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Memo

Calling all artists

Artists are invited to submit applications for acceptance into the 11th annual Canton Fine Arts Exhibition scheduled for Oct. 3-10 at the Summit on the Park. The application deadline for this juried show is Aug. 25. Call (734) 394-5193.

The winners are ...

Baseball coach Glen Potter led his baseball team of 9-year-olds, the Twins, to the Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association tournament, July 22.

Team members are Jake Brekke, Coach Glen Potter, Jacob Nosewicz, Asst Coach Pat White, Irene Pool, Michael Pool, Ryan Bazner, Asst Coach Mike Heinze, Luke Price, Chris White, Simon Terhaar, Michael Boes, Gavin Potter, Josh Heinze, Josh McGowan, Paul Gaecke and Matthew Janke.

Fun reading

Fazoli's Italian Restaurant of Canton will be partnering with the Community Literacy Council Inc., Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and the township of Canton to present: Fun Night at Fazoli's.

Each Monday night through Aug. 25, Fazoli's will be filled with the fun and excitement of kids learning and enjoying stories, creating crafts and face painting. The event will run 6-7:30 p.m. every Monday. Kids will have the opportunity to color and have their work displayed in the restaurant. The event is open to children ages 2-12. Parents must remain at the restaurant with their children.

All are invited to attend.

Senior summit

The first-ever Canton Area Senior Summit will feature informational and health fairs, workshops and assistance programs geared toward senior citizens.

The senior summit, sponsored by state Rep. Phil LaJoy, also includes food, door prizes and informal discussions on senior issues. The senior day takes place at the Summit on the Park, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 3. Admission is \$5.

"The event gives seniors direct and immediate access to important information and agencies serving the older population," said LaJoy, R-Canton.

Seating is limited to the first 400 seniors from LaJoy's 21st House District, which includes the communities of Canton and Van Buren townships and the city of Belleville.

Registration forms are available through LaJoy's office at (517) 373-2773. Forms also are available at the Canton Area Senior Center, 46000 Summit Parkway, September Days Senior Center, 4545 Tyler, in Van Buren Township; and Columbia Court, 275 W. Columbia Ave., in Belleville.

Uncertainty surrounds laptop plans for 6th-graders

BY ANN ZANIEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Pencils, rulers and other traditional middle-school classroom tools may seem outdated for some students come January.

That's when Michigan's sixth-graders will be able to write papers, work through math problems and e-mail questions to teachers on their own per-

sonal laptop or hand-held computers.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm recently announced the technology initiative, called Freedom to Learn, as part of her budget plan for next year. But many of the details — like what happens if computers are damaged, or whether the computers will follow students through later grades — have yet to be ironed out.

"For us, it's good news and bad news," said Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan. "It's nice the governor and our legislators are aware of how high-tech these kids are becoming. (But) there's not a lot of details right now. There are a lot of initial questions."

It will cost \$39 million in both state and federal money to equip the state's 132,000 sixth-

grade students with the wireless tools.

State Rep. Phil LaJoy (R-Canton) said conceptually he supports the program.

"The idea of trying to hook the teacher and student and parents together with wireless technology might be the direction we need to go in," he said.

"My understanding is that other states have had success in doing it in terms of perform-

ance and class size. I've always thought that if parents had the ability to look at a computer and see the progress of the child instantly it would be a great thing to do."

LaJoy said some "bumps" will have to be worked out, such as making sure the equipment is accounted for.

But Township Supervisor

PLEASE SEE LAPTOPS, A5



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Gagandeep Raiphatti (from left), Phong Lam, Kevin Vaidya, and Monika Patel look for articles that are significant to them from newspapers. The four are part of a summer reading program designed to help improve language skills.

Learning is fundamental

Foreign students use reading to improve skills

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Amritpal Sidhu is just like any other 12-year-old. He likes to read comics.

But while many read them just for enjoyment, Amritpal, who was born in India and moved to Canton four years ago, has another objective.

"I like to read comics because when I read, I learn new words," said the eighth-grader from Central Middle School, who now speaks three Indian languages along with English.

Amritpal, along with several dozen other students who have moved to the Plymouth-Canton school district from foreign countries, is participating this summer in a reading program at

PLEASE SEE LANGUAGE, A3

Big time

Canton teenager signs record deal

BY KIMBERLY MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

Jerry Reid is moving away from the image of being "a little kid with a big voice" as his professional career rockets toward stardom. The 16-year-old Canton native just signed a deal with Empire Musicwerks Records to record his first CD and hopefully start touring with some renowned acts this fall.

"At the age of 2 when most children are playing with toys, Jerry was using the vacuum cleaner as his microphone until he got his own microphone and karaoke machine. As he got older it just got out of control — he would sing while he was doing his math. (He) sang constantly to the point where sometimes I had to tell him to please stop," remembers Bina Reid, Jerry's mother.

PLEASE SEE REID, A3

Yack won't seek lawsuit against state

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

Township Supervisor Tom Yack says he's changed his mind about asking for a lawsuit to be filed against the state over

revenue sharing cuts.

"I talked to our counsel and the Michigan Townships Association and they felt that as long as we get the bare minimum amount that we are authorized under the constitutional portion, a

suit probably wouldn't get anywhere," he said last week.

Yack had threatened to recommend to the Township Board that it sue the state

PLEASE SEE LAWSUIT, A2

Church hosts pet adoption event

BY KIMBERLY MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

Organizers of the "Dog Days of Summer" pet awareness event at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church are putting the final touches on plans for the day-long adoption program.

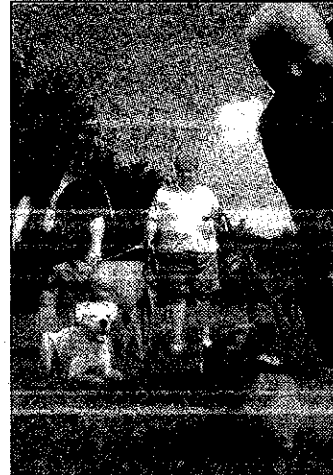
According to co-chair Kim Marquette, individuals, rescue organizations and shelters have been invited to bring their animals (mixed and pure breeds) for adoption opportunities, open to the public, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, in Canton.

"We're expecting more than 100 animals," said Marquette, who co-chairs the event with

Nancy Haskins. "Animals won't be adopted that day, but people have the chance to see the animals and fill out an application form. There will be checks run once we receive the application for a specific animal. They check with veterinarians to make sure there hasn't been any history of neglect and so on."

Marquette said it's also a good idea to make sure a family matches with the personality of the pet they are wanting to adopt. She said some animals are better with children and that's something that should be given important consideration when choosing a cat or dog.

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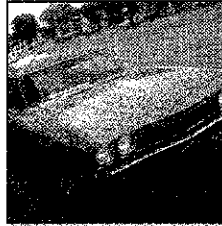
Jack Krohn enjoys a summer day with his dog, Ozzie.

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Murray steps down as Rouge leader Changes planted for tree program

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

Less than five months after taking over leadership of Friends of the Rouge, Jim Murray has stepped down from the nonprofit organization he helped form nearly 20 years ago.

Murray, the former director of Wayne County Department of Environment, became executive director of Friends in March after he was replaced by new Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano. He resigned his position with Friends on July 3, after finding a job with the engineering firm CH2M Hill.

Murray, who also helped found the annual Rouge Rescue in 1987, is not com-

pletely severing his ties with Friends. He will be paid as a consultant for a couple months, and is expected to join the board of directors sometime in September.

"We're sad to see him go, but we're also happy he will be on the board and share his expertise with fund-raising. He has a lot of connections," said Carolyn Foster, the group's managing director.

In addition to organizing the popular Rouge Rescue, Friends of the Rouge has also initiated a number of public education programs about the Rouge River, which flows through Oakland and Wayne counties.

The board of directors is expected to conduct a national search to replace Murray.

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

Between the growth in Canton's population and the ash tree devastation of the past couple of years, the township is making changes in its tree planting program.

Township Planner Jeff Goulet said Canton has administered a 50/50 program — in which residents pay half the cost of new trees in public rights of way and the township picks up the other half — for about 10 years.

"The program has grown from about 100 trees a year to more than 1,200 this spring," he said.

While about 200 new plant-

ings were done this year on Canton Center Road, he said the growing demand is based largely on requests for replacement of ash trees that were destroyed by the emerald ash borer.

The 50/50 program was run hand-in-hand with a neighborhood improvement program started five years ago in which the township planted new trees in rights of way where none existed.

"Because of the ash problem," Goulet said, "both have become replacement programs."

In the past, under the 50/50 program, residents could apply for trees with the Planning Services Department, which would bid out the project, over-

see and inspect the planting of the trees and bill the residents for 50 percent of the cost.

But he said that with himself, a landscape inspector and three clerical workers handling the program, it has become unmanageable.

A new program, approved by the Board of Trustees late last month, will use a voucher system. Vouchers up to a maximum of \$200 will be issued to eligible residents as long as there are funds in the budget for that year. Any lot or parcel will be eligible for a maximum of two vouchers per year for trees planted between the sidewalk and the curb line of the street.

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um associations will be eligible for a maximum of 10 vouchers per program year for trees planted in bermed park areas adjacent to a public street.

Residents may then go to a licensed nursery or landscaped contractor of their choice, select the trees they want and make arrangements to have it installed. Vouchers will be valid until Nov. 15 of each year and must be returned to Planning Services no later than Nov. 30 for reimbursement.

An approved list of trees and voucher application forms are available from Planning Services or from the township Web site, www.canton-mi.org.

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after a compromise budget plan between the governor and the legislature was approved in July that included a 3-percent cut in state revenue sharing funds for municipalities.

Canton will lose about \$200,000 in revenue sharing funds.

Under a formula used by the governor, which was the same method used by former Gov. John Engler, revenue sharing cuts are calculated by combining the constitutional funds and the statutory funds and making an across-the-board

'I talked to our counsel and ... they felt ... a suit probably wouldn't get anywhere.'

Thomas Yack
Canton Township supervisor

cut.

But Yack and some other officials maintain that the constitutional portion, which is based strictly on population, cannot be touched.

In fact, earlier this year, a Senate bill approved in both houses of the Legislature, mandated that the cuts be based strictly on the statutory por-

tion. That would have caused the cut in Canton's share by \$200,000.

Under the compromise budget, however, that plan was scrapped and the original formula applied.

Yack said at that time he thought the process was unconstitutional and threatened a lawsuit.

He said townships would be the hardest hit by the cuts because of their growing population, while cities with stable or declining populations would not be so affected.

Yack noted that 51 percent of the state's population now live in townships.

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REID

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Reid, whose style is a mix of R & B and rock, leaves Michigan next week to begin touring with Aaron Carter and his Jukebox Tour. His new co-manager, Doug Brown of Millennium Entertainment based in Dallas and Orlando, has worked with such teen groups as New Kids on the Block and N'Sync. Brown's experience is a motivator for Reid to make things happen.

DRIVEN

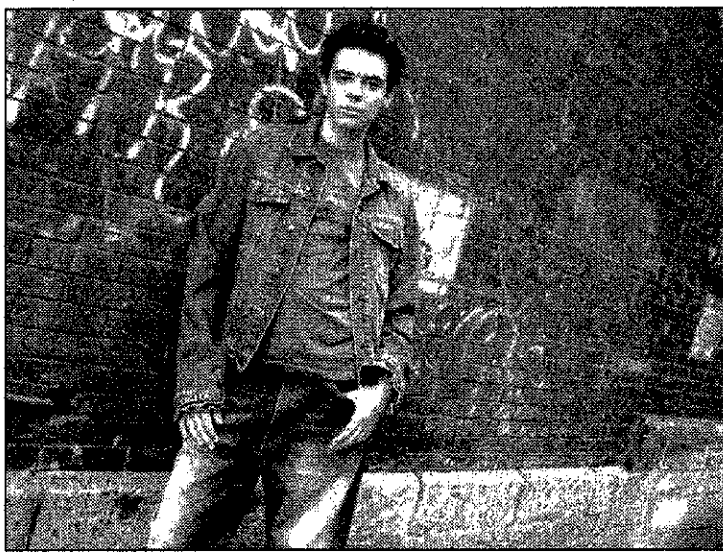
"I've always needed to sing," said Reid who spoke from a Detroit recording studio where he's working on his first single release and a self-titled album to follow. "I'm so excited to get the record deal and that things are finally coming together. We've been recording like crazy all over the place."

Bina Reid is now serving as her son's co-manager in conjunction with Brown. She said up until he signed with Empire she had been responsible for everything from booking shows to wardrobe selections. Now there will be a booking agent, lawyer and co-manager to help insure things continue to run efficiently.

Reid attended Canton High School during his freshman year but has opted to home-school now that his dream of singing is turning into a career. He says he misses some of the social aspects of school but he still has his friends back home to count on.

Bina said she struggled with the idea of pulling her son out of public school so that he may pursue his musical aspirations.

"It was an extremely difficult decision to make. For nights I laid awake wondering if we were making the right choice. I didn't want him to miss out on all the events a normal teenager goes through in high school, such as homecoming and prom. After long talks with his high school counselor, who has been extremely supportive, (and) given all the time away from school Jerry needed for recording and such, we agreed that the public school would not work," said Bina who added her son is tutored



Jerry Reid of Canton recently signed a deal with BMG and Empire Records. His first single 'Just a Little Bit' will be released while he's on tour with teen heartthrob Aaron Carter. His self-titled album is expected this fall.

through a private academy that will allow him to get all his high school credits.

"Jerry's only wish would be that he could actually graduate next year with the rest of his friends at Canton High School. This will probably be his and our biggest regret."

AWAY FROM HOME

The 16-year-old has had a taste of what it's like being on the road as he has been recording in Detroit as well as Florida, New York and Los Angeles. He says he "writes a lot of stuff" and is in the process of learning to play the guitar. He says his musical influences are Michael Jackson and Stevie Wonder. "They have such a style and presence on stage," said Reid. "I've always admired that."

To improve his own presentation, Reid has taken voice lessons for years as well as dance. "You have to put a lot of dance into your musical performances," he said.

Just since April, he has performed throughout the state of Michigan at a variety of venues including the Apollo Night On Tour in Ann Arbor; Radio Disney tours in Grand Blanc and Frankenmuth; Belleville Strawberry Festival; Canton Liberty Fest; Livonia Spree; as a Super Singer Finalist during the Detroit Fireworks celebration; and most recently at Ford Field in Detroit during opening ceremonies of the 2003 AAU Junior Olympics Games.

"I was just at Ford Field a

few weeks ago to see Eminem," said Reid. "Now here I am on the same stage and people are coming to see me perform. It was awesome."

The Canton teen first appeared on stage professionally before an audience of 5,000 in Nashville after he won a local and regional singing contest that qualified him to compete at the national level in Tennessee. His appearance schedule as of late has taken him to Florida where he appeared with teen heartthrob Aaron Carter at Sea World and to Miami for Miami Beach Night. He said he'll appear as one of Carter's opening acts Aug. 19 at the DTE Energy Music Festival in Rochester Hills.

"I've been to concerts there for years," said Reid. "Now I'm really looking forward to being there as a performer. I have a lot of local fans so I'm excited to see them there."

Brown said his clients fan base is young but older audiences will be able to appreciate Reid's maturity and the amount of talent and commitment he brings to each and every show.

"Jerry has a great work ethic," said Brown from Orlando. "He's a super star in the making."

Reid's co-manager said there are many established teen acts and some in the making that is creating a competitive market for his client but he has all the confidence in the 16-year-old.

"Now that he has a record deal he'll actually have to work

'I've been to concerts there for years. Now I'm really looking forward to being there as a performer. I have a lot of local fans so I'm excited to see them there.'

Jerry Reid
Canton teen singer

harder. His work load is going to double if not triple but I am confident he'll be a super star."

Brown said Jerry's first single will be released when he begins touring with Aaron Carter this week. It's called *Just a Little Bit*.

As for the 16-year-old who is about to hit the big time, his mom says the attention hasn't gone to his head. She said his friends and family keep him grounded.

"At home nothing has changed, he still has to clean his room, do his homework, (keep the) same level of respect toward others. He also realizes that this is not where it stops, it's only the beginning of a long road ahead," said Bina Reid.

The attention is exciting though when it comes to having fans recognize him and come out for the shows. His official Web site has a message board for admirers to talk about Reid, check out his touring schedule and even read messages from him.

"I have a great local fan base," said Reid. "Everyone has been so supportive."

Jerry said support from his parents, Bina and Jerry Reid, and other family members is the true foundation for his success. "I couldn't do this alone."

"It is extremely rewarding to finally see things coming together after all the hard work through the years," added Bina. "Our family has made a lot of sacrifices both personally and financially. Seeing my son happy and watching his dreams come true is all the rewards I will ever need."

To follow Jerry's career, send him an e-mail or find out where he'll be on tour next visit www.jerryreid.com.

LANGUAGE

FROM PAGE A1

Discovery Middle School to improve his language skills.

It's a continuing education program through the English as a Second Language curriculum, where students from foreign countries — many of whom don't speak a word of English when they begin classes in the district — learn to speak and write English.

"It takes three, four, even five years to have full command of the language," said Sue Shepard, ESL coordinator. "It takes so long because these kids aren't just focusing on learning the language, but they also have to learn new things at the same time."

Mei-Ki Tam moved to Canton three years ago from her native Hong Kong. Now Mei-Ki, a sophomore at Plymouth High School, helps tutor Chinese students who are learning English.

"I will correct their sentence if they get it wrong," Mei-Ki said. "Sometimes they use 'he' instead of 'she,' and some grammars are wrong."

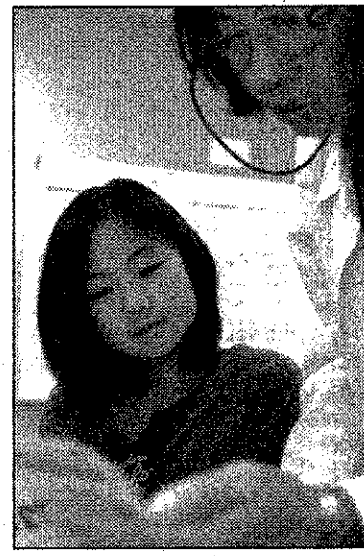
"It was hard for me to learn English, but when you keep reading it's OK," she added. "I had teachers help me out and teach the meaning of paragraphs."

The summer ESL program was funded this year by a \$2,000 grant from the Japanese Business Society.

"People, and the Japanese especially, realize summertime is a good opportunity for kids to catch up a bit," Shepard said. "A lot of times we get to the end of the school year and then they don't speak English during the summer; then they come back and they've taken a couple of steps backward. This keeps them from falling."

Mital Patel, an eighth-grader at Central, said when she moved to Canton a couple of years ago she didn't speak a word of English.

"When I first came here, there was English all year, and



LIZ OROZCO | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mino Arai, 11, of Plymouth receives help finding an article from Keiko Goto during Discovery Middle Schools English as a Second Language Summer Reading Program.

I was crying because I didn't know English," said Mital, 14, who noted she was exposed to some writing and reading of English while studying in India. "You talk to people, it makes you feel better. You get more practice."

Mina Finnegan of Canton is an ESL aid, and helps 15-year-old Julio Figueroa, who moved from Mexico a year ago, learn to overcome his fear of socializing at Salem High School.

"It's really hard for him, especially when he wants to communicate with other kids," Finnegan said. "He doesn't want to go out and have a break because he doesn't want anybody to ask him questions. He knows what he wants to say, but he's still not comfortable speaking it."

Shepard said Plymouth-Canton Schools works with students who speak more than 40 different languages and dialects.

"The gap where they are, and where they need to be to become successful, is pretty wide," Shepard said. "The more opportunity they have to do things like this, the better."

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Christine M. Sandel

Services for Christine Sandel, 87, of Livonia (formerly of Canton) were held Aug. 2 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. George Williams officiating. Burial was at St. Hedwig Cemetery. Mrs. Sandel was born July 21, 1916, in Detroit and died July 29 in Livonia. She has worked as a beautician. Mrs. Sandel was preceded in death by son, Theodore Sandel.

Survivors include son, Robert (Mary) Sandel; daughter, Darlene Sandel-Thornton of Wixom; daughter-in-law, Anne Sandel; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements made by Neely-Turowski Funeral Home.

Denny Pace

Services for Denny Pace, 58, of Canton were held Aug. 1 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Mr. Pace was born Sept. 19, 1944, in Plymouth and died July 29 in Canton. He came to the Canton community in 1973

from Plymouth. He was a pipefitter for Local 190. He loved racing automobiles, and was a figure-8 and oval track champion in the 1980s for several years. He was a loving husband, father, son and brother.

Survivors include wife, Wanda Pace of Canton; children, Craig (Gina) Pace of Taylor, Mark Pace of Romulus, and Daniel Pace of Canton; mother, Sylvia Pace of Traverse City; sister, Carol (William) Burger of Traverse City; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Pearl Florence (Loveless)

Thomas

Services for Pearl Thomas, 89, of Plymouth were held Aug. 2 at Northville Christian Assembly of God in Northville with the Rev. Dan VanderVelde officiating.

Mrs. Thomas died at her home on July 30 after a long illness.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Francis S. Thomas, who was

former clerk of the City of Trenton.

Survivors include children, Barbara Havershaw of East Tawas and Gaylord (Linda) Thomas of Plymouth; sister, Thelma (Robert) Reese of Allen Park; grandchildren, Randall Curry of Dearborn, Sheila Clark of Livonia, Suzanne (Ernest) Thomas-Hughes of Wolverine Lake, Linda (Thomas) Sokolnicki of LaMesa, Calif., David (Kerry) Thomas of Toledo and Arthur Thomas of Plymouth; niece, Deborah Heinz; nephew, Kenneth Reese; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia, MI 48154 or the American Heart Association.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Patricia A. Norris

Services for Patricia Norris, 76, of Plymouth were held Aug. 2 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church with the Rev. Joseph Mallia officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Norris was born Jan. 14, 1927, in St. Paul, Minn. and died July 30 in Plymouth. She

was a retired floral designer for Sparr's Flowers in Plymouth. She came to the Plymouth community in 1965 from Chicago. She was a member of St. Kenneth's, where she attended Mass every day. She loved playing with her grandchildren. She was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and sister.

Mrs. Norris was preceded in death by her husband, David Norris.

Survivors include children, John (Karen) Norris of West Bloomfield, Kevin (Barbara) Norris of Royal Oak, Christopher "Kit" (Sandra) Norris of Kalamazoo, Andrew (Deborah) Norris of White Lake, and Matthew (Therese) Norris of Farmington Hills; 14 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister, Joan Reilly of Bethesda, Md.; and brother, Robert Cowie of Jacksonville, Fla.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice in Livonia.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Marvin Lee Penzien

Services for Marvin Penzien, 68, of Plymouth were held July 30 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating. Burial was at Elm Lawn Cemetery in Bay City.

Mr. Penzien was born Feb. 11, 1935, in Lapeer and died July 27 in Plymouth. He worked in sales at Aurora Casket Company.

Mr. Penzien was preceded in death by parents, Karl and Berenice Penzien; brother, Baird Penzien; and brother, Leland Penzien.

Survivors include wife, Colleen M. Penzien of Plymouth; daughter, Jennifer Adams of Farmington Hills; sons Dirk Penzien of Florida and Steven T. Penzien of Ypsilanti; grandson, Kyle Adams; and brother, Eugene (Mary) Penzien of Auburn Heights.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Lung Association of Michigan.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Grace "Johnnie" Antoinette

Crosby

A memorial service for Johnnie Crosby, 87, of Livonia (formerly of Plymouth) will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council in Plymouth.

Mrs. Crosby was born Feb. 11, 1916, in White Plains, N.Y. and died July 21 in Livonia. She graduated from Cornell University with an undergraduate degree in nutrition. She also received a master's of fine art degree from Eastern

Michigan University.

She was a well-known artist who loved to paint watercolors. She had many shows including an exhibit at the Detroit Institute of Arts and was named a finalist in the poster design competition. She also was featured at the Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Hawaii Watercolor Society. She received several awards for her paintings, which were published in a book of outstanding artists. She perfected her craft in Greece, Mexico, Spain and Hawaii. She also loved to write short stories.

Mrs. Crosby was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene Crosby.

Survivors include children, Robert (Sara) Crosby of Kalkaska and Russell (Monica) Crosby of Plymouth; grandchildren, Christopher Crosby of Frederick, Mich., Bill (Shawn) Crosby of Grand Blanc and Matthew Crosby of Plymouth; great-granddaughter, Emma; and sisters, Anna (Joseph) Valentine of Bridgewater, Conn., Mary Hamp of Mililani, Hawaii, and Catherine Johnson of Livingston, N.J.

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University of Colorado

Robbie Camann, son of Rick and Sue Camann, has been named to the Dean's List for both the fall and spring semesters in the College of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Colorado. Robbie, a 2001 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, recently completed his sophomore year in Boulder, Colorado.

Grand Valley State University

Angela Hull of Canton has been named a recipient of a Faculty Scholarship to Grand Valley State University. Hull, a

recent graduate of Agape Christian Academy, is the daughter of Stephen and Jacqueline Hull.

Jennifer Bedard of Canton, has been named a recipient of a Faculty Scholarship to Grand Valley State University. Bedard, a recent graduate of Canton High School, is the daughter of Skip and Linda Bedard.

Hope College

Anne Patterson of Plymouth has graduated Cum Laude from Hope College. To receive this honor, she had to achieve a minimum of 3.3 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 18, 2003 in the **Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Parkway at 7:00 p.m.** on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:


ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT CONSIDER TO AMEND THE CANTON TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 20.02A RELATIVE TO PERMITTING MASSAGE THERAPY IN O-1, OFFICE.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S., prior to Thursday, August 14, 2003 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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LAPTOPS

FROM PAGE A1

Tom Yack, who bristled at the idea of providing laptops to sixth graders while cutting revenue sharing funds to municipalities, says he still doesn't like the idea.

"It seems to me that it's inappropriate for the state government, which has an obligation to fund current programs and services fully, to embark on this," Yack said. "I see laptops to be a new program when they (the state) have not been true to funding the ones that they already have an obligation to."

Yack said while Canton would not be seriously affected by revenue sharing cuts, some other communities are facing reduced police and fire services.

"People believe that more money means better education," he said. "I don't necessarily think that laptops for sixth-graders will result in better MEAP scores."

T.J. Bucholz, public information officer for the Michigan Department of Education, said it hasn't been decided if local school districts will have to pay any money to help offset the cost. That, along with the other details of the program, will be worked out in the coming weeks, he said.

But Emily Gerkin, deputy press secretary for Michigan Speaker of the House Rick Johnson, who championed the proposal, said it looks like each school will have to chip in \$25 per student for use of the machines. The hope is that eventually, students in other grades will have them as well.

Ryan said Plymouth-Canton expects to have some 1,500 sixth-graders in the 2003-04 school year. While the \$25 per pupil cost isn't by itself a huge thing, recent budget troubles have made every penny count in Plymouth-Canton.

"Once you cut \$5.6 million

from budget, every little expenditure becomes important to you," Ryan said. "We're facing a \$6 million deficit for 2004-05, so we're working real hard on the budget."

Ryan said Plymouth-Canton has a three-year technology program approved by the state, something few districts have. He said he would have preferred having the option of spending the laptop money there.

"I wish we could have used the money for that program," Ryan said. "I wish there was a little more flexibility in the program. (Still) I was surprised with all the budget challenges they had that they came up with this one."

Michigan school aid funding was reduced by a total of more than \$110 million for fiscal year 2003-04. Several areas, including adult education, took substantial hits.

State Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth) said he supports the program, provided that both teachers and students use it responsibly. He has some concerns about its timing.

"Perhaps we should have spent more money on early childhood education, perhaps we could have spent more money on the gifted and talented, perhaps we could have spent more money on adult ed," he said.

Sixth grade was chosen to kick off the program because students at that age can easily become disinterested in learning, according to Gerkin.

The use of laptop and handheld computers was recently tested in select schools in Lansing, Detroit, Flint and other areas of the state. Bucholz said the trial proved that computers are valuable classroom tools.

"Integration of technology only enhances learning," he said. "A technologically astute workforce is vitally important, and the only way you get that is to expose people to that sooner than later."

Jane M. Healy, an education

psychologist who has worked as a teacher in schools across the country for more than 30 years, wrote a 1999 book called *Failure to Connect: How Computers Affect Our Children's Minds and What We Can Do About It*. She said computer misuse can be socially, physically and even academically detrimental to children.

"Sixth-graders need to be using computers. The Internet is a very useful tool for a teacher. But that information itself is not the answer," she said. "Learning how to manage information creatively and effectively is the key."

She said that for a laptop program to be effective, a strong curriculum needs to already be in place.

"The question is twofold," Healy said. "What is this (a laptop) going to replace, and what will it do, or at least do better, than other less-expensive methods? In the schools I've seen, computers don't improve the quality of the teacher. If children aren't well-educated, like if they have trouble reading, putting a computer in front of them will only give them more video games to play."

Healy said that in the two years she spent observing computer use in classrooms, she noticed that some kids tend to slouch when using laptops, which could cause orthopedic problems later in life. If the laptops are not used in a well-lit room, a student's vision can be strained.

She also said extended use of computers may make children more introverted and hinder the development of social skills.

But Bucholz maintains that the laptops will complement, rather than take away from, a child's academic experience.

"I don't think we're at a point where we're replacing teachers with robots, like on *The Jetsons*," Bucholz said. "We need to recognize that technology will be with us from now on."

ADOPTION

FROM PAGE A1

All the animals are required by the event organizers to be updated on their shots and leashed when they're out of their cages.

In addition to meet and greet opportunities with the animals, there will be three demonstrations throughout the day by the Michigan Technical Rescue Operations Team, "Ask the Vet" discussions with Dr. Michael Petty of Arbor Pointe Veterinary Hospital of Canton and his staff, and fun for the whole family with face painting, temporary tattoos, food, raffles and more.

The MTROT team is a K-9 search unit that has proven valuable in locating lost children, finding trapped people in collapsed buildings and serving with rescue divers.

"We wanted to create a family fun event that supports animal rescue and adoption," Marquette said.

There are more than one dozen shelters which will be in attendance, including Critters with Paws & Claws, Mutts and Mutts, Humane Education Project, Animal Rescue Connection, Michigan Animals Rescue, Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue, Mid-Michigan Boxer Rescue, Home Fur-Ever, Dearborn Animal Shelter and the Greyhounds of Eastern Michigan.

Marquette said Thrivent Financial for Lutherans of Western Wayne County (Chapter 30021) has agreed to match dollar for dollar the first \$800 raised Aug. 16.

In conjunction with the pet awareness theme,



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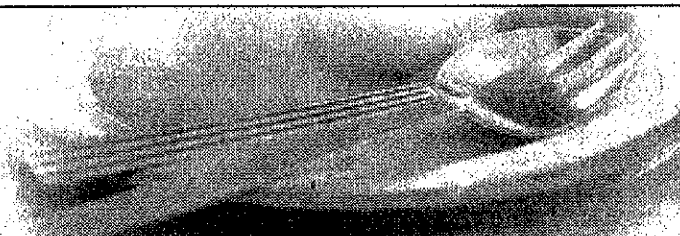
Kim Marquette (left) and Margarte Bytner show some of the dogs that will be involved in the adoption program.

several area vendors will have tables set up, including Gentle Persuasions Canine Behavior Consulting and Obedience Training, Animal Crafters, Amazing Animals Pet Store, Mighty Paws Pet Wash and VCA Animal Hospital of Garden City.

All proceeds that CTGS raises at the Dog Days of Summer event will be divided among all the shelters in attendance to support animal care. "Every family that adopts a new family member will receive a free gift from CTGS," Marquette added.

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church is at 42690 Cherry Hill Road, Canton. The church sits west of Lilley on the north side of Cherry Hill. The event runs from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 16. For more information call Nancy Haskins (734) 414-0452 or Kim Marquette (734) 522-1226.

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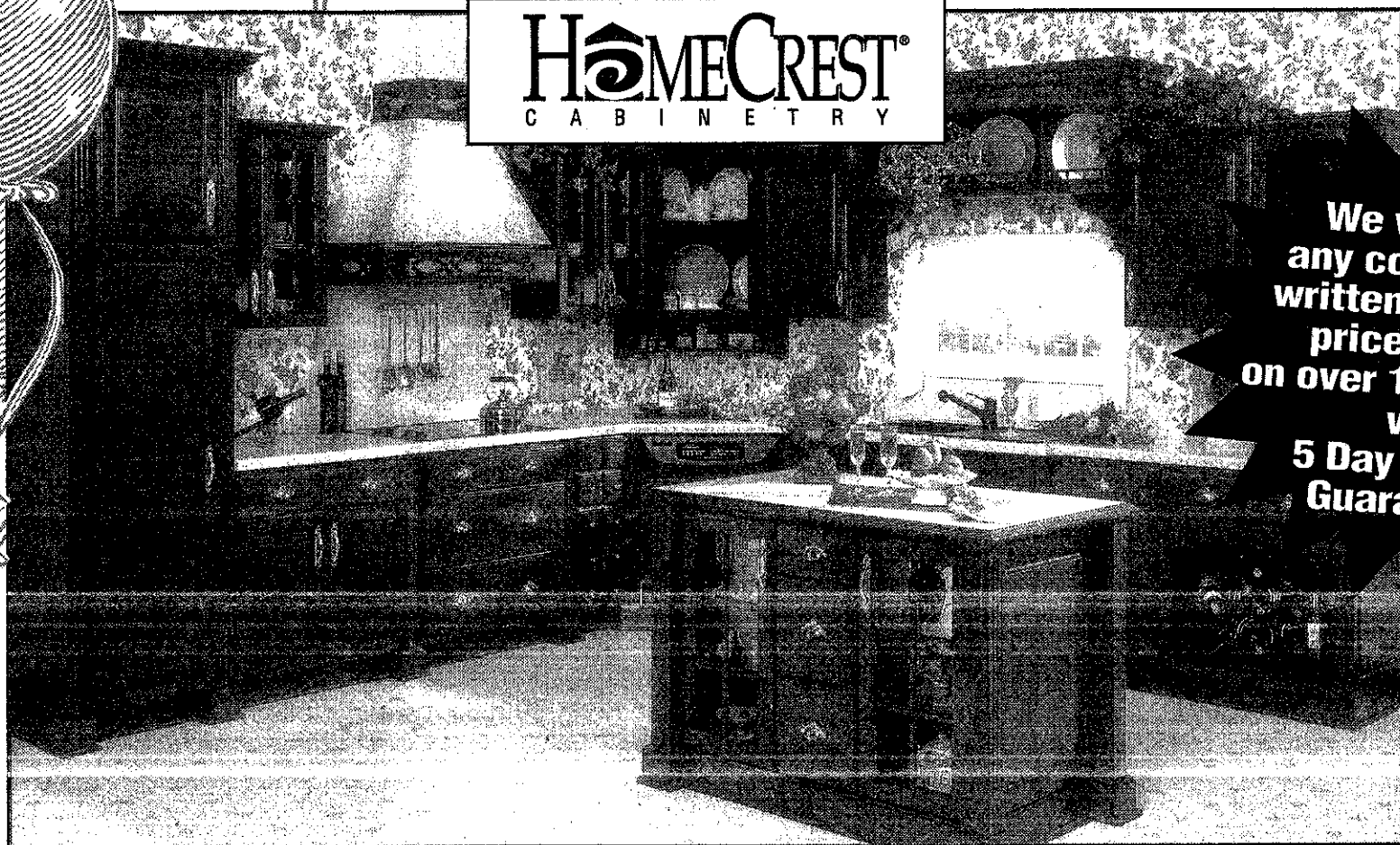
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Howe Military School

Cadet Mark Lewallen has been awarded the Horseback Riding Medal, Academic Achievement Award and Department of the Army Superior Cadet Decoration at Howe Military School for the 2002-2003 school year. Cadet Lewallen, a 10th grader, is the son of Steven and Anita Lewallen of Plymouth. He also made the Superintendent's List for the sixth six weeks grading period of the 2002-03 school year.

Kenyon College

Taryn A. Myers, daughter of Geraldine and Douglas Myers of Canton, has been named to the Merit List at Kenyon College for the second semester of the 2002-03 academic year. A

graduate of Greenhills School, Myers will be a senior majoring in psychology at Kenyon, a private liberal-arts college in central Ohio. Lawrence Tech University The following local students graduated from LTU. From Canton, Gregory Dreslinski, Tuan La, Flavious Martin, Timothy Plontek, Dennis Rogale, Brett Stacey, Stanley Braska, Robert Dickie, Michael Garrison, Keith Kamysiak, Gang Li, Adam Marano, Rocky Nichols, Vijaykumar Patel, and Edward Reader. From Plymouth, Pamela Diehl, David Gorski, Tim Haase, Joel Lautermilch, Christopher Lynn, Andre Mealy, Francis Podolka, and Jane Taylor-Liston.

Walkathon aims to raise organ donation awareness

When Carol Mancini found out she needed a lung transplant, her daughter, Shelly Morell, knew she could not just sit back and wait for a miracle. Morell began brainstorming and came up with the Second Chance at Life walkathon, an event that for the past two years has helped to raise awareness for organ and tissue donation.

On Saturday, Aug. 9, Morell will be able to watch her mother lead the pack of walkers for the first time in the three-year history of the walkathon at Hines Park in Westland. The walk will begin Mancini's celebration of the two-year anniversary of her lung transplant in August of 2001.

The Second Chance at Life walkathon involves a two mile walk beginning at 10 a.m. at Hines Park, followed by a picnic lunch provided by the Thunderbird Ski Club of

Detroit for all registered participants.

Proceeds from the event, which were over \$20,000 last year, will go to the University of Michigan Transplant Center to help organ donation initiatives. These initiatives work closely with public agencies, such as the Secretary of State's office and Gift of Life Michigan to develop, implement and test the effectiveness of outreach programs.

"We want everyone, including people who have never been personally affected by waiting lists or donation, to be able to understand the difficulty for those 81,000 plus people still on the waiting list today," says Morell. "We hope people can come to understand more about organ donation and how making the decision to donate can save the lives of people throughout the entire United States."

Registration for the walk will begin at 9 a.m. An

opening ceremony will kick off the event at 10 a.m. WNIC will broadcast live from the event from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and a clown will be entertaining the kids from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

"It's very special when you find a single charity that truly has the potential to touch each and every person in our community. 100.3 WNIC is so proud to help raise awareness for this event," says Darren Davis, program director for WNIC and regional vice president of programming for the Clear Channel Detroit Trading Zone.

Chris Klug, liver recipient and Olympic snowboarder who won a bronze medal at the Salt Lake City games, will also make a special appearance at this year's walkathon.

This event would not be possible without the support of these sponsors: WNIC, The Thunderbird Ski Club, The

University of Michigan Transplant Center, The Gift of Life of Michigan, James P. Lampertius & Associates, Tico Titanium, Avita Water, Parlan-Labadie Sheet Metal, Chatters Lounge, Independent Carpet One, Mechanical Services, Comcast Financial Agency Corporation, Carol A. McKenna Associates, Motor City H.O.G., James McTevia & Associates, Worsham, Victor & Ahmad, Martin, Arrington & Hasse, Gibson Broach & Tool, A.J. Danboise, The Alcese and Fujisawa.

Participants have a choice to walk two miles, rollerblade four miles or bike 10 miles. Registration is \$10 and includes a Second Chance at Life T-shirt and lunch. For more information or to register visit www.secondchanceatlife.org or call Shelly Morell, event coordinator at (734) 513-5187.

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Kids learn tactics in 9-1-1 camp

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Administering first aid, the inner workings of a hospital emergency room and fire safety were among the highlights for students involved in Camp 9-1-1 held in Plymouth and Plymouth Township this week.

The camp, sponsored by Huron Valley Ambulance, gave youngsters 9- to 12-years-old a chance to inspect a Medflight helicopter, tour emergency facilities at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia, see an ambulance, and become familiar with the Plymouth police bike unit and Plymouth Township police K-9 unit; as well as lessons in CPR, fire safety, bicycle regulations and safeguards on the water.

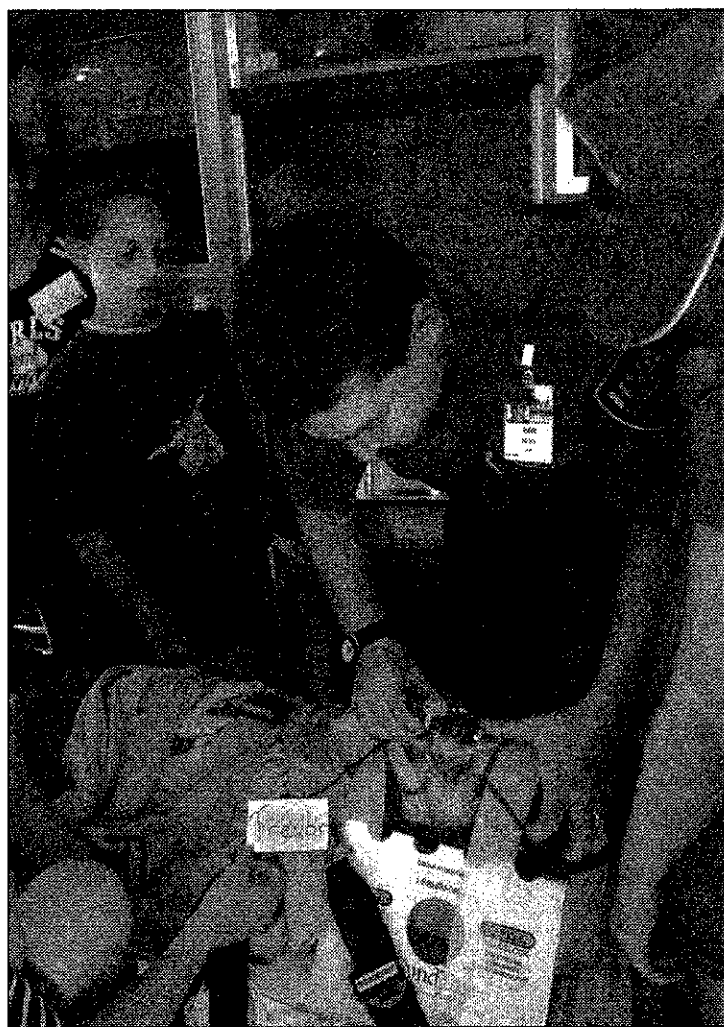
"They're exposed to all the emergency services in their community," said Dori McDowell, community relations coordinator for HVA, "and then they go home and share them with their families."

"They end up teaching CPR at home, and know how to treat burns, shock and fractures," she said. "What we teach them here is spread throughout the community."

Rachel Norman, 11, of Plymouth Township attended the two-day session with her sister Anna, 9.

"We learned a lot about CPR and how people are able to help," said Rachel. "CPR is going to save someone until you can get real help."

"Maybe you can help save a



EMT Rob Reed shows Jonathan Homrich and other campers how the oxygen mask would be placed on mock patient Shawn Quinn had this been a real situation.

life," she said. "That's really important."

"It teaches kids what to do if they are choking," said Anna, "because if we didn't learn,

more people would die in a year than you could imagine."

Brendon Quinn, an 11-year-old Canton resident, was especially interested in CPR procedures.

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Joseph Silvestri performs mouth-to-mouth on one of the adult practice dummies. Kate Jackson oversees the class.

"We learned how many breaths you're supposed to give adults, and how many for kids," he said. "In the future, something might happen and you may need to know it to save a life. Someone may be losing blood, and you might be the only one around to help them."

Jason Goulet of Westland, an Emergency Medical Technician with Huron Valley Ambulance, said the more lay people know about handling emergencies, the more lives that can be saved.

"They're the first people that can actually help the patient," said Goulet. "Survival rates are higher because of people who know CPR and are able to operate defibrillators; who can keep the heart going and oxygen flowing."

"Time is of the essence," Goulet said.

CAMPUS NEWS

Macalester College

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, the daughter of Dr. Cindy Marriott and Joseph Fitzgerald of Plymouth, was honored at the 2003 Macalester College Honors Convocation on May 16. Fitzgerald, a junior, is a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School. She received a nomination to the national

honor society, Iota Sigma Pi, for outstanding women chemists.

Northern Michigan University

The following local students have been placed on the Dean's List for the winter semester which ended May 2003. The students are Kimberly Kohn of Plymouth, Nicole Lang of Canton, and Benjamin Wielechowski of Canton.

Pensacola Christian College

Stephen Thomas Wiemero, son of Mr. and Mrs. Timo Wiemero of Canton, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering. The commencement ceremony was held at Pensacola Christian College on May 7. Steve had to average a B or higher in order to receive this honor.

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In rotator cuff tear, treatment includes physical therapy, injection into the shoulder joint, or referral to an orthopedic surgeon for arthroscopic repair of the tear.

In instances of adhesive capsulitis, therapy includes gentle and careful range of motion exercises under the guidance of a physical therapist or injection into the shoulder joint. Surgery to break the adhesions or arthroscopy to try and enlarge the shoulder joint are options reserved only for the worst cases.

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Homeland security strives for foothold

BY LAURA COLVIN
STAFF WRITER

New warnings of a possible terrorist threat against the U.S. arrived just as Wayne County Department of Homeland Security officials met with county commissioners to discuss issues for the upcoming fiscal year.

Among top priorities: Establishing a viable communication system between public safety officials, first responders and county officials in order to efficiently respond to a terrorist threat in Wayne County.

"That's the number one thing they learned in 9/11," said Lyn Bankes, county commissioner and chair of the committee on homeland security. "The firefighters from different boroughs in New York could not communicate with one another."

The Homeland Security program in Wayne County was created in January 2003 following the commission's approval of the homeland security ordinance the previous month.

"We really need to help (Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano) understand that homeland security needs greater priority," said Bankes. "If we don't make it a priority it's going to get lost in government."

The department of homeland security in Wayne County is responsible for providing 42 communities with a variety of services, including training police and fire personnel how to respond to chemical, biological or other threats, and educating the public about what to do in such a situation, as well.

"We've adopted a homeland security plan in Wayne County," said Ficano. "We're recruiting money for disper-



Ficano



Bankes

sion to the local municipalities."

But, he explained, the money isn't coming fast enough, and in some cases it's not coming at all.

"It's been (almost) two years since 9/11," he said. "Sometimes the issues recedes in people's minds."

SOME PROGRESS

Still, the department has made some progress on an annual budget of about \$1.3 million.

In addition to training personnel, the department is working on obtaining equipment for countywide use, and upgrading technology. For example, the county recently purchased equipment that allows first responders to do on-site anthrax testing. Previously, tests had to be sent to a lab, wasting valuable time.

Protecting the tunnel, bridges, waterways and ports in and around Wayne County is also a priority for homeland security. The department is hoping to enlist the citizens in security efforts. The Eyes and Ears program encourages the public to be on the lookout for unlawful activity.

"We're utilizing the yacht clubs as our eyes and ears in the water," said Tony Shannon, Wayne County homeland security director. "They're out there more than anyone, and they know when unusual things are happen-

ing. We encourage them to immediately contact the proper authorities when they see something suspicious."

Shannon was appointed by Ficano in January as the department's first director. He previously served 33 years as chief deputy in the sheriff's office.

The department also plans to work with area businesses for disaster preparedness. A conference for Wayne County business people is planned for next month.

"The main responsibility of the businesses is to keep personnel safe in an emergency situation," said Shannon. "To make a plan and train by that plan." The homeland security department will aid businesses in making those plans.

Plans to solicit products, services and monetary donations from area businesses in order to help support security efforts are also underway.

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The department is hoping one or more area businesses will step up to help with the production color-coded plastic cards meant to reflect the homeland security advisory system.

The cards will be distributed to every household in Wayne County, and will advise citizens how to prepare for an emergency and what to do at each government-enacted terrorism threat level of green, blue, yellow, orange and red.

"We are vulnerable and we have to be aware of that," said Shannon.

Homeland security meetings are held at 1 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of each month in room 402 of the Wayne County Building, and are open to the public.

Operation Trackdown nets 109 fugitives

More than 120 police officers and investigators from the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, Detroit Police Department, Michigan State Police, and a dozen suburban police departments hit the streets last week to round up felony fugitives wanted for crimes committed in suburban Wayne County.

The officers are targeting more than 300 individuals wanted for a wide variety of crimes, including:

- Second-degree murder
- Armed Robbery
- Felonious Assault
- OUIL Manslaughter
- Various property crimes

The sweep began on July 22 and concluded Thursday evening. Sheriff Warren C. Evans said that tallies from the three-day "Operation Trackdown," show that 12 teams of officers arrested 109 felons. That makes it the most successful western Wayne County fugitive sweep since his department

started coordinating them five years ago.

The reason for the multi-agency approach is simple, Evans said.

"Seventy-five percent of all felony warrants issued by suburban district courts are for people who live outside the community where they committed their crime.

Because of that, we have to take a regional approach to arresting these criminals so they can't hide behind a jurisdictional barrier," Evans said.

The collaborative approach also is consistent with Evans' philosophy of working with other agencies to improve efficiency. In January, Evans and Detroit Police Chief Jerry Oliver created the Fugitive Apprehension Service Team (FAST), which is dedicated to catching felony fugitives. Since FAST began operating in late January, officers have arrested more than 1,200 felony fugitives.

As an example of how agencies working together can make a difference, Evans pointed to the case of a Detroit woman, Aesha Humphrey, 23, who was arrested Wednesday on the city's far east side. She had been wanted on a Livonia warrant for writing bad checks.

Officers on the team that arrested Humphrey were from Northville Township, Taylor, Detroit, Wayne County Sheriff's Department and US Marshal Service.

"This is a perfect example of a case where the victim of a crime likely never would have received justice and why it makes so much sense to work collaboratively," Evans said.

"If the Livonia police had to handle this case alone, they wouldn't have had the resources to track Ms. Humphrey through her false identity and various known addresses and bring her into custody."

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Sidelines

■ A signing

The Plymouth Whalers announced they have signed Gino Pisellini, a sixth-round draft pick in 2002, to a contract for the upcoming season. A native of Chicago, Pisellini played Midget Major hockey last season for Team Illinois, collecting 27 goals and 33 assists in 61 games. He also had 131 penalty minutes.

"This was a big signing for us," said Whalers' general manager/coach Mike Vellucci. "We are very excited to have Gino become a part of the great Whalers' tradition. He is a power forward with some great skill. I think he can be an impact player for us."

The Whalers also re-obtained their own third-round draft choice in the 2004 OHL Priority Draft from the Kingston Frontenacs for 2002 second-round selection Trevor Waddell. The Whalers originally sent their third-round pick to Kingston for the Frontenacs' ninth overall choice in the OHL Import Draft last June, which they used to select Vaclav Mirda, a 6-foot-4, 195-pound left wing/center from the Czech Republic.

The Whalers open training camp Aug. 26.

Their home opener is Sept. 20 against the Oshawa Generals.

■ S'craft sign 5

Schoolcraft College women's basketball coach Karen Lafata announced the signing of five more players to NJCAA letters-of-intent for the 2003-04 season including 6-foot-1 center Sara Tyree (Westland John Glenn), 5-9 forward Ashley Gibson (transfer from Wayne State), 5-3 guard Monique Neal (Detroit Western), 5-11 forward Crystal Taylor (Detroit Mumford) and 5-0 point-guard Shareece Cosby (Pontiac Central).

Eight players have now committed to Schoolcraft.

Others signing letters earlier this spring include India Monterio, a 5-11 forward who transferred from New Mexico State; Amantha Combs, a 5-8 small forward from Belleville; and Takara Tuff, 5-6 small forward from Detroit Denby.

The Lady Ocelots were 18-12 a year ago, including a runner-up finish in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association.

■ Coaches wanted

Plymouth HS is looking for a couple of coaches for the upcoming school year.

First: The Wildcats need a hockey coach for the 2003-04 school season. The head coach is responsible for the entire organization of the sport, including supervision of all varsity assistants and junior varsity and freshmen coaches.

Also needed: a varsity baseball coach for the 2004 season, who will be responsible for the organization of the sport; varsity assistants and junior varsity and freshmen coaches.

Those interested need contact Plymouth athletic director Terry Sawchuk at (734) 582-5702, or by fax at (734) 582-5650.

Ocelots announce 2 more coups

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Schoolcraft College's 2003-04 men's basketball team got significantly stronger when coach Carlos Briggs announced the signing of two more high-profile recruits last week.

The Ocelots, 32-4 a year ago, have added 6-foot-8, 205-pound forward Anton Palmer via Chicago Julian (Ill.) High School and Butler County (Kan.) CC, along with 6-foot, 165-pound guard Ryan Baumgartner, via Miami of Ohio and Munice (Ind.) South H.S.

Palmer was a highly recruited player out of high school. During his senior year he teamed up with Duke's Sean Dockery to spark Julian to a 26-5 record. At Butler County, Palmer averaged 17 points and nine rebounds per game, but decided to transfer after one season because of personal reasons.

As a junior, Baumgartner sparked 23-

BASKETBALL

3 Muncie South to the Indiana Class 3A state championship. He appeared in five games last year as a freshman at Miami of Ohio before being declared academically ineligible.

With Pontiac Northern grads Rickey Morgan (transfer from Iowa State) and Derrick Ponder (transfer from Des Moines, Iowa, Area CC) already signed, the Ocelots appear primed to make another run for their fourth straight trip to the NJCAA Division I Nationals in Hutchinson, Kan. Add 6-7 holdover forward Marcus Johnson and 6-10 red-shirt center Lamont Arrington to the mix, and it appears Schoolcraft will be a national contender once again.

"Anton was a top 70 player out of high school, he knew Rickey Morgan and he heard about our program and

said he wanted to go to Schoolcraft," Briggs said. "He's a very good scorer. He's a guy who can shoot the 3-ball, slash and rebound the ball. He can do a lot of things offensively, but he needs to get better defensively and he needs to gain strength."

"Ryan is very smart and tough. He knows the game. He's a typical Indiana kid who can shoot the ball. He has a very good basketball I.Q."

In 2002, Baumgartner earned first-team all-state honors in Class 4A and finished with 1,330 career points. As a senior, playing for his dad Rick, he averaged 23.8 points and 6.9 assists, while shooting 87 percent from the foul line and 44 percent from 3-point range as South finished 16-5.

He played with Schoolcraft's squad last month in Tulsa, Okla., as Schoolcraft finished 5-1 in Jerry Mullens' summer JUCO tournament.

"I can play both guard spots,"

Baumgartner said. "My job is to be a leader and help out the team any way I can. I feel Schoolcraft fits my style of play, which is up-tempo."

"Being at Miami was a learning experience and I hope to learn from it."

Palmer, who averaged 24 points and 12 rebounds as a high school senior, played against Schoolcraft during a JUCO tourney held in early July. He played AAU ball for the Illinois Fire, crossing paths against both Morgan and Ponder with the Michigan Mustangs.

He was recruited out of high school by Michigan State, Illinois, Marquette, Florida, Seton Hall, Rutgers and Iowa State, but did not meet NCAA Division I academic requirements.

"I'm willing to help in any way I can and I love that fact that coach Briggs took a chance on me," Palmer said. "My goal is to keep working hard, take it one

PLEASE SEE OCELOTS, B3



BRYAN MITCHELL | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Matt McCluskey of Plymouth refused to let the loss of a leg keep him from racing his mountain bike.

This sport is drawing fans from all over

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

Best advice to anyone who might, just might, want to take up mountain biking for the fun of it:

Be careful.

Not just because you might crash and get hurt (although that's certainly been known to happen). No, the real fear is it just might snare you.

It starts innocently enough. Sure, I'll go with you for a bike ride down this idyllic park trail, you tell a friend. It proves

to be lots of fun, and healthy to boot. So you buy yourself a mountain bike, spending a few hundred bucks on it.

And you start to ride.

Before you know it, you're meeting other mountain bikers and finding out about all these other really cool trails, laid out in state parks for bikers just like you. So what's the big deal? Go take a look, you figure.

Ballgame. You're caught. The addiction has begun.

PLEASE SEE BIKING, B3

This biker overcomes perceived handicaps

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

Matt McCluskey was always an individual, especially in sports.

"I've been a biker all my life," the Plymouth resident said. "And I was a wrestler for three years. I always liked individual sports."

Bicycling in particular. "I was into BMX when I was younger," McCluskey said.

Now it's mountain biking that's captured his attention. "I bought my first mountain bike in college," he said and,

although the solitude of riding through the forests originally drew his interest, he soon became enamored with racing.

Now 29, McCluskey races in the 30-34 age group of the Michigan Mountain Biking Association's Sport Division. He'll train six to seven days a week, totalling 150 miles in that span. And he'll tell you that he "rides year round."

McCluskey might seem like so many others who fall in love with their sport, devoting all the time they can manage to it.

PLEASE SEE OVERCOME, B3

Roth enjoys his latest stay at the Buick Open

BY JIM TOTI
STAFF WRITER

It may not have been as lengthy a stay as he would have liked, but Jeff Roth's latest appearance in the Buick Open is one he will treasure with all the rest.

The Knollwood Country Club head golf professional and 1975 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School teed off for the eighth time in the annual event, and even though his play in the first two rounds wasn't quite enough to survive the last two, it did prove once again Roth does have the knowledge and game to compete with the best.

"There's nothing like it," Roth said of his latest experience which included an even-par 72 Thursday, followed by a one-over par through the first nine holes of Friday's storm-interrupted round. "People come out and watch

The Knollwood Country Club head golf professional and 1975 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School teed off for the eighth time in the annual event.

you play and you want to play well. It doesn't always happen, though."

Roth was frustrated after his opening round, admitting, "I just couldn't hit the shots." But it was more the putts than anything else; he was second in driving accuracy at 86 percent.

Still, with every competitive round

played at Warwick Hills Golf and Country Club in Grand Blanc, Roth said he learns more and more about his play when teeing it up alongside the touring pros.

"The thing I find out every time I play is how good I can play this golf course, if I just get on a roll putting-wise," Roth said following his opening round, which featured birdies on the last two holes. "My numbers every year are always pretty good."

Roth, who resides in Flushing, said he's pleased with his game and his equipment feels fine, but as always at the Buick, putting is the key to success. The need is great to take advantage of every opportunity, and those who fall short fall victim to the cut.

"I always feel I can shoot a real good number out here," Roth said. "But if you don't putt, you don't have a chance."



JERRY ZOLYNSKY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jeff Roth, head golf professional at Knollwood Country Club in West Bloomfield, was looking to drain this putt during Thursday's first round of play in the Buick Open.

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Golfer comes close on tour

A couple of strokes. That's all that separated Brandon Raymond of Farmington Hills and David Stevens of Plymouth from the top spot at Wednesday's Meijer Junior Players Tour event at Cascades Golf Course in Jackson. Raymond and Stevens each shot a 78, finishing two strokes behind Justin Stelzer of Temperance, whose 76 was first in the boys 15-and-over division.

Raymond earned the 35 fourth-place points, with Stevens getting 30 for fifth on the 6,510-yard course. Other Observer-area golfers were Colin Fitzgerald of Livonia, 84; Dustin McGowan of Garden City, 84; Ryan Hoeman of Canton, 89; Mike Cassidy of Canton, 91; Nick Taggie of Plymouth, 97; and Jim Brady of Farmington Hills, 103.

In the boys 13-14 division, Jeff Selasky of Plymouth shot an 85 on a course measuring 5,794 yards, finishing ninth

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and scoring 10 tour points. Drew Herron of Livonia shot 100.

In the boys 10-12 division, Brendan Muir of Plymouth was the best Observer-area finisher with a 102 on the 5,282-yard course.

At Thursday's Meijer Tour event at Forest Akers West in East Lansing, a couple of Observer-area golfers did well in the boys 15-and-over division but did not score points on the 6,429-yard course.

Rick Knuth of Livonia shot an 85 but finished just out of the scoring, while Mike Yates of Canton had an 86.

In the girls 15-and-over division, Lauren Mack of Livonia shot a 108 on the 5,671-yard course to finish 11th and score eight tour points.

Power-Bilt scorers

At last Wednesday's Power-

Bilt Junior Players Tour tournament at Fieldstone Golf Course in Washington Township, David Koch of Farmington Hills shot a 78 on the 6,686-yard course to earn nine tour points with his 10th-place finish in the boys 16-and-over division.

Joe Pomorski of Canton also scored points, placing 16th with a 79. Phillip Marsh of Canton finished just out of the point-scoring with an 80.

Other Observer-area golfers included Brad Schmitz of Livonia, 85; Chris Sidor of Redford, 85; Andrew Byberg of Livonia, 90; Danny Moss of Livonia, 90; Mike Fierk of Livonia, 93; Brad Fischer of Livonia, 94; and Eddie Bellamy of Farmington, 95.

In the boys 11-15 division, Matt Malloure of Farmington Hills shot an 82 on the 6,386-yard course to place ninth and score 10 tour points. Patrick Alger of Livonia was one stroke out of scoring with an 84.

Error-ridden Rams eliminated, 15-3

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

This was a Mardi Gras experience the Lake Michigan Area Rams of the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League would like to forget.

On Thursday night, the 20-and-under Rams were eliminated in the All-American Amateur Baseball Association regional tourney by New Orleans, 15-3, in seven innings (mercy rule) at Gant Stadium in Zanesville, Ohio.

The winner of the regional and host Zanesville advanced to Monday's 16-team AAABA National Tourney in Johnstown, Pa.

The Rams, who finished the year 24-14 overall and 2-2 in the double-elimination regional, committed a total of seven errors in the defeat.

In Tuesday's regional opener, the Rams made five errors in a 5-2 setback to New Orleans, which improved to 3-0 in the tourney and 36-14 overall.

Earlier in the day, the Rams defeated Lansing at Gant Stadium, 6-3.

New Orleans jumped out to an 11-3 advantage after three innings, and the Rams didn't help themselves by leaving the bases loaded three different times.

"It started with errors and it went from there," Rams manager Rick Berryman said. "It's seemed every time we faced New Orleans we made uncharacteristic mistakes."

Corey Krug, the Rams starter, gave up nine runs (six earned) on five hits in 1.1

BASEBALL

innings. Mike McCormick, a pick-up from the Michigan Panthers, fared no better in 3.1 innings, allowing four earned runs on eight hits.

Wayne State's Gary Zielke (Livonia Stevenson) worked the next 1.1 innings, allowing two hits and one earned run. Bob Lothian of the Detroit Eagles, bound for the University of Detroit Mercy, pitched a scoreless seventh for the Rams.

Chase Dardar went 3-for-4 with three RBI to pace New Orleans. Jason Schwab also contributed three hits.

Jon Wilhite, who pitched the final 5.1 innings in relief of starter Jared Piper, got the victory. Wilhite struck out six, walked two and scattered seven hits.

Albion College's Chris Trott (Salem) went 3-for-3 to pace the Rams' nine-hit attack.

Michigan State's Oliver Wolcott (Canton) went 2-for-4. Bryan Marulli, Gary Rosenberg and Brandon Volas each collected an RBI.

RAMS 6, LANSING 3: Jon Hastings went 7.1 innings, allowing just five hits and two runs to pick up the victory as the Rams ousted Lansing in a third-round game on Thursday.

Hastings struck out six and walked two before giving way to Lothian, who finished up.

Trott went 3-for-4 and scored a pair of runs, while Wolcott went 2-for-3 with a

pair of RBI and run scored. Leach also collected two hits in the victory. Central Michigan's Brian Campbell (Livonia Stevenson) also knocked in a run.

Dave Seales went 2-for-4 with two RBI to lead Lansing.

RAMS 10, PIONEERS 1:

Incoming University of Michigan sophomore hurler Jeff Niemiec (Livonia) scattered 10 hits in a complete-game victory to eliminate the host Zanesville (Ohio) Junior Pioneers at Gant Stadium.

In nine innings, the right-hander from Redford Catholic Central High allowed eight singles, a pair of doubles and one walk while fanning six.

T.W. Frame, who went 2-for-4 along with Derek Witt, knocked in Zanesville's lone run in the first inning.

The Rams then exploded for six runs in the third inning keyed by Wolcott, who had a three-run double.

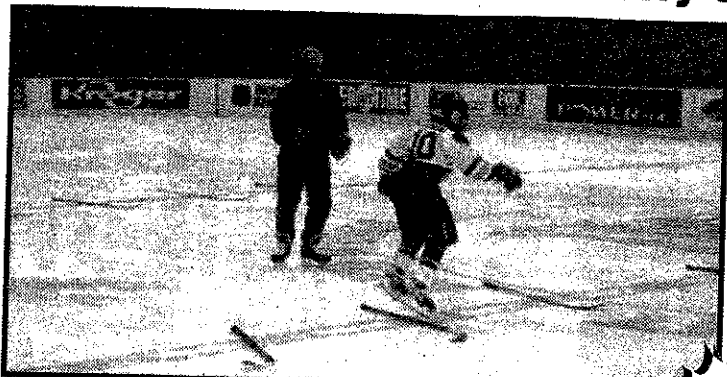
Marulli (Oakland University) went 2-for-4, including a triple and homer. He finished with three RBI.

Volas (MSU) had two hits, two RBI and scored two runs, while Mike Pisha (Albion) finished with two hits, including a double and one RBI. Campbell and Leach (OU) had the other hits for the Rams.

Losing pitcher Ray McFarren gave up five earned runs in 2.2 innings. Of the 15 batters he faced, McFarren walked five, hit one batter and gave up two hits. He struck out two. Zanesville committed a total of five errors.

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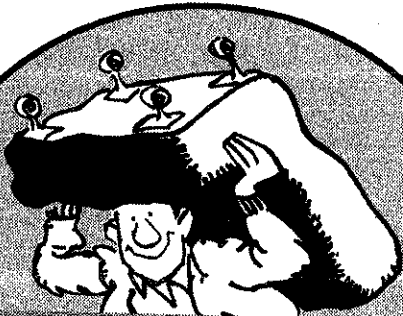
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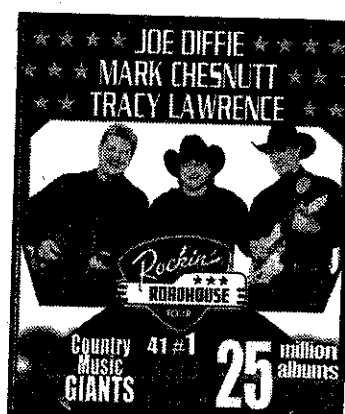
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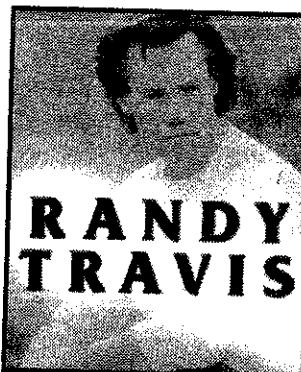


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OVERCOME

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But there is a difference.

McCluskey races with one leg.

When he was 14, he was diagnosed with cancer. The result was the amputation of his left leg at mid-calf. After a year of chemotherapy he was back in school at Sterling Heights Stevenson HS. He attended Central Michigan University, graduating in 1997. His first years of mountain biking were more for fun than competing. "I did a couple of races a year," McCluskey said. "Some friends from Howell, Phil and Cally Ott, talked me into (competing)."

It's not easy, not with a prosthetic leg. Mountain bike racing features two types: time trials and cross country. Cross country races have a mass start, everyone in an age division starting at once, while time trials have two riders going at once, racing against the clock.

For McCluskey, cross country racing has proven too perilous. "I was doing both," he said. "But I got pushed over a couple of times in mass starts, and that was in the beginner class."

"I just do time trials now."

McCluskey admitted he may go back and do both styles. To qualify for the 15-race Championship Point Series, a rider uses his seven best races. Since there are only seven time trials, McCluskey has no room for error.

He rides with what he calls a "riding-specific leg," which is a prosthetic leg equipped with a riding shoe attached to the bottom of the foot. Not that it makes it any easier for him.

"The hardest part I have is climbs," McCluskey said. "My left leg isn't as strong, I have the lung capacity, but my leg isn't as strong."

Still, he gets his mileage in. McCluskey figures he has nearly \$6,000 invested in his two mountain bikes and one road bike, which he uses for training.

"Biking's a good way to stay in shape with no impact," McCluskey said. It also proves that a determined man can, and will, overcome any obstacle.

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BIKING

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Soon you learn about races sponsored by the Michigan Mountain Bikers Association, all over the state, with levels of competition divided by age, sex and experience. The competitive juices start to flow: "I can do that!" you tell yourself.

Within a couple of years, you're spending not hundreds but thousands of dollars on bikes. And not just one bike; gotta have one to train on, too.

And so on and so on and so on. Like any sport, mountain biking can be deliciously addictive and, when it comes to expense, easily justifiable. What adds to its attraction is that mountain biking is a singular activity; you don't need four or five others to play.

And it is growing. Fast. "Every year it doubles," said Wes Watt of Redford, talking about the size of various races.

Example: The Ore to Shore, one of the more popular races on the schedule, originally drew about 300 riders. Now entering its 14th year, it currently has more than 1,000 registered.

The Ice Man, slated for Nov. 8 (and not part of the MMBA's race schedule), is the largest mountain biking race of the year; the final event of the season, it's already filled up, with more than 2,000 riders.

It's organized now. The MMBA's Championship Point Series features 15 races around the state. There are age divisions for those 55 years and older to 19 and under; there's even races for kids.

"I really had no idea what I was doing," said George Bracken, a Livonia resident and a 1991 Livonia Stevenson graduate, of his first race. "It was more of an adventure than a race. It's still that way."

Bracken ran track and cross country in high school, always preferring cross country with its scenic backdrops. Mountain biking targets similar ambitions.

"It's a lot like (cross country), only faster," Bracken said. "I like the challenge of it."

Bracken is in the Sport level of competition. Beginners is first, followed by Sport, Expert and Elite. A rider's best seven

races count toward the Point Series.

There are different kinds of races, too: time trials and cross country. A time trial is just what it sounds like — two at a time racing against the clock on a course of 11 to 14 miles, with the fastest time winning.

Cross country features all the riders in a division in a mass start, taking two-to-five laps on a course that ranges from 4.5 to eight miles in length. This is a race to the finish line, with experience often a pivotal factor.

"I'm still developing and working at it," Bracken said. "It's not a set thing."

He added, half in jest, "I'm equally bad at both (types of race)."

For Matt McCluskey of Plymouth, mountain biking is for "the joy of riding, to be out in the woods, on the trails." Moving into racing was, to McCluskey, a natural progression.

"The reason I started racing was so I could do something else in biking," he said. "It gave me something to look forward to."

Mountain biking to McCluskey is a seven-days-a-week activity.

He figures he puts in 150 miles a week, with some road riding mixed in.

When Watt started mountain biking 15 years ago he rode at Island Lake State Park, located across from Kensington Metropark. "We'd ride on hiking trails," he said.

Now there are trails designated for mountain biking, and maintained by MMBA members.

Island Lake is still one place mountain bikers can be found, but there are plenty of others, such as Brighton, Pontiac Lake, Addison Oaks and Stoney Creek. Watt serves as the MMBA's trail coordinator for the Highland Recreation Area.

"I figured out there are 10 trails within 25 miles of my house," Watt said.

The singularity of the sport remains a top attraction. "In mountain biking, you're it," Watt said. "You just can't ride together, like on the road."

"You ride at your own pace and see how it all shakes out in



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George Bracken of Livonia races through a stream at the Fort Custer Recreation Area near Battle Creek.

the end."

And riding up and down hills along oftentimes narrow trails means a certain strategy need be developed.

"You have to know what kind of rider you are and take advantage of your strengths," Watt said. "There's a lot of luck and how aggressive you are in passing. There's a lot of thinking involved. You've got to pace yourself."

Then there's the price that must be paid, financially and physically. Mountain bikes can cost as much as \$5,000;

McCluskey has one bike with a full suspension he uses for training and another he calls a "hard-trail bike" with suspension on one wheel only, which is better for racing because it's six pounds lighter. He also has a road bike.

Then there's that physical price to pay. Bracken took a "bit of a spill" in mid-June, fracturing his shoulder and several vertebrae in his back.

"I've been limited to mostly road training," he said, adding he hoped to get back to racing this weekend.

Most riders will take a bad spill once or twice a year, and their hope is that they don't break anything — either a part of themselves or their bike.

Of course, mountain bike racing isn't about just putting in a decent effort. As Watt said, "I see somebody riding in front of me and I have to go get them."

Sure, mountain biking's fun. But like in any other sport, winning makes it that much more enjoyable.

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OCELOTS

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day at a time and just get better."

Other Schoolcraft recruits in the fold include 5-11 point-guard Ray Metcalf, via Detroit Finney H.S. and Dodge City (Kan.) CC; Wes Wilkin, a 6-9 center from Waldron; Elzie Bibbs, a 6-5 forward from Lansing via Hampton (Va.) University and Jacksonville (Tex.) CC; and two all-Observer picks, first-teamer Glenn Garrant, a 6-7 forward from Livonia Clarenceville; and second-teamer Brandon Chitwood, a 6-6 forward from Livonia Stevenson.

Among the holdovers are 6-8 Redford Bishop Borgess grad Darien Bynum, who sat out last year after undergoing knee surgery; 6-2 guard Daryl Vinson (Ann Arbor Huron); and 6-7 forward Shaun Foster (Livonia Churchill).

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Senior Tournament will be going single

Decisions, decisions. In a recent meeting of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association's Senior Tournament Committee, the decision was made and approved by vote to change the Annual Senior Handicap Tournament to a singles format rather than a five-man team event, which it had been ever since its inception 38 years ago.



Ten Pin Alley
Al Harrison

The purpose of the change is to add more numbers to the turn-out of competitors. It seems that there has been difficulty among many bowlers to come up with a full team, especially one that would be able to be competitive.

By going to a singles format, it is anticipated that there will be a larger number of entries and that the prize monies will be divided into five age categories: 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-75 and 75 and over. The dates will be Feb. 7 and 14, 2004. It will be held once again at Shorecrest Lanes in St. Clair Shores, beginning at 11:30 a.m. both days.

The GDBA has made the right move, with the new format being very similar to the Old Timers Tournament which has been highly successful over many years, filling every pair of Lanes at the mammoth Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

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Al Harrison is a resident of Livonia and a director of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association. He can be reached at (248) 477-1839.

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SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR:
SP 03-07 Addition
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APPLICANT: Liberty Mill LLC

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APPLICANT: Kim Guenther

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The Michigan Indians made it all the way to the finals of the 2003 AAU Baseball Summer Grand Slam before losing Wednesday to the New York Gothams, 6-1, in the 16-and-under Division II National Championships held at Hunter Wright Stadium in Kingsport, Tenn.

Starting pitcher Matt Rodeghier (Farmington) of Redford Catholic Central High took no-hitter into the sixth inning in a 1-1 deadlock before the Gothams struck for five runs and garnered the title.

In the semifinals, the Indians collected 14 hits to defeat the host Kingsport Indians, 8-1. Commerce's Chris Rachfal (Orchard Lake St. Mary) led the way with three hits, while Novi's Eric Simcox (CC), Ypsilanti's Tom Quinn (CC) and Nick Sarkissian (South Lyon) added

BASEBALL

two each. Plymouth's Greg Marrone (CC) and Wixom's Mike McDonald (CC) had two RBI apiece.

The Indians struggled in pool play, going 1-3, but were able to advance to the championship round.

Trailing the New England Express, 8-1, in a quarterfinal matchup, the Indians scored nine times in the fifth inning and take the lead and earn a 10-9 victory.

Marrone collected two hits, including a double, to go along with two RBI. Sarkissian added two hits and scored twice, while pitcher Brian Kirkendall (Plymouth/CC) gained the victory.

The Indians, managed Nick Marrone, also took the AAU Sportsmanship Award for the tournament. He is assisted by

Dave Sarkissian and Tom Rachfal. The scorekeeper is Mike Duggan.

Other members of the Indians from CC include Livonia's Eddie Duggan and Detroit's Eric Vrtis; Plymouth's Kyle Gendron, Dearborn Divine Child; and Greg Kolasinski, Garden City High.

Concealed wins opener

Once again, Concealed Security came down to its last inning to win a baseball game. This one couldn't have happened at a better time.

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Eric Vojtkofsky (Wayne) broke open a 2-2 game in the sixth inning with a solo homer,

but San Juan bounced back in the bottom of the seventh thanks to a two-out single by Jose Castro.

In the eighth inning, Concealed loaded the bases with one out as Digger Towse and Scott Szpyrka (West Bloomfield) singled and Vojtkofsky walked. Brandon Garner singled to score Towse, then Max Bell singled to score Szpyrka.

With the bases still loaded, Ryan Shay (Garden City) attempted a squeeze bunt, but San Juan pitched out. The catcher couldn't get back to the plate in time and Vojtkofsky stole home.

Concealed got its fourth run shortly after as Garner scored on the back end of a delayed steal home.

Will Jostock got the win on the mound, giving up five hits with five walks and seven strikeouts, while Chris Rusin (Canton) struck out the side in the eighth.

Elias Baez took the loss for San Juan in relief, while starter Mario Aliciano was credited with just three runs while allowing nine hits and striking out six.

Garner was 3-for-3 with three singles, Szpyrka was 3-for-4 and scored twice, Rochow was 2-for-5, Towse singled and scored twice and Vojtkofsky scored twice.

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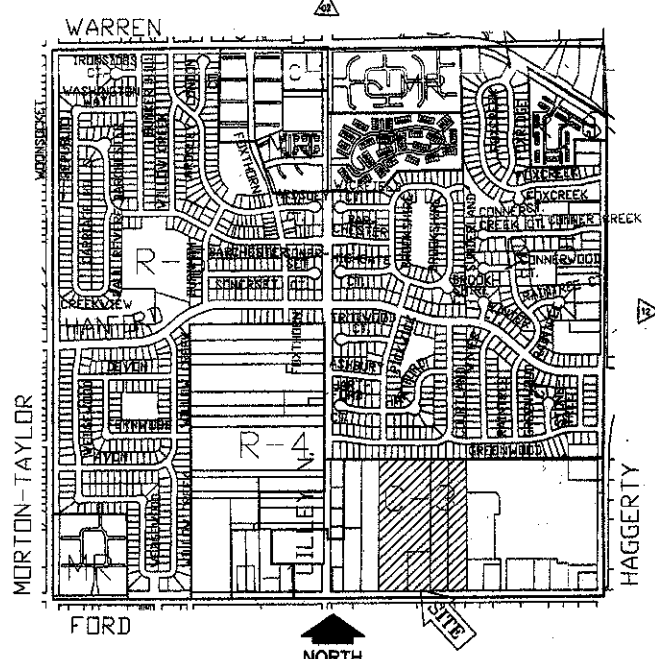
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 18, 2003, in the **Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m.** on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.

WILLOW CREEK RETAIL CENTER PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - (PRELIMINARY PLAN) - CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO(S). 044 99 0009 701, 044 99 0011 001 and 044 99 0012 001. Property is located north of Ford between Haggerty and Lilley Roads. (First Public Hearing).



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, August 14, 2003 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

CANTON BASKETBALL

Canton HS will conduct team tryouts for its varsity, junior varsity and freshmen teams on Monday, Aug. 11 at the Canton gymnasium. The varsity tryout will be at 8:45 a.m., with the junior varsity at 10 a.m. and the freshmen at 11 a.m. Those planning to try out must have their sport physical by the first practice (any physical taken on or after April 15, 2003 is good for the 2003-04 school year); they must have a practice jersey; and they must be on time and ready to go. Call head coach Bob Blohm at (734) 459-1763 (home) or at (231) 334-2233 or at (313) 520-8700 (cell); assistant Brian Samulski at (734) 727-1320 (home) or at (734) 673-2555 (cell); or Tara Schuler at (734) 564-8246 (cell).

O&E GOLF TOURNEYS

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers will sponsor two golf tournaments in August. The Men's Open is a 36-hole medal-play tournament to be held Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 9-10, at Fox Creek and Whispering Willows golf courses in Livonia. The entry fee is \$95 and does not include cart. The event is flighted and prizes will be awarded. The Women's Open will take place Sunday, Aug. 10, at Whispering Willows. The entry fee is \$50 and does not include cart. The event is flighted and prizes will be awarded. All participants must have a USGA handicap. Entries are open to the first 200 golfers; entry deadline is 6 p.m. Aug. 3. Call (248) 476-4493.

Rx briefs

Information

Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak offers a Health Information Center to help older adults and their families have easy access to information on the concerns of older adults. The resource library contains brochures and books designed to address medical and social concerns of senior citizens. Staff members and volunteers in the department of Older Adult Services are available for consultation on issues such as caring for an aging relative, making decisions about living arrangements and choosing an insurance to supplement Medicare. Consultations and brochures are free.

The center is on the first floor of the Beaumont Medical Office Building, 3535 W. 13 Mile, west of Woodward. Call (800) 328-2241 for more information.

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Lighthouse Hospice of Southfield is seeking volunteers to assist patients, families and staff.

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Mind control

Self-hypnosis encourages lifestyle changes

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Geri Green wasn't expecting magic when she underwent hypnosis to help her lose weight. The Farmington Hills children's performer was looking to change her eating habits permanently.

Green realizes change doesn't occur overnight after a lifetime of poor choices. That's why she chose to sign up for Wellness Seminars unlimited hypnosis sessions with program director Rena Greenberg. Green has returned four times to learn how to use positive affirmations to push away food at the table.

"I decided to come after a neighbor lost 100 pounds," said Green, a participant in a recent seminar at Mission Health Medical Center-Providence Hospital in Livonia. "The first time I felt enthusiastic but wasn't losing weight. The second time I sat in front where I could hear better and lost 10 pounds. Every time I come and hear it I remember a different part. It's reinforcement."

SELF HYPNOSIS IS SUBTLE

Forget the hocus-pocus portrayed in films. Participants won't hear Greenberg say, "You are getting very sleepy." Self-hypnosis is much more subtle than that. Greenberg takes participants through a series of relaxation techniques before asking them to reach for a pendulum next to them to deepen the hypnosis. But first they write down why they're overweight, why they want to lose weight, and how it's going to change their life. All it takes is motivation and the belief you can do it, Greenberg tells them. "The only one who fails is the one who stops trying."

"The whole key to this program is to do everything she tells you," said Green. "She gives you a complementary tape. It's important to listen to it every day for 30 days. It will motivate you if you want

to lose weight. So far I've lost 30 pounds. My whole style of eating changed. Her suggestions have motivated me to be in control. It gives you willpower. Listening to the tape erases temptation. I have self-control. Food and coping don't go together anymore. It's not a diet but a way of life."

Greenberg urges participants to include exercise in their daily routine. While Green hasn't been able to do this because of arthritis in her knees, Sherree Stone's now doing Pilates, weight-training and aerobics on a regular basis. Stone suffered from hyperglycemia and arthritis before attending her first weight-loss session in July 2002 at St. John Macomb Hospital in Warren. Since then the Rochester Hills resident went from a size 18 to 10. Her goal is an 8.

PROVIDED MOMENTUM

"I was determined I was going to take it off slowly," said Stone. "I don't have a game plan. What hypnosis did is give me the momentum and fire in my gut. At the table I started saying, 'Smaller portions satisfy me.' Then the middle of last fall I began working out an hour a day, six days a week. I hated working out. Now I feel horrible when I don't get my exercise."

"Sometimes I eat something I shouldn't but then go back to eating healthy. I weigh myself only once a month and go by how my clothes fit. When I first started weight-training I gained a few pounds because muscles weigh more than fat but my clothes fit better. I just love my new body. My high blood sugar returned to normal and my joints never ache anymore. I used to wear baggy clothes and now wear tight T-shirts."

Greenberg founded the Wellness Seminars 13 years ago after using hypnosis to help her stop smoking, relieve pain and lose weight. A former biofeedback therapist in New York, Greenberg travels from Florida to Michigan and Ohio giving weight-loss and stop-smoking seminars. She totally eliminated sugar from her diet 16 years ago.

"As a biofeedback therapist we used self-hypnosis to control pain and stress. Patients would watch blood pressure



PHOTOS BY JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Geri Green relaxes before drifting into deeper hypnosis at a Wellness Seminar in Livonia.

going down, skin getting warmer and realize they do have control," said Greenberg of Ann Arbor. "I learned to change my eating habits. I was addicted to sugar. There's diabetes in my family and I was heading down the road to disaster. The mind is so powerful. I started working with groups because you can help so many more people. I liken the sessions to taking a music lesson. If you don't practice every day, you don't get any better."

MAKE BETTER CHOICES

"Under hypnosis I tell them to eat healthier foods, make better choices, exercise. Water aerobics is a good place to start. The greatest obstacles are unproductive habits like overeating and emotional eating. We're encouraged as a child to finish eating everything on your plate. Emotional eating happens when you're bored, stressed, excited. I like to say, 'A slender person lives to eat, an overweight person eats to live.'"

Greenberg begins the hypnosis session by putting participants into a relaxed state where they're more susceptible to suggestion. She tells them, 'Hypnosis is a consent state.' It's only natural to have fears that someone else will control their mind. She compares hypnosis to massage - no one can force you to relax those muscles.

Greenberg continues giving participants ideas for positive reinforcement. Find a picture of a slim you to use while

repeating reaffirmations. Write down your goals. Be realistic.

Bev Shaffer was and lost 70 pounds since first coming to Wellness Seminars in 2002. She also works out at Club Elite in Northville. This is her sixth time. She had a set back and gained 20 pounds because she stopped working out.

"The tape is great," said Shaffer of Northville. "Her voice is so melodic. She gives you control."

Gary Davis, Jr. is hoping to gain enough self-restraint to lose 120 of his 340 pounds. This was his first time attending one of the Wellness Seminars after reading an advertisement in the *Westland Observer*.

"I tried regular dieting but bingeing caused me to go up and down," said the 34-year-old Davis. "I've had a weight problem all of my life but since my divorce really packed it on. My dad went to a similar program based on hypnosis and quit smoking after 30 years."

"Everybody needs that little nudge. I'm very strong willed so I don't know if it will take."

Afterward, Davis said he thought the hypnosis worked and at the very least, "It was an interesting experience."

The first Wellness Seminar costs \$59. Return sessions are free. Check the Web site at www.wellnessseminars.org for schedule of upcoming sessions on weight loss and quitting smoking, or call (800) 848-2822.

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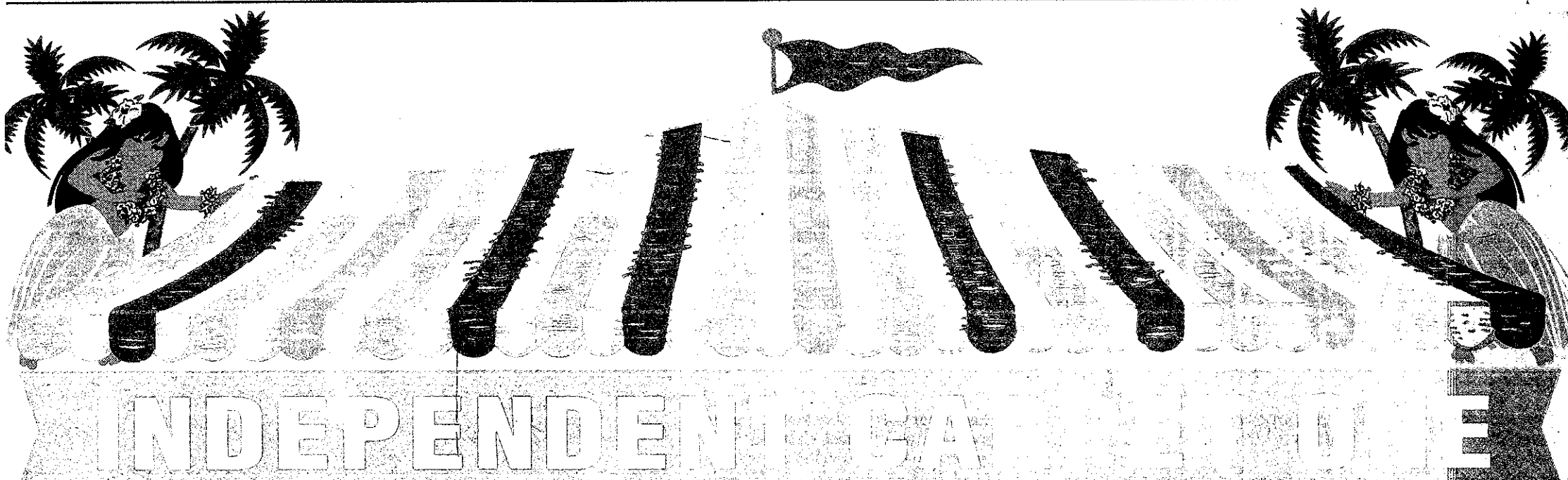
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Mentoring can be rewarding experience

Observer staff writer Doug Funke died July 20. He prepared this column weeks ago to run with our package of stories on youth mentoring. Funke was a mentor for programs in Redford and Westland. Earlier this year, he was recognized as Westland's Mentor of the Year. Funke was committed to the mentoring idea and this is a fine expression of his concern and of the person he was.

I am one fortunate guy. I grew up the eldest of eight siblings — six sisters and a brother. We learned to share and we still get along. My parents were together for nearly 50 years until dad died unexpectedly the summer before last.

I've had many positive role models, received tons of encouragement, caught many breaks. I've traveled, met some great people. I've developed friendships, married well, helped raise children.

That's why I'm a volunteer mentor. I subscribe to the biblical injunction, "To whom much has been given, much will be required."

Some kids today — for one reason or another — lack a key component in their lives.

It may be stability, a sense of direction. They may need someone to affirm their place in the world or expand their horizons. They may need some help with study techniques or with the concept of cause and effect. Sometimes, they want only a listening ear.

It's not that these kids' parents are bad, either.

Perhaps mom or dad want some reinforcement in that role. Maybe they're tired from the day-to-day struggle to earn a living. Perhaps they're too close to a challenging situation to see the forest for the trees. Maybe they don't know how to express their caring love. Sometimes, one or the other just isn't there.

Mentors aren't social workers for family problems. Call us kid advocates against confusion, ignorance and apathy in a one-to-one relationship.

Mentors receive training. The keystone is reflective listening techniques to help young people reach goals set together by parents, youth assistance staffers, the kids themselves and mentors.

We meet with our kids weekly for at least an hour. My shortest stint with a mentee was about three months, the longest a year and a half. Typically, it's about nine months.

My weekly greeting to my kids usually goes something like, "What good, new or exciting has happened in your life since we last met?" Then we go from there.

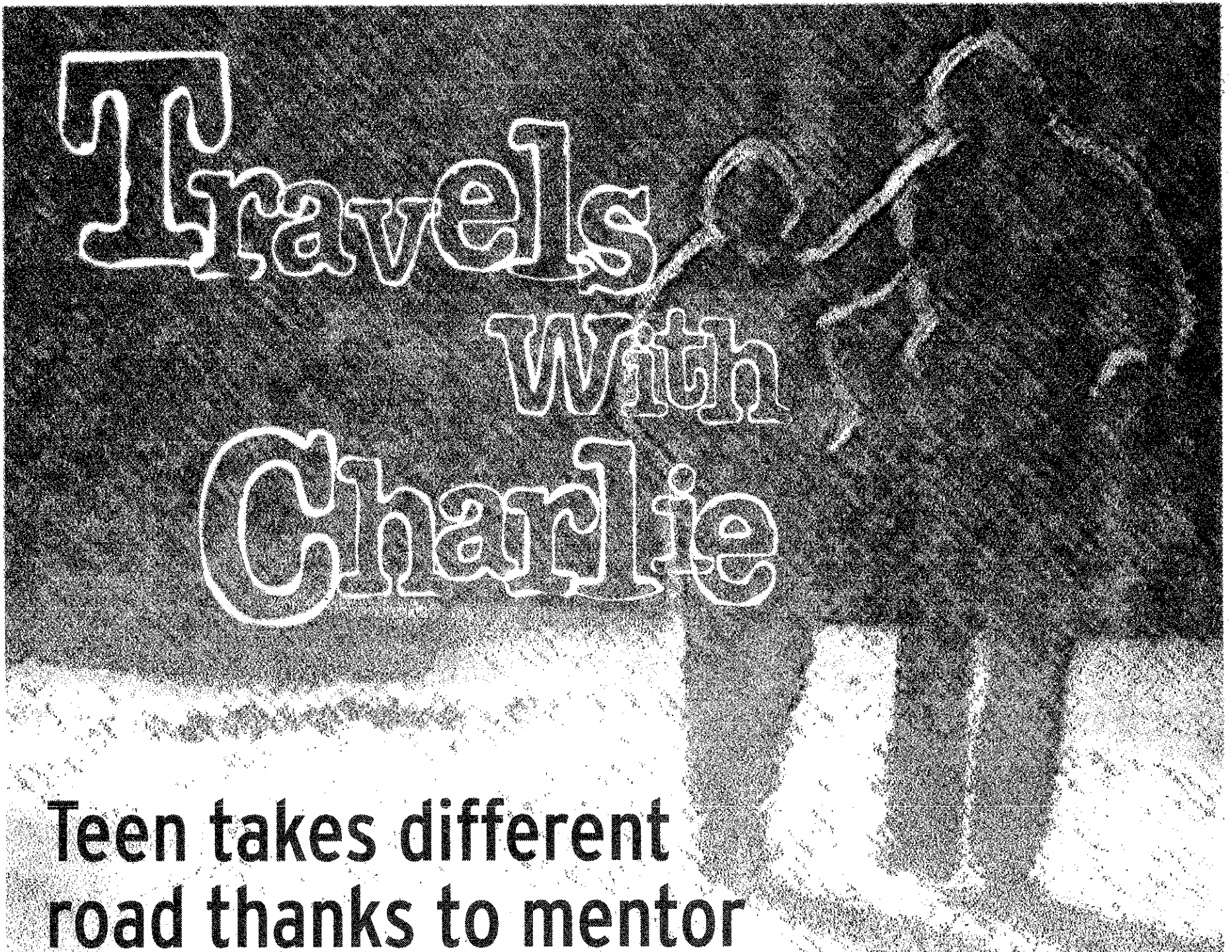
My kids and I have explored the natural areas at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, cooked breakfast at Kensington Metropark and visited the Detroit Institute of Arts. We've played ping-pong in their basement, tossed a baseball back and forth in Hines Park.

I've never been threatened, never endangered. I learn from the kids as much as they learn from me. I enjoy it immensely.

It isn't always easy or smooth sailing, though. There are peaks and valleys. Sometimes, it's two steps forward, one step back.

There's no better feeling in the world — none — than knowing you make a difference. And you do when you mentor, today and tomorrow.

PLEASE SEE EXPERIENCE, C2



Teen takes different road thanks to mentor

BY KIMBERLY MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

When Leland Sajdak was in the seventh grade, he made some bad decisions that, to this day, he's still trying to distance himself from. At the age of 17, he's focused on what lies ahead rather than looking back at his mistakes.

The Livonia teenager credits Charlie Martin, a mentor he was matched with through the Livonia Youth Assistance Program, with helping him decide that where he was headed in his early teen years would only lead to trouble.

Martin not only served as a sounding board for Sajdak, but the two became friends.

"At first my parents made me do community service and get involved with the youth group," Sajdak said. "I didn't want to, but when I met Charlie we really hit it off."

Martin, 51, perhaps best met the needs of Sajdak because of his own troubled past. "The journey through my adolescent years was a turbulent one," Martin said. "I learned a lot along the path that I thought I could share with kids."

The Northville resident said in 1991 he had the notion he "wanted to be a big brother to someone," so he answered a notice in the newspaper for volunteers needed at the Northville Youth Assistance Program.

At the time, program coordinators told Martin they didn't think he was ready to mentor. "In retrospect they were probably right. I don't think I was emotionally or mentally ready either," Martin said.

Their reaction didn't serve as a deterrent to Martin, who later received a psychology degree from the University of Michigan-Dearborn. Seven years after his initial attempt to mentor, he approached the Livonia Youth Assistance program with the same desire to help — and a better understanding of himself.

"I had a lot of demons in my own brain," said Martin, whose inner struggle stemmed not only from a tumultuous adolescence but an accident in his mid-20s that left him paraplegic.

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Redford Youth Department — (313) 387-2787
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LIFE ALTERING

A successful drummer in Bob Seger's Silver Bullet Band, Martin says he ran out of gas after a rehearsal in 1977 and was struck by a car while crossing the service drive of a local expressway.

"The girl was 19 and wasn't driving with her headlights on," said Martin, who added the young woman was under the influence at the time of the accident.

Today, Martin says he leads a very independent life in spite of the disability that he says serves as an asset in his work with the youth assistance program. "It's not an issue. In a group setting they learn how I became disabled and what it's like for someone to deal with a bona fide challenge and how you can overcome things in life."

Sajdak says it was Martin's own personal history that helped him see things in his own life differently. "I've really been through quite a lot of difference experiences," said the Livonia 17-year-old. "I think Charlie has been through half the crap I have and that made it easier for him to talk to me at my own level. We talked and we got along. I couldn't talk to my parents. That was impossible. They were nowhere near as effective."

Ronaele Bowman, director of the Westland Youth

PLEASE SEE TEEN, C2

Mentors provide missing link for parents, teens

BY KIMBERLY MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

Vicki Sajdak says the mentor that befriended her child when he was 15 made progress with her son, where she as a parent was struggling.

"Charlie taught him how to channel his energies in a more positive direction," Sajdak said. "He didn't want to listen to his parents, but he connected with Charlie. He's been great for him."

Leland Sajdak met once a week for a year with Charlie Martin of Northville through the Livonia Youth Assistance Program. The two would drive around randomly or get a burger on occasion.

While their activity changed from week to week, the constant was an open line of communication. "It was easy for me to talk with Charlie," Leland Sajdak said. "I couldn't talk to my parents."

Three years later, Leland's mother says her son is working full time and just graduated from high school. She's not sure where he'd be today if it weren't for the friendship he made with Martin and the support they received from the Livonia Youth Assistance Program.

"That time he spent with Charlie, even if it was an hour or so a week, made a big difference," Vicki Sajdak said.

HELPING HAND

Denise Munguia says she's already seen changes in her 12-year-old daughter, who has been meeting with a mentor for about six weeks.

"I think Robin is a great gal," said Munguia, a single parent to four daughters.

Robin Murphy, a studio systems coordinator in the interior automotive industry, is new to mentoring but not the idea of giving back.

"I am a firm believer in paying it forward," said Murphy, a resident of Westland. "I was helped out along the way growing up, so this is something I wanted to do for a long time."

Murphy first completed a mentor training course under the leadership of Paul Motz, assistant director of the Westland Youth Assistance Program. She was paired with Allison Munguia in late May after first meeting with the 12-year-old and her mother at their Westland home.

"It was nice to meet her mom first, so she knew who I was and where I was coming from," Murphy said. "Allison seemed like a great kid and I was really looking forward to getting to know her better after our initial introduction."



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Allison Munguia, a 12-year-old Franklin Middle School student, embraces her new friend and mentor, Robin Murphy.

Allison says she was a little apprehensive about going out one-on-one with Murphy, but the two have clicked since then and she really looks forward to Wednesdays when they go out.

"We've been to the library, ate out, got ice cream and last week we played putt putt and rode go-carts," Allison said.

"She's nice and easy to talk to. She's helping me with my goals and I'm staying out of trouble."

That's a relief to Denise Munguia, who sought help from the Westland Youth Assistance Program after her 12-year-old starting smoking and drinking and associating with a 20-year-old man.

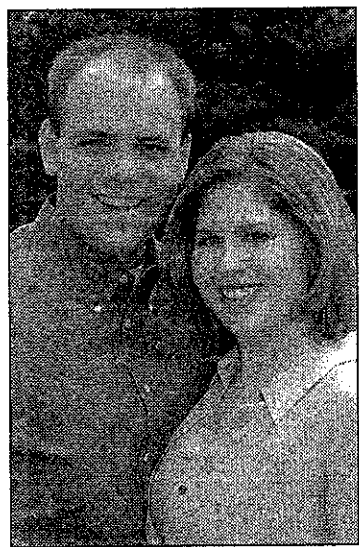
"It was my decision for Allison to become involved with youth assistance," Munguia said. "I went to the police station to file charges against this guy and I saw the sign down the hall for the Westland Youth Assistance Program. I figured it couldn't hurt."

Munguia and Allison both are benefiting from group counseling sessions youth assistance offers in addition to mentoring. The Westland mom says she's taken several parenting courses in the last few months.

"I like the youth assistance program because it gives parents an out other than putting kids in jail or a youth home," said Munguia, who wasn't apprehensive about sharing her daughter's troubles with the public. "I'm fine with it. Maybe it will make other kids think before they do something."

PLEASE SEE MENTOR, C2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Landis-Piwowar**

John and Sheila Landis of Canadian Lakes, Michigan announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Kristin to Todd Gerald Piwowar, son of Gerald and Priscilla Piwowar of Plymouth.

Kristin graduated from Big Rapids High School in 1996, earned her bachelor of science degree in medical technology from Ferris State University. She will graduate in August from Michigan State University with her master of science degree in clinical laboratory. In September, Kristin will attend Wayne State University to begin the doctoral program in cancer biology.

Todd, a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, earned his bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Western Michigan University. Todd is currently employed with DaimlerChrysler in Detroit.

An outdoor wedding is planned for September at the Northville Hills Country Club in Northville.

**Roths are golden**

High-school sweethearts Robert and Dolores Roth celebrate their 50-year wedding anniversary Aug. 15 with a stay at the La Costa Resort and Spa in Carlsbad, Calif.

Joining them are son, Jeffrey (Maureen) and their children, Jeff, Justin, Michelle and Megan of Flushing; and son, Stuart (Lori) Filippo from Chicago.

Dolores and Robert took their vows at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Gary, Ind. Robert attended Northwestern University for two years and graduated from Arizona State University with a degree in business administration. He lettered in basketball and baseball on both university teams. Robert retired from Aetna Life Insurance Company in 1988, and the couple have resided in the Conejo Valley for the past 20 years. Robert is an avid golfer, being a club champion several times, and a member of Saticoy C.C., Somis, Calif. since 1984.

Dolores, a domestic engineer, enjoys traveling and has been active singing with the Village Voices Chorale for 20 years and with the St. Maximilian Kolbe Church Adult Choir.

They continue to be "best friends."

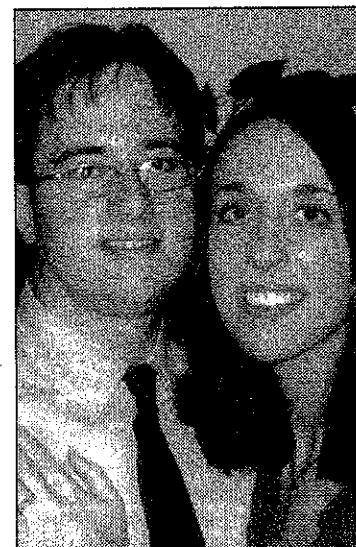
**Caruso-Roberts**

Patricia Caruso of Canton and Carmen Caruso of Ann Arbor are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Marie Caruso, to Brandon Lee Roberts, son of Gary and Debbie Roberts of Adrian.

Nicole is a 1995 graduate of Salem High School and attended Eastern Michigan University. She is currently employed as an accountant for PricewaterhouseCoopers in Detroit.

Brandon attended Eastern Michigan University and is currently employed by the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

The couple will be married Sept. 19, 2003 at Tri-City Christian Center in Canton.

**Barnes-Barton**

Charles and Rita Barnes of Plymouth are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn Barnes, to Jason Thomas Barton, son of Dennis and Carrie Welsh of Coldwater and Jeffery and Marjorie Barton of Coldwater.

Jennifer is a 1996 graduate of Ladywood High School, and a 2001 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn with a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering. She is currently employed at Lear Corporation in Dearborn as a product engineer.

Jason is a 1997 graduate of Coldwater High School, and 2002 graduate of Western Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering. He is currently employed at Detroit Diesel Corporation as a product engineer.

An Aug. 30, 2003, wedding is planned at the Chapel at St. John's Center.

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TEEN

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Assistance Program, said mentors are most effective because they offer an unbiased third party approach.

"Parents are often too close to the situation and dealing with a problem becomes very emotional," Bowman said. Mentors and group counselors help to facilitate both free-flowing and structured conversations that might have been strained or nonexistent in the past.

Martin believes he has had both successful and unsuccessful experiences as a mentor. "I have finished being a mentor to some kids and thought it failed, yet the kid turned around and reached out to me later to thank me," he said. "That's great knowing I had an impact on someone."

Sajdak, who graduated from Stevenson High School in Livonia last month, has a full-time job at National Auto Parts and is looking forward to attending the University of Northwestern Ohio as a student in its automotive program. He hopes to concentrate on diesel high performance and alternative fuel at the Ohio college.

"I think Charlie showed me the direction he went in and the direction I might be headed and that's not where I wanted to go. He was a lot of help. I've been so busy I haven't been able to call him now as often as

I would like," said Sajdak, who wished he and Charlie had been able to spend even more time together. "It wasn't long enough."

HELPING HAND

The average time a young person is matched up with a mentor is nine months. According to Livonia Youth Assistance Director Susan Jimenez, the mentor and mentee meet once a week for approximately one hour in addition to group counseling the student must attend. Youth assistance programs in Wayne County also offer simultaneous counseling for the parent(s) in the young person's life.

The age of the student varies, though. Westland accepts boys and girls ages 9-16 and Livonia 11-16. Garden City offers youth assistance to kids age 7-16. Mentors are interviewed for eligibility, then receive an extensive background check (criminal history) and must undergo a minimum of five weeks of training before they are paired with a young person.

"Mentors are adults, other than teachers, who offer non-judgmental uninterrupted time for the young person to help them set goals and to talk about their feelings or whatever is going on in their life," said Monica Fulton, Garden City Youth Assistance director.

Bowman said components of the Westland Youth Assistance

program include a jail tour, community service, adventure challenges and regular random drug screenings. Last year, it served approximately 250 children through referrals from parents, teachers, police, other agencies and primarily the court system.

"A lot of times these young people are looking to talk to someone that's not going to preach, but offer a neutral opinion or perspective outside of their family," Jimenez said.

"I've found mixed experiences with our mentors," Fulton added. "Some came from a good family and have a strong desire to help, then there are others who had a rougher time growing up and they feel like they have the experience to help someone avoid the pitfalls they encountered."

Martin said he benefits from the mentoring experience, as well.

"Not having had the opportunity to have a child of my own, whether it's been one-on-one or in a group setting, I get the experience of parenting," he said. "When I'm with the kids I'm reminded of the struggle and conflict and loneliness I felt. I know what they're going through."

"I figure if I can help them sidestep some of that pain, insecurity and self-doubt, then maybe going through all these various experiences in my own life was so I would be able to provide a helping hand."

MENTOR

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SHORT, LONG-TERM GOALS

Allison's mentor says she's focused on communicating with the pre-teen and reinforcing her self-esteem. "I'm someone she can trust and she knows she can be honest with

me," Murphy said. "Not only are we working on a few of her goals, but we've also been talking about decision-making and accepting the consequences for her actions."

Murphy says she wishes more people would take the approach that it's important to give back when and where you can. "There would be no hungry people," Murphy said. "It's

not as hard or as scary as you may think, but it does require a commitment ... don't be afraid."

Allison hopes to stay on track thanks to the guidance she's receiving from Murphy. She says she's even thinking about being a mentor herself one day. "I want to stay in school and go to college," she said. "I want to be a doctor."

EXPERIENCE

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Art Exhibit

Modern Mandalas, a fine art exhibit by Shadia Sassak, runs through Aug. 29 at the Plymouth Coffee Bean. Call (734) 641-3996 for further information.

Doll Fashion Show

Barbie and Friends Doll Fashion Show will be held 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 3, at the Wayne Tree Manor, 35100 Van Born in Wayne. Admission is \$5, kids under 10 are admitted free. Call (734) 455-2110 for information.

Crafters Needed

Crafters are needed for the 17th annual juried show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18 at West Middle School, 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call Jan at (734) 844-1707 or e-mail to theways@comcast.net.

Discipline Seminar

St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton will be offering a one-night seminar for parents entitled "Smart Discipline" led by Larry J. Koenig, Ph.D. Being held 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11, in the

sanctuary and will run approximately two hours. Call (734) 459-3333 for information.

Farm Tours

Cobblestone Farm Museum is open for tours Memorial Day weekend through the end of September, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday and 1-4 p.m. Sunday. Group tours by appointment year round. Call (734) 994-2928 for further information.

Restaurant Crawl

The Fourth Annual Taste of Plymouth's Old Village Restaurant Crawl will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13. Again this year, horse and carriage rides will be free for ticket holders. Call the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce office at (734) 453-1540 for information.

Junior Golf Tournament

Strategic Fox Junior Tournaments are being held Aug. 21. Cost is \$25, which includes 18 holes of golf, hot dog, pop, chips and prizes. Please call for tee times and reservations to (734) 453-7272.

Drop-In Tennis

The City of Plymouth will be holding adult drop-in tennis at Central Middle

School tennis courts this summer. Season runs through Aug. 30 and is free. For more information, contact Chris at (734) 453-0917.

Couples Night Out

Fox Hills is holding "Couples Night Out" at the Fox Classic on Aug. 17. Cost is \$69, which includes nine holes of golf for two with cart and dinner after golf. Tee times begin at 4:30 p.m. Call for reservations to (734) 453-7272.

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Foley-Allen

Jim and Cindy Foley of Alexandria, Va., (formerly of Plymouth) are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Katharine Ann Foley, to Joseph Kendall Allen, son of John and Jill Allen of Flint.

Katharine is a 1998 graduate of Salem High School and a 2002 graduate of Michigan State University with her degree in psychology. She will be looking for employment once they have moved to South Carolina.

Joseph is a 1998 graduate of Powers Catholic High School in Flint and a 2003 graduate of Michigan State University with his degree in English. He will be employed as a Young Life intern in Greenville, S.C.

An Aug. 9, 2003 wedding is planned for Liberty Christian Church in Lansing.

**Allison Bovitz**

Rob and Katie Bovitz of Canton are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Allison Nicole Bovitz, born April 28, 2003 at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital.

Allison made her appearance at 5:36 p.m., weighing 6 pounds, 4 ounces and measuring 20 inches.

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I was disappointed, at first. Awww, another 5-speed manual to deal with. And we're supposed to get some nasty weather, too. Would've been much more comfy with an automatic. Oh, well, you take 'em as you get 'em.

But slipping behind the wheel of the Audi A4 Avant outfitted with a 1.8-liter turbo-charged dual overhead cam five-valve is an experience you won't forget in a few days.

This turbo charged four cylinder pumps out 170 horsepower. Might as well be 670 horsepower the way this thing moves when you tap the accelerator.

Spirited, responsive, commanding and king of the road is what this is. The A4 is also available in the 3.0-liter model that I haven't driven and wonder whether I want the wonderful chance to get a ticket every time I'm in the driver's seat. The temptation to speed is fierce with all that power under the hood.

It actually felt like it was ready to jump out of its skin because I wasn't pushing it hard enough.

The Audi A4 package seems small enough on the outside, but looks can be deceiving. It looks like such a small car, but on the inside, where it matters most, there's plenty of room for everything you need to put there.

The back seat is comfortable enough for at least two adults - no, just two adults - even on a long trip. Although cloth seats are standard equipment, give yourself a treat and opt for the leather seats. You can even get them heated up front. Also optional are 12-way power adjustable seats with power lumbar for both front and driver.

I can't stress the comfort of the seating surfaces and the seating itself. I never was fatigued or tired during short or long trips. The heated seats made cold



The Audi A4 Avant has power to spare under the hood.

winter mornings, afternoons and evenings nothing more than a nuisance.

There were six settings of exactly how hot you wanted those seats, too. Totally unnecessary. Zip it all the way to "six" and I was fine the entire trip. Sure was ccccccccoldd this week. And, the interior of the A4 heated up so quickly, you were turning it down before you even realized you had been in the car more than four minutes.

The interior layout of instrumentation and controls is quite logical, with everything within the driver's reach without a stretch. Stereo and CD controls were easy to negotiate, even in heavy traffic that demanded your eyes on the road at all times.

The exterior of the A4 is extremely eye-catching, with heads turning at most corners - and it wasn't even red. It's got an aggressive stance, without looking like it would scare the competition away. The rear treatment is powerful. I would like a better system to open the rear hatch, however. It took repeated presses of the key fob to make it work properly. Even my girls were annoyed when trying to get their skating gear

out of the rear. Nothing makes them more nervous when they know their coach is standing out on the ice waiting for them and they're out there fooling around with key fob buttons on rear latches.

I mentioned the optional 3.0-liter engine available on the A4. I've got to mention that it produces 220 horses and still meets the requirements of the Ultra Low Emissions Vehicle (ULEV) standard. The zero-to-60 mph rating is 7.1 seconds.

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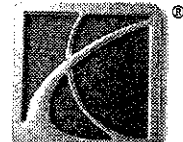
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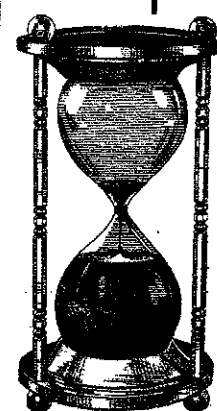
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Hepburn leaves land for public use

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Four acres of beachfront property near Katharine Hepburn's home will become protected land for public use, according to the late actress' will.

Hepburn, who died at 96 last month at her waterfront home in the Fenwick section of Old Saybrook, left 4.17 acres of land to the east of her driveway for "exclusively public purposes."

Hepburn's will was filed Friday with the town's probate court.

The document, written in 1992, asks that no memorial service or funeral be held for her. Instead, the intensely private actress asked that she be cremated and her ashes interred in the family plot in Hartford.

Hepburn's Oscars and other awards, scripts, photographs, letters and costumes will go to a charitable organization of the executors' choice. The executors will also decide which of her letters, manuscripts and other papers should be published.

Most of the actress' estate will go to her family. She left her Connecticut home and

'Family was important to her.'

Eleanor Noble
cousin of Katharine Hepburn

New York town house to her brother, Robert Hepburn; her sister, Margaret Perry; and to the families of her late brother, Richard, and late sister, Marion.

The will doesn't say how much Hepburn's estate is worth.

The Fenwick house, which has 13 acres on the Long Island Sound, should be put on the market soon, said Erik Hanson, the co-executor of the estate.

Hanson was Hepburn's accountant, financial consultant and friend.

Four years ago, the home's value was set at \$2 million, but real estate agents estimate it would sell for much more now.

The land left for public use is bordered by a crescent-shaped beach that's rocky toward the water and sandy farther in. The rest of the land is filled with shrubs,

cattails, beach roses and grasses.

The will stipulates the land should go to a federal state or local body or conservation organization for "the benefit of the general public," but Hanson said Hepburn intended for the land to be protected and preserved but not used by the public.

The Lynde Point Land Trust, which works to keep open space in Fenwick in its natural state, hopes to be the recipient of the property.

Hepburn also left \$10,000 to a tiny church in eastern Maryland where her grandfather, Sewell Hepburn, was a minister.

Christ Church, I.U., has only 30 parishioners. The 1860s Greek Revival church is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Eleanor Noble, a cousin of Hepburn's, told *The Hartford Courant* it wasn't unexpected for the actress to leave money to the church, even though she hadn't visited in more than 20 years.

"I would have been surprised if she didn't," Noble said. "Family was important to her."

Bond issue to provide more affordable housing

The Michigan State Housing Development Authority announced Thursday that it has sold nearly \$162 million in bonds to help provide more affordable rental housing for Michigan families and elderly people.

MSHDA sold \$161,825,000 in bonds to private investors. The sale includes \$36 million that will be used for the

Section 236 Preservation Program, which provides for prepayment of an existing mortgage and issuance of a new mortgage to maintain the development as moderate income housing.

"This bond issue will allow us to continue to finance affordable rental housing well below the going market rate,"

MSHDA executive director James L. Logue III said.

MSHDA's loans and operating expenses are financed through the sale of tax-exempt and taxable bonds and notes to private investors, not from state tax revenues. Proceeds of the bonds and notes are loaned at below-market interest rates to developers of rental housing, and also fund home mort-

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3rd Floor
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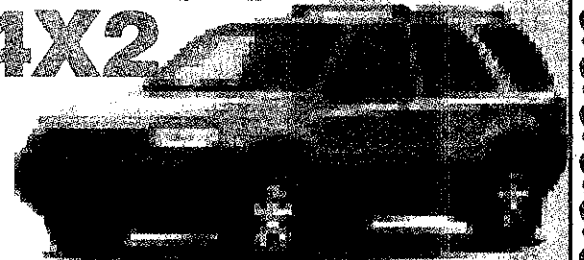
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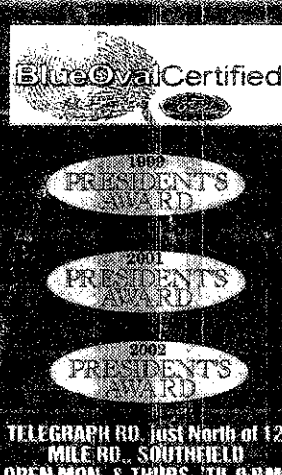
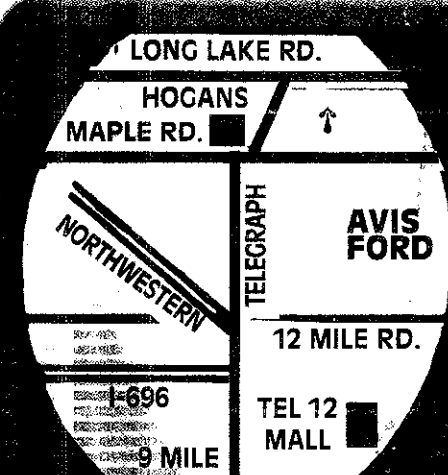
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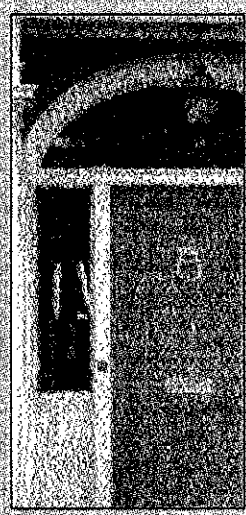
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Bromley Park Condominiums in Superior Township offer ranch-style living with first-floor laundry, open area rooms and no steps.

Bromley offers ranch-style living in country setting

A functional ranch floor plan, competitive prices and a country location highlight Bromley Park Condominiums in Superior Township.

A total of 228 units clustered two-to-five per building will arise off Geddes west of Ridge close to the Canton municipal limit.

"Ranch-style living, first-floor laundry, open area rooms and affordability are the big draws," said Tim Anoil, construction manager for Bromley Park Associates.

"We're at a price for a ranch well below everyone else," said Beverly Moretsky, sales manager. "We build tremendous value. This is a real true authentic ranch with no steps."

Two plans are available, each with two bedrooms and two bathrooms.

The Laguna ranch, 1,205 square feet, carries a base price of \$167,900. The Barclay ranch, 13,60 square feet, goes for \$177,900 base.

Both include as standard features two-car garage; air conditioning; unfinished basement; range, refrigerator and dishwasher in the kitchen; ceiling light/fan in the great room and master suite; ceramic tile in the foyer and baths, vinyl flooring in the kitchen and laundry, car-

peting throughout.

Landscaping is included. Vinyl siding and brick are primary exterior materials.

"The first thing people are impressed with is high ceilings, spaciousness, open floor plan," Moretsky said of walk-throughs. "It's wonderful for entertaining. Also, most find the exterior attractive when they pull up."

"Buyers come in and say they can't find a ranch for under \$200,000," she said. "It's all ranch plans here - that's the beauty of it."

Then there's the location - kind of off the beaten track but readily accessible to paved surface roads for local commuting and freeway access for longer trips.

"It still has a bit of a rural feeling minutes from Canton shopping, restaurants, 20 minutes from everything in Ann Arbor, very close to St. Joe and U-M Hospital," Moretsky said.

Both models feature volume ceilings throughout, kitchen sinks oriented toward the dining area/great room, breakfast bar counter extension, tub and cabinet in the laundry room and shower in the master.

"We will allow people to upgrade considerably," Moretsky added.

Those choices include gas-vented fire-

place package (\$2,950), 12-by-10 wood deck (\$2,700) or paver patio (\$2,100), skylights (\$800 apiece), hardwood flooring in the foyer and kitchen (\$1,800) and deluxe ceiling trim package (\$2,800).

End units carry a \$3,000 premium.

Many visitors checking out Bromley Park Condominiums are older folks interested in downsizing, Moretsky said. They have homes in warm weather areas but still want a presence here to connect with family.

Younger people who want to own but aren't interested in maintaining a property also are taking a look, she said.

Bromley Park Condominiums is serviced by city water, sewers and sidewalks. It's within the Willow Run public school boundaries.

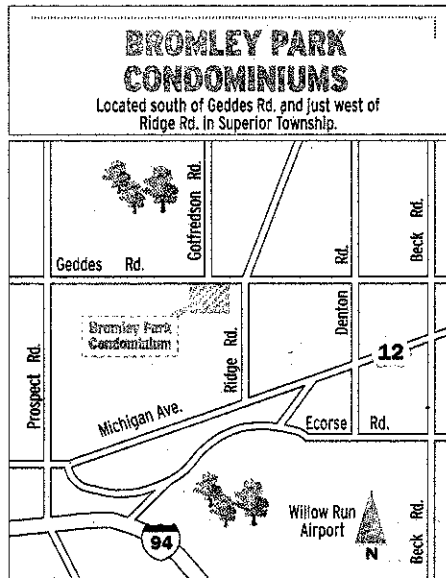
The property tax rate is about \$34 per \$1,000 of state taxable value, half of sales price for new construction. That means the owners of a \$178,000 condo there would pay about \$3,050 the first year.

The monthly maintenance fee, which includes water, is \$125.

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Franz and Jane Fucek have purchased a condo at Bromley Park.

"They have basements," Jane said.



"The quality, we felt, was excellent, and the service was excellent. There's a lot of light. We're close to our children, close to Ann Arbor."

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The master suite runs the entire length of the right side of the house. It has plenty of windows. The hall area leads to the master bath. There is a built-in dresser and vanity. The walk-in closet is large and long.

Across from the stairs to the second floor are the washer and dryer, tucked in a closet out of the way, as well as a half bath. Upstairs there are two bedrooms, each with wall closets and full bath. There are two unfinished storage areas that could be developed later as bedrooms or play areas or just for storage.

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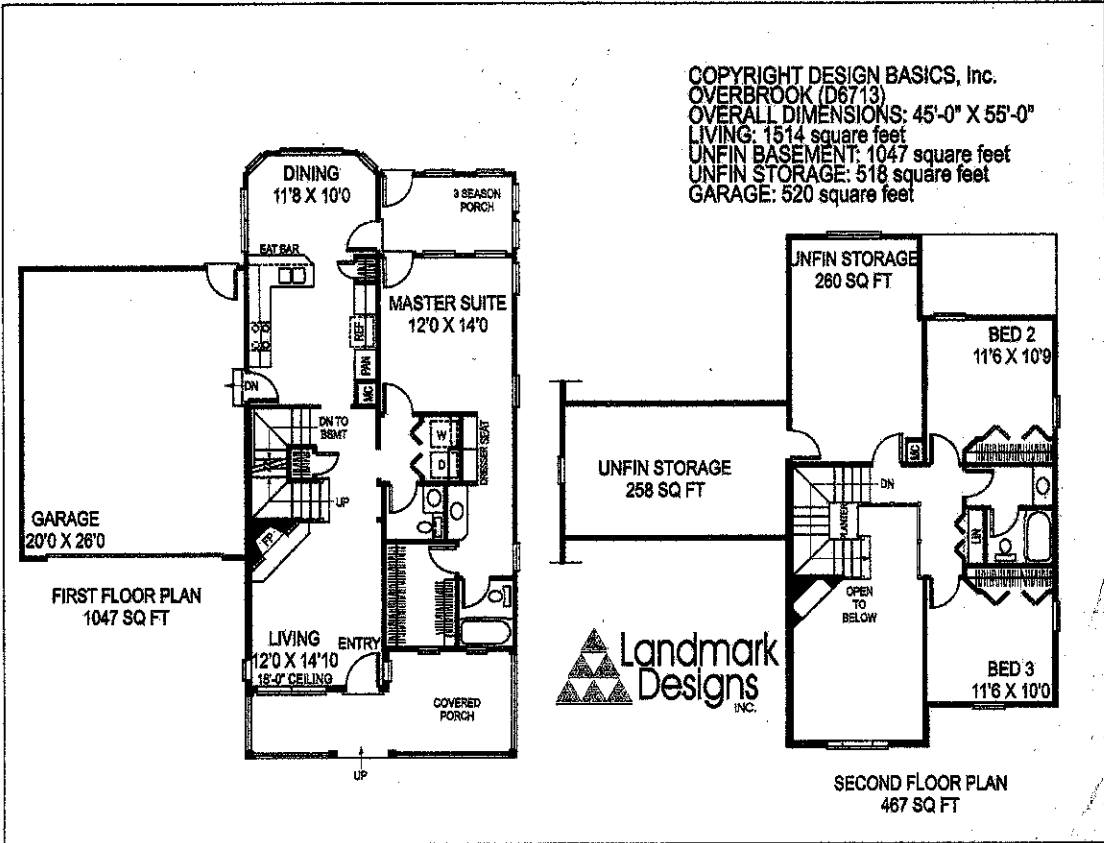
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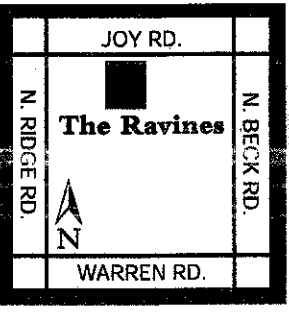
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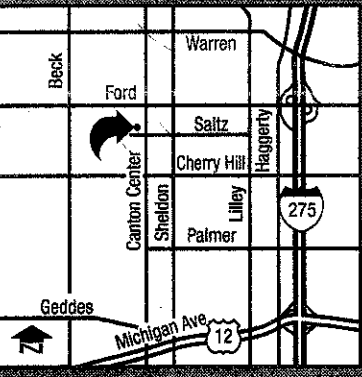
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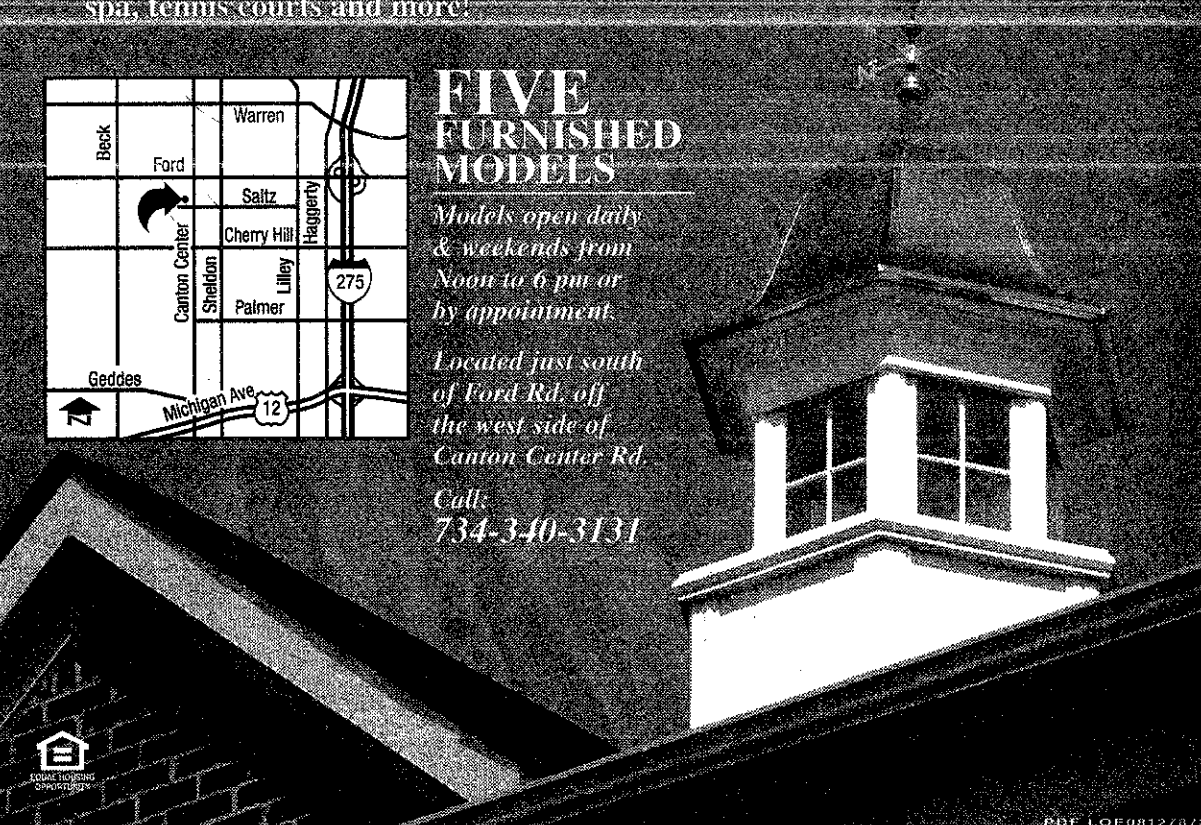


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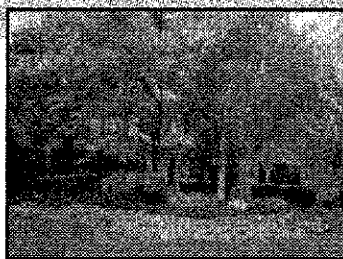
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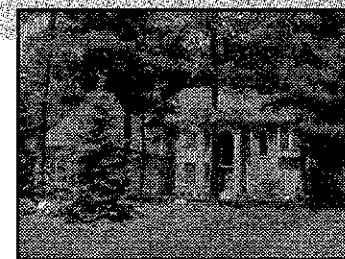
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EXECUTIVE RETREAT – Pine Creek sub offers this 4 BR, 2.5BA home w/open floor plan. 2 story LR w/2-way trpic. Open FR, butlers pantry-cherry cabinets w/Corian counters. Andersen windows & profess. landscaped w/sprinklers. 2nd flr. Sun deck w/porch. Access to Brighton Lake. \$599,000 (64ARB) 248-349-5600



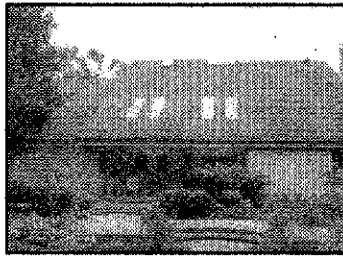
LIVONIA-Sharp Updated Colonial. Nested in desirable Windridge Village Sub, Livonia Schools. Remodelled kitchen w/bay windows, formal dining rm, att 2 car garage, finished rec rm, doorw/ to deck off fam. rm, 1st floor laundry. Stone fireplace \$263,500 (90NOR) 734-455-5600



ROCHESTER HILLS – Better than new! Four bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial with stone patio and professionally done landscaping. Kitchen with silver appliances and large walk-in pantry. MBR with whirlpool, shower shower and two WIC's. Natural maple cabinets. \$409,000 (09 BAR) 248-524-1600



CUSTOM BRENTWOOD TUDOR – 2001 Built 3 BD, 2.5BA home with premium amenities. Main floor mstr w/2WC & jetted tub, J&J bath upstairs w/loft, FR, GR w/frpic, hwd floors, vaulted ceilings, FFL, part. fin. LL, huge 4 car gar. Wooded lot w/sprinkler system. Clubhouse. \$459,900 (69MAY) 248-363-1200



ORCHARD LAKE – Perfectly Private. Great for entertaining! Beautiful contemp. nestled in woods, overlooks ravine, open floor plan w/vaulted ceilings. Beautiful first floor MB, his & her walk-in closets, trayed ceiling. Custom kitchen w/island, Jennaire gas cook-top & ovens, hardwood floor. \$760,000 (06DEE) 248-626-8800



WEST BLOOMFIELD – Fabulous 3 BR condo, MBR suite w/gas frpic and great bath suite, kit w/ceramic tile, garden window, formal DR and super LL with a FR w/frpic, BR and full bath. Serene and beautiful views from most rms and a wrap around deck. \$379,900. (60MIR) 248-642-8100



SOUTH LYON – Welcome Home. Beautiful Amish 3 BR, 2.5 BA brick colonial offers spacious MBR w/awesome bath. Great room has natural fireplace, cathedral ceilings & 9" door wall to deck. Open kitchen w/oak cabinets. Walk out lower level. Prof. landscaped. Incredible wooded private lot. \$309,900 (32PLU) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE-Maybury State Park. 4 bdrm ranch that backs to State Park. Walk-out bsmt, 2 c att gar, lg country kitchen, beautifully landscaped w/mature trees all sitting on a very serene 3 acre lot. \$599,000 (25WES) 734-455-5600



TROY – Luxurious four bedroom home in Troy with brick paver patio and pond. Hardwood floors, living room with bay, dining room and family room with high ceiling and fireplace. Master suite with Jacuzzi. Full finished basement with kitchen and 5th BR. \$539,000 (57TEA) 734-524-1600



PRESTWICK VILLAGE GOLF – Way above par! Exceptional 4 BD, 2.5 BA home in desired golf comm. w/golf, swim & tennis. Lge 1st floor mstr suite w/2 wic & jetted tub. Spacious vaulted great room. Large kitchen & hearth room w/2way fireplace, hardwood floors. Quick occupancy. \$399,900 (42NAI) 248-363-1200



NOVI – Room to roam. A little piece of heaven end of cul-de-sac location for this nice ranch 3 BR, 2 BA, 4.5 acres also has a 3 car detached garage & a work-shop attached to house. Woods, wildlife & water. \$390,000 (00GLE) 248-626-8800



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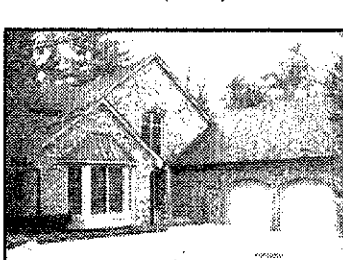
BETTER THAN NEW 2003 – 4 BD, 2.5 BA, 1st flr mstr ste, GR, heart rm, 2 way FP, lib, DR, lrg kit w/nook, 1st flr laundry ceramic flrs, full bsmt, 2.5 car gar, lrg lot in Prestigious N. Broadmoor Sub, Walled Lake Schols. \$375,900 (27KEN) 248-363-1200



FARMINGTON HILLS – Golf Course Views T'Out. Custom, elegant 4 BR home features 3.5 BA, state of the art kitchen, GR w/fireplace, music room/den, first floor MSTR suite. Gorgeous fin LL walk-out w/FR, wet bar, 2-way fireplace, office & exercise. \$559,900 (75HID) 248-626-8800



NOT TO BE MISSED – Quality built w/attention to every detail. 2 story foyer, tile floors, 9 ft. ceilings. Bright island kit. w/maple cabinets, mstr suite w/lux. mstr bath, custom features abound. Prof. landscape w/very private backyard. \$369,900 (15FIE) 248-363-1200



BLOOMFIELD – Elegant 4 BR, 4.5 BA condo in sought after Pinebrooke Manor. Large foyer w/open staircase leading to upper level balcony. 2 BR's each w/own bath and WIC, 1st flr MBR suite w/WIC and full bath. Central vacuum system, 2 frpics, FFL and wood deck w/gas grill. \$799,900 (40PIN) 248-642-8100



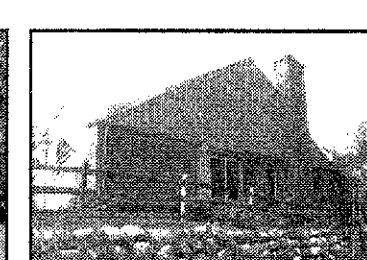
AUBURN HILLS – Better than new!! Fully landscaped, tasteful decor and many extras. FFL, wood flrs, neutral carpet, hearth rm off kit w/gas frpic, 3 BR's, 2.5BA and library. Premier cul de sac location, walking trails, pool, clubhouse and more. \$334,800. (20CAM) 248-642-8100



COMMERCE – Say Hello to a Good Buy! Newer 3 BR, 2.5BA Cape Cod with fantastic master suite & whirlpool tub. Wall of windows to treed view. Full walkout basement. 3 car side entry garage and much, much more. \$423,900 (49PHI) 248-349-5600



ROCHESTER HILLS – Lovely cul-de-sac location for this four bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial with professional landscaping and two-tiered deck. Great Room with cathedral ceiling and natural fireplace. Large MBR suite with separate tub and shower. \$387,000 (71COV) 248-524-1600



ONLY THE VERY BEST – Outstanding ranch condo with bath and bedroom. Private lot overlooking wooded common area. Sidewalks and street lights. \$412,500 (51BOL) 248-652-8000



WALKOUT RANCH ON ACREAGE – Spacious ranch on private treed approx. 1.4 acre lot. Open floor plan w/newer hardwood floors on main level. Large great room w/awesome stone fireplace. Finished walkout features, family room w/3rd fireplace, kitchenette, 4th BR & full bath. \$329,900 (98RAY) 248-363-1200



BLOOMFIELD – Spectacular 5 BR, 4.5 BA colonial in newer sub. Reduced 50,000 by motivated seller, a great buy! Decorator perfect, 2 story foyer, formal LR and DR, lib w/French doors, FR w/marble trimmed frpic and fin LL w/in-law suite. \$739,900 (19ERO) 248-642-8100



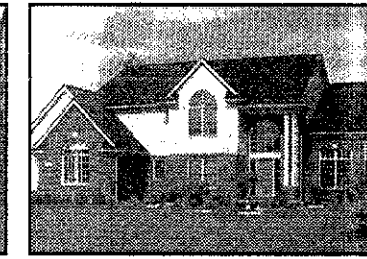
BLOOMFIELD TWP – Huge ranch on approx 1 acre, in great area. 3BR, 2BA, LR, FR, Florida rm, eat-in kit and DR. Open floor plan with many updates. Home of master gardener w/many perennials and wild flowers. This home will amaze you!! \$320,000 (35ASP) 248-642-8100



MILFORD – Ideal location. Everything and more than you can ask for. 6 BR, 3.5 BA 4 year new cape cod on approx. 3 acres with a pond. Home has 1st floor mstr suite w/Jacuzzi. GR has ceiling fan & gas fireplace. Large kitchen w/oak cab. Fin. walk-out bsmt. Lge totally maintenance free deck. \$449,000 (53THR) 248-349-5600



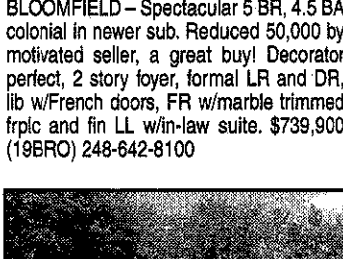
ROCHESTER HILLS – Large four bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial on a wooded site. Classic floor plan with formal dining room, library, family room and large island kitchen with pantry. Box windows, French doors, crown molding. Side entrance garage. \$339,000 (16HID) 248-524-1600



BETTER THAN NEW – Beautiful home in Silverbell Oaks has it all. Grand foyer with elegantly turned staircase, rich cherry wood accents and floors, elegant kitchen with white cabinets, island and Corian counters, vaulted ceilings and spacious ceilings and spacious master suite. \$410,000 (71MAY) 248-652-8000



WEST BLOOMFIELD – Beautiful 4 BR 3.5 BA Contemporary. Huge ceramic foyer, gorgeous custom built kit w/built in sub zero & center island open to FAC RM W/FP & private view of large yard & nature preserve. Walk out BSMT, MSTR w/Jacuzzi & shower. Private Cul-De-Sac. \$599,000 (20AUT) 248-626-8800



BLOOMFIELD HILLS – "Superb Peabody Orchards" Splendid country-like setting with walking distance to Starbucks. Marble foyer, gourmet kit with center island and granite counters and outstanding master ste 4 BR, 3.5 BA contemporary home with W/O fin bsmt with daylight windows. \$499,900 (56ROU) 248-642-8100



NORTHVILLE – Stunning Historic Duplex. Charm, personality & curb appeal. 3 historic flats that are beautifully updated w/wumbled marble, granite & wide plank oak floors. Flat #1-new designer carpet 8/03, Flat #2 & Flat #3, 3 BD, 3 baths, 3 kitchens. Babbling brook. Close to town. \$314,900 (10RAN) 248-349-5600



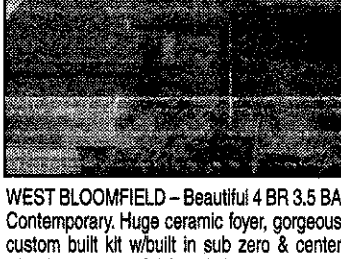
CANTON – Classic Elegance! Custom built on approx. 1 acr lots. Foyer w/wrought iron & wood trimmed staircase, 2 story GR w/frpic, crown molding, kit & mstr bath w/Granite tops. All 3 bdrms have a bath & WIC. Full bsmt w/walk-out & 3 car att. gar. \$759,000 (51ROL) 734-455-5600



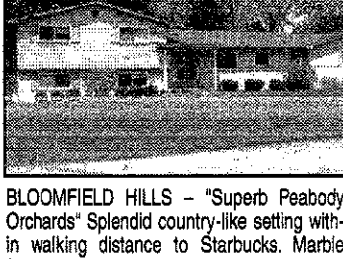
TROY – Four bedroom, 2.5 bath West Troy colonial with Troy schools. First floor bedroom or library. Finished basement, first floor laundry, two car attached garage, family room with fireplace, patio. Newer kitchen, furnace, central air. \$389,900 (02ESS) 248-524-1600



BACKING TO PARK – Well maintained home in great neighborhood. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial, large master suite with tub and shower. Freshly painted exterior, immediate occupancy, great schools, hardwood floors and home warranty. \$314,900 (05GRA) 248-652-8000



WEST BLOOMFIELD – Exclusive private Home. Absolutely beautiful property, well built, fully remodeled. 5 BR, 3 BA, built-in pool, on breathtaking 1.5 acres lot. Must see to appreciate serenity. \$379,000 (80BAS) 248-626-8800



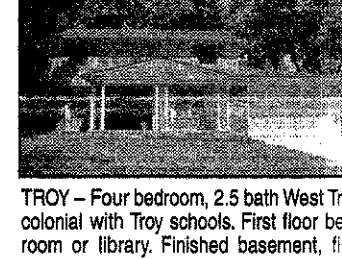
BLOOMFIELD – Price reduced! 3BR, 3.5BA Ranch condo in golf community w/view of 4th home. LR w/cathedral ceilings and marble trimmed frpic, MBR w/cathedral ceilings, his/her WIC, white formica kit, library, 3 decks and full fin. bsmt. \$479,900 (08SUD) 248-642-8100



CANTON – Exquisitely presented. Features all amenities you wish including: newer carpet, custom designed window treatments, high end plumbing & electrical fixtures, true gourmet island kitchen. High tech mechanical & building extras. Surrounded by Artful gardens in private yard. \$439,000 (11VAL) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE – Freshly painted Colonial. 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath, lg home offers fam. rm. w/frpic, doorwall to party deck, private yard, 2 car att gar, home warranty. \$337,000 (31KNI) 734-455-5600



TROY – New Construction. Four bedroom colonial with 2.5 baths, three car garage and Troy schools in a quiet wooded area. Dramatic double staircase, ceramic foyer, dimensional roof shingles. One of eight high quality new homes becoming available. \$459,900 (64VIK) 248-524-1600



ROUND TREE – Walk to blue ribbon schools. Walk out lot with trees for privacy. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, C/A, 2 car garage, open kitchen with ceramic backsplash, island and crown trim. Family room with fireplace and high ceilings. \$305,977 (41HUN) 248-652-8000

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