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Cheer and golf

The Salem High School Cheer Team is holding its Annual Golf Outing Sept. 28 at St. John's Golf

Center in Plymouth. . The outing

fee of \$125 includes golf and cart, driving range warm-up, lunch and beverages on the course. Also included are prizes and a steak dinner with a threehour open bar. It's a scramble format. Check-in is 10:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at noon. For information or

0062 no later than Sept. 12. 💹 Get acquainted

reservations call (734) 981-

Canton Newcomers, a social, civic and charitable organization designed to acquaint area residents with others in the Canton area, will hold its first meeting of the 2003-04 season at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3, at the Hanford Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford Road, in the Sunflower subdivision in Canton.

Canton Newcomers holds monthly meetings at the Sunflower Clubhouse on the first Wednesday of the month, September through May, with various themes and speakers throughout the year, and will end the season with a family picnic at Heritage Park in June. Canton Newcomers is an organization for area residents interested in civic, social and charitable proiects. For more information, call Nancy Patel at (734) 354-8988, or visit the **Canton Newcomers Web site** at



BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

For a few years now the Friends of the Canton Public Library have offered coffee and biscotti to patrons of Secondhand Prose, the used book store run by the Friends inside the library. Before long, if plans work out,

library patrons will have access to an actual café, where they can sip coffee and soft drinks, have a bagel or muffin for breakfast or a sandwich for lunch all without leaving the library. The library's board of trustees

approved the concept at last week's

"We approved having the plans

board meeting.

drawn up," said James Gillig, longtime library trustee and one of the founding members of the library itself.

When we get the plans back we'll look at the cost," he said. "We think we can afford it and it will be good for the library."

Gillig has been pushing for a library café for years but with little support.

"I wanted it in the original building when we built it," he said, "but coffee" shops were not so popular then."

by looking good.

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Library Director Jean Tabor said she thinks patrons will be supportive of the concept.

"They are constantly asking, 'Is there

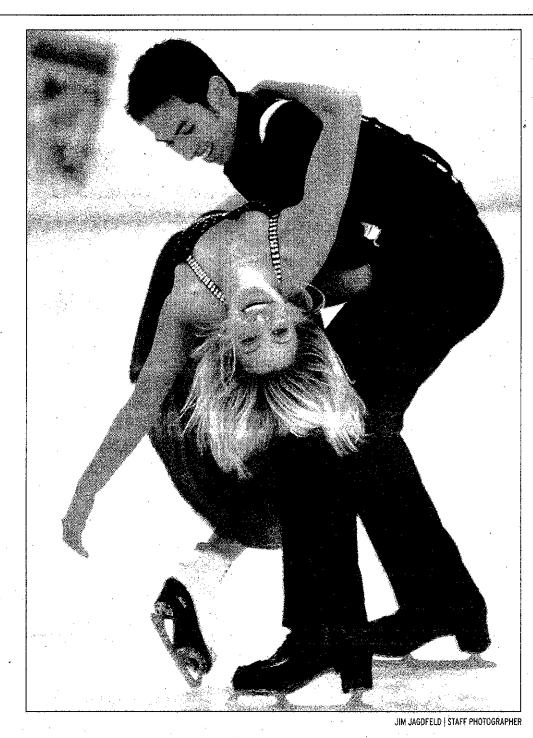
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Arctic Edge ice draws the best

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

World-class skating has arrived in Canton Township. Or, at least, world-class skate training has arrived.

Igor Shpilband and Marina Zoueva, who for several years have coached skaters at the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills, have moved to the Arctic Edge on Michigan Avenue. They bring with them some of the best ice dancers in the U.S. and Canada, including Tanith Belbin and Benjamin Agosto, U.S. World Team members and the highest-ranking members of the U.S. dance team internationally. Aaron Wing and Megan Lowe, Canadian World and Olympic team members, as well as other newly formed senior level and high-ranking junior level teams, will also be training at the Canton facility. Gary Clark, skating director for Arctic Arenas of Michigan, said the presence of Shpilband and Zoueva at the Arctic Edge has certainly raised the rink's



Late MEAP scores hinder planning

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools curriculum administrators spent much of the past week correcting errors in preliminary Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) test results issued by the state Department of Education.

Corrections were required by Friday, after which state officials will recalculate the statistics and give the more than 500 Michigan school districts final results for tests given last January and February nearly five months behind schedule.

School districts were promised a new computer software program bought from Enterprise Computing Services in Atlanta, Ga., would give results within 10 weeks of students taking the tests. However, glitches in the system precipitated a delay in the final results, keeping school officials from using the muchneeded information to produce any warranted changes in curriculum to benefit students. "It puts us behind the eight-ball," admits Lon Rutkofske, director of secondary education for Plymouth-Canton Schools. "The scores from the year before help build a plan to improve on the areas of weakness. If you don't know the areas of weakness, it makes it hard to improve. "It's like sailing a ship without a compass," Rutkofske said. "It prevents you from making good decisions and setting your course; and the MEAP tests help set our course."

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🖉 Car wash

Canton Warriors Lacrosse (PCEP club team) will have a car wash from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, at Family Video, Canton Center Road. Proceeds will help the team.

🎆 Snap it

If you see it, snap it for the second annual "Capture the Nature of Canton" photography contest. This year's theme asks participants to "Focus on Action in Canton's Parks.'

The contest is open to all amateur Canton residents 10 years and older. Entries, which should be prints at least 5-by-7 inches in size, must be submitted to the Summit front desk in an envelop to the attention of Jennifer Eubanks.

Photographers may submit their entries beginning Monday, Sept. 8 until 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 22. All entries will be displayed in Heritage Park during the Canton Harvest Celebration 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 27.

For contest rules and an entry form, stop by the Summit on the Park lobby.

PLEASE SEE SKATING, A7

Tanith Belbin and Benjamin Agosto, U.S. World Team members, are joining other well-known skaters in the move to Arctic Edge in Canton.

PLEASE SEE MEAP, A5



HELP WANTER ECONOMY

This the second in a two-part series on unemployment and job prospects. last September. It was produced by the Observer Newspapers' summer college interns.

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For success, make job hunting a full-time job

BY KIM KOVELLE AND LAURA COLVIN STAFF WRITERS

An accounts manager and salesman of more than 20 years, Jim Coury of Plymouth Township has been applying the skills of his trade to his search for a full-time job since

"Job hunting is the same thing as selling yourself," said Coury, who was laid off from a part-time sales courier position in early August. He spends his work day pursuing

jobs, sending out resumes and documenting all attempts and interviews.

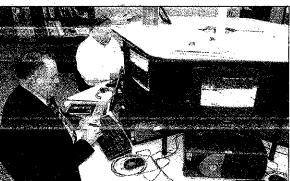
"It's tough out there. I don't worry about rejection," he said, estimating that his search has reached more than 300 companies and generated about 30 interviews. "Make contact with the hiring/purchasing manager. (Go) doorto-door."

A staple resource for Coury and others is Michigan Works!, the state-funded public employment agency.

Established in 1987 and now nationally known as a major workforce development association, six area service centers aim to help job searchers with everything from basic technical training to job networking.

"One of the old adages when it comes to the job search is, 'Treat it like a job," said Paul Eggebrecht, program director for the Michigan Works! branch in

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Jim Coury (left) and Tom Lessl use computers at Michigan Works in Livonia to find jobs.

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LOCAL NEWS

MILITARY NEWS

Marine Corps Reserve Pfc. **Ryan K. Kobie**, son of Kathy Kobie of Canton, graduated from the Marine Corps Basic Combat Engineer Course at Marine Corps Engineer School, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C. Kobie will accompany Marine infantry forces to build roads, set up camps and fortify living areas. Kobie is a 1999 graduate of Lincoln Consolidated High School of

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Ypsilanti. Peter J. Foster has entered basic cadet training at the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo., in preparation to enter the first academic year at the academy. The program trains recruits to meet rigorous mental and physical challenges. Foster, the son of Maryann and Dwight Foster of Canton and is a 2001 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School in Canton.

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District enrollment grows again

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Student-enrollment figures for Plymouth-Canton Schools will climb for the sixth consecutive year, bringing with it a Catch-22 scenario for district administrators.

More students means more foundation grant money from the state. However, the larger numbers are putting a crimp on space at most school buildings in the district.

Preliminary figures given the Board of Education this week show a total growth of 494 students from last year, which will bring in an additional \$1.9 million in state funding, according to Patricia Brand, executive director of business services.

"It's not as conservative as we'd like to be, but if we budget less we scare the bejeebers out of people with budget projections," said Superintendent Jim Ryan. "The numbers help us, but I think it's going to be a housing challenge in the future, which we hope our bond steering committee is addressing."

Of the 15 elementary schools in the district, only two show a population decline. And, of the five middle schools, only one has a student enrollment less than last year, as the district has grown to a high of nearly 17,500 students.

"We always have an idea about grades 1-5, but you never know about the kindergarten - who has moved in and who has kids," said Ryan. "In the past, there were concerns about using all the space we have, and I think you can see by the numbers, we're getting close to doing that.

'The other thing that didn't surprise us, in

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ENROLLMENT FIGURES

The following are Plymouth-Canton Community Schools enrollment figures

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1995-96	15,424	+454	
1996-97	15,985	+561	
1997-98	15,836	-149	
1998-99	16,133	+297	•
1999-00	16,435	+302	
2000-01	16,518	+ 83	
2001-02	16,798	+280	
2002-03	17,197	+399	

Source: Patricia Brand, executive director business services Plymouth-Canton Schools

the southwest and southeast portion (of the district in Canton), at Dodson, Eriksson, Bentley and Field the numbers are pretty high."

Dodson, in only its fourth year, is already over capacity with a headcount of 663 students. Bentley, Bird, Field and Tonda are also bursting at the seams with more than 600 students each. Discovery Middle School, only in its third 'year, has more students than it was expected to house with 943 students.

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However, despite the increase in student population, the \$5.6 million in budget cuts has forced the district to do more with less.

"We're working with the same number of teachers in the elementary as last year, and servicing more kids in about the same class sizes by making combinations and by using that parameter target of 26 (students per K-2 classroom) on a number of instances," said Ray Bihun, executive director of human resources. "We have the same number of staff at the high school; we're down 2.8 (full time equivalents) at the middle school and we've increased the class sizes there. We're fully staffed in all the classrooms."

The early figures show elementary grades have grown by 209 students, middle school by 102 and the high school complex by 183.

"Looking at what we've had to do this year and the growth we've got, and knowing we're going to have growth again next year, I don't want to be in the same position of having to raise the (K-2 classroom) cap again next year," said Trustee Richard Ham-Kucharski. "Hopefully, we can get some additional projections from the housing committee to move forward in looking at the future so we don't get stuck with too-full schools."

Ryan said he'll report to the school board on how much space is available at the schools, and give an overall picture about the use of school buildings, at the Sept. 9 regular meeting.

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LOCAL NEWS

Shifted millage will maintain same rate in 2004

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

Canton trustees will hold a public hearing on Sept. 23 on proposed millage rates for the Dec. 1 tax levy.

At a meeting last week the board authorized the maximum millage rate that could be set. The actual rates will be set at the September meeting.

While the proposed rates do not change the overall millage of 8.85 mills, the proposal is to decrease the levied fire millage by 0.14 and the police millage by 0.15, while increasing the charter millage by 0.29.

For the owner of a \$300,000 home that would equal a tax bill of \$1,327.50. According to Tony

Minghine, township finance

director, the new rates are required to balance the proposed fiscal year 2004 budget.

Township Supervisor Tom Yack said the shift in numbers in justified because the value of Canton Township is going up, the actual dollars brought in for police and fire increase while the cost of doing business is also on the rise.

"Last year we were the number one community in Wayne County in SEV increase," he said. In dollar terms that translates to about \$350,000 in new revenue.

"But with the increase in liability insurance and medical coverage, that revenue is gone."

And Yack blames former governor John Engler for capping what should have been an increase in revenue based on the 2000 census numbers.

"We were seriously hurt along with every other growing community when the 2000 census was certified," he said. "Those growing communities would have had the opportunity to have their revenue sharing increased in relation to the growth in population."

Instead, he said, Engler capped the increase at 8 percent on statutory revenue sharing funds, when Canton's population increase was in the 20 percent range.

"Because of the cap we've lost that money every year," he said. "And we'll lose it for the whole decade."

Yack said if you divide the revenue sharing money com-

munities receive by the number of residents, Canton receives \$79 for every resident of the community.

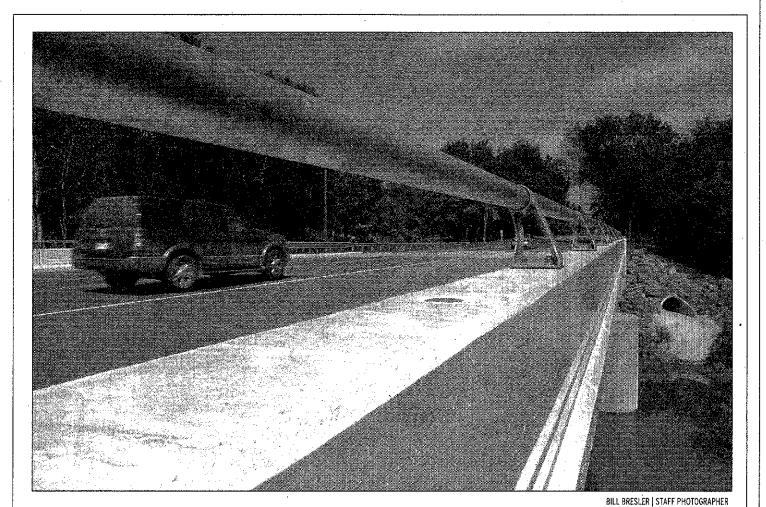
Ferndale, meanwhile, receives \$163 and Detroit \$336.

"We all get killed at the expense of declining communities," he said.

He said Canton is short \$2.5 million of what he anticipated it would be, due to revenue sharing cuts.

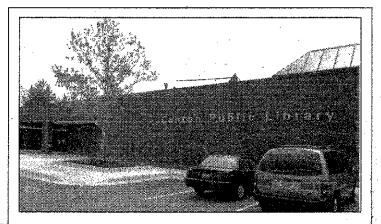
"We've gained 7,000 people from 2000 and we're keeping staffing levels really low," he said.

He said he sees no reductions in personnel or services although capital projects are being kept to a bare minimum. Jgladden@oe.homecomm.net (734) 459-2700



Ready to cross

The bridge on Canton Center Road between Palmer and Michigan Avenue is once again open for traffic. It's been closed since February while workers replaced the old bridge with one capable of accommodating five lanes of traffic. Motorists have been using Haggerty, Sheldon and Beck as alternate routes.



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Beginning next year, the Canton Public Library will remain open on Sundays during the summer.

Increased growth, popularity will open library on Sundays

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER.

Beginning next summer the Canton Public Library will be open on Sundays throughout the year.

In the past the library has been closed on Sundays to coincide with the school year schedule. But due to the growth in the community and increasing popularity of the library, the decision was made at last week's board meeting to add the Sunday hours.

"We didn't do it sooner because there was a time when Saturdays were fairly quiet," said Library Director Jean Tabor. "But now our business is booming. Now people are asking for Sunday hours."

That booming business she mentioned peaked in July at 126,000 items circulated.

"That was a record," she said. "And we'll probably circulate a million items by September of this year."

Last year the library hit a million circulation for the year in November. This year Tabor anticipates a yearly circulation of about 1.25 million.

"When we opened up our new expansion (in April 2001) our circulation was up 25 to 30 percent," Tabor said. "Now we're up 15 percent over that."

And Library Trustee James Gillig points out that with 1.25 million items in circulation, that translates to 2.5 million transactions when you include checking items out and checking them back in. "If we're closed on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday just pretty much destroy our staff because of the sheer volume," he said.

While Tabor wouldn't necessarily agree that the staff was "destroyed," she did say that the volume of items being processed sometimes gets barely manageable.

"After the blackout," she said, when the library was



closed on Friday, open Saturday but with few patrons and closed on Sunday, "people came back on

Monday. Tuesday it

was panic city. We all pitched in. I was out shelving books myself. It was a real team effort."

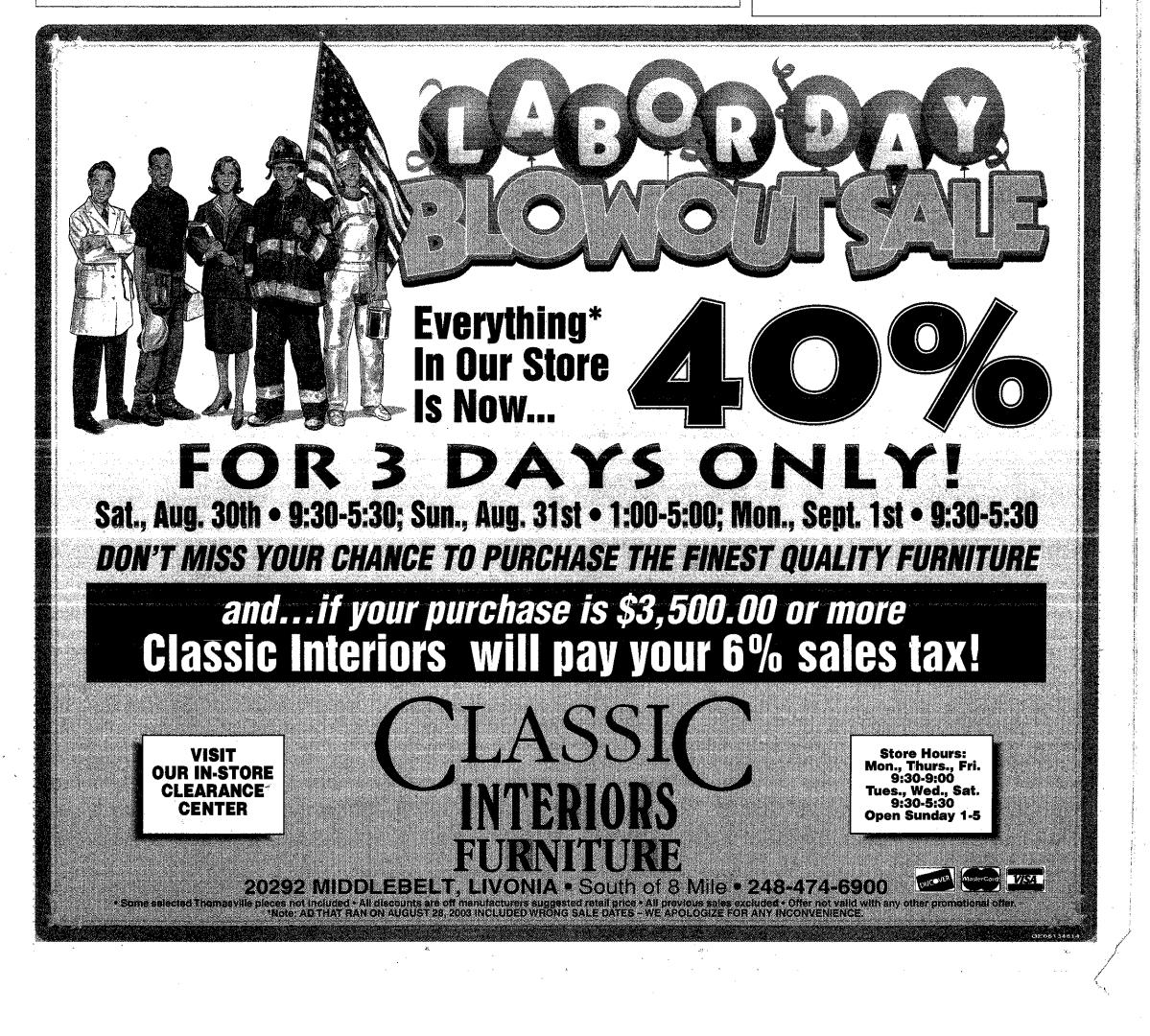
Tabor said the increased business being experienced by libraries is not just limited to Canton.

"Libraries are busy all over these days," she said. "Maybe it's the economic times."

But she also thinks the Canton Library has a lot of services to offer and more people are discovering them.

"I think people will appreciate the Sunday hours," she said. "And we're happy to do it." The only Sundays the library will not be open are Father's Day and Liberty Fest Weekend. jgladden@oe.homecomm.net

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LOCAL NEWS

Patrol car accident | Got any junk? Canton has a place for it under investigation

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BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

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Michigan State Police are still investigating a crash between a Canton Police K-9 patrol unit and a Ford Taurus early Monday morning.

According to State Police the Taurus was traveling north on Haggerty Road and collided with the Canton Police Jeep Cherokee about 12:25 a.m. Monday. Witnesses reported the Taurus ran a red light at the intersection.

The driver of the Taurus, a 19-year-old Newport, Mich., man, was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti where he was listed in critical but stable condition.

The police officer was also taken to St. Joseph where he was treated and released.

In accordance with Canton Police policy, investigation of the accident was turned over to the State Police.

Canton Police Detective Capt. Alex Wilson said based on preliminary information he has received it appears the officer was not at fault in the accident.

"But the investigation is open and ongoing," he said.

As of Wednesday afternoon, State Police said the crash is still under investigation.

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BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

It's time to clean the basement. empty the garage, check the cabinets under the kitchen sink, update the medicine chest and scrounge through the attic.

No, it's not spring cleaning time; it's Canton's fourth annual Hazardous Waste Round-Up, set for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13.

Residents are invited to gather up all those materials they couldn't dispose of in the regular trash pickups throughout the year and bring them to the Canton Administration Building to be carted off.

Last year, according to Canton Engineer Bob Belair, 1,647 vehicles showed up for the annual cleaning rite unloading everything from paint to batteries to propane cylinders.

"One guy came out with all the paint in his trunk," Belair said. "It was literally outside the cans. He just tossed the

Here's the hazardous waste you can dispose

Items accepted for hazardous waste disposal include:

Fluorescent light bulbs, oilbased paint, latex paint, paint thinner and stripper, primer, turpentine, varnish, furniture polish.

Also household batteries, pool chemicals, photo chemicals, acids, aerosols, cutting oil, glue (solvent based), wood preservatives, propane tanks and small propane cylinders.

Also artists' paint, dry cleaning solvents, fiberglass epoxy, gun cleaning solvents, rat poison, moth balls and lighter fluid.

cans in the trunk and they spilled." Belair said workers some-

Also automatic transmission fluid, auto batteries/battery acid, brake fluid, car wax with solvent, diesel fuel, fuel oil, gasoline, kerosene, metal polish with solvent, motor

oils, antifreeze and other oils. From the kitchen and bath. floor care products, expired medicine, bug sprays, nail polish and drain openers and cleaners.

Items that WILL NOT be accepted include:

Commercially generated wastes, smoke detectors, radioactive material, explosives, shock-sensitive material, fire extinguishers and tires.

how managed to get the paint out of the trunk, using some kind of pumps. But he doesn't recommend that method of disposal.

As always the waste roundup is limited to Canton residents and IDs will be checked as they drive in. Disposers should turn west onto Heritage Drive and follow the direction of the attendants.

Belair said last year the peak times were between 10 a.m. and noon, so early arrival is recommended. Even so he said the average time for vehicles getting through the lines was about 15 to 20 minutes.

In addition to disposable items, the Salvation Army will be on hand to accept sellable furniture, clothing, bedding, IBM compatible color computers, clean mattresses, desk top printers and household goods such as dishes, pots and pans, microwave ovens, toaster ovens and knickknacks.

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The MEAP, a statewide proficiency test, was taken by high schoolers in the spring and by students in the fourth, fifth, seventh and eighth grades in the winter. Students are tested in mathematics, language arts, social studies and science, though only 11th-graders are tested in all four subjects in the same year. Terry Stanton, public information officer for the Michigan Department of Treasury - which administers the tests - said there have been a couple of different delays.

"There was a delay in January because the contractor didn't get the pre-printed student answer booklets to schools in time," said Stanton. "The biggest delay has been caused by the implementation of a new software package, through which the state school district and administration will be able to review MEAP results and an analysis of those results.

We hope after corrections are made in the preliminary results, the final results will be available late this week, or the following week," he said.

Rutkofske said the delays will

not only keep the district from making changes in curriculum this year, but also completing the annual report required by the state, which is due Oct. 15.

"It's going to be very difficult for us to do the analysis and get those pieces in place in time to meet No Child Left Behind (federal) and Education Yes! (state) requirements," said Rutkofske. "We'd have to break our necks to get it done.

"Is it fair to ask people to meet unrealistic deadlines when the state doesn't meet its own deadlines?" asked Rutkofske. "I don't think it's fair."

Stanton said that while they work out the bugs in the software, state education officials are hopeful a 10-week turnaround time is in the cards in the near future. But, in the meantime, the current delay isn't much longer than what districts have experienced in the past.

"It's not way outside the norm," said Stanton. "Last year, math and science scores weren't available until September. School districts didn't have time to adjust curriculum then, either. Unfortunately, it's a biproduct of the delays." tbruscato@oe.homecomm.net (734) 459-2700

Arthur Henry Heim

Services for Arthur Helm, 61, of Ann Arbor were held Aug. 29 at Westminster Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers officiating. Burial was at Washtenong Memorial Park In Ann Arbor.

Mr. Helm was born April 7, 1942, in Plymouth and died Aug. 27 at home. He was a graduate of Plymouth High School, attended Flint Junior College and Western Michigan University, where he graduated with a degree in business. He was a member of the U.S. Army Reserves from 1960-61 and he worked for Ford Motor Company for 34 years before retiring Jan. 1, 2000, from the Michigan Truck Plant in Wayne. He was a longtime resident and member of Colonial Square Cooperative where he was active in his neighborhood and served as the chairman of the 2005 committee from 1991 to his death. He was also a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, where he had volunteered as a member of the Lock-Up Crew, as a substitute custodian and most recently as a deacon. Survivors include wife,

Eileen (Bieri) Helm; children, Gary Helm, Linda (Trae) Helm, Chancellor, Matt T. Helm, and Todd R. Helm; granddaughter, Jenna J. Melton; brother, Donald (Judy) Helm; and sister, Norma (Dean) Helm Hamlin.

Memorial contributions may be made to the church or the U.S. Olympic Committee, 1 Olympic Plaza, Colorado Springs, CO 80909-5760. Arrangements made by Nie Family Funeral Home.

Dr. H. James Veryser

A memorial Mass for Dr. H. James Veryser, 87, of Northville, will be held at 11 a.m. Oct. 11 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth. Dr. Veryser was born Feb. 2, 1916, in Detroit and died Aug. 26 in Livonia. Dr. Veryser graduated from Detroit's Eastern High School in 1935. He attended the University of Michigan and later graduated from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry. He served in the armed forces as a major in the Dental Corps of the United States Army. A prominent dentist on the east side of Detroit from 1943-1969, he also

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had a private practice in Ubly, Michigan, which is located in the thumb area. Dr. Veryser was also an adjunct faculty member at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry. He later retired to Port St. Lucie, Fla., where he spent 18 years with his wife prior to returning to Northville in 1998. He was a life member of the Michigan Dental Association and a member of the OKU National Dental Honor Society. He was also a member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville. Survivors include wife,

Shirley; son, Dr. Thomas (Karen) Veryser of Plymouth; grandchildren, Jeffrey (Kiesha) Veryser of Manistee and Renee (Jeremy) Johnson of Royal Oak; and great-granddaughter, Kamryn Veryser. Memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1740 Mt. Elliott Avenue, Detroit, MI 48207. Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Hazel L. Smith

Services for Hazel Smith, 89, of Dearborn (previously of Canton), were held Aug. 29 at

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Vermeulen Funeral Home, Westland. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens-West in Westland. Mrs. Smith was born July 28, 1914, in Allentown, Pa., and died Aug. 23 in Dearborn. She was an operator.

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Mrs. Smith was preceded in death by husband, Owen Smith. Survivors include son, Eugene (Suzann) Smith of Charlotte, N.C.; daughter, Lois (Frank) Giorgi of Dearborn; son, David Smith of Dearborn; and stepson, Donald (Arlene) Smith of Sarasota, Fla; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. Memorial contributions may

be made to the University of Michigan Burn Center.

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Opportunities in nursing outpace economy

BY LAURA COLVIN STAFF WRITER

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With baby boomers aging and the need for health care rising, the U.S. is waist-deep in a nursing shortage that's predicted to reach epidemic proportions if something isn't done soon.

The good news? In the current job market - best described with words like sluggish, lackluster and dismal employment opportunities for nurses are expected to remain virtually boundless into the foreseeable future.

After a year on the job as an registered nurse at Garden City Hospital, Traci Whiteman, 24, knows she made the right career choice.

"People look up to you and patients love you," she said. "People have a lot of respect for nurses, and even if I have a terrible day, I still go home feeling like I made a difference."

Whiteman graduated from Henry Ford Community College with an associate degree in nursing last year, and had no trouble landing her firstchoice job.

"I could have pretty much gone anywhere I wanted," she said.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the nation will be short about 800,000 registered nurses by 2020. In Michigan alone, an estimated 22 percent shortfall will leave more than 18,000 positions vacant.

As a result of such dire predictions, area hospitals are doing everything possible to entice young people into nursing.

"We've been going into grade schools to provide counselors with information about health care fields

PROJECTED NURSING SHORTAGES

Supply and Demand Shortages of Registered Nurses in the State of Michigan 2000 - 2020

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2010	68,797	74,285	-5,488	-7%
2015	67,186	78,433	-11,247	-14%
2020	64,426	82,729	-18.303	-22.1%

so they can hopefully inspire students to someday enter the field," said Barbara Kalpa, employee welfare and recruitment representative at Garden City Hospital. "They think their best and brightest, the students who excel in math and science, will have to take jobs in computer engineering, but those are the students we're looking

for, too." According to a survey released in February 2002 by the Bureau of Health Professions, Registered Nurses under the age of 30 accounted for only 9.1 percent of the nursing population in 2000, down from 25.1 percent in 1980.

"The average age for nurses today is 45," said Kalpa. "With baby boomers retiring soon, we're afraid there won't be enough people to care for us when we need care."

INCENTIVES

Most employers are more than happy to offer financial incentives to those who do decide on a career in

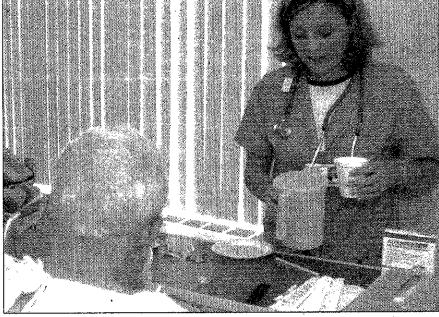
nursing. Tuition reimbursement and loan forgiveness usually come standard with a job offer. In many cases, the student ends up paying nothing for his or her education.

Additionally, many hospitals also provide services like flexible scheduling, day care, laundry service, onsite vehicle maintenance and other perks for employees.

"We're always looking at what would make us a preferred employer," said Marge Hasler, director of nursing at Botsford Hospital in Farmington. "We want to make this an attractive place to work."

But stiff competition among hospitals and other organizations allows qualified nurses to pick from a variety of settings in which to work. "When we get an RN walking

through the door we try to line up a job interview the same day," said Ken Antczak, director of human resources at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. "If everything goes well, we'll make a job offer the same day.' With all the perks of a career in nursing, drawba



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Registered nurse Traci Whiteman gives a patient his meds at Garden City Hospital.

Many nurses complain about the mountain of paperwork that must be completed for every patient.

"If you went to school to become a nurse, you did it because you wanted to take care of people," said Gloria Bruhowzki, RN, administrator and president of United Home Health Care Services Inc. in Canton Township. "But as a nurse you spend a good half of your time documenting the care you give."

Burnout is another leading factor of job dissatisfaction, and Therese Jamison, an assistant professor in the College of Nursing and Health at Madonna University in Livonia, warns students they can expect to hard.

"The burnout is high because you work like a dog," she said, "but some days I'd have done it for free, I have so much fun."

Nurses don't have to work for free, but most think they should be paid more.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the median annual earnings of registered nurses were \$44,840 in 2000, with the middle 50. percent earning between \$37,870 and . \$54,000.

"If you're going into a career and you want to be rich, maybe nursing isn't for you," said Mitch Nimmoor, vice president of human resources at Garden City Hospital. "But if you want, fulfillment, maybe it is."

Culinary careers gain in popularity

BY KIM KOVELLE STAFF WRITER

On an early June afternoon, Certified Executive Chef Kevin Enright stood at the front of a culinary classroom at Oakland Community College.

He was addressing 15 applicants for the OCC Culinary Studies Institute's acclaimed American Culinary Federation/Michigan Chefs de Cuisine apprenticeship program.



Neal Justice, 21 of Rockwood inter-

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Livonia. "You can't rely just on the newspaper, just on the Internet. People have to start looking non-traditionally."

With 25 computers, onsite caseworkers and certified employment interview professionals, job fairs, workshops and the Michigan Talent Bank an online system that allows job seekers to post and update resumes and employers to peruse them - Michigan Works! helps.

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Case worker Robert Rushing works at career coaching and conference room, he wrote on a dry erase board: R-->I-->JO. or Research leads to Interview leads to Job Offer.

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"There's a lot of room for

"Most of our positions that are

contract, they become perma-

time. They make good money."

College career placement

offices can also help students

ment search, including assis-

tance in resume preparation

so many resumes, they're

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them," said John Titus, director

The office advises students

to tailor resumes to the specific

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Kiyana Moy, an HR assistant

"If you want to go to work in . a doctor's office, let's talk about things you've done related to that, whether it's school-related, work-related, or volunteerrelated," said Judith Kaufman, career counselor at Schoolcraft College career planning and placement center. "We want it as targeted as possible so they can't not call you.'

Students can also get advice about what to do — or not do — during an interview.

"You should never enter an interview without knowing about the company," said Kaufman, who advises students to research employer history, products and services, job requirements and salaries so they can go into the interview confident, informed and ready to ask questions.

JOBS

It's not as restrictive to get in as it is to stay in," said Enright, who has coordinated the program for all of his 19 years at OCC. "It takes a commitment to stay. This is not a recreational program."

Each of those seated brought along, at the very least, a certified check for \$110, high school diploma, documented experience and references, resume and a 150-word essay titled Why I Desire a Career in Culinary Arts.

Those who pass an interview commit to three years of extensive, 40-hour-per-week training at approved restaurants (for 6,000 total hours), as well as several classes.

Chefs will evaluate you on the job four times per year," Enright said. "People who have completed (the program) are excellent material for sous chef, executive chef. You'll all be a little bit different when you come out."

In an era where star chefs such as Emeril Lagasse and Bobby Flay reign on cable food station airwaves, the culinary arts have found more visibility and prestige as a career.

OPENING UP

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, more than 2.8 million held jobs as chefs, cooks and food preparation workers in 2000. Until 2010, these numbers are expected to increase at an average rate of 10 to 20 percent each year.

The composition of the job largely has changed.

"It was kind of almost like a burnout profession in the past," said John McCormack, a corporate chef who spent a decade as the Detroit Athletic Club's executive chef, often putting in 80hour weeks. "You're seeing a real change in that respect. Employers are becoming more and more cognizant. It's opening up all the time.

"I think the American public in general is becoming more sophisticated and as a result they're expecting higher levels of cuisine than in the past," he added.

Qualified chefs now run the food programs of colleges, hospi-

views for the cunnary program at Oakland Community College Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills.

tals, automotive executive dining rooms and even a string of area nursing homes. Even McDonald's hired an executive chef.

Along with expanded opportunities has come a higher demand for schooling and training.

NOT A 40-HOUR WEEK

One of the OCC applicants, Neil Rockwood, 21, an English major, has cooked at the Huron River Inn in Rockwood and the Famous Fish Co. in Peachtree, Ga., where 120-hour weeks were nothing odd.

"Everybody in this business knows it's not a 40-hour week," Rockwood said. "You don't make the same money that you would, in say, an engineering job."

But he added that his current post at the Inn was not difficult to land: "They were actually dying for help."

Salary varies by location, but the National Restaurant Association's most recent compensation report notes that chefs can make a median base salary of \$35,000.

"Now we're seeing much more professionalism because of the culinary programs," said Doug Gahns, chef instructor and the AFC's Michigan Chef of the Year. "Chefs are making great money, increased benefits, good vacation time."

The field is attracting many in the 21-25 age bracket, according to McCormack, as well as career changers.

"I've pretty much cooked for my family all my life," said accountant Stacey Elliott, 31, from Westland. "Right now everything is just brand-new. You have to work your way up."

Of the 22 applicants for OCC's program, all were admitted. They will begin their work Sept. 8.

"All of them checked out," Enright said. "We look to have professionals in the food business. You have to treat it with respect."

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"We're just trying to work with developing confidence," Rushing said. "My (goal) is to get you employed with what you have right now."

Emerald Fuller, business service coordinator who works with those in the adjoining Welfare Reform Program, said, "I tell them, 'I am your employer until you find employment.' It gives them practice."

Another avenue is placement agencies that focus on staffing services, from administrative, clerical and industrial work to



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Case Manager Robert Rushing speaks to students about how to improve their resumes.

About this series ...



This two-part series on unemployment and job prospects was produced by the Observer Newspapers' summer college interns. Reporter Laura Colvin of Redford will graduate from

with a degree in journalism and public relations. Reporter Kim Kovelle of Livonia will graduate from the University of Michigan-Dearborn in spring 2004 with a

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degree in journalism. Photographer Liz Orozco of Livonia will graduate from Central Michigan University in spring 2005 with a degree in journalism. They began their internship in May.

Source: Michigan Labor Market Information

Police Patrol Officers

engineering, technical and management.

Kelly Services, a placement company with a branch in Farmington Hills that focuses on human resource solutions, has seen "across-the-board" employment pick up in July.

"During the past two years, many companies out there have downsized their HR and recruiting. Now it's really kind of 'hurry-up' time for them," said Steve Armstrong, local regional vice president for the Detroit area.

General receptionist and customer service numbers have grown, with many college students working summer hours. Health care, financial services and education, particularly substitute teaching, have also seen increases.

"We're all cautiously optimistic. We've been fooled before," Armstrong said. "It's still a bit more slanted on the employer side; however, we're seeing the balance shift."

FREE AGENT

ment at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. "They'll just throw Working as a "free agent" allows individuals a unique your resume aside if it's not presentable, if it doesn't have chance to evaluate the environment, culture and norms of the information that reaches different companies they might out and grabs you." like to join. **TAILOR RESUMES**

Manpower, Inc., a staffing agency with about 2,000 placed throughout the area, has seen growing demand through the past year for mortgage, banking, finance and specialty engineering work.

(We're) definitely seeing more positive signs in the

A brief note of appreciation Source: Michigan Labor Market Information sent after the interview can also increase the chances of a calleconomy and the hiring activiback, say most career placement professionals. ty than we have seen in the "Ideally, you should send a past couple of years," said Pam Berklich, vice president of the company's Resource

letter thanking them for the interview," said Ingrid Kroeger, assistant director of career services at Madonna University in Livonia. "Most people don't, and that's how you stick out."

Many students also opt for co-op or internship positions in 🐇 their chosen field; those are posted in the career placement offices.

"That's one of the best ways to get in the door, or at least have that experience related to the field on their resume," Kroeger said. "A lot of employers like seeing that word 'co-op' or 'intern' because it does show that extra effort."

Internships and co-ops are a 🕺 graduation requirement in some academic majors, an option in others. But most agree the experience and network opportunities are valuable.

Some college students, such as 20-year-old Mark Kowas who attends Michigan State, have applied these tactics early.

"I really didn't waste any time," said Kowas, who began searching for summer employment in early May. Through networking, he ended up finding part-time jobs at a golf course and warehouse.

"You have to kind of follow up on an application, call them," he said. "I think it's just getting out early, knowing the right people."

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worked at other temp agencies.

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visibility in the skating world. "Igor and Marina are probably among the best in the world," he said,

"not just in the United States." Shpilband and his wife, Veronica, who grew up in Moscow, came to New York in 1990 with the Torvill and Dean Ice Show. The Shpilbands, along with two other skaters and their manager, defected and a few weeks later Shpilband began teaching at the Detroit Skating Club.

Three years ago, he and Veronica became U.S. citizens.

Shpilband, who was U.S. Olympic Coach of the Year in 1998, has been working with Belbin and Agosto since that year, when they both came to Detroit to train for the summer at the DSC. That was a training year, but the two blossomed as partners and have been together ever since, under Shpilband's tutelage.

Ben and Tanith are the highestranking U.S. team," Shpilband said recently from his new Arctic Edge location. "They are probably the most promising team in the world.

And they've got a busy schedule ahead of them.

"In a couple of months, there's

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Meryl Davis and Charlie White, junior dance competitors, skate during an exhibition at Arctic

Skate America," Shpilband said. "Then two other Grand Prix events, one in Paris and one in Moscow. They'll be in the U.S. Nationals. World Championships, the Tour of Champions. There are a lot of things scheduled."

Shpilband said he decided to move to the Arctic Edge after the DSC did not extend his partner's contract.

"Since she (Zoueva) is not allowed to teach there, I thought it would be better for the children to come here," he said.



Tanith Belbin and Benjamin Agosto are internationally known skaters.

He said he and Zoueva settled on the Arctic Edge because "it's a nice facility."

"People have been willing to work with me and find a solution to suit everyone," he said. "It's a great facility. A lot of great coaches work here. I



Matthew Ko listens to a post performance critique from Karen Wolenchak, one of two judges reviewing the performances.

hope bringing skaters like this will draw more interest for the local area."

Clark said he is working to develop a figure skating program for the Arctic arenas generally. In addition to the Canton facility, there's the Arctic Pond in Plymouth Township and the Arctic Coliseum in Chelsea. "We're trying to develop a competi-

tive program in this environment," he said.

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a place where we can buy pop and coffee?'" she said. Tabor said because of the

design of the library, there is room to locate a small café just inside the main doors in what is now the lobby area. A second set of doors leading from the lobby to the library itself can remain closed, allowing the café to be open before or after library operating hours. "Holland (Michigan) has a

fax machine in their café," Tabor said. "People from City Hall can fax orders over and pick them up."

Due to the Canton library's proximity to the township Administration Building, Gillig said the board is considering a fax machine for the Canton café.

Tabor said the small café,

Library Director Jean Tabor said because of the design of the library, there is room to locate a small café just inside the main doors in what is now the lobby area.

Ice.

which would be about 500 square feet and might seat up to 15, would probably feature items such as flavored coffees, prepared sandwiches, bagels, muffins.

She said the library would probably contract with Chef Paul Papperilli of Summit on the Park to operate the café, which would have much the same menu as the Summit

café. Tabor said the café project

would be tied in with a couple of smaller projects - dealing with two storage areas - and that all the projects would be bid out at the same time.

She said the exact cost won't be known until the architect's plans are complet-

"But we're hoping for maybe a quarter million dol-lars for all the projects," she said.

"The library board has set aside money for improvements. We have the money in the fund balance. We're just waiting to see what the project cost would be."

Tabor said she's still looking for a name for the proposed eatery.

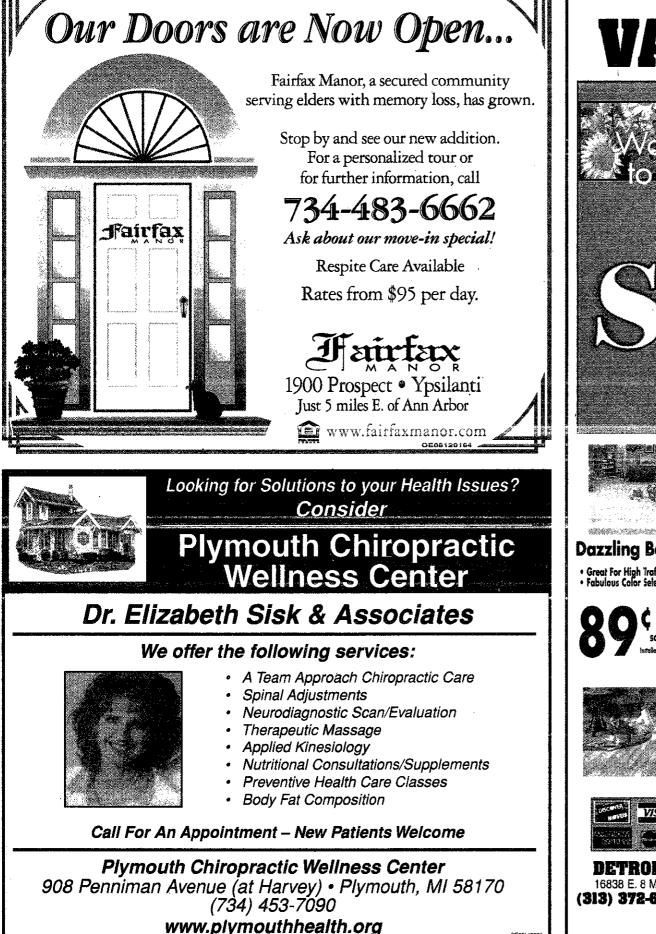
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"We may decide to have a contest," she said.

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💹 Chiefs 3rd

Canton's boys cross country

team competed at the Troy

Athens Red Hawk Invitational Thursday, and the Chiefs' per-

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if not quite exceptional. They

finished third overall in a race

won by Athens with 17 points.

and Canton was third with 82.

The Red Hawks' Chris Hammer was the overall individual

It seems Jeff Roth can do

The Plymouth Salem HS

graduate, winner of the

Michigan PGA earlier this

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home course, Knollwood

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💹 Another win

Berkley was second with 53

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<u>Winning start</u>

Canton girls open season with a win. **B3**

Long passes lift Canton over Pioneer

BY C.J. RISAK Staff Writer

Other than the opponents being the same, this seasonopener was nothing like last year's season-opener.

A year ago Canton began its football season at Ann Arbor Pioneer, and after giving up the ball six times on turnovers the Chiefs managed to obtain a 10point victory.

On Thursday at Canton, in the first game played on the new synthetic field, it just wasn't the same kind of game. The Chiefs did not dominate offensively they gained just 10 more yards than the Pioneers — and they couldn't run the ball with ease, slicing through the opposition with no trouble.

But they did almost everything else right. They had no turnovers. They had no penalties. And they did manage to carry over one important factor from 2002 — they won, 28-14.

Pioneer struck first, scoring on a 69-yard pass play from junior quarterback Mike McCoy to senior wideout Allen Kennedy on their third play from scrimmage. But Canton fought back to take a 13-7 lead into halftime, and what turned the tide for the Chiefs wasn't their ground game, but their passing attack.

True, they only threw four passes in the entire game (by the way, Pioneer threw 40). But they completed all four, two going for touchdowns, for a total of 197 yards. And the player on the receiving end of all four passes was Devin Thomas. Canton coach Tim Baechler

had started the game with 29 runs in the first 30 plays. The game was tied at 7-all — fullback Chuck Schumacher plowed in from 2 yards out to cap a 10play, 56-yard drive with 7:00 left in the second quarter to knot it — when he started asking himself why he was sticking with his full-T alignment.

"I asked myself, 'Why am I being so stubborn?" he recalled. "Their corner(back) was still playing right up on (Thomas)."

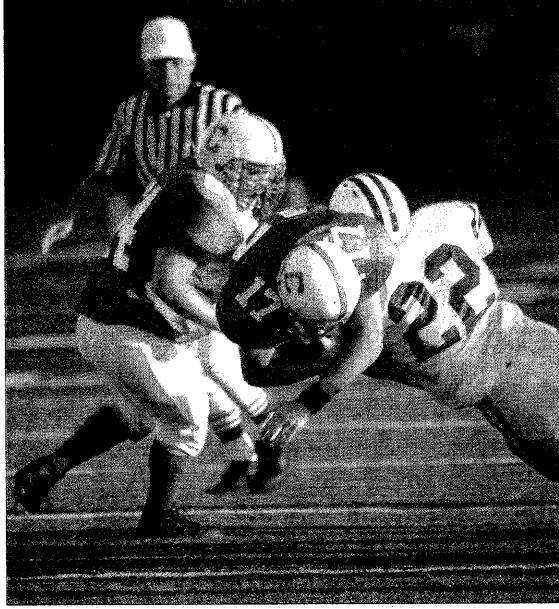
So, on Canton's next possession, facing a third-down-and-11 at its own 8, quarterback Shawn Little dropped back and lofted a pass down the left sideline to Thomas, who was well behind the defensive back. In fact, Thomas slowed down to catch the ball, cut back inside and outran the rest of the Pioneer defense to finish the 91-yard play. The extra-point kick was missed, leaving the score at 13-7.

The Pioneers, led by the McCoy-to-Kennedy combination, did manage to regain the lead on their first possession of the second half. McCoy finished an eight-play drive with a 7-yard TD toss to Kennedy; Jon Sebolt's extra-point kick made it 14-13.

McCoy would throw 40 passes in the game, completing 19, for 286 yards and two TDs. But he would also throw three interceptions, one made by Bryan Sieferd at the end of the first half and two others by Eric O'Shaughnessy to stop secondhalf drives.

Pioneer's second-half lead

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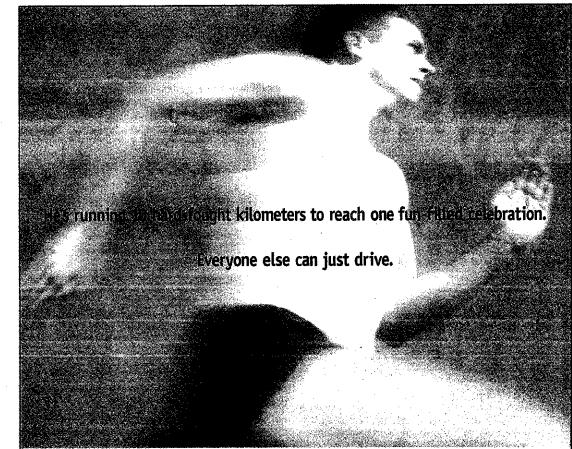
Canton quarterback Shawn Little (17) is brought down by Pioneer's Ben Porath (22) after going airborne in search of extra yardage.

An unstoppable threat Salem guarterback leads win against Pinckney

Any questions concerning Chris Drabicki's potential as a first-rate quarterback for Salem were answered on his first offensive play from scrimmage Thursday at

FOOTBALL

What Drabicki did was take control. Chip Fisher scored on a 1-yard run with 5:05 left in ball over on downs, Drabicki optioned left again and went 75 yards for a touchdown. The kick failed, leaving it at 34-0. Cam Schambre's 2-yard run with :23 to play capped the



Pinckney.

On an option play to the left, Drabicki opted to keep the ball and raced 49 yards for a touchdown. Alex Enright booted the extra point, and just 2:19 into the season Salem was ahead 7-0.

It would just continue to get better for the Rocks and worse for the Pirates, finally ending with a bit of history as Salem stormed to a 41-0 triumph in its season-opener.

"He had a very nice game," said Salem coach Bob Cummings. "He ran the option well and made some nice decisions early on."

Thursday night's girls basketball opener

between West Bloomfield and Plymouth

Salem started drearily, with both squads

There were plenty of missed shots and

But the Lakers and host Rocks turned it around with a playoffs-worthy second half, which went down to the final second before Samantha Mahoney sank two free throws with

Those free throws secured a victory for head coach Anne Rexford, who won her first game as West Bloomfield head coach. Rexford, formerly the coach at University of Detroit-Mercy, recently succeeded Pam Mahoney at

"I told my staff and my players that this was

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going to be a tough place to play because

job," said Rexford, shortly after the final

(Salem coach Fred) Thomann does a great

stumbling to get in sync.

turnovers during the first half.

Bloomfield a 48-46 victory.

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BY TIM SMITH

STAFF WRITER

the first quarter and, with Enright's placement, the Rocks' lead was 14-0.

That's when Drabicki took complete command. The senior signal-caller threw a 35yard touchdown pass to Brian Bradley to make it 21-0 with 3:04 to play in the second quarter, then found Kevin Bradley with a 34-yard scoring toss with :36 to go in the half to increase Salem's lead to 28-0 at the intermission.

In the third quarter, Drabicki again stepped up. With 5:05 left, on the first play of the Rocks' drive after forcing Pinckney to turn the

Late free throws lead to Salem's downfall

scoring.

Drabicki finished with 183 yards rushing and two touchdowns on seven carries, and he completed 4-of-6 passes for 110 yards and two more TDs. Jeff Lake was the next best ground-gainer for the Rocks, gaining 71 yards on 12 attempts, and Brian Bradley and Kevin Bradley each caught two passes, Brian for 60 yards and Kevin for 50.

"It was tremendous," said Cummings. "The kids played very well. We still had some first-game mistakes, a few

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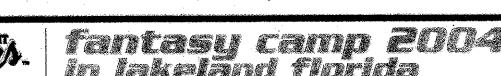


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Salem's Ellen Canale (15) drives against West Bloomfield

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FREE THROWS

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buzzer. "They've been together, this group, for a long time, and I knew they'd be ready for us and they were."

The winning free throws by Mahoney were set up when three Rocks surrounded the senior guard-forward, who was fouled as she fell backward - still managing to get a shot directed toward the basket.

Mahoney's free throws gave her a game-leading 19 points, to go along with seven rebounds and three steals.

"I felt a little nervous," Mahoney said. "But the game was tied and so the worst thing was, we'd be going into overtime.

As could be expected after such a hard-fought contest, both coaches did not have the same view about whether Mahoney actually should have had the chance to go to the free-throw line and decide the game.

"She's supposed to get that call," Rexford said. "When three people jump on her at the end of the game, she should be going to the freethrow line.

LOOKING FOR OT

Her Salem coaching counterpart wasn't so sure.

"It was unfortunate that they go to the free-throw line with 0.8 seconds to go in the game," Thomann said. "But

what are you going to do? ... That game should have gone into overtime.'

Those free throws capped a frantic fourth quarter, which began tied 35-35.

Salem held a 44-41 lead with 3:10 to play, after center Kathy Hammerschmidt collected an offensive rebound and threw the ball into the basket

Following a free throw by West Bloomfield junior Nicole Clark (12 points, 8 rebounds) that sliced the lead to 44-42, Mahoney stole the ball and made two free throws to deadlock the score with 2:22 remaining.

Freshman forward Teresa Coppiellie (16 points) regained the lead for the Rocks, and Hammerschmidt rebounded a West Bloomfield miss with about two minutes left. The Rocks then did a good job of playing keep-away in an attempt to eat up the clock, but then a Salem player was called for traveling.

On the ensuing possession for the Lakers, Mahoney again tied the score, at 46-46, with a spinning bank shot in the final minute. Senior Jessica Howard made her third key steal of the ballgame with :21.9 seconds remaining, and the Rocks never had another offensive opportunity.

Even though the Rocks fell short, Thomann had nothing but praise for how his players battled against a team he said likely is ranked in the state's top five squads as the 2003

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season opens. **GOOD SHOWING**

*Even though we turned the ball over a couple times late in the game, I thought we really rallied around it and played the other end pretty doggone well," said Thomann, whose 2002 squad finished 13-9 including a state district semifinal loss to Novi. "We defended much better in the second half, we rebounded much better in the second half, we held (them).

We put them in a position where they had to make some shots to win the game, and I was extremely proud of the way we played.

Dominant defensively at both ends of the floor was Hammerschmidt, who scored nine points and grabbed 10

rebounds. "In the second half, I thought she really stepped up and played well," said Thomann about Hammerschmidt. "That's probably as well as she's played in her three-year varsity career."

Other Salem players to have good openers included Coppiellie, who Thomann said made some "great shots," and guard Ellen Canale (15 points). Both Hammerschmidt and Coppiellie had good on-floor chemistry, making several crisp passing plays to each other.

"They (the Lakers) brought a lot of quickness to the table,"

Thomann continued. "They're a veteran team with a great lead player (Mahoney). We stepped on and we really played them tough."

"When you're in that kind of game with that kind of team, somebody's got to lose it and we were unfortunately the ones that lost it. But we've established ourselves now as a team that can play with a toptier team. They're probably one of the top five teams in the state, if not one of the top three. And I just thought that our kids really did a great job of defending them. We made plays and we made shots that kept us competitive in this game."

The first half saw some tentative play, with Salem holding a 9-7 lead after one frame and trailing 22-21 at the half after a triple by Canale with time running out.

'We just had to get a feel for the game (early on), with firstgame jitters, especially in the first half," West Bloomfield's Mahoney said. "Every time we tried to pull away they came back, too. We just had to stay with them and put it away at the end."

West Bloomfield is idle until 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, when the Lakers host top ranked Saginaw Arthur Hill. Plymouth Salem is back in action at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, against Northville in part of a tournament hosted by Novi High School.

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Applicants sought for coaching jobs

There are several positions for coaches for the 2003-04 seasons currently available at Plymouth HS.

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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.

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Salem's Kathy Hammerschmidt tries a shot over West Bloomfield's Randall Hurst during Thursday's season-opener for both teams.

It's back to school time

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LOCAL SPORTS

face tougher road

BY C.J. RISAK STAFF WRITER

It's their own fault. Plymouth HS has set its standard in girls basketball. Matching it will border on impossible.

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The Wildcats had a first season that was a dribble or two past improbable. Fielding a freshmen-only squad, they played all freshmen teams and did quite well. In fact, they posted a 20-0 regularseason record before entering the Class D state tournament, losing in the first round.

Winning 20 games in the first season of existence was amazing. And don't expect Plymouth to match it.

The Wildcats will be a solid team once again, under the coaching of Richelle Reilly. But with a beefed-up schedule that includes nine games against varsity teams and a Catholic League A-West junior varsity schedule, wins won't come easily.

"I'm excited about it," said Reilly of the upgraded lineup of opponents. "The competition it provides us will give us incentive to keep working hard, and work hard year in and year out.

"We had a very talented class of freshmen, but we're not resting on our laurels." It seems they won't have

that opportunity.

Kim Olech, a 6-foot post player who was one of the Wildcats' leading scorers and rebounders last season, suffered a knee injury in the second day of pre-season practice.

The extent of the injury wasn't determined, but there is a chance she could be lost for the season.

That leaves Plymouth with "only" Jeanine Moise, another 6-foot sophomore, in the post. Moise and Olech averaged about 15 points a game last season.

"I feel lucky to have a go-to player to go to at all," said Reilly, speaking of Moise. "And we had two. I still feel fortunate to have one.

We can't feel sorry for ourselves. We have to step up and play. It's obviously a signifi-

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ture. Nearly everyone from last season returns, including sophomore guards Janet Hanchett (who stands 5-8), Colleen Flaherty (5-9) and Courtney Mack. Another player who figures to make an impact is freshman Val Klemmer, a 5-5 point guard.

"Can you really take someone's spot like (Olech's)?" Reilly asked rhetorically. "Those are big shoes to fill. The guards are going to have to step up and score.'

A year ago, the Wildcats had both Olech and Moise in the post. It'll be different this season, and the competition will be tougher, too.

Among the nine varsity opponents Plymouth will face are Plymouth Christian Academy, Ann Arbor Huron, Ann Arbor Green Hills (twice), Dearborn Heights Robichaud (twice), Livonia Franklin and Henry Ford Academy (twice).

Plymouth athletic director Terry Sawchuk also worked out a plan with the Catholic League to have the Wildcats play the junior varsity games assigned to Redford Bishop Borgess, which has no JV program. While that will help fill the schedule — a JV-only team can have a very difficult time filling its calendar - it does mean Plymouth will have just five home games.

The home games it plays for the Borgess JV will be at Borgess.

Still, Reilly's overall optimism cannot be deflated. "It's going to make our program stronger for the future," she said.

She's very likely right.

Plymouth 47, Henry Ford Academy 17: Plymouth began the varsity portion of its schedule in rousing fashion, building a 29-10 lead by halftime in Wednesday's seasonopener at Dearborn Henry Ford Academy.

The Wildcat offense lost a bit of its zip in the third quarter, scoring just eight points. But their defense certainly didn't; they limited Henry Ford to just one third-quarter point. Jeanine Moise did most of the offensive damage for Plymouth, collecting 21 points and grabbing 11 rebounds. Carolyn McCloud was high scorer for the Navigators with five points.

Talented 'Cats will Strong 4th quarter lifts Canton

When Novi extended its lead to five points midway through the fourth quarter, that must've pushed Canton close to desperation. And why not? There were just four minutes left to play and only one of the teams had cleared 30 points.

Which made making up a five-point deficit seem like an uphill struggle. But the veterans on the Chiefs' roster had something to say about that.

First they forced a Novi turnover, which senior point guard Rachelle Guastella followed up with a three-point basket, trimming the lead to two. A defensive stop by the Chiefs gave them possession again, and a basket tied it at 31-all.

And that's the way it stayed until the final 30 seconds, when Katie Cezat - Canton's returning all-conference player - drove the baseline and was fouled. The Chiefs had thus far done poorly at the line, converting just 6-of-22, but Cezat altered that by making both to give Canton a 33-31 lead.

And that was too big for the Wildcats to overcome. Canton is 1-0; Novi is 0-1.

"We hung in there," said

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Canton coach Bob Blohm. "I felt good about it because I though Novi was a good team. "And a good win against a

good team is a good thing." In this seesaw battle, the Chiefs trailed 4-3 after one quarter and led at halftime 16-10. By the end of the third quarter, the Wildcats had trimmed that deficit to 24-23.

We handled the ball consistently," said Blohm. "That was a good sign. And we rebounded better after the first quarter.'

Cezat led the Chiefs with 13 points and 11 rebounds. Guastella collected 12 points, five steals and four assists. Novi was led by Allison Greulich with 11 points.

Defense was a pivotal factor in Canton's win. The Chiefs limited Novi to two baskets in the first half. "Our defense as a team was

really solid," noted Blohm. Franklin 34, Plymouth 31: The Wildcats had three threepoint shots in the final seconds

but couldn't connect on the

tying basket in a non-league game against the Livonia Franklin varsity squad Friday at Plymouth. The result left both teams with 1-1 records.

"We played hard," said Richelle Reilly, the Plymouth coach. "It was good for us, a good learning experience for us. I was very pleased with the effort.

"(Franklin) did a good job taking Jeanine Moise out of the game. Franklin hung in there. I think their experience paid off in the end."

The Patriots led 12-5 after one quarter, but Plymouth stormed back behind Moise with a 12-4 second quarter to take a 17-16 lead into halftime. Franklin outscored the Wildcats 10-6 in the third period to take a 26-23 lead, and two long jumpers by Ashley Bonsall in the fourth quarter helped the Patriots maintain their advantage.

Carly Muncy led Franklin with nine points. Bonsall had eight.

Moise finished with 16 points and 12 rebounds, with 12 of her points coming in the first half.

Agape 52, Whitmore Lake 🖧 45: A 19-8 fourth-quarter run by Canton Agape Christian allowed the Wolverines to overcome a four-point Whitmore Lake lead and pull . away to a seven-point win Thursday at Whitmore Lake.

The host Trojans led 21-20 at halftime, and after three quarters their lead had grown to 37-33. It didn't last, however; Agape outscored Whitmore Lake 19-8 in the final quarter.

Tarah Armbrester paced the Wolverines with 17 points. Emily Tong added 10 points and seven rebounds, with A.J. Kreps contributing seven points and 10 boards.

Canton Agape is 1-1 for the season.

Ladywood 71, Woodhaven **32:** Three players scored in double figures Thursday as Livonia Ladywood (1-0) 7.9 cruised to a season-opening 1 non-league victory over the . j host Warriors.

 $\sim_{\mathcal{S}}$ Jamie Rhodes led the way with 14 points, while Stephanie Day and Bethany Jury added 13 and 12, respectively. Alexis Mathers scored 10 for 🛵

Woodhaven.

Chiefs settle for a draw with Pioneers

BY C.J. RISAK STAFF WRITER

Too long.

In Canton soccer team's last two matches, it took too long for the Chiefs to get going. And against ranked teams like Novi and Ann Arbor Pioneer, that can be a costly failure.

The 2-1 loss at Novi should have provided enough of a lesson. But on Thursday against Pioneer, a team they beat 2-1 in the Balconi Tournament five days earlier, Canton allowed the Pioneers to dominate the first half.

The result: Pioneer's Mike Cole takes a cross on the right side of the Canton net and bounces a shot that gets behind keeper Steve Mischung and just inside the left post, giving the Pioneers a 1-0 lead with 14:07 left in the first half.

The second half is different. Canton dominates the play, getting several chances, but all the Chiefs can manage is a penalty kick goal by Brad Marsh midway through the second half and a 1-1 draw. Canton, which has played five games in six days, is 2-1-2 overall. "We played excellent again in the second half, we just didn't get any results," said Canton

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coach George Tomasso, noting several big saves and a shot that went off the inside of the post. "I think our progress is tremendous. The way they've responded, I don't have many problems to fix."

Four of the Chiefs' five matches have been against ranked opponents, so having just one loss (another came in an overtime shootout) isn't too shabby.

And they won't get any breaks in the schedule, either; on Wednesday, Canton resumes its season with a home game against secondranked Warren DeLaSalle.

Salem 2, Troy 2: The Rocks are still searching for their first win of the season. After forfeiting what officially was two wins and a draw at the Balconi Tournament for using a player who wasn't yet eligible, Salem played Warren DeLaSalle to a scoreless tie on Monday, then wasted a twogoal lead against Troy on Wednesday at Salem.

The Rocks are 0-3-2 for the season.

Salem got first-half goals from Steve Gizicki (Ross Heidenreich assisted) and Chris Conlisk (from Eric Vanston) to take a 2-0 halftime lead. But the Rocks couldn't hold it; the Colts got goals in the second half from Steve Givens and Colin Givens to forge a tie.

Tom Huls was in goal for Salem.

Plymouth 3, Carleton Airport 2: The Wildcats

opened their season at Carleton Airport, spotting the

Jets a 2-0 lead in the first 15 minutes.

"They were tough, they came at us hard," said Plymouth coach Jeff Neschich. "They put a lot of pressure on us and went hard to the ball.

"But the kids responded well."

That they did. Jeff Lucco scored an unassisted goal with three minutes left in the first half to make it 2-1 at the break, then Lucco tied it with a goal eight minutes into the second half. Ben Arbitter assisted.

With 15 minutes left, Kevin Swaritowski took a pass from Andrew Koet and scored what proved to be the game-winner for Plymouth.

The loss left Airport at 1-1. Nick Siekirk and Robert Lovelace divided time in goal for the Wildcats.

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cant loss for us, but we'll be a better program next year because of it."

Moise, who totaled 21 points and 11 rebounds in Plymouth's season-opening win over Dearborn Henry Ford Academy, isn't the only weapon the Wildcats will fea-



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For more information, contact Plymouth athletic director Terry Sawchuk at (734) 582-5700.

FESTIVAL RUN

The Plymouth Fall Festival is sponsoring a 5K run, hoping to add some fun and bring in some money to defray costs.

The run is set for Sunday, Sept. 7, with registration at 7:30 a.m. and the run at 8:45 a.m. The 5K walk will follow at 9 a.m. Awards and a raffle are set for 10 a.m. The run is divided into age divisions: 14-andunder, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60-and-over. The top two finishers in each age division, male and female, will receive awards. Also, the top overall male and female finishers will receive awards. Race-day registration is \$20

for adults, \$15 for kids 10-andunder. Food and refreshments

will be available for all participants.

PCJBA REGISTRATION

The Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association will conduct registration for third-through-eighth grade boys and girls from 6:30-8 p.m. on Aug. 28 and again on Sept. 8 at East Middle School. This will be first-come, firstserved based on school gym space available.

Registration fees are: 3-6 grades, \$110; 5-6 grades, \$120; and 7-8 grades, \$125. All students in the Plymouth-Canton school district and in Canton Township are eligible. All players will play in each game, but no player will play an entire game.

Tryouts will be conducted prior to team selection in order to equalize teams. Players will play approximately 10 games and a tournament, and can keep their jersey. Parents interested in coach-

ing should register on the same dates.

FALL SPORTS

High Velocity Sports in Canton will offer the following

activities this fall:

Adult indoor soccer: The league will run from Sept. 8 through Oct. 26, with a total of eight games. Cost is \$65 for individuals, \$600 for teams.

Soccer clinics: Instructional soccer clinics are running now through Oct. 24, for those three-years old to adult. There are eight classes for each group, beginning with Small Stars (3-4 year olds with parents), Kicks with Kids (4-5 year olds and 6-7 year olds), Goalkeeper Clinic (9-12 year olds), Finishing School (9-12 year olds), Beginning Booters (8-11 year olds) and a Women's/Men's Clinic for adults.

Check www.hvsports.com for dates and times, or call (734) HV-SPORT for more details.

Roller hockey: This league will run from Oct. 2 through Dec. 23, teams playing 10 games plus the playoffs. Cost is \$135 for individuals (plus a \$20 jersey fee) and \$1,200 for teams.

Lacrosse: The various leagues, which start at under-10 and run to adult, begins Sept. 2 and goes to Oct. 26. It includes seven games plus the playoffs.

Cost is \$95 for adults and \$850 for teams. For information on these or

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SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

Canton/Plymouth Thunderbird Softball Incorporated, a fastpitch softball organization, will have tryouts for four age divisions on Sept. 6 and Sept. 27 on Victory Field at the Canton Softball Center.

The times for the tryouts on both dates are: 14-and-under, 10 a.m.; 16-and-under, 11 a.m.; 12-and-under, noon; 10-andunder, 1 p.m.

For more information, contact the phone numbers listed for the age division: 16-under, (734) 737-9968; 14-under, (734) 844-2656; 12-under, (734) 397-1355; and 18-under and 10-under, (734) 981-7280.

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

The Canton Cardinals 13under travel baseball team will have tryouts from 3-6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6 at Heritage Park's Field No. 2.

For more information, call Chris Merandi at (734) 729-0489.

Tryouts for the Pirates' and Cardinals' 11-year-old teams will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday Sept. 6 and conclude at 4 p.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON. COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **ON THE ADOPTION OF A BROWNFIELD PLAN** FOR CH CANTON, LLC THEATER PROJECT PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACT 381 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF THE STATE **OF MICHIGAN OF 1996, AS AMENDED**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT a Public Hearing shall be held before the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, September 23, 2003 in the Summit on the Park Banquet Center located at 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton Township, Michigan 48188, on the adoption of a Brownfield Plan for The CH Canton, LLC Theater Project, within which the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority shall exercise its powers, all pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended. The description of the proposed Brownfield property is:

Land situated in the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, described as follows: The parcel of property having the address of 39535 Ford Road, southeast of the intersection of Ford Road and Lotz Road, immediately east of Home Depot and south of Gardner White Furniture.

A legal description of the property along with maps and a copy of the Brownfield Plan are available for public inspection at the Township Clerk's office, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Please note that all aspects of the Brownfield Plan are open for

discussion at the public hearing. Interested person(s) may also direct written comments concerning

this issue to the Township Clerk's Office, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, MI 48188-1699 prior to the time listed above.

Terry Bennett, Township Clerk ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities, requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following: David Medley, ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center, Canton, Michigan 48188 (734) 394-

Sunday Sept. 7. Interested players must report for tryouts on Saturday.

Players must have a birth date after July 31, 1992 and be a resident of either Canton or Plymouth.

The Pirates participate in the Little Caesars Amateur Baseball Federation and the Cardinals play in the Kensington Valley Baseball League. Both teams participate in a number of weekend tournaments and expect to play between 30 and 40 games during the season, which begins in early May, 2004.

Call Pirates' coach Bruce Price at (734) 635-7497 or Cardinals' coach Steve Olevnik at (734) 658-7157 for more information.

Tryouts for the Michigan Indians 11-and-under team will be at 11:30 a.m. Sept. 6 and 3 p.m. Sept. 7 at Massey Field, located at Plymouth and Haggerty roads. Those interested in trying out must not be 12 before Aug. 1, 2004.

For more information, call (313) 838-3658 or email at gomiindians@hotmail.com.

The Canton Mustangs U12 boys travel baseball team will have tryouts from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. this Saturday and Sunday at McClumpha Park.

Please call Jeff Gatt for more information at (248) 752-7376.

The Michigan Wolves travel baseball teams will have tryouts for its 11-and-under and 12-and-under in the weeks ahead. The 12-and-under tryouts will be 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7 at Bicentennial Park's Diamond No. 5 in Livonia. For more information, call Tim at

(734) 645-9033.

The 11-and-under tryouts will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14 at Bicentennial Park's Diamond No. 5 in Livonia. For more information, call Scott at. (734) 422-4576.

A just-forming 11-and-under travel baseball team will have tryouts for its 2004 team from 2-4:30 p.m. Sept. 6 at the Canton Softball Center. The team will play a 24-game schedule, competing in the Kensington Valley League.

For more information, call Alex Grabsky at (734) 323-6142.

Open tryouts for two 10and-under travel baseball teams will be conducted from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 7 at Fields 1 and 2 at McClumpha Park. Players must be 10 or younger by July 31, 2004 and must be Plymouth-Canton residents or live within the Plymouth-Canton school district. Players should bring their gloves, bats and water bottles to the tryout. For more information, call Glenn Potter at (734) 844-8981 or Jim Belisle at (734) 844-2117.

HOCKEY SIGN-UP

Hockey registration at Skateland West for those 5-17 years old is Sept. 7. Skateland West is located at 37550 Cherry Hill in Westland. Call (734) 326-2800 or email at www.skatelandwest.com.

Items for the Sports Roundup may be faxed to (734) 591-7279 or mailed to the Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150.

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Notice is hereby given that on 9/5/03 at 10 am at Mayflower Auto Transport, 1179 Starkweather, Plymouth, MI a public auction of the following:

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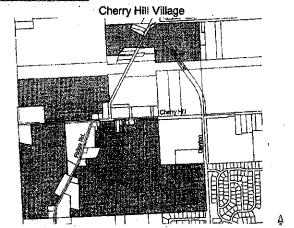
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

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, September 8, 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.

CHERRY HILL VILLAGE (PHASE 3 & 4) PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) AMENDMENT NO. 1 -CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO(S). 071 99 0002 001, 071 99 0002 002, 072 990005 003, 073 99 0002 000, 073 99 0005 002, 073 99 0009 000, 074 99 0001 000, 074 99 0002 000, 074 99 0008 709, AND 074 99 0010 705. Property is located south of Saltz and west of Beck Road. (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, September 5, 2003 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

SEE ATTACHED MAP



PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE LOTZ ROAD PAVING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS (MICHIGAN AVENUE, SOUTH APPROXIMATELY 1,660 LINEAL FEET) SPECIAL ASSESSMENT IMPROVEMENT 2003-2 BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD

RESOLUTION #4

TO THE OWNERS OF ALL LOTS AND PARCELS OF PROPERTY ABUTTING THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY - Lotz Road from Michigan Avenue, South approximately 1,660 lineal feet:

SIDWELL#

71-142-01-0078-000	71-141-99-0027-711
71-142-01-0076-000	71-141-99-0027-708
71-142-01-0073-000	71-141-99-0027-705
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WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Act 188 of the Public Acts of 1954, this Board has initiated proceedings relating to the Lotz Road Paving and Drainage Improvements as described in herein, and to accomplish this improvement and secure funds therefore by creating said premises into a special assessment district against which there shall be levied special assessments; and

WHEREAS, this Board having tentatively declared its intention to make such improvements and tentatively designated the above described premises as a special assessment district against which the cost of said improvement is to be assessed; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has caused to be prepared plans showing the public improvements, the location thereof, and an estimate of the cost thereof which have been filed with the Township Clerk, Canton Township, Michigan, for public examination.

Take further notice that the property owner's included in the special assessment district have the right to appeal the special assessment levy to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. In order to protest the levy an appearance by the property owner, by mail, or by an agent of the property owner must be made at the public hearing where the roll is confirmed.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board will meet on Tuesday, the 9th day of September, 2003, at 7 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time, at the Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway, Chestnut Room, Canton, Michigan, to hear objections to the public improvements, and to the special assessment district thereof.

ACT 188, PUBLIC ACTS OF MICHIGAN, 1954, AS AMENDED, PROVIDES THAT SAID PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS SHALL NOT BE MADE WITHOUT PETITION IF THE RECORD OWNERS OF LAND CONSTITUTING MORE THAN TWENTY PERCENT (20%) OF THE TOTAL LAND AREA IN THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FILE THEIR WRITTEN OBJECTIONS THERETO WITH THE TOWNSHIP BOARD AT OR BEFORE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON Tuesday, THE 9th DAY OF September, 2003.

Terry Bennett, Township Clerk

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PLANNING COMMISSION

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

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WILLOW CREEK RETAIL CENTER PLANNED DEVELOP-MENT DISTRICT (PDD) - (FINAL 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

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penalties, some things we have

to work on." The defense — led by senior middle linebacker Mike Kerul — was exceptional, according to Cummings, limiting the Pirates to 116 total yards: 70 rushing and 46 passing.

"It was overall good team defense," he said. "And Kerul, our middle linebacker, made the calls."

Oh yes, that bit of aforementioned history. After Schambre's touchdown in the waning seconds, the extrapoint kick was booted by Katie Welch. She becomes the first female to score a point for the Salem football team.

Plymouth 20, Lumen Christi 12: In what proved to

be a huge season-opener for the Plymouth HS junior varsity team, Anthony Green sacked the Jackson Lumen Christi quarterback on fourth-downand-goal at the Plymouth 8yard line to preserve the victory.

According to Wildcats' coach Jay Blaylock, the loss was the first for this Lumen Christi team since junior high school. "It was a great opportunity

for our program to make a statement against a JV program that hasn't lost in five years," said Blaylock. "(The Titans) had some awesome skill players. It was good to see our kids rise to the challenge." Lumen Christi scored first in the opening quarter, but the Wildcats marched right back and got a touchdown from Green on a 3-yard run. Quarterback Brent Jones increased Plymouth's lead with an 18-yard run, but the Titans narrowed the gap to a point at halftime with another TD of their own.

A 9-yard touchdown pass from Jones to Josh LeDuc in the third quarter gave Plymouth an eight-point advantage.

Jones left after the next series with a slight concussion. Jeff Harrison replaced him and, according to Blaylock, did a solid job.

"This was the type of game you expect to get when you get two good football teams together," Blaylock said.

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lasted three plays and 1:21. On a second-and-9 play from the Canton 39, Thomas ran a deep post pattern on the left side, snared the pass and ran in for the score. He also caught the two-point conversion pass, making it 21-14.

The Chiefs' defense took control from there, forcing a punt, a turnover on downs and three turnovers in the Pioneers' remaining possessions.

"Our defense stepped up in the third quarter," said Baechler, taking special note of linebackers Matt Paye and Jake Powers.

They weren't the only ones, however. When Little was knocked dizzy on a tackle with four minutes left in the third quarter, backup Dave Neu was called on to replace him. Little came back for one series but, after getting sacked for a 10yard loss, it quickly became apparent he wasn't 100 percent.

Neu was back at quarterback when the Chiefs got possession

following a Pioneer punt at their own 8. Six runs got them to the 20, where they faced third-and-12; Neu dropped back and found Thomas over the middle for 41 yards, Thomas fumbling the ball on the tackle but Canton's Ron Opdyke recovering.

Two plays later, Schumacher — who gained 110 yards on 18 attempts — took the ball on a trap play up the middle for 35 yards and a touchdown.

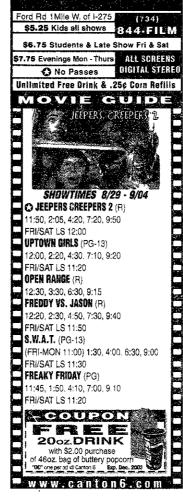
The extra-point was good, and Canton led 28-14 with 5:58 left.

Pioneer didn't threaten again, McCoy fumbling on a sack by Paye (the ball was recovered by P.J. Caram) and then O'Shaughnessy picking off two passes.

"You take away the big plays by Canton and it's a tie ballgame," said Pioneer coach Chuck White. "The thing that bothers me about Canton is, you make mistakes and it hurts.

"They make you pay." The Chiefs did just that, taking full advantage of four turnovers and three major penalties against the Pioneers.

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Dearborn at Canton, 7 p.m. Notre Dame Prep at Ladywood, 7 p.m. Luth. Westland at Bethesda, 7 p.m. Newport Lutheran South at St. Katharine, 7 p.m. Garden City at Lincoln Park, 7 p.m. Thurston at John Glenn, 7 p.m. Redford Union at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m. Wayne at Taylor Truman, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 Huron Valley at Westside Christian, 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6 Salem at Novi Tourney, 5:30 p.m. **BOYS SOCCER** Tuesday, Sept. 2 Redford CC at Toledo St. John, 6:30 p.m. A.A. Pioneer at Churchill, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3 Belleville at John Glenn, 4 p.m. W.L. Northern at Wayne, 4 p.m. Thurston at Woodhaven, 4 p.m. Plymouth at Hamtramck, 4:30 p.m. Immac. Concept. at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m. Pinckney at Redford CC (Greenmead), 6 p.m. DeLaSalle at Canton, 7 p.m. Redford Union at Franklin, 7 p.m. U-D Jesuit at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Edsel Ford at Garden City 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4 Clarenceville at Agape, 4:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, Sept. 3 Woodhaven at Garden City, 4 p.m. Robichaud at Thurston, 4 p.m. Annapolis at Redford Union, 4 p.m. Clarenceville at Wayne, 4 p.m. W.B. Jewish Academy at Glenn, 4 p.m.

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Saturday, Sept. 6 Salem Invitational, 9 a.m. Monroe invitational, 9 a.m. **BOYS GOLF** Wednesday, Sept. 3 Liv. Public Schools Inv. at Idyl Wyld, 3 p.m. Thurston at Annapolis, 3:30 p.m. Taylor Kennedy vs. Garden City (Westland Muni.), 3:30 p.m.

Belleville at Redford Union (Glenhurst), 3:30 p.m. Wayne vs. Romulus, 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4 CC vs. DeLaSalle (Cattails), 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 Wayne at Gab. Richard Inv., 8:30 a.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL Wednesday-Sunday, Sept. 3-7 Schoolcraft at Florida CC Tourney, TBA. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 5-6 Martin Invitational at Madonna, TBA.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER Monday, Sept. 1 Madonna vs. Indiana Weslevan at Livonia Greenmead, 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3 Kellogg CC at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 Madonna vs. Rio Grande (Ohio) at Tiffin (Ohio) University, TBA. Saturday, Sept. 6 Madonna at Tiffin (Onio), 1:30 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER Friday, Sept. 5 Madonna at Lindenwood (Mo.), TBA. Saturday, Sept. 6 S'craft at Jr. College Cup (Cincy), TBA. Madonna at Lindenwood (Mo.); TBA. Sunday, Sept. 7 S'craft at Jr. College Cup (Cincy), TBA.

COLLEGE CROSS COUNTRY Saturday, Sept. 6 U-D Mercy Inv. at Cass Benton, 10 a.m. TBA - time to be announced

Homework helps for goose season

uccessful early-season goose hunters take care of the business portion of their hunt during the dog-days of summer in August. This is the best time to hunt for likely hunting spots.

Southeastern Michigan's flock



in recent years. The state Natural Resource Commission, at

it's meeting ear-

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the dates for the

Insights Bill Parker

upcoming early season, which specifically targets that popula-

tion of resident Canada geese. The early season will be Sept. 1-10 in the North Zone and Sept. 1-15 in the Middle and South Zones. The late goose season in southern Michigan will run Jan. 3-Feb.1. The regular goose season for the Mississippi Valley Population (MVP) Unit, the northwest two-thirds of the state, will run Sept. 20-Nov. 6 and Dec. 13-19.

In the Southern James Bay Population (SJBP) Unit, the southeastern third of the state, the regular season will be held Sept. 20-Oct.12 and Dec. 13-19.

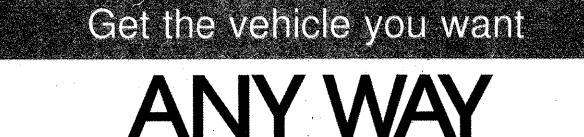
Check the 2003 Michigan Waterfowl Guide for the exact hunt, and that must be accomplished before the season starts.

Geese roost on open water and fly out to feed in nearby agricultural fields in the mornings and evenings. It's best to concentrate your efforts on hunting feeding birds rather than roosted birds since once you drive them from their roost they'll likely look for another spot for future roosting.

Now is the time to scout for those productive feeding fields. Drive the back roads near roosting areas early in the mornings and late in the evenings as these two periods are the optimum feeding times for Canada's. The birds won't feed in every field so scouting is paramount to success. You have to know which fields are productive or you could waste a lot of time.

Learn where the birds are feeding and try to get permission to hunt several of these feeding fields. Pay attention to the specific areas in which the birds are feeding in each field. Locating a good field, but setting up at the wrong end of it will lead to a frustrating hunt.

Gaining access to private land isn't as tough for goose hunters as it is for deer hunters since the number of goose hunters is much lower. Since the early goose season coincides with harvest time, consider offering to help bail hay or with other farm chores. Farmers are always in need of a little help with the chores at this time of year and such a gesture will go a long way in opening doors for future hunts as well. Bill Parker covers the outdoors for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Send information to: Bill Parker, c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.





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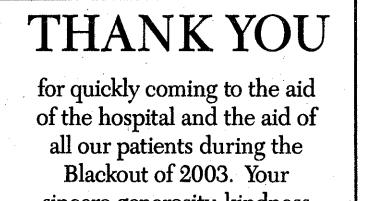


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Lynn Waldsmith Pawlik

When you gotta go ...

have to go potty." Having just returned from a week-long family vacation, I can tell you I've heard those words uttered more times than I care to remember. I hear them all the time, of course, but hearing them at home is no big deal. Hearing them when you're on the road, well, you have no idea how stressful the job of accompanying two little girls to the bathroom can be.

Public restrooms are not the most enjoyable places to begin with. Nor are they particularly clean or childfriendly. I like to use them as little as possible and as quickly as possible. But we visit them with great frequency because my children have an uncanny knack for hearing nature call whenever our food has just arrived in a restaurant, or whenever the sign on the expressway reads: "Next rest area: 67 miles."

"Mom, I said I have to go potty."

"Yes, I heard you the first time. Can't you hold it until I finish my dinner?"

"No. I have to go to the bathroom so bad."

"Yeah, I have to go, too." Even though I've made it a habit to remind them to go to the bathroom before we head out the door, they almost always need to go at the most inopportune moments. And they wait until the last minute to announce their need to go.

When we were at the Field Museum in Chicago, for example, both daughters suddenly declared their



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Dolly Marzka cuts the hair of Jim Thomas of Jim Thomas Sales in Plymouth as her grandson, Joseph. Durham, watches from below.



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Making the Barber bu

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Dolly Marzka cuts

Plymouth. Marzka recently opened Ye Olde Barber Shop at 818 S. Main after 23

years down the street.

the hair of Jim Thomas of Jim Thomas Sales in

Dolly Marzka was the eldest grandchild in her family and, as such, was afforded a great deal of time spent with her grandmother.

One of her fondest memories is standing behind her grandma, playing with her hair, and thinking about making her look good.

More than 50 years later, and with many rough patches traveled on the road of life, Marzka is still standing behind people, wanting nothing more than to make them look good. Only now, and for the last quartercentury, those people are her customers. Marzka, 58, owns Ye Olde Barber Shoppe, a barber shop she just relo-

Barber builds a life

cated from her longtime Main Street spot down the road. She has faced – and survived – a battery of obstacles that could make a grown woman weep.

And she wouldn't have things any other way.

urgent need for a restroom just five minutes before the museum was closing.

I grabbed their hands and we ran down the long corridor to the women's room, only to discover the door locked. With no other bathroom in sight on the second floor, we sprinted down the stairs to the first floor, where I breathlessly asked the security guard where the nearest restroom was. We followed his directions. raced through the crowds, flung open the door to the ladies room with relief only to discover a long line of females waiting in front of us.

There's also the flip side of the always-having-to-go problem: Convincing them to go when they don't want to. During the trip, I often had to coax my almost 4year-old to go to the bathroom because she had been traumatized by the phenomenon of automatic flushing toilets.

The first time she was sitting on one when it flushed without warning, it scared the bejeebers out of her. The sudden, deafening roar behind her sent her flying three feet into the air. So naturally, she was suspicious of every new restroom we entered. I, too, kept hoping for the traditional, flush-ityourself kind of toilets. But when they weren't, I had to be honest with her or I knew her phobia would only get worse.

"Mama, do these toilets flush by themselves?"

"Well, if you go fast, you'll be all done before it flushes," I try to say reassuringly.

"I don't have to go!" she insists.

"Erin, I know you have to go. Come on now. If the toilet flushes, it won't hurt you. It's just loud, that's all."

"That's OK. I don't have to go."

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JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kurt Kuban and Jeff Counts work on an upcoming edition of their newest journalistic venture - 'Michigan's Streamside Journal.' It's based in Livonia and targets 'guiet sports' enthusiasts.

Local journalists dive into new outdoors publication

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

You can take the man out of the newsroom, but you can't always take the newsroom out of the man. Unless, of course, you plop him in the middle of a trout stream.

The departure from the newsroom – and the news – came easy for Jeff Counts, who along with partner Kurt Kuban published the first edition of "Michigan's Streamside Journal." Volume 1, Issue 1 was released earlier this month.

Counts is the former community editor for the *Canton* and *Plymouth Observers*.

After working in the news business for more than 30 years (including more than a decade at the *Observer*), Counts made good on a promise he had made to himself. He retired early, at the age of 55, and took a year off from working to decide what to do with his life.

What he decided was he wanted to be his own boss. He also decided there would be no better partner in his new venture than Kuban, a resident of Wayne, his former colleague and *O&E* staff writer.

"I'm inventing my own job," said Counts, as he sat at a gingham-covered table in the rustic-themed sun room of his Livonia home. The magazine's target audience is "quiet sports" enthusiasts – those who enjoy fly fishing, canoeing and kayaking, snowshoeing and bird hunting, as well as outdoor photography and other outdoor pursuits.

"What I kept hearing when I was thinking about what I wanted to do was that other publications – big outdoors magazines – don't really care about the Midwest, let alone Michigan. I was doing freelance work and as soon as I said I was working on a piece about Michigan, I could almost hear their disinterest," said Counts. "That told me Michigan readers need something that's geared toward them and their interests."

And so far he's right. Response to the magazine has been incredible, Counts said, and he and Kuban are encouraged their publication will not only survive, but thrive.

"My goals aren't really all that lofty for the short term," Counts said. "This year I'm hoping to print it on a different stock of paper and make it big enough to get a staple in it "

Kuban's aspirations are a little grander, and he admits it would be ideal for him to work at outdoor writing full-time. "Everyone dreams of own-

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Thankfully, I no longer have to accompany my 7-year-old into the stall, though I still have to explain certain intricacies of public restrooms. The art of mastering different locks, for example, is still a problem for her at times. I have to show her how the lock works by sliding the bar up and down, or to the right, or clockwise around, etc. As an emergent reader, she's also a bit confused by restroom rules.

"Mom, it says not to flush toilet paper down the toilet."

"What?" I follow her inside the stall and read the sign. "Honey, it says not to flush paper towels or sanitary products. Of course you can flush toilet paper."

Both of them ask endless questions and seem genuinely intrigued by something as mundane as a public restroom. "Mom, what's this bar for?"-

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"It's for someone who uses a wheelchair."

"What's this little box for?" "Garbage."

"But why is it in here?" "I'll tell you when you're older."

"Mom, look at this baby changing table. Did you used to change my diaper on this when I was baby?"

"Yes. That very one." "Mom, look at this soap. It's green! And it's foamy. Isn't that cool?"

"Uh-huh."

"Hey, Mama, look! This bathroom has pink paper towels just like the ones at the dentist's!" Meanwhile, I am trying to get

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them to wash and dry their hands as fast as possible so we can get back to eating in the restaurant. Amid their endless banter, Erin is sticking her head in front of the hand dryer so her hair will blow out. Eileen is singing along with the pipedin music, pretending she is holding a microphone and dancing in front of the mirrors. "Keep your voices down," I

say. "Come on, let's go." We return from the bathroom and I plop myself down in front of my cold food. The girls tell my husband all about

the pink paper towels, the foamy soap and other fascinating details.

"And Daddy, the toilets don't flush by themselves!" Erin

reports gleefully. "Cool." Dad just nods and keeps eating. He's clueless about the ordeal I have to endure every time I step foot in a restroom with the girls.

"You know, we should have had boys," I tell my husband in an effort to gain some sympathy. "Then you would have to deal with all the bathroom duties."

'Oh, come on," he says. "It can't be that bad."

Suddenly Erin squirms in her seat. "Mama, I have to go potty again.

I put my fork down with a sigh and take her hand. "You have no idea," I tell him as I head back to the restroom. "You just have no idea."

Lynn Waldsmith Pawlik is a regular contributor to the Observer. She and her family live in Plymouth. You can email her at pawlwald@comcast.net.

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ing their own business, and outdoor things have been my hobby for a long time, so this is my dream," Kuban said. "And it sounds crazy but publishing our own magazine was logical. In today's world, publishing just isn't that difficult anymore."

The hardest part for Kuban is the time it takes to live the dream.

A full-time reporter, and a

Golden Griffiths

David and Marie Griffiths of Canton celebrated their 50th anniversary Aug. 15, 2003. They were married at the Manor Park Baptist Tabernacle on Aug. 15, 1953, in England. They moved to the Detroit area in 1954, David arriving first on the Queen Mary. David was a tool-and-die maker at Livonia Spring and Bumper Chevrolet. Marie worked at Michigan Social Services. They had three children: Pamela, Patricia, and Andrew. The children and grandchildren

had a party July 26 celebrating their anniversary at Pat's home in Sterling Heights. Many special friends were able to attend, including Bill and Millie Talbot of Livonia. Bill was the best man in David and Marie's wedding, and he and Millie moved to the United States from England as well. Bill and David have been friends since they were 6 years old.

new father, taking the time to research, write and edit is overwhelming at times.

"It's just crazy. Sometimes I think I'm going to jump off a bridge if I don't prioritize," he said. Often he's still got his mind on a fast-flowing trout stream, and his fingers on a computer keyboard until 3 a.m.

The magazine's stories range from the history of the nowextinct Michigan grayling, to a feature on a northern Michigan fish hatchery, to writer Stacy Jenkins' tale of a day spent at an outdoorswoman workshop.

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It takes time, attention to detail, and patience to pull it together, but Counts and Kuban hope their efforts will pay off.

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"Of course everyone wants to make a living, but I also want to make a difference. We can really be a voice of the hunting and fishing community in Michigan," Kuban said.

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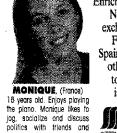


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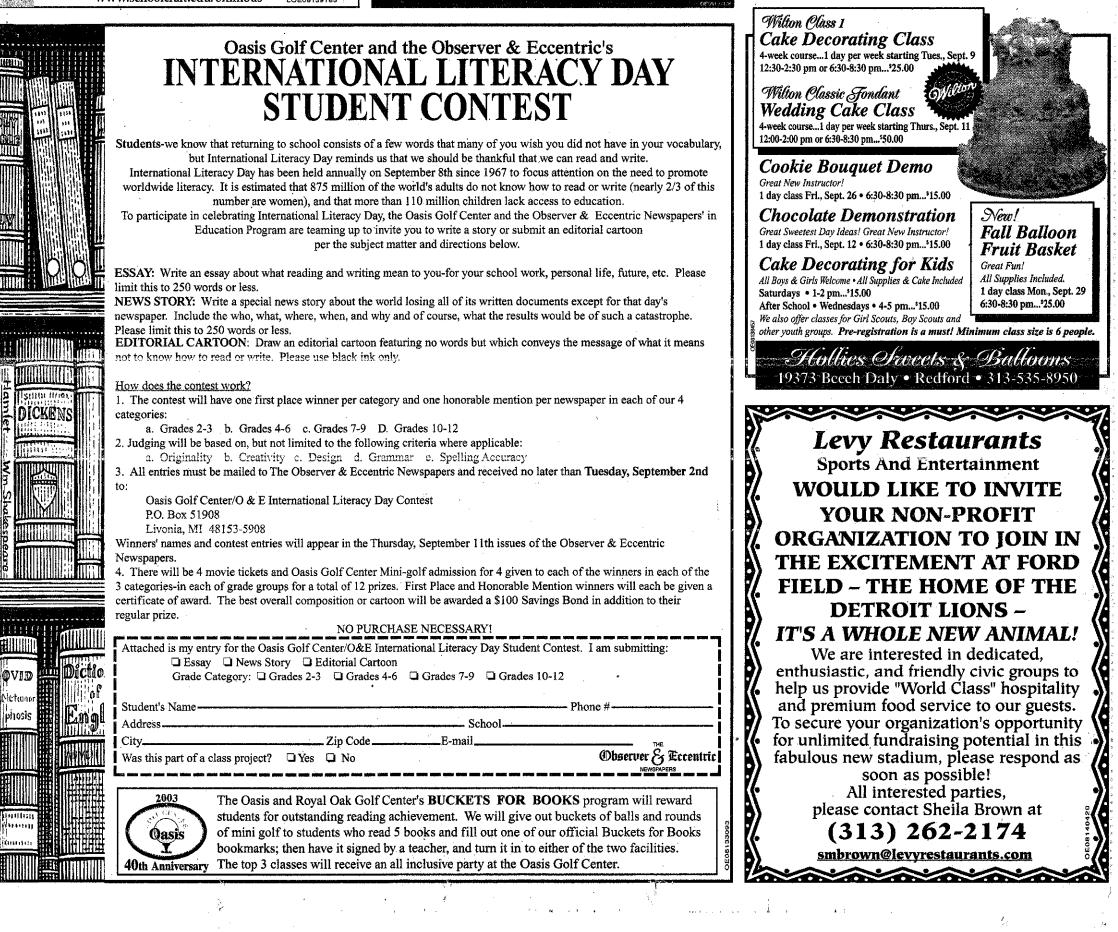
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LOVE WHAT I DO'

"I love what I do," the effervescent Marzka said. "I can't imagine doing anything else. How do you explain it when it's part of who you are? Why is the sky blue? There's no way to explain it so someone could understand it."

But that's OK with Marzka, because she understands it. Raised in a tiny home in Roseville with her grandparents, Marzka remembers riding to the barber shop with her grandfather a couple of times a week.

That feeling – and her grandmother's insistence that "I would cut hair" – came pouring back to Marzka as she aged. By the time she was 34, Marzka had been married, divorced and was struggling to raise three children.

Health issues forced her to accept welfare, and she'd been doing that for two years when her epiphany came.

"I went to my caseworker and said, 'I don't want to live like this any more. I want to go to barber college," Marzka remembered. "She said, 'You mean beauty school,' and I said, 'No, barber college.' I wanted to cut hair. It something that's inside of me, that I was born with."

So, at age 34, Marzka was back in school, learning to be a barber. She said she was terrified, sitting in school with 17and 18-year-old kids.

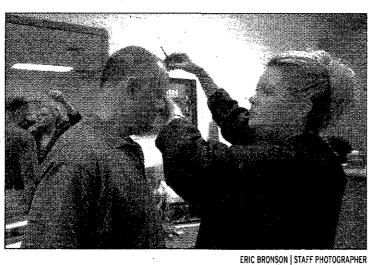
She says the owners saw enough gumption in her to sell her a 1974 Ford Fairlane for \$1, so she could be sure of reliable transportation to and from school. They also allowed her to sweep floors to earn extra money, which she combined with a government grant that also paid her \$111 a week while she attended school.

KIDS DID FINE

She worried about her young children. But on her first day, she got an indication of how they'd adapt.

"My kids were latchkey kids before it became fashionable," Marzka said. "I kept telling them it was going to be difficult, but in the end we'd have a better life. On my first day, they made me my favorite meal – a pork-andbean sandwich with onions."

Her kids are now her pride.



Dolly Marzka puts some finishing touches on the hair of Jim Thomas. Marzka says she's a "naturalist" who 'cuts by feel.'

Eldest daughter Amy moved away from home at 18, worked her own way through college, and now teaches in the Livonia school system. Twins Joe and Judy, 35, have also carved out niches for themselves, Joe doing staging and sound systems for concerts and Judy, after dabbling in hair for a bit, is now a stay-at-home mom.

As she finished barber college, Marzka wondered about making a living, but the owners had an answer: A shop in Canton needed help. Marzka, who lived in Warren at the time, had no clue where Canton was. When the owners said, "It's over by Plymouth," Marzka had to have a friend show her how to get there.

After apprenticing for two years and three days, Marzka talked a banker into loaning her the \$2,000 she needed to buy her own shop.

^aThis was 1978, when a woman couldn't even get credit, let alone a divorced woman with no skills," Marzka said. "I'll be forever grateful to that man."

SETTING UP SHOP

She set up at 917 Main St., and stayed there until June, when her children helped her move into the bigger space. They did nearly all the renovation, a familial construction crew that worked hard enough to allow Marzka to close her old shop on a Saturday, and open in the new location by Tuesday.

Regardless of where she sets up shop, Marzka has her customers following her.

"She does a good job, she's a caring person and she'll do anything she can to adjust her schedule to fit yours," said Jim Anulewicz, Plymouth Township's director of municipal services who has been a Marzka client for some 10 years. "She is truly a good-hearted person."

The new site is four times larger, according to Marzka, who says she'll hire a new barber "as soon as I can find one." Until then, the self-described "naturalist" will do what she's always done, what she's always loved.

"How many people can say, when they go to work, that they're doing what they absolutely love to do?" Marzka said. "A haircut is a psychological lift. You get a bad haircut, and you're bummin'. When they leave my chair, they look good, so they feel good."

Not only has she run her own business for a quarter-century now, Marzka also dedicates other parts of her life to her community. She's a former Fall Festival board president. She's heavily involved in, and extremely proud of, her Scottish heritage, which has her dedicated to the annual Highland Games. She also travels to nursing homes and the homes of shut-ins and invalids, "because they like to look good and feel good too"

and feel good, too." A few weeks ago, Marzka couldn't help but be touched when her own granddaughter stood behind her, playing with her grandmother's hair, trying to make her look good. Life had come full circle.

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The Plymouth Jaycees will be holding its second annual Beautiful Baby Contest for children 0-36 months during the Plymouth Fall Festival, Sept. 5-7 in downtown Plymouth. Anyone interested in entering can call (734) 453-8407 for information on how to enter.

Move-A-Thon

Habitat for Humanity hosts a Move-A-Thon fund-raiser from 4-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14, at Heritage Park. Participants can ride, walk, scoot, run or blade through Heritage Park and raise money for Habitat. Call (734) 459-7744 for pledge forms and information.

Auditions

Auditions for "Halloween Patch" will be held at the Marquis Theater in Northville at 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7. Auditions are for children 8 to 16 vears old. For further information. call the Marquis Theatre at 135 E. Main Street in downtown Northville at (248) 349-8110.

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The City of Plymouth Recreation Department is having evening general registration from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Learn to skate at every level, from beginning to advanced freestyle. Call (734) 455-6620 for more information.

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The Redford Suburban League is looking for crafters for its 30th-annual fashion show boutique scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 22, at Burton Manor in Livonia. Crafters can reserve space by calling (734) 591-9167.

Fitness

The Taoist Tai Chi Society is forming new beginner classes in Livonia starting at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 8. Day classes begin at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10 and at 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11. Fees vary. For more info call (248) 332-1281.

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Chorus Auditions

Plymouth Community Chorus will be starting its 30th year this fall. Open auditions will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 2, at Hillside Middle School in Northville. Auditions will continue by appointment only on Sept. 9, 16, and 23. For more information, call (734) 455-4080.

Caregivers Conference

For seniors or anyone meeting the needs of older adults. Qualified professionals will speak, answer questions, provide helpful materials and advice. Taking place at the Plymouth District Library 6-8:45 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25. Call (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236, to pre-register.

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 informa-

campers ages 3-6. Weekly themes such as "Circus, Circus," "The Five Senses," and "Fun on the Farm" bring variety to the summer experience. Half day, full day, and additional day care options are available. Call (734)

Preschool Programs.

Head Start programs are available for 3- and 4-year-olds, offered by Starfish Family Services, a learning environment preparing children for kindergarten. Michigan School Readiness Program for 4-year-olds is also available. For either, call (313) 541-4340 or (734) 326-6271.

School Registration

Music matters at the School for the Performing Arts in Ann Arbor, and registration for summer camps, classes and lessons has officially begun. For further information call (734) 995-4625 or log on to the school's Web site at www.spa-aa.org for a complete

accepting registrations for the 2003-04 classes for 3- and 4-year-olds. Morning and afternoon sessions available. Call Mary Anne Bourgeois at

(734) 844-7515 for more information. Skatin Station II in Canton is accept-

Call (734) 459-6401 for more information.

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

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

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

Storytime

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

launching the 2003 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale. The cost is \$30. Place your order at the Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453-3016. Free Blood Pressure Screening 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third

Wednesday of every month. No appointment is necessary. Call (734) 453-0750 for further information. **Recreation Registration**

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

CLUBS

Kiwanis Evening Club

Meetings are held at Station 885 at

6:30 p.m. each Tuesday. Visitors are always welcome. For more informa-

tion, contact Charline Miller at (734) 455-4782 Mothers & More The Wayne County chapter of Mothers & More meets twice a month in Plymouth. Call (866) 841-9140 ext. 4329 or visit Web site mothersandmore63@onebox.com. **Exchange Club of Canton** Meetings are held the second and fourth Monday at Palermo's Restaurant in Canton.

P/C Vietnam Vets of America Chapter No. 528 meets every second Monday of the month at the American

Legion Post No. 32, 9318 Newburgh, Livonia. If you were a U.S. serviceman or woman and served between 1961 and 1975, you can join the Vietnam Vets. Visit Web site for more information,

BNI Plymouth II

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

West Suburban Stamp Club

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

> The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Atlantis Restaurant on Ann

Arbor Road, Guests are welcome. For more info and dinner reservations, contact Mary Brooks at (734) 420-0320

SEPAC

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

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

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

The group is looking for moms who are interested in meeting with other mothers for encouragement, teaching, support and friendship. Meetings are the first and third Fridays of each month from September through May. Child-care provided for ages birth to 5 years. Call (734) 728-2600 for more information.

La Leche League

Breastfeeding information and support group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. For more information and meeting locations, please contact Michelle at (734) 397-0197.

Canton Rotary Club

The Rotary meets at noon on Mondays at the Roman Forum in Canton on Ford Road. All guests are invited to join in for lunch for more information on the community and international service projects. For more information, e-mail Mary Beardsley at ExecSec@rotary6400.org.

Astronomy Discussion

Plymouth Library offers a free monthiy Family Astronomy Discussion Group from 7-8 p.m. for both individuals and families with children 6 years and older. Door prizes, slides, video and handouts. Call Mike Best at (734) 459-2378.

MOMS Club

A local chapter of the MOMS Club welcomes interested at-home mothers in the Canton/Westland area to meet the third Tuesday of each month. MOMS Club offers weekly activities, playgroups, community service opportuni- 🕹 ties and more. Fore more information, contact Wendi at (734) 394-2542. Plymouth Canton Jaycees

Looking for people 21-39 interested in making friends, helping with good

causes and having a good time. The Jaycees meet at 7:30 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month at the Plymouth Township Clerk's office. Call (734) 453-8407 or show up at the group's monthly meeting.

Community Democrats

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

BNI

The Canton II Chapter of Business Network International (BNI) meets 7-8:30 a.m. every Wednesday at Atlantis Restaurant, 39500 Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth. The Laurel Park Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Archie's Family Restaurant on Plymouth Road, east of Merriman, Livonia. The Plymouth I Chapter meets every Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. The Livonia Chapter meets 7-8:30 a.m. at Senate Coney Island on Plymouth at Stark, Livonia. Call the BNI regional office at (810) 323-3800.

Mothers of Multiples

The Plymouth-Canton Mothers of Multiples Club meets 7 p.m. the third Monday of each month Call Ann Davis at (248) 449-9337, or email to pcmoms@hotmail.com.



- listing of classes and camps. Preschool Registration Willow Creek Co-Op Preschool is

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Feldenkrais helps restore motion to muscles

Wouldn't it be wonderful to get up in the morning without pain and stiffness? Don't you wish you could move with the fluidity and flexibility you had when you were 20? And then you say to yourself, "Pain, stiffness, and awkward movement are just part of getting older."

Well, Marjorie Levine, a Guild-certified Feldenkrais practitioner, would beg to differ.

She would tell you about Moshe Feldenkrais, a physi-

scientific training to

act, and learn. The

More Gain."

💹 Sleep, menopause Menopause Support & Information Group discusses sleep and the latest research on Hormone Replacement Therapy 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3, in Marian Women's Center, West addition classroom 2, St. Mary-Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. No charge. Call (734) 655-1100.

Topic includes an excerpt from The Wisdom of Menopause by Dr. Christiane Northrup, Enhancing Midlife Sleep, Insufficient sleep increases our levels of corticosteroids and catecholamines, stress hormones that over time can throw off our hormonal balance.

📓 Red Dress event

The Red Dress Project, a national exhibit featuring the work of top fashion designers to help increase awareness of heart disease in women, makes a stop at the Ministrelli Women's Heart Center, 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3, at Beaumont Hospital, 3601 W. 13 Mile, west. of Woodward, Royal Oak. No charge. Reservations required for lecture - Heart Disease Doesn't Care What You Wear, call (800) 633-7377.

The event includes the exhibit of a collection of red dresses created by designers.

the easy, comfortable movements of Feldenkrais help people rediscover their inborn capacity for coordinated physical action. Because it helps individuals overcome old muscle habits and limitations, Feldenkrais can decrease pain and strain in the neck, back, spine, and knees. Based on her positive experiences, Marjorie enrolled in the almost 1000 hours of in-depth training required for certification in the Feldenkrais Method.

According to SenseAbility newsletter, Feldenkrais benefits persons at any age. Practitioners of this method have aided very young children (ages six months to three years) with cerebral palsy and other movement disorders. Such children learn to climb stairs, feed themselves, and discover all the movements they need for daily life. Feldenkrais has also helped young mothers recover from childbirth and senior citizens with Parkinson's disease find easy movements to complete activities of daily living.

Marjorie has worked with adults who testify to the benefits of personal Feldenkrais movement education. They tell her, "Thanks a million for helping unlock my back." "I'm no longer at the mercy of my aches and pains." "After a single session retraining my elbow, I can lift a gallon of milk with no pain."

A woman in the Feldenkrais class Marjorie teaches at Henry Ford Community College wrote to say, "I didn't think anything was happening. We were just lying there moving ever so slightly. After several weeks, however, I noticed that the pain in my knee and leg were gone."

HELPED TRIATHLETE

Triathlon competitor Sharon Starika de Moyano could serve as a poster athlete for the benefits of Feldenkrais. Hit by a truck in 1984, she suffered a broken shoulder, pelvis, leg, and ankle and endured nine surgeries in a year to repair the damage inflicted by the accident. Her doctors said she probably would not be able to run again. Feldenkrais proved the doctors wrong. Only three months after beginning



LAWRENCE MCKEE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Guild-certified Feldenkrais practitioner Marjorie Levine (background) of Southfield instructs Sandi Landau (middle) of Beverly Hills and Mary Roley of Southgate on Feldenkrais movements.

Feldenkrais movement education, Sharon resumed running. She eventually shaved 20 minutes off her pre-accident time for a 26-mile marathon!

Any individual who engages in physical activity that requires flexible or repetitive movement can benefit from Feldenkrais. Dancers, athletes and musicians often participate in Feldenkrais classes to improve their professional performance, enhance their breathing, and avoid muscle strain. Even amateur skiers, golfers, and tennis players find that the gentle movements of Feldenkrais helps them improve in their sport and avoid injuries.

Feldenkrais offers health advantages for office workers too. They learn to prevent the backaches, headaches, and wrist pain associated with long hours at their computers. Discovering how to sit properly and use the mouse close to the body brings support to a person;s spine for better posture, fewer aches, and less stress.

If you are ready to say "Sign me up to lose my pain," contact one of these local facilities to enroll in a Feldenkrais class that begins in September. Call for start

dates and fees.

Center for Lifelong Learning, Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn Heights. Tuesdays, 6 and 7:15 p.m. Thursdays, 1 p.m. (313) 317-1500.

Costick Center, Farmington Hills. Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. (248) 473-1830

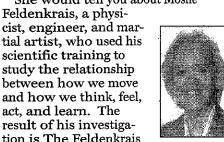
Grosse Pointe War Memorial. Saturdays, 10 a.m. (313) 881-7511

Pierson Center, Livonia. Thursdays, 38 7 p.m. Fridays, 10 a.m. (248) 476-2598 ■ Plymouth Cultural Center.

Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. (734) 455-6620

For more information about Feldenkrais or to find Michigan practitioners who provide individual Feldenkrais consultations, go to the Web site www.Feldenkrais.com. The flexibility you restore will be your own!

Sandy Baumann has an master of science in biochemistry and is the author of Feed the Brain for Learning. (See www.FeedYourBrain.org). She is teaching "Feed the Brain for Learning at the Center for Lifelong Learning in Dearborn on 9:30 a.m. to 12:40 p.m. Sept. 27 and Oct. 3. Call (313) 317-4111 for a flier.



result of his investigation is The Feldenkrais Method, with the Sandy motto, "Less Pain, Baumann

According to Moshe, "The aim is a body that is organized to move with minimum effort and maximum efficiency, not through muscular strength, but increased consciousness of how it works."

Marjorie learned the power of his method in 1990 when she began taking a Feldenkrais class to cope with psoriatic arthritis. Because she found it so marvelous for reversing the effects of her arthritis, Marjorie started to incorporate Moshe's principles into her practice of occupational therapy.

In her practice, Marjorie worked with a man who suffered a stroke. When he came to Marjorie, he walked with a cane and complained of a painful right side. After nine months of Feldenkrais movement education, he no longer complained of pain. In addition, he was able to stand alone with no support, take food out of his refrigerator, pivot in place, and put it in the sink, actions he couldn't do before Feldenkrais.

OLD MUSCLE HABITS

After this powerful demonstration, Marjorie says she was hooked on how



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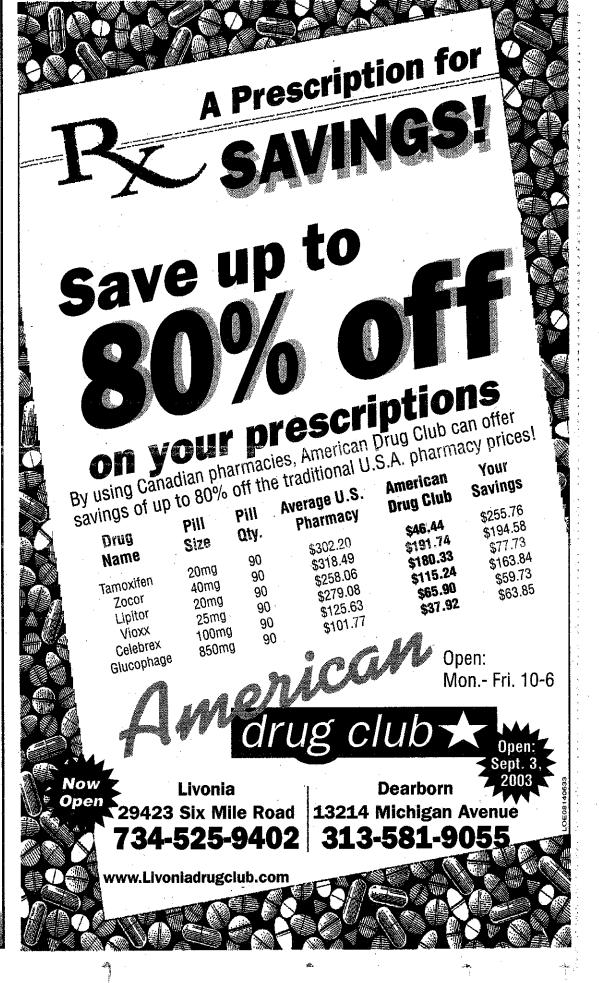
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MEDICAL DATEBOOK

SEPTEMBER

Hunger Within Workshop

Twelve-week workshop offered by Preventive Cardiology Services, part of the Cardiovascular Center at University of Michigan Health System, starting Sept. 3 and Sept. 4, at Domino's Farms, Ann Arbor, Class is led by Marilyn Migliore, author of The Hunger Within: A 12-Week Self-Guided Journey from Compulsive Eating to Recovery. Workshop explores core reasons for overeating, identifies triggers and helps break the cycle of emotional eating. To enroll, call (734) 998-6000, Ext. 258.

Sleep and Menopause

Menopause Support & Information Group discusses sleep and the latest research on Hormone Replacement Therapy 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3, In Marian Women's Center, West addi tion classroom 2, St. Mary-Mercy. Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. No charge, Call (734) 655-1100. Topic includes an excerpt from The Wisdom of Menopause by Dr. Christiane Northrup, Enhancing Midlife Sleep. Insufficient sleep increases our levels of corticosteroids and catecholamines, stress hormones that over time can throw off our hormonal balance and depress the immune system.

Life Line screening

Residents can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke at the Life Line Screening to be held at the Livonia Family YMCA 9 a.m. Sept. 6. The site is located at 14255 Stark Road in Livonia, For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call 1-800-643-6188. Pre-registration is required.

Westside Weight Control Support

The group holds its second meeting 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, at New Horizons Medical Center, 19335 Merriman, Livonia. For more information, call (248) 474-4900 or (734) 729-3729. The group is intended mainly for people who previously had or are scheduled for or interested in the Lap Band or other bariatric surgery. Everyone with an interest in weight control is welcome to attend, but the primary goal is to provide support for people who have had or are considering some type of bariatric surgery.

PACE exercise program

PACE (People with Arthritis Can Exercise) is an exercise program for people with arthritis. Participants go through a series of gentle movements and activities designed to decrease pain and stiffness while increasing flexibility, muscle strength and range of motion. University of Michigan Health System occupational therapists, physical therapists and rheuma-

tology nurses lead the evening classes 5-6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, Sept. 8 to Oct. 15, at Turner Resource Center, 2401 Plymouth Road, and 6-7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday Sept. 9 to Oct. 16, at the Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program, Brayton Building, 250 W. Eisenhower Parkway. The cost is \$36. Preregistration is necessary. Enrollment limited. To register, call (800) 968-3030.

CFS/Fibromyalgia Support Group Guest speaker is Dr. Mazy Gillis, Ph.D., from Henry Ford's Sleep Clinic, who discusses Pain and Sleep 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. For information about the group, call (248) 346-3164 or visit the Web site at www.geocities.com/LivoniaCFSFMS. Tri-County Celiac Support Group Meets 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 12, in a new place, First Presbyterian Church of Farmington, 26155 Farmington Road. For more information, call (248) 647-0076.

Fibromyalgia Workshop

Dr. Kramer will give a free workshop that reveals the shocking truth behind what can be causing Fibromyalgia, which is often misdiagnosed and misunderstood, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. Dr. Kramer is a member of the National Wellness Foundation. Seating is limited. To register, call (248) 426-0201.

Women and Herbs

Naturopath Mary Born leads the class 6:30-8:40 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, at Center for Lifelong Learning, Henry Ford Community College, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail at Warren, Dearborn Heights. Symptoms such as night sweats, mood swings, menstrual cramps, depression or PMS stem from imbalances in the body. Discover natural ways to support your health at every stage of life. Cost is \$21, \$11 for materials due to instructor. To register. call (313) 317-1500 by Sept. 15 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2. **Think Trim**

Workshop 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Cost is \$59. Call (734) 462-4413. For information on program and cassette tapes, call (248) 828-7333

Eating for learning and memory Why does a high-protein breakfast improve concentration and achieve-

ment at school and work? Does eating fish fight Alzheimer's and ADHA. Biochemist Sandy Baumann gives the answers 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27 and Oct. 4, at Center for Lifelong Learning, Henry Ford Community College, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail at Warren, Dearborn Heights. Cost is \$57, includes

Baumann's book "Feed the Brain for Learning." To register, call (313) 317-1500 by Sept. 26 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2.

UPCOMING

Walk for Hope City of Hope's Walk for Hope to Cure Breast Cancer, an annual leisure walk to raise money in support of lifesaving breast cancer research, treatment and education programs at worldrenowned City of Hope Cancer Center, takes place 9 a.m. (8 a.m. registration) Saturday, Oct. 4, at the Detroit Zoo, 8450 W. 10 Mile, Royal Oak. Participants raise donations by using sponsor forms and asking family, friend and co-workers to sponsor their walk or run. Minimum pre-registration donation is \$25 adults, \$15 children; \$30, \$20 children on the day of walk. To register, form a team or for more information on sponsorship opportunities, call (800) 732-7170 or register online at www.walk4hope.org.

Natural Facelift Learn how to use your fingertips to perform accupressure techniques that ease frown lines and crow's feet 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 18, at Center for Lifelong Learning, Henry Ford Community College, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail at Warren, Dearborn Heights. Cost is \$24. To register, call (313) 317-1500 by Oct. 16 or go to www.hfcc.edu/CL2.

ONGOING

Alliance for the Mentally III

The Wayne/Westland chapter, a self help and advocacy group for relatives and friends of the mentally ill, meets 7 p.m. the first and third Thursday of the month at the Kay Beard Building, 30712 Michigan Ave., between Henry Ruff and Merriman, Westland. For more information, call (313) 562-8498 or (734) 326-4866. All are welcome. Self-help groups

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

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

Small steps help get weight down

BY DR. PETER A. MCCULLOUGH CORRESPONDENT

Most people have a good sense when they have become too heavy. If their bathroom scale hasn't broken the news. their waistbands surely will!

On a more scientific basis, if your body mass index is greater than 25 or if your waist measured at your belly button is greater than 40 inches in a man or greater than 35 inches in a woman, you can be considered overweight. Another way to think about it is if you are less than 6 feet tall (which applies to most of us) and weigh more than 200 pounds, you are overweight and probably obese.

With this revelation, what are the first steps to getting things back on track? As with all lifestyle changes, it pays to take small steps. Incorporate one of the suggestions below and once you feel that it's become a part of the healthier you, pick another one to work

on. The first step would be to change your approach to food, from thinking about it as a completely unrestricted bonanza, to approaching it in a more carefully thought out way every day. It helps to think of wise food choices as a necessary component of good health. Everyone wants to be healthy, right? This makes choosing healthy food a positive step, and works better than focusing on the negative aspect of not being able to eat the foods you've become accustomed to. In the long run, those foods are hurting you.

Cutting out fast foods will go a long way toward making your overall food choices healthier. Virtually all fast foods, no matter what you buy, work to keep you fat or make you fatter. Eliminating them may mean packing your lunch every day instead of going out to eat. It also means planning for dinner when you get home from work as opposed to ordering something out.

The next step would be to change from drinking regular soft drinks to diet forms of pop. Or better yet, switch to drinking water. You should

drink 64 ounces of water per day, or a cup every two-three hours. When you let yourself get thirsty, your body turns on conservation mechanisms to retain fluid and fat tissue.

The final initial step will be to begin to push away those sources of sugar, fat, and refined carbohydrates that are making you fatter everyday and contributing very little in terms of good nutrition and promoting health. Yes, that's right, if it is loaded with sugar, fat, or refined carbohydrates it is making you fat, no matter how much of it you are eating.

You may ask, wow, with those restrictions, what can I eat? In future columns I will explore in detail the healthy and safe sources of protein, complex carbohydrate, and fiber which can be fun, satisfying, and very effective in losing weight and keeping it off permanently.

Dr. Peter A. McCullough is chief of Beaumont Hospital's Division of Nutrition and Preventive Medicine and medical director of the Beaumont Weight Control Center.



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Important Notice for Our Home Delivery Subscribers About Your Newspaper Carrier!



The Observer would like to thank our home delivery subscribers for reading our paper! (We appreciate our single copy readers, too!)

Because we value your opinion, we would like your input on a very important contest for all **Observer & Eccentric newspaper carriers!** Starting April 1st, we'll take monthly nominations for "Carrier of the Month." Our carriers will need your nomination in order to become a candidate for this very important

honor. The winning Carrier of the Month from each of our newspapers will receive a plaque, a tour of our offices and 4 movie passes along with receiving his or her name in contention for the coveted "Carrier of the YEAR" award.

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Winner of the Carrier of the Year (COTY) award will be given a \$100.00 Savings Bond, 4 movie passes and dinner at East Side Mario's with his parents and the subscriber (and guest) who nominated the winner. In order to be considered for the COTY award, the carrier will have had to been named a Carrier of the Month.

If you are pleased with your carrier's performance and believe he or she should be a candidate for the monthly honor, please take a few minutes to complete the attached form and return it to the address below. Carriers will be subject to additional candidacy requirements including on-time collections from customers and new subscription sales or renewals.

And, as a thank-you for your assistance and for your readership, your name will be entered in our monthly drawing for a ⁵20 gas gift certificate and 4 movie passes!

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COMMUNITY LIFE

SINGLES CALENDAR

Send items for consideration in singles calendar to Hometown Life, Observer Newspapers, 794 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, fax (734) 459-4224.

EVENTS

Single Place Ministry

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SPM of First Presbyterian Church in Northville is offering a Divorce Recovery Workshop to help people thinking of divorce, in the process of divorcing, divorced or separated, to heal and grow. Seven Thursday evening meetings discussing a different topic each week. Through Sept. 24 from 7-9:30 p.m. at Forum Room of First Presbyterian Church. **Single Adult Ministries**

Single Adult Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, invites singles to join more than 500 single adults 11:30 a.m. every Sunday in Knox Hall, for fellowship and encouragement. The Rev. Paul Clough delivers messages to help equip you to maximize your singleness and relationship with God. Coffee, doughnuts and conversation. SPM has a program and activity for every age group and life situation. For more information or to have a newsletter sent, call the SPM office at (248) 374-5920.

Classic Senior Singles Bible Study at 10 a.m. Thursdays in

Room C307.

Single Parents

Wednesday evening program 7-8:15 p.m. in the Single Point Office. Walking Club

Single Point Ministries of Ward **Evangelical Presbyterian Church offers** a walking club. It meets in the hospitality area in the Grand Mall 6 p.m.. Tuesdays and Wednesdays and walks are outside, rain or shine. Open to all fitness levels.

Bible Study

All members are invited to the learn-

- er's Bible study class 7:30 p.m.
- Thursdays in room A101. **Book Discussion Group**

MSP's book discussion group meets 7:30-8:30 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Borders Books in Farmington Hills. Borders will offer a 10-percent discount on all titles chosen for discussion.

Selective Singles Social and Travel Club

For people 35 years old and up. Activities include dinners, dances, cards, camping, theater, sports, travel.

To learn more about the club, call (248) 435-5320 or go to www.ssstc.org.

Fun & Fine Dining Parties

Join us every Thursday. Our goal is to provide our members and friends with a sampling of some of the best and most interesting dining places in the metro Detroit area. Call (248) 647-7774 for information.

A dynamic presentation for parents is now available on one information packed CD.

This fun, lighthearted, and powerful presentation helps parents put a stop to constant arguments over messy bedrooms, poor homework habits and other persistent problems. Marilyn Suttle, popular parenting expert, gives parents tools for dealing with difficult situations with kids.

"Problems aren't necessarily bad," Suttle says. "When children are given math problems

to solve in school, it gives them an opportunity to grow. Problems at home can be seen

the same way. We grow as human beings when we solve problems in ways that leave everyone's dignity intact."

By using a step by step approach, kids learn to express themselves and listen to their parents point of view, without shutting down. Children have an amazing capacity to solve problems when they are approached with this method.

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Suttle's live recording is filled with real-life examples and easyto-use steps for solving persist-ent problems. These strategies draw out positive behaviors in kids of all ages. It gives parents communication skills that strengthen family relationships. Parents learn how to express anger and frustration in ways that get results without doing damage to a child's self worth. Many of the typical ways par-

Parenting expert releases CD presentation of advice

ents deal with problems leave kids feeling angry and resentful.

That hostility creates even bigger problems. By applying problem solving strategies, kids become part of the solution instead of being seen as the problem.

Suttle has a passion for helping people improve relationships with positive communication skills. She presents parenting, work/life balance and selfesteem workshops and writes the Parent's Corner column for the Observer-Eccentric newspapers. She is a professional member of the National Speakers

Association and the Alliance of Work/life Progress. Ten percent of the profits of this CD will be donated to the Farmington Youth Assistance.

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New homes stress tradition and green landscape

BY BARRY JENSEN CORRESPONDENT

A traditional community is going up near New Boston - Canterbury Gardens is a development of 64 houses on 67 acres next to the North Branch of Swan Creek in Huron Township. The developer is Mel Belovicz of Copper Creek

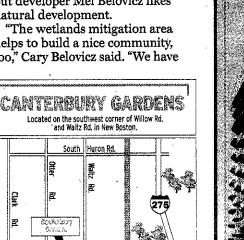
Development Corp., based in Canton. Copper Creek's other projects have included the Meadows of Canton, Copper Creek Condominiums, also in Canton, and the Whispering Winds condominiums in Livonia.

Canterbury Gardens bills itself as a "traditional neighborhood community." That means, sales manager Cary Belovicz explained, that all the houses are freestanding. All have a covered porch in front to encourage neighborliness. Most of the attached garages are in the rear.

The community has sidewalks to encourage foot traffic. The typical lot is 70 feet by 120 feet, so it is not too far from the house next door. The 14 houses that do not have rear-access garages have side-access garages and are on larger lots.

"We have a natural area, including several acres of trees," Cary Belovicz said. In the northeast corner of the subdivision is the creek. In addition, the developer put in a Wetlands Mitigation Area. State law does not require the wetlands area, but developer Mel Belovicz likes natural development.

"The wetlands mitigation area helps to build a nice community, too," Cary Belovicz said. "We have



all kinds of birds out there, including blue herons."

The first model to go up will be the three-bedroom Nottingham. This twostory house has a wrap-around covered porch on the front and side. The exterior is brick with some Hardi-Plank. The Nottingham has 2,980 square feet of space. The house has a lot of space on the first floor, divided among the living room, family room, library or guest bedroom and the nook, which is off the kitchen.

The master bath is the gem of the master suite, Cary Belovicz said. He described the bath as a "his-and-hers" master bathroom. On either side of the see-through fireplace are separate doors into separate bathrooms with separate sinks and commodes. In between the his-and-hers bathrooms - and accessible from both sides – are a Jacuzzi big enough for two and a shower. Each bathroom has its own walk-in closet.

Two other bedrooms are on the second floor. A separate full bathroom serves those two bedrooms. The second floor also has a 12-foot by 14-foot "bonus

room" that can be used as a second-floor study or home office. The first-floor laundry links the garage with the kitchen. The kitchen is built around a large island with eating space. The Nottingham has a three-car garage as standard. The base Nottingham costs \$375,000.

The other model will be The Essex, a two-story, 2 1/2-bath house with a firstfloor master bedroom. The Essex also has a covered, wrap-around porch on the front and one side. The kitchen adjoins the dining room. The first-floor laundry serves as a "mud room," linking the garage with the rest of the house. The master bedroom has its own bathroom and walk-in closet. The bathroom has twin sinks, a tub and a separate shower. The second floor has two bedrooms, with an optional third bedroom. That floor also has a loft area and another full bathroom. With three bedrooms, the Essex has 2,200 square feet of space. With an additional bedroom, the Essex has 2,450 square feet. The base price Essex is \$335,000 with three bedrooms, \$345,000 with four bedrooms.



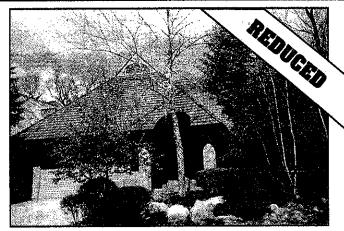
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The association fee is expected to be \$35 per month. All the houses are in the Huron school district. The owner of a house costing \$345,000 will pay \$8,800 in property taxes the first year.

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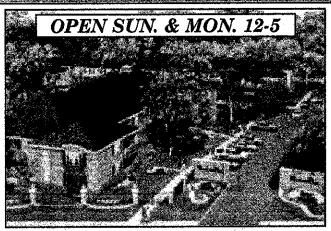
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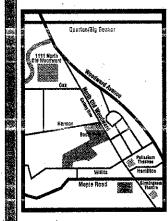
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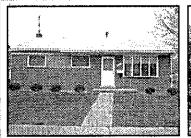




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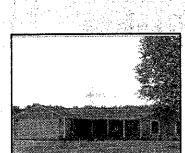


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VAN BUREN - Feed the deer at home. Approx. 14.5 acres offering 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, ranch w/2.5 car attached garage, pole barn, lots of closet space, beautifully tiled foyer. All this built in 2001. Custom kitchen & cabinets. A walk to Belleville Lake. Great location. \$327,900 (65MAR) 734-455-5600



TROY - Oak River beauty with 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, massive redwood deck. spacious glass-walled garden room and side entrance garage. Two story family room with studio ceiling. Professionally finished lower level with bar. Move-in condition. \$649,900 (96CAR) 248-524-1600



4 bedrooms, formal living and dining room, large kitchen, master suite, family room fireplace and deck. Immediate occupancy. \$359,900 (27BEA) 248-652-8000



ALL SPORTS LAKEFRONT - 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath needs your finishing touch. Brendel lakefront, hardwood floors under carpet. Maple, Oak trees, large deck overlooks lake. Great views of the lake from many rooms. Cul-de-sac setting. Get your ready, you're home. \$359,333



FARMINGTON HILLS - The Jewel of Copper Creek. Contemporary 4 bedroom, 4-5 bath on the 7th fairway. Professionally finished lower level has wet bar & entertainment center and 2 offices. Approx. total sq, ft. 5000 of living space. You simply must see this home. \$599,900, (45HID) 248-626-8800



LEONARD - Romeo Schools. 3 bedroom 3 bath, full brick ranch on approx. 2.4 acres. Built in '91. great room, library, master bath, huge kitchen w/maple cabinets and solid pine 6' doors t/o. Beautiful views of rolling acres. \$309,900 (40GLE) 248-642-8100



LYONS - Country in the city. Charming 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath offers 3 car attached garage, full basement, fireplace, family room, dining room, all sitting on approx. 3/4 acre lot. \$365,780 (74WAL) 734-455-5600



TROY - Large colonial with 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths and an open floor plan. Formal dining room, living room, study, family room with high ceiling and large kitchen with butler's pantry. Full finished basement with kitchen and bath. Troy schools. \$529,000 (57TEA) 248-524-1600



LAKE ORION - Move in condition. Regal elevation for this 4 bedroom, 2.1 bath colonial. Quality upgrades, finished lower level, community, pool, tennis and clubhouse. Minutes to Great Lakes Crossing and I-75. Home warranty. \$339,900 (71LON) 248-652-8000



FABULOUS 4 BEDROOM COLONIAL -Master suite, cathedral ceiling, Jacuzzi & separate shower. Many windows add brightness to home. Butlers pantry between dining room & kit. Great location in popular sub. Great for kids, daylight basement. Many unique features. \$310,000 (60FAI) 248-363-1200



WHITE LAKE - Gorgeous custom waterfront one of a kind beauty. This home has it all - 2 fireplaces, high ceilings, all updated granite, galore windows to ceiling. Finished walk out, wet bar, kitchen, indoor pool. Lake front, 5 bedrooms, 5.2 baths. Too many amenities. See sheet. \$1,795,000 (755OXB) 248-626-8800



BLOOMFIELD - Reduced \$200,000. Fabulous 5 bedroom, 4.2 bath Country French residence w/golf course view. Large foyer, formal dining room, living room w/fireplace, library w/marble trimmed fireplace and updated kitchen. Finished w/o lower level. \$1,199,900 (66GOL) 248-

TROY - Fabulous cul-de-sac setting. 4

large bedrooms, master bedroom w/tub

and shower, formal living room, dining

room and library w/built-ins. Updated

kitchen, huge FR w/cath ceilings, newer

carpet and paint. Basement & garage. A

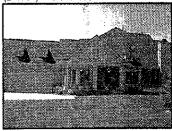
great home in a great area w/Troy Schls. \$518,000 (54ODE) 248-642-8100



BIRMINGHAM - Well maintained 3 BR



FARMINGTON HILLS - Words cannot describe. This INCREDIBLE 5 bedroom, 3 2 bath, 2 story home is remodeled t/o & looks like a \$1 million + new construction. The approx, 1 acre lot features a beautiful inground pool w/bar & entertaining area. Trees & gardens! Wow! \$645,000 (21WEL) 248-349-5600

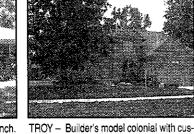


SOUTH LYON - Shows Like A Model Professionally decorated 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath, 1.5 story condo w/open floor plan. First floor MBR. Vaulted ceilings, hardwood floor, fin LL offers 4th BR and entertainment room w/wet bar & exer rm. Too many upgrades to list. Golf course community. \$399,900 (39SAW) 248-349-5600





PLYMOUTH - 1/2 acre broadfront ranch. Curb appeal + finished walk-out, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, dining room, family room, living room, fireplace, deck, 2 car attached garage, all appliances, mature trees, private updated throughout. \$263,300 (15BRD) 734-455-5600



tom features you will love. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, library with French doors and master bedroom with walk-in closet and jetted tub. Marble fireplace surround, dimensional shingles, premium brick, sprinklers. \$449,900 (88ABB) 248-524-1600



MILFORD Prestigious home on 3/4 acres. Wooded lot w/views of Moore Lake. Walk to town. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, over 2400 sq. ft. Granite fireplace 21x14 master suite w/Jacuzzi. Immaculate in & out. 2 story tiled foyer. Backs to Highland State Rec area. Home warranty. \$315,900 (80RIV) 734-455-5600





TROY New construction home. 4 bed rooms, 2.5 baths, two-story foyer, four car tandem garage and a large wooded lot. Kitchen with oak cabinets, island and granite counters. Luxury master bedroom suite with letted tub, separate shower, \$429,900 (43EVA) 248-524-1600



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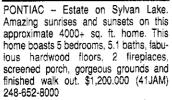


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CANTON - Beautifully maintained. Cape Cod backing to woods & golf course offers 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3+ car attached garage, basement, private patio, 1st floor master suite w/his & her walk-in closet, great room w/gas fireplace & cathedral ceiling. \$417,300 (36GLE) 734-455-5600



SOUTHGATE - A Perfect 10! 4 bedroom cape cod w/2.5 baths, 2 car attached garage, basement w/glass blocks, master bedroom w/full bath & Jacuzzi tub. Great room w/fireplace, dining room, cedar deck, brick paver walkway, CA, sprinklers. Gorgeous, gorgeous thro \$262,500 (25MOR) 734-455-5600 throughout





BIRMINGHAM - Designers own home is gorgeous. Stunning limestone, cherry fireplace, kitchen to die for, commercial six burner Viking range, Sub Zero and Bosch. Marble counters, hardwood floors, all marble and granite 3.5 baths. \$699,900 (40BIR) 248-652-8000

DEEDED BOAT DOCK - This spellbinding, two story contemp walk out home features 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, fireplaces in master bath, living room and lower level, also includes ceramic tiling thru-out. three car attached garage and many more amenities. Must see. \$499,500 (10WOO) 248-363-1200



COME LIVE YOUR DREAM - Exceptional gracious colonial in prime location backing to scenic nature trail, exposed thru walls of glass. Huge walk out basement w/patio. Extension deck off fabulous great room w/vaulted ceiling & marble fireplace to xway & mail. \$494,900 (46SUN) 248-363-1200

FARMINGTON HILLS -Spacious Ramblewood Colonial. Open floor plan in this 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath home in Farmington Hills. Very spacious rooms, finished basement w/bath, great room & lots of storage. Island kitchen, skylights, plus much more. Not a drive by \$330,000 (76APP) 248-626-8800



LAKE ORION - Newer built brick colonial. Center entrance colonial w/a back stair case to family room located in prestigious preserve sub. Neutral decor, expansive deck, community tennis courts, pool, clubhouse, playground & subdivision lake access. \$319,999 (61AUB) 248-626-8800

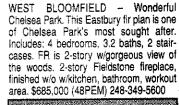


TROY - Fabulous 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath

OXFORD - 3-4 bedroom brick, all sports lakefront ranch w/finished LL walk out. Hardwood floors, ceramic baths, kitchen w/island and nook. 6 panel doors and master bedroom suite w/WIC and whiripool tub. Vaulted ceilings, fireplace, dock, sandy beach and LL garage for boat. \$400,000 (15JOH) 248-642-8100



BEVERLY HILLS - Peaceful valley best describes the setting for this large 4 bedroom, 2.1 bath home sitting on approx. 3/4 acre beautiful lot. Updated roof, furnace and hot water neater and walk out basement. Home Warranty provided. \$399,900 (70WES) 248-642-8100





SOUTH LYON - Quick Occupancy. Very impressive home w/2 story foyer & family, spacious gourmet kit w/cherry wood cabs & granite countertops. Oversize eating space. Master suite w/lg tub, shower & huge walk in closet. 9' bsmt w/garden window. Loft overlooks FR. \$437,555 (56SHE) 248-349-5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - Here's Your New Home. Outstanding 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath brick ranch on almost a 1 acre lot w/pool. Offers a newer Grabill cherry kitchen w/Sub Zero remg, Conan tops & sink. Updated baths & excellent floor plan. Beautiful gardens & much more. \$339,500 (51WEL) 248-349-5600



ROCHESTER HILLS - Lovely newer 1.5



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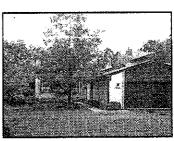
BEAUTY AT ITS BEST - Lakefront brick ranch w/sunset view, 3 bedfooms, 1.5 baths, many wonderful updates, wood tloors, all appliances included, partially finished walk out. Drive your boat up and start enjoying lake living at its best. \$429,000 (00ĚTH) 248-363-1200



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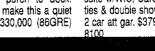
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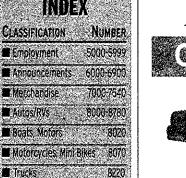
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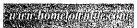
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BY ANNE FRACASSA AVANTI NEWS FEATURES

My Aunt Barb has been talking about the new Lincoln Aviator every since it was introduced a couple of years ago. She wants one, and she wants one badly.

Her husband, my Zio Alfredo, treated himself to a Ford F-350 the day he retired. I'm by any means not taking that away from him. He worked like a horse his whole entire life, toiling to send his four beautiful girls through parochial school, then college. Life wasn't easy for him, for sure.

was sure to run into her -- I brought it along for the ride. Of course, seeing it in person made her want one even more.

"I know your uncle would tell me to go out and buy one in a heartbeat, but it's still a little pricey," she pondered. "He wouldn't ever deny me something like this. I would just like to have something to go out in rather than a truck."

And therein lies the rub.

Aviator is, by no means, a truck.

This is a luxury sport utility vehicle at its very best. From comfort, to design, performance and versatility, the Aviator is what you're looking for in a luxury SUV.

It has a third row folded down, you'll garner about 40 cubic feet of cargo room. With the second gone as well, you'll increase that to 70 cubic feet. Only the Acura MDX can beat that. What I liked the most is the ease of operation to put those seats down. Just a flick of the wrist and you're done.

Drivers will find more than adequate room -- no matter how tall you are. There are adjustments for the steering wheel, to the six-way power seat, to the height-adjustable safety belts to the adjustable brake pedals. No matter your size, you'll find comfort somewhere in between all the adjustments.

Throughout the interior, you won't be disappointed. This is truly Lincoln all the way. Curves are everywhere -but they're soft curves, accented by very tasteful wood trim.

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2003 Lincoln Aviator. Vehicle class: Sport-utility vehicle. Power: 4.6-liter V8 engine. Mileage: 13 mpg city, 18 mpg highway. Price as tested: \$52,000

All of the interior lighting is white LED, which lends itself to a really pleasant view all around.

There are two trim levels of the Aviator to choose from; Premium and Luxury. Both have a major list of standard equipment and convenience features.

The electronics climate control has controls mounted on the steering wheel for added comfort and to keep your eyes on the road. There are also climate control systems for the second- and third-row passengers. Power windows come all they way down at the touch of one button on the driver's side. AM/FM/cassette/CD sound system also has controls on the steering wheel.

Here's something that came in handy during the dog days of summer -- the Aviator has cooled driver and passenger seats. They can also be heated in the winter. No more sweaty backs when getting out of the car on a hot day.

In the rear seats, there's a DVD entertainment system that comes out of the headliner to keep the munchkins outta your hair. It comes with wireless headphones and remote control, so you don't have to be bothered in the least. Let 'em go to it. Just don't involve me.

The Aviator's drivability is superb in every way. It rides and handles like a passenger vehicle, but it's high enough about the ride and handling. It was, at least, a Lincoln "experience." At most, a luxury tuned vehicle at its very, very best.

Under the hood you'll find an all-aluminum 4.6-liter V8 with dual overhead cams, four valves per cylinder and variable-length intake runners that promise -- and deliver --302 horsepower. With a maximum towing capacity of 7,300 pounds, the Aviator can pull just about anything you can throw it.

Safety issues are all there, including dual-stage air bags, belt pretentioners, side curtain air bags, tire pressure monitoring system (it'll even tell you if the spare is low on air) and the optional Advance Trac system that helps the driver correct and overseer and under steer problems they might encounter in their journeys.

There's also the standard anti-theft security system, battery saver and laminated front-door glass that prevents easy smash-and-grab thefts.

I like the new Lincoln Aviator -- a lot. It's got a price that's out of the range of most, but what you get for your dollar is still a great value. I say go get yourself one.

Write Anne Fracassa at avanti1054@aol.com.

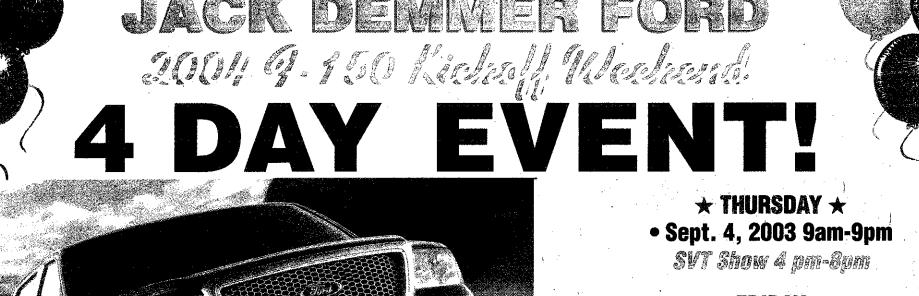
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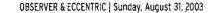
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ARE WE COMPATIBLE? Divorced professional female, petite, 50, 5'1", active, sense of humor. Enjoys exercise, good conversation, movies, concerts, animals. Seeks male counterpart, physically active, easygoing, sense of humor, non-smoker, profes-sional, no beard or mustache. Ad#:403597

WHERE ARE YOU? 50 yrs. old, divorced WF, 5'2", 110 lbs., blue eyes, brown hair. Enjoys music, concerts, arthered blutchester and outdoors, Harley's, the Red dancing, Wings, etc Searching for a honest, loyal, SM to enjoy life, someone who wants to casually date and has a sense of humor. Ad#:403942

can to always make you laugh! I consider myself laid back and relaxed Ad#:450845 LOOKING FOR MY FROG:) HELLO DE P 38 yrs old. Hey !! What's up fellows, this is a first for me,

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READY TO GET OUT AND HAVE SOME FUN!! 37 yrs old, S/W/F 37... have friends of all ages...Most are older I love summer..car shows, the beach..campsporting events, concerts and enjoy being inside relaxing fires. walking in the woods..up north..casinos..l am independent.my only son is 18..have my own house and a full time job..Looking for have some fun COMPANIONSHIP with Ad#:448863 SWF. 47, 5'8", 200 lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes. ONE OF A KIND 🖉 Interests are music, cooking 50 yrs old, Auwwwww yard I'm bored! Would like to mee a well rounded, easy going Searching for a SWM, 40-50 who is doesn't play games, is ceptieman to enjoy life's little surprises with. I can be active honest, truthful, commutaand can be lazv! I am down to Ad#:449182 earth, enjoy life, family and friends. Hike clean cut men, a HAPPY & CHEERFUL good sense of humor, hon SBF, 37, 5'11", with brown eyes and a beautiful set of esty, caring, and a bit on the personalities out, shopping and much



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SWF, 38, 5'5", blonde, with blue eyes and wears glasses. Enjoys walking, reading, bowling, fishing, camping, NASCAR & playing with her cat. Seeking a SWM, 35-45, who is humorous, honest sincere, energetic, likes to have fun, but has a serious side. Ad#:449267 FIND OUT MORE TODAY!!! SWF, 59, 5'6", slender brunette, with short brown

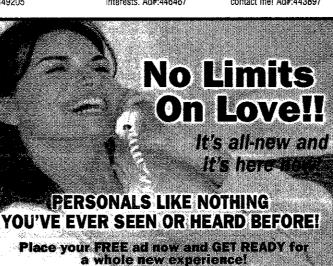
hair and hazel/green eyes. Enjoys sailing, power-boat-ing, golfing, fine dining, tennis and much more. In search of a honest, loyal, trustworthy, N/S Ad#:449205 ŚŴM, 59-75.

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I MAY BE THE ONE SWF, 52, enjoys gardening the outdoors, camping, hik-ing, movies, theater, concerts, cooking and entertain ing. Looking for SWM, 48-63, who wants to invest time in building a relationship with me. Ad#:443461

SEEKING A TRUE GENTLE-MAN MAN SBF, 26, 5'10", 150 lbs., dark complexion. Seeking a SM, 22-35, who is humorous, kind, considerate and goal ciented bit 44/44/8075 oriented. Ad#:446975

BECIPE FOR LOVE Christian WWWF, 68, 5'5", blonde hair, N/S, N/D. Enjoy my grandchildren, boating, church, flea markets, cooking Looking for that special SWM, 68 or older, who has interests. Ad#:446467 has similar



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SWF, 55, enjoys children, but

has none of her own, yard

sales, movies, dining out and

more. In search of an attrac-

tive, nicely dressed SWM, 49-

70, who has a good sense of

SBF, 25, 6'1", 167 lbs., attrac-

tive, outgoing and enjoys life.

Seeking a SWM, who is fun.

independent and friendly, for

a friendship first. Ad#:446021

Honest, sincere, 32, SWF

dark hair, brown eyes, 5'2",

outgoing, strong willed, car

ing. Enjoy spending time with

my son, gardening, festivals,

employed, SM, who is honest.

sincere humorous, looking to

settle down and likes children

SWF, 22, 5'5", with blonde

hair and green eyes. Interests

are camping, playing pool,

nights out on the town and

to laugh and wants someone

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ING 🔎 45 yrs old, well i'm new to this, tired of the club scene and all the games. I think that I have reached a juncture in my life to find a compatible partner. I am an honest man down to earth, looking for the same. Someone who will stand by me as I would them through the good times and the bad Ad#:448075

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31 yrs old, Hello, here is a little more on me ... I'm very honest and do not play games. I enjoy concerts, movies, bowling, golf, sports, NASCAR and romantic dinners at home. I'm very easy-going and like to laugh and have a good time **HONEST & CARING** SWM, 24, 6'1", 160 lbs., with brown hair and considered to

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much more. Looking for a SWF, under 55, who has sim-THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE ilar interests and doesn't play SWM, 23, 5'10", 185 lbs., with a solid build. Interests games. Ad#:457095 **ROMANTIC GENTLEMAN** are romantic dinners, breakfast in bed, sports and more. In search of a SWF, over 18, who is all about having fun. Ad#:465707

LOYAL & COMMITTED SBM, 32, committed, looking

FUN & HUMOROUS SWM, 39, 5'9", blue eves

light brown hair, has a great sense of humor, outgoing and honest. Enjoys biking, music, the outdoors, good conversa-tion and more. Seeking a SF 21-42, who is a N/S, openminded, spontaneous, outgoing, humorous and loves music. Ad#:464214

HI LADIES 2 39 yrs old, Helio ladies, I like to have fun and go camping and fishing. I love the out-doors. My friends tell me that I am outgoing and fun to hang around. Well, that's about it. Ad#:454714 **GOOD ATTITUDE**

SWM, 51, brown hair, brown eyes, fun, generous, kind, and easy going. Enjoys dining out, long walks, music, and play-ing softball. Seeking SWF, 35-Bob decides to call -800-487-2038 50, who has a good attitude is loving, caring, and under-standing. Looks are not to respond to this ad important. Ad#:462894 CHE OF THE BEST 20 20 Athactive SWF, 315, Brown has and ayes, 1 am yany faio, cuting ing and fromest, Seatting SM.

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SWF, self motivated, hard working, likes to have fun, and

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of golf clubs at an estate sale

and will be trying that sport.

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43 yrs old, ... Has the key to

my heart. Hi, I'm looking for

the woman who has the key to

my heart and not afraid to use

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search of a SWF, 28-45, who

is easy to get along with,

enjoys kids and has similar

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CIAL SOMEONE! 🖉

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AWAITING YOUR RESPONSE SWF, 23 yrs. old, seeking SBM, 20-30, who is not into playing games. If this is something you want, then contact me! Ad#:443897

somewhere, I enjoy football, driving around with the top

TIME TO GET BACK TO DAT-784 SWF, 59, 5'2", with brown hair

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Looking for a loving SWM, 23-24, 6'+, brown/black hair preferred. Ad#:466472

LOOKING FOR ME, WELL YOU FOUND ME!. 2011 19 yrs old, I am a SWF, seeking a SWM, that is outgoing and caring. I am 5'8", and about 185. I have light brown hair and brown eyes. Ad#:449904

NEW MOM JUST BROWS-ING 29 yrs old, New mom in March, just kind of browsing what's out there see Browsing cuz I'm not sure that there are decent men out there who would be interestnew mother. Ad#:445753

CHRISTIAN WOMAN 🖉 48 yrs old, Christian womar who enjoys going to Church camping, long walks, bike riding; spending time with Ad#:463094 friends.

DO YOU LIKE TO WALK IN

football, playing pool, the THE RAIN... 22 32 yrs old, SWF, 32, hard beach and more. Looking for a SBM, 28-40, who is honest, working, shy at first, dedicatromantic, funny and open-minded. Ad#:459756 ed. Likes to spend time reading, working around the house and spending time out-**HONEST & SINCERE** doors. Looking for someone SWF, 49, 5'5', brown hair and to spend time with and get to blue eves. Outgoing and shy know. Ad#:448396

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playing bridge, travel, dining movies, quiet times and more. Seeking a SWM, 48-60, who is tall, well-educated sincere, and has a great sense of humor. Ad#:466339

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ale mother who is looking for that right person to be with. I am a nonest, sweet, loval loving, caring, thouhtful, cre ative, intelligent woman. I have a lot of likes. I enjoy being outdoors in warmer weather. I enjoy anything t o do with water Ad#:466225

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more, in search of a SWM

over 43, who is honest and

sincere, for friendship first.

reading, plays and

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antiques

I'm 5', 105 lbs., 58, romantic

secure SF, seeking a nice-looking male, 5'7" to 6', slim

dancing, golf, live theater and

medium build, who enjoys

relationship

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with a good book or a good

SWF, 48, 5'7", with a slim build and light brown hair. Interests are walking, hiking, dining out, movies, the water

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good conversation. Macomb SBF, 30, 5'8", sexy and attractive. Interests are basketball, respectable, caring LETS HAVE FUN 🔊

37 yrs old, I'm easy going down-to-earth type person. I enjoy camping and all things

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have a great sense of humor.

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SWF, 68, 5'5", with blonde hair. Interests are painting traveling, quiet evenings at home, the outdoors, dancing and much more. Looking for a SWM, 60-72, who is tun-lovand outgoing. ing and Ad#:449628

SWF, 42, 5'4", with short auburn hair and blue eyes.

yrs Enjoys time with her children WDF,51,Somewhat biking, walking and much more. Looking for a N/S SWM, 40-48, who is fun-lov-Looking for a N/S ng, good-natured and enjoys humor, to share good and bad times with. Ad#:448318

kids. Ad#:450939 **EASYGOING & HUMOROUS** SWF, 55, semi-retired, enjoys the outdoors. Florida, con certs, walking, reading, etc. In search of a SWCM, under 68, who has time for a relation ship, with a great sense of humor. Ad#:450241

trustworthy, funny, caring and loving, Ad#:449074

SWF, 19, with a good sense of humor, enjoys life, loves to laugh, camping, the beach and is easy to get along with. Looking for a SWM, 31-37, who is fun to be with, honest enjoys children. Ad#:449703

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Nould like to get started now. DINNER FOR TWO

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NEED TO BE LOVED 38 yrs old, Hi ladies, I like to play sports like basketball, goif, softball, etc to keep in shape I have many friends that I enjoy to be with I love my family. Someday I'll have one to. To be continued. Ad#:457435

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39 yrs old, SWM, 39, 5'7* 180 lona-term Ibs, I'm easygoing, honest and ward working. I like cooking, gardening, watching movies, TV and being dutside. Looking for a SWF 30-45 who SWM, 49, hard working, 5'8" similar intrusts. has Ad#:457834 48, who is easygoing, intelli-

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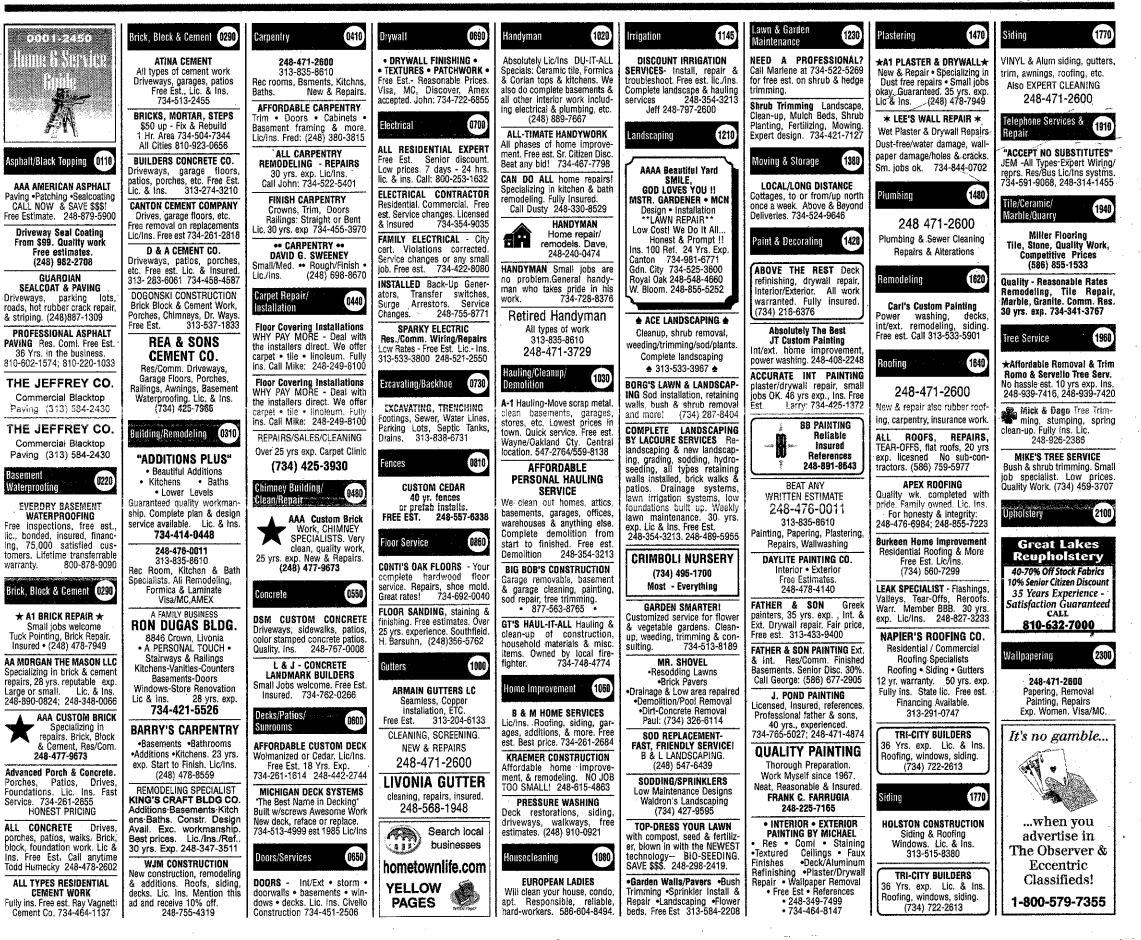
female who is looking for an unattached single male for friendship and possible more. SWCF, 49, 5'6", blonde hair, brown eyes, organized, intelli-

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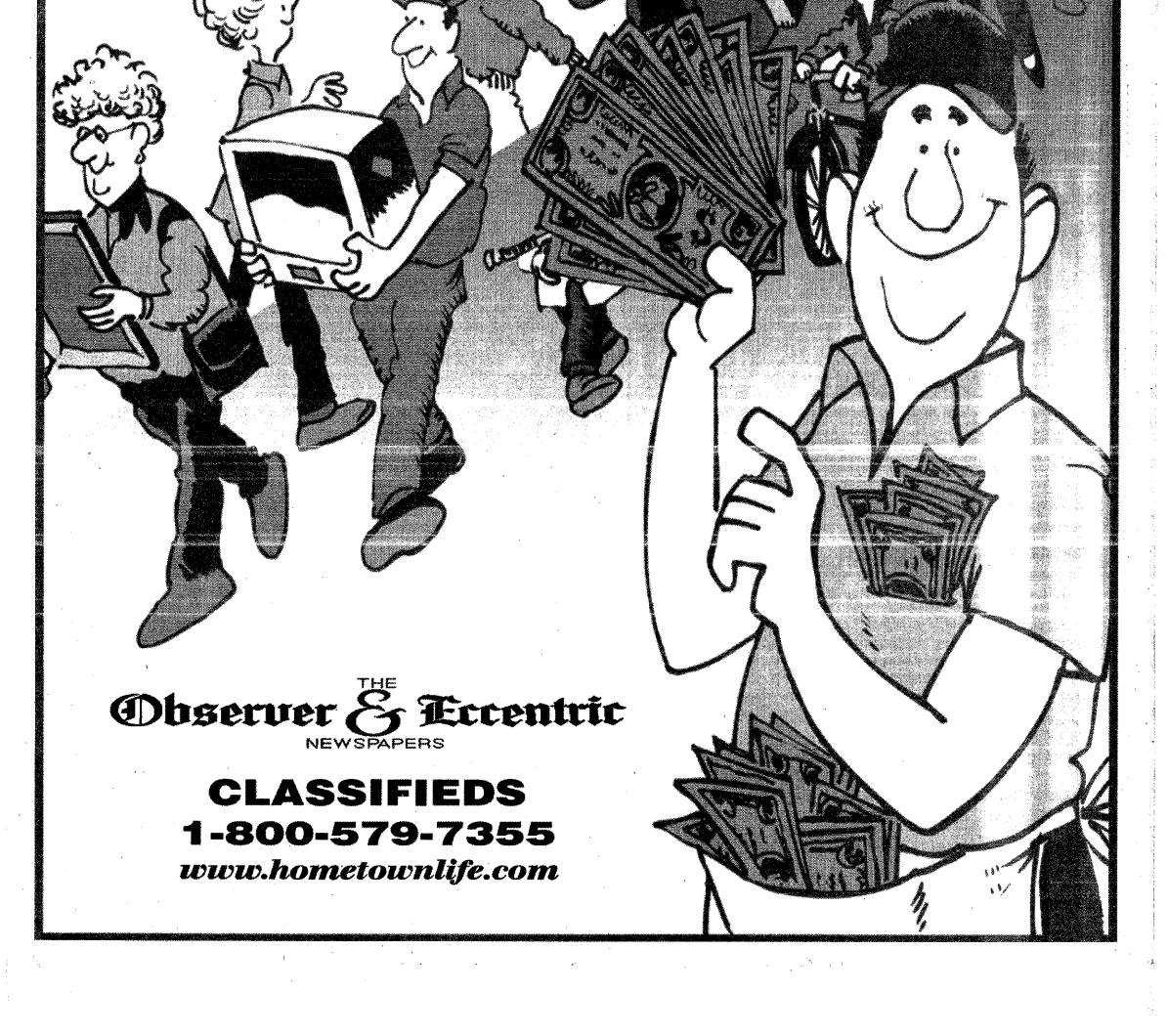


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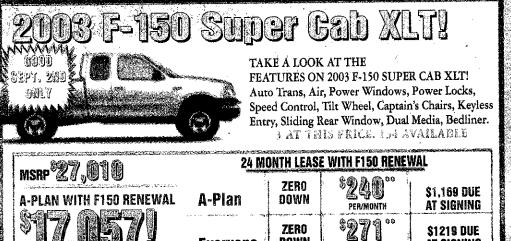
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