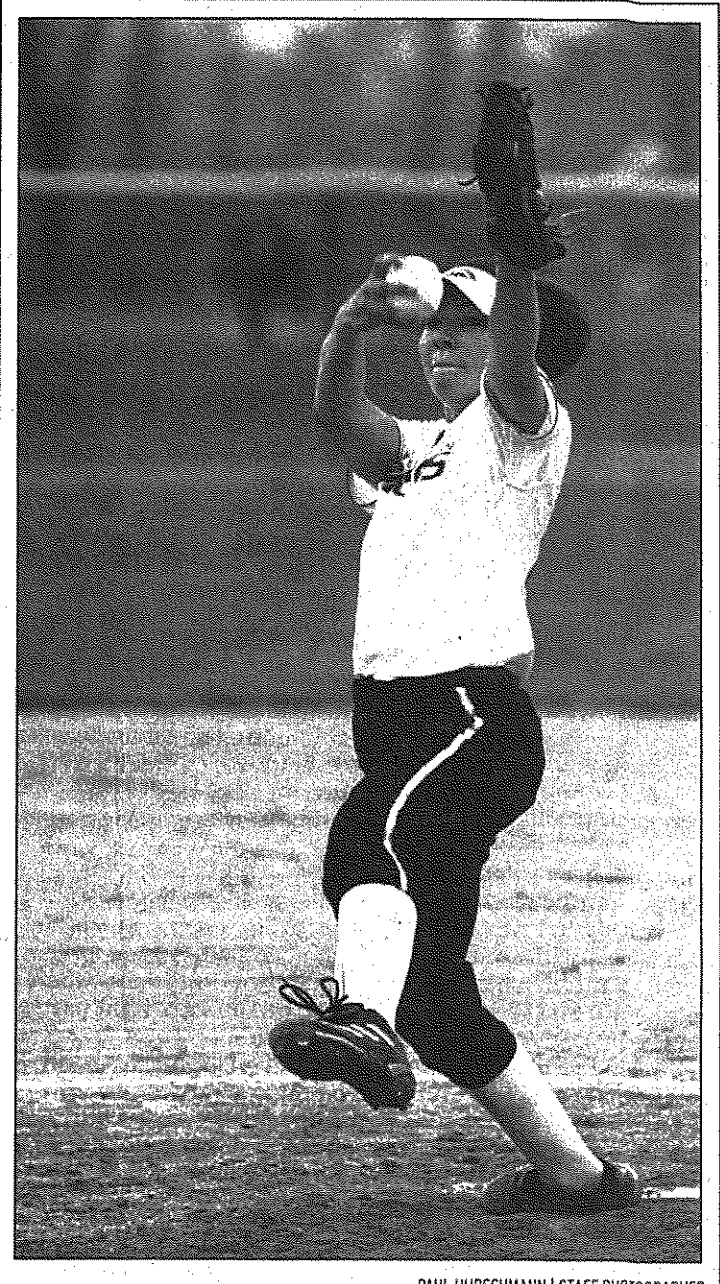

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Laura Stewart, a Canton HS graduate, has elevated her game and made Western Michigan a MAC contender in the process.

STEWART

FROM PAGE D1

Pitcher of the Week.

"She was bound and determined that she wasn't going to be a role player for us," said Mandarino. "I can't tell you how many Saturdays she asked me to work out, or stayed after practice, to perfect her game.

"Laura has always had physical talent, her ball moves, but it was more believing she still had that dominant mentality ... and she really does," added Mandarino. "That was probably the biggest stepping stone she made this year, which has made a huge difference for our program."

Stewart was given the MAC honor after posting a 3-0 record, all conference wins, during the last week of the season. She posted a 1.47 earned run average, scattered 14 hits over 19 innings while striking out 24 batters.

In one of those games, Stewart blanked Buffalo on just five hits in a 1-0 shutout, while striking out a career-high 10 batters.

Stewart, an elementary education major, is also a champion off the field. She sports a 3.47 grade point average, and was recently named the MAC Scholar Athlete of the Week after posting a 4.0 grade point this semester.

As for Stewart's preparation before a game, it's really quite simple.

"The night before a game I watch a *Buffy the Vampire* DVD," Stewart said. "She's a strong figure that I look up to. I pitch like I'm slaying."

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Salem shuts out Ford; Canton rolls over Glenn

SOCCER

Solid goalkeeping by Heather Jones helped keep Salem's soccer team unbeaten, with the Rocks blanking Utica Ford 3-0 Saturday in a non-conference match played at Ford.

Salem improved to 7-0-2 overall with the victory.

Jordan Falcusan accounted for the only goal in the first half, scoring on an assist from Marissa Sarkesian.

In the second half, the Rocks got goals from Tara Duncan, with another assist from Sarkesian, and Amy Gizicki, with an assist from Macy Lepper.

Salem coach Joe Nora credited Jones with keeping the Rocks in the game. "Heather Jones was phenomenal in goal," he said. "She had 12 saves, four of them really spectacular."

Canton 7, John Glenn 0: Six players scored goals for Canton Monday as the Chiefs posted their seventh shutout of the season, at Westland John Glenn's expense.

Canton improved to 5-0 in Western Lakes Activities Association matches, 8-2 overall. The Rockets fell to 2-7-1 overall.

Kara Aherns led the Chiefs' attack, scoring two goals. Katie Raker, Kara Marsh, Megan Romer, Kelly McKee and Molly Priebe scored one goal apiece. Assists went to Danielle Shepherd, Rachel Perry, Kelsey Zemanski and Katie Mills had assists.

It was Canton's fourth-straight shutout. On Saturday at Canton, the Chiefs blanked Saline 2-0.

Katie Esper scored their first goal, with an assist from Katie Mills. Aherns accounted for the second; Marsh got the assist.

Briana Wolcott was in goal for the shutout; she made 15 saves.

Canton tangles with Salem in the annual cross-campus rivalry at 7 p.m. tonight.

Salem 8, Wayne 0: Marissa Sarkesian scored three goals to propel Salem to an easy victory Tuesday in a WLAA game played at Salem.

The Rocks improved to 8-0-2 overall, 2-0-1 in the WLAA's Lakes Division. Wayne is 4-6-1 overall, 0-2 in the Lakes.

Other goal-scorers for Salem were Jane Dewitt, Macy Lepper, Jordan Falcusan, Jennifer Murray and Jordan McDonald. Kristen O'Beirne was in goal for the shutout.

The Rocks led 4-0 at the half.

The match was postponed until Tuesday due to the weather.

Roeper 2, Plymouth Christian 0: At Borden PArk in Rochester Hills Friday, junior midfielder Sarah Pernick scored both goals as Bloomfield Hills Roeper raised its record to 5-1-1 overall, 4-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

Freshman forward Alex Sims chipped in with an assist, while sophomore keeper Maddie Stano recorded her fourth shutout of the season.

MU players earn All-WHAC accolades

COLLEGE SPORTS

BY GEORGE STEPHENS
STAFF WRITER

Although Madonna's baseball and softball teams had contrasting seasons, they were both rewarded for their effort on and off the field.

Thirteen Crusaders were named to All-Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference teams, while another six were selected All-Academic team in the WHAC.

On the softball side, Jennifer Tenyer, Arin Fowler and Sarah Golob earned first-team All-WHAC accolades.

Tenyer paced the team in wins, with a 16-8 record and a 2.09 ERA. Tenyer ends her Madonna career as the school leader in every pitching category. Golob, in her first year with the Crusaders, went 14-7, posting a 2.77 ERA with 111 strikeouts. She was also fourth on the team in hitting with a .325 average. Fowler led the team in hitting with a .359 average and knocked in 21 RBI.

Krystle Shina and Mary Warchuck were both honorable mention All-Conference selections. After making honorable mention last season, Chris Woodruff (Redford Catholic Central) made the WHAC All-Conference team in 2003, batting .325 with 19 extra base hits.

Sterling Mintzer made honorable mention last year at the plate, but earned WHAC All-Conference honors this season from the mound. The 6-foot-6 hurler posted a 1.99 ERA in 40.2 innings, striking out 35.

Mark Cole (CC), Matt Rigley (Redford Union), Joe Greene, Mario D'Herin (CC), Joel Halliday (RU) and Adam Kline (CC) were all named honorable mention. Three Crusaders from each team were rewarded for their classroom efforts.

Dave Nester earned a 3.5 grade-point average in Pre-Medicine; D'Herin a 3.3 GPA in English; and Woodruff a 3.6 GPA in Business. As for the softball team Lindsay Bzdok posted a 3.4 GPA in Computer Information Systems; Tenyer a 3.5 GPA in Criminal Justice; and Fowler a 3.7 GPA in Marketing.

Madonna University also placed fifth in the WHAC 2002-03 All-Sports Trophy Tabulation.

The WHAC All-Sports trophy is computed using the highest finish in six conference sports (three women and three men) for each school. Each sport champion receives eight points, second place seven and so on.

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Team standings: 1. Farmington Harrison, 87.5 points; 2. Canton, 79; 3. Northville, 62; 4. Redford-Detroit Catholic Central and Livonia Stevenson, 47; 6. Livonia Churchill, 37; 7. Salem, 31; 8. Farmington, 29; 9. Westland John Glenn and Garden City, 19; 11. Wayne Memorial, 12; 12. Livonia Franklin, 11; 13. North Farmington, 8.5; 14. Redford Union, 4; 15. Plymouth Christian, 2; 16. Plymouth, Livonia Clarenceville, Lutheran Westland, Redford Thurston, Redford Bishop Borgess, 0.

FIELD EVENTS

Pole vault: 1. Harrison (Brett Laird, 12-6; Ramy Sulaiman, 12-0; T.J. Grabinski, 11-0; 35-6; 2. Canton, 34-6; 3. Churchill, 31-0; 4. Salem, 30-0; 5. N. Farmington, 29-0; 6. Stevenson, 26-0. Individual best: Jon Chapman, Canton, 13 feet.

Long jump: 1. Northville (Bill Brown, 20-10; Matt Cornelius, 19-8; Scott Hammerle, 18-3.5), 58-9.5; 2. Garden City, 55-2.5; 3. Canton, 55-0.5; 4. John Glenn, 55-0.5; 5. Stevenson, 53-8; 6. Catholic Central, 51-5. Individual best: Bill Brown, Northville, 20-10.

High jump: 1. Franklin (Joe Mielke, 6-2; Brian Graham, 5-10; Matt Graham, 5-10), 17-10; 2. Northville, 17-2; 3. Stevenson, 17-0; 4. Canton, 16-10; 5. N. Farmington, 16-6; 6. Harrison, 16-6. Individual best: (tie) Joe Mielke, Franklin; Alan Shanuski, Northville; and Brad Waldmann, Canton, 6-2.

Discus: 1. Stevenson (Hady Rahman, 139-7; Brian Nakoneczny, 123-5.5; John Rehberg, 121-2), 384-2; 2. Catholic Central, 375-4; 3. Churchill, 372-6; 4. Canton, 369-11; 5. John Glenn, 359-11; 6. Garden City, 355-11. Individual best: Paul Stradtner, Garden City, 159-8.

Shot put: 1. Catholic Central (John Mulroy, 46-10.5; Patrick Clark, 45-5.5; Jon Smart, 42-2.5), 134-6.5; 2. Stevenson, 133-6.25; 3. Canton, 128-11.75; 4. Garden City, 127-10.75; 5. Churchill, 124-6; 6. John Glenn, 123-9.25. Individual best: Hady Rahman, Stevenson, 52-9.5.

RUNNING EVENTS

6,400-meter relay: 1. Catholic Central. (Dave Lucas, Kevin Mason, Max Working, Brian Doot), 18:41.0; 2. Northville, 19:16.6; 3. Salem, 19:53.1; 4. N. Farmington, 19:54.0; 5. Canton, 19:57.0; 6. Farmington, 20:10.7.

110 high hurdles: 1. Kevin Davis, Harrison, 14.5; 2. Steve Kilijanczyk, Canton, 15.1; 3. Curtis Crowl, Garden City, 15.3; 4. Siwicki, Northville, 15.4; 5. Nick Karr, Churchill, 15.6; 6. Bill Makela, Catholic Central, 16.1.

Distance medley relay: 1. Churchill (Justin Brevick, Kevin Forgette, Kevin Kane, James Gale), 10:46.0; 2. Stevenson, 10:49.0; 3. Northville, 11:09.0; 4. Redford Union, 11:12.0; 5. Salem, 11:15.0; 6. Catholic Central, 11:20.6.

800 relay: 1. Harrison (Marcus Woods, Robert McCall, Charles Pickett, Charles Stewart), 1:29.6; 2. Farmington, 1:32.1; 3. Canton, 1:32.8; 4. Salem, 1:33.9; 5. John Glenn, 1:33.9; 6. Franklin, 1:35.9.

1,600 run: 1. Justin Hajduk, Salem, 4:27.3; 2. Nick Gabrys, Northville, 4:41.6; 3. Trevor Step, Catholic Central, 4:41.9; 4. Aaron Lanning, Canton, 4:45.0; 5. Mark Varney, Plymouth Christian, 4:55.0; 6. Derek Mireles, Churchill, 4:57.0.

3,200 relay: 1. Harrison (Charles Gass, Andrew Singer, Brian Coats, Fermon Tate), 8:15.5; 2. Stevenson, 8:18.5; 3. Churchill, 8:18.9; 4. Northville, 8:26.0; 5. Catholic Central, 8:27.7; 6. N. Farmington, 8:47.9.

100 dash: 1. Marcus Woods, Harrison, 10.8; 2. T.J. Dillard, Wayne, 11.0; 3. Corey Walser, Canton, 11.0; 4. Allen Lenz, John Glenn, 11.2; 5. Joe Green, Farmington, 11.3; 6. Erik George, Churchill, 11.4.

Sprint medley relay: 1. Farmington (Philip Champion, Joe Green, Matt Corrigan, Danny Preston), 2:28.6; 2. Canton, 2:29.0; 3. Harrison, 2:32.0; 4. Northville, 2:33.0; 5. Stevenson, 2:35.9; 6. Salem, 2:36.0.

Shuttle hurdle relay: 1. Harrison (Kevin Davis, Brian Hill, Justin Daniel, Andrew MacLean), 1:02.6; 2. Catholic Central, 1:05.2; 3. Canton, 1:05.5; 4. Salem, 1:06.5; 5. Churchill, 1:06.6; 6. Northville, 1:07.3.

400 relay: 1. Harrison (Marcus Woods, Robert McCall, Charles Stewart, Charles Pickett), 43.0 (ties meet record set by Harrison in 2002); 2. Canton, 44.6; 3. John Glenn, 45.1; 4. Wayne, 45.2; 5. Farmington, 45.2; 6. Northville, 45.6.

1,600 relay: 1. Harrison (Kevin Davis, James Cook, Brian Coats, Fermon Tate), 3:27.1; 2. Northville, 3:30.4; 3. Farmington, 3:30.7; 4. Canton, 3:33.9; 5. Stevenson, 3:34.8; 6. Churchill, 3:36.9.

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relays. Harrison moved one-half point in front of Canton, 67.5-67, by winning the 400, in which it tied the meet record of 43 seconds that it set last year.

The 1,600 victory virtually guaranteed Harrison first place, and the pole vault results clinched it. At nearly 10 p.m. the running events were done, but the contending teams and meet officials were still waiting for the pole vault to finish before the final results could be announced. A short time later, Harrison was declared the pole vault and meet winner. Canton was second in both.

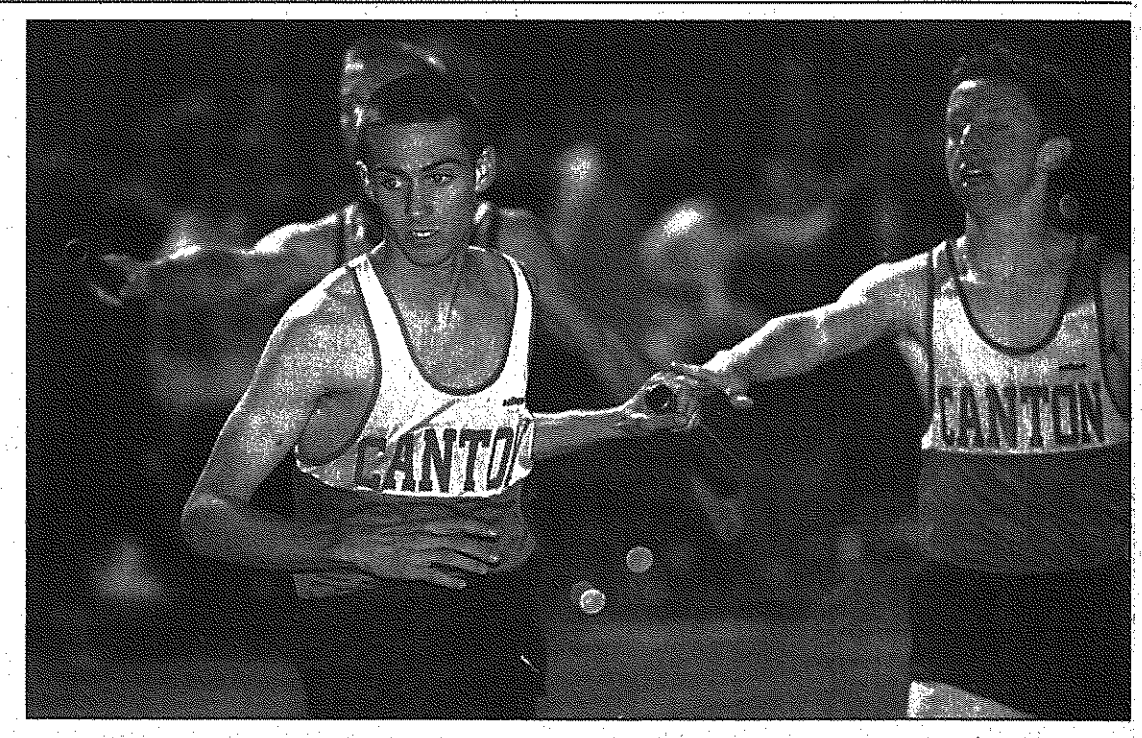
"The pole vault is one of the most popular events at our school," Reed said, attributing Harrison's success in that event to assistant coach Richard Penderal. "Everybody wants to be a pole vaulter."

As expected, the Hawks did well in the sprint events. They also won the 800 relay, while senior Marcus Woods won the individual 100 dash.

Led by high hurdles champion Kevin Davis, Harrison fared well in the hurdles and was a surprise winner in the 3,200 relay since distance running is not a traditional team strength.

"I'm really proud of my 3,200 team (Charlie Gass, Andrew Singer, Brian Coats and Fermon Tate)," Reed said. "But we've been quietly working on it. We've got our time down to 8:15, and we're going to try to place in the (Division 2) state meet with that.

"That was our surprise event. We knew we were going to do well in that, but I don't think other teams realized we would have a time like that."



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Canton's Jesse Williams (right) hands off to teammate Cy Azizi in the 1,600-meter relay. The Chiefs finished fourth in the event in 3:33.9, and were second in the team standings with 79 points.

Woods, Robert McCall, Charles Pickett, Charles Stewart, Coats, Tate and Davis contributed to two relay victories each. Harrison's 400 time is the fastest in the state, and its 800 time is among the top three, according to Reed.

"We went after the events we knew we could do well in," Reed said, "but we did go after others (pole vault and hurdles). We are doing other events."

As opposed to Harrison, Canton had a more balanced approach to team scoring.

The Chiefs didn't win an event, but earned points in all but two of the 16. Canton had four seconds, five thirds, fourth fourths and one fifth.

"We scored in so many places, and that's a compliment to our kids," Canton coach Bob Richardson said. "We have some real good athletes and some depth. "I'm real proud of my guys and the effort they gave today. This is one of the best teams we've had at Canton High School. They're a hard-working bunch and also good kids."

Canton and Livonia Churchill (1976-78) are the only schools to have won the championship three consecutive years.

Churchill hasn't won since 1989, but has the most overall titles with eight. Plymouth Salem is next with six, followed by Canton (which also won in 1986) and Westland John Glenn.

"We would've liked to have been the only team to win it four years in a row," Richardson said. "We enjoyed our run of three in a row. We gave it our absolute best effort, and Harrison was just a little better than us today.

"Our seniors can say they were Observerland champs three out of their four years."

Brad Waidmann, who recently returned from a quadricep injury, had a personal best in the discus (136-6), tied two others as the best high jumper (6-2) and had Canton's fastest split in the shuttle hurdle relay.

Richardson also cited Dan Driscoll, who scored in four events, and Corey Walser, who was third the 100 and anchored the second-place 400 relay team.

The Chiefs, who trailed Northville early, "didn't start to catch up until halfway through the meet, and that's when Harrison decided to put on a big push," Richardson said.

Northville, which won the long jump and was second in four other relays, had possibly its best finish under second-year coach Bill Cornelius.

It's gratifying "just to see Northville become a real track team," he said. "I grew up in a small town (in Illinois) where track was an important part of athletics.

It's taken a while to instill (a commitment to hard work and to change some attitudes), and it's starting to take hold. Success breeds success and we're looking forward to the future."

Reed added the meet was a homecoming for the Farmington schools, which moved to the Oakland Activities Association last fall.

"We were looking forward to running against our old rivals (in the Western Lakes Activities Association)," he said. "We're used to seeing them, and now we only see them once; so that was fun.

"We always know Canton is going to be right there. Canton has a really outstanding track team. We know, if we're doing well, they'll be right there."

Other winners included Livonia Franklin in the high jump; Livonia Stevenson, discus; Redford Catholic Central, shot put and 6,400 relay; Churchill, distance medley; Salem's Justin Hajduk, individual 1,600 run; and Farmington, sprint medley.

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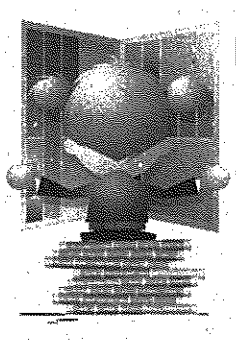

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University of South Florida signs Ocelots' 6th man

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

A month ago James Holmes had every intention of playing another season of basketball at Schoolcraft College.

But the 6-foot-3, 185-pound guard from Belleville has a different destination for the 2003-04 basketball season — and it's a long way from Sugarbrook Park in Ypsilanti where Holmes honed his game.

Holmes, who averaged 14.4 points as a sixth man on Schoolcraft's 31-4 squad, will be coach Robert McCullum's first recruit at the University of South Florida.

McCullum, who took the USF job after three seasons at Western Michigan University, became interested in the shooting guard after it was learned that Holmes had met ACT and core curriculum requirements

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coming out of high school.

Ironically, an assistant coach at Central Michigan University checked into Holmes' high school academic record and it was determined through the NCAA Clearinghouse that he had three years of eligibility remaining.

"It's a chance to play now, with new facilities and a new coach, and I'm on the same level as everybody else going in there," said Holmes, who joins a South Florida squad coming off a 15-14 record. "I visited Central, but I know Conference USA is one of the top conferences in the nation. My dream is play in the NBA and I feel this gives me the best opportunity."

As a senior at Belleville, Holmes averaged 18 points, six rebounds and five assists per game as the Tigers reached the state Class A semifinals.

The shooting guard was recruited by NCAA Division II schools, but Division I interest didn't come until this season when Holmes took advantage of playing time when starter Dion Sherrell, who signed recently with Wyoming, missed 15 games during the middle of the season with a broken foot.

"First of all, James comes from an outstanding program and we're trying to building a top-notch program by recruiting from winning programs," McCullum said.

"You know when you get a player from Schoolcraft and coach Briggs that you're going to get a guy who plays hard and will embrace the things we're trying to do here at South Florida."

Holmes, who plans to major in either Communications or Business at USF, averaged 20.6 points per game during Schoolcraft's final six games. He had a game-high 25 points in a 78-77 overtime win over Vincennes (Ind.) in the Region 12 championship final and scored 29 off the bench earlier in the season when Schoolcraft beat Flint Mott for the Eastern Conference crown.

He shot 52.6 percent from the floor, including 40.7 percent from three point-range and 77.6 percent from the foul line.

"James certainly fills a void for us because he's a guy who can really shoot the basketball," McCullum said. "And he was appealing because he's a student-athlete who has three years of eligibility remaining because he was an academic qualifier who met the initial NCAA requirements."

Holmes became the Ocelots' top scorer down the stretch, averaging 20 points per game during the last month as Schoolcraft earned its third consecutive trip to the NJCAA Division I tournament in Hutchinson, Kan.

"It shows if you work and continue to do well in school, and when your time comes and you're ready, it will happen for you," Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs said.

"If James hadn't done well his first year at Schoolcraft, he would have had to come back for a second year. But he took his school work seriously and he's done well in school. Good things happen to good people. James not only a good player, but a good person."

Holmes, raised in a single parent family by his mother Rose Hamilton, has three older sisters and two younger siblings, including a 1-year-old brother whom he affectionately calls "Little Smooth."

Often searching for reliable transportation, commuting back-and-forth to school was a chore, but Holmes persevered, thanks to Coach Briggs and academic advisor Carol Derr.

"Personally, I hate to see him go because that's 25 points per game we won't have next year," Briggs said.

"So if you know anybody who can do that for us next year, let me know."

Holmes becomes the sixth Ocelot to sign with a Division I school this year joining Sherrell (Wyoming), Marcus Bennett (UNC-Charlotte), Andre Scott (New Mexico State), Gary Johnson (Central Florida) and Torvoris Baker (University of Detroit Mercy).

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The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

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The recently organized Clinton River Bass 'n Rats meets the first Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Gander Mountain Lodge. Call (810) 247-9900 for direction and additional information. The club is an affiliated chapter of the B.A.S.S. National Federation.

Largemouth bass virus arrives in Oakland County

Outdoor Insights

Bill Parker

Largemouth bass virus (LMBV) reared its ugly head for the first time in Michigan in the fall of 2000, sending alarm waves through the bass fishing community. At that time, the virus was believed to be contained in Lake George, a 565-acre inland lake in Branch County on the Michigan/Indiana border.

Since then, however, the virus has spread and has now made its way into southeastern Michigan lakes, including Lake Orion in Oakland County, the furthest north the virus has ever been found, Woodland Lake in Livingston County, and Devil's Lake in Lenawee County. There was a fish kill in Woodland Lake and 100 percent of the fish tested there turned up positive. On Lake Orion, two of 30 fish tested positive and in Devil's Lake four of 30 turned up positive. To date LMBV has been found in a total of nine lakes, all in southern Michigan.

LMBV is one of over 100 naturally occurring viruses that affect freshwater fish. Unfortunately, as a relatively new virus, not a lot is known about it including its origin and the mechanism through which it is spread.

Although it can be deadly to largemouth bass, LMBV is not known to infect humans. Infected fish are considered safe to eat as long as the flesh is thoroughly cooked.

LMBV can infect other species of fish including crappies, bluegills and smallmouth bass, but apparently is only deadly to largemouths.

LMBV causes bloating in the swim bladders of adult largemouth bass causing them to remain in the warm, oxygen-depleted water near the surface, which eventually leads to suffocation. They often have trouble remaining upright, appear lethargic, and occasionally have sores and/or lesions on their skin.

"When the fish are most susceptible is in the heat of the summer," says Jim Francis, a DNR fisheries biologist at the Livonia District Office. "There are lower levels of dissolved oxygen then, and the fish are already stressed out by the warm weather."

In an effort to help contain the disease the DNR is asking for angler's help.

"We're asking people to try to abstain from fishing in the heat of the summer," Francis says. "Try to minimize their stress levels and don't carry them around all day in a livewell.

The DNR also asks anglers and boaters to take the following steps to help prevent the spread of LMBV:

- Clean boats, trailers, other equipment thoroughly between fishing trips to keep from transporting LMBV, as well as other undesirable pathogens and organisms, from one water body to another. Take special care to clean fishing equipment when you are done fishing known locations of the virus.
- Do not move fish or fish parts from one body of water to another, and do not release live bait into any water body,
- Handle bass as gently as possible if you intend to release them and release them as quickly as possible.
- Refrain from hauling the fish for long periods in live wells if you intend to release them.
- Minimize targeting of largemouth bass during the period from mid-July to mid-August, especially during exceptionally hot weather conditions.
- Report dead or dying adult largemouth bass fish to Michigan Department of Natural Resources Fisheries Division offices (517-373-1280).
- Volunteer to help agencies collect bass for LMBV monitoring.
- Educate other anglers about LMBV.

Bill Parker covers the outdoors for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Bill Parker, c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL
Thursday, May 8
Ply. Christian at Oak. Christian (2), 4 p.m.
Churchill at Northville, 4 p.m.
Canton Agape at Baptist Park, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 9
Franklin at W.L. Western, 4 p.m.
Salem at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.
Cranbrook at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.
Luth. N'west at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m.
Redford CC at Eastpointe, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 10
(all double-headers)
Franklin Road Christ. vs. Canton Agape, 11 a.m. at Griffin Park No. 1
Redford CC at Warren DeLaSalle, 11 a.m.
Inter-City at Luth. Westland, 11 a.m.
Churchill at Farmington, 11 a.m.
Belleville at John Glenn, 11 a.m.
Wayne at Traverse City West, 11 a.m.
PREP GIRLS SOFTBALL
Thursday, May 8
Ply. Christian at Oak. Christian (2), 4 p.m.
Northville at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Mercy at Ladywood (2), 4 p.m.
St. Alphonsus vs. Canton Agape, 4:30 p.m. at Canton Softball Center
Macomb Christian at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 9
W.L. Western at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Lincoln Park, 4 p.m.
Light and Life at Ply. Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Kingswood at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.
Luth. N'west at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 10
(all double-headers unless noted)
Bedford Invitational, 8:30 a.m.
Pieper Tourney at R.O. Kimball, 9 a.m.
Canton Classic, 9 a.m.
Wyandotte Roosevelt at Salem, 11 a.m.
Franklin Road Christ. vs. Canton Agape, 11 a.m. at Griffin Park No. 2
Inter-City at Luth. Westland, 11 a.m.
PREP BOYS TRACK
Thursday, May 8
Salem at W.L. Central, 3:30 p.m.
Churchill at Canton, 3:30 p.m.
Northville at Franklin, 3:30 p.m.
Stevenson at Wayne, 3:30 p.m.
W.L. Western at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m.
Ecorse at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 9
Ply. Christian at Whitmore Lake, TBA
Spartan Twilight Inv., 4 p.m.
South Lyon Invitational, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 10
Jackson N'west Invitational, 9 a.m.
Athens Relays, 9:30 a.m.
Annapolis Invitational, 9:30 a.m.
River Rat Inv. at A.A. Huron, 9:30 a.m.
PREP GIRLS TRACK
Thursday, May 8
Canton at Churchill, 3:30 p.m.
Wayne at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.
John Glenn at W.L. Western, 3:30 p.m.
Ecorse at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 5 p.m.
W.L. Central vs. Salem (Ply. HS), 5:30 p.m.
Friday, May 9
South Lyon Invitational, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 10
Jackson N'west Inviational, 9 a.m.
Athens Relays, 9:30 a.m.
Annapolis Invitational, 9:30 a.m.
River Rat Inv. at A.A. Huron, 9:30 a.m.
Troy Athens Relays, 10 a.m.
Mercy Invitational, 10 a.m.
PREP GIRLS SOCCER
Thursday, May 8
Bethesda at Ply. Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Canton at Salem, 7 p.m.
Friday, May 9
Mercy at Ladywood, 5:30 p.m.
Luth. Westland at Crestwood, 5:30 p.m.
Churchill at Jackson, 7 p.m.
G.P. North at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 10
Troy Athens at Stevenson, noon.
PREP GIRLS GOLF
Thursday, May 8
Salem vs. Stevenson (Fox Creek), 3 p.m.
Ladywood vs. A.A. Gab. Richard, TBA.
Friday, May 9
Wayne vs. Salem (St. John's), 3 p.m.
Churchill vs. Glenn (Fellows Ck.), 2:45 p.m.
Franklin vs. Stevenson (Fox Creek), 3 p.m.
PREP BOYS TENNIS
Monday, May 5
Thursday, May 8
Canton vs. Salem, 4 p.m.
Redford Union at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Friday, May 9
Churchill at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Franklin at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Northville, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 10
Catholic League at Schoolcraft, 8 a.m.
Honor and Glory Tourn., 8 a.m.
Dearborn Invitational, TBA.
PREP LACROSSE
Thursday, May 8
Catholic League Tournament, TBA.
Friday, May 9
Holt at Ladywood, 6 p.m.
Saturday, May 10
Ladywood at Lansing Waverly, 9 a.m.
Catholic League finals, TBA.

TBA – time to be announced.

WHALERS

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"I would say I'm a bump-and-grind, get-your-nose-dirty type of player. What you see is what you get with me."

Size was again a key element in Plymouth's second-round selections. The first second-round pick (No. 32nd overall) was Dan Collins, a 6-1, 180-pound right wing who was with the Syracuse Jr. Crunch last season. Collins totaled 14 goals and 12 assists (26 points) in his 35 games with the Crunch, with 58 penalty minutes.

"Dan has a ton of skill from the blue line in," Vellucci said. "He is a player who can score and has nice hands around the net. In the games we saw him play against the Ann Arbor team, he dominated."

Plymouth's second second-round selection was someone close to home: Mark Mitera, a 6-2, 180-pound defenseman from Livonia.

Last season playing for the '87 Little Caesar Minor Midget team, Mitera collected five goals and 23 assists (28 points), with 141 penalty minutes, in 68 games.

Although Vellucci is hoping all three players will join the Whalers, nothing is for certain.

"Like Dan, (Mitera) is a player who isn't sure if he is going to college or will play for the Whalers," the Whalers' GM/coach said. "But we are excited to have the opportunity to have him playing for the Whalers. He is a player who could easily be a first-round NHL pick.

"He is a powerful and skilled defenseman who is a future captain. He could come in right now and quarterback our power play."

Mitera, however, won't rush his decision. "I really like the OHL, it seems the better players go to the OHL," he said. "But it's a tough decision (college or pro) to make and I have all summer.

"I am more like a Chris Pronger type player who can move the puck up to the forwards."

All three players pleased Vellucci. "I think we were able to get some great players with a lot of potential to be impact players in the future," he said. "We were able to get players with a lot of size, but also have a lot of skill.

"My teams have always had those type of players. But I also think you are seeing the kids are getting bigger."

The Whalers also helped their future a bit. Last Friday, the day before the OHL Priority Draft, they traded their second-round pick (39th overall) and a third-round pick (58th overall) they got from Sarnia to the Kingston Frontenacs for the Frontenacs' second-round pick next year and their third-round selection (44th overall) this season.

Award-winners

At the Plymouth Whalers annual team banquet last Thursday, Chad LaRose received the greatest accolades, taking home two team honors.

LaRose, who set a team record by scoring 61 goals during the regular season, was selected by the Whalers' coaching staff as the regular season's Most Valuable Player. He also received the Top Scorers Award.

LaRose, who was earlier named winner of the OHL's Leo Lonlonde Memorial Trophy, which is presented to the OHL's outstanding overage player, finished second in the league to Ottawa's Corey Locke in the Most Outstanding Player Award voting.

Other award-winners for the Whalers were John Vigilante, Rookie of the Year; Cole Jarrett, Defenseman of the Year; Jimmy Gagnon, winner of the Face-off Award; Chris Thorburn, Playoffs Most Valuable Player; Nate Kiser, Hardest Worker; and James Wisniewski (from Canton), Scholastic Player of the Year.

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NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION
VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
COUNTIES OF WAYNE AND WASHTENAW,
STATE OF MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual School Election of the School District will be held on Monday, June 9, 2003.

TAKE NOTICE that the following shall be voted upon by the electors at the annual election to be held on Monday, June 9, 2003:

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

There will be elected two members to the Board of Eduction of the School District for a full term of four years ending in 2007. The names of all eligible School Board candidates are as follows:

Robert P. Coutts
Martha W. Toth

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR TOWNSHIP CLERKS, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2003, IS MONDAY, MAY 12, 2003. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, MAY 12, 2003, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION.

Persons planning to register with the respective city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

RALPH A. NODWELL, Secretary
Board of Education

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
PUBLIC HEARING
REPROGRAMMING OF CDBG FUNDS AND PROGRAM AMENDMENT

On May 21, 2003, at 3 p.m. in the Supervisor's conference room, third floor, Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, the CDBG Advisory Council will hold a public hearing to accept public comment on the reprogramming of funds and amendment to the FY 2002 Community Development Block Grant final statement. The purpose is to reprogram funds from canceled and completed CDBG projects and to reprogram funds to a new activity, FY 2002 Affordable Housing Contingency (for Purchase of Lots for Affordable Housing or Housing Rehabilitation). The following activities are to be canceled and the funds reprogrammed: FY 2000 Ridesource, $7,000; FY 2000 Adult Day Care, $3,000; FY 2000 Mediation Service, $2,000; FY 2000 Growth Works, $1,055; FY 2001 Michigan Avenue Playground, $3,300; FY 2001 Mediation Service, $2,500; FY 2001 Growth Works, $10,500. Total to be reprogrammed: $29,355. Written comments or requests for information should be directed to: Gerald Martin, Development Specialist, Resource Development Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, (734) 394-5194, Extension 5194.

TERRY BENNETT,
Clerk

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WESTERN TOWNSHIP UTILITIES AUTHORITY
ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS
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"WTUA INTERCEPTORS"

Western Townships Utilities Authority is seeking proposals for sanitary sewer system maintenance of the WTUA Interceptors and pump station wet walls.

Companies or individuals who desire a copy of the proposal documents should contact:

Ms. Sandy Forrest
Western Township Utilities Authority
40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187
(734) 453-2793

All submittals must be received by June 6, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. at the above address. A public opening of the proposals will immediately follow the closing at the Middle Rouge offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS WAYNE AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take notice that the regular school election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 9, 2003.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2003, IS MONDAY, MAY 12, 2003. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, MAY 12, 2003, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION.

To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office or your county, city or township clerk's office. Persons planning to register with the respective county, city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the board of education.

THOMAS WYSOCKI,
Secretary, Board of Education

ADDENDUM

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Regular Biennial Election of Schoolcraft Community College, Michigan, will be held in conjunction with the Regular School Election.

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WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
3:00 P.M. MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2003

Regular meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m.

Present: Thomas Yack, Steve Mann, Mark Abbo

Agenda – adopted as presented.

Minutes of regular meeting of March 24, 2003 – approved.

Minutes of study session of April 14, 2003 – approved.

Schedule of operating expenses totaling $790,715.98 – approved.

Operations & Maintenance Report for March 2003 - received and filed.

Director's Report for April 2003 – received and filed.

Lower Rouge Storage Building; Change Order No. 2 – approved.

457 Deferred Compensation Plan; Second Amendment – approved.

Lower Rouge Storage Building; Engineering Services – Capital Budget Amendment – approved.

City of Plymouth Flow By-Pass Alternatives; Engineering Services Contract – approved.

401(a) Pension Plan Investment Changes – received and filed.

WTUA Investment Policy – approved.

Sewer Cleaning & CCTV Inspection – Contract 8; Request To Advertise For proposals – approved.

Capital Improvement Program (Draft Format) – received and filed for comments by May 1, 2003;

YCUA Plant Expansion Update – received and filed.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK, Chairperson

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

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CANTON

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on nine hits and two walks, with three strikeouts, in six innings, but he was victimized by five Canton errors.

In their second game, the Chiefs got a 15-5 five-inning mercy win over Milford Lakeland. Jon Western was the winning pitcher, giving up three earned runs on five hits and four walks in 2 1/3 innings. Little relieved and did not surrender a run, giving up just two hits and no walks with three strikeouts in 2 2/3 innings.

McDevitt provided the offensive push with two hits, including a grand-slam home run in the second inning that broke the game open. Jake Powers contributed two hits and two RBI, Howald had a hit and two RBI, Powell had a hit and an RBI, and Tony Mroz had a hit and scored two runs.

Salem 6-2, Wayne 3-4: After a rough start, Salem sophomore pitcher Nic England handcuffed Wayne Memorial Monday to elevate the Rocks to a WLAA victory at Salem.

The Zebras scored all three of their runs in the first inning on four hits, but Salem answered with a run in the first on Brian Bradley's second home run of the season. The Rocks got three more in the second to take the lead, Ryan Leach's double accounting for two of them. Stevland Davis singled in another Rocks' run in the third and Andy Thackaberry doubled in their sixth run in the fifth.

Davis, Thackaberry and Steve Cox each had two hits in the game for Salem, which ended a three-game losing streak. Chris Judd was the losing pitcher for the Zebras.

Wayne won the second game, which was completed Tuesday, by a 4-2 count. Dave Clendenning was the winning pitcher; the sophomore righthander struck out 15 while tossing a four-hitter.

Wayne is 5-12 overall, 2-2 in the Lakes. Salem is 8-10 overall.

Catholic Central 11-9, U-D Jesuit 0-1: Catholic Central stayed in striking distance in the Catholic League Central Division on Sunday, sweeping a doubleheader from U-D Jesuit.

"We told the kids we needed to sweep to stay within striking distance of Brother Rice and they did it," said Salter, whose team played Rice in a doubleheader on Wednesday. "Both starters went the distance, so that was nice. Our pitching has been strong lately. Our earned run average has come down quite a bit lately."

Jeff Schulz set the Cubs down in the opener, retiring the first 13 hitters before allowing a one-out single in the fifth inning to break up the perfect game. He didn't walk a batter and allowed just three hits while fanning nine to improve to 4-1.

Kyle Crepeau was 3-for-4 with two runs scored and three stole bases for CC, while Ryan Gallagher had a double, triple and four RBI, Mike Monterey was 2-for-4 with two runs scored, Drew Amble had a homer with two RBI and Schulz had a two-run double.

A seven-run fifth inning led CC (10-2 Central) in the second game, called after five innings because of darkness. Monterey (5-0) earned the win on a four-hitter with two walks and eight strikeouts. Derek Brooks was 3-for-4 with a double and two runs scored at the plate, while Monterey had two RBI and Schulz had two RBI.

On Monday, the Shamrocks mercied Detroit Country Day, 10-0, as Bob Henderson (2-0) pitched a five-hitter with a pair of walks and a strikeout. John Eshelman suffered the loss for the Yellow Jackets, giving up six runs and seven hits in three innings.

Aaron Pauling had a pair of hits with a double and an RBI for CC (15-2), Alex Wojcik had a homer with two RBI, Joe Dudzinski had a double with an RBI and Schulz's single scored a pair of runs in the three-run sixth inning to end the game.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

FITNESS CHAMP

John Demsick, former Canton HS wrestling coach and a current physical education teacher in the Plymouth-Canton district, finished first in one event and second in another at the State Health and Fitness Championships last Saturday.

Demsick took top honors in the chin-up event with 36. He was also second in the dip event with 41. Demsick holds the state record in both events (37 chin-ups, 47 dips) for his weight.

Demsick has won the chin-up event four times in the overall age division.

HOCKEY BOOSTER CLUB

The Plymouth Canton Community Schools Hockey Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 13 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The club meets throughout the year to plan and fundraise for the varsity hockey programs at Salem, Canton and Plymouth high schools. If you have, or hope to have a varsity player at a Plymouth-Canton Community High School, please plan on attending. Call (734) 254-9234.

ROCKS

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on a passed ball. Cortney Edwards bunted as well and reached base when the throw went home.

That loaded the bases for Alison Proodian, whose fielder's choice scored the game-tying run. Mandy Bradley delivered the winning run when the Chiefs booted her ground ball.

Kelli Szczepanski got the pitching win (she's now 11-4), giving up one run on four hits and no walks, striking out one. The loss went to Renee Ross, who tossed a two-hitter, allowing two unearned runs and two walks while striking out five.

The first game Monday was stopped after five innings by the 10-run mercy rule. Salem had 13 hits in the game, with Jess Bonello going 3-for-3 with a double, two singles and three runs batted in and Tudor adding a single and a three-run triple.

Murawski contributed a double and a single with three RBI and Bradley had a double and a single.

Szczepanski was the winning pitcher for Salem in both games Monday. She only allowed one hit, walked one and struck out six in the opening game. The loss went to Wayne's Stacy Vojtkofsky.

"Kelli came off of a busy weekend," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland. "She pitched in three games in the Salem Invitational, then had to come back today and pitch two more. She's really focused right now and moving the ball around a lot."

Michelle Jurcak started the second game for Salem against Wayne, but only pitched to four batters before giving way to Szczepanski. The first three Zebra batters scored unearned runs, with Jurcak walking the first two batters, hitting the next and throwing a couple of wild pitches.

Szczepanski relieved and did not give up a run, allowing just one hit and striking out eight.

Tudor led the Rocks' attack with four hits, including a solo home run, and two RBI. Bonello had a double and a single and three RBI, Edwards and Szczepanski had two hits apiece, and Proodian got a single and two RBI.

Wayne was leading until the fourth inning, when the Rocks scored four runs, two on Bonello's double. Tudor and Proodian each had run-producing singles.

Salem 2nd at tourney

At last Saturday's sixth annual Salem Invitational, the Rocks reached the tournament final before losing to Temperance Bedford 3-1.

Salem opened with a 3-2 victory over Flat Rock, Szczepanski giving up two runs on four hits and one walk with five strikeouts. The Rocks trailed 2-0 after one inning, but a Sue Woodard single scored one Salem run in the second.

That was it until the sixth when Brook Posler doubled home Bradley with the tying run. In the Salem seventh, Emily Maletic and Tudor each singled and Edwards was safe on an error, loading the bases. Proodian's long fly ball to right scored the game-winning run.

In the second game of the tournament, the Rocks defeated Ypsilanti 11-0 in a five-inning mercy. Jurcak got the pitching win, allowing three hits and three walks, striking out three in five innings. Bradley led the attack with three hits including a double and a grand slam home run.

Ashley Bilkie was 3-for-3 at the plate, with Tudor and Proodian getting two singles and two RBI each.

The Rocks went up against Livonia Churchill in the game that would decide who would play for the championship and came away with a 6-0 triumph. Szczepanski was again superb, allowing five hits and one walk in six innings.

Salem broke the game open with four runs in the third inning.

Tudor, Murawski and Bonello each had two hits, Bonello slugging a triple, and Bradley had a single and a home run.

In the final, Temperance Bedford got eight hits off of Szczepanski while Salem managed just one hit. Two runs in the seventh clinched it for the Mules.

"It was a nice tournament," said Southerland. "Salem hit a couple over the fence. Hopefully, it's just the beginning of what is to come. Bedford is a good team and very aggressive up at bat.

"I'm glad we got to face them because they are in our regional and they have a very good pitcher."

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Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
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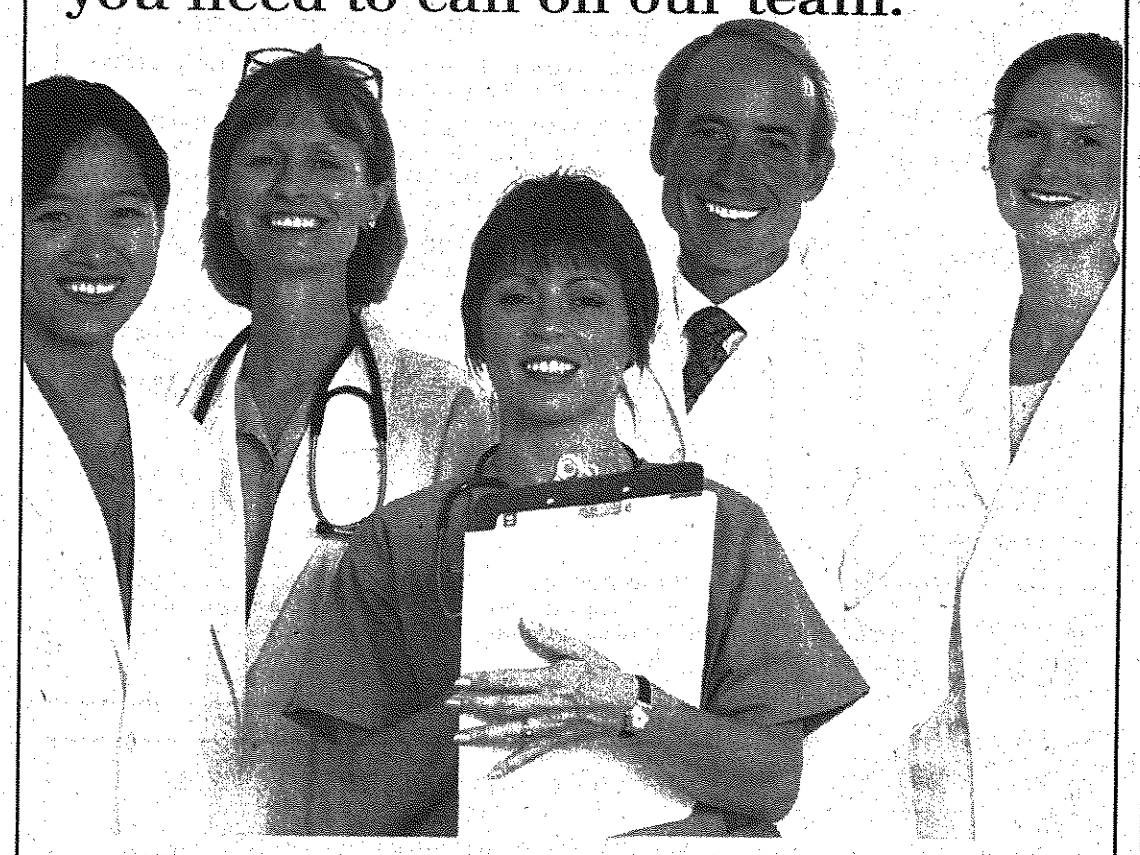

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BEST BOYS TRACK TIMES

OBSERVER'S BEST BOYS TRACK TIMES (through May 2)

Shot put

Hady Rahman (Stevenson)	53-2.5
Paul Stradtner (Garden City)	51-6
A.J. Simmons (Wayne)	48-10
Chris Snyder (Canton)	48-0
Pat Clark (Redford CC)	47-3
John Mulroy (Redford CC)	46-10.5
Jason LeDuc (Redford Union)	46-0
Dan Haller (Luth. Westland)	45-11
Anthony Morelli (Churchill)	45-3
Bryan Frawley (Canton)	44-11.25

Discus

Paul Stradtner (Garden City)	159-8
Chuck Cannon (Churchill)	150-6
Hady Rahman (Stevenson)	146-6
Marcus Gowdy (Thurston)	145-10
Jason LeDuc (Redford Union)	139-11
Nick Barrett (Redford CC)	136-10
Brad Waidmann (Canton)	136-6
Pat Clark (Redford CC)	134-6
Mike Ghannam (Churchill)	131-11
Ryan Danescu (Redford CC)	131-4

Long Jump

Allen Lenz (John Glenn)	21-0
John Mitchell (Stevenson)	20-3
Doug Persondek (Garden City)	20-3
Matt Smitherman (John Glenn)	19-10
Dan Driscoll (Canton)	19-9
Rodney Preston (Canton)	19-6
Joe Mielke (Franklin)	19-5
Andy Lynett (Franklin)	19-1
Francisco Beltran (Churchill)	19-1
Darre' Johnson (Wayne)	19-0.5

High Jump

Joe Mielke (Franklin)	6-4
Brad Waidmann (Canton)	6-2
Glenn Garrant (Clarenceville)	6-2
Brian Graham (Franklin)	6-0
Matt Graham (Franklin)	6-0
Dave King (Franklin)	6-0
Darre' Johnson (Wayne)	6-0
Andy Rossow (Canton)	5-10
Josh Silvernail (Clarenceville)	5-10
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	5-10

Pole Vault

Jon Chapman (Canton)	13-0
Mike Bebow (Franklin)	12-0
Dan Driscoll (Canton)	11-6
Ryan Santa (Churchill)	11-6
Michael Zahara (Churchill)	11-0
Joe Jackson (Wayne)	11-0
Rich Hensel (Canton)	10-6
Steve Kilijanczyk (Canton)	10-6
Dan Baseley (Luth. Westland)	10-6
Aaron Reamy (Churchill)	10-6
Brandon Giacchina (John Glenn)	10-6
Erik Thornton (Wayne)	10-6
Joe Mielke (Franklin)	10-6

110-meter hurdles

Steve Kilijanczyk (Canton)	15.1
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	15.3
Bill Makela (Redford CC)	15.5
Nick Karr (Churchill)	15.6
Chris Thomason (Salem)	15.7
T.J. Winowiecki (Salem)	15.9
Brad Waidmann (Canton)	16.2
Enrique Garcia (John Glenn)	16.3
Ross Farquhar (Churchill)	16.3
Brian Graham (Franklin)	16.5

300-meter hurdles

Bill Makela (Redford CC)	41.3
Steve Kilijanczyk (Canton)	41.9
Dan Dinardi (Stevenson)	42.5
Aaron Anselement (Stevenson)	42.9
Brian Soash (Canton)	43.0
Brad Zygmontowicz (Redford CC)	43.1
Nick Karr (Churchill)	43.1
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	43.2
Joe Mielke (Franklin)	43.3
Chris Thomason (Salem)	43.4
Jon Zerebiny (John Glenn)	43.4

100-meter dash

T.J. Dillard (Wayne)	10.8
Deris Rolle (Redford Union)	10.9
Allen Lenz (John Glenn)	11.0
Corey Walser (Canton)	11.0
Erik George (Churchill)	11.1
Darrian Miller (Wayne)	11.2
Andy Lynett (Franklin)	11.2
Dave King (Stevenson)	11.2
Matt Smitherman (John Glenn)	11.3
Robbie Mills (Franklin)	11.3
Brandon Reeves (Canton)	11.3

200-meter dash

T.J. Dillard (Wayne)	22.3
Devin Thomas (Canton)	22.4
Deris Rolle (Redford Union)	22.6
Erik George (Churchill)	22.8
Eddie Brown (Thurston)	23.2
Robbie Mills (Franklin)	23.2
Allen Lenz (John Glenn)	23.2
Francisco Beltran (Churchill)	23.4
Brandon Reeves (Canton)	23.6
Mike Wilson (Salem)	23.6
Brian Gasser (Stevenson)	23.6

400-meter dash

Brian Soash (Canton)	51.1
Jesse Williams (Canton)	52.7
Anthony Smelley (Redford Union)	53.0
James Gale (Churchill)	53.1
Brett Gerken (Stevenson)	53.2
Shane Azizi (Canton)	53.5
Colin Hall (Stevenson)	53.5
Trevor Hearns (Stevenson)	53.6
Tommy Thomas (Franklin)	53.6
Justin Brevick (Churchill)	54.0

800-meter run

Justin Brevick (Churchill)	2:02.1
Keith Hearns (Stevenson)	2:03.1
Kevin Patra (Redford Union)	2:04.0
Nick Zink (Luth. Westland)	2:04.2
Doug Novack (Stevenson)	2:05.0
Aaron Lanning (Canton)	2:06.6
Joe Horka (Churchill)	2:06.8
Trevor Hearns (Stevenson)	2:06.9
Sam Anderson (Redford Union)	2:07.0
Kevin Mason (Redford CC)	2:07.0

1,600-meter run

Justin Hajduk (Salem)	4:27.0
James Gale (Churchill)	4:29.2
Brian Doot (Redford CC)	4:34.2
Aaron Lanning (Canton)	4:34.9
Matt Gillespie (Stevenson)	4:36.1
Kevin Mason (Redford CC)	4:36.4
Kevin Kane (Churchill)	4:38.1
David Lucas (Redford CC)	4:40.0
Max Working (Redford CC)	4:41.3
Trevor Step (Redford CC)	4:41.9

3,200-meter run

Matt Gillespie (Stevenson)	9:52.2
David Lucas (Redford CC)	9:55.5
Max Working (Redford CC)	9:55.9
Kevin Kane (Churchill)	9:58.0
Dan Horgan (Redford CC)	10:02.2
Aaron Lanning (Canton)	10:12.3
Trevor Step (Redford CC)	10:15.2
Justin Hajduk (Salem)	10:21.6
Sean O'Halloran (Stevenson)	10:28.3
Brian Doot (Redford CC)	10:31.0

400 relay

Canton	44.6
John Glenn	44.9
Wayne	45.1
Churchill	45.6
Franklin	45.7

800 relay

Canton	1:32.0
John Glenn	1:33.9
Salem	1:33.9
Wayne	1:34.0
Franklin	1:35.2

1,600 relay

Stevenson	3:33.3
Canton	3:33.9
Churchill	3:35.0
Redford CC	3:42.6
Thurston	3:42.9

3,200 relay

Stevenson	8:12.3
Churchill	8:12.4
Redford CC	8:27.7
Redford Union	8:48.0
John Glenn	9:06.0

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BEST GIRLS TRACK LISTINGS

OBSERVER'S BEST GIRLS TRACK TIMES (through May 7)

Shot put

Nia Henderson (Churchill)	40-7.75
Lauren Kmet (Franklin)	35-10
Jessica Johnson (Canton)	35-9.25
Stephanie Waskiewicz (Churchill)	31-6
Jennifer Early (Salem)	30-9.5
Rachel Cooper (Garden City)	30-.5
Jenna Hudy (Franklin)	30-0
Christin Jury (Ladywood)	30-0
Martha Rojek (PCA)	29-6
Sarah James (Franklin)	29-5

Discus

Nia Henderson (Churchill)	123-9
Lauren Kmet (Franklin)	115-5.5
Jennifer Early (Salem)	109-10
Andrea Hurn (Stevenson)	104-0
Rachel Cooper (Garden City)	99-2
Alicia Krueger (Luth. Westland)	98-1
Jessica Jaskot (Churchill)	94-3
Sarah James (Franklin)	93-10
Martha Rojek (PCA)	93-8
Christin Jury (Ladywood)	93-6
Amy Bodnar (Stevenson)	93-6

Long jump

Mary Maloney (Canton)	16-5
Jennifer Anderson (Wayne)	16-5
Elizabeth Easter (John Glenn)	16-0
Andrea Nyberg (Canton)	15-6.25
Kathy Carey (Ladywood)	15-2.5
Jenny Timm (Luth. Westland)	14-11.5
Alex Dooley (Thurston)	14-11
Rebecca Fedrigo (Churchill)	14-7
Natalie Wasio (Thurston)	14-6
To'inia White (John Glenn)	14-6

High jump

Khelli Wade (Wayne)	5-3
Alyssa Supplee (Franklin)	5-2
Megan Kmet (Franklin)	5-1
Ashley McCall (Franklin)	5-0
Bethany Bartlett (Salem)	5-0
Connella Simmons (Wayne)	5-0
Megan Liewienski (Stevenson)	4-11
Rebecca Fedrigo (Churchill)	4-10
Jenna Pratt (Stevenson)	4-10
Lache' Wilkins (Churchill)	4-10
Izabela Paszkowska (Canton)	4-10
Cindy Rotramel (Canton)	4-10
Alisha June (Garden City)	4-10

Pole vault

Jennifer Perkins (Stevenson)	8-6
Cassie Burnett (Garden City)	8-6
Ashley Aquinto (Salem)	8-0
Amanda Bowmer (Franklin)	8-0
Kaitlyn Dugan (Churchill)	8-0
J.O. Williams (Canton)	8-0
Pam Reasor (Canton)	7-9
Kara Karalis (Churchill)	7-6
Remy Brim (Churchill)	7-6
Jackie Demers (Churchill)	7-6

100-meter hurdles

Kaitlin Armstrong (Stevenson)	16.0
Jenelle Miller (Stevenson)	16.9
Alisha June (Garden City)	17.3
Amanda Tatro (Franklin)	17.7
Lindsay Kariniemi (Canton)	17.8
Lindsay Conklin (Churchill)	17.8
Jenna Pratt (Stevenson)	17.8
Chrystal Roza (Franklin)	17.9
Melissa Knepshield (Churchill)	18.3
Dominique Gray (Wayne)	18.4

300-meter hurdles

Kaitlin Armstrong (Stevenson)	48.1
Rebecca Fedrigo (Churchill)	49.3
Alisha June (Garden City)	50.9
Amanda Richardson (Stevenson)	52.1
Lindsay Conklin (Churchill)	52.2
Lindsay Kariniemi (Canton)	53.4
Katie Cezat (Canton)	53.7
Jenelle Miller (Stevenson)	54.0
Gretta Melvin (Thurston)	54.2
Emily Seiter (Churchill)	54.2

100-meter dash

To'inia White (John Glenn)	12.6
Alyse White (Churchill)	12.6
Christina Redd (Canton)	12.7
Pamela Bryant (Franklin)	12.7
Kathy Carey (Ladywood)	12.8
Lache' Wilkins (Churchill)	13.0
Mary Maloney (Canton)	13.1
Brittany Howard (John Glenn)	13.1
Elizabeth Sturdy (Stevenson)	13.1
Jocelyn Flowers (Thurston)	13.3

200-meter dash

Linda Montgomery (Stevenson)	26.0
Alyse White (Churchill)	26.4
Tiffany James (Wayne)	26.4
Christina Redd (Canton)	26.5
Andrea Nyberg (Canton)	27.2
Kristy Sobran (Stevenson)	27.2
Lache' Wilkins (Churchill)	27.4
Deana Felix (Thurston)	27.5
Mary Maloney (Canton)	27.6
Alison Collins (Stevenson)	27.9

400-meter dash

Linda Montgomery (Stevenson)	58.9
Alyse White (Churchill)	59.6
Michelle Phillips (Churchill)	1:02.6
Lache' Wilkins (Churchill)	1:03.0
Sarah Stobbe (Canton)	1:03.8
Amanda Sculthorpe (Stevenson)	1:03.8
Maura Mulcahy (Ladywood)	1:04.7
Michelle Lager (Canton)	1:04.9
Jennifer Anderson (Wayne)	1:05.2
Katie Tuomi (Clarenceville)	1:05.4

800-meter run

Michelle Phillips (Churchill)	2:25.6
Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson)	2:27.2
Laura Friedman (Salem)	2:31.5
Kelly Gibbons (Stevenson)	2:31.4
Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	2:31.5
Andrea Giczewski (Stevenson)	2:32.4
Meghan Wafer (Thurston)	2:34.0
Alyse White (Churchill)	2:34.7
Rachel Wodyka (Churchill)	2:35.0
Kylen Cieslak (Churchill)	2:35.7

1,600-meter run

Michelle Phillips (Churchill)	5:17.7
Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson)	5:21.9
Heather Sirko (Stevenson)	5:27.5
Nicole Schmidt (Churchill)	5:27.6
Meghan Wafer (Thurston)	13.0
Kylen Cieslak (Churchill)	13.7
Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	13.8
Sarah McCormack (Canton)	14.0
Rachel Wodyka (Churchill)	5:48.1

3,200-meter run

Heather Sirko (Stevenson)	27.2
Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	25.0
Kylen Cieslak (Churchill)	56.0
Nicole Schmidt (Churchill)	2:09.2
Nicole Renaud (Churchill)	2:09.9
Sara Pilon (Stevenson)	26.0
Rachel Wodyka (Churchill)	28.5
Kristyn Green (Stevenson)	33.0
Gaby Gutierrez (Churchill)	2:35.1
Sarah McCormack (Canton)	35.0

400 relay

Stevenson	52.2
Canton	52.6
Wayne	53.3
John Glenn	53.4
Garden City	54.1

800 relay

Stevenson	1:47.6
John Glenn	1:49.0
Wayne	1:49.1
Canton	1:51.7
Franklin	1:54.6

1,600 relay

Stevenson	4:10.6
Churchill	4:22.2
Canton	4:27.0
John Glenn	4:27.0
Wayne	4:28.0

3,200 relay

Churchill	9:54.2
Stevenson	10:05.9
Canton	10:17.0
Ladywood	10:56.0
John Glenn	11:02.1

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In the small print on many listing agreements, there is a provision where the broker, in addition to getting a commission, also receives a broker's processing fee, which is simply an add-on fee which I would certainly argue about when you are signing the purchase agreement, as it would appear that the 6 or 7 percent commission for the broker is adequate given the circumstances. This again proves the necessity to have legal advice before you sign the purchase agreement and any listing agreement or buyer's agency agreement.

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LAST LOOK

Total residential building permits issued by region, 2002.

Location	Residences	1-Year Increase
South Atlantic	494,775	7%
Great Lakes	236,175	5
Pacific	232,375	10
We. So. Central	205,750	11
Mountain	196,850	2
Mid Atlantic	120,975	8
Plains	107,250	9
Ea. So. Central	86,925	10
New England	47,400	10

Source: U.S. Housing Markets

A workaday real estate life can include other exciting activities

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

Some Realtors say they live, breathe, eat and sleep real estate. Others maintain that they devote 25 hours a day to the job. And some sales professionals claim that they're always on call.

Well, OK, if they say so.

But work to the exclusion of everything else isn't everyone's idea of how best to use all the hours in a day. Sometimes, subtraction rather than addition is the better approach to time management.

Caroline McGuire recently became broker/owner of RE/MAX Professional in Rochester Hills. She has 33 years experience.

"This is one of the businesses where the better you are at what you do, the more you work," McGuire said. "People who have endurance, who last, have learned to take short breaks. They actually pencil in family time, personal time."

McGuire periodically escapes to her boat. "I can take my cell phone, laptop with me and can work from my boat all day. I like to bob around once in a while, a few times a month," she said.

McGuire also enjoys long weekend getaways up North several times a year.

NO APPOINTMENTS

"Every other weekend I don't schedule any appointments," she added. "Something may come up and I may have to work, but I don't schedule anything. You have to refresh or you burn out. You have to get away or you're of no value to anybody.

"Real estate is hard-charged," McGuire said. "The three most difficult things in a person's life are death, divorce and moving. Sometimes (with clients) we deal with more than one of those at a time.

"It's emotional, like a roller coaster. You have to get short spurts where you can to get refreshed, clear the mind," she said.

Sondra Snowdeal, affiliated with Coldwell Banker Shooltz in Oxford, has been in the business off and on for 30 years.

"I think you're more efficient when you put in less hours and use time wisely," she said. "Every hour I'm working, I'm working. I'm not chatting. I have a game plan and go at it. When it's playtime, it's playtime. The pager gets shut off."

DAILY WALK, WORKOUT

Snowdeal said she starts every day at 5 a.m. meeting a group of friends for a five-mile walk. They hike into town, enjoy keeping in touch with each others' lives over tea or coffee, then head back to take on the workaday world.

"For relaxation, I garden and golf in summer and in winter I cross-country ski," she added. "I set aside time for myself a couple of days a week – half a day on Wednesdays and Sundays. All my clients know that and respect that. I have someone cover my business during that time as I cover for her when she's gone.

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Kim Hahn, affiliated with Remerica Integrity, enjoys following the Detroit Red Wings and gardening.

"It's not good to be under stress 24 hours a day," Snowdeal said. "When you're under stress all the time, it's easy to make mistakes, errors."

Bill Vaughn, broker/owner of Century 21 Ambassador, Southfield, says he starts every day with a workout. "It keeps me feeling good, gives me energy for the rest of the day."

But that's not all.

"I take off every chance I get. I want to go somewhere – Las Vegas, Orlando. I usually go on Friday, back on Monday morning. You've got to get away. Otherwise, the pressure gets too tight," he said.

TUNE OUT

Agents – especially newcomers – sometimes are reluctant to tune out for fear of losing business, Vaughn said.

"I advise my people to turn off the pager, turn off the cell phone," he said. "If you stay around the house ... with technology today ... you don't get away from the business.

"You've got to let your clients know you're going to have a day off. People accept that. You can't be available 24/7," he said.

Vaughn also has a personal maximum-number-of-hours-per-day work rule. "After 10 hours, I just drop everything," he said.

Bernie and Chris Shoemaker, a husband-and-wife team with Real Estate One in Clarkston, visit their up North getaway monthly during nonwinter months.

"It's kind of a head-clearing type thing," he said. "We still probably break the rules by carrying cell phones. But when a pressing issue arises, we can take care of it in 15 minutes. The rest of the time, we're looking out the window at deer. We've got trails we walk."

Chris also likes to travel, recently visiting Key West, Fla., for a week, while Bernie fishes and hunts.

HOBBIES

Kim Hahn, office manager at Remerica Integrity in Livonia, is another one those folks who enjoy minivisits to a place on a lake in the North country.

"Absolutely it's so important to get away for peace of mind," she said. "I had a deal go sour right after Christmas. I let the seller down easy and headed north for the weekend."

Shortly thereafter they found another buyer.

On a more regular basis, Hahn said she enjoys following the exploits of the Detroit Red Wings – a short season this year – and gardening.

"If people say that's all they do is work, when are you finding time for your family or the things you enjoy doing?" she said.

Ed Spain, a Realtor with Weir, Manuel, Snyder and Ranke in Plymouth, wonders about the truthfulness of Realtors who claim they work voluminous hours.

"Anyone who's in the office every day, seven days a week for 12 hours, something's wrong with them," he said. "It grinds on you, your head gets twisted and sometimes you ask, 'What am I doing here?' Just like any job."

Spain likes to golf, work in his yard, socialize with friends and visit his grandchildren to recharge the batteries.

He and his partner, Janie Clemons, spell each other so each can have a day off every week, Spain said.

"In this business the customer is always right," he said. "Sometimes, you have to control the customer. You can't let them control you."

And that refers to time as much as anything else.

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Mortgage Bits

Tim 'Timbo' Phillips

Brokers an asset to the market

Do you believe in free enterprise? Hug a mortgage broker today. Mortgage brokers are entrepreneurs who compete in the real estate lending market by providing funds for residential purchases and refinances. They are specialists in mortgage lending and, in Michigan, must be licensed with the state.

Mortgage brokers compete against traditional lending institutions like banks and credit unions. In fact, most of them can get you VA, FHA, jumbo, ARMs, and conventional mortgages; bridge, construction, and balloon loans; and more. Some even have access to private funds and "hard money." The same way real estate brokers employ real estate agent, most mortgage brokers hire loan officers to work for them.

The biggest advantage mortgage brokers have over traditional bankers is that they are not limited to a single lender's rules and restrictions. Bankers can have their board approve unique situations, but mortgage brokers can access wholesalers and investors who specialize in those areas.

Mortgage brokers and banks often use the same funding sources. Companies like Flagstar Bank, Bank One, Chase Manhattan, and U.S. Bank, to name a few, have wholesale lending divisions that allow mortgage brokers to originate mortgages if they meet their respective guidelines. Often, by completing only one loan application and pulling a single credit report, mortgage brokers can submit a borrower's loan package to as many different lenders as it takes to get the right fit.

Banks and credit unions normally have a reasonable selection of mortgage products, and must use one of their own loans to fulfill a borrower's needs. Mortgage brokers, alternatively, choose from a variety of competing lending institutions, based on the customer's needs and profile.

Many mortgage brokers will meet you on your terms-during the evenings and weekends, or even virtually via computer or telephone. Like full-time real estate agents, professional mortgage loan officers are "on call" all the time.

Best of all, mortgage brokers usually work on 100 percent commission, so they are an especially good choice if you have a tough situation or must handle very unique circumstances. They are truly motivated to get the job done for you.

Timothy J. Phillips is a mortgage specialist and newspaper columnist. You may reach him at (734) 451-8267, or via www.HomeQuarters.BIZ.

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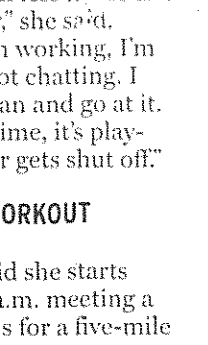
HOME Of The WEEK

Northville's



Shadbrook is often mistaken for Edenderry and also where special homes are artfully placed on priceless wooded lots. This extensively updated classic offers hardwood floors in the foyer, hall, bath, kitchen, breakfast room & family room. Updated kitchen with Cherry cabinets and new appliances. Updated master bath with Jacuzzi tub. Tearoff roof. Three year new furnace, water heater, central air and more! Best of all it's very attractively priced at $387,500.

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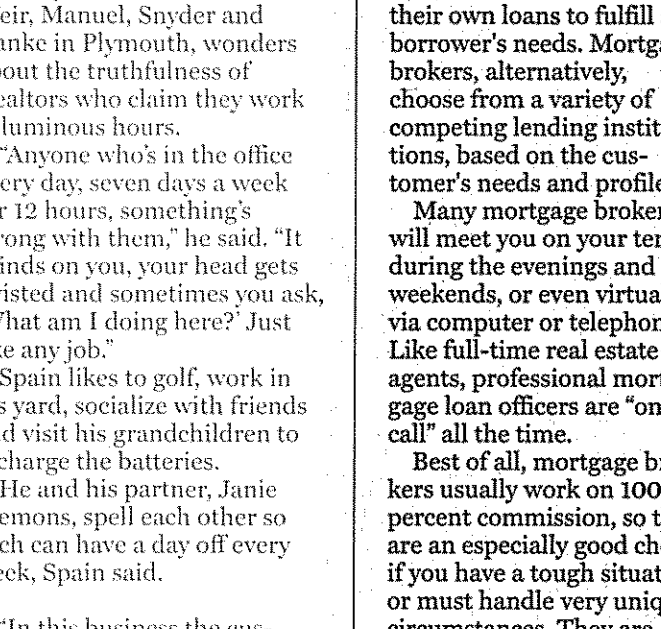

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11430 GOLD ARBOR, PLYMOUTH
Spacious bungalow w/walk-out basement to a beautiful ½ acre fenced yard, great for summer entertaining. Neutral decor. Oversized garage w/workshop. This home has much more space than appears and too many updates to mention. $269,900 (30/GOL) 734-455-6000

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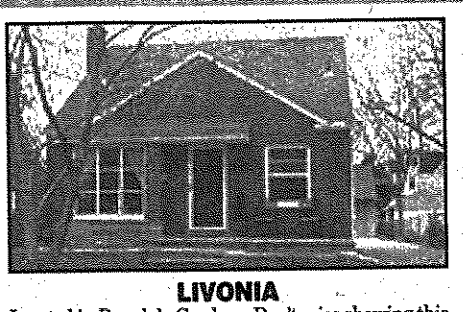

LIVONIA
Located in Rosedale Gardens. Don't miss showing this one. Some rooms have hardwood floors. Large master on upper level. Mostly brick for low maintenance. Oversized 2 car garage. Brick paver walk & porch. Glass block windows basement. Newer landscaping front & back. (07/MEL) 734-455-6000

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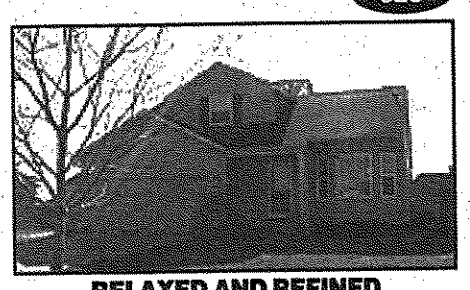

RELAXED AND REFINED
Nestled away from the rush of the city. Minutes to Whitemore Lake for those sunset strolls. Meticulous three bedroom Cape Cod has it all! Hardwood floors, cathedral ceilings, loft/study, deck, basement, two car attached garage and tastefully decorated. Look no further. $215,000 (59/SUN) 734-455-6000

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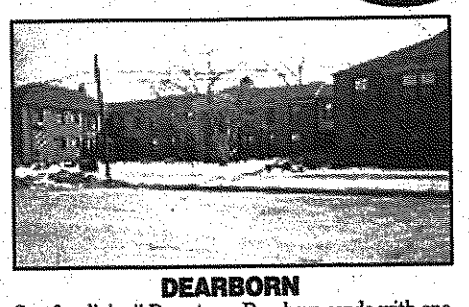

DEARBORN
Carefree living!! Downtown Dearborn condo with one bedroom, one bath. Updated and lovely with loads of appeal and close to everything. Guests enter through secure lobby. $89,900 (73/GAR) 734-455-6000

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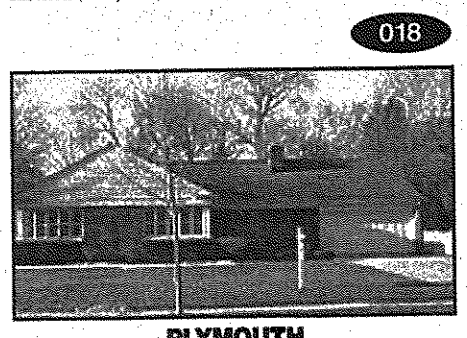

PLYMOUTH
Charming 1950-built ranch in Hough Park! This 3 bedroom home offers three baths, spacious living room, family room, light filled kitchen, with spacious breakfast eating area, finished lower level complete w/bedroom, bath, kitchen and recreation room, and 2 car attached garage. The deck and patio provide great areas for outdoor entertaining. $438,000 (37/MAP) 734-455-6000

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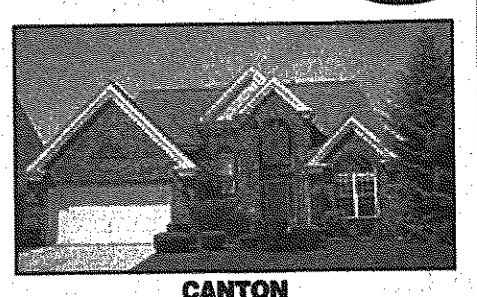

CANTON
Don't miss out on this special home in desirable Sunflower sub. 1st floor master BR w/jetted tub. Open floor plan. Open FR on upper level could be 4th BR. Recent updates incl: vinyl siding, painted trim, HWH, kitchen facet, garbage disposal & dishwasher. Humidifier, air cleaner, window treatments, interior paint, Maytag Oven & landscaping. Extra deep basement. $329,900 (41/WEA) 734-455-6000

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These are the *Observer & Eccentric*-area residential real estate closings recorded the weeks of Dec. 23-27 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton

6712 Ardsley	$125,000
2209 Brookfield	$230,000
49025 Brooklyn	$225,000
453 Concord	$217,000
44858 Danbury	$290,000
652 Filmore	$328,000
50760 Geddes	$81,000
2009 Liberty	$229,000
2055 Liberty	$139,000
1381 Liberty	$121,000
42709 Lilley Pointe	$126,000
44912 Patrick	$251,000
42709 Proctor	$275,000
2433 River Woods	$415,000
644 Sorel	$305,000
41154 Southwind	$126,000
6530 Sturbridge	$193,000
1127 Yarmouth	$350,000

Garden City

29665 Barton	$141,000
1728 Cardwell	$53,000
5950 Harrison	$116,000
6735 Shaller	$137,000

Livonia

15110 Alexander	$115,000
10016 Cardwell	$148,000
28242 Elmira	$150,000
18528 Gillman	$134,000
9874 Hillcrest	$157,000
29811 Lamar	$170,000
8806 Norman	$242,000
19161 Parkville	$172,000
14991 Riverside	$250,000
34105 Trillium	$100,000

Plymouth

46301 Concord	$350,000
600 Lindsay	$172,000
40167 Newport	$115,000
40406 Newport	$118,000
40544 Newport	$144,000
49730 Pine Ridge	$684,000
51352 Plymouth Heights	$378,000

Redford

19510 Brady	$135,000
11321 Centralia	$145,000
9535 Columbia	$102,000
20535 Dalby	$117,000
18225 Denby	$115,000
15379 Fenton	$108,000
11709 Hazelton	$122,000
19939 Kinloch	$122,000
16630 MacArthur	$135,000
20521 MacArthur	$107,000
15055 Salem	$125,000
9653 Virgil	$111,000

Westland

38592 Alma	$253,000
35261 Avondale	$102,000
33713 Beechnut	$130,000
32062 Clare	$83,000
8251 Creekside	$287,000
34119 Decatur	$50,000
31476 Glen	$132,000
37690 Laramie	$210,000
30260 Marshall	$150,000
30330 Marshall	$153,000
30035 Marshall	$195,000
30055 Marshall	$207,000
30100 Marshall	$180,000
29074 Mcdonald	$85,000
1192 Michael	$220,000
7440 N Hawthorne	$137,000
35608 Palmer	$50,000
35688 Rolf	$127,000
2229 S Christine	$95,000
652 S Henry Ruff	$128,000
35316 School	$104,000
35316 School	$72,000

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

Real Estate One, a family owned company in Farmington Hills, recently honored its top sales associates for a record-breaking volume of $3.2 billion in 2002.

Linda Rea of Troy was volume leader, total contribution sales leader and affiliated sales leaders. **Matt Dejanovich**, Ann Arbor, was all-company listing volume leader.

Mohammed "Mike" Fayz, Dearborn, was all-company sales unit sold leader, while the **Harrison Team**, Ann Arbor, was the all-company listing unit sold leader. **Bob Ogg** and **Karen Wilson**, Troy, were all-company sales team of the year.

Melanie Bishop, **Jeffrey Barker** and **Kathy Broock-Ballard** were the top agents company wide exceeding $20 million in sales.

The President's Circle – for associates with sales exceeding $11 million – included **Idowu Balogun, Andrew Collins, Betty Constant, Michael DeForrest, Dennis Dickstein, Susan Doyle, Mary Ferrazza, Julie Herman, Judy Jacobson** and **Rick Jarzembowski.**

Also, **Mary Michalek, Howard Novetsky, David** and **Stacey Reese, Randy Roy, Tom Stachler, Fil Superfisky, Gail Turner, Cyndi Robinson, Margie Wells, Bob Weltman, Randy Wisniewski** and **Thomas Zibkowski.**

The President's Council of Excellence Diamond – for sales between $7 million and $11 million – included **Cicy Bennett, Gary Booms, Bella Brookenthal, Gary Callas, Cathy Champion, Debby Combs-James, Denise Consiglio, Sam Cupp, Dana Daley** and **Olena Drobot.**

Also, **Laura Edwards, Sahar Fakhouri, Betty Finkbeiner, Barbara Gaines, Susi Gollinger, Marilyn Handloser, Janice Hays, Lillian Hoard, John Hyuck, Greg Johnson, Jeff Kovatch, Chris Lee, Amy Lee, Jeanne MacKeller, Kelly Martin-Rahaim** and **Kathy McLean/Pamela Burke.**

Also, **Dan Mladin, Latif Muhaimeen, Abe** and **Ruby Nasser, Bev Onisko, Tom** and **Nancy Pierce, Mike Rohde, Carol Shapiro, Robert Sheldon, Bernie** and **Chris Shoemaker, Linda Singer, Nelson** and **Liz Stevenson, Jeff Tothill, Ida Touchette, Angel Vasquez, Constance Vlahoulis** and **Sue VonRosen.**

Larry Shaevsky becomes property manager for apartment and commercial properties owned by **Broder & Sachse Real Estate Services**, Farmington Hills, throughout southeast Michigan.

He had been general manager of Village Green's Regents Park luxury community in Troy.

Shaevsky hold a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University. He lives in West Bloomfield.

Grubb & Ellis, a commercial real estate firm in Southfield, recently represented the buyer, T. Alterman and Associates, in the sale of 176,700 square feet of industrial space in Canton.

John Arthurs, vice president- industrial group, and **Randall Allman** participated for Grubb & Ellis.

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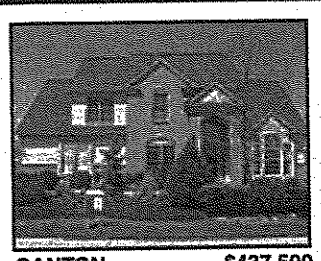
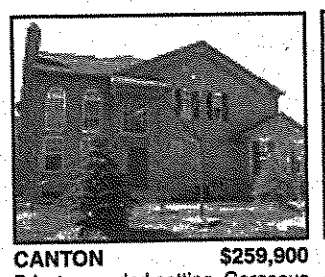
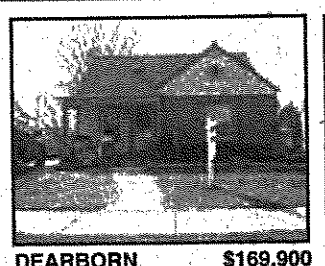


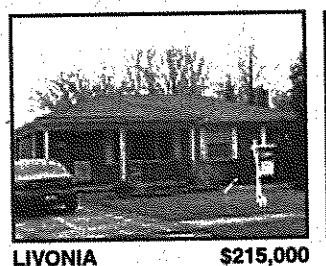
CANTON $437,500
Must See! 4br, 3.5 bth, Colonial 2 story family rm, large kitchen w/island, sun room, deck, patio, fin. bsmnt w/2nd kitchen, cir.dwy, mbr w/jet tub, 2 stairs, lots of features. (BGN70KIN) 888-870-9123



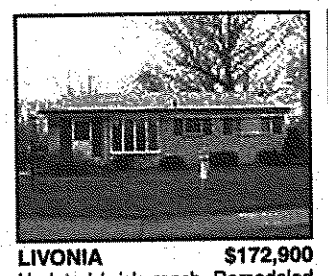
CANTON $259,900
Private wooded setting. Gorgeous end unit. Tons of upgrades. MBR w/WIC, private BA w/jetted tub, shower & dbl sinks. Soaring ceiling & huge wndw in LR & DR. Gas FP in LR. 2nd flr FR & lib. BGP-23Gla 888-870-9127



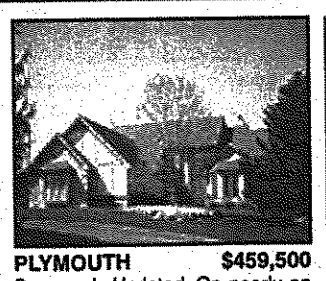
DEARBORN $169,900
Tons of updates including: windows, siding, elec., roof, furn/ca & glass blk windws. 4 BR, hdwd flrs & 6 panel drs, Fla rm 12x20! Nicely fin. bsmt. 20x20 brick garage. (BGL50ACA) 888-870-9105



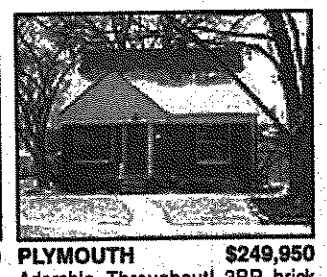
LIVONIA $215,000
Start Packing! This super ranch style home is full of updates. Marble foyer & bath. Oak kitchen w/Granite counter top. Huge great room w/fireplace. Professionally fin.basement. (BGN85SUN) 888-870-9123



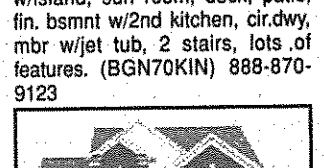
LIVONIA $172,900
Updated brick ranch. Remodeled Oak kit. w/ceramic flr & walk-in pantry, 1½ baths on main floor. All newer win w/front bay in LR. Furn & CA (94) & roof (01). Huge fin bsmt w/gls blk winds. (BGL29WES) 888-870-9105



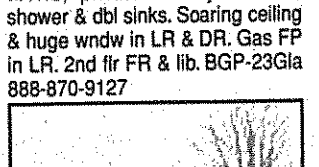
PLYMOUTH $459,500
Supremely Updated. On nearly an acre, 1st fl mst ste w/jacuzzi. WI closets,updated shower. Fnshed lower level w/cedar sauna,bath & bar. Paved circle drive. 2 CA, oversized 3 car gar. BGP-11AMH 888-870-9127



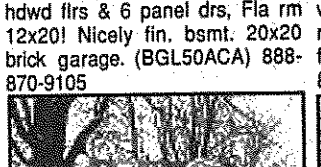
PLYMOUTH $249,950
Adorable Throughout! 3BR brick bungalow features updated kit cabinets, cntrtps, flooring. Updated bath w/pergo, custom sink. 5 yr old roof on house & garage. Hdwd flrs under carpet. HW incl. BGP-20lrv 888-870-9127



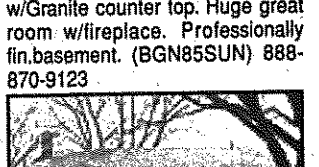
CANTON $319,900
Welcome home this 2000 Built! Custom cape cod w/3 br optional 4th or loft. Gourmet kitchen, crown molding, full basement, premium elevation, hardwood floors. Must see! (BGN80PON) 888-870-9123



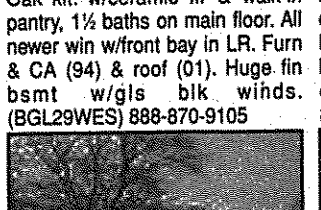
CANTON $189,000
Canton Ranch with a flair! 3 BR, impressive great room, full basement, huge garage, above ground pool. Many recent improvements. BGP-61Yor 888-870-9127



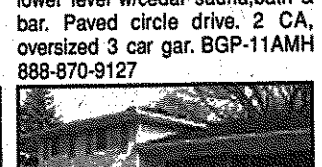
GARDEN CITY $139,900
Tastefully decorated home is waiting for you. Lg FR. Formal DR w/views of yard & large deck. Updates include both baths and most windows. Some hdwd flrs. Appliances and warranty included. (BGL95PIE) 888-870-9105



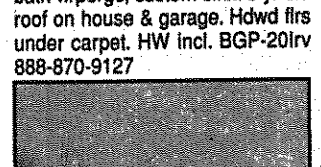
LIVONIA $179,900
Location! Location! 1 block from New Livonia Rec. Center. Fabulous open floor plan w/4br, 2 car garage. Enjoy fun a few steps away. Neutral, clean & updated. Hurry on this beauty! (BGN41MEA) 888-870-9123



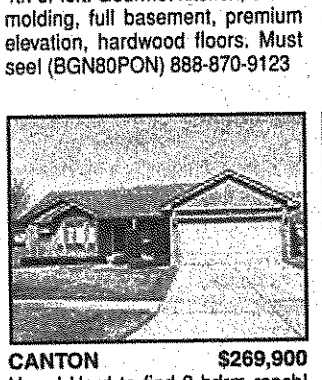
LIVONIA $126,000
Great curb appeal. Three Br, 1 bath ranch. Beautiful Oak cabinets in large eat-in kitchen. Nice size laundry room. Pull down attic for storage. Lovely corner lot with 1 car garage at rear of lot. (BGL00FLO) 888-870-9105



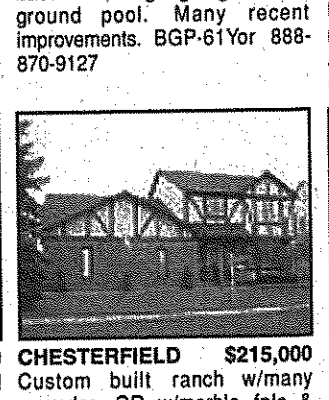
PLYMOUTH $279,900
Fabulous Plymouth Colonial! Gorgeous re-modeled kitchen, beautiful hardwood floors, newer roof, sprinkler system, updated baths, paver patio, & within walking distance to downtown. (BNG80ROS) 888-870-9123



PLYMOUTH $249,900
Extraordinary turnkey 4br, 2.5 bath Colonial! Newer central, furnace, windows, hdwd flooring, tile baths, carpeting, electrical, copper plumbing, kitchen, sprinklers, landscaping. (BGN95MAR) 888-870-9123



CANTON $269,900
Hurry! Hard to find 3 bdrm ranch! In popular Sunflower Subdivision. Great room w/fireplace, dbl doors to beautiful deck, 1 st flr laundry, huge kitchen w/bay window. (BGN20HAN) 888-870-9123



CHESTERFIELD $215,000
Custom built ranch w/many upgrades. GR w/marble fplc & cathedral ceilings, mstr bdrm ste. Lge kit. w/maple cabs. Central air & ground sprinklers. Finished garage and much more. (BGL60STR) 888-870-9105

LIVONIA $259,900
Livonia Gem! Ready for immediate occupancy, new C/A, hardwood floors, new roof (97), intercom, Flordia rm, sprinklers, & sidewalks in sub. (BGN01PAR) 888-870-9123

LIVONIA $209,700
Quad in terrific condition, tasteful decor & loaded w/updates: wndws, kit, bath, roof & C/A. Hdwd flrs. Newer vinyl flr in kit/bft nook. Bsmt w/fin rm (10x12.6") Curr used as 4th bdrm. 2 car det. gar w/newer door. (BGL96RIC) 888-870-9105

PLYMOUTH $629,900
Fabulous Landscaping. Impressive 4BR, 3.1BA "Cresthaven" Cape Cod. Low traffic court setting. Gourmet kit & nook w/upgraded cbnts & granite cntrtops. Lux 1st flr mastr w/vltd clgs & 2 WIC. BGP-21 Pow 888-870-9127

PLYMOUTH $274,900
A Rare Find! Ranch in charming Woodbrook. Towering trees, winding streets, close enough to walk to town. Great flr plan, gracious foyer w/slate flr. 2 full BA. FR w/FP. 2 car gar. BGP-78Cha 888-870-9127

REDFORD $52,000
Affordable Condo. Hdwd flrs, updates incl. newer carpeting, ceiling fans. Bathroom updated w/new sink, toilet & cabinet/kit. floor tile, foyer tile & freshly painted. Community pool. (BGL01FIV) 888-870-9105

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FAIR HOUSING AWARDS

The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit is now accepting nominations for its annual Leadership Awards of individuals and firms who support and advance the cause of fair and equal housing opportunities here.

Nominating forms, available through the center's office, (313) 963-1274, are due by Sunday, June 1.

CAREER SEMINAR

Keller Williams Realty-Livonia offers a free, no-obligation class on how to get into real estate sales and what you can expect 2 p.m. Friday, May 9; 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 14; 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 21; and noon Saturday, May 24; at its offices, 31500 Schoolcraft, just west of Merriman.

To register, call (734) 266-9000.

SELL HOME CLASS

Alma Mathley, Professional Real Estate Title, conducts a free, no-obligation seminar, "For Sale by Owner," 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, at Hunter Community Center, 509 Fisher Court, off Main Street two blocks north of 14 Mile Road, Clawson.

To register, call Mathley at (248) 851-2975.

GARDE AWARDS

The Great Lakes Construction Alliance announces its annual Gender and Race Diversification Excellence awards with a ceremony/reception 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren, Detroit.

Cost is $50. For information, call (313) 964-2662.

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

Oakland Land Conservancy and Great Lakes Bioregional Land Conservancy present a seminar on the tax and estate planning implications of conservation easements 8 a.m. to noon Thursday, May 15, at the Michigan State University Management Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy.

Cost, which includes breakfast buffet, is $99. To register, call Donna Folland at (248) 601-2816.

FHA FUNDAMENTALS

Mortgage U, an affiliate of Wetzel Trott, hosts a seminar on the fundamentals of FHA mortgages 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, May 15, at its offices, 30300 Telegraph Road, Suite 150, Bingham Farms.

Cost is $189. To register, call (800) 278-0200.

MANUFACTURED HOUSING

The Department of Consumer & Industry Services, Bureau of Construction Codes, accepts comments on proposed changes to Manufactured Housing Commission General Rules until 5 p.m. Friday, May 16.

The proposed rules are available at www.michigan.gov/bcc under the What's New section.

Comments may be made by e-mail, baben@michigan.gov; by fax (517) 241-9570; or regular mail, CIS, Bureau of Construction Codes, Office of Administrative Services, P.O. Box 30254, Lansing 48909.

BUY HOME CLASS

Assured Real Estate conducts a free seminar for home buyers 5:30-8 p.m. Sunday, May 18, at 21415 Civic Center Drive, #117, just west of Northwestern, Southfield. To register, call (248) 557-4310.

SALES AWARDS

The sales and marketing council of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents annual awards for outstanding achievements in new homes merchandising, advertising, promotions and sales 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 21, at Il Posto Ballroom, 28847 Franklin Road, Southfield.

Cost, which includes hors d'oeuvres, is $85. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

Average mortgage rates fall nationally

(AP) – Mortgage rates moved lower last week, good news for people thinking about buying a home.

The average interest rate on a fixed-rate, 30-year mortgage fell to 5.70 percent for the week ending May 2, Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reported in its weekly nationwide survey.

The rate was down from 5.79 percent the previous week.

For 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rates declined to 5.03 percent last week, compared with 5.12 percent.

Rates for one-year adjustable mortgages dipped to 3.74 percent, down from 3.79 percent.

In the week ending March 14, right before the United States went to war against Iraq, rates on 30-year mortgages declined to a record low of 5.61 percent as jittery investors sought the safe havens of bonds.

That rate was the lowest since Freddie Mac began tracking 30-year mortgages in 1971. Records that reach back earlier indicate that the rate is the lowest since the early 1960s.

Low mortgage rates propelled home sales to record levels last year, and economists expect this year could turn out to be very good given the favorable financing climate.

"It appears the housing industry will continue to flourish well into the summer," said Frank Nothaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

Low mortgage rates also propelled home-mortgage refinancing activity to a record level last year, which has played a key role in supporting consumer spending. Consumers, the main force keeping the economy going, used the money saved on their monthly mortgage payments to make other purchases.

"Mortgage rates have fallen enough over the last few months that families who refinanced in 2001 are now able to do so again," Nothaft said.

The mortgage rates reported by Freddie Mac don't include add-on fees known as points.

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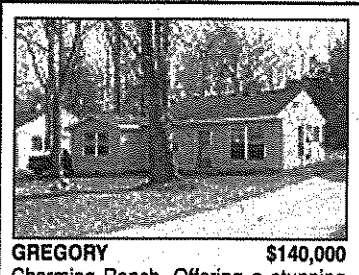
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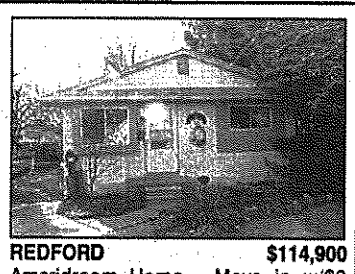
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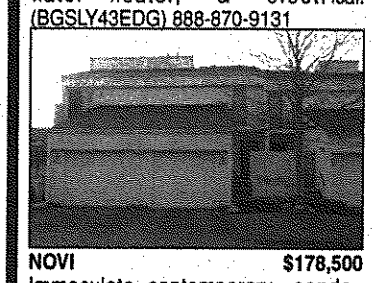
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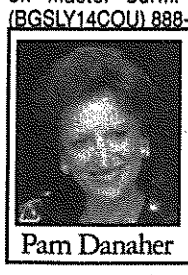
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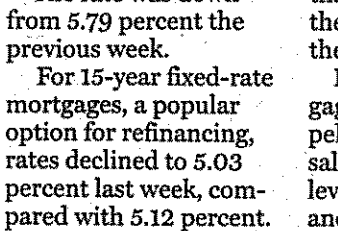
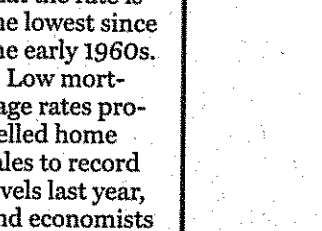
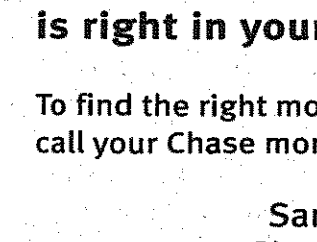
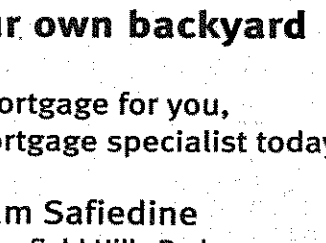

DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH RANCH – Tree-lined street is home for this 3 bedroom, 2 full bath ranch boasting ceramic entry and main hall, marble fireplace flanked by built-ins, central formal dining room, oak kitchen with ample table space and 2-car attached garage. $295,000 (356AR)


OPEN & AIRY – Beautifully maintained ranch condo in Farmington Hills with lots of windows throughout, spacious living room w/fireplace and formal dining room. Large master with bath and walk-in closet. First floor laundry, full basement and 2-car attached garage. Priced right! $214,900 (205HI)


LARGE CORNER LOT WITH 3-CAR GARAGE – Newer built 1,551 sq. ft. ranch with 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, full basement, central air, skylight, beautiful oak kitchen/bay window, cathedral ceilings, great room/gas fireplace, 1st floor laundry, newer carpeting, and more. $213,900 (048RO)


PRESTIGIOUS PHEASANT RIDGE – Unique New England style colonial, 3,300 sq. ft. of open living space, 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, hardwood floors, oak cabinets, stone fireplace in family room, formal living room/dining room. Huge master with sitting are, loads of upgrades throughout, and a 3-car finished garage. $459,900 (335NO)

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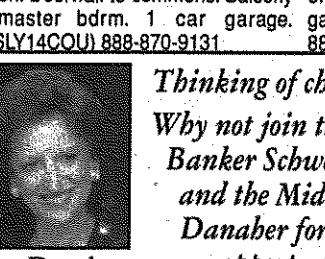
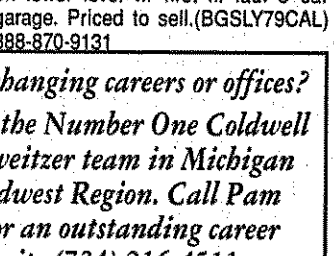
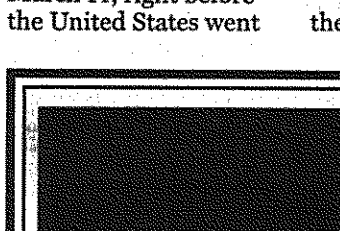
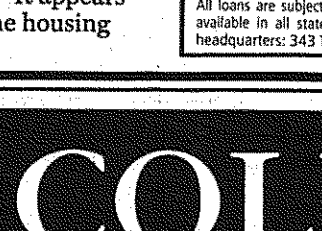
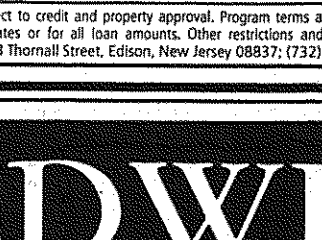
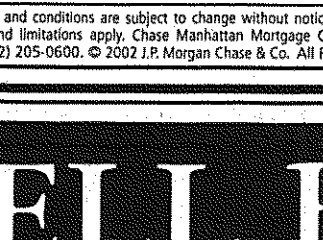

TOWNHOUSE CONDO – Contemporary flair to this 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath condo in Canton. Pergo floor in living room and dining room, 2-tone paint, white kitchen cabinets, basement, 1st floor laundry, and an attached garage. $164,900 (554HU)


PLANNED TO BE COMFORTABLE – Canton 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, patio, central air & large family room make for easy living. Enjoy this pleasing colonial, 2 1/2 car garage, 1st floor with Pergo and fresh paint. Main level laundry, eat-in kitchen w/stove & dishwasher. Basement, fully landscaped with patio. Immed. available. $219,900 (831WO)


PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP!! – Beautiful ranch in Westland. You won't believe the updates. Hardwood floors, 6-panel doors, newer entry doors, 2 baths, gorgeous finished basement with recessed lights. Must see to believe!! $158,00 (133DO)

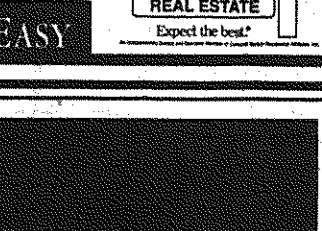

GARDEN CITY RANCH – Charming 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath brick ranch. Hardwood floors, country kitchen, large basement with finished ceiling and tiled floors. New roof '90; windows, doors, furnace, air conditioning in 1988. Well maintained corner lot and maintenance-free exterior. Home warranty. $159,900 (991KA)

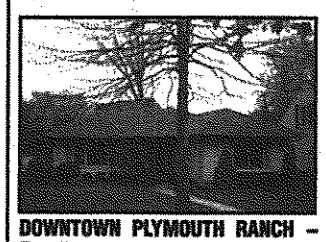

ACRES ABOUND – What a wonderful country ranch home with 4.64 acres of pasture or farmland-it's your choice. This home has an attached garage, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths and a barn with electric. Call today! $194,900 (611WE)

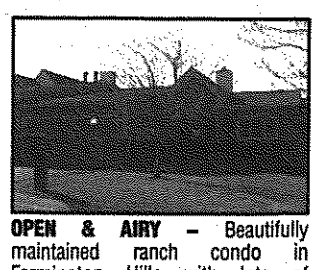

NORTHVILLE LAKEFRONT – Enjoy the views from this Moceri built classic colonial with walk-out. Two story foyer, dual staircase, family room with dual fireplace, gourmet kitchen, spacious master suite, deck off kitchen, brick paver patio, and a 3-car garage. Many extras! $1,199,900 (952MI)

CITY OF PLYMOUTH – Charming 3 bedroom bungalow. Hardwood floors, central air, updated kitchen and bath. Walk to shopping and parks. Easy access to expressway. $237,000 (550EV)

UPDATES GALORE! – Circle and call on this updated townhouse featuring: 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths and a finished basement. Clubhouse and heated pool! Call for a list of updates. $133,500 (013SO)


YPSILANTI CHARMER – REDUCED! 2,800 sq. ft. in Ypsilanti Twp.! Four bedrooms, 2 full baths, living room, dining room, family room. Beautifully decorated - move right in, 2 1/2 car garage and a fenced corner lot. $164,900 (859EU)


PLYMOUTH CHARMER – This charming Plymouth home is beautifully decorated & features 3 bedrooms, a spacious living room, large dining room, full basement & sunroom. Situated on an oversized lot, it has a garage and fenced backyard. Don't delay on this one, see it today! $199,900 (651EV)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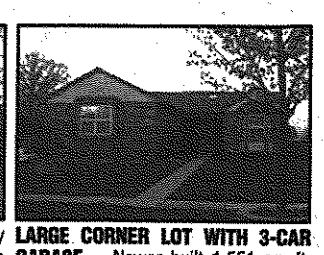
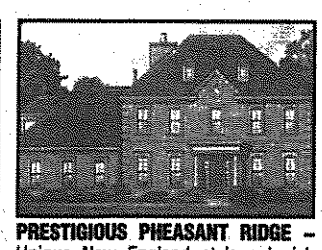
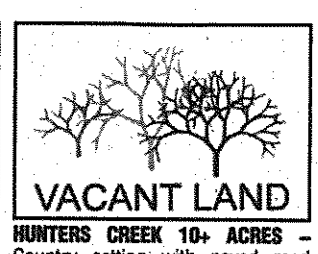
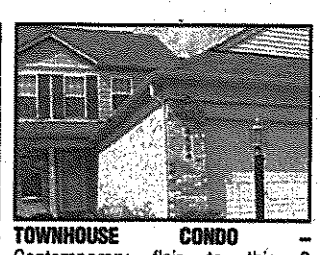

LIVONIA SCHOOLS – Wonderful condo in nice complex with over 1,000 square feet. New windows, great view of woods, private balcony, fireplace, open floor plan and much more. $94,000 (610WO)


PLYMOUTH CAPE COD CONDO – First floor master suite, 2 bedroom and full bath up with loft overlooking great room, oak kitchen with granite counters, daylight window basement, hardwood floors in foyer, kitchen, powder room and hall, 1st floor laundry, 2 1/2 car attached garage, central vac, deck with hot tub, private setting. $349,900 (550PI)


INVESTOR SPECIAL – New roof, plumbing, electrical, siding, 95% efficient furnace, windows, carpet, bath and fresh paint. This home needs a kitchen and a bath to be completed. Hardwood floors and 1st floor laundry. $235,900 (679AD)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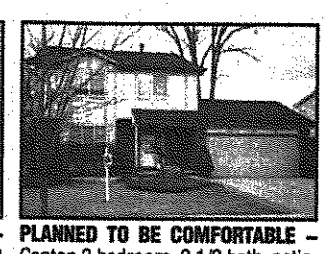
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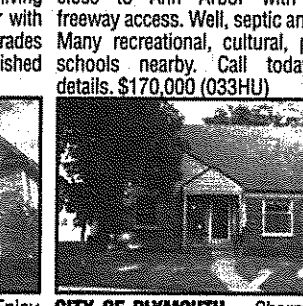

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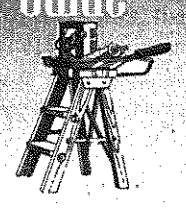

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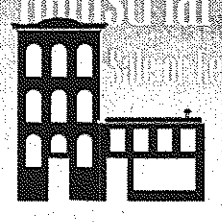

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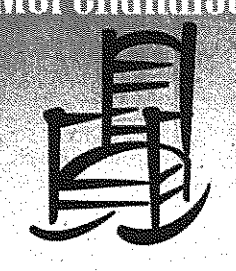

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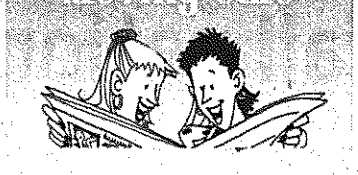

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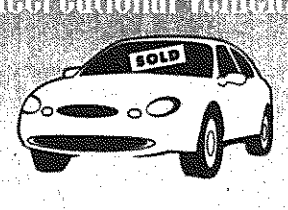

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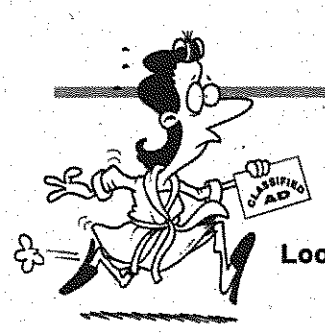

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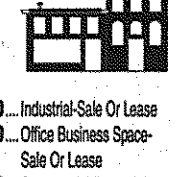

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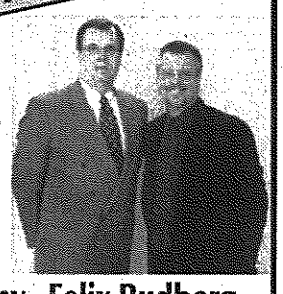

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Canton-1458 Bayberry
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Canton-42079 Saratoga Circle 3bdrm /2.5 ba. Built in 1994, aprox. 1561 sqft. fin bsmt. 2 car att gar, natural fireplace. $214,900

Canton-3260 Canton Center (from Geddes rd)
2,000+ sqft. Ranch on 2+ acres. Huge master suite . 4 car garage. 350,000

OPEN SUN 1-4 **Canton-1661 Copeland Cr.**
3 bdrm colonial,vinyl windows, Pergo flrs, newer carpet t/o, wet bar in family room. $229,900

Canton-3865 Hunters Way (condo)
2 bedroom townhouse, formal dining rm. White bay cabinets in kitchen, 1st flr laundry. $159,900

Canton-3400 Canton Center (from Geddes rd)
3 bdrm. Ranch sprawling over 3,000 sqft. sitting on 5+ acres of land w/pond, stream. $499,900

Canton-41131 Westfield Circle
3 bdrm Colonial, built 1998. Oak cabinets, gas F.P., Master bath. 1988 sqft. $249,900

OPEN SUN 1-4 **Canton-4021 Berkley**
2 bdrm & 2 bath condo built 2002. Beautiful kitchen w/wood flrs. fireplace, garage. $184,900

Canton-43419 Arbor Way
2 bdrm & 1.5 bath condo in Arbor Village, has fireplace in living room, fin. basement. $142,900

Canton-6756 Fox Creek
4 bdrm colonial in great sub. Oak kitchen, 1st flr laundry, newer flooring throughout. $279,900

Sumpter-25349 Elwell
Newer Cape Cod on 1+ acre, oak island kitch, wooded lot. 2,300 + sqft. $229,900

Redford-9915 Grayfield
3BR, 1.5BA Bungalow, fin bsmt, 3-season Florida Room. Under market! $109,900

Redford-26739 Vasser
2 bedroom "doll house", updated kitchen & bath, newer roof, windows, carpet. Double lot. $88,900

Redford-14210 Marion
3 bdrm, 1,770 sqft. Hardwood floors, fireplace much character & charm. $174,900

Wayne-4474 Niagra
3 bdrm bungalow on a quiet street in Wayne. Freshly painted, big back yard. 0 down. $104,900

Southfield-21850 S. Tuller Ct.
3 bdrm ranch on a large lot. 2.5 car att garage, main floor laundry. Natural fireplace. $149,900

Detroit- 7343 Grandmont
Beautiful 2 story w/fin. bsmt. updates include: furnace, siding, electric. nat fireplace. $114,900

Westland-32735 Sandra Lane
Livonia schools 3 bdrm ranch, 1.5 baths, new windows, water heater, fin. Bsmt. $147,900

Westland-6925 Mohican
3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch w/finished basement. Newer roof, windows, & central air. $149,900

OPEN SUN 1-4 **Westland-1922 Steiber (condo)**
Updated 2 bedroom, basement, new c/a, windows, furnace, deck, carpet, neut. décor. $80,000

OPEN SUN 1-4 **Westland-35008 Sansburn**
3 bdrm ranch in mint condition w/partly finished bsmt. 2 car gar. remodeled kitch & bath. $147,900

OPEN SUN 1-4 **Westland-38183 Warner Farms**
2 bdrm. 2.5 bath, finished walk out bsmt, att. garage, wooded view from deck. $146,900

OPEN SUN 1-4 **Westland-6011 Yale**
3 bdrm. Brick ranch. Newer carpet & windows, fin. Bsmt w/full bath. c/a, 2 car garage. $144,900

Westland-2320 Newburgh
2 bdrm w/natural fireplace in great room, double lot, newer furnace & C/A. $149,900

Dearborn-4746 Westland
2 bdrm ranch in prime E. Dearborn. Lots of updates, fin. Bsmt, 1.5 car gar, big porch. $109,900

Dearborn-24800 Penn
3 bedroom brick bungalow, neat, clean, tastefully decorated. Basement & Garage. $139,900

OPEN SUN 1-4 **Dearborn-1000 S. Denwood**
4 bdrm Dearborn Hills home. Almost 2,500 sqft. 2.5 ba, 2 F.P., htd sunroom 2.5 car gar. $365,000

Livonia-33956 Sleepy Hollow
Sprawling ranch w/vaulted ceilings, completely renovated, big yard, 2 car oversize gar. $244,900

Livonia-8877 Oxbow
Great Location, Livonia Schools, updated & neutral T/O, deck, 2 car det.garage. $123,499

OPEN SUN 1-4 **Livonia-29633 West Chicago**
Beautiful updated 4 bdrm brick ranch, over 1,400 sqft. Large kitchen addition, fin. Bsmt. $187,900

Garden City-31951 Donnelly
3 bdrm 1.5 bath tri-level w/updated kitchen, 2.5 car garage, central air & newer roof. $147,900

Garden City-31531 Bock
3 bedroom 1 bath. Colonial. Updated windows, kitch has white cabinets. 2 car garage. $154,900

OPEN SUN 1-4 **Garden City-431 Arcola**
Updated 3 bdrm brick ranch. Wood floors in bedrooms. 2.5 car garage. $139,900

Farmington Hills-20801 Rensselaer
3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch with 2.5 car garage, Master BR w/master bath-1,326 sqft. $139,900

Romulus-5906 Wayne Road
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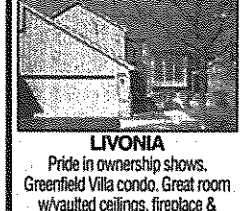
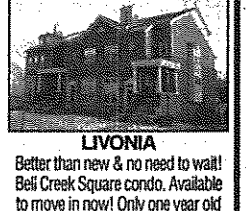


LIVONIA
Pride in ownership shows. Greenfield Villa condo. Great room w/vaulted ceilings, fireplace & doorwall to private deck w/courtyard view. Updated kitchen w/ island, baths in both bedrooms, finished basement w/storage. Home Warranty.
$237,000



LIVONIA
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NOVI
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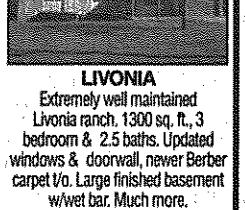

LIVONIA
Extremely well maintained Livonia ranch. 1300 sq. ft., 3 bedroom & 2.5 baths. Updated windows & doorwall, newer Berber carpet t/o. Large finished basement w/wet bar. Much more. Call for a showing.
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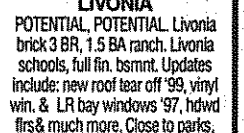

LIVONIA
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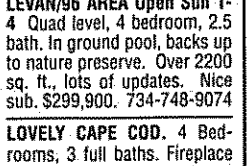

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Livonia 3250

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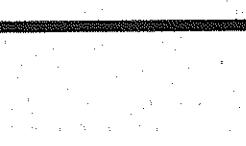

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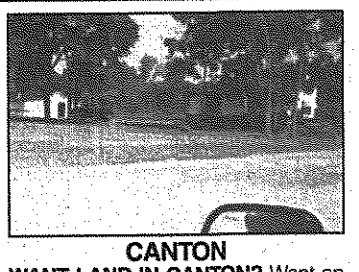

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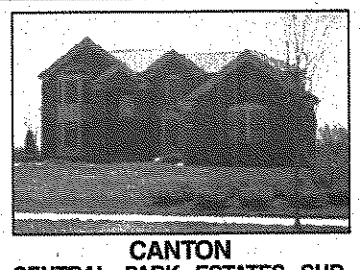

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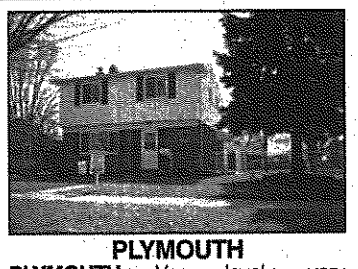

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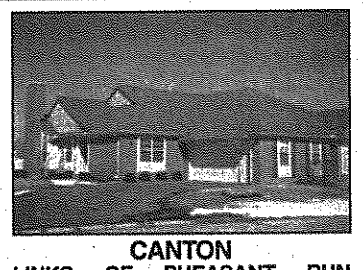

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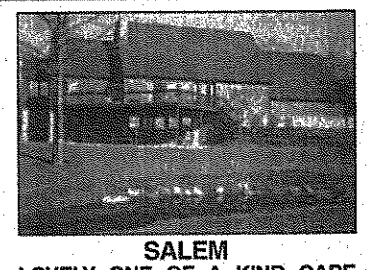

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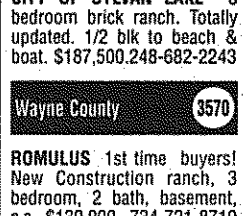

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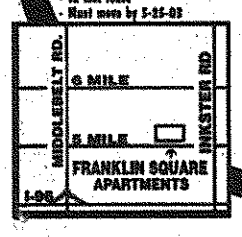

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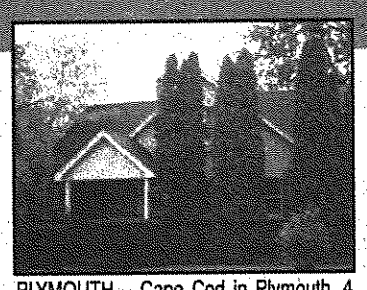

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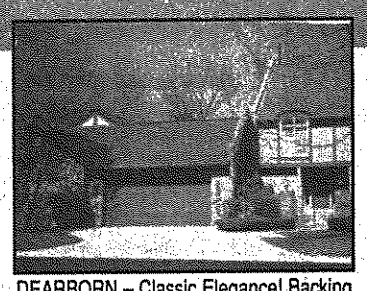

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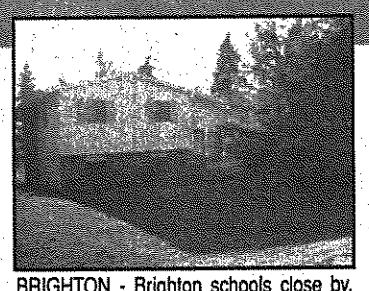

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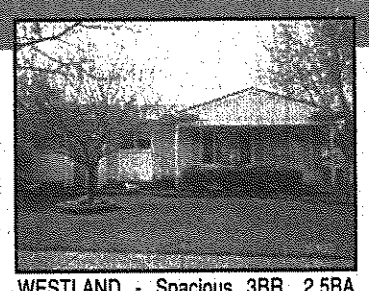

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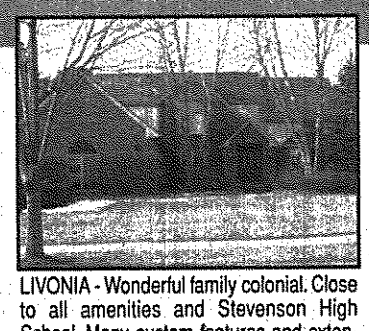

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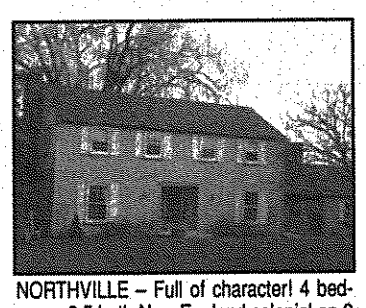

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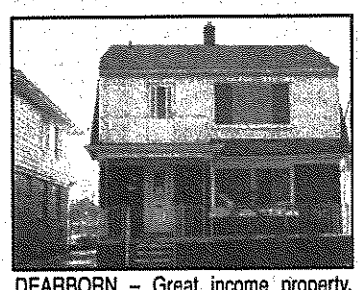
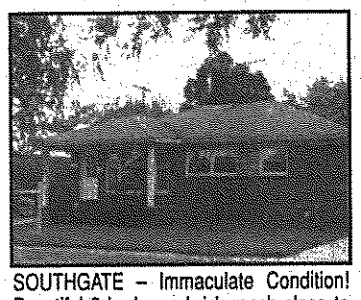
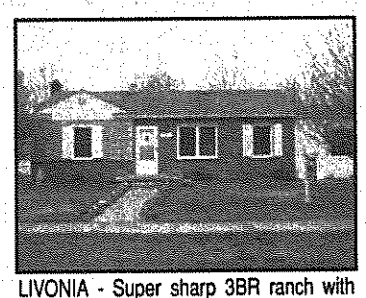


DEARBORN – Great income property. Brick 2 family home w/2 bedrooms on each floor, separate furnaces and utilities, newer roof and siding, dining room, full basement, 2 car garage, fenced yard. Great investment. $139,900 (05KEN) 734-455-5600

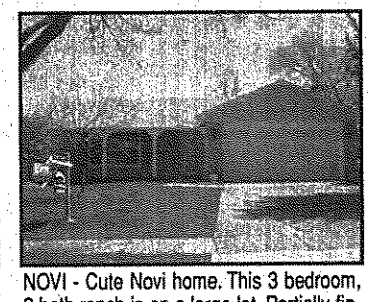


SOUTHGATE – Immaculate Condition! Beautiful 3 bedroom brick ranch close to schools & shopping. Partially finished basement w/family room & bar, hardwood floors, appliances & garage. $135,900 (86TRE) 734-455-5600

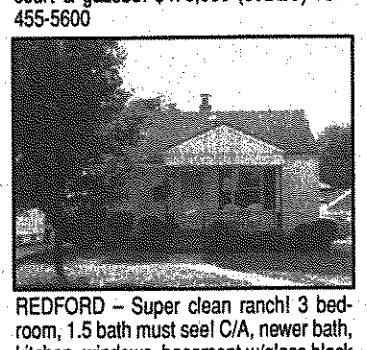


LIVONIA - Super sharp 3BR ranch with updated kitchen, bath, windows and roof. This charming home has hardwood floors, coved ceilings and a huge fenced in yard. Must see. $154,900 (91FLO) 248-349-5600

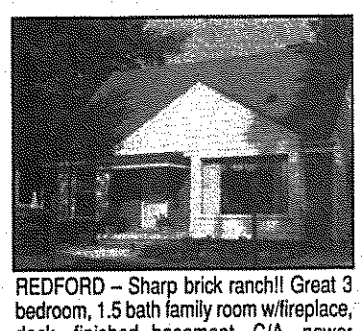
WESTLAND - Spacious colonial. Well maintained 5BR, 2BA home w/newer furnace, C/A, hot water heater & carpet. Huge MBR w/full bath & WIC. One year home warranty included. $154,900 (14WAL) 248-349-5600



NOVI - Cute Novi home. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch is on a large lot. Partially finished basement, 2 car attached garage & covered patio. Family room w/doorwall. Oak cabinets in kitchen & ceramic bath. Natural fireplace. Appliances stay. $218,900 (96KNO) 248-349-5600



REDFORD – Super clean ranch! 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath must see! C/A, newer bath, kitchen, windows, basement w/glass block windows, newer garage door w/opener, neutral decor, all appliances stay & Home Protection Plan. $115,900 (65BRA) 734-455-5600



REDFORD – Sharp brick ranch!! Great 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath family room w/fireplace, deck, finished basement, C/A, newer cement, windows, carpeting, hardwood floors, updated bath, some appliances stay, steel entry doors, glass block windows, home warranty included. Must See! $143,900 (66NOR) 734-455-5600

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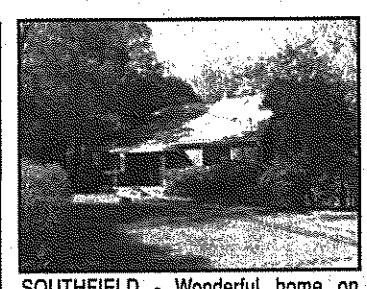
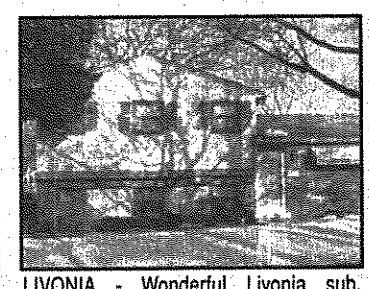
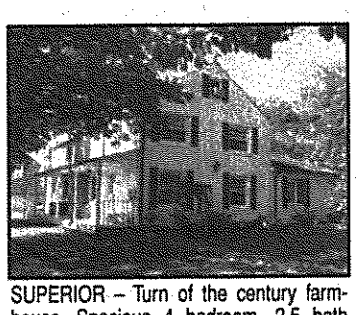


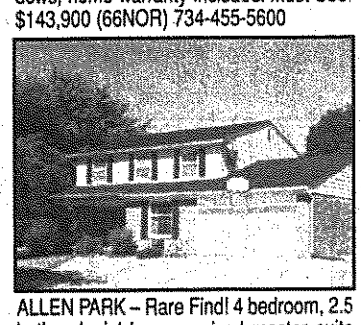
SOUTHFIELD - Wonderful home on approx 2.4 acres. 4BR, 1.5BA bungalow on wooded private setting. Hardwood floors, plaster walls, fireplace in LR. Freshly painted throughout. Garage & workshop. This home has lots of character. $119,500 (00SHI) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA - Wonderful Livonia sub. Fantastic 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath brick home with loads of updates. Newer roof, windows, furnace & central air. Hardwood floors under carpet in bedrooms. Oversized heated 2 car garage. $174,900 (44SUN) 248-349-5600



SUPERIOR – Turn of the century farmhouse. Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial offering recent renovations, kitchen, baths (1 w/Jacuzzi tub), entire 2nd floor, great room, formal dining room w/woodburning stove. Separate living quarters. All in a beautiful country setting. $283,900 (90CHE) 734-455-5600



ALLEN PARK – Rare Find! 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial has oversized master suite w/bath & hardwood floors, formal living room, dining room, family room w/fireplace open to kitchen & basement, located on a cul-de-sac. Allen Park schools. $245,000 (00NOR) 734-455-5600

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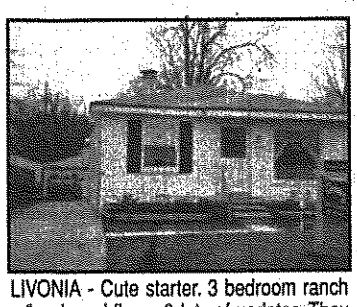
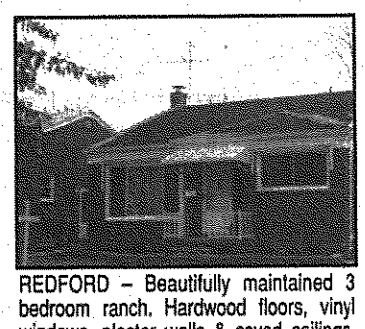
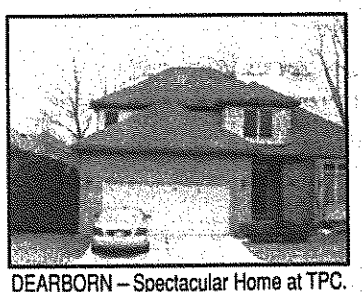


LIVONIA - Cute starter. 3 bedroom ranch w/hardwood floors & lots of updates. They include electrical, plumbing, HW tank, full cement driveway & all but 3 windows. Garage door, 2+ car garage, fenced yard plus one year home warranty. $116,900 (49ANT) 248-349-5600

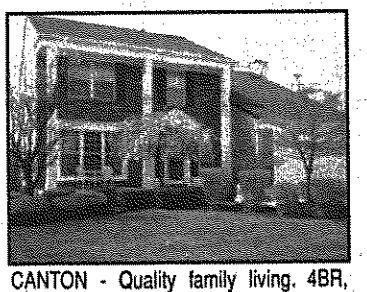
DEARBORN – Dearborn bungalow. This home has received 2 city beautification awards. You'll love the updated kitchen w/ample cabinets & doorwall to porch. Steel door, vinyl windows, coved ceilings & ceramic tile. Finished basement, 2 car garage & home warranty. $172,610 (11EDI) 734-455-5600



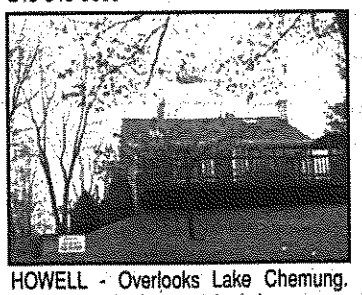
REDFORD – Beautifully maintained 3 bedroom ranch. Hardwood floors, vinyl windows, plaster walls & coved ceilings, updates include roof, furnace, C/A, electric & carpet. Neutral colors, ceramic tile in kit, lg bsmt for added space. 2 car garage has 1 car door & South Redford schools. $132,000 (73ORA) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN – Spectacular Home at TPC. Luxurious gated community offers hardwood floors in spacious foyer, library & gourmet kitchen which has white cabinets, wine rack & built-in appliances, basement. Rec room & 2 car attached garage. All this offered in this 3 bedroom, 3 full & 2 half bath. $559,900 (36TUR) 734-455-5600

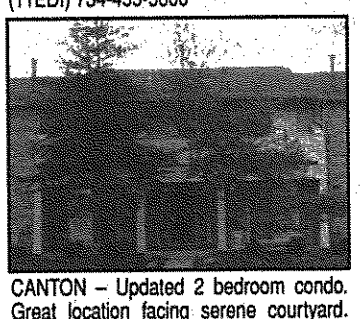


CANTON - Quality family living. 4BR, 2.5BA colonial. Master bath w/WIC. Hardwood foyer, hall, kitchen-03. Family room w/fireplace. Kitchen offers rich looking oak cabinets. Wood patio w/2nd story balcony off master bedroom. Grill in your private backyard and take a dip in the pool. $249,900 (79KNI) 248-349-5600



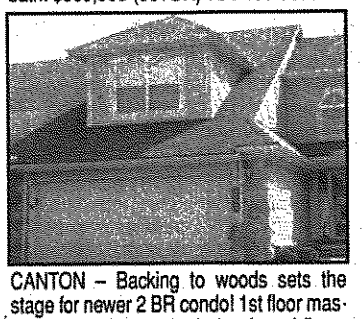
HOWELL - Overlooks Lake Chemung. Charming 3 bedroom, 1 bath home on a double lot w/newer roof, furnace & well. Access to private all sports Lake Chemung. $225,000 (30SUN) 248-349-5600

DEARBORN - Brick Bungalow w/3BR, 1BA. Oak kitchen w/stainless steel sink w/disposal, replacement windows, hardwood under carpet, gas forced air, furn, updated breaker, glass block in basement, awnings & 1 car garage. $144,900 (01LAP) 248-349-5600

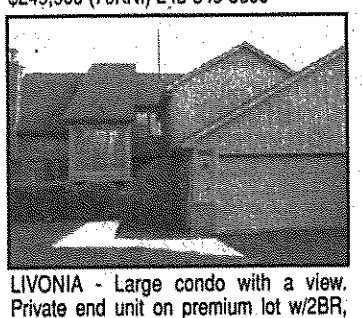


CANTON – Updated 2 bedroom condo. Great location facing serene courtyard. Open flowing floor plan, new oak kitchen & bath, spacious living room w/new carpet & door to balcony. Master bedroom w/walk-in closet. $109,000 (35FRA) 734-455-5600

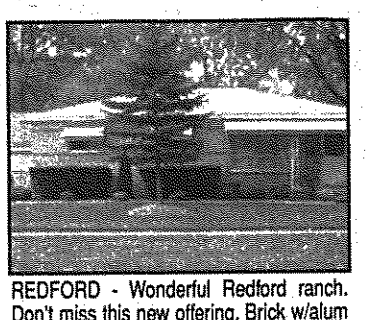
DETROIT – Warrendale brick bungalow. 3 bedroom home w/large upper master suite, dining room w/beautiful bay window, hardwood floors under carpet + newer windows, roof, furnace & hot water heater. Huge garage w/electricity. Close to shopping & schools. $109,900 (67PIE) 734-455-5600



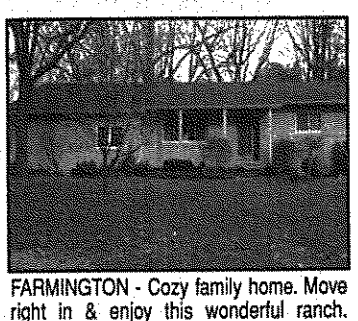
CANTON – Backing to woods sets the stage for newer 2 BR condo! 1st floor master suite w/glamour bath, hardwood floors in foyer, kit, DR & powder room. Great room w/cathedral ceiling, 2-way frplc to FR, 2 doorwalls access large deck. Sound system, alarm, 2 WIC w/Calif organizers! $265,900 (41WEN) 734-455-5600



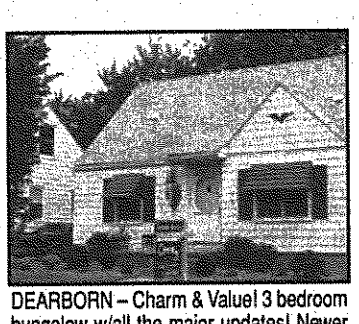
LIVONIA - Large condo with a view. Private end unit on premium lot w/2BR, 2.5BA. Courtyard, marble foyer, DR, large oak kit, FFL, frplc, fin bsmt & wet bar. MB w/2-WIC's cedar WIC, garden tub. New carpet-03, cath ceilings, crown moldings, attached 2 car garage & all appliances. $234,900 (76LAU) 248-349-5600



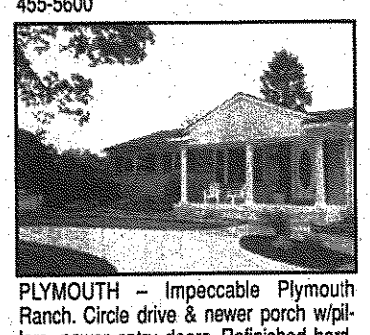
REDFORD - Wonderful Redford ranch. Don't miss this new offering. Brick w/alum trim, 3BDR, 1.5BA, large oak kit, fin rec rm, C/A & huge 2-tiered deck. 2.5 car garage, neutral decor & private fenced & treed lot. $136,900 (24SAN) 248-349-5600



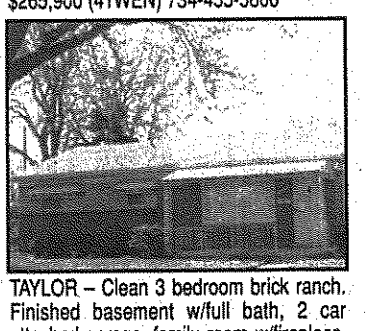
FARMINGTON - Cozy family home. Move right in & enjoy this wonderful ranch. Hardwood floors, family room w/frplc. Newer window (2002). Eat in kitchen. 2 full baths. Large lot. Appliances in kitchen stay. Farmington schools. $284,900 (70WES) 248-349-5600



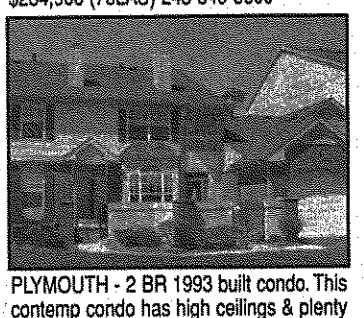
DEARBORN – Charm & Value! 3 bedroom bungalow w/all the major updates! Newer roofs on garage & home! Newer furnace, C/A & landscaping, circuit breakers, Pella windows, finished basement, family room off kitchen. $144,900 (35GRI) 734-455-5600



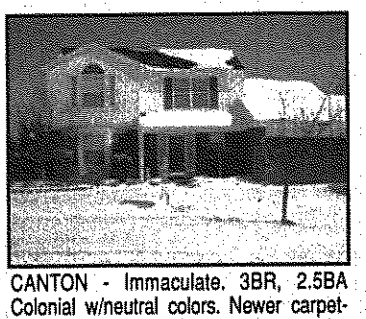
PLYMOUTH – Impeccable Plymouth Ranch. Circle drive & newer porch w/pillars, newer entry doors. Refinished hardwood floors, LR has picture window opens to kit w/newer terra cotta flooring, pull-out cabinets, pantry & appls stay. 3rd BR or formal DR w/French doors to park-like setting. $229,900 (35SCH) 734-455-5600



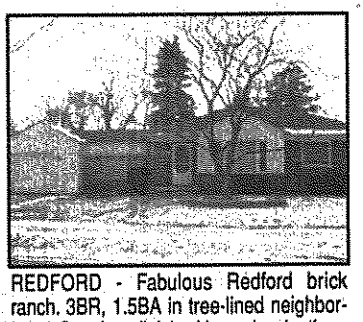
TAYLOR – Clean 3 bedroom brick ranch. Finished basement w/full bath, 2 car attached garage, family room w/fireplace, C/A, sprinkler system, full brick exterior, hardwood floors & wood trim throughout. must see! Must sell! $149,900 (33WIC) 734-455-5600



PLYMOUTH - 2 BR 1993 built condo. This contemp condo has high ceilings & plenty of large windows, skylights & openess everywhere. Professionally finished lower level-03 w/new Berber carpeting & a separate office, workout space or storage. 2 car garage, pool, clubhouse & tennis courts. $174,900 (23PLY) 248-349-5600



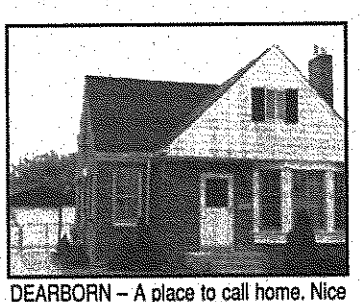
CANTON - Immaculate. 3BR, 2.5BA Colonial w/neutral colors. Newer carpeting. Super clean home. Stunning cedar deck w/lighting. Finished office in basement. Fireplace in family room. So many extras. $249,900 (27PAR) 248-349-5600



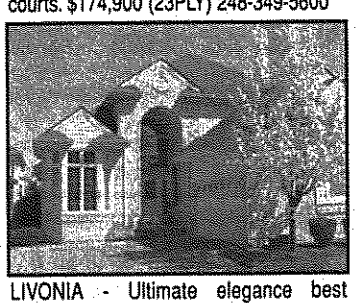
REDFORD - Fabulous Redford brick ranch. 3BR, 1.5BA in tree-lined neighborhood. Spacious finished lower level w/family room, bedroom, ½ bath & laundry area. Roomy breezeway w/attached garage. Deck overlooks double lot with fence. Appliances included. $140,000 (67CEN) 248-349-5600

CANTON – Resort like living. Secluded pond-like setting present this 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath cape cod w/2 car attached garage, basement, Hickory kitchen, kitchen overlooking great room w/gas fireplace, custom deck overlooking delightful view of the pond. $340,000 (83HOG) 734-455-5600

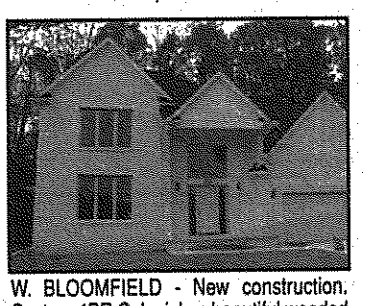
DEARBORN – Great starter home. 3 bedroom, 1 bath brick ranch. Coved ceilings, hardwood floors in living room & bedrooms + basement. Close to Oakwood Hospital & expressways. $100,000 (20SOU) 734-455-5600



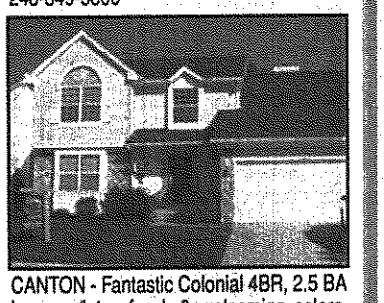
DEARBORN – A place to call home. Nice 3 bedroom Dearborn bungalow offers fireplace in living room, coved ceilings, finished basement w/full bath & bar + newer furnace & C/A. $139,999 (45WOO) 734-455-5600



LIVONIA - Ultimate elegance best describes this Cape Cod. Gourmet kitchen features double oven, ceramic backsplash & upgraded cabinets. Sunny 2-story breakfast room w/French door to deck. Spacious DR. 2 story great room w/custom mantle. Custom lighting & upgraded carpet. $364,900 (48VIS) 248-349-5600



W. BLOOMFIELD - New construction. Custom 4BR Colonial on beautiful wooded lot w/private bath & WIC. 2-story entry greets you & custom features keep you. 42' cabs, ceramic flooring & hardwoods. Still time to pick carpet colors. $529,900 (76IND) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Fantastic Colonial 4BR, 2.5 BA home w/lots of oak & welcoming colors. Master BR has cathedral ceiling, walk-in closet & 2 person whirlpool tub. Extra large deck in quiet surroundings. 2 car attached garage & so much more to see. $249,900 (87PAR) 248-349-5600

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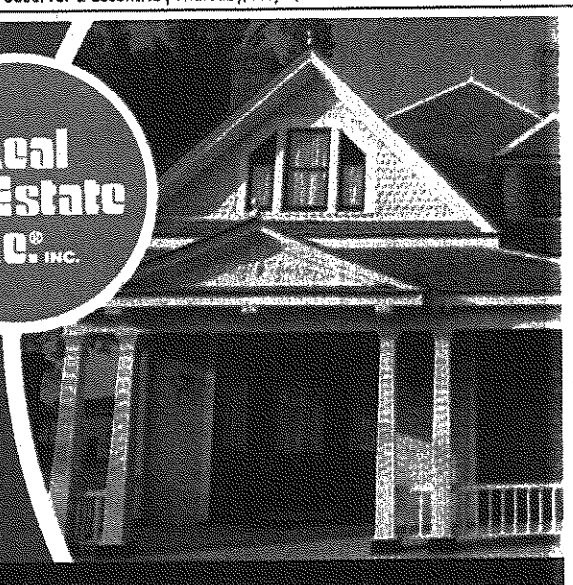

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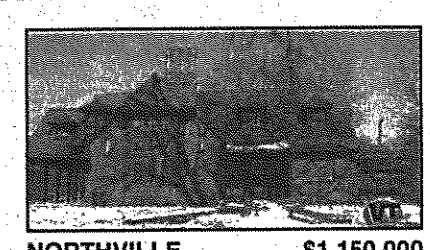

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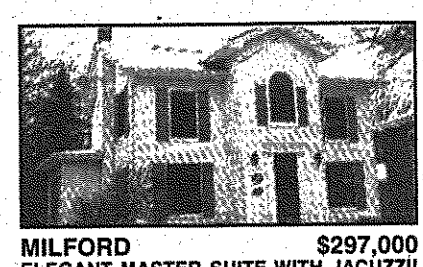

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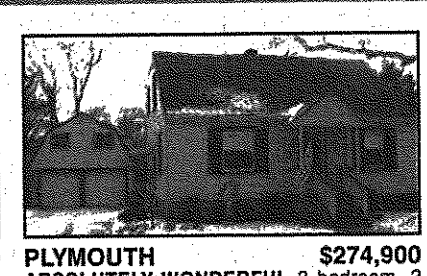

PLYMOUTH $274,900
ABSOLUTELY WONDERFUL 3 bedroom, 2 bath Plymouth home. Walk to downtown Plymouth, beautifully maintained, remodeled kitchen & baths, hardwood floors, huge great room with fireplace. (23H1051)

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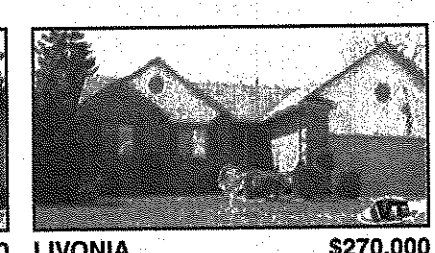

LIVONIA $270,000
1753 SF RANCH BLT IN 1994. 3 BR, 2.5 BA. Great Livonia neighborhood. This place has it all. The bells and whistles. Fabulous deck w/2 ponds. (S9173)

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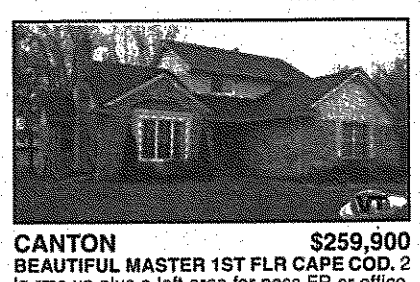

CANTON $259,900
BEAUTIFUL MASTER 1ST FLR CAPE COD. 2 lg rms up plus a loft area for poss FR or office. Prof fin bsmt w/2 BR and a full BA. 3.5 BA total. 1st flr laundry. GR w/FP & cath ceilings. Newer wndws & rf. (S46639)

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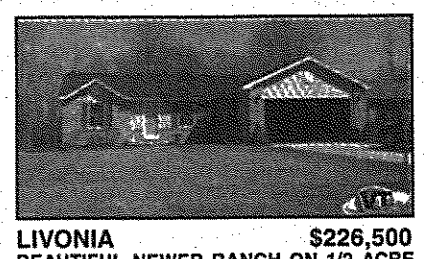

LIVONIA $226,500
BEAUTIFUL NEWER RANCH ON 1/2 ACRE SITE Neutral decor, pride of ownership thru-out, nice finished bsmt w/rec rm, lg deck overlooks wooded lot w/park like setting. 3 BR, 2 BA, open flr pln, all appl. (M20490)

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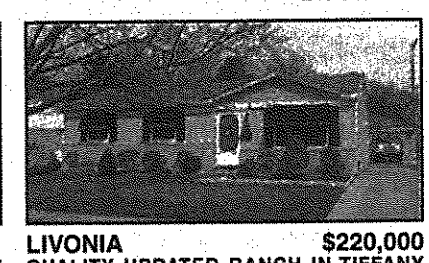

LIVONIA $220,000
QUALITY UPDATED RANCH IN TIFFANY PARK! Charming home w/3 BR, 2 bath, 1188 SF, new roof, kitchen, windows & more! Fin'd bsmt w/natural FP & 4th BR or office. Professionally landscaped! (82HIX2)

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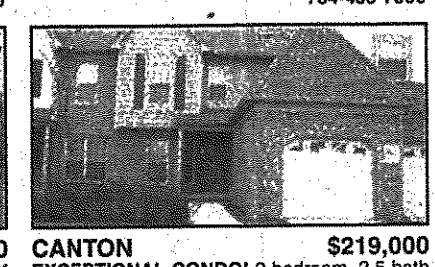

CANTON $219,000
EXCEPTIONAL CONDO! 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath overlooking pond. Dramatic mirrored din rm, step-up great rm & den w/fireplace. Jacuzzi tub in master. Cathedral ceilings; appliances stay. (23C7007)

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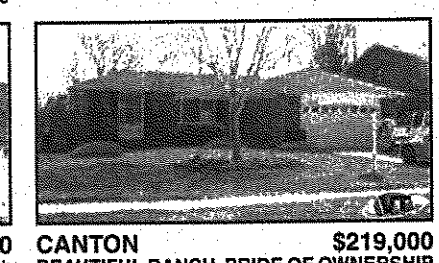

CANTON $219,000
BEAUTIFUL RANCH, PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP 3 BR, 2 BA, neutral decor, newer wndws, furn, a/c, complete tear off. 3 season sun rm, newer brk paver, newer kit w/recessed lts, crown molding, and much more! (R5998)

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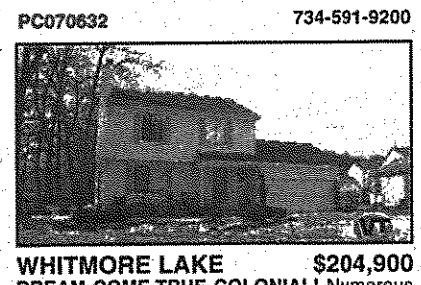

WHITMORE LAKE $204,900
DREAM COME TRUE COLONIAL! Numerous upgrades abound, a landscaped yard & location second to none. Mstr bath, partially fin'd bsmt & minutes to all sports Whitmore Lake! (21CRO2)

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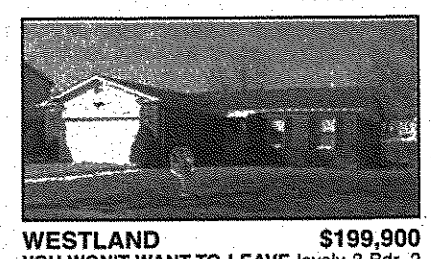

WESTLAND $199,900
YOU WON'T WANT TO LEAVE lovely 3 Bdr, 2 bath ranch, w/newer carpet & paint, roof shingles, privacy fence, landscaping, gorgeous sun rm, sprinklers, plant box window, 2 car gar & more! (R368)

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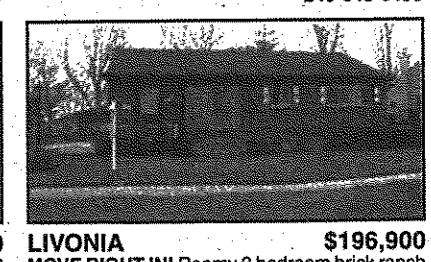

LIVONIA $196,900
MOVE RIGHT IN! Roomy 3 bedroom brick ranch with loads of updates & upgrades. Family room with fireplace, 2.5 baths, finished basement, 2.5 car garage. (W30711)

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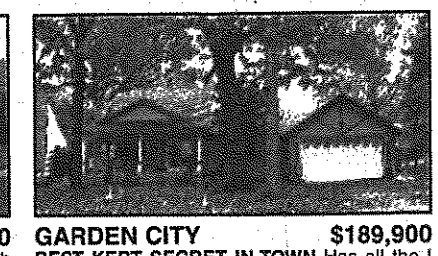

GARDEN CITY $189,900
BEST KEPT SECRET IN TOWN Has all the l wants. Totally updated including windows, roof shingles, super oak kit, lg bar fireplace, 4 car garage, huge porch, 2 driveways & privacy fence. (B319)

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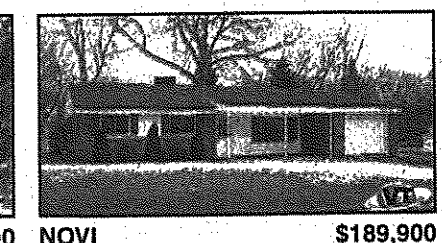

NOVI $189,900
ALL THE WORK IS DONE, SPARKLING NOVI RANCH! 3 BR, 2 baths, fresh paint & all new moldings. Kitchen remodeled, mstr bath updated, windows, HWH & carpet in 2001. Lg yard & close to school/park. (40WIL2)

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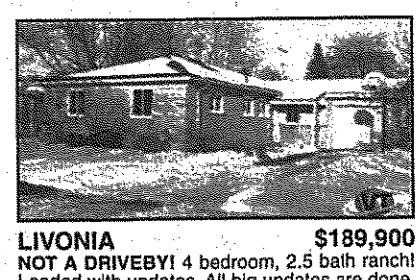

LIVONIA $189,900
NOT A DRIVEBY! 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath ranch! Loaded with updates. All big updates are done. Home shows very well. Call to see! (W20020)

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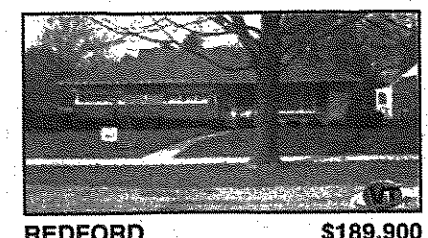

REDFORD $189,900
LOCATION, QUALITY, VALUE & CHARM This 1500 SF, 3 BR brk ranch has it all. New rf, furn w/ac, fin bsmt, living rm w/FP, 10x14 sun rm, 2 car gar. Located in a Western Golf Club subdivision. (D26336)

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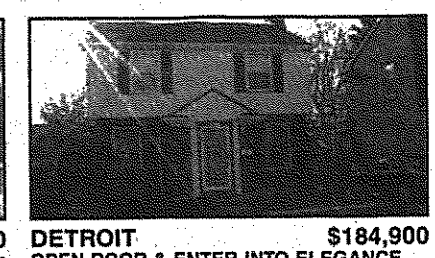

DETROIT $184,900
OPEN DOOR & ENTER INTO ELEGANCE... This one stands out in the crowd. You can move in without doing anything. New windows, new roof and more. (2308770)

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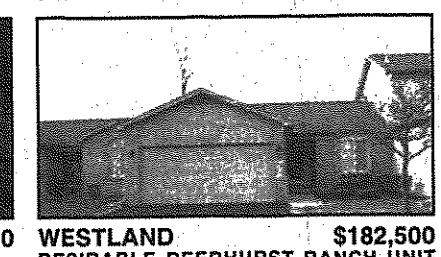

WESTLAND $182,500
DESIRABLE DEERHURST RANCH UNIT Sharp finished basement, neutral decor, six panel doors, window treatments, Cathedral ceiling, pantry, main floor laundry, 2 1/2 baths and much more. (D365)

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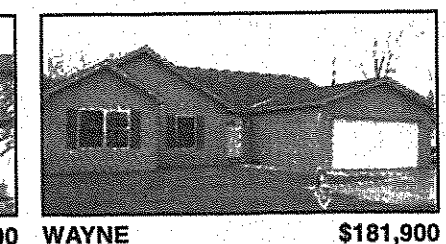

WAYNE $181,900
GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE NEWLY BUILT home. Builder will allow certain customizations, such as a optional study 14x12. Brick facade optional. Walk in closets, spacious master w/full bath. (V342)

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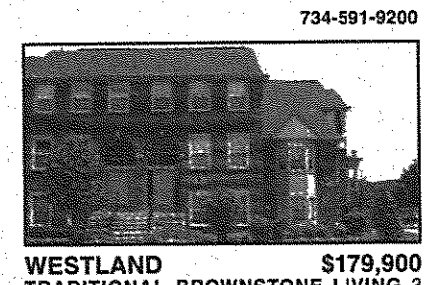

WESTLAND $179,900
TRADITIONAL BROWNSTONE LIVING 3 stories of living comfort. Clean, redecorated, ready to move in. Many upgrades include hardwood floors, white kitchen, open railing and more. (C675)

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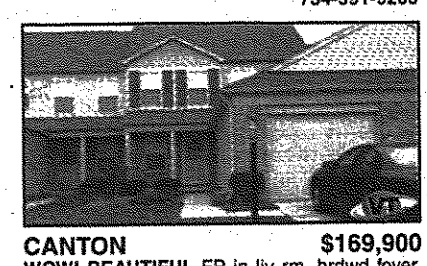

CANTON $169,900
WOW! BEAUTIFUL FP in liv rm, hrdwd foyer, 1st flr laundry, huge 2nd flr ba w/whirlpool, sep shower stall, open to both BRs, c/a, blt 1998. Deck, bsmt, attd gar & much more! (H4292)

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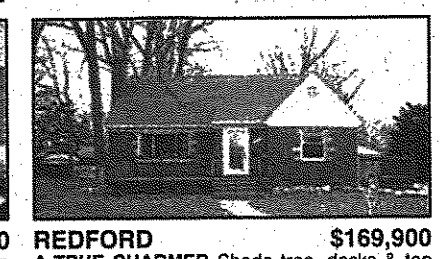

REDFORD $169,900
A TRUE CHARMER Shade tree, decks & too many updates to mention them all. Newer kitchen, windows, entry doors, carpets, wall treatments, water heater, roof & gutters and more. (S143)

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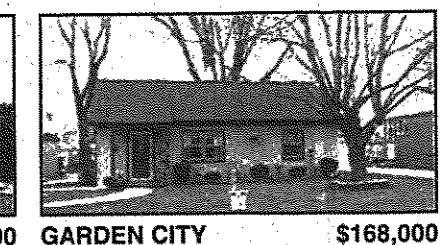

GARDEN CITY $168,000
BEAUTIFUL RANCH WITH OPEN FLOOR PLAN Many updates in 2000. Almost 1,600 sq ft of living space, very quiet neighborhood. 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, family room with gas fireplace. (P306)

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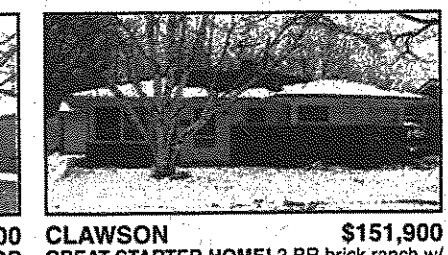

CLAWSON $151,900
GREAT STARTER HOME! 3 BR brick ranch w/ 1,590 sf. New roof! Furnace & HWH approx 5 yrs. FR could be nice formal DR & still have rec room. Alot of home for the money. (22ESS2)

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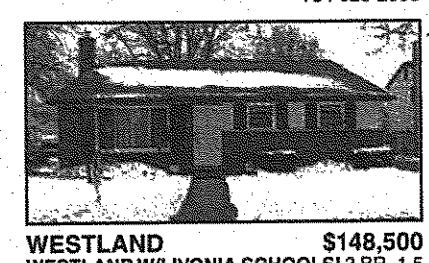

WESTLAND $148,500
WESTLAND W/LIVONIA SCHOOLS! 3 BR, 1.5 baths, 1,566 SF, CA & newer furnace (approx 5 yrs old). Detached 2-car garage & home warranty included. (93DON2)

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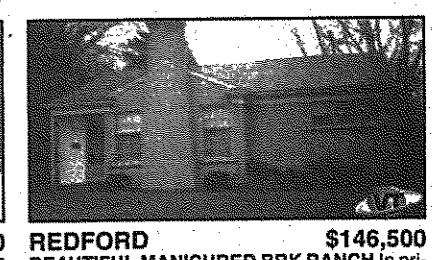

REDFORD $146,500
BEAUTIFUL MANICURED BRK RANCH In private area of Redford. Hardwood flrs under carpet, updated elec, copper plumb, rf, furn, air, natural FP in LR, finished bsmt, knotty pine, added FR. (D15016)

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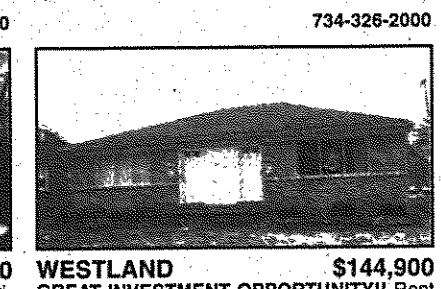

WESTLAND $144,900
GREAT INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY!! Rent 1, live in 1. Rent both!! Each has 2 bedrooms, basement, appliances, reconditioned approx 2 yrs ago, new furnaces and C/A. Hurry!! Priced to sell. (S246)

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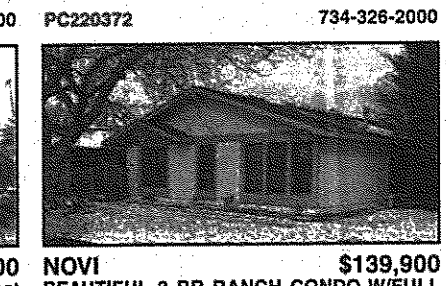

NOVI $139,900
BEAUTIFUL 3 BR RANCH CONDO W/FULL BSMT! Lg spacious rms, white kit cab w/glass inserts, Pergo flrs in kit/DR, newer berber carpeting, stove, fridge & dishwasher. Enclosed deck, pool, clubhouse/tennis! (36WOO2)

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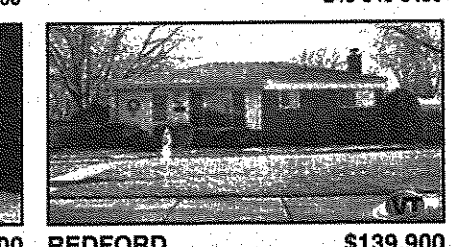

REDFORD $139,900
RARE FIND - DESIGNED WITH OPEN FLOOR PLAN Charming home offers natural light with important amenities...eat-in kit, large living room, remodeled bath, fin bsmt, new carpet, fresh paint, windows & more! (W26651)

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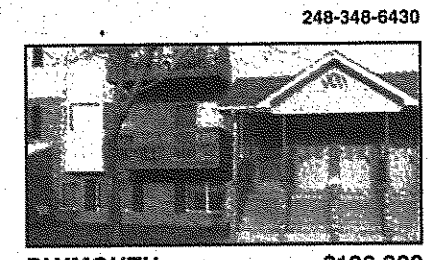

PLYMOUTH $136,900
GREAT LOCATION IN PLYMOUTH! Excellent condition condo! Open floor plan with 2 large bedrooms, beautiful wood door & trim, oak kitchen. All newer appliances. Shows great! (23P284)

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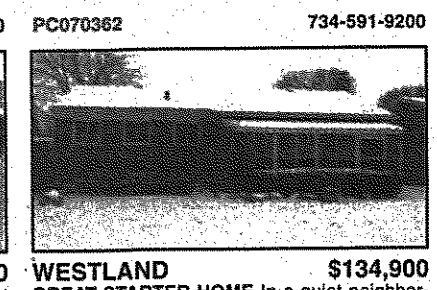

WESTLAND $134,900
GREAT STARTER HOME In a quiet neighborhood. 3 BR, fresh paint, brk ranch, lg 2+ car gar, partially fin bsmt, great front sunporch, new kit flrs, many updates. All red brk. (R723)

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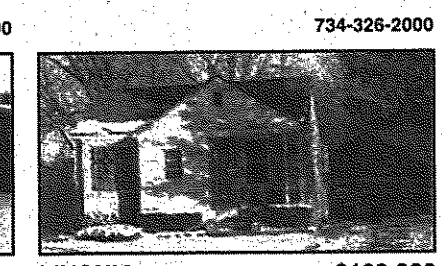

LIVONIA $129,900
ADORABLE! Oak trim thru-out highlights this updated ranch. Remodeled kit & hallway w/hrdwd flrs. Doorwall leads to deck. Newer heating/cooling unit. Livonia schools. (23C8936)

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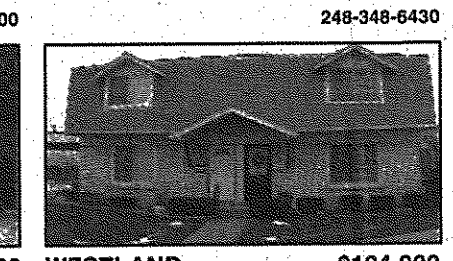

WESTLAND $124,900
MINT CONDITION, WESTLAND CONDO! 2 BR, 1.5 bath condo has oak kitchen, new carpet, vinyl flooring & freshly painted, vinyl windows, ceramic foyer & huge mstr w/walk-in-closet. (92CAR2)

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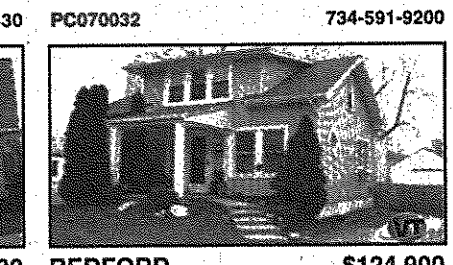

REDFORD $124,900
STYLISH & CHARMING HOME has been artfully decorated with many updates including both baths, kit, vinyl siding, newer rf. You won't believe how cute this is inside & out. (S20091)

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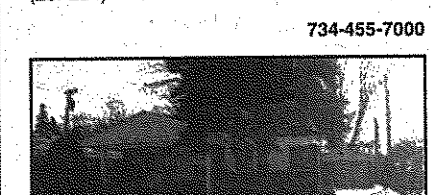

SOUTHFIELD $117,900
SOUTHFIELD, WE INVITE YOU TO COMPARE! 3 BR, 1.5 bath brick ranch in great area at realistic price! Clean & freshly painted, neutral decor, CA, garage & home warranty. Immediate occupancy. (51WIL2)

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS $115,900
IT'S THE EXTRAS! Lovely 3 bedroom Dearborn Heights bungalow. Gar, partially finished basement. Master bedroom, 28x13. The updates and extras will impress! (23L25460)

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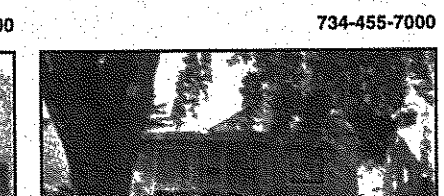

REDFORD $112,900
A GREAT STARTER HOME N. bound Telegraph, W. on 5 Mile N. on Garfield to Midland. This 3 bedroom bungalow has a 2.5 car gar w/plenty to offer the handyman or mechanic. (M251)

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REDFORD $112,500
AWESOME REDFORD RANCH! Super sharp home has oak kitchen, updated plumbing, full fin'd bsmt w/extra bath, roof-5 yrs, c/a, garage, newer carpet & paint. (99FIV2)

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EASTPOINTE $79,000
GREAT STARTER HOME IN EASTPOINTE! Cute 2 BR home with 1.5 car garage & fenced yard in nice family neighborhood. Coved ceilings in LR, eat-in kitchen & 1st floor laundry. (17CUS2)

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NORTHVILLE
SURROUND YOURSELF in ELEGANCE in prestigious Fox Hollow! Dramatic ceilings, crown moldings, gourmet kit w/granite, magnificent mstr, ceramic & hdwd flrs, fin'd w/o bsmt. Numerous amenities! 35WOO2
$1,395,000 248-348-6430

NORTHVILLE
MAGNIFICENT HOME on exceptional lot backing to nature preserve in Fox Hollow! Dramatic ceilings, gourmet kit w/granite. Magnificent mstr ste, fin'd w/o bsmt. Numerous amenities! 54WOO2
$1,295,000 248-348-6430

CANTON
Your Perfect Choice! Wonderful quad-level. Oak eat-in kitchen w/new hardwood floors. Huge deck (41x16). Family room with natural fireplace. Newer windows, paint, carpeting & HWH. 23H1205
$188,000 734-455-7000

DEARBORN HEIGHTS
Hawthorne Hills Sub 3 BR, 1.5 BA, finished bsmt, 10x14 Florida rm, 2 car side entry garage. All new items: rf, wndws, furn w/ac, hwh, kit, all appliances stay. B8600
$167,900 734-591-9200

REDFORD
Roomy ranch on triple lot with 2.5 car attd gar w/shop & 2nd gar w/10 ft dr for your RV! New furn, a/c, elec, carpet & paint, updated kit & bath. Come see for yourself! P19910
PC070662 $139,900 734-591-9200

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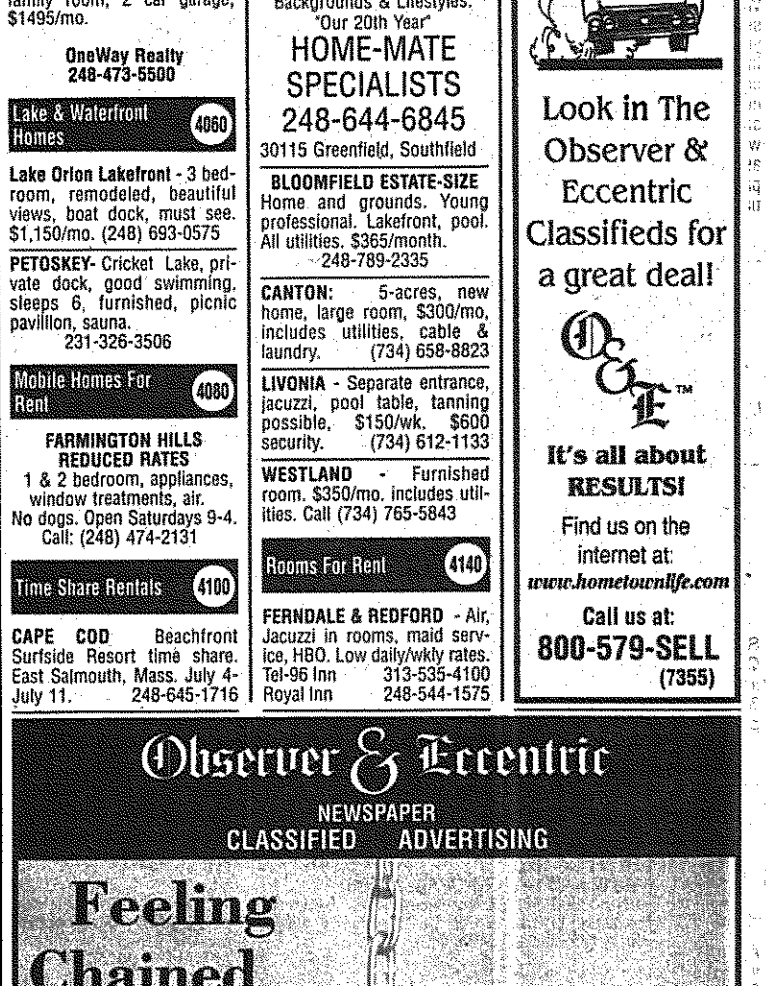

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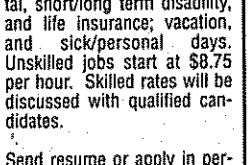

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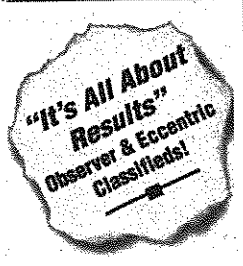

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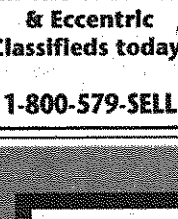

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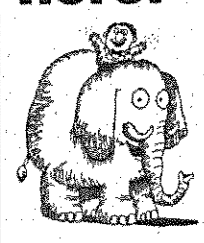

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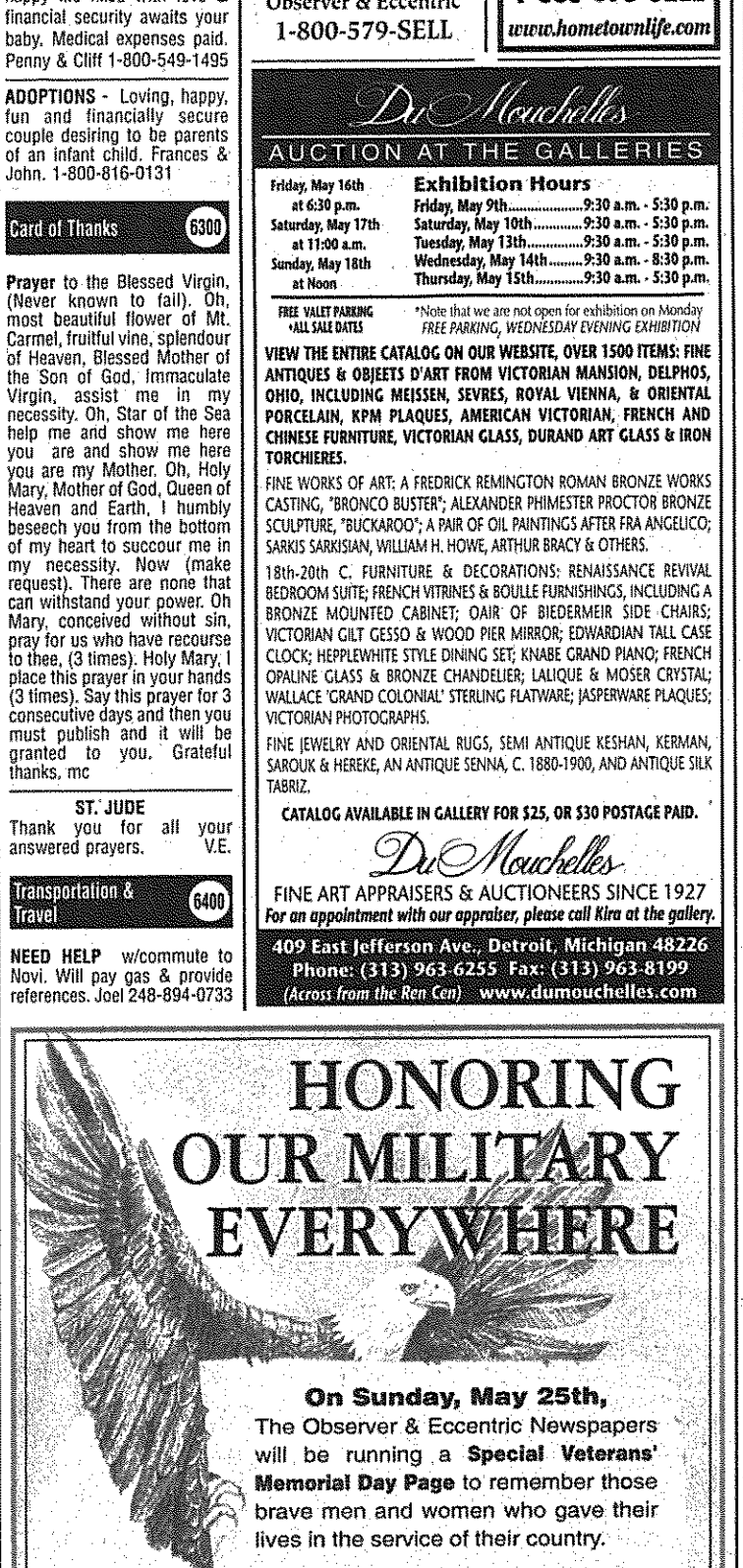

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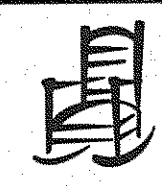

7000's Merchandise

7000.....Absolutely Free (1 day)
7020.....Antiques/Collectibles
7040.....Arts & Crafts
7060.....Auction Sales
7080.....Rummage Sale/Flea Market
7100.....Estate Sales
7110.....Garage Sales-Oakland
7120.....Garage Sales-Wayne
7130.....Moving Sales
7140.....Clothing
7160.....Household Goods
7180.....Appliances
7190.....Pools, Spas, Hot Tubs
7200.....Bargain Buys
7210.....Bicycles
7220.....Building Materials
7240.....Business & Office Equipment
7260.....Office Supplies
7280.....Cameras & Supplies
7300.....Commercial/Industrial Restaurant Equipment
7320.....Computers
7340.....Electronics/Audio/Video
7360.....Video Games, Tapes, Movies
7380.....Farm Equipment
7400.....Farm Produce-Flowers, Plants
7410.....U-Pick
7450.....Hobbies-Coins, Stamps
7460.....Hospital Equipment
7470.....Jewelry
7480.....Lawn, Garden & Snow Equipment
7500.....Miscellaneous For Sale
7510.....Musical Instruments
7520.....Sporting Goods
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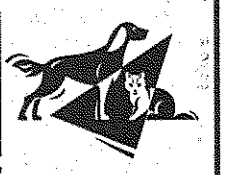
7800-7930 Animals/Pets



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BIRMINGHAM Estate/ Garage Sale. Antiques, furniture, household items, etc. Thurs, noon-Sun, 3pm. Waterfall Hill Ct., off Maple, W. of Old Woodward near the dam.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS
Sat., May 10, 9-4. Country Club Manor, 4041 W. Maple Rd. Driveway next to Comerica Bank, Bldg. E, Apt. E202. EVERYTHING MUST GO! NO REASONABLE OFFERS REFUSED! Former gallery director & fine arts buyer for Jacobson's. Decorative wall art, large & small. Old Chinese clay figures, Formica coffee table, stem glassware, huge 50's Haeger style table lamp, VHS/cassette tapes, small table items. Cash & carry! 248-594-7267 day of sale.

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BEVERLY HILLS - May 8, 9 & 10, 8-4. 30837 W. Lincolnshire. Lots of baby stuff, clothes, toys, equipment.

BEVERLY HILLS 31207 & 31195 Pickwick Lane, W/Southfield, N/13 Mile. Huntley Sub. Sat, 8am. Furniture, household, misc etc

BIRMINGHAM multi-family garage sale! Saturday May 10th, 9-2 p.m. Furniture, toys, clothes, baby items, home accessories. 1957 Shipman.

Birmingham - Moving sale. 1407 Bowers, off Adams, near post office. May 9, 10, 11, 9-4. Collectibles & fine china. May 16, 17, 18, 9-4.

BIRMINGHAM 3 FAMILY garage sale! Furniture, misc household goods, toys. Friday 8-1. No presales. Suffield Street, N. of Maple.

BIRMINGHAM Estate/ Garage Sale. Antiques, furniture, household items, etc. Thurs, noon-Sun, 3pm. Waterfall Hill Ct., off Maple, W. of Old Woodward near the dam.

BIRMINGHAM Fri. May 9 th., 8:30-4, 205 Lake Park Drive, West of Southfield, North off Maple. Miscellaneous.

BIRMINGHAM huge garage sale! Thurs 9-5. Fri 9-2. Everything must go! Lots of misc, very negotiable! 1355 Shipman, South of Lincoln.

BIRMINGHAM May 9-10th., 9-4, 1265 Lakeside. W of Woodward, N. of Maple. Upscale sale, wicker loveseat and two chairs, 15 piece Brown Jordon, Tan/navy patio furniture and much more.

Birmingham Neighborhood May 9 & 10, 9am-4pm. NW of Woodward & 14 Mile: Catalpa, Cedar, Edgewood, Grant, Pierce, Smith & Southlawn. Some sales start Fri., all on Sat. Sponsored by Pierce - St. James Neighborhood Assoc.

BLOOMFIELD - 728 Robinhood Circle off Adams, between Big Beaver & Waters, May 8 & 9, 9-4. Clothes, baby, misc. furniture, negotiable.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS - 3963 Oak Hills Dr., Fri. May 9, 9am-3pm. Sat. May 10, 9-12pm. 2 family sale. Household items, kids toys & misc.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Huge Garage & Furniture Sale. Childrens toys & clothes, exercise equipment, tools, mower, sofas, tables, chairs. 5438 St. Martins Ct., enter Woodview, N. of Quarton, between Inkster & Franklin. May 9, 10, 11, 10am to 4pm

BLOOMFIELD HILLS Brand names, electronics, & housewares. Thursday & Friday, 9-5. 1692 S. Hills Blvd, off South Blvd & Squirrel.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS May 9th, 9-4. 138 W. Hickory Grove, W. of Woodward. Designer clothes, collectibles, furniture, crystal, baby things, baseball cards and guitar.

BLOOMFIELD TWP - May 8, 9 & 10, 9-4. 925 Ardmoor. S. off Quarton, btwn. Woodward & Lahser.

BLOOMFIELD TWP 2942 Berkshire. May 10-11, 9-5. Vintage toys, bunk beds & other furniture, computers. All good condition-priced to sell.

CANTON - May 9 & 10, 9am-5pm. Maternity clothes, baby stuff, household, captains bed with bookcase. 8272 Mannington, Joy/Morton Taylor. Follow signs.

CANTON - Multi family. Sat, May 10th, 9-4. 1733 Christopher Dr., N. of Palmer, E. of Sheldon,

Canton - 2 families. May 9, 10, 8am-4. 42464 Beechwood Dr., W. Lilley, S. Cherry Hill.

CANTON 4 FAMILY. May 7-9; 9-4 p.m. 6186 Raintree, N. of Ford W. of Haggerty. 2 story ladder, kid's clothes/toys, wooden train, bikes, precious moments, bedroom & dinette sets, misc household.

CANTON LEXINGTON SQUARE SUBWIDE SALE
Thurs-Sat., May 8-10, 8:30-4pm. SE corner of Cherry Hill & Sheldon.

CANTON May 8-11th., 9-?, Cherry Knoll Sub Sale, corner of Beck and Cherry Hill. N. of Cherry Hill, E. of Beck

CANTON
MULTI-FAMILY CHARITY GARAGE SALE (to benefit Russian orphans) May 8-10, 8-5. 43576 Hanford Rd., off Morton Taylor. Toys, clothes, furniture, freezer, etc.

Canton: Pinewood Sub. Sale. Off Beck, S. of Cherry Hill. Thurs. - Sat, May 8-10, 9am-4pm. Lots of stuff.

CLARKSTON - May 8-9 & 15-17, 10am-5pm. Baby-6 yr. old clothes, furniture, toys. N. on Sashabaw, E. on Stickney to Stone Valley, left to 5777 Garnet.

CLARKSTON, MAY 8-10, 8-5pm 9590 Ridgetop Trail, off Baldwin, N. of Clarkston Rd. Serious spring housecleaning sale. Many like new, household & gift items, computer.

COMMERCE TWP HIDDEN PARADISE SUB SALE
Off Benstein & Maple, May 9-10, 9-4pm. Look for houses marked with balloons.

DAVISBURG - Community Wide Sale! May 9th-10th, 9:30-3:30pm. Mill Pond Park (Davisburg Rd.)

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FARMINGTON - 21626 Chestnut Lane off Farmington & Maplenut between 8 & 9 Mile. Estate/garage sale. Everything from furniture, artwork, glassware, seasonal decorations, table linens, & lots, lots more. Wed. 5-9 thru Sat. 5-12. 9am-5pm.

FARMINGTON HILLS garage sale Thursday & Friday May 8th and 9th., 9am-4pm. Seasoned garage saler moving!! Great stuff, 24475 Cote D'Nel, E. of Orchard Lake, N. of 10 Mile.

FARMINGTON HILLS Huge! Furniture, collectibles, household,clothes, toys. 33415 Heritage Hills, Rolling Oaks Sub. S. of 14 Mile, off of Farmington Rd. Friday-Saturday May 9th-10th, 9-5.

FARMINGTON HILLS
Thurs., Fri., Sat. 9-3pm. Furniture, bikes, books, clothing. 34479 Rhonswood.

FARMINGTON HILLS - Benefit Yard Sale. Boys & Girls Republic. 9 Mile, btwn. Inkster & Middlebelt. May 8 & 9 & May 15 & 16, 8am-7pm. Toys, clothes, housewares, etc!

FARMINGTON HILLS ESTATE/ GARAGE SALE - 25444 Liberty Lane, W/Drake, N/Grand River, Fri. May 9, 9:30-7pm & Sat. May10, 9am-5pm. Furniture, antiques, collectibles, art, tools, linens, electronics, dishes, glassware, books, CDs, household items & more. Everything must go!

FARMINGTON HILLS May 8-9, 9am-5pm. Lots of baby & kids clothes, toys, Thomas table w/accessories, household items, tools, etc. 24047 Susan Dr., SE corner of 10 & Middlebelt, Pine Creek Sub.

FARMINGTON HILLS Subwide Garage Sale. N. of 13 Mile, between Haggerty & Halsted. Farmington Ridge/Glens Sub. May 9 & 10, 9:30am-3pm. Many homes participating, some Saturday only. Something for everyone.

HIGHLAND TWP. Household items, collectibles, Christmas bears & more. May 9 & 10, Fri. & Sat. 9-5. M-59, Tipsico North to Blue Heron. Just follow the signs.

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LAKE ORION - Silver Bell Oaks Sub Sale. 20+ families. May 9-10, 8-4. Silver Bell Road, 1/2 mile E. of M-24.

LIVONIA - Thurs. & Fri., 10am-5pm, 35517 West Chicago, S/Plymouth, W of Wayne Road. Furniture, more.

LIVONIA
Garage/Moving Sale!
May 8-10, 9-5pm.
Two families. 34856 Munger. Antiques, collectibles, cut glass. Wood doll house furniture. Misc. household. Burton Hollow. S. of 6 Mile, W. of Wayne, bet. Riverside & Fairlane

LIVONIA Thursday, Friday & Saturday May 8th, 9th & 10th. 9-5. 18536 Blue Skies Ct., on corner of 7 Mile and Newburgh. full dining room set, Christmas tree, and more!

LIVONIA - 3 family sale. Thur., Fri. & Sat. 15074 Westbrook Ct., Reynolds Ravines. Baby & kid items.

LIVONIA - 18310 Queensbury Dr. 7 & Newburgh. Thurs. & Fri. May 8 & 9, 9-3. Kids clothes & toys.

LIVONIA - Big Moving Sale! 14750 Marsha, S. of 5 Mile, W. of Newburgh. May 8 & 9, 9am-5pm.

LIVONIA - May 8, 9 & 10, 9am-5pm. 18432 Gillman, between Inkster & Middlebelt S. of 7 Mi. Antiques & misc.

LIVONIA - 35152 Banbury, S. of 7 Mile, E of Wayne Rd. Sat., May 10, 9-6pm. Antiques, furniture, toys, household items.

LIVONIA - Garage Sale! Sat. 10-2pm. 9489 Stonehouse. Freezer, interior doors, vanity, electric stove, more.

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LIVONIA Fri-Sun, May 9-11, 9-5pm. 36252 Dover, between Joy & Ann Arbor Trail, Newburgh & Wayne Rds. MOVING SALE, All must go! Furniture, couch, dining room set, console TV, vanity, household items, books, kitchen set, etc.

LIVONIA
May 8 & 9, 9-?. 15614 Blue Skies Ct. North, North of 5 Mile, W/Newburgh. 1973 Yamaha, plus size clothing, and misc.

LIVONIA Sat, 8-6. 14877 Santa Anita, between Middlebelt & Inkster off 5 Mile. Household item, toys, etc.

LIVONIA TENT SALE May 8-10, 9-4pm. 38025 Amrhein, N/Plymouth, W/Newburgh.

LIVONIA Thurs-Sat, May 8-10, 9-5pm. Two family. 16835 Westbrook, S/6 Mile, E/Levan. Kid's clothes, household.

LIVONIA Tool sale. May 8-11. 9909 Fairfield, S/Plymouth, W/Merriman. Band saw, jointer, scroll saw, and lathe. Featherlight sewing machine.

LIVONIA, Sat. May 10, 37363 Kingsburn, S/ 7Mile, E/Newburgh. 10-5pm Moving sale, EVERYTHING MUST GO!

NOVI - 3 family yard sale. Thur. May 8 thru Sun. May 11, 9am-6pm. Large size clothing, furniture, plus 91 Grand Marquis. 67k mi., 26893 Roric, W. of Haggerty, S. of 12 Mile.

OAK PARK May 10-11, 9-4. 14050 Balfour, N/696, W/Coolidge. Antiques, furniture, power tools, blinds, etc.

PLYMOUTH - 2 Neighborhood Garage Sales. Westbriar II and Trillium Woods. Sat., May 10. 9am-3pm. Ann Arbor Road & McClumpha Road.

Plymouth - 5 family. Friday only, May 9, 9am-4pm, 1302 Maple Street, Ann Arbor Trail & Sheldon.

PLYMOUTH - Fri. May 9, noon-5. Sat., May 10, 8-5. Two new vanities, office chairs, carpet squares, misc. furniture & household goods. 8985 Pepperidge Ct. Take Colony Farm S. off Ann Arbor Rd. W. of Beck.

PLYMOUTH - May 8-9, 8-6; May 10, 8-2. Huge Antique Sale! Over 30 yrs., of collecting. 8985 Northampton Dr., N. of Joy, W. of Beck.

PLYMOUTH - Thurs., Fri. & Sat., 9-noon. Joy Rd. & Beck, Woodlore South Sub. 47237 Tania Ct. Lots of good stuff!

PLYMOUTH BLOCK SALE Ann Arbor Tr. & Sheridan St., E. of Sheldon. Sat., May 10th, 9am-4pm. Jr. hockey equipment, kids clothes & toys, misc.

PLYMOUTH Fri & Sat., May 2 & 3, 9-5pm. 41662 Lindsay Dr., Ann Arbor Trail & Lilley. Snowblower, table saw, tools, TV, bunkbed & toys and more!

PLYMOUTH
May 8-10, May 15-17, 9-5pm. 546 Roe, near City Hall. HUGE GARAGE SALE!!

PLYMOUTH- Sat., May 10th., 10-2, 13298 Foxboro Ct., off N. Territorial, between Sheldon & Beck; Old shutters, sprinkler parts, exercise equip., Nordic Track, (like new), kids bikes, kids/adult clothes and more.

REDFORD - Fox Street Garage Sale. Fri., Sat. & Sun. 9am-5pm, between 6 & 7 Mile, Beech Daly & Inkster.

REDFORD 12977 Royal Grand., off Eastbound Schoolcraft Just E. of Beech Daly. Last house before dead end. Saturday May 10, 8-4. 1 day only. Baby furniture, bike and lots of household misc. (313) 534-4553

REDFORD TWP HUGE YARD SALE!! Thurs-Sun, May 8-11, 10am-6pm. 17205 Brady, N./6, E./Beech. Lots Baby/kids.

ROCHESTER 3 Family Moving/ Garage Sale. Baby items, furniture, outdoor items, big screen TV, utility trailer, sports equipment, misc. Sat. May 10th, 9-4pm. Cobb Creek Sub, W. of Livernois, N. of Dutton.

ROCHESTER HILLS - May 9 & 10, 9-5. 979 Briston. Antiques, collectibles, jewelry, furniture, clothes, household, much more.

ROCHESTER HILLS
Eddington Farms Annual Sub Sale. May 8-10, 9am-4pm. N. of Hamlin, E. of Rochester.

ROCHESTER HILLS May 8-9-10th., 9-5, 1196 Olympia, N. off Tienken, W. of Adams In Thornridge Sub.

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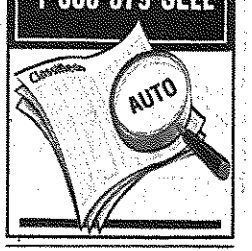

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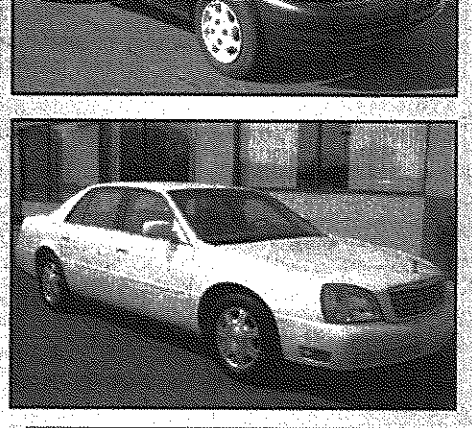

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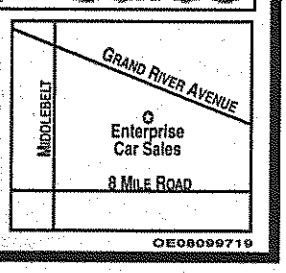

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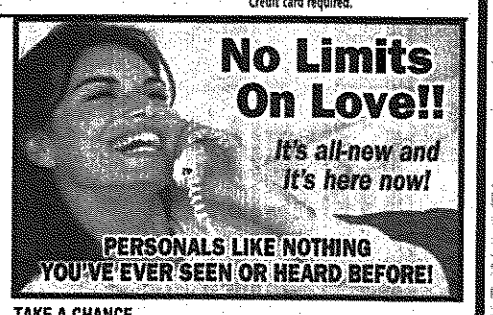

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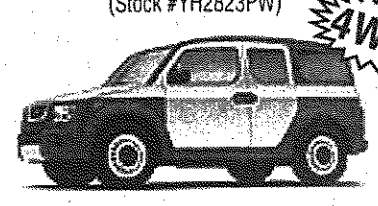

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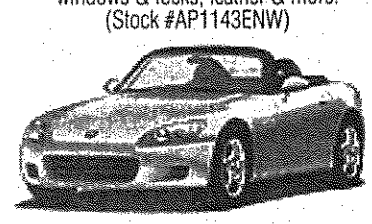

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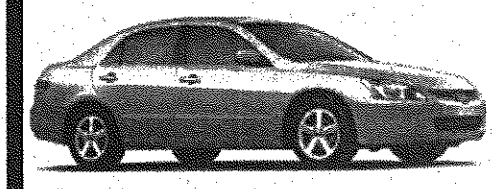

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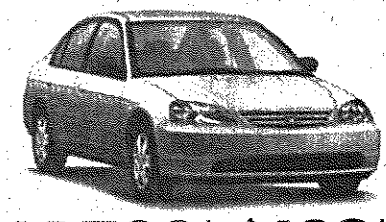

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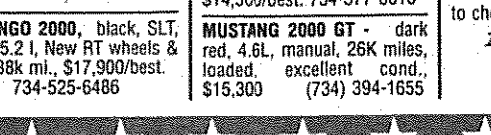

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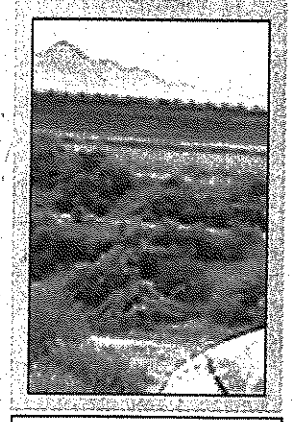

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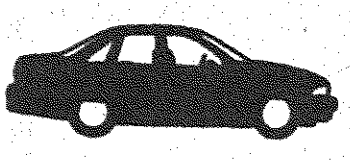

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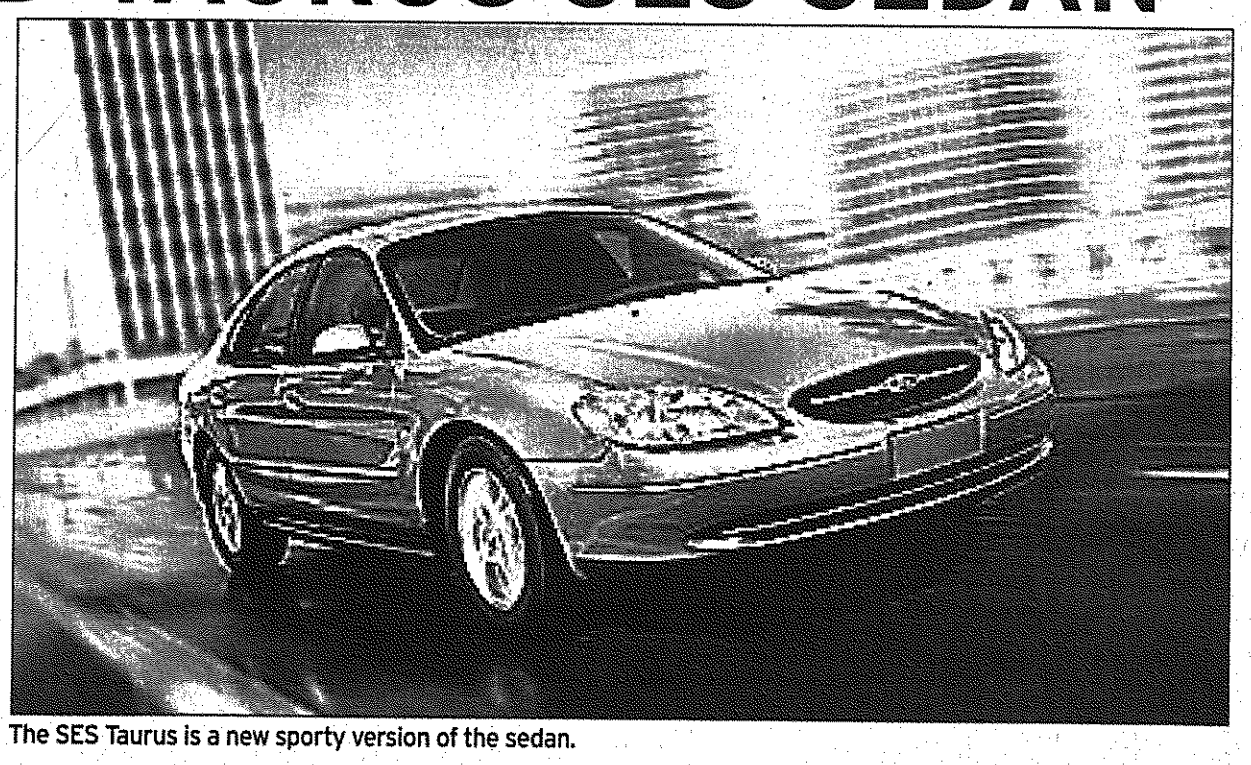

The SES Taurus is a new sporty version of the sedan.

Time was when my family drove one of the most innovative cars in America, and it was a station wagon from Ford Motor Co.'s Taurus and Sable family of cars, which then were the biggest-selling line in the nation. It was about a decade ago, when owning and driving our white Mercury Sable station wagon – with its extremely streamlined styling – made us just the tiniest bit iconoclastic, because it was the high point of the era of the minivan. And yet the car performed very reasonably and served well the needs of our young family of four.

I recount all of this because I've been driving a 2003 Taurus sedan lately, which has rekindled the memories. Recalling what the Taurus franchise once represented also helps place it in the proper context today. And after a week with the SES sporty version of the Taurus, I came to pretty much the same opinion that I held about its cousin nameplate many years ago: The car performed reasonably and served well the now-changed needs of our somewhat-grown family of four.

The big difference between then and now, of course, is that this package of attributes doesn't hold up nearly as well in the much-expanded automotive marketplace of today as it did a decade or so ago. Higher-quality reasonably priced models made by Japanese companies, most notably the Toyota Camry, long since have overtaken the Taurus's once-vaunted car-sales leadership, even though the Taurus family has been fully redesigned at least a couple of times. Moreover, conventional sedans such as Taurus are trying to hold onto their very place in the new-vehicle continuum amid an intensifying assault by light SUVs and cross-over vehicles.

The good news at the end of all of this, however, is that the 2003 Taurus, with prices centering in the low $20,000s, continues to represent a solid value for middle-American consumers looking for a traditional sedan above all else. It remains modestly stylish; it performs adequately; there's plenty of room; and Ford keeps improving the product.

The SES Taurus is a new sporty version of the sedan that is designed to appeal to younger buyers searching for style at a good value. And at a suggested retail price of $23,930, this version delivers on that promise. The fully monochromatic body – silver, in the case of my vehicle – highlights an exterior that has a good chance of appealing to the target demographic. The 3.0-liter DOHC V-6 Duratec engine delivers 200 horsepower and 200 foot-pounds of torque, giving it a nice reserve when quick acceleration is required. The interior is highlighted by a pewter-brush finish on the instrument-panel center-stack surround and the console floor.

Outside, the sports package nicely states its case with a body-color spear in the grille and a body-color applique on the rear deck lid. Aluminum painted sport wheels, a rear spoiler and unique "Sport 24V DOHC" fender badging round out the exterior. With its sleek and low profile, the whole Taurus family cuts a nice figure on the road, with its overall slightly organic design providing the most reasonable and stylistically effective appearance that Taurus and Sable have had since their introduction in 1986. Gold Ash Metallic is a new color for 2003. Overall, this year's models are available in four-door sedans and four-door wagons.

The base Taurus is equipped with a 3.0-liter V6 that is capable of 155 horsepower, an acceptable output for a mid-priced family sedan. Fuel economy tops out on the highway at an average of 28 miles a gallon, a good mark. Dual-stage airbags in front are offered on all models, and higher-priced models include four-wheel antilock-disc brakes as standard. The top-line SEL Premium features traction control and front side airbags. The trunk is a generous size, and back-seat passengers also have plenty of room.

Taurus's interior has picked up a series of quality improvements to reduce air leakage and cabin noise, two problems that have afflicted Taurus off and on sine its inception. Also new for 2003 are illuminated cruise-control switches; also, the controls for the adjustable pedals have been moved to the instrument panel for easier access. The cabin overall is functional and attractive, controls placed and labeled in a straightforward manner. I was disappointed that Ford hadn't found a way to move overhead lights further ahead in the cabin, over the dashboard rather than staying in their traditional placement as "dome" lights.

Specifically in the SES, high-contrast, two-tone sports seats with upgraded fabric for both front and rear passengers are visible even from outside the vehicle. Deep-pile floor mats feature the "Sport" badging. In short, for young drivers who otherwise wouldn't be interested in this family of cars because they don't want to be caught dead driving their "father's Oldsmobile," so to speak, the 2003 Taurus SES may provide a way out.

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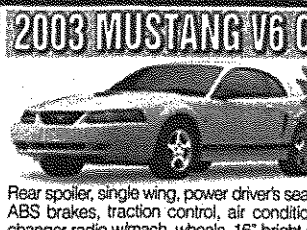
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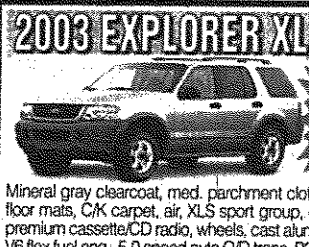
NOW $13,791.07*
FORD EMPLOYEE or ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBER
A-PLAN 48 MO. LEASE: ZERO DOWN $176.53** mo; $1500 DOWN $143.10** mo; 160 Ranger's Available

2003 EXPLORER XLS 4x2

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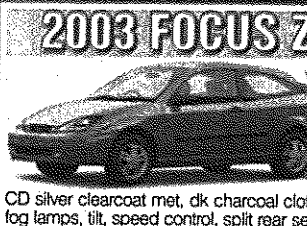
A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL: ZERO DOWN $260.90** mo; $1500 DOWN $217.55** mo; 387 Explorer's Available

2003 FOCUS ZX3

$7.17 PER DAY
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A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE: ZERO DOWN $215.17** mo; $1500 DOWN $169.44** mo; 180 Focus' Available

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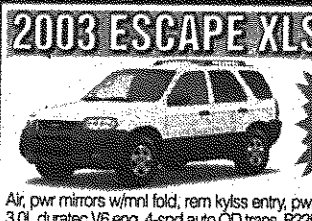
A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL: ZERO DOWN $249.51** mo; $1500 DOWN $205.00** mo; 239 Taurus' Available

2003 ESCAPE XLS 4x2

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NOW $16,926.09*
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A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL: ZERO DOWN $255.86** mo; $1500 DOWN $212.20** mo; 85 Escapes Available

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NOW $17,109.60*
FORD EMPLOYEE or ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBER
A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL: ZERO DOWN $258.04** mo; $1500 DOWN $210.21** mo; 503 F-Series Available

2003 EXPEDITION 4x4

$13.68 PER DAY
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NOW $27,418.36*
FORD EMPLOYEE or ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBER
A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL: ZERO DOWN $410.83** mo; $1500 DOWN $364.27** mo; 35 Expeditions Available

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WINDSTAR LX	0 Down $1500	$575 $2119
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RANGER	0 Down $1500	$405 $1960
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