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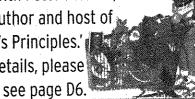
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address all aspects of the disease from research, prevention and early diagnosis to advanced treatment and ultimately finding a cure. To register call (800) 732-7170. Admission to zoo is free with registration that begins at 8

Fireworks

Fireworks displays will be part of the celebration as . Canton hosts homecoming at 7 p.m. Oct. 10 and again at 7 n.m. Oct. 17 when Salem plays its homecoming game.

Wolverine Fireworks Display provides special effects at the start of the games, and through the halftime activities. Fireworks will mark the pregame, help celebrate touchdowns and the announcement of homecoming king and queen.

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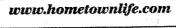
Canton Leisure Services has rescheduled By Land or Sea for 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 11, at Heritage Park. The event was canceled due to the power outage. By Land or Sea is for those who are fascinated by the high octane of fire engines and big trucks or the grace of radio controlled, electricpowered boats. Visitors can also bring their own radio controlled, electric-powered boats to the pond.



If your charity or organization is offering holiday cards for sale to raise funds we want to tell our readers about it. In early November, the Observer Community Life

section will feature a page of holiday charity cards in full color.

Send a copy of your card with information about your charity and where to obtain the cards to Hugh Gallagher, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. We need to have your information by Oct.





Amber Wallace harvests a sunflower head from a garden at Tonda Elementary School in Canton. Wallace is one of approximately 25 members of the schools garden club under the leadership of parent Lorraine Hallinen.

Tonda Garden Club sees fruits of its labor

BY KIMBERLY MORTSON STAFF WRITER

"Mary, Mary quite con-

How does your garden

grow? That's the question Lorraine Hallinen is helping a group of students at Tonda Elementary School answer. For the past three years, the Canton mom and parent volunteer has been shepherding approximately 25 students to plant, preserve and harvest a

"I've tried to maintain a mix of work and play," said Hallinen, the mother of four children, three of whom attend Tonda. "Tonda has always had a vegetable garden that the whole school has

PLEASE SEE GARDEN, A9



Canton resident and Tonda parent volunteer Lorraine Hallinen accepts a check from the Canton Garden Club by members Jane Davis and Marnie Holdefer. The Canton Garden Club learned about Hallinen's efforts to create and maintain an elementary school garden club and wanted to donate \$200 in support of their endeavors.

Cougar sighting reported

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

Was that a cougar spotted in a field near Michigan and Haggerty Monday morning? Canton police are treating the report as authentic although no additional sightings had been reported as of Wednesday afternoon.

About 9 a.m. Monday a resident reported sighting the animal in the Michigan/Haggerty area. Police and animal control officers responded and reported finding tracks, apparently belonging to a cougar, in the general area. The cougar is believed to be traveling along a river bank in that area.

According to police, based on the size of the footprints, it is believed to weigh approximately 70 pounds. It isn't known if the animal was a pet or if it has been declawed.

Dr. Patrick Rusz, head of cougar research at the Michigan Wildlife Conservancy. said the cougar shouldn't be a threat to people and will not attack unless provoked. He said nothing should be done if it is seen again because it will probably leave the area on its own.

"They're telling us not to touch it," said Canton Police Lt. Rob Cripe.

According to the wildlife conservancy, cougars are protected under the Endangered Species Act and cannot be harmed

PLEASE SEE COUGAR, A8

Schools turn to single fund-raiser

STAFF WRITER

School fund-raisers have been around for a long time, with students selling everything from candy and magazines to pizza kits in an effort to raise money for school necessities such as books, field trips, playground equipment and even at-risk reading programs.

However, as budget cuts have become the norm for most school districts, parentteacher organizations have been working overtime to raise money that was previously included in individual school ledgers. And, it's become increasingly difficult to raise additional cash.

Parents, teachers and students at East Middle School and Dodson Elementary have taken up the challenge with events this

PLEASE SEE SCHOOLS, A8

Summit hosts respected art exhibit

BY JILL HALPIN CORRESPONDENT

More than 70 artists from the Canton area and across southeastern Michigan will gather this weekend at the Summit on the Park for what has become one of the area's most widely respected art shows, the Canton Fine Arts Exhibition.

Open to the public beginning Saturday, the show offers area residents an opportunity to explore fine art in their own back yard.

Now in its 11th year, the Fine Arts Exhibition features works of art in a variety of mediums including watercolor, acrylic, oil, mixed media, colored pencil, photography, clay and pen-and-ink. Sponsored by Canton Project Arts, the township's cultural program, the juried show has

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grown from a weekend event to a weeklong display known for its high-caliber

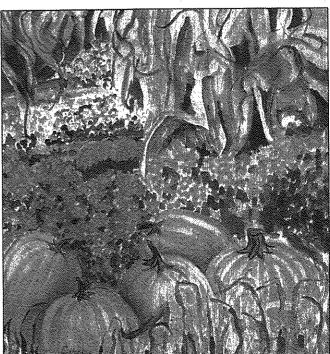
jurors. "Not only is it a quality show, it's a varied show. There is variety in the media, as well as in the subject matter," said exhibit cochair Clay Mauk.

Mauk, a Canton resident, has volunteered with the Art Exhibit with his wife, Hiromi Kawanishi, for the past three years.

REPUTATION

"The show has gained quite an exceptional reputation," said Linda Shapona, a Canton resident who has helped oversee the art show for the past eight years. A longtime community art supporter, Shapona is co-chairing this year's

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Eileen Reddington of Livonia created this colorful seasonal painting of pumpkins to be displayed at the Canton Project Art Exhibit at the Summit.

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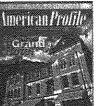
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PCAC gets new director for youth drama program

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday, October 2, 2003

When officials at the **Plymouth Community Arts** Council went looking for a new director for their youth drama troupe, they asked retired elementary school teacher Sharon Belobraidich to sit in on the

Little did they know they were inviting their next direc-

tor to the table. After several candidates failed to spark any interest in PCAC officials, they decided they had their gal all along, and asked Belobraidich to take the job. The 40-year teaching veteran first agreed to take the summer camp, then finally said yes to the full-time gig as the director of the Uptown Players, formerly the Whistle Stop players.

"I'm a firm believer in the arts," said Belobraidich, who taught first- and secondgraders in Plymouth-Canton schools for 38 years before retiring after last year. "They're so important to children. If you take away the arts, you take away humanity."

Belobraidich's devotion to youngsters is what drew the PCAC to her. A graduate of Troy High School and Michigan State University, Belobraidich started out teaching in Lansing, then moved to Plymouth-Canton.

She taught at Bird Elementary School for 23 years, then spent 15 years at Hoben Elementary before retiring in 2002. Her classroom work with her students included drama, and she produced a play every year for her kids.

That's actually how she got started in the drama business. She was the teacher to the children of the owners of Curtain Call Dance and Drama in Canton. When Curtain Call decided to put together a drama program for kids in

1979, they called on Belobraidich to lead it.

"I told them I wasn't qualified," she recalled. "They said, 'We've watched how you work with young kids. That's the important part."

She took the job, and kept it until 1987, when her husband, Frank, died of complications from diabetes. After taking the summer to grieve, Belobraidich returned to the classroom that fall.

She has long been associated with the American Association of University Women, directing their annual play, but her interest in drama extends back into her high school days. Belobraidich is a Troy native, graduating from Troy High School in 1958. She did a couple of high school plays, and her teacher then taught her a valuable lesson about staying in character.

"He put a pound of salt in some coffee we had to drink," Belobraidich remembered,



Kelley Donnelly of Canton, 8, interacts with her mom, Mary Beth, during auditions at the Plymouth Community Arts Council Monday evening.

ing a family were higher on her

list than a Hollywood career.

She did both, marrying Frank

Belobraidich in 1962 and rais-

ing daughters Caryn and Ellyn,

Belobraidich said. "Six- and 7-

wonderful people. They love

everything, and the world is

just opening up to them. It's

ing. I found my calling."

such a couple of years of learn-

It's her adherence to that

PCAC officials. Stella Greene,

director, has known

calling that attracted her to

the PCAC's new executive

Belobraidich for years, and

and starting her teaching

career. "I loved teaching,"

year-old kids are the most

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down out of the bleachers, rag-

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where she majored in elemen-

tary education, but minored in

speech and drama. She'd also

taken some 14 years worth of

piano lessons, but didn't use

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Carnegie Hall, but as I

have the talent for that."

said. "I always wanted to play

"I guess I didn't think I was

Besides, teaching and start-

She moved on to MSU,

on the stage."

either in college.

the stage, and here he came

said she has always been impressed with Belobraidich's grasp of what's appealing to youngsters.

So the decision to ask her to: sit in on interviews seemed natural. But as they wore on, Greene started wondering if she didn't have her candidate right under her nose.

"She has an innate ability to connect with children," Greene said. "It was the natural way to go. Her enthusiasm is contagious."

Belobraidich is conducting auditions for the Uptown Players' first production, a musical Tom Sawyer. Beyond that, she hasn't committed, but she sounds like she's having the time of her life. 🧃

"I love doing drama for the life in the life is the life in the life in the life is the life in the life in the life is the life in the li young kids," Belobraidich said. "At one performance, a kid was sitting in front of the director. 6 and when the curtain opened the kid said to his mom, 'We need a TV this big.' It's so much fun to that that with kids, to have them realize, 'Wow, this is a live person."

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The P-CEP Marching Band in formation during their Bands of America Regional preliminary competition at the Pontiac Silverdome Sept. 27.

Park marchers get regional top 10

Band's show a work in progress, but performance earns 6th place

CORRESPONDENT

Still a work in progress, the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching Band's performance of their exotic show, "Souls of the Gypsy Caravan," earned the 170 marchers a spot in the top 10 finalists among the 28 bands from five states at the Bands of America Regional Competition held at the Pontiac Silverdome Sept. 27.

"I was thrilled with their performance at finals," said a pleased Marc Whitlock, director of bands at the Park. "When they went out on the field they were hungry to do a great job and they did."

Assistant Director Brian Miller agreed. "I thought they did fantastic," he said. "There was a big improvement from the preliminary competition and also from the previous day's practice."

That's something Joe Lorenz, a Canton senior percussionist, recognized.

"We definitely improved from the preliminary to the finals competition," he said. "There was a big energy difference and I think we did really well. We just went out and put all we had on the field. It's a great feeling coming off the field knowing that's your best performance so far."

This was the first regional competition for Angel Ayoub, a Plymouth freshman and clarinetist.

"I thought we did pretty good tonight," she said. Marching band is cool. It may be a lot of work, but it pays off."

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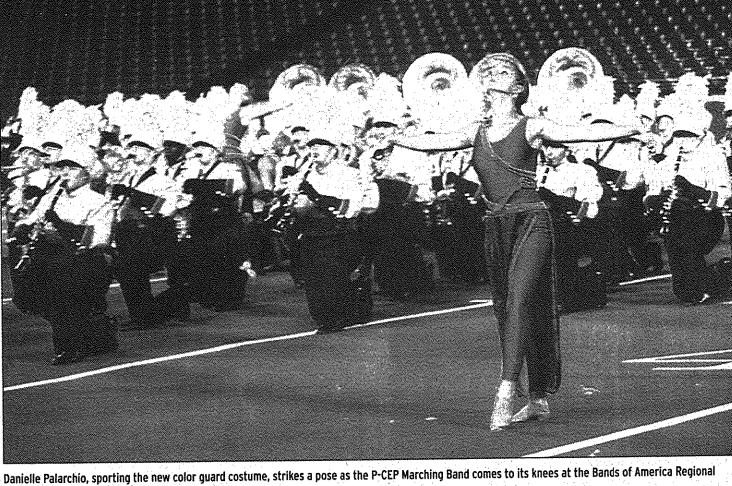
With about two-thirds of their show complete, the hometown performers captured the sixth-place trophy with a score of 74.35. The top spot went to the Centerville Jazz Band from Centerville, Ohio, 81.25. Other Michigan bands in the finals included Reeths-Puffer from Muskegon seventh with a 73.4 and Jenison High School, 68.0 for

With a teaching philosophy of perfecting each portion of the show before adding the next, Plymouth-Canton was the only one among the finalist bands with an incomplete show. "I think the judges recognized that our show has a certain amount of depth and emotion," said Whitlock.

He was impressed with the abilities of the bands, from Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio and Kentucky, in this year's regional competition.

This is the strongest display of talent I have seen at these regionals in quite a few years," said Whitlock. "Of the top six bands this year, all have been Bands of America Grand National finalists and three of them, including Plymouth-Canton, have won the champi-

onship." Whitlock said he sees a trend toward stronger and stronger performances. Many of the bands over the years, he said, including Plymouth-Canton and Marion Catholic from



finals competition.



Clarinetists lean into their performance during the Bands of America regional finals competition at the Pontiac Silverdome on Sept. 27, as the color guard, decked out in their new costumes, dance through.

Illinois, have been trend-set-

"Other groups over time begin to figure out the formula for success and the playing field becomes much tighter, and that is very good," said Whitlock. "It has nothing to do with competition; it has everything to do with pushing the activity to a new level."

RELOCATE

This was the first time in 15

vears the Bands of America organization, based in Indianapolis, held an event at the Silverdome.

"We are thrilled to return to Pontiac after so many years," said Bands of America President and CEO Scott McCormick.

"We have many of the finest bands in this region of the country performing

One of the challenges of performing in the Silverdome,

according to Whitlock, is the echoing. "We call the Silverdome the echo chamber," he said.

When the musicians hear three different tempos in our production all going at the same time with three echoes at the same time too, they really have to watch the drum majors," he explained. "With the speed of light much faster than the speed of sound, they have to trust what they see more than what they hear."

Marching band pageantry coming to P-CEP invitational

Plymouth-Canton's own Great Lakes Invitational will be held Saturday, Oct. 4 at the P-CEP stadium.

A pageantry of sight and sound will be presented by nine competing bands from across the state, including an exhibition performance by the Plymouth-Canton **Educational Park Marching** Band. The P-CEP marchers will perform this year's award-winning show, "Souls of the Gypsy Caravan."

All alumni band members and band boosters are encouraged to stop by the alumni hospitality tent.

Opening ceremonies begin at 4 p.m. Plymouth-Canton is slated to perform at 7 p.m. Cost of admission \$4; children under 5 are

Whitlock plans to add the final movement to the P-CEP show in the next few weeks in order to have a completed production by the time they return to the Silverdome for the Michigan Competing **Band Association State** Championship Contest on Nov. 1.

Kiwanis Club collects Halloween costumes

The Kiwanis Club of Plymouth-Canton Breakfast hosts its third-annual Halloween Costume Drive.

The event is sponsored in support of Mott Children's Hospital (Ann Arbor), Children's Hospital of Michigan (Detroit), Mary Free Bed Hospital (Grand Rapids) and Northern Michigan Hospital (Petoskey).

The Breakfast Club has established a goal of at least 100 new Halloween costumes to be collected during the first three weeks of October. The costumes will be worn by patients during Halloween parties held at the benefitting facilities. The costumes must be newly purchased and never worn to avoid compromising the sterile environment.

Anyone who cares to donate a costume to help make a hospitalized child's Halloween a little brighter can call Janet Ott. Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Club secretary, at (734) 981-0460. Deadline is Oct. 20,

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event with Mauk.

'When it started, it was a community event. It still is, but it also a regional event," she said, noting that the show will include work from a North Carolina artist with ties to the community.

It is the combination of high-quality art, respected iurors and the beautiful setting for the show that has contributed to its overall success, Shapona said. Although 177 works of art have been selected to be displayed throughout the week, more than 230 were submitted.

Artists interested in displaying their art at the exhibit submitted slides of their work, which were reviewed by this year's juror, artist Linda Mendelson. Currently serving as president of the board of directors of the Michigan Watercolor Society, she has won numerous awards throughout the state for her artwork. Her paintings have been included in more than 150 exhibits, including shows at the Detroit Institute of Arts. the Detroit Artists Market, the Detroit Focus Gallery and the Scarab Club.

COMPETITION

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As juror of the show, Mendelson will award cash

prizes in categories including Best of Show, second place, third place and honorable mention. Four Merit Awards will also be presented. In all, nine awards totaling more that \$1,800 will be given out.

The fact that it has grown has a lot to do with the fact that the jurying has been exceptional. Artists really want to be a part of it," Shapona

Another explanation for the success of the show is the commitment of township leaders to bringing culture to the community. From Canton Project Arts to the construction of a community theater, local leaders have made it a priority to support art in Canton, said Pat VanDusen, volunteer events

coordinator for the township.

"With the new theater in Canton next year, we want to make everyone aware of the art and cultural activities in Canton," VanDusen said.

Shapona also credits community leaders for supporting art in the community. "It is important in our leaders' priorities that we have a high level of creative outlets. It's important to the quality of life in Canton," she said.

As a result of this commitment, art is very appreciated in Canton.

"I have had many artists tell me that this is 'the event' ... they will skip other events in order to attend this one because the reception from the



Artist Tim Marsh's attention to detail in 'Face to Face' earned him a spot at the Canton Project Art event beginning Safurday at the Summit in Canton.

public is so delightful," Shapona said.

The 11th annual Canton Fine Arts Exhibition begins Saturday, Oct. 4, and runs throughout the week at the

Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton.

Hours for the show are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; noon to 5 p.m. Sunday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday.

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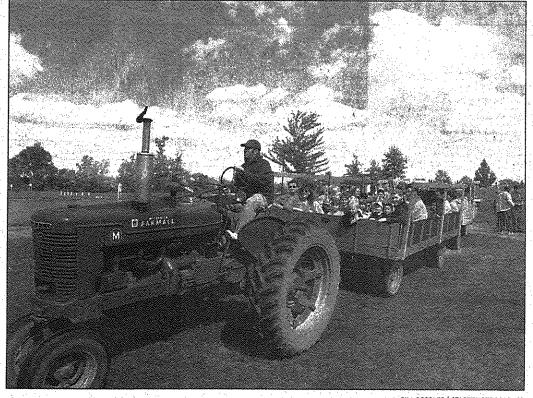
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Harvest time

Adults and children alike enjoyed the hayride around Heritage Park at the second annual Harvest Celebration in Canton. The celebration was held Saturday, Sept. 27, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visitors enjoyed down-home country music, hayrides, face-painting, cider-making demonstrations and a kids harvest craft tent.



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OBITUARIES

Dante Paul Paesani

Services for Dante Paesani, 34, of Plymouth were held Sept. 27 at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Mr. Tony Munoz officiating.

Mr. Paesani was born April 29, 1969, in Dearborn and died Sept. 23. He grew up in the Redford community and was a 1987 graduate of Thurston High School.

He came to the Plymouth community four years ago from Redford.

He worked in sales at Don Massey Cadillac in Plymouth. He was a member of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Plymouth.

Survivors include wife, Melanie; daughters, Alexis and Brittany; parents, Danny (Shirley) Paesani of Plymouth; sisters, Lisa (Gordie) McNett of Brighton and Angelina (John) Paesani of Plymouth; and many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Clarence J. Griggs

Services for Clarence Griggs, 57, of Canton were held Oct. 2 at the chapel of L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Mr. Griggs was born Sept. 22, 1946, in Birmingham, Ala., and died Sept. 28 at Garden City Hospital.

He was a tool-and-die machinist.

Survivors include wife, Marlene L.; daughter, Annette M. (Sean) Ninneman; son, Michael J.; one brother; three sisters,; and grandson, Brendan.

Arrangements made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home Canton Chapel.



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Staffer remembered as sweet, carino

BY SUE MASON STAFF WRITER

Friends and co-workers of Kathleen Marie Davidge are remembering her as a sweet



Ms. Davidge

and caring woman whose grandson Logan was the love of her life. "Her daughter Colleen was

the first thing

in her life until her grandson

came along," said co-worker Debbie Conner. When she talked about him, she'd glow."

She loved her family, she loved her grandson," added fellow co-worker Lucy Caulford.

Born on Sept. 28, 1941, in Detroit, she died on Wednesday, Sept. 24, in Canton. She was 61.

Known as Kaye to many, the Westland resident joined the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers in October 1984 and worked in billing/customers service and credit in the business office during her almost 19 years with the com-

Friends and colleagues described Davidge as a quiet, soft-spoken, "a really sweet lady," who enjoyed going to dinner with friends once or twice a month and caring for her grandson.

"On weekends, she'd make the long trip to Tecumseh to see her grandson," Conner said.

Caulford recalled the smile on Davidge's face when she received a photograph of Logan via the Internet.

"Her face would light up," Caulford said. "She'd say, 'Look, look, look at the pictures they sent.' She loved her family."

Donna Gregway remembers the support she offered to a mutual friend who was diagnosed with breast cancer.

"She was really a good team player," she added. "She would always help us out. When she found out about the breast cancer, she was very supportive."

"She was my partner in collections," Conner added. "She was my partner and my friend and when I started (with) her, my teacher. I learned a lot from her about life, love, patience and family values."

Caulford laughed recalling Davidge's penchant for shop-

"She'd buy something and bring it home. After a week, she'd say, 'Oh, I don't need that,' and take it back. It would be, 'I don't need this, I don't want this or I don't like this,' and she'd take it back."

She also recalled her "quiet giggle" that came after someone said something. She'd stand up and role her eyes and laugh, Caulford said.

"She will be missed," Gregway said.

"And we all loved her," added Conner.

She is survived by a son, Gordon (Michelle); daughter, Colleen; sister, Suzanne (Robert) Moran; brothers Walter (Mary Lou) Gibbons, Patrick (Paula) Gibbons and Kevin (Beth) Gibbons; and grandson, Logan.

Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society and the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Services were Saturday, Sept. 27, at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton. Arrangements were by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home in Canton.

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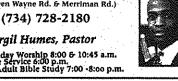
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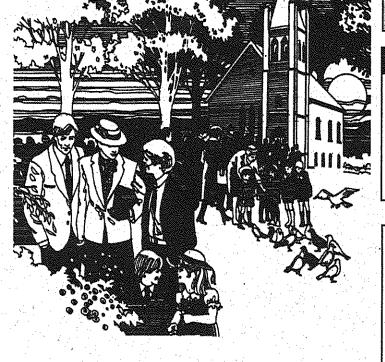
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Enjoy Life! passage of time if we are forever trying to beat the clock. Today's lifestyle is fast paced; however, slowing down and enjoying God's beauty, such as watching a sunset, or just sitting outside and watching the birds, can be relaxing, and is beneficial to our well-being. There are countless things that we can see or do to make our lives more enjoyable and peaceful. The Bible tells us that God generously gives everything to us for our enjoyment. We should be aware and thankful to God for all the wondrous things in our lives.

The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. - R.S.V. Song of Solomon 2:12



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OCTOBER

A Time for Healing workshop

Robert Scanfan talks about A Time for Healing and a Time for Moving on in a series of workshops, 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, 9 and 16, at First Presbyterian Church, Northville, Cost is \$32. Call (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org. Topics include letting go of the past, learning good things about gender differences and land mines to avoid, and how healing can bring fulfillment and joy.

Women's spiritual retreats Oct. 3-5 Getting to Know Jesus Better, call (586) 731-6797; Oct. 17-19 Healing of Memories-Inner Healing, call (248) 628-7056, and Oct, 24-26 Charismatic Retreat, call (586) 772-0047, at St. Mary's Retreat House, Oxford. Cost is

\$100. Revival

Grace Baptist Church of Livonia holds special revival and evangelistic meeting through Friday, Oct. 3, at 28440 Lyndon, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. Guest evangelist is Steve Pettit and his ministry team. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Special teen and children program held throughout the week. Public welcome. Call (734) 425-6215 or visit the Web site at www.GBCofLivonia.org.

Blessing of the animals 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, 9083 Newburgh, Livonia. All pets are welcome. Donuts, cider and treats provided. For more information, call (734) 591-0211 or visit the Web site at

www.holyspirit-livonia.org. Rummage & Bake Sale

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile, at Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Donations needed: deliver to church the week of Sept. 29. For more information, call (248) 626-7906.

Fall Rummage Sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, until noon Saturday, Oct. 4, at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, between Wayne and Newburgh roads, Livonia. Call (734) 422-0149.

Global Religious Trends Philip Jenkins, history and religious studies professor at Pennsylvania State University, is featured at a conference the coming upheaval in global Christianity 9:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at Trinity Church, 14800 Middlebelt, south of Five Mile. Livonia. \$20 in advance, \$25 at door. Pre-registration recommended. Call

(734) 425-2800. Archiglas

The singers from St. Petersburg, Russia perform a night of cultural music 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, and liturgical music 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at St. Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church, 26355 West Chicago, between Beech Daly and Inkster, Redford. A goodwill offering will be taken for the singers, Animal blessing

4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, between Five and Six Mile roads,

Livonia. All are welcome.

Spiritual growth campaign Participants can choose from various small groups meeting in a home in their area during a spiritual growth campaign presented by Faith Covenant Church Oct. 5 to Nov. 16. They will explore the 5 purposes for their lives as spelled out in the best selling book The Purpose Driven Life. No charge to attend or for the book and materials.

Call (248) 661-9191. Annual Life Chain

On Sunday, Oct. 5 (2-3:30 p.m.), thousands will line the sidewalks of seven routes in witness to their commitment to love and protect the unborn and their mothers. Churches and groups planning to participate must register in advance, Individuals also welcome. For registration information, call (248) 777-9090. The Life Chain is sponsored by Right to Life - Lifespan of Metro Detroit and co-sponsored by more than 100

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Continues 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, with motivational speaker and author Tochi Omenukor and The Power of Resilience at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt, Livonia. Series continues each Wednesday though Nov. 19. Love offerings accepted. For more information, call (734) 421-1760 or visit the Web

site at www.unityoflivonia.org. **Craft show**

St. Damian Church is looking for crafters for its annual Fall Arts and Crafts Show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, in the school, 30055 Joy, between Middlebelt and Merriman, Westland. For more information, call

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Rosary Conference Nationally known Catholic authors and lecturers John Leary and Carol Ameche conduct a rosary conference 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11, at the VFW

Hall, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth, Registration 8:30 a.m., mass at 9 a.m. Free will offering. Call (248) 398-6880. From Grief to New Hope Grief workshop presented by Cathy Clough, director of New Hope Center for Grief Support, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Lucille Lowery Memorial Concert 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 Sheldon, Plymouth. Freewill offering, Call (734) 453-0190,

Speaker

Dr. Warren Wiersbe will be speaking 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 19, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton. For information, call (734) 455-0022

Convention

Sunday School & Church Ministries Convention with workshop, Sunday school material, books, resource center for camps and colleges Friday-Saturday, Oct. 24-25, at First Church of Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, Northville. Inspiring general sessions open to the public. Kids Corner (ages 5-12) all day Saturday with a delightful time of Bible based, life impacting activity. For more

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www.rc.net/detroit/wwme. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a Roman Catholic, nonprofit organization dedicated to marriage enrichment.

ICEA Convention

International Christian Education Association presents its 57th annual Sunday School & Church Ministries' Convention 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 24-25, at First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, Northville.

Includes inspiring speakers, informative seminars and workshop, exhibits. children's activities, make and take puppet workshops, music. Cost is \$40 if registered before Oct. 1, \$60 at door. \$30 for one day, Call (248) 557-5526.

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Holiday Bazaar

Crafters needed for Holiday Bazaar 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, 26431 W. Chicago, Redford. Tables are \$30. Call (313) 937-2880.

Women's Event

Calvary Baptist Church of Canton (43065 Joy Road) will host popular Christian women's speaker Becky Tirabassi through their women's ministries program. The event, titled One Thing, will take place Saturday, Oct. 25, at the Canton church. Tirabassi is the author of Let Prayer

Change Your Life, and several other books, and has been heard on the radio and seen on television across the coun-

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A cougar was reportedly spotted in Van Buren Township about two weeks ago.

But Bill Sutherland, owner of Varmint Police, said he's skeptical that the cat is a wild cougar.

"My theory is it's somebody's (pet) cat," he said. "They turned it loose or it got loose."

Sutherland said he did find tracks and based on those he estimates the critter to weigh 60 to 80 pounds.

He says he doesn't believe there are any wild cougars or mountain lions or similar animals in the state. But he says until he sees the animal himself, he's not drawing any conclusions. And he's still checking out the area.

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Emily Brock, president of Canton Hills Homeowners Association which is north of Michigan and east of Lilley, said she hasn't seen any cougars but she has seen coyotes and a fox in her neighborhood.

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"They (Varmint Police) are telling us to ask people to stop feeding the deer," she said.

"That attracts other preda-

She said a rabbit was killed in her gazebo last week. She doesn't know what killed it, but there are coyotes in the area and at least five cats have

turned up missing.
"Because of all the building that's going on," she said, "they (wildlife) are being pushed into our neighborhood. I live in the woods and love it because I love nature. But I don't want to live with cougars and coyotes."

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SCHOOLS

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Saturday. Each school will hold a major fund-raising social event to cultivate money for their schools, thereby eliminating several smaller fundraisers which are draining parents, and those who are solicited to buy, buy, buy.

"In reality, the revenue has been decreasing," said Jan Coratti, eighth-grade science teacher at East Middle School, and co-chair of student activities. "Parents are so saturated with having their children in so many events that they're tired of buying products.

"I was sitting with parents after we just got our Morley candy delivered ... dealing with product that was overpriced for what the parents were getting," said Coratti. "We talked about a carnival, where we could bring everyone together as a community."

For Dodson Elementary PTO member Jennifer Lemieux, it seemed like the school always had its hand out.

"The principal warned us there will be more budget cuts next year," said event co-chair Linda Gayer, "so how are we, as a PTO, going to support our school, our children, our teachers ... without nickel and diming people to death?

East is hoping to raise \$40,000 with Saturday's carnival at the school, which will be held from 4-7 p.m. Students sold raffle tickets for prizes; there will also be games, music and a food court. Sales of raffle tickets have already netted \$25,000.

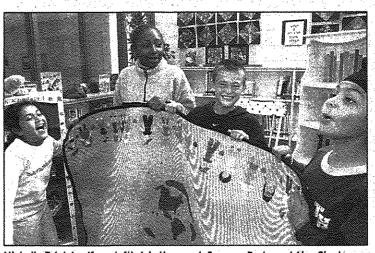
"This will eliminate two allschool fund-raisers and two music fund-raisers, as well as several smaller ones," said Gayer. "We're hoping it will be enough to do what we want to do for kids for the entire year."

At Dodson, the PTO is hoping to raise more than the \$30,000 raised from several fund-raisers last year at Saturday's "Under the Sea Ball" dinner, dance, raffle and auction at the Summit on the Park in Canton

'It's an alternative to kids going around the neighborhood and selling the catalogue fund-raiser," said Janet Slominski, mother of two at Dodson, and one of many



Robyn Piwowar (left) and Nicole Merget work on a seascape mural that will be used for the Dodson Elementary fundraiser Saturday.



Michelle Talukder (from left), Isis Haywood, Spencer Parks and Ajay Singh have fun holding up the rug they made in class. The rug will be used for Saturday's Dodson Elementary fund-raiser.

coordinators of the event. "We had concerns from parents saying it's a transfer community and there isn't a lot of family in town, and a lot of the kids are going to the same neighbors. With this, the parents can have a good time and spend their money how they want, on the

items they want." Both groups indicate finding auction and raffle donations from area businesses and parents was easier than anticipated. Among Dodson's prizes are a trip to Disney World, a suite at a Pistons game, a gourmet dinner for eight prepared in the winner's home, and a trip to Opryland in Mashville,

Tenn. East prizes include a big-screen plasma color television, a digital camera with printer and a laptop computer.

Students are also involved in raising the money at the two events.

"Children crafted an item that will go for auction at the ball," said Lemieux. "They are vested in raising money for the playground, and they're very excited about it."

At East, students are helping to raise money by manning the games and food court, providing the music and making gift baskets to be auctioned.

"Kids learn working together, building community, and

see the excitement that goes along with the rewards and successes," said Coratti.

Along with making huge sums of money, those involved say the events have also involved more parents and community members than the usual fund-raiser.

"Many times parents feel they're not included in middle school a lot, and technically they weren't," said Gayer, who noted more than 100 parents have been involved in the carnival preparations. They've been phenomenal."

While public schools are just now getting the idea of one, huge fund-raiser, private schools, like Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton, have been doing it for vears.

"Parents are just fed up with magazine and candy sales," said John Zylka, development director at PCA, which has held The Main Event for at least 10 years. "We make it more than just a fund-raiser. We use it to celebrate families, events, sports, and it raises an awareness of our school."

Last year, PCA raised \$270,000 at The Main Event, held at Compuware Arena in Plymouth Township.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

Supervisor Mann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present except Mr. Griffith, who was excused.

Mrs. Massengill amended the agenda by adding, under Unfinished Business, Item I.1 Repeal of the Current Uniform Traffic Code, Ordinance No. C-2003-04 and Item I.2 Adopting by Reference the Revised Uniform Traffic Code for Michigan Cities, Townships and Villages, provisions of the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code and provisions of the Michigan Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, Ordinance No. C-2003-05 and upon request from Trustee Arnold remove Item J.5 under New Business, Review of audio tapes from July and August 2003 Board of Trustees meetings. She then moved to approve the Agenda for the Tuesday, September 23, 2003, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting, as amended. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the Consent Agenda for the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of September 23, 2003, as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Don Schnettler questioned whether Board members had received a copy of the letter from the State, telling them the Township is in violation by not having a Building Code Fund set up. He also reiterated his objections to not having his questions regarding finances answered at the meetings.

Mr. Mann stated that he was informed by the State that they had reopened their once closed investigation upon the urging of Mr. Schnettler. Mr. Mann stated that the State's letter was not based entirely on correct information. He felt the State would be issuing a revised letter in the near future retracting part or all of the previous letter. The State quoted one Treasury Department letter (2002-2) which their findings were based on; however, there are two additional Treasury Department letters guiding townships on handling building code funds which were not addressed and which cover how Plymouth Township and most surrounding communities are conducting

Mr. Edwards referred to two letters from Mr. Balderman, former Chief of the Local Audit Division, who wrote the two letters instructing municipalities on how to handle the funds, which the Township follows.

Mr. Munfakh questioned why Board members did not receive copies of the earlier letters. He said he would appreciate copies in the

Mr. Mann replied that he receives a lot of letters in the transaction of Township business, and not all letters are copied to the Board. The Board is welcome to come in and look at anything they like.

In answer to Ms. Arnold's comment on the findings of Plante and Moran during the audit, Mr. Edwards said Plante and Moran found the fund balances were reserved in the General Fund. The Township has followed everything correctly and many communities in Southeastern Michigan are doing the same. In fact, the Township acted conservatively in assigning costs to the building department code activity.

Mr. Charles McFarland spoke regarding the paving of Ferguson Street, which is part of the SAD for Robinson Subdivision. He objected to the road being only 22-ft. wide, with no curbs and no drainage, and his cement driveway approach being removed and replaced with asphalt and the cement pile that remains across the

James Anulewicz, Director of Public Service, introduced Rhett Gronevelt of Orchard, Hiltz, and McCliment, project engineers. Mr. Gronevelt presented pictures taken of the area during the heavy rains on Monday, September 22, which showed no standing water in Mr. McFarland's driveway or front yard. He stated that Mr. McFarland's complaint will be monitored through-out the winter months. Mr. Gronevelt addressed Mr. McFarland's statement that his cement driveway approach was removed and replaced with asphalt. The policy is to replace existing concrete approaches with concrete if it is removed, otherwise asphalt is installed. He said he would review the video tape taken of the area prior to the start of paving project. He would also remove any concrete that may be a result of the paying project piled across the street from Mr. McFarland's property.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. C-2003-04 to repeal the Uniform Traffic Code, Ordinances No. 29, LXV, 65, 73-A, 73 and all amendments and Ordinances C-91-14 and C-95-06. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. ROLL CALL: Ayes: Massengill, Arnold, Edwards, Munfakh, Mann. Nays: Curmi Motion carried. A copy of the Ordinance is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal. Ms. Arnold moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. C-2003-05, adopting by reference the revised Uniform Traffic Code for Michigan Cities, Townships and Villages, provisions of the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code and provisions of the Michigan Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. ROLL CALL: Ayes: Arnold, Edwards, Massengill, Munfakh, Mann. Nays: Curmi. Motion carried. A copy of the Ordinance is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Mr. Edwards moved to award the contract for the Plymouth Commons Detention Basin Completion to Blaze Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$59,450.00, and authorize the Clerk and Supervisor to execute same. Seconded by Mrs. Massengill. Ayes all.

Mr. Edwards moved to award the 2003 Sidewalk Improvement Contract to Audia Concrete Construction in the amount of \$77,606.10 and to authorize the execution of the contract documents by the Supervisor and Clerk. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. ROLL CALL: Ayes: Edwards, Arnold, Massengill, Mann. Nays: Curmi, Munfakh. Motion

The Board thanked Peter Zorney, representing Marcello Scappaticci, for the proposed dismantling, moving and erection of the Cassady

Mr. Curmi moved to approve the location of the reassembled Cassady Barn at the location as found in the conceptual site plan completed by DBA dated 3/31/03 and authorize Township Engineers Dietrich, Bailey and Associates, P.C. to prepare the site plan drawings at no cost to the community. This is all done with the understanding that if construction, clearing, grading, etc., is begun this year, the project will be completed this year except for minimal landscape issues being resolved in the spring of 2004. Seconded by Mrs. Massengill. Ayes

Moved by Mrs. Massengill and seconded by Mr. Edwards, that October 14, 2003, be established for public hearing for the purpose of extending Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate #96-786 for an additional (7) years for the maximum of twelve (12) years for Coffee Express Company, 47722 Clipper Street, Lot 10, Metro West-Beck Road Industrial Park. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill asked when the update of the Zoning Ordinance would be completed and forwarded to the Board for review.

Mr. Anulewicz stated he would have the planners submit a timetable

Mrs. Massengill and Mr. Edwards discussed with Mr. Curmi the accountants' review of the bank reconciliations for 2003.

Mr. Roy Banks informed the Board that the "No Outlet" signs have been removed by the County on Revere, Applecreek and Postiff Streets and he would like to see them replaced. When there is traffic backups at Lilley and Joy Roads, motorists attempt to cut through the subdivision. Since there is no outlet to Joy Road, they have to turn around and go back to Lilley Road. This creates a dangerous situation for the residents in the subdivision. / Police Chief Tiderington agreed to work with him and forward a letter to the County requesting replacement of the signs.

Mr. Jim Ruth was assured that the landscaping was still in progress at the new Citgo gas station at the corner of Lilley and Ann Arbor

Mrs. Massengill moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Mann adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Marilyn Massengill, CMC Steven Mann, Supervisor Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth Charter Township of Plymouth

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meeting held on September 23, 2003. The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for public perusal. The minutes will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting held on October 14, 2003.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2003 REQUEST FROM COFFEE EXPRESS COMPANY TO EXTEND INDUSTRIAL **FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE NO. 96-786**

PLEASE TAKE NOTE; That a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2003, during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider Coffee Express Company's request to extend for an additional seven (7) years, Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate No. 96-786. P.A. 94 of 1996 allows an applicant who was granted less than the 12 year maximum by the local municipality to request, during the last year of the abatement granted, additional abated years up to the maximum of 12 years. The facility is located at 47722 Clipper Street, Metro West-Beck Road Industrial Park, Plymouth Township, County of Wayne, Michigan.

The request is on file in the Township Clerk's Office where it is available for public perusal during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of

Trustees may consider the request. The public hearing, commencing at 7:00 p.m., will be held in the Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, on Tuesday, October 14, 2003, during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustee meeting. Telephone number 734-354-3224.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC

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GARDEN

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had the opportunity to plant but we've taken this in a different direction."

Hallinen said the 25- by 50foot plot is planted in the spring by the entire student body, but when the school year starts in September members of the Tonda Garden Club harvest the crops, weed and then plant fall vegetables such as peas, radishes, spinach, greens and even sunflowers.

"Those are very popular with the kids because of their sheer size," she said. "They're bigger than they are and when they're bloomed the kids remove the heads and put the seeds in a birdfeeder outside the school. It's nice for them to be able to see the fruits of their labor."

The group meets once a week to maintain the garden, keep pathways cleared, harvest any crops and keep things hydrated. Hallinen said they've learned about composting, performed seed experiments and decorated pumpkins in addition to working in the garden itself.

"I've really enjoyed seeing the kids have fun and learn something at the same time," said Hallinen, who describes herself as an amateur gardener.

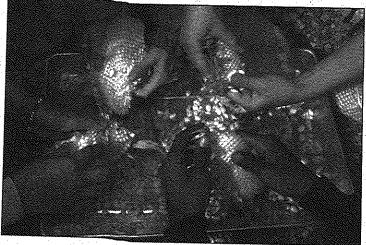
Tonda Principal George Belvitch said the gardens at Tonda were initially created four years ago by parent volunteers Christine Ashton and Charisse Nilles.

They started the vegetable garden and things have really evolved from there," he said. "We also have a butterfly garden. There are gardens all around the school."

Most recently the Canton Garden Club learned of Hallinen's efforts with the Tonda Garden Club and encouraged her to submit a request for the group to contribute monetarily to the elementary clubs efforts.

Canton Garden Club member and community service chairperson Marnie Holdefer said they will soon donate \$200 to the Tonda Garden Club because Hallinen's efforts to educate the children about gardening is right in line with their "vision and mission" as a club.

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Tonda students harvest the sunflower seeds. The seeds are then dried and used for snacks.

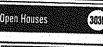
along with several members of the Canton Garden Club," Holdefer said. "When we heard about what she was doing, we asked her to write a proposal to our group, who approved it last night. I think what she's doing is wonderful."

Tonda's principal couldn't

agree more.

"It's a great opportunity for the kids to learn to take care of something, nurture it and watch it grow," Belvitch said. "It's an obvious and overt way to show them that if you take good care of something, it grows beautifully."

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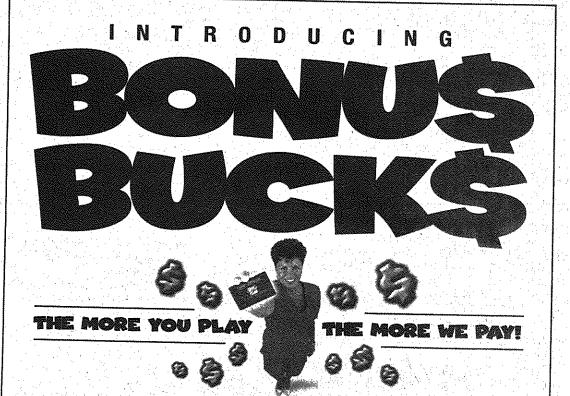
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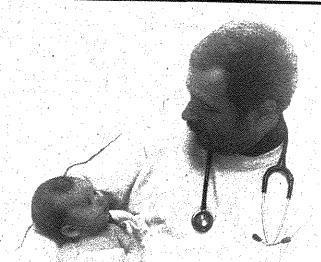
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Animal adoption event a win-win

It's not every day that you can draw some 500 adults and kids to focus on the same thing. But last weekend dog and cat lovers at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Canton pulled it off at the first-ever Dog Days of Summer event.

Of course, what can be more endearing and more of a draw than dogs and cats that need homes because they have no where else to go or they have been abandoned or abused?

Each of the dogs and cats that withstood the stares and oohs and aahs of adoring humans last Saturday comes with a story. But then, so do the humans who are doing the staring.

Myriad animal rescue groups filled the church grounds to make their rescued animals available for adoption. Wisely, the rescue groups make the adoptions as serious as possible. No one took home a pet that day. These wanna-be pet owners must apply for the privilege of adopting an animal.

The rescue groups, as well as the organizers of the Dog Days of Summer, must be applauded for their hard work, their tenacity and their love and respect of animals. Already, plans are in the works to have a rescue event twice a year at the church, A good move for the church, event organizers and rescue groups, most of whom are well accustomed to giving up their weekends in search of finding the rescued animals good homes.

Non-lovers of animals may look at such events and wonder why these activists put their hearts and souls into a bunch of dejected dogs and cats and other animals, such as birds, bunnies and ferrets. To these non-lovers, the animal lovers would say look at how some of these animals have been treated by ignorant and selfish humans. Some have withstood inhumane treatment, certainly abuse. Some still bear the scars of chains and marks of beatings. And there are still others who lived in good homes until their owners got tired of them or found them inconvenient.

All of these rescue groups support spaying and neutering to maintain the animal population, if for no other reason than there aren't enough homes for all the domestic animals that are being born.

We applaud the efforts of everyone involved with the event, including the individuals and families who are finding love in their hearts and space in their homes for these deserving and needy animals.

Newspapers help nation talk to itself

Just three months after terrorists struck on American soil, U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft said those who raised Constitutional questions about new anti-terror measures were giving "ammunition to America's enemies."

Two years later, Americans are still raising the same questions about threats to our personal liberties. And newspapers are still fostering those conversations.

We are your portal to American ideas and opinions, and Oct. 5-12, we're celebrating that fact. This year's theme for National Newspaper Week is "The Newspaper ... A Nation Talking to Itself."

Gene Policinski, of the First Amendment Center, says newspapers are America's original "chat rooms."

"Americans have used newspapers from the earliest days of the nation to talk to ourselves — newspapers are where we exchange information and opinions, hawk products and ideas, praise our heroes or attack our enemies and sift through the news of the day for what's vital or just interesting to us," he wrote.

While Americans are literally bombarded with information through all-news television channels and the Internet, newspapers remain the most reliable and complete source of information for millions who read them every day. Nowhere is this role more important than when it serves closest to home.

Community newspapers inform readers about issues that affect their daily lives, from school activities to local government decisions. We alert people to crime affecting their neighborhoods and opportunities to mentor a child or volunteer with fund-raising events.

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Janine Robinson and her daughter, Anna, 12, of Canton, enjoy the company of DaisyMae, a 2-year-old tree walker hound. The family was considering the dog at the Dog Days of Summer event where more than 500 participants considered adopting a pet.

LETTERS

Be respectful

This letter is in response to Jennifer Peter's letter in the Aug. 28 edition of the Canton Observer. In her letter she responded to a letter written by Michelle Bradley who was upset that someone ran over her dog in the early morning and did not stop. The dog died from the injuries.

Ms. Peters, shame on you for having no compassion for someone who lost a family pet. And for blaming Ms. Bradley, telling her it was her own fault someone drove into her driveway and ran over her dog. Your letter to Ms. Bradley was both insensitive and inaccurate.

As a neighbor of Ms. Bradley's, I know her dog did not run out in the road chasing another dog or other animal as you indicated in your letter. Mr. and Mrs. Bradley just had an electronic fence installed to help protect their dog by keeping it in their yard. In this situation the driver of the car used Ms. Bradley's circular driveway to turn around, and in the process ran over her dog and killed it.

Of course the driver had to know they hit the dog, how dare you give the driver an excuse and indicate that they didn't. If someone drives over a squirrel they know it, let alone a dog. It is unacceptable that the driver did not stop after injuring the dog. That is the very least Peters having a little compassion for someone who lost a member of their family is the very least you should have done.

A bigger issue in all this is the fact that people using the newly paved section of Beck Road are not only driving like it is a race way, but they use circular driveways to turn around in like they are public property. If the driver had not used the circular driveway, Ms. Bradley's dog would still be alive today.

I, too, have a circular driveway, and it is consistently used by drivers who need to turn around, including UPS trucks, Ameritech trucks, and the general public. The gravel in my circular has been turned up, my grass ran over with deep ruts put in and my driveway reflectors destroyed.

People need to understand that while it is perfectly acceptable to pull into a driveway 10 feet or so and back out to turn around, it is not acceptable to use someone's circular driveway. By doing so you are trespassing on private property and putting yourself at risk for unintentionally running over someone's pet or destroying their yard.

It goes back to common courtesy -Do to others what you would like to be done to you. Would you want someone driving through your yard as they use your driveway? If not, don't do it to others. Would you want someone to stop and knock on your door if they accidentally ran over your pet? (if so,then be ready to do the same). Would you want compassion if someone did a 'hit and run' and in the process killed your pet? If so, show understanding instead of assigning blame.

Accidents will continue to occur, however, if we all were just a little more courteous of each other and a little more respectful of each others' property some accidents will be prevented, but more importantly a lot of hurt, pain and anger will be avoided. And wouldn't that make Canton an even better place to live?

Cheryl McInerney

Stop the madness

There is enough money in the Federal budget to cover next year's national debt and prescription drugs for all, if the Congress rescinds the tax cut for the wealthiest citizens and eliminates the unnecessary pork from the military budget.

The military budget for next year is \$399 billion, contains expensive pork that the Pentagon does not even want, and the budget does not include costs of the war in Iraq. Make the military accountable to do what the military is designed to do.

The National Missile Defense project in Alaska is costing \$9 billion for a system that has not been tested and probably will never work, according to experts.

Insanely, the government is refurbishing and maintaining nuclear weapons in Tennessee, and doing research to build more nuclear weapons, even though we have more than 10,000 nuclear weapons and are pledged to reduce that number.

The U.S. government has pledged \$7 billion for new nuclear weapons.

The national debt reached \$6.8 trillion and is growing. That is about \$23,000 for every man, woman and child in the United States. About 12 percent of the national budget goes for interest on that debt.

When will this military madness stop and the dollars go to unmet human and environmental needs? Cutting entitlements further just shifts the burden to the people least able to pay

National Board member, Women's Action for **New Directions**

Change is good

So Plymouth High School has been open for a full year and what has everyone else learned? Apparently not how to adjust to the new rules at Plymouth High. Yes, unity is important when you have three schools on one campus, but we are three different schools with three different names, three different mascots, and three different colors. It's not that Plymouth is not following the P-CEP rules, we have just added a few of our own.

As far as not eating in the building, we do not think it is an outrageous rule. Do we really want to trash up such a beautiful building? If you really feel the need to eat between classes, the cafeteria is open and you could always step outside. This rule was not made up by the principal, Dr. Bee, but on a majority vote by the teachers at Plymouth, Dr. Bee is enforcing it.

It is not true that you cannot leave Plymouth at lunch. You can enter and exit through any door that does not disturb the learning environment for students who are in class. You may leave at any time during the lunch period.

We find it very humorous that a student who has already graduated is whining about issues that are false and no longer pertain to him.

The future at P-CEP is bright and Plymouth is adding to it. "Times change and we change with them, it's time to face

> Janet Hanchett, Courtney Mack, Laura Schulz

present Plymouth sophomores

Bad reputation

the change."

Regarding your article on how Plymouth-Canton Schools and Schoolcraft College are attempting to find out how they can best serve their students ("P-C schools, college partner for survey," Observer, Aug. 14), I have a suggestion.

I am a former Plymouth Salem graduate (1974) and a graduate of Schoolcraft College (1997) and have a daughter who is currently attending Salem High School. Last year my daughter mentioned that more than one teacher at the Park downrated Schoolcraft College in conversations with students in the classroom. One teacher went so far as to say that if the students didn't try harder their only option would be to go to "Haggerty High."

That brought back sad memories for me because when I was a student at Salem, the kids around me referred to Schoolcraft as "Haggerty High" because it was not a four-year college, didn't have dorms and was "too close to home" so they felt it was just another high school.

When I graduated from high school I had to go to work to support myself and save up my own money to go to college. I didn't want to go to the school referred to as "Haggerty High" so I went so far as to commute to Eastern Michigan.

After a semester I found the commute wasn't practical and dropped out. It took me a few years before I enrolled at Schoolcraft, while trying to forget the stigma it held. Over the course of 15-20 years I took classes at night while I worked fulltime at Michigan National Bank.

I was impressed with my instructors throughout the years and I learned so much I could use in banking, and I was proud when I finally graduated in 1997. I was so upset when my daughter told me the comments made by her high school teachers recently because:

Most likely the teachers who made these comments never had to pay for their own college education and have never attended Schoolcraft and have no documented evidence to support dissuading students from attending this college.

Her teachers were not supporting our own community's college, which is highly accredited and an excellent and economical resource for graduating seniors.

Her teachers' comments will be remembered by their students, making any student who ends up attending Schoolcraft feel like a second-class citizen.

■ These comments by teachers have embarrassed my daughter because her own mother attended the college they are putting down.

■ These teachers are perpetuating this false rumor and its continued for over 30

One of the most important areas Schoolcraft and Plymouth-Canton Schools can do is to work on the teachers' attitude toward Schoolcraft College to change the bad reputation they have been falsely promoting for years. If the high school teachers were taken on a guided tour of Schoolcraft, highlighting Schoolcraft's accomplishments and facilities the teach-

The community is just starting to recognize Schoolcraft has a renowned cooking program and a good soccer program. What else should you be telling the community about?

ers would be better ambassadors for the

high school students they teach.

Reciprocally I think the teachers at Schoolcraft should tour the three high schools to see what their future students are learning, to understand where they are coming from. Schoolcraft educators should talk to these high school students in small groups to find out what their needs are and what Schoolcraft would need to offer to make the student want to enroll.

Elisabeth DeWitt Plymouth

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"Dogs are being helped and people are getting good pets."

- pastor Alexander Whitfield at the first Dog Days of Summer event that drew hundreds of people who hoped to adopt rescued animals

State needs to encourage the entrepreneurial spirit

'm a member of the Executive Committee of the Michigan Economic Development Corp., so I was pleased when Gov. Jennifer Granholm met with us back in February.

We discussed how best to encourage high-tech startup companies, entrepreneurs and venture capitalists here in Michigan by commercializing discoveries made in labs at state universities. We all agreed it's likely that Michigan's economic future will emerge from this sort of technology transfer, but how to accelerate this process has been a vexing problem for some time. The governor urged the

Collaboration."

feeling put upon because the state over the past

three years has cut their revenue something like

20 percent in real terms, yet folks in Lansing

also want them to be doing a lot more to move

discoveries out of their labs into the private sec-

grump that the best thing for state government

to do is just stay out of the way. And entrepre-

consider the apparatus of state government to

Granholm spoke, pointing out that creating

new high-tech jobs will help replace the thou-

sands of jobs being lost in manufacturing and

other industries. Four work groups (each con-

sisting of representatives from universities, the

business community and state government) had

teed up a series of perfectly sensible recommen-

dations: Look around the country for the best

university bylaws and policies to promote tech-

nology transfer; figure out how best to match

the supply (of technology) at universities with

the demand (for technology) from entrepre-

neurs and venture capitalists. So far, so good.

But an underlying assumption, at least by

some folks from state government, is that tech-

nology transfer can be called forth more or less

on demand. That just isn't so. Technology trans-

fer is not top-down; it's a bottom-up process. It

bureaucratic dictate or by the command of even

the most sympathetic policy-maker. It is slow,

is not something that can be called forth by

neurs, venture capitalists and universities all

be clumsy, bureaucratic and ill-suited to this

tor. Entrepreneurs and venture capitalists

At first blush, the conference

could have been a train wreck.

The universities have been



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hesitant, contingent, unstructured and often unplanned. Most importantly, there is no bullet - silver or otherwise - that will unfailingly link research discovery, entrepreneurial interest, venture capital funding and corporate startup.

Many people agreed that the fundamental problem here is one of culture ... everybody's culture. Universities are mainly teaching and learning institutions. Not surprisingly, their culture is academic and somewhat risk-averse, although there are some researchers who are champing at the bit to commercialize their discoveries. The culture of state government is hardly academic, but even more risk-averse. And it tends to be top-down, bureaucratic and slow. Changing these cultures is not easy, although most agreed that the universities especially the University of Michigan and Wayne State — had made real progress over the past few years.

By contrast, the culture of the entrepreneurial community is entirely different. Risk is not only something to be grudgingly accepted; it is welcomed as the great spur to success. Tasks that state governments or university administrations would chew on for months are for entrepreneurs in the flush of creation a matter of a few days. Impatient, mercurial, driven, demanding, selfabsorbed, passionate - all these words characterize that strange and wonderfully creative minority of people. Their mantra is, "Live by the sword, die by the sword," and the fact is that they love it.

Finding a way to encourage this culture and not strangle it is tough, especially when one considers how utterly different are the cultures of the automobile industry here in Michigan and the high tech firms in Silicon Valley.

To illustrate, as the conference drew to a close, most participants felt pretty good - maybe even slightly self-satisfied - that it represented the first step in what should become a regular dialogue. But then Bill Orabone, a quintessential entrepreneur type from Ann Arbor, got up. "What are you people talking about when you say 'study this' or 'consider that'? Who's really going to drive this process? Where's the action? Much of what this conference has considered is essentially mediocre!"

There could not have been a better illustration of the gap between the cultures. Bridging this gap is the most difficult problem we face in Michigan if we are to accelerate technology transfer and foster a thriving entrepreneurial sector.

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

Progress being made

et me start off by thanking the Canton Observer for giving me the opportunity to help keep local residents informed about state government. In this monthly column, I'll do my best to bring you up to date on the latest initiatives that affect our local area.

An important issue to many residents is speed limits on county roads, and more specifically, having a proper voice in getting them reduced. Many recall the bicyclist's death on Morton Taylor about seven years ago. Homeowners had to fight tooth and nail to get the speed limit lowered.

One of the first bills I introduced this year will give Michigan townships more control over local speed limits. Thankfully, the bill was

signed into law and is now known as Public Act 65 of

Under the old law, only

county road commissions and the State Police could decide speed limits on county roads in any given township. The new law injects some common sense in the process. Local officials and area residents know best which speed limits are the safest and most efficient for their area. Michigan town-

ships, especially in western Wayne, have grown rapidly and many of these rural county roads have become unsafe for pedestrians and motorists.

LaJoy

Under the new law, if a township, county road commission and State Police determine that traffic speed on a county highway is too fast or slow for conditions, they can unanimously establish a reasonable and safe maximum or minimum speed limit.

Township officials and residents deserve a voice in this important process. Many times, school children have to navigate these roads after being dropped off from school. The new law empowers us to help set the most optimum speed limits for our communities.

In other important news, \$7.25 million in federal funding will be allocated to help stop ash borer infestation in southeast Michigan.

In April, I called on the U.S. Congress to provide financial assistance to help combat emerald ash borer infestation, which has taken its toll on western Wayne County. With strong bipartisan support, the state House approved my resolution and sent it to Congress.

A portion of the federal allocation will fund more than 100 staff in southeast Michigan to help control the exotic species of beetle. The funding will help provide a strong line of

defense to help stop the infestation and prevent total catastrophic loss of our ash trees. If the Dutch elm disease devastation in the '30s taught us one thing, it's that we can't ignore the problem.

Educating students at every level of curriculum must remain our top priority, even during challenging fiscal times. The school aid budget is the most influential long-term investment we can make on our state's future.

In the summer of 2002, the ash borer was identified in Wayne, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, Livingston and Monroe counties. It already has killed 5 million trees in the six-county area.

With approximately 1 billion ash trees in Michigan, the infestation has the potential to affect Michigan's forest ecology, decrease property values and cut production of an

important and versatile lumber resource. Although the ash borer is slowly creeping out of southeast Michigan, we can't give up the fight. There are still many ash trees in western Wayne County that can be saved.

Along with the new public acts, a definite highlight so far for me was when I voted to restore the \$6,700 foundation grant for every Michigan student. We also reinstated funding for gifted and talented programs under the school aid budget for fiscal year 2004, despite tough budgetary times.

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In non-legislative news, I was happy to sponsor the first-ever Canton Area Senior Summit this summer. More than 220 senior citizens from throughout western Wayne County enjoyed the event,

I am pleased it was so well-received by seniors. Although the bar is set high for next year's event, we can make it even better. I'd like to turn the Senior Summit into the premier senior event in Wayne County.

For people's convenience, I also sponsor rotating office hours in Canton Township, Belleville and Van Buren Township. Please contact me for times and locations for these events, and check the Canton Observer as well.

Questions or concerns about state government can be directed to state Rep. Phil LaJoy toli free at (866) LAJOY-21. Residents can also reach the representative through e-mail at phillajoy@house.mi.gov.

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Oakland nursery under scrutiny for violating ash tree quarantine

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BY KURT KURAN STAFF WRITER

State and federal agricultural officials are investigating an Oakland County tree nursery for breaking a quarantine meant to stop the spread of the emerald ash borer, an exotic beetle that has already killed millions of ash trees in southeast Michigan.

According to Michigan Department of Agriculture spokesperson Sara Linsmeier-Wurfel, the unidentified nursery broke the quarantine by shipping more than 100 ash trees to a Maryland nursery back in April. After a joint investigation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the state is ready to charge the owner of the nursery with breaking the quarantine. It is the first time someone has been accused of such a breech.

"We're in the process of seeking charges against the business," Linsmeier-Wurfel said.

An investigator with the Maryland Department of Agriculture discovered the EABinfested trees at a Prince George's County nursery during a routine inspection in late August. After questioning the nursery owner, it was determined that the Oakland County nursery shipped 121 ash trees in two shipments April 2-3. Prince George's County is in suburban Washington D.C.

"Our inspectors had been instructed to keep an eye out for infested ash trees," said Sue duPont, a spokesperson with the Maryland Department of Agriculture. "While inspecting the nursery, our inspector found exit holes on many of the trees, which is a classic sign of the emerald ash borer. She brought back some bark samples from the trees, and it was determined they were indeed infested."

Roughly 90 of the trees were still at the nursery and were immediately destroyed. The rest had been sold as landscape trees, and were tracked to three different locations. Maryland officials are working with property

"We are surveying around these trees, up to a three-kilometer radius, to make sure there hasn't been any spread of the pest. Our concern is that it's contained and eradicated," duPont said.

According to Michigan agricultural officials, the emerald ash borer has already killed or damaged six million trees in southeast Michigan. The initial six-county quarantine, which includes Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties, was expanded to 13 in August, and now includes Genesee, Ingham, Jackson, Lapeer, Lenawee, Shiawassee and St. Clair counties.

The quarantine prohibits all transfer of ash trees or ash tree products from the quarantined

According to Linsmeier-Wurfel, the state has sent the case to the Oakland County Prosecutor's office, which will decide whether or not to charge the local nursery for violating the quarantine. She expects a decision to be made within a week or

"The way the law is spelled out, the penalty for violating the quarantine is up to \$100 per incident. But what is an incident? Is it for each tree or for each load of trees? That will be up to the prosecutor. We're hoping for some fairly swift action to this," Linsmeier-Wurfel said.

In addition, Linsmeier-Wurfel said the nursery is facing the possibility of federal charges, because the nursery allegedly did not get the proper certification to send agricultural products across state

American Harvest open for gourmet dinners

For the first time in its 21year history, the American Harvest, Schoolcraft College's student-operated gourmet restaurant, is serving evening dinners. The restaurant will be open Tuesday through Friday evenings, offering a menu that is French-influenced American cuisine, with vegetarian alternatives available.

Marcus Haight, former executive chef at The Lark Restaurant, will direct the kitchen and chefs, who are part of an advanced culinary certificate program.

Dinners will be served, starting at 6 p.m. Reservations will be taken through 7:45 and the restaurant will close to walk-in diners at 8:30 p.m. Reservations are strongly recommended and can be made by calling 734-462-

Diners will be given the choice of two prix fixe meals or the a la carte menu. The prix fixe choices include a five-course dinner for \$37.50 or a four-course vegetarian "garden" menu for \$22.95.

Items on the current menu include: country pates and butternut squash ravioli as appetizers; potato and fennel soup or chicken consommé; grilled filet mignon, a tartlet of chanterelle mushrooms, jumbo sea scallops and a rack of lamb as entrée

choices; and desserts including chocolate pot au crème, raspberry and chocolate Napoleon, "molten" chocolate cake, and a sorbet assortment.

All foods are prepared fresh daily, including soup stocks and sausages, using only the finest and freshest ingredients. The menu will change frequently.

The culinary arts department recently moved into the new VisTaTech Center, a \$27-million facility that it shares with a business training/conference center.

The new culinary space includes an elegant restaurant, six instructional kitchens, an ice carving deck and technology that will allow in-house and international broadcasts.

The Brigade program, whose members will prepare the evening meals, began this fall for graduates of culinary programs and others who want to advance their career and enhance their

The 45-week program includes experience in every station in the kitchen, advanced training in restaurant operations and the development of a business plan for a new restaurant.

Marcus Haight, certified executive chef and certified executive pastry chef, will direct the Brigade program.



An added feature for dinner guests at American Harvest is wine and beer.

Haight has had leadership positions at four of the 15 Mobil Guide Five-Star Restaurants in the United States, and since 1991 was the executive chef at The Lark Restaurant in West Bloomfield.

Haight also has worked at

Le Bec Fin in Philadelphia, Le Français in Wheeling, IL, La Maisonette in Cincinnati and The Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. He has taught part time at Schoolcraft and conducted cooking classes at The Lark for the past 13 years.



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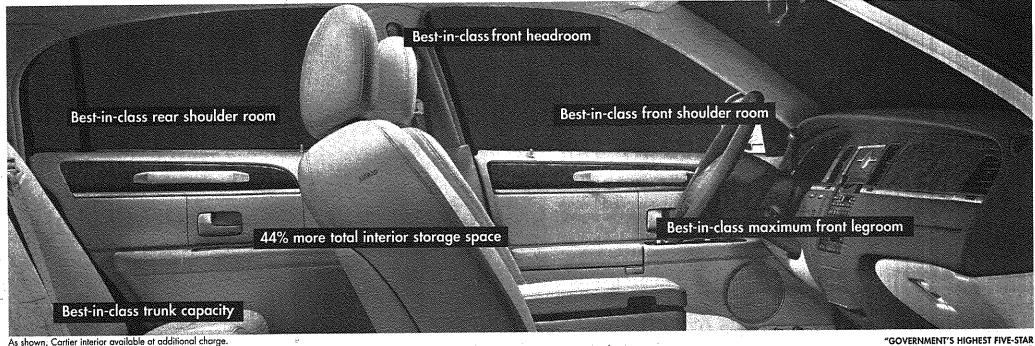


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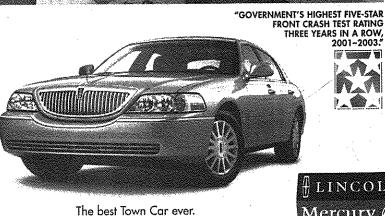
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Steelers wins

The Plymouth-Canton Steelers' varsity football team celebrated its homecoming with a 33-0 shutout of the Livonia Meteors Saturday. For the Steelers, the shutout meant the varsity defense has yet to be scored upon this season.

Stefan Gatt, Eric Barrera, Dalton Walser and Mike Bashawaty turned in out-



standing performances for the Steelers, now 3-0-1 for the season. The Steeler iunior varsity

was leveled by the Meteors 32-20, despite strong offensive efforts by Heath Parling, Connor McKinney and Todd Turfe. The Steelers' JV are 1-3.

Three second-half touchdowns allowed the Meteors to beat the Steeler freshmen team 19-6. The Steelers led 6-O at the half. Josh Gifford, Ben Merbler, Tyler Hoeman, and Ryan Jankowski played well on special teams and defense for the Steelers, now 2-2.

The Steelers take on the Ypsilanti Braves, the varsity game featuring two unbeaten teams, at 5 p.m. Saturday at Central Middle School.

Lions tumble

The Canton Lions varsity squad lost 23-8 to the unbeaten Yosilanti Braves Saturday, dropping its record to 1-3. Trailing late in the first half, Canton tied the game at 8-8 on the final play before halftime when Brandt Thomas ran 75 yards on a hook-and-ladder play and Chris Fischer booted the two-point conversion.

But the Braves took the lead for good late in the third quarter and iced the win with a last-minute TD.

Defensively, the Lions received strong performances from Justin Scott, Fischer, Jeremy Epley, Tyler Seling and Erik Wright, who intercepted his third pass of the season.

The Lions' junior varsity unit dropped to 2-2 following a 6-0 loss to the Braves, while the Lions' freshmen team improved to 4-0 with a 19-6 victory. The offense was led by Jack Slater, who had two touchdowns. Slater received strong blocking from Malcolm Hollingsworth and Chris Ostrowski. The defense was led by Adam Payne (interception), Braden Price (fumble recovery) and Brad Trublowski. Kyle Dexter, Phil Emminger and Austin Payne also played well.

Game-winner

Nick Houdek, a sophomore forward for the Kalamazoo College men's soccer team and a Canton HS graduate. scored the only goal of the match as the Hornets beat Calvin College 1-0 in a Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association contest last Saturday.

The win gave Kalamazoo a 1-0 MIAA record and a 4-1-2 overall mark. Houdek leads the Hornets in scoring with five goals and an assist (1)

points). Second on the team in scoring is Brett Stinar, a senior midfielder and a Salem HS graduate. Stinar has collected three goals and two assists (eight points).

Sports

Singles helps Salem net victory over Canton

This was one of those instances when every set in every flight meant something. Particularly for Salem's tennis team.

In a battle between two cross-campus rivals who also happen to be two of the Western Lakes Activities Association better teams, Salem edged Canton 5-3 Tuesday on the strength of its No. 4 doubles team.

The Rocks, who improved to 7-3 in conference play, won all four of the singles flights, then saw the Chiefs win the first

three doubles pairings, making No. 4 doubles the difference between a 4-4 draw

and a 5-3 win for Salem. But the Rocks' twosome of Erica Shy and Michele Cilia came away with a hardfought win at No. 4, slipping past Canton's Caitlin Staples and Renee McGregor 7-5,

TENNIS

The loss left the Chiefs at 7-3-1 overall. In singles play, the Rocks won at No. 1 with Alex Ware beating Hitomi Shiroda 6-2, 6-1; at No. 2 with Missy Nelson defeating Beth Treadwell 6-1, 6-0; at No. 3 with Maranon Swasey winning over Lauren Kazmeirczak 6-0, 6-3; and at No. 4, courtesy of Katie Waldeck's 6-2, 6-4 triumph over Natalie Slupek.

The tables were turned in doubles play, at least in the first three flights. Canton got wins from Chelsea Darwoir and Sarah

Galante over Mo Bohr and Sarah Jose, 6-3, 6-0 at No. 1; from Meena Masan and Jimin Lim over Katie Girskis and Jordan Falcusan, 6-3, 6-2 at No. 2; and from Julia Fabiszewski and Laura McKendry over Reeva Patel and Shailee Patel, 6-2, 7-6 (7-5) at No. 3.

Both teams will compete at the WLAA Tournament Saturday at Livonia Stevenson. The host Spartans and

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Chiefs still 1st in WLAA

BY C.J. RISAK STAFF WRITER

If Tuesday's game between Canton and Walled Lake Western proved anything at all, it's this: There might not be a big game in the Western Lakes Activities Association for about four weeks.

That's when Salem plays at Canton, and the way things are shaping up, there's no team in the conference any better than

Western was expected to be a title contender going into the season, but last Thursday Salem handled the Warriors with ease and on Tuesday at Canton the Chiefs repeated the feat, pulling away in the second half for a 53-37 triumph.

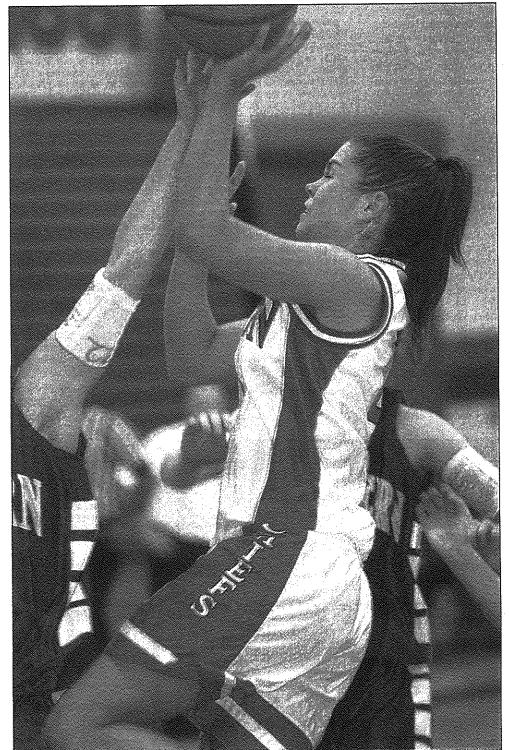
The win gives Canton a 7-2 overall record, 3-0 in the WLAA. Western is 5-4 overall, 2-2 in the conference.

"It keeps us at the top," said Chiefs' coach Bob Blohm. "We're getting better balance. I really liked the way we played today." Western tried to keep Canton's

Katie Cezat from taking control of the game with her inside play by surrounding her with a 1-2-2 zone defense, but that simply did not work once the Chiefs started nailing shots from the perimeter.

They never did trail in the game, connecting on 9-of-17 floor shots in the first half. The key to their success was applying Blohm's strategy perfectly - pass-

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Canton's Molly Conlon drives to the basket while a pair of Western defenders try to stop her. The Chiefs found their way offensively, beating the Warriors by 16 points.

Players earn shot at NBA

Hoskin, Rucker, Head sign

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

Three former high school basketball standouts with area ties have landed in NBA training camps.

Former Redford Bishop Borgess High and Schoolcraft College All-American Sam Hoskin, who played the past two seasons for DePaul University, reported to camp Saturday with the Seattle

BASKETBALL

SuperSonics.

On Monday, Westland John Glenn High grad and former University of Iowa player Guy Rucker was signed by the Houston Rockets. Meanwhile, former Plymouth Salem High standout and ex-Eastern Michigan University player James Head is in camp with the Indiana Pacers.

Head, a 6-foot-7, 225-pound forward, played in 48 games last season for the Great Lakes Storm of the Continental Basketball Association, where he averaged 17.6 points and 8.3 rebounds per game. After spending four seasons at EMU, where he had career averages of 7.9 points and 5.4 rebounds per game, Head had stints with teams in the USBL, IBL, the Philippines and the Los Angeles Pro-Am Summer League and with the Harlem

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Canton edges into top spot

BY C.J. RISAK STAFF WRITER

It's all a matter of timing.

And Canton's golf team has picked a good time to get hot. On Monday in a key Western Lakes Activities Association match against Livonia Churchill at Whispering Willows, the Chiefs edged into a tie

GOLF

for first overall in the conference with a 160-161 victory.

Canton improved to 7-2 in the WLAA; Churchill slipped to 6-2.

"It came at a good time," said Chiefs' coach Tom Alles. "Now we have Plymouth at home (at Hilltop yesterday) and play Northville Friday."

Nothing was certain, but the win certainly improved Canton's chances of going into Tuesday's WLAA Tournament on top of the

"The kids are excited about this win and looking ahead to this week," Alles added.

Chad Johnson was match medalist, shooting a 37 to lead the Chiefs. Bryan Wioncek was next with a 40, followed by Dominic Gallo at 41 and Mike Yates and John Palmer, both at 42. Dustin

Trosper carded a 45. Churchill was led by Mike Dolmetsch with a 38, followed by a trio of golfers at 41: Matt Kruczynski, Jeff Rellias and Tommy Lucko. Matt Robinson and Kyle Hardey each had a 42.

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Salem defense befuddles Belleville

That's all Salem needed Tuesday when it hosted nonconference foe Belleville. But for good measure, the Rocks threw in some offense, too, disposing of the Tigers 42-20

The win was Salem's fourth-straight, lifting its overall record to 5-4. Belleville is 4-5.

It didn't take long for the Rocks to assert themselves, and it was quite apparent how they planned to do it. By the end of the first quarter, their lead was 10-3; by halftime, their cushion had grown to 20-7.

"We did a great job defensively," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "We shut down their leading scorer, and we spread (our) scoring around and won every quarter. "It was a really solid game."

Taylor Manley, who averages 13.5 points a game for the Tigers, did not score against Salem.

Ellen Canale paced the Rocks with 10 points. Alyssa Guerin contributed eight, Katharine Wheatley scored seven, Kathy Hammerschmidt netted six points and seven rebounds, and Theresa Coppiellie had five points and

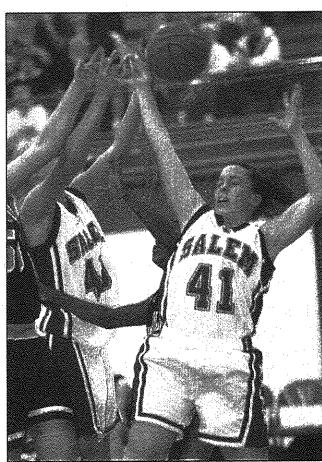
Salem maintained its 13-point edge after three quarters (28-15) and pulled away in the fourth with a 14-5 run.

Oakland Christian 40, Canton Agape 27: Canton Agape Christian had no answer for Auburn Hills Oakland Christian point guard Cali Crawford, who riddled the Wolverines for 17 points, five steals and four assists

Agape trailed 11-5 after one quarter and 22-13 by halftime. It was 30-15 after three quarters.

Emily Tong led the Wolverines with 11 points. A.J. Creps had 10 points and 12 rebounds, and Briana Chrenko grabbed 12 boards.

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Salem's Carly Schwan (41) and Kathy Hammerschmidt battle for a rebound in a game that the Rocks owned both on the glass and the scoreboard.

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Playoff picture beginning to take shape

ive games into the season it's not too early to start talking playoffs, even if football coaches treat questions about the subject as if they'd been told Saddam's chemical weapons were actually hidden under their respective football

So here's the rundown. Remember, six wins gets a team

Topping the

Clarenceville

and Canton.

Both have

list are

Livonia



already faced their toughest Risak

competition of the regular season and have come through it with perfect 5-0 records. Both should host at least their first-

round playoff games. At the next stage, but almost certain to qualify, are Redford Catholic Central, Wayne Memorial, Westland John Glenn and Redford Thurston. They each have a 4-1 record, which means two wins in their last four games puts them in.

First comes CC, which is, after all, CC. The Shamrocks' schedule isn't simple, but they should win at least two of their last four. If they don't, someone should

launch an investigation. As for Wayne and John Glenn, they meet each other at Wayne in the last regular-season game. The Zebras should have clinched by then; they play Northville and Salem in the next two weeks, who have two wins

between them this season. For Glenn, it's not so simple. The Rockets have Salem this

week before tackling unbeaten Walled Lake Central; then there's Livonia Stevenson and Wayne. Those last three teams have a total of four losses, and two of those games are on the road. That Wayne-Glenn game could mean a lot more to Glenn. Of the four 4-1 teams, Thurston is the shoo-in. The Eagles play Woodhaven and Dearborn Crestwood over the next two weeks (two wins combined); that should be enough to get them in.

Out — Salem and Livonia Franklin are 1-4; no playoffs for them. Livonia Churchill, Stevenson, Garden City and Lutheran Westland are all 2-3, making their chances very slim.

Churchill must play Walled Lake Western, Canton and (in the last regular-season game) Stevenson; Stevenson has two playoff-bound teams (Central, John Glenn) on its slate before meeting Churchill; Garden City still must face its toughest competition (Dearborn Edsel Ford, Southgate Anderson) in the Mega White; and Lutheran Westland has three of the four teams currently ahead of it in the Metro Conference remaining on its schedule.

On the bubble - Redford Union and St.

Katharine/Borgess, both 3-2. RU is a long shot. It must play three of its final four on the road, with games at Melvindale (3-2) and Thurston. The Panthers home game is against Gibraltar Carlson (4-1); this Friday they're at Willow Run (2-

St. Kate's/Borgess should handle Detroit Holy Redeemer Saturday; playing at Riverview Gabriel Richard the following weekend won't be so easy. Then comes two Catholic League

games to be determined. Winning three of those won't be

Now for the standings that really count — the race for best Sports Editor predictor. Brad Emons (Livonia/Westland) and Paul Beaudry (Redford/Garden City) were both 11-1 last week, keeping them tied for first overall at 46-13. Me? I was 10-2, so I'm last at 44-15.

As for the students who took stabs at picking winners last week, they were a combined 4-8. And we thank them for their help. Now for this week's games.

FRIDAY'S GAMES (all at 7 p.m. unless indicated) Walled Lake Western (3-2, 1-2) at Livonia Churchill (2-3, 1-2): Western's losses have been to Wayne and Canton; that should say quite a bit. Churchill may be improved, but the Chargers will be hard pressed to win this one.

PICKS: Western - Risak, Emons, Beaudry, Redford Union (3-2, 3-2) at Ypsilanti Willow Run (1-3, 2-3): While the Panthers were dusting off Dearborn Heights Annapolis, Willow Run was getting pounded by unbeaten Taylor Kennedy, 42-7. All three of the Flyers' losses have come against the top teams in the Mega Gold. RU must win this game to have any hope for a playoff berth. PICKS: RU - Emons, Beaudry; Willow Run - Risak

Canton (5-0, 2-0) at Livonia Franklin (1-4, 1-2): Make no mistake - the Patriots are an improving team. Also, Canton has struggled in just about all of its wins. But two of the Chiefs' victims have lost to them but no one else. PICKS: Canton - Risak, Emons, Beaudry.

Livonia Stevenson (2-3, 1-0) at Walled Lake Central (5-0, 2-0): When this season is done with, Stevenson will be one of those playoffcaliber teams that just missed, unless the Spartans can alter their fortunes. This would be a good starting point. Central, which barely beat Salem last week, is beatable despite its impressive record. PICKS: Central - Emons. Beaudry, Stevenson - Risale

Garden City (2-3, 2-0) at Taylor Truman (1-4, 1-1): Thurston pounded Truman last Friday, while Trenton did the same to Garden City. Now they face each other in a game that could have some impact on the Mega White race. PICKS: Garden City - Emons, Beaudry; Taylor Truman

Westland John Glenn (4-1, 1-0) at Salem (1-4, 0-3): Give John Glenn coach Chuck Gordon a lot of credit for holding things together after losget things straightened around. The only breaks Salem seems to get are bad ones. PICKS: John Glenn - Risak, Emons, Beaudry,

Redford Thurston (4-1, 2-1) at Woodhaven (1-4, 0-3): A tough Mega Blue road game awaits the Eagles . . . well, not really. Woodhaven has scored 68 points and allowed 164; Thurston has scored 145 and allowed 87. If Thurston loses this, it should have to stay in Woodhaven until it wins again. PICKS: Thurston - Risak, Emons, Beaudry.

Wayne (4-1, 2-1) at Northville (1-4, 0-1): The only team Northville's been able to beat is Salem. The only team Wayne's lost to is Canton. Doesn't seem too difficult to figure this one out - the Zebras speed should be more than enough against the Mustangs. PICKS: Wayne -Risak, Emons, Beaudry.

Livonia Clarenceville (5-0, 5-0) at Harper Woods Lutheran East (1-4, 1-3), 7:30 p.m.: The only real drama attached to this game is if Clarenceville will extend its Metro Conference win streak, now at 37-straight. One interesting note - three of Lutheran East's four losses have come by a total of 11 points. One morerealistic note - the Eagles' other loss was by 20 points to Cranbrook-Kingswood, a team Clarenceville beat by 22. PICKS: Clarenceville -Risak, Emons, Beaudry,

Lutheran Westland (2-3, 2-2) at Mount Clemens Lutheran North (3-2, 3-2), 7:30 p.m.: Losing last Friday by three to Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett was a bitter disappointment for Lutheran Westland, A playoff berth is a longshot now; they can prove they deserve a berth by beating Lutheran North, coming off a 49-14 loss to Cranbrook-Kingswood, PICKS: Lutheran North - Risak. Emons; Lutheran Westland - Beaudry. SATURDAY'S GAMES

St. Katharine/Bishop Borgess (3-2, 1-1) vs. Detroit Holy Redeemer (1-4, 1-1), 1 p.m. at Hilbert: There's still playoff hope for St. Kate's/Borgess, but it can't afford a letdown against a team with one win like Holv Rédeemer. Last Saturday, St. Kate/Borgess edged Cardinal Mooney by two while Redeemer was blanked 30-0 by Detroit Loyola. PICKS: St. Kate/Borgess - Risak, Emons, Beaudry.

Redford Catholic Central (4-1, 1-0) vs. Orchard Lake St. Mary's (4-1, 0-1), 7 p.m. at Hilbert: This won't be any cakewalk for CC. St. Mary's lost for the first time last weekend, by a point to UD-Jesuit. And remember - state champ CC lost one game all last season, and it was to a 3-6 St. Mary's team by a 13-0 score. PICKS: CC - Risak, Emons, Beaudry.

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PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Oct. 3

W.L. Western at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Canton at Franklin, 7 p.m.

Stevenson at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.

John Glenn at Salem, 7 p.m.

Wayne at Northville, 7 p.m.

Clarenceville at Lutheran East, 7:30 p.m.

Luth. Westland at Lutheran North, 7:30 p.m.

Whalers get the most out of their road trip

This road trip could not have started out much worse for the Plymouth Whalers. Not after losing the first two games of their Ontario Hockey League season by a combined score of 15-6.

At Belleville Friday, the Whalers' start seemed to indicate not much had changed. Not when the Bulls' Brad Horan scored just 0:14 into the game.

But it did change after that. Plymouth turned it around, scoring four power-play goals to defeat the Bulls 5-2.

And the Whalers followed that with an equal success Saturday at Kingston, getting four goals in the third period to gain another 5-2 triumph.

The two wins allowed Plymouth to even its record at 2-2. Both Belleville and Kingston are 0-1-1.

Against Belleville Friday, Jonas Fiedler got the Whalers on track with the game-tying goal on the power play at 7:14 of the first period. Ryan Ramsay and James Wisniewski (from Canton) assisted.

Wisniewski put the Whalers ahead with another power-play goal at 13:04 of the first, assisted by David Liffiton and Vaclay Meidl. The Bulls tied it at 2-2 on Tony Rizzi's goal at 5:49 of the second period, but once again Wisniewski - named the game's No. 1 star replied with another powerplay goal, his third of the season, at 9:27 of the second to make it 3-2. Fiedler and Ramsay assisted.

John Mitchell's goal with

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eight seconds left in the second period (assisted by Fiedler) and his empty-net score with :20 remaining in the game (from Ramsay and Fiedler) capped Plymouth's scoring. Wisniewski had two goals and an assist in the game, Fiedler had a goal and three assists, Ramsay had three assists and Mitchell scored twice.

Paul Drew made 21 saves in goal for the Whalers. Dan Turple had 32 for the Bulls.

On Saturday at Kingston, the Frontenacs took the early lead with two first-period goals, scored by Todd Griffith and Matt Kelly.

But Plymouth responded with a Mitchell goal late in the second period (Meidl assisting) to make it 2-1, then overwhelmed Kingston with third-period power-play goals by John Vigilante at 4:40 (from Wisniewski and Gino Pisellini) and Tim Sestito at 9:37 (from Meidl and Ramsay), followed by scores by Ramsay at 14:40 and an empty-netter by Mitchell at 18:47 (from Sestito and Wisniewski).

Again, Mitchell had two goals, Ramsay and Sestito each had a goal and an assist, and Wisniewski and Meidl had two assists apiece - and again, Wisniewski was named the game's No. 1 star.

Drew had 23 saves in goal for the Whalers. Eric Tobia made 27 stops for the Frontenacs.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, Oct. 4 Redford CC vs. O.L. St. Mary's at RU's Kraft Field (Hilbert Jr. High), 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL Thursday, Oct. 2

Clarenceville at Lutheran North, 6:30 p.m. Kingswood at Luth. Westland, 6:30 p.m. Canton at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Salem at W.L. Central, 7 p.m. Canton Agape at Sifield Christian, 7 n.m. Franklin at Northville, 7 p.m. Stevenson at Wayne, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 3 Ladywood at Birm, Marian, 7 p.m. B.H. Roeper at Ply. Christian, 7:30 p.m. Huron Valley at A.P. Inter-City, 7:30 p.m.



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SALEM

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Plymouth 52, A.A. Gabriel Richard 24 (JV): This one ended early.

Plymouth led 15-5 after one quarter and then outscored Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard's junior varsity team 24-3 in the second to take a 39-8 lead by halftime. The Wildcats, now 5-3, didn't even need to score a point in the fourth quarter to win easily.

Jeanine Moise paced Plymouth with 18 points and 15 rebounds. Colleen Flaherty added 13 points and 10 boards, and Janet Hanchett scored 12

Kelsie Norton topped Gabriel Richard with nine points.

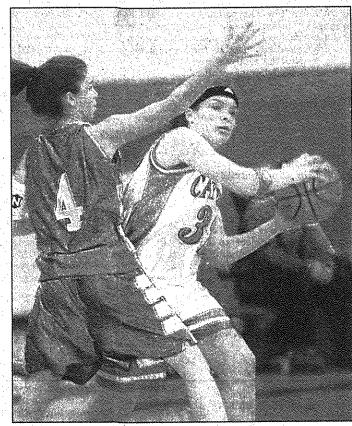
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FROM PAGE B1 Globetrotters. He also played last season in an exhibition game with the Los Angeles Clippers.

Rucker, a 6-9, 270-pound forward-center, began camp Tuesday in Houston. He played three games last season with the Golden State Warriors, grabbing one rebound and dishing out one assist in four minutes of play. He went to the L.A. Lakers' training camp last fall, appearing in four exhibition games. Rucker also played three seasons at Iowa and professionally in Europe, including a stint in Turkey.

The 6-8, 250-pound Hoskin, who played on the Utah Jazz Summer League team, averaged 15.6 points and 7.6 rebounds per game as a senior at DePaul. He ranked fourth in Conference USA in both fieldgoal percentage and free-throw percentage. He set a school record with 38 consecutive free throws and registered 24 points against North Carolina in an NIT defeat, along with 21 points and a season-high 14 rebounds vs. Louisville.

Hoskin started his collegiate career at Eastern Kentucky University, where he averaged 15.7 points per game before transferring to Schoolcraft, where he averaged 23.8 points and 10.0 rebounds per game as the Ocelots finished 31-4 and earned their first trip ever to the NJCAA Division I tournament in Hutchinson, Kan. bemons@oe.homecomm.net | (734) 953-2123



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Lisa Ealy (with ball) searches for a teammate to pass to while Western's Kathleen Smiley defends.

CHIEFS

FROM PAGE BI

ing the ball quickly around Western's zone until either Cezat got open inside or someone else did on the wing.

Four players scored points for Canton in the first quarter as the Chiefs took a 12-8 lead. After the Warriors opened the second quarter with a Dianna Houghton basket to narrow the gap to two, Cezat responded with sevenstraight points to give Canton a nine-point advantage.

Western was far from done, however. Aided by three Canton turnovers and a pair of missed free throws on the front end of one-and-ones, the Warriors got back into it with a seven-point run of their own - four of them by Tracey Winkler.

However, the end of that run pretty much spelled the end for Western. Winkler, on a drive to the basket, scored and was fouled by Lisa Ealy. But Winkler landed awk-

wardly on another player's foot and crashed to the floor; she was helped to the bench and, at game's end, was carried to the Western bus.

"We had a hard time with Winkler," said Blohm. "She's an offense in herself - she can shoot it, she can drive it, she can dish it out. She makes all her teammates better.

"I don't know if it would have been so easy had she stayed in the game."

With Winkler on the bench, Canton went on another seven-point run to finish the quarter, taking a 26-17 lead into halftime.

The tide had definitely turned, and in the third quarter it became a tidal wave. It didn't start that way, however

The Chiefs missed their first five shots of the period, but once the tempo picked up they showed it suited them just fine.

With point guard Rachele Guastella scoring 10 points in the quarter, Canton outscored Western 18-8 to take a commanding 44-35 lead into the

final period. The difference in the period: The Chiefs forced the Warriors into committing six turnovers while making

just one themselves. After that, it was just a matter of how much the final margin would be:

Cezat turned in a solid allaround game once again, totaling 23 points (including 9-of-11 from the free-throw line), 14 rebounds, five blocks and two steals. Guastella finished with 15 points.

Houghton topped Western with 14 points. No one else had more than six.

"We still have to get better defensively," said Blohm, sounding every bit like a coach who's never quite satisfied.

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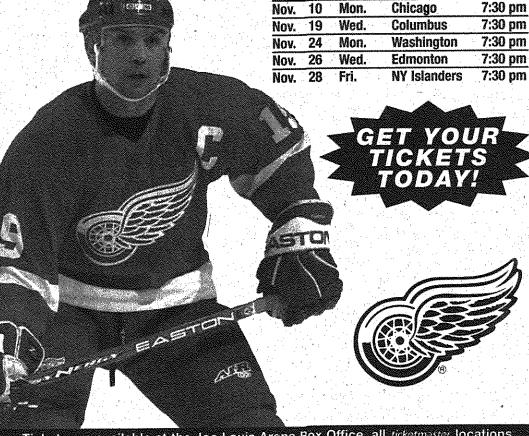
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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings - September 23, 2003

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, September 23, 2003, at 46000 Summit Parkway. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, McLaughlin, Zarbo. Kirchgatter, Yack, Shefferly

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Durack, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin

Adoption of Agenda - Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the amended agenda removing Items G-16 and G-16 and moving Item G-6 to be heard following G-11 the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes - Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Regular Board Minutes of September 9, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Shefferly to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Expenditure Recap for September 23, 2003 \$ 420,997.21 General Fund 101 40,728.33 Fire Fund 206 90,310.70 Expenditure Police Fund 207 73,720.29 Recap 9/23/03 Summit Operating 208 1.721.73 230 Cable TV Fund 18,320.38 Twp Improvement 246 261 1,316.48 E-911 Utility 975.68 Auto Forfeiture(wwa) 267 Federal Grants Fund 2,184.11 274 1,026.73 Auto Theft Grant Cap Proj-Summit Const 1,568,636.08

Cap Proj-Road Paving Bld Auth Construction 3,171.94 584 27,565.43 Golf Fund Water & Sewer Fund 592 994,025.17 Trust & Agency Fund 701 6,489.00 30,428.95 Post Employ. Benefits 736 3,392,116,31 Total - All Funds Prior to the Board Meeting this evening Mr. George Miller presented to the Board a letter from Paul F. Zyburski, Attorney at Law, directed

to the Department of Public Safety dated August 18, 2003.

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110,498.10

PUBLIC HEARING: Item 1. Public Hearing on Proposed Millage Rates and FY2004 Budgets and Setting of December 1, 2003 Millage Rates. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to open the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. on the proposed December 1, 2003 millage rates and proposed FY 2004 budgets. Motion carried unanimously. There was no one present who wished to be heard.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to close the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the resolution setting the Proposed Millage Rates and FY2004 Budgets and Setting of December 1, 2003 Millage Rates. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES -CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Set December 1, 2003 Millage Rates

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, that there be levied on the taxable property of said Township for the year 2003, for general Township purposes, a tax of 2.00 mills on the Taxable Value thereof, said value being \$2,797,206,924 Real Property and \$181,804,933 Personal Property, totaling \$2,979,011,857, and the tax amounting to \$5,958,023.71.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, that pursuant to Public Act 33 of 1951 there be levied on the taxable real property of said Township for the year 2003, for Fire Protection purposes, a Special Assessment of 2.6000 mills on the Taxable Value thereof, said value being \$2,797,206,924 Real Property, and the tax amounting to \$7,272,738.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, that pursuant to Public Act 181 of 1951 there be levied on the taxable real property of said Township for the year 2003, for Police Protection purposes, a Special Assessment of 4.2500 mills on the Taxable Value thereof, said value being \$2,797,206,924 Real Property, and the tax amounting to

Roll Call: Ayes: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack, Zarbo

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

Item 2. Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of a Brownfield Plan for CH Canton, LLC Theater Project. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to open the public hearing at 7:07 p.m. to consider Adoption of a Brownfield Plan for CH Canton, LLC Theater Project. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Tim Cronin, Township attorney, explained the Brownfield process and the benefits of the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. Mr. Bob McCausland of 2011 Lotz Road, Canton, was present to express his concerns regarding the subject property. Mr. Bob Gorman from NTH Consultants informed the Board regarding the subsurface investigation of the property and future plans for the site. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to close the public hearing at 7:39. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to approve the Resolution upon the recommendation of the Brownfield Authority and adopt the Brownfield Plan for CH Canton, LLC Theater Project pursuant to and accordance with Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended and authorizing its submittal to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. Special Community Event Status and the Installation of Signs for the Canton Historical Society's Dumouchelle Antique Appraisal Clinic. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve special event status for Canton Historical Society's annual antique appraisal clinic and grant permission for placement of signs advertising the event. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 2. Re-Appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to reappoint Randy Blaylock and Steven Johnson to the Zoning Board of Appeals for three year terms (terms expiring August 31, 2006). Motion carried unanimously.

Item 3. Request to Set the Public Hearing for Class C Liquor License Transfer to S.B. Nara, Inc. at 42408 Ford Road, Canton, Michigan. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to set the public hearing for October 28, 2003 for consideration of the request of S.B. Nara, Inc. to transfer ownership of 1998 Class C License located in escrow at 20038-44-20050 Eureka, Taylor, Michigan, Wayne County, from Mad Trovanos, Inc., Stuart A. Gold, Trustee; Transfer Location (Governmental Unit)(MCL 436.1531(1) to 42408 Ford Road, Canton, MI 48187. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 4. Increase Purchase Order for Grand Blanc Printing Co., Inc. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve increasing PO #38716 for Grand Blanc Printing, in the amount of \$1,041.21 for the printing of the Discover Canton Leisure Services program guide. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. WTUA Annual Budget Approval. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution approving the budget for the Western Townships Utilities Authority for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004 in the amounts presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 2. Consider Final PDD for Ford Sheldon Newman Planned Development. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the project sponsor, Mr. Bryan Amann, to grant final approval of the Ford Sheldon Newman Planned Development District, based upon recommendations made by staff and the Planning Commission as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to amend the preceding motion to the following: to approve the request of the project sponsor, Mr. Bryan Amann, to grant final approval of the Ford Sheldon Newman Planned Development District, based upon recommendations made by the Planning Commission as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Motion carried as amended

Item 3. Consider Final Site Plan for Maben Woods Site Condominiums. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to

approve the request of the petitioner, Mr. Andrew Skrypsma, to approve the site plan for the proposed Maben Woods Site Condominium subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 4. Consider Willow Creek Final Planned Development District and Site Plan for Willow Creek Service and Retail Center. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution approving the request of the project sponsor, Mr. Bill Madden, to grant approval of Willow Creek Final Planned Development District, based upon recommendations made by staff and the Planning Commission as described in the analysis and recommendation. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the Petitioner, Mr. Bill Madden, to approve the site plan for the proposed Willow Creek Service and Retail, subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 5. Consider Notice of Intent to Issue Capital Improvement Bonds Resolution. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Notice of Intent for 2003 General Obligation Capital Bond Improvement Series B in the amount of \$1,500,000. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF INTENT RESOLUTION 2003 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES B

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "Township") held on the 23rd day of September, 2003, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

PRESENT: Members: Bennett, Burdziak, McLaughlin, Zarbo, Kirchgatter, Yack, Shefferly

ABSENT: Members: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Bennett and supported by Member Kirchgatter:

WHEREAS, the Township intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) for the purpose of paying part of the cost of acquiring and constructing certain capital improvement items consisting of road and related facilities (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, a notice of intent to issue bonds must be published before the issuance of the aforesaid bonds in order to comply with the requirements of Section 517 of Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 1. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of intent to issue bonds in The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, a newspaper of general circulation in the Township. 2. Said notice of intent shall be published as a one-quarter (1/4) page display advertisement in substantially the following form:

NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS SECURED BY THE TAXING POWER OF THE TOWNSHIP AND THE RIGHT OF REFERENDUM THEREON

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan, intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds, pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500,000) for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing road and related

Said bonds will mature in annual installments not to exceed twenty five (25) in number, with interest rates to be determined at sale but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law on the unpaid balance from time to time remaining outstanding on said bonds. The bonds may be issued in one or more determined by the Township Board.

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF BONDS - THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE BONDS shall be payable from the general funds of the Township lawfully available for such purposes including property taxes levied within applicable charter, statutory and constitutional limitations.

RIGHT OF REFERENDUM - THE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP VOTING THEREON. THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended. - Terry G. Bennett -Clerk, Charter Township of Canton -

3. The Township Board does hereby determine that the foregoing form of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and the manner of publication directed is the method best calculated to give notice to the Township's taxpayers and electors of this Board's intent to issue the bonds, the purpose of the bonds, the security for the bonds, and the right of referendum relating thereto, and the newspaper named for publication is hereby determined to reach the largest number of persons to whom the notice is directed.

All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded. AYES: Member: Bennett, Burdziak, McLaughlin, Kirchgatter, Yack, Shefferly NAYS; Member: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED. Item 6. [Moved to be heard after Item 11]

Item 7. Consider Authorizing the Township Supervisor to Sign the Memorandum of Agreement for Canton Township to Join the Rouge River Watershed Local Management Assembly and Approve an Expenditure of \$25,697 to Join the Assembly. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the Memorandum of Agreement for Canton Township to join the Rouge River Watershed Local Management Assembly and approve an expenditure of \$25,697 to joint the Assembly. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 8. Consider Awarding of Bid for Completion of Landscaping Berms at Hauk's Farm Market. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the low bid for completion of landscaping berms at Hauk's Farm Market to Crimboli Landscaping for an amount not to exceed \$2,200.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 9. Consider Purchase of Metering Control Devices. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to accept the offer from Etna Supplies Company to purchase 1600 Radio Red Transreceiver Units (MXU's) at a cost of \$200,000. Funding to come from FY2003, Acct #592-000-111-0003. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 10. Consider Adopting the 2003 Water Distribution System Master Plan. Motion by Shefferly to adopt the 2003 Water Distribution System Master Plan and utilize the plan for future planning of water system infrastructure improvements. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 11. Consider Reimbursement Resolution and Award of Construction Contract for the Denton Road Improvements. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to adopt the Reimbursement Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON -COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN REIMBURSEMENT RESOLUTION

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan (the "Township") held on the 23rd day of September, 2003, at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

PRESENT: MEMBERS: Bennett, Burdziak, McLaughlin, Zarbo, Kirchgatter, Yack, Shefferly. ABSENT: MEMBERS: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Bennett and supported by Member Shefferly.

WHEREAS, the Township intends to issue and sell bonds, in an amount presently estimated not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing road and related facilities (the "Project");

WHEREAS, the Township intends, at this time to state its intentions to be reimbursed from proceeds of the bonds for any expenditures undertaken by the Township for the Project prior to issuance of the bonds.

NOW. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Township makes the following declarations for the purpose of complying with the reimbursement rules of Treas. Reg. § 1.150-2 pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended:

(a) As of the date hereof, the Township reasonably expects to reimburse itself for the expenditures described in (b) below with proceeds of debt to be incurred by the Township.

(b) The expenditures described in this paragraph (b) are for the costs of acquiring and constructing the Project together with appurtenances and attachments thereto to serve the Township which were or will be paid subsequent to six months prior to the date hereof.

(c) The maximum principal amount of debt presently expected to be issued for the Project, including issuance costs, is not to exceed \$1,500,000.

(d) A reimbursement allocation of the expenditures described in (b) above with the proceeds of the borrowing described herein will occur not later than 18 months after the later of (i) the date on which the expenditure is paid, or (ii) the date the Project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than three (3) years after the original expenditure is paid. A reimbursement allocation is an allocation in writing that evidences the Township's use of the proceeds of the debt to be issued for the Project to reimburse the Township for a capital expenditure made pursuant to this Resolution.

(e) The expenditures described in (b) above are "capital expenditures" as defined in Treas. Reg. § 1.150-1(b), which are any costs of a type which are properly chargeable to a capital account (or would be so chargeable with a proper election or with the application of the definition of placed in service under Treas. Reg. § 1.150-2(c)) under general Federal income tax principles (as determined at the time the expenditure is paid).

(f) No proceeds of the borrowing paid to the Township in reimbursement pursuant to this Resolution will be used in a manner described in Treas. Reg. § 1.150-2(b) with respect to abusive uses of such proceeds, including, but not limited to, using funds corresponding to the proceeds of the borrowing in a manner that results in the creation of replacement proceeds (within Treas. Reg. § 1.148-1) within one year of the reimbursement allocation described in (d) above.

(g) Expenditures for the Project to be reimbursed for the proceeds of the borrowing for purposes of this Resolution do not include costs for the issuance of the debt or an amount not in excess of the lesser of \$100,000 or 5 percent of the proceeds of the borrowing, or preliminary expenditure not exceeding twenty (20) percent of the issue price of the borrowing, within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 1.150-2(f)(such preliminary expenditures include architectural, engineering, surveying, soil testing and similar costs incurred prior to construction of the Project, but do not include land acquisition, site preparation, and similar costs incident to commencement of construction).

2. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded. AYES: Members: Bennett, Burdziak, McLaughlin, Zarbo, Kirchgatter, Yack, Shefferly NAYS: Member: None RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the construction of Cherry Hill Road and Ridge Road to Cadillac Asphalt LLC in the amount of \$1,113,900.72 to authorize the Clerk to execute the contract documents. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to authorize payment to Wade-Trim for inspector days performed as provided in the contract and that a separate purchase order be opened in the amount of \$27,560 for 53 inspector days. This amount shall be subtracted from the original contract and a separate purchase order be opened. In addition, authorize finance and budget to subtract any additional costs based on the per day rate of \$520.00 for an inspector day if the contractor exceeds the number of specified inspector days in the contract or transfer the unused inspector days remaining money to the contractor as a bonus if the project is completed under the number of entract Motion carried unanimously.

Item 6. [Inserted to be heard after Item 11] Consider Authorizing Purchase of Land from Detroit Edison for the Denton Road Improvements. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the purchase of the Detroit Edison parcel (.78 acres from parcel No. 071-072-99-0006-000) for the proposed Denton Road Improvements north of Cherry Hill Road for a total of \$55,000 and authorize the Township Clerk and Supervisor to execute any and all documents needed to effectuate the closing. Motion carried

Item 12. Purchase of Multi-purpose Vehicle - 26' LDV Model MCC26LGS260-03 and a Communications System and Sale of 1992 Dolphin RV. (Mobile Command Vehicle.) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of a LDV Model MCC26LGS260-03 - Special Service Vehicle from LDV Custom Commercial Vehicles and Interiors, Burlington, WI through the State of Michigan 1122 Program for a cost of \$262,506.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of police and fire radios and equipment from Motorola Communication Sales, under state bid, for a cost of \$18,170.00. Motion carried

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the sale of the 1992 Dolphin R.V. Mobile command vehicle to the Charter Township of Northville for \$20,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the following budget amendments: FIRE FUND: Increase Revenues: Sale of Fixed Assets #206-000-673-0000 \$20,000 / Increase Appropriations: Capital Outlay - #206-336-977-0000 \$20,000. This budget amendment increases the Fire Fund budget from \$9,105,310 to \$9,125,310. POLICE FUND: Increase Revenues: Federal Grants - Local Law Enforcement - #207-000-507-0000 \$42,000 / Contributions - #207-000-675-0000 \$23,500 = Total \$65,500 / Increase Appropriations: Capital Outlay #207-301-977-0000 \$65,500. This budget amendment increases the Police Fund budget from \$12,103,888 to \$12,169,388. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 13. Approve Resolution Adopting MERS Pension Plan. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Resolution adopting the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan Defined Benefit Pension Program for the Canton Firefighters Union employees. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 14. Award Contract for Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdziak to award the contract to ASTI in the amount of \$35,900 for the writing of the Hazard Mitigation Plan for Canton Township. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 15. [Removed from the Agenda]

Item 16. [Removed from the Agenda]

Item 17. Request for Line Extension Agreements with Detroit Edison for the Performing Arts Center Complex. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the line extension agreement with Detroit Edison for development at the Performing Arts Center as well as the Uptown Cherry Hill Village Liner Buildings for \$78,595.64 and the expense be charged to the PAC construction budget with the understanding that Canton will be reimbursed \$39,684.82 of the expense by the developer of the liner buildings. Furthermore, to approve the Clerk to sign the enclosed Detroit Edison Line Extension Agreements for three phase electrical service to the Performing Arts Center as well as the Uptown Cherry Hill Village Liner Buildings. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER: Supervisor Yack indicated he was not aware of a study session scheduled for next week as yet.

ADJOURN: Motion by Bennett, Supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 10:05 p.m.

Thomas J. Yack - Supervisor / Terry G. Bennett - Clerk

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our website www.canton-mi.org after Board approval.

Publish: October 2, 2003

SWIM RESULTS

WESTERN WAYNE INVITATIONAL **GIRLS SWIM MEET** Sept. 29-30 at Wayne Memorial

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Trenton, 362 points; 2. Westland John Glenn, 260; 3. Livonia Ladywood, 200; 4. Plymouth, 174; 5. Wayne Memorial, 153; 6. Dearborn Heights Annapolis, 60; 7. Taylor Unified, 59; 8. Garden City, 56.

FINAL RESULTS

200-yard medley relay: 1. Trenton (Samantha Montrey, Megan Dolan, Margaret Haley, Lauren Seal), 2:01.02; 2. John Glenn (Kristyn Peterson, Jill Peterson, Jacklyn Burgess, Amanda Sonak), 2:02.28; 3. Wayne (Katie Sweeney, Kelsey Drennen, Heather Thompsett, Heather Quinn), 2:10.87; 4. Ladywood, 2:12.0; 5. Plymouth, 2:23.03; 6.

Taylor, 2:23.20. 200 freestyle: 1. Katharine Johnston (LL). 2:08.05; 2. Elaine Lafeyette (P), 2:08.17; 3. Katle Kish (T), 2:13.27; 4. Whitney Sonak (WJG), 2:13.62; 5. Kate Malicki (T), 2:13.81; 6. Jaciyn Burgess (WJG), 2:15.93.

200 individual medley: 1. Kristyn Peterson (WJG), 2:18.13; 2. Whitney Baker (T), 2:28.34; 3. Megan Hodges (LL), 2:28.55; 4. Megan Dolan (T), 2:30.14; 5. Katle Sweeney (WM), 2:31.83; 6. Rachel Enoch (LL), 2:40.52.

50 freestyle: 1. Jill Peterson (WJG), 25.81: 2. Samantha Montrey (T), 26.52; 3. Lauren Seal (T), 27.18; 4. Katie Hughes (P), 27.56; 5. Ashley Laws (WM), 28.08; 6. Bethany Leighton (T), 28.89.

Diving: 1. Heather Miller (T), 265.75 points; 2. Bryan Glotfelty (WJG), 261.70; 3. Andrea Fleming (P), 204.45; 4. Laura Rowe (P), 201,30; 5, Michele Tomaszewski (LL),

196,90; 6. Mikayla Armbruster (LL), 188.50. 100 butterfly: 1. Margaret Haley (T), 1:06.65; 2. Katie Hughes (P), 1:08.13; 3. Megan Hodges (LL), 1:08.36; 4. Natalie Jolly (T), 1:11.11; 5. Katie McDonald (LL), 1:14.19; 6.

Heather Thompselt (WM), 1:15.79. 100 freestyle: 1. Lauren Seal (T), 59.54; 2. Whitney Sonak (WJG), 1:01.69; 3. Kate Malicki (T), 1:02.00; 4. Emily Rozanski (LL), 1:02.44; 5. Jill Spengler (P), 1:04.66; 6. Ashley Laws (WM), 1:05.64.

500 freestyle: 1, Elaine Lafayette (P), 5:46.40; 2. Whitney Baker (T), 5:54.58; 3. Heather Ennis (WJG), 5:56.75; 4, Katharine Johnston (LL), 6:07.91; 5. Amanda Sonak (WJG), 6:10.90; 6. Marissa Righetti (T),

200 freestyle relay: 1. Trenton (Whitney Baker, Katie Kish, Lauren Seal, Megan Dolan), 1:50.21; 2. Ladywood (Emily Rozanski, Katie MacDonald, Rachel Enoch, Katharine Johnston), 1:51.72; 3. Plymouth (Katie Hughes, Sarah Palczynski, Jili Spengler, Elaine Lafayette), 1:51.94; 4. John Glenn, 1:54.16; S. Wayne, 1:57.73; 6. Garden City,

100 backstroke: 1. Kristyn Peterson (WJG), 1:05.43; 2. Samantha Montrey (T), 1:07.26; 3. Margaret Haley (T), 1:08.68; 4. Katie Sweeney (WM), 1:09.35; 5. Natalie Jolly (T), 1:11.92; 6. Jana Rosinski (GC), 1:15.28.

100 breaststroke: 1. Jill Peterson (WJG). 1:10.93: 2. Megan Dolan (T), 1:15.84: 3. Katie Kish (T), 1:17.44; 4. Aleea Davis (T), 1:21.35; 5. Heather Creteau (LL), 1:21.57; 6. Stacee Britt

400 freestyle relay: 1. John Glenn (Whitney Sonak, Kristyn Peterson, Heather Ennis, Jill Peterson), 3:59.67; 2. Trenton (Whitney Baker, Kate Malicki, Margaret Haley, Samantha Montrey), 4:02.04; 3. Ladywood (Emily Rozanski, Rachel Enoch, Megan Hodges, Katharine Johnston); 4. Plymouth, 4:07.77; 5. Wayne, 4:17.75; 6.

Annapolis, 4:40.71.

SALEM 110 **DEARBORN 76**

Tuesday at Salem 200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Lisa Gullikson, Amy Mertens, Ashley Aquinto,

Danielle Powers), 1:59.30. 200 freestyle: 1. Kelsey Lincoln (S),

200 individual medley: 1. Mertens (S).

50 freestyle: 1. Field (D), 26.97; 2. Gullikson (S), 27.33.

Diving: 1. Aquinto (S), 195.15 points. 100 butterfly: 1. Mertens (S), 1:01.67 (state qualifying time). 100 freestyle: 1. Field (D), 58.87; 2.

Amanda Newman (S), 1:00.05. 500 freestyle: 1. Ash (D), 5:42.73. 200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Lincoln,

Katy Truesdell, Newman, Powers), 1:49.06. 100 backstroke: 1. Lincoln (S), 1:04.76. 100 breaststroke: 1. Kim Heaney (S).

400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Truesdell, Megan Clarke, Heather Michalsen, Mertens),

Salem's dual-meet record: 3-0. Next events: Wayne Memorial at salem 7 p.m. Thursday; Rock Mauer Invitational, noon Saturday at Salem, featuring No. 1-ranked Ann Arbor Pioneer, No. 2-ranked Monroe, No. 6-ranked Livonia Stevenson, Dearborn and Salem.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 119 LIVONIA LADYWOOD 67 Monday at Churchill 200-yard medley relay: Churchill (Mary

Shereda, Brittany Morgan, Kelly Hein, Ellen Rotter), 2:09.33, 200 freestyle: Magda Stawikowska (LC).

2:07.59 200 individual medley: Shereda (LC),

2:24.38 50 freestyle: Rotter (LC), 28.74. Diving: Jackie Demers (LC), 137.35 points. 100 butterfly: Caitlin Larsen (LC), 1:09.19. 100 freestyle: Rotter (LC), 1:00.92. 500 freestyle: Amanda Timson (LC),

6:05.2200 freestyle relay: Churchill (Stawikowska, Kelly Baker, Erica Tomassi,

Shereda), 1:51:78. 100 backstroke: Katharine Johnston (LL),

100 breaststroke: Katie Castelli (LC). 1:20.83. 400 freestyle relay: Churchill

(Stawikowska, Tomassi, Rotter, Shereda), 4:04.62. Dual meet records: Churchill, 3-3 overall;

each Thursday. Coaches are asked to contact

Phill via gphill@5269 or fax the Observer at

Ladywood, 4-2 overall,

Madonna is Best of the Best

One streak is over. One of the win streaks

Madonna University's volleyball team had been building on continued through last weekend's Adidas Best of the Best Tournament in Fort Wayne, Ind.

The Crusaders ran their total to 25-straight before Cornerstone University brought it to an end in the tournament final Saturday. Not to worry, however. That was the game winning streak; Madonna had

season, since Sept. 4 it had not even lost a game. The Golden Eagles ended that run by winning the second game of their match in the tournament final, but that was all they could do. Madonna kept its school

not only won every match this

record-setting match win streak going by beating Cornerstone 30-9, 26-30, 30-22, 30-22 Saturday. The Crusaders improved to 22-0; Cornerstone is 18-9. Madonna's dominance was clearly evident in its attack: four Crusaders had 12 kills or more against the Eagles, and the team's kill percentage was .415. Sharyse Bush and Laura Lesko led the attack, Bush collecting a team-high 23 kills with a .328

kill percentage and adding two

service aces, 15 digs and six blocks, and Lesko getting 21 kills with a .415 percentage, with 18 digs and team-best nine blocks.

Natalja Tinina contributed 15 kills (.519), three aces, 13 digs and five blocks; Tera Morrill (from Westland/Livonia Franklin) had 12 kills (.444), 17 digs and three blocks; Caryn Inman had eight kills (.467), two aces and three blocks; Amanda Suder (from Salem HS) had 39 digs; and Ashley Frost finished with four kills (1.000), 15 digs and 59 set assists.

Earlier in the tournament, Madonna defeated the University of St. Francis 30-17, 30-27, 30-22; Illinois Tech 30-23, 30-25, 30-21; and Columbia University 30-27, 30-27, 30-18.

In those three matches, Bush had 43 kills (17 against St. Francis), five aces and 16 digs; Lesko totaled 39 kills (16 against Illinois Tech), five aces, 35 digs and 10 blocks; Tinina contributed 36 kills, 19 digs and four blocks; Inman had 19 kills and 11 blocks; Morrill got 16 kills, 42 digs and eight blocks Suder had 51 digs; and Frost finished with 109 set assists (12.1 per game), 22 digs and six blocks.

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Plymouth Salem	1.57.47	Bryn Glotflety (John Glenn)	146.05
John Glenn	2:01.97	Mikayla Armbruster (Ladywood)	141.40
Churchill	2:02.04	Shannon Simandl (Redford Union)	136.80
Canton	2:03.72	Jackie Demers (Churchill)	137.35
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Jill Peterson (John Glenn)	2:00.87	Amy Mertens (Salem)	1:01,27
Mary Shereda (Churchill)	2:01.23	Anna Polkowski (Stevenson)	1:02.17
Marisa Gordon (Stevenson)	2:01.53	Allison Goldsmith (Canton)	1:02.71
Monica Pauza (Stevenson)	2:02.78	Julie Ward (Stevenson)	1:02.90
Kelsey Lincoln (Salem) 2:04.11		Magda Stawikowska (Churchill)	1:04.44
Amy Mertens (Salem)	2:04.28	Rachel Rowe (Redford Union)	1:05,06
Magda Stawikowska (Churchill)	2:07.59	Ashley Aquinto (Salem)	1:07.68
Katharine Johnston (Ladywood)	2.07.77	Keisey Lincoln (Salem)	1:08.09
Elaine Lafayette (Plymouth)	2:08.17	Katie Hughes (Plymouth)	1:08.13
Becky Hurn (Stevenson)	2:08.50	Meredith Bajor (Stevenson)	1:08.38
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Kelsey Lincoln (Salem)	2:15.49	Anna Polkowski (Stevenson)	56.43
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Magda Stawikowska (Churchill)	2:21.97	Monica Pauza (Salem)	59.21
Lisa Koch (Stevenson)	2:22.30	Heather Michalsen (Salem)	59.54
Rachel Rowe (Redford Union)	2:23.90	Kathryn Truesdell (Salem)	59.70
Mary Shereda (Churchill)	2:24.38	Susan Patrick (Canton)	59.71
50 FREESTYLE		500 FREESTYLE	
Jill Peterson (John Glenn)	25.33	Marisa Gordon (Stevenson)	5:21.38
Andrea Giczewski (Stevenson)	25.82	Monica Pauza (Stevenson)	5:26.29
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Allison Goldsmith (Canton)	26.08	Jill Peterson (John Glenn)	5;27.58
Rachel Rowe (Redford Union)	26.65	Amy Mertens (Salem)	5:28.77
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Katie Hughes (Plymouth)	27.56	Lucy Liu (Canton)	5:36,82
Alex Asato-Tellez (Franklin)	27.60	Julie Ward (Stevenson)	5:40.82
Becky Hurn (Stevenson)	27.69	Elaine Lafayette (Plymouth)	5:46.40
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE **EVALUATION REPORT** (FY 2002 CDBG "CAPERS") PUBLIC HEARING

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There will be a public hearing on the above named document on October 15, 2003, at 4 p.m. in the Supervisor's conference room, third floor, Administration Building, 1150 South Canton Center Road. Canton. Michigan 48188, 734-394-5194, Extension #5194. The CAPERS is a review of the CDBG program from July 1, 2002 -June 30, 2003. Comments received during the public hearing will be forwarded to the Department of HUD and will become an addendum to the aforementioned document.

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE **EVALUATION REPORT** (FY 2002 CDBG "CAPERS") PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The above named document for the Canton Community Development Block Grant Program is available for inspection at the Resource Development Division office, 44237 Michigan Avenue, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular office hours. Comments will be accepted on the CAPERS for a period of 30 days, beginning October 2, 2003. Comments received during the public comment period or during the public hearing will be forwarded to the Department of HUD and will become an addendum to the aforementioned document.

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF SETTING PUBLIC HEARING

CONSIDERATION OF TRANSFER OF CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE TO S. B. NARA, INC. AT 42408 FORD ROAD, CANTON, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to Liquor License Ordinance Number 114 of the Charter Township of Canton that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 28, 2003, in the Chestnut Banquet Room of the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan at 7:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To hear and take testimony to consider and recommend an action to the Michigan Liquor License Commission of the request of S. B. Nara, Inc. for transfer and issuance of a Class C Liquor License to be located at 42408 Ford Road, in Canton, Michigan.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered an opportunity at said hearing to voice any comments they may have regarding this request. Written comments may also be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 prior to the hearing date.

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Notice is hereby given that on (October 20, 2003), Tate & Co. Auctioneers, Executive Administrator for Storage USA, will be offering for sale under the judicial lien process, by public auction, the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. The terms of the sale will be cash only. Storage USA reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location: Storage USA, 6729 CANTON CENTER RD., CANTON, MI 48187 at 12:30 P.M.

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Jill Peterson (John Glenn)

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley, ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road Canton, MI 48188 (734) 394-5260

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept proposals up to 4:00 p.m.Thursday, October 16th, 2003 for the

following: HISTORIC CEMETERIES PRESERVATION MANUAL AND RESOURCE GUIDE

Proposal forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. This project is partially funded by federal grant funds. Compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations is required.

TERRY G. BENNETT Clerk

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CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 1150 S. CANTON CENTER RD. **CANTON, MI 48188**

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold a public auction on Tuesday, October 7, 2003 at 10:00 A.M. The auction is to be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI 48185.

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Regular meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m.

Western Township Utilities Authority

Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting Synopsis

3:00 p.m. Monday, September 22, 2003

Present: Thomas Yack, Steve Mann, Richard Henningsen Agenda - adopted as presented. Minutes of the regular meeting of August 25, 2003 - approved. Schedule of disbursement totaling \$913,430.34 - approved.

Operations & Maintenance Report for August 2003 - received and Director's Report for September 2003 - received and filed. Pump Station Instrumentation System Upgrade; Design Services -

approved. Proposal on Analysis of LR Switch Gear Equipment - approved. Transfer/Sale of Capacity Team Representation - approved. FY 2002/2003 Audit Engagement Letter - approved. Fiscal Year-End Budget Amendment (FY 02/03) - approved. Administrative Procedures Update - approved. OMI Service Contract Renewal - approved. Computer Technologies, Inc., Contract Renewal - approved.

MMRMA Insurance Policy Renewal - approved. YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed. The regular meeting was adjourned at 4:07 pm.

Chairperson THOMAS J. YACK

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA **OCTOBER 9, 2003**

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, October 9, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Summit on the Park located at 46000 SUMMIT PARKWAY, CANTON, MI 48188. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Phyllis

Redfern and Steven Johnson. Acceptance of Agenda 1. Ralph and Corinne Rochon, 50801 Warren Road, Canton, MI 48187. Property located at 50801 Warren Road, south side of Warren Road between Ridge and Napier Roads. The ordinance

being appealed is Zoning Ordinance Article 2.10, Section D. 4, waive requirements for 22 feet wide gravel road with ditches and Article 2.24, Section C, to allow work within 50 feet of the centerline of the Fellows Creek. Zone RE. Parcel #026-99-0002-003 (Planning) Todd and Patty Green, 1825 Delancy Circle, Canton, MI 48188. Property located at 1825 Delancy Circle, Canton, MI 48188,

east side of Denton Road between Cherry Hill and Geddes Road. The ordinance being appealed is Zoning Ordinance Schedule of Regulations Article 26.00, Section 26.02, minimum rear setback. Zone R2, Class 401. Parcel #079-02-0463-000

(Building) (TABLED FROM SEPTEMBER 11, 2003 MEETING) 3. Dean Madsen and Mary Kratzer Madsen, 2030 Rector Ct., Canton, MI 48188, requesting a variance to Fence Ordinance 103, Section 8, D2, allow a fence to be located in back yard. Property located at same address, south side of Palmer Road between Rector Drive and corner of Rector Drive and Rector

Parcel #106-01-0117-000 (Building) (TABLED FROM SEPTEMBER 11, 2003 MEETING) Derek Robert Schlonsky of Deloitte & Touche LLC, 44975 Rector St., Canton, MI 48188 Property located at same address, south side of Rector Road between Sheldon and Canton Center Roads. The ordinance being appealed is Fence Ordinance 103. Section 8, D2, allow a fence to be located in back yard.

Parcel #106-01-0016-000

(Building) 5. Ramon Lewis, 7264 Almaden Ct., Canton, MI 48187 representing Father & Son Const., 5032 Rochester Rd., Troy, MI 48085. Property located at 7264 Almaden Ct, north side of Warren Road between Beck and Canton Center Roads. The ordinance being appealed is Fence Ordinance 103, Section 8,

D1, height variance in the R-2 district. Parcel #015-01-0288-000 (Building) Tom Eiden of Richardson's Super Drugs, 42433 Ford Road, Canton, MI 48187 representing Richardson's Super Drugs, 42433 Ford Road, Canton, MI 48187. Property located at 42433

Ford Road, south side of Ford Road between Lilley and Morton Taylor Roads. The ordinance being appealed is Sign Ordinance 120, Section 9, 9.1, changing one word on sign. Zone C-2. Parcel # 054-99-0001-013

(Building) (TABLED FROM SEPTEMBER 25, 2003 MEETING) Donald Oesterwind Jr. of McIntyre Manor, 1542 Marlowe,

Canton, MI 48187. Property located at 1542 Marlowe, north side of Saltz Road between Sheldon and Morton Taylor Roads. The ordinance being appealed is Zoning Ordinance Article 2.00, Section 2.03, A4 and D1, requesting change on square footage. Zone R-5. Parcel # 057-01-0129-002

(Building) (TABLED FROM SEPTEMBER 25, 2003 MEETING) Patrick Clark of Beacon Sign Company, 19460 Mt. Elliott Avenue, Detroit, MI 48234 representing Republic Bank, 2425 East Grand River Avenue, Suite A, Lansing, MI 48912. Property located at 6549 Canton Center Rd N., west side of

Canton Center Road between Hanford Road and Warren Road. The ordinance being appealed is Sign Ordinance 120, Section 2, 2.6 and 2.7, Section 5, 5.19, Section 9, 9.1, regulates setbacks for signs. Zone C-2. Parcel # 033-99-0009-711

(Building) (TABLED FROM SEPTEMBER 25, 2003 MEETING) Approval of August 28, 2003, September 11, 2003 and September 25, 2003 Minutes)

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Salem, **Canton** eye upcoming showdown

Blame it on the schedulemakers in the Western Lakes Activities Association, if a target for finger-pointing is needed.

The front-loaded schedules leaves quite a lull in the middle. The WLAA division races are decided in the first division games of the season, leaving little to get motivated for.

Salem, which after beating Livonia Stevenson on Sept. 17 faced few challenges in the WLAA - and won't until it faces Canton next Wednesday, and again the following Wednesday (Oct. 15) in the

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WLAA title match - hardly looked inspired Saturday against Saginaw Heritage, battling the visiting Hawks to a 1-1 draw.

Still, Heritage is no patsy. The once-beaten Hawks (5-1-6 after Saturday) led 1-0 at the half thanks to a goal from Rob

Salem got the equalizer in the second half from Dave Hall, with an assist from Chris Conlisk.

On Monday at Salem, no such letdown was tolerable, not in a conference game against Walled Lake Central. The Vikings came into the match with a 9-2 overall record, which should have sent up a warning signal of sorts to the Rocks.

And it did turn into a hotlycontested scrape, with the outright Lakes Division title at stake for Salem. And in the end, a goal in the final minute by Steve Cox provided the Rocks with a 2-1 triumph and their second-straight berth in the WLAA conference final.

Salem finishes division play with a 4-0 record will meet Canton for the WLAA championship at 7 p.m. Oct. 15. The Rocks are 8-3-4 overall.

"They've got 15 seniors on their team, they defend pretty well and they have a good counter," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy of Central. "We played good. I wasn't even remotely disappointed (with our play)."

The Rocks got on the board first after a scoreless first half when Thiago Harris fielded a punt from keeper Tom Huls and slipped a pass through to Conlisk at midfield. Conlisk did the rest, negotiating the 60 yards to the Viking goal and scoring to make it 1-0.

The Vikings evened it at 1-1 four minutes later with a goal from Ben Johnston — which is how it stayed until the final minute.

That's when Conlisk, working deep in the Central end. chested a pass to his feet and threaded a pass through to Cox. Cox's shot into the corner of the net gave Salem the game-winning margin.

Tom Huls was in goal for both matches.

As for the aforementioned lull in the schedule, it has officially ended for Salem.

Canton 10, Livonia Franklin O: The Chiefs moved up to No. 6 in the state rankings and just about clinched the top spot in the WLAA's Western Division with a 10-0 thrashing of Livonia Franklin Monday at Franklin

Canton improved to 9-2-4 overall, 3-0 in the division going into last night's final division match against Livonia Churchill. The Patriots are 1-13, having lost

their last 13 matches. Ryan Lenahan led the onslaught with two goals as nine Chiefs scored. Dutch Morrell added a goal and two assists, with Jason Houdek. Adam Pitt, Matt Tomasso, Ross Maltby, Joe Hess, Curtis Rose and Tim O'Mally also contributing goals.

Canton led 4-0 at the half. Steve Mischung and Vimal Patel divided time in goal.

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Thursday, Oct. 2 Hamtramck at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m. Luth. Westland at Luth. N'west, 4:30 p.m.

Redford CC vs. Rochester at Livonia's Greenmead Field, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 3 Plymouth at Redford Union, 4 p.m. Huron Valley at Franklin Road, 4:30 p.m. John Glenn at W.L. Northern, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 4 Canton at W.L. Northern, 11 a.m. Troy Athens at Stevenson, 1 p.m. Redford CC vs. Brother Rice at Livonia's Greenmead Field, 1 p.m. Plymouth at Three Rivers, 2 p.m.

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The closeness of the match hardly surprised Alles. "Traditionally, it's always a good match between Churchill and Canton," he said.

The key to the Chiefs' success this season has been its medalist - which, as Alles noted, has changed literally from match to match. Four Chiefs have been low scorers for the team in the last four matches (Johnson also shared top honors once).

"The team medalist has been spread around this year, that's for sure," said Alles. "That's both good and bad. As a coach, it can be tough because you never know who's going to show up."

One thing is certain: The Chiefs, who lost their two league matches by a total of three strokes (by one to Walled Lake Western and by two to Walled Lake Northern), knows how narrow the margin of victory can be.

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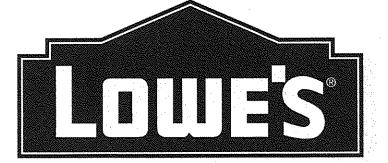
Northville are again the league favorites, with Canton and Salem right behind.

On Monday, Salem was able to warm up for Tuesday's showdown with Salem with a lopsided 8-0 triumph over Wayne Memorial in a WLAA match at Wayne. The Rocks did not lose a game in singles play and lost just six in the four doubles flights.

In singles, it was Salem's Ware over Kelly Harris at No. 1; Nelson over Becky Sikora at No. 2; Swasey over Stephanie Powers at No. 3; and Waldeck over Celia McMullen at No. 4. All the flight scores were 6-0, 6-

In doubles, Bohr and Jose beat Sandy Huff and Cena Sullins, 6-0, 6-0 at No. 1; Girskis and Falcusan beat Kristie Homer and Crystal Beaver 6-0, 6-1 at No. 2; Shobha Narassihan and Teresa Purugginan defeated Chelsea Cooney and Sara Michael 6-0, 6-2 at No. 3; and Laura Burton and Alison Sarsfeld bested Oriana Davis and Sarah Mayberry 6-2, 6-1 at

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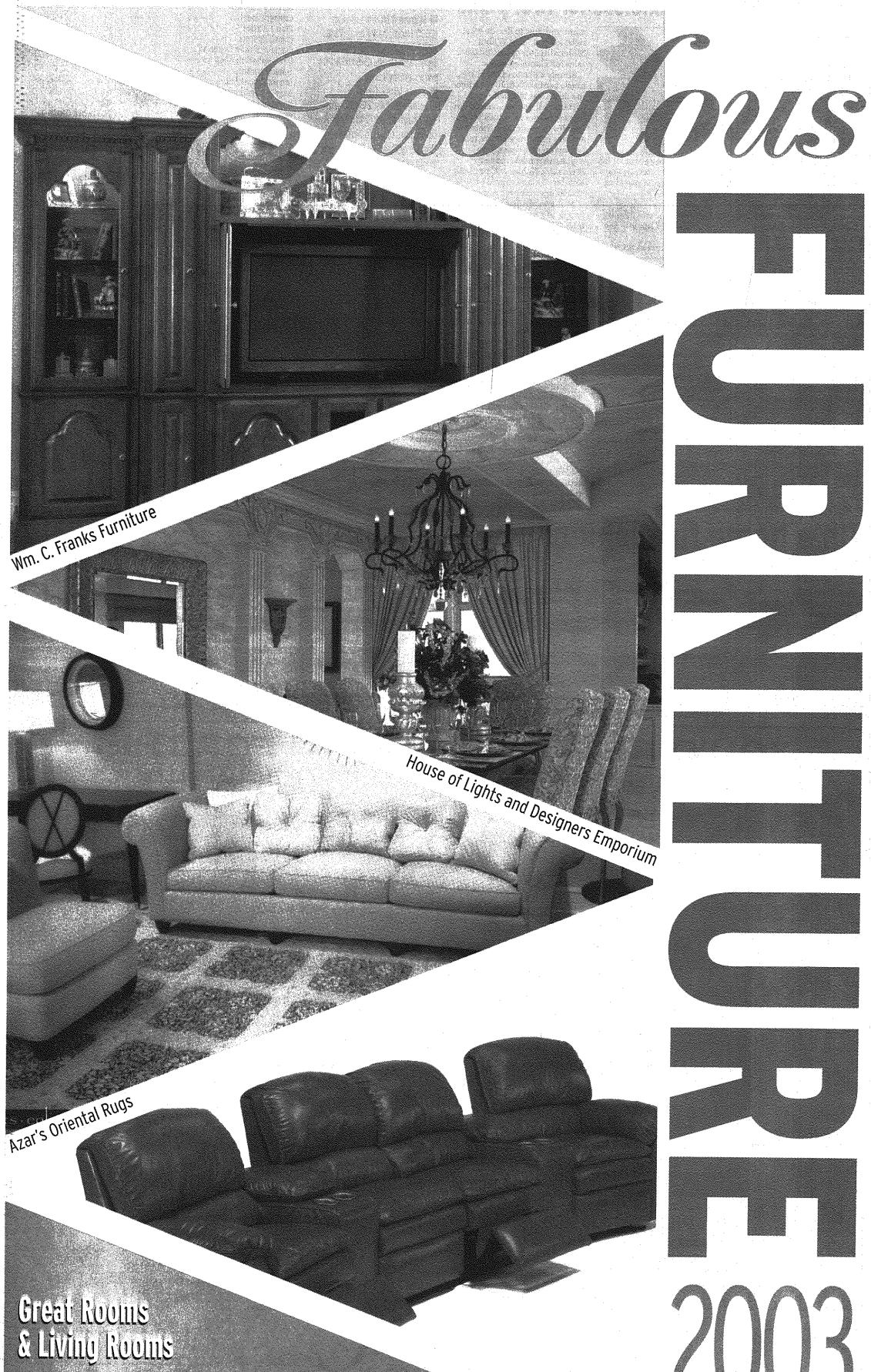
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Customers have many choices for first piano

BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE STAFF WRITER

Are you an accomplished musician or have you always harbored a secret yen to tickle the ivories?

Russ Tkac, store manager of Evola Music Center in Bloomfield Hills, admits a few more adults have visited the store, yearning to play the works of Chopin and other composers in the wake of the movie *The Pianist*.

Customers range from adult beginners, to parents interested in piano lessons for their children, to great performing artists like Bruce Hornsby. (Yes, Evola delivers pianos to Hornsby whenever he's in town, playing The Palace or another venue.)

But for the uneducated beginner, it's often a daunting task to pick out that first piano. Should it be a gleaming grand, an upright or one of the new digitals? The search for the perfect piano can truly be overwhelming.

"It's a matter of trying to sort through the customers' needs and find the right piano for them," Tkac said. Evola music centers are also located in Canton and Utica.

Each studio carries a vast array of black and wood-finished beauties manufactured by Kawai, Yamaha, Bosendorfer, Schimmel, Estonia, Yamaha Clavinova



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and Lowrey. Tkac can help you find just the right piano – new or used.

New grands start at \$6,000. The starting price for a new upright is \$2,600.

The keyboard making a bit hit today is the digital (electronic) piano. "It provides the traditional piano sound, but it doesn't require the typical maintenance or cost," Tkac said.

"You have a recorded base, as opposed to something that's tuned physically and subject to temperature change." Digitals start at \$1,400.

Hammell Music, with nine centers including two locations in Livonia and Bloomfield Hills, also carries a wide range of vertical (upright) pianos as well as grands and digitals.

"We actually offer a class on how to buy a piano, some things to look for in an instrument and how to decide what's right for you," said Wilbur Miller, director of institutional

sales for Hammell Music.
Simply call one of the three
music centers to find out when
the next class is scheduled.

Hammell carries some of the biggest names in pianos today. Besides the venerable Steinway & Sons, other models are made by Boston and Essex (less expensive models made by Steinway), Kohler & Campbell, Kemble, Roland digital pianos and Rodgers church organs.

Miller explained how the height of a vertical can affect tone. "Vertical pianos range from 52 inches tall all the way down to a 42-inch console. Of course, the taller a vertical piano is, the better the tone will be"

If you really want the most beautiful sound, it's best to go with a grand. "Opening the lid allows the tone to enter the room," he said.

Cost is, again, another consideration when purchasing a piano. Steinway vertical pianos start at \$16,000, Miller said.

Portable keyboards, which are part of the line of digital pianos, start at \$1,000. "You can get digital pianos in the shape of a grand that are \$25,000," Miller said.

The advantage of digitals is their recording capability – and they closely emulate acoustic pianos. Hammell carries eight or nine models with

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different features, including size, speaker systems and cabinets.

Sometimes people buy pianos for the look alone. "There's nothing like the look of the grand in your living room... and for investment reasons, especially for Steinways. A Steinway always increases in value," Miller said.

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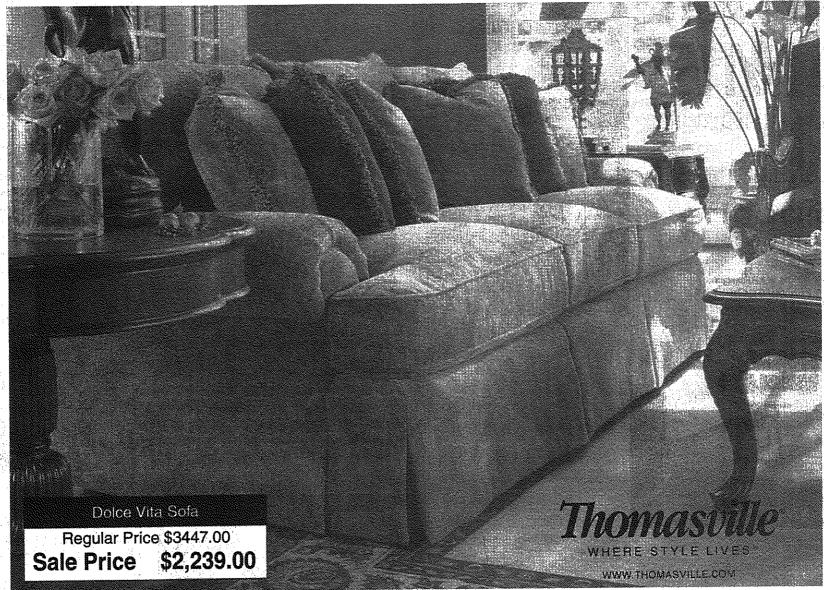
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Fabulous FURNITURE 2003 Home entertainment centers take center stage

BY MIKE MURPHY CORRESPONDENT

The home entertainment center is fast becoming the focal point of living rooms and great rooms. When it comes to choosing an entertainment center, there are almost as many choices as there are channels on your cable televi-

And be it traditional or modern, finished in cherry, oak, maple or mahogany, the entertainment center is becoming less of an afterthought and more of a necessity for homeowners seeking to decorate their homes.

"It's the anchoring piece to the room, and when customers come in looking at entertainment centers, they're getting the entertainment center first and getting other furniture to go around it," said Jodi Caden.

Caden, who has been designing custom-made entertainment centers for Designs Unlimited of West Bloomfield since 1996, said her job is not to spotlight the expanding array of electronic equipment wending its way into many homes, but to conceal it from view when it's not

Caden said people are not only looking for wall units that will hold electronic equipment but seeking integrated units that contain storage space for stereo equipment and speakers, books, DVDs, and video games.

"People come in and say 'I have all this stuff. How do I hide it?" Caden said.

"It's my job to come up with a design for an entertainment center will look gorgeous. The equipment will be functional but it will be hidden so you don't have to look

At Designs Unlimited, a

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custom-made entertainment center typically takes from two to four months to make and install.

Customers begin the process with a visit to Designs Unlimited's 3,000 square foot show room, where they check out floor models and browse through the company's portfo-

Caden then visits the homes of potential customers to measure space and determine what entertainment center styles will complement the room.

Then Caden comes up with a three-dimensional drawing of the design she's come up with.

Caden said the average price range for a custom-made entertainment center from Designs Unlimited is \$5,000 to \$15,000.

"It's the most expensive piece in the room now," Caden

"It's really the biggest and most predominant piece in a

Since the focal point of most entertainment centers is the television, television sets often dictate the style, size and even the look of the home

entertainment center.

The 36-inch television set has become the standard size, according to Mark Morganroth, owner of Sherwood Studios in West Bloomfield.

We do more of those than any other, but plasma will be the new generation," Morganroth said.

Plasma television sets don't require the depth of standard television sets but they don't necessarily dictate smaller dimensions for home entertainment centers.

The trend is for larger entertainment centers, according to Paul Franks, owner of Franks Furniture in Wayne, which has been specializing in home entertainment needs for the past 20 years.

Besides offering predesigned and custommade wall units built to house audio and visual equipment, Franks also offers motorized theater seating for the home.

Franks Furniture has several cabinets and wall units on display in its showroom in several styles, including traditional, arts and crafts, mission, country French and shaker, but Franks said customers more than likely opt for a custombuilt unit.

'Wider TVs mean wider TV cabinets," Franks said. "Every one of our customers has different needs. A lot of them come into the showroom and say 'Gee, that's pretty close' and we go from there."

Franks said the price of a home entertainment center at Franks Furniture ranges from \$500 to \$8,000.

"We have high-end looks," Franks said.

Franks said some of the features most important to his customers include storage capability and a cabinet that angles the television so all



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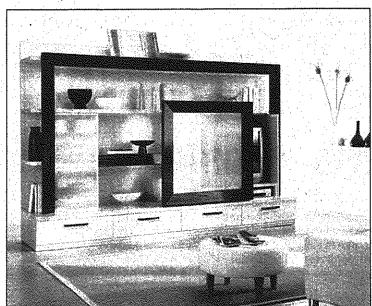
This plasma television unit highlights this entertainment center.

viewers in a room can see the screen.

"We design with or without doors, with the opening just a hair bigger than the television so the television has a custom fit," Franks said.

Franks said corner cabinets have also become popular with customers as have custom-built towers on each side of the television cabinet, which are designed for storage, or to display curios or

"We stock merchandise, but there are so many variations and variable," Franks said. "People often come in with something in mind, but come away with something different that they're much more excited about."



This entertainment center can hold a 40-inch television set.

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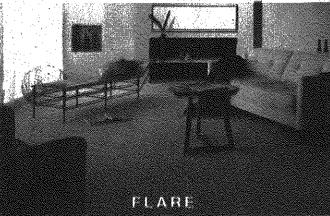


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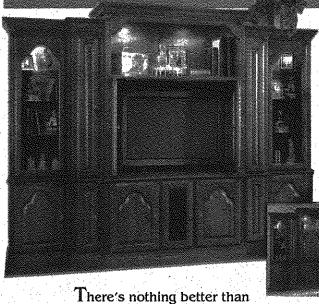
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Leather offers distinctive feel, look

BY MARY KLEMIC STAFF WRITER

Leather fits everywhere in

the home.
It's not limited to accessories for the desk and furnishings for the study.

"Most people buy leather because they feel it's indestructible," said Joelle Aittama, president, All About Leather Inc. at Michigan Design Center in Troy. "But it can feel beautiful, it can be elegant.

"There is really so much you can do with leather."

"Good leather mellows with age, holds up and looks nicer. Good leather can be like an heirloom – it lasts that long," said Bill Wolf, chief executive officer and vice president, Newton Furniture, with stores in Livonia, Bloomfield Township, Novi and Utica.

Leather is not only durable – outlasting fabric 4 to 1 – but versatile – there are different kinds of leather, just as there are different kinds of fabric. And leather has its own special richness and warmth.

"The oil from your hands works into the leather and gives it additional character over time," said Ellen Adelman, president, Creative Collections at Lacoff's at Michigan Design Center.

It takes about 20 seconds for leather to adjust to your body temperature, Wolf said.

Such natural markings as wrinkles, insect bites, manure burns and fence marks make a hide distinctive and naturally beautiful. These appear as veining or marbling on the surface of leather. Depending on how it has been treated by the manufacturer, leather on furnishings can have a variety of textures and looks. Special terms are involved (see related article).

STYLING

A buttery, very smooth hand (feel); a vinyl-like sheen; a stiff touch; a surface bearing a mechanically imprinted pattern such as alligator or floral –



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This home theater seating by Bradington-Young is an example of new furnishings in leather. The recliners feature cup holders in the arms and electric or manual adjustment.

these are just a few examples of the types of leather that are available.

And if you prefer to keep the furniture free from minor marks and scratches from everyday wear, you can select protected leather.

"It depends on the household," said Dave Gornall, manager, Classic Interiors of Livonia.

Leather furniture can be trimmed in many ways as well. Nail trim in nickel or dulled brass, woven welting and fabric fringes are some of the trims on view at All About Leather.

And leather and fabric and leather can be combined in one furnishing; heavier fabrics are best for these combinations, Aittama said.

Gornall said a new furnishing in leather is home theater seating. A style of home theater recliner by Bradington-Young comes with electric or manual adjustment, and cup holders in the arms. The individual recliners can be arranged in a curve or a straight row.

"Everybody can have leather in their home in different accents," Adelman said.

Examples in the Creative Collections showroom include lamps, wastebaskets, mirror and photo frames, and a patchwork vase. Tables and pedestals feature leather tops and bases made of other material.

When shopping for leather furniture, keep in mind that the frame construction is important.

"It should be a kiln-dried, hardwood frame, eight-way hand-tied," Gornall said.

hand-tied," Gornall said.
Also check the cushions and along the arms.

"Always look at cushion tops, see that everything is tight," Aittama said. "Leather will give, you want to be sure it can't pull loose. The tension along the arm (should be) neat and tight."

CARE

Leather can be easier to care for than fabric, especially if it has been treated. The leather in furniture has been permanently preserved in the tanning process and doesn't need maintenance beyond simple cleaning, the Arizona Leather Web site says.

Aittama recommends wiping pure aniline leather with a cotton diaper.

"There's really no need to clean it with any cleaners," she said. "You can vacuum it with a brush attachment, keep dust off it so it won't be grinding it in."

Arizona Leather offers these

Arizona Leather offers these tips at its Web site:

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For stubborn spots and stains, use a mild solution of Liquid Ivory soap and clear, lukewarm water. Apply the

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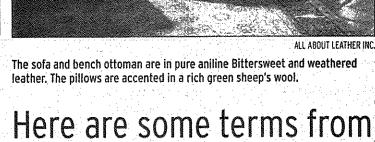
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soap to a clean, wet sponge and wash, then rinse well and towel dry. Always try the cleaning method in a hidden area first to convince yourself of the results.

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a leather 'dictionary'

■ Aniline – the type of dye used to give the initial color to

a hide
In the aniline dyeing process,
hides are put into a drum and
the dye is allowed to soak com-

pletely through them.

Pure aniline, or aniline finish, leather – full-grain leather that has been soaked in aniline dye but doesn't have any subsequent pigmented or clear coat

finishes applied

It is soft and pliable. Only
the best hides, which are relatively free from gross imperfections, can be made into aniline
finish leather. Scotchgard is
added in the tanning process.

Semi-aniline – anilinedyed leather that has only a small amount of clear or pigmented finish

■ Grain – markings or patterns on the leather surface

Corrected grain – top grain leather that has been buffed or sanded to minimize imperfections in the hide

■ Full grain - top grain leather that hasn't been corrected in any way, allowing the natural markings to show through

Full grain leathers are more expensive than corrected grain

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Split grain – a term that refers to the underneath layers of the hide that have been "split" off from the top grain

Splits are buffed, sanded and embossed to look like top grain. The hides are stiffer than top grain, used on less expensive furniture and won't be as long lasting or durable as top grain.

■ Top grain – leather that contains the top portion of the hide

■ Hand – the softness or "feel" of a leather

■ Nu-buk – a pure aniline product that has been abrased to create a slight suede-type nap, resulting in a very soft hand

Pull up - leather that produces a burst of color when pulled tight

It gives a worn, weathered appearance or distressed look when used as upholstery. Pull up leathers are full-aniline leathers that have an oil and/or wax application. When the leather is pulled, the oil and/or wax separates, causing the color to become lighter.

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Hire an interior designer to wade through choices

BY JOAN BORAM CORRESPONDENT

If the task of creating a new look for your home threatens to be more demanding of your time or takes more energy than you would like, the services of a professional interior designer may be just what you need.

An interior designer will present you with design ideas based on your personal taste; provide the resources necessary to get the job done; use his or her knowledge and experience to assist you in creating a space that fits your lifestyle, and help you set realistic expectations of the project, based on your budget, timeline and desired end results.

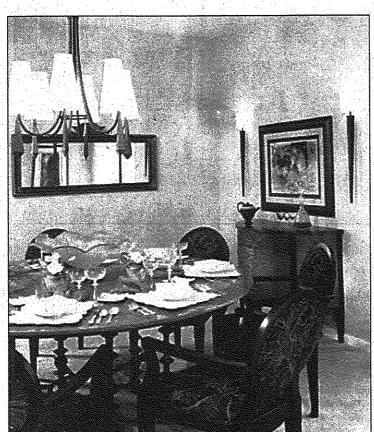
But a relationship with an interior designer is long term and, unlike most professional relationships, it's also very per-

Before the designer can work with you, you must have defined your own tastes, and that is keeping a file of ideas from shelter magazines you've read, visiting designer show houses and furniture galleries, and noting the names of local designers whose work appeals to you.

And, it means establishing a realistic budget.

"Before we sign a contract, there's a lengthy interview process with a prospective client to make sure we're a good fit," said Barbara Krass, owner of Colorworks Studio in West Bloomfield Township. Krass's work will be seen on a Detroit segment of HGTV's Designer's Challenge.

"I ask for a wish list: what does the client expect – the end results? How easy is it for the client to make a decision? The interior designer's job is to define the job and narrow things down. We're not there to show everything that's on the market. Sometimes a client would prefer to do the shop-



BETH SINGER

This dining room project was completed by Colorworks Studio in West Bloomfield. Interior designers use their knowledge and experience to help you create a space that fits your lifestyle.

ping herself. She wants to see everything on the market! In that case, I suggest an hourly rate for consultations. Or, I may suggest that she choose another designer."

Mary Lujan, owner of Heppelwhite's Design Studio in Rochester, is noted for rooms done in a classic style.

"My designs can be ten years old, but they never look dated because they're not trendy," said Lujan.

"I look for clients who are really ready to work as a team, and who have familiarized themselves with my style so they know what to expect. I have a portfolio of my projects here in the studio and on my web site, and several of my projects have been featured on clients as well's."

Christmas walks."
Lujan has also decorated

model homes for Turnberry, in Lake Orion. Like Krass, she likes a client to have a file of rooms or details that she likes. Both Krass and Lujan say that most of their business comes

from word-of-mouth.

The situation in a retail setting is likely to be more spontaneous than that in a design studio.

There's more demand on the interior designer to elicit information from a potential client who has just "dropped in," without prior research.

"I try to ask as many questions as possible," said Lisa Wolfe, design consultant at Walker/Buzenberg Furniture in Plymouth.

"How is the room going to be used? How many people are going to use it? Often, I go to

the home, measure a room and do a floor plan. Most people know what they want – I just fine tune it.

"Sometimes people will have an inspirational piece – their grandmother's quilt, or an antique, and we'll design a room around that. It's important to let people know right away that I'm not going to order them to throw everything out and start from scratch. Most people know what they want –my job is to make it as easy as possible and to see that the finished room looks like them."

Barbara Krass notes that you can find a designer on line, through the Designer-On-Call service offered by the Michigan Design Center (MDC); through the American Association of Interior Designers (ASID) "designer finder" service; by word of mouth; or through articles in local newspapers. With Designer-On-Call, you can arrange for a free one-hour design consultation with a professional designer on-site at the MDC, located in Troy.

Or, fill out a detailed information form provided on-line by the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID).

You will be provided with names of area designers who fit your profile.

When you've decided, go to the designer's office, meet the staff and go through his or her portfolio.

When all is said and done, the key to a successful client/interior designer relationship is good communication, according to Mark Morgenroth, owner of Sherwood Studios in West Bloomfield Twp.

"When a client hires a designer, it's important to understand the client's needs and wants, as well as their feelings and taste level," said Morgenroth.

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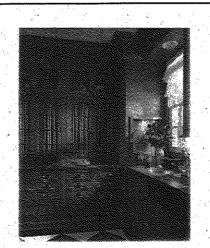
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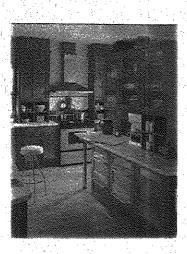


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home theater concept," she said. "Even if there's a slight slant in your basement, you can stagger the seating."

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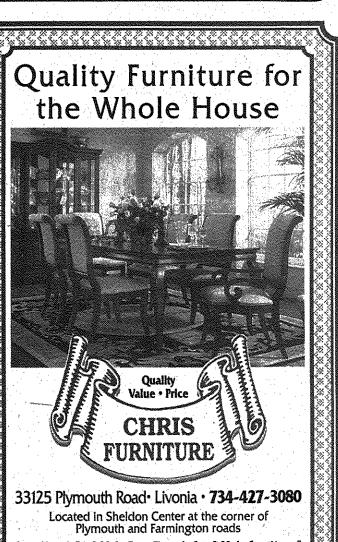
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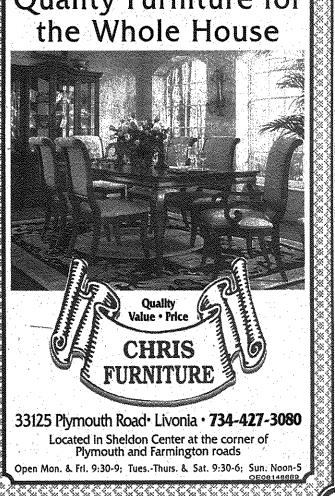
Bloomfield Hills and Novi. 'The same units are adjustable in size, so if you have a smaller TV you can adjust the width," he added. Both plasma or flatscreen TVs and high definition TVs, which produce the sharpest pictures, are accommodated. Built-in storage compartments hide all the wires and apparatus. Many of the newer units are designed like armoires so they don't look

Instead, they resemble "a large chest," Wolf said, "with doors or drawers on the bottom or

Some units come pre-wired for all the latest in technology, including computer systems. "They're wired for all of the centers and will come with a box inside — all the jacks for power and outlet for cable TV. You plug one plug into the back of the wall. There are even phone plugs for computer modems.

He added that anyone can match a home's decor. "They're designed for the very contemporary to the very traditional: Oak, cherry, painted finishes, the whole gamut."

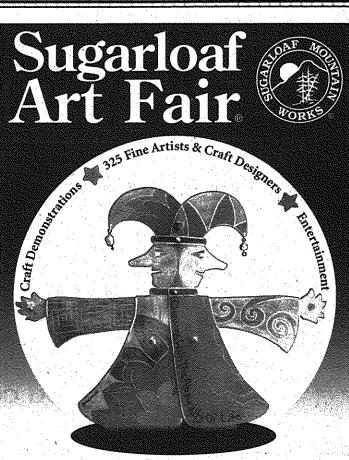








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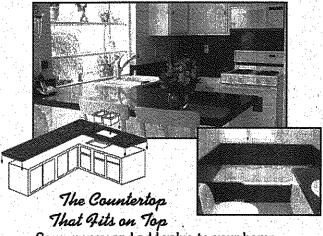
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Great looks underfoot

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BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY CORRESPONDENT

Carpet? Wood or other natural flooring? Area rugs?

There is an infinite number of choices when it comes to what to put under your feet in your home; especially in such high-traffic areas as the great room and living and family

Price is one factor, according to Tina Marie, project manager, Independent Carpet One in Westland.

"But you also have to consider such things as comfort, durability and 'the look' you want to achieve before choosing flooring.

She said that wall-to-wall carpeting continues to appeal to a majority of customers, especially since there are now so many rich and soft textures available with the added features of being long-wearing and stain resistant.

"Some manufacturers offer a 25-year guarantee on wear, which is especially popular for families with children.'

And being stain-resistant makes it safer to join the latest trend of choosing carpeting in the softer and lighter color

shades and tones. In addition to color selection, customers look for tactile, cushiony and interesting textures, such as chenille (tufted), frieze (dense, shaggy and low-

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pile) and knobby (regular prominent raised areas) for

their carpeting. Equally as popular as wallto-wall carpeting is hardwood

"Unlike the days when choice was limited primarily to oak, there are now so many natural woods available, such as Brazilian cherry and Australian cypress. The current offerings provide customers with a wide selection of rich colors and grains."

According to this flooring expert, who has been in the carpet/flooring business for more than 15 years, other natural materials such as bamboo and cork are finding their way to floors, especially in great

rooms. Bamboo offers a variety of neutral shades. Cork provides warmth, sound proofing and cushioning.

"These flooring materials, however, haven't, as yet, matched the popularity of such hardwood floors as maple and traditional oak."

Wood floors, while popular, don't usually stand alone. Area rugs are added to provide warmth - the temperature kind - especially in the seating

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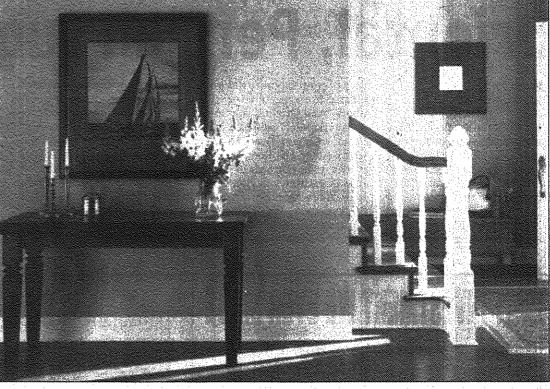
She added that, because of the size of many great rooms in newer homes, customers appreciate the opportunity of being able to work with a designer to create a rug to meet their needs.

Also, matching rugs, such as runners leading into the room, can be made to match or contrast the larger main floor cov-

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Oriental, Persian rugs decorate the floor

BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY CORRESPONDENT

Art work for the floor. This is how Azar Alizadeh, owner of Azar's Oriental Rugs in Birmingham, describes the addition of an Oriental or Persian rug in the home.

Currently popular, according to Alizadeh, are Europeaninspired carved and hand-tufted carpets, as well as Persian

rugs of contemporary designs created from vegetable-dyed fibers. "And Oriental rugs are always popular," said Lee Fayaz, manager, Rochester Rug Gallery. His Rochester store carries upwards of 5,000 rugs in a variety of colors and sizes. All are handwoven and 90 percent are Persian or "Oriental" rugs. (Persia is now Iran.) Pakistan, China,

Romania, India and Turkey are

other countries that create these handmade masterpieces.

When it comes to great rooms and living and family rooms, where there is a multitude of seating areas, two or three rugs can be used, said Alizadeh. However, she recommends one large area rug to serve as the focal point of the room.

"If possible, the main rug should be the first piece acquired for the room.

Furniture and other pieces should then be selected to match, accent or contrast the colors in the rug," said Alizadeh.

Fayaz agreed that it's best for the rug to come first; but, in many cases, especially for those people with established, furnished homes, this isn't possible, "But with our large selection of natural-fiber rugs, there is something for every room, furnished or not, no matter

what size or color combinations are needed. Each of our rugs, whether new or more than 100 years old, has its own character."

Alizadeh said that currently customers are choosing rugs from the European-inspired collections because they are basically designed in soft colors, such as sage and apricot. Strong and bright colors are the choice for Orientals.

While handmade and hand-

knotted rugs are a major financial investment, these exquisite floor coverings appreciate in value over the years.

"They have exceptional wearability and are treasures that can be passed down from generation to generation," said Fayaz. Ahmad Zamzam, salesperson and assistant manager at Hagopian Rugs, said traditional Persian rugs include the Kashan and Tabrez rugs.

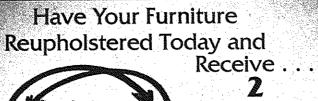
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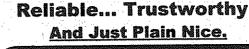
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Fabrilous FURNITURE 2003

Today's fabrics are strong, colorful and comfortable

STAFF WRITER

Today's upholstery fabrics are stylish, comfortable - and durable. Noreen Desilets, interior designer at Laurel Furniture in Plymouth, names today's fabric trends as chenille, velvet, micro suedes and Lycra/leather. Hot colors are soft yellows, greens and warm spice tones.

"The upholstery industry, you know, always puts a new spin on old, popular fabrics," Desilets said.

"But what they're doing is mixing (chenille) with traditional yarn. They're able to create an intricate jacquard pattern, very subtle, very richlooking. Velvets are still popular, as well. They're using a lot of embossing and crushing to give surface interest."

The biggest trends, however, are the new faux suedes and leathers. Dupont makes a

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pseudo suede composed of micro fibers which has the look of suede but is more durable. Likewise, Lycra - the stuff women's workout clothes are made of - has joined forces with leather. The resulting stretchy material lends itself to today's

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said. Fabrics are more important than ever with folks "cocooning," says Cheryl Turk, sales clerk at Walker Buzenberg, a furniture store in Plymouth.

People are getting back to the basics — cherishing simplicity, their families and their homes. "They want things to look nice but they want to enjoy their homes. I think (9/11 and the Blackout of 2003) were a wakeup call for how important your family is," Turk said.

There's a little more leeway with a mix of styles. The trend is "transitional," which Turk defines as a blend of traditional and contemporary. "Skirts on sofas are still popular, but gaining in popularity are exposed legs on sofas and chairs," Turk said. "Blocky or tapered legs lean toward the contemporary style. Shaped or curved legs lean toward traditional. "As trends go, I think

again," Turk said. "Today's look is more dressy/casual."

In fabrics, prints are still popular but solid and textural fabrics are gaining. One idea is to buy a new couch or chair in a solid color - then accent it

with print, patterned or textured pillows. As far as fabric, chenille is a good pick for its softness, as is leather.

"(Leather) is so much more durable than people realize," Turk said. "It's really good with

lar colors are browns, deep tans and neutrals. Green is still popular, in sage and moss. "It's a nature color and people are drawn to it, even on walls. It's very soothing," Turk said.

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Make your living room more livable

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

Homeowners are opting to make their living rooms more livable rather than a pristine space that might look nice, but is unused. There are a lot of little tricks to consider if you want to create a welcoming tone.

"Soften up the look by incorporating foliage, either silk or real, in a corner or on plant stands," explains Kimberly Scott, sales associate at Walker/Buzenberg, a family owned store for 70 years in downtown Plymouth.

Adding layers to a room, with throw blankets, pillows and floral arrangements, gives the area depth, too, she adds.

"Use fabrics and furniture designs that have a more relaxed casual look, but still have flair," she says explainingthat hard wood floors with warmer fruit wood tones are often more welcoming than the real dark cherry woods.

Accessories, like pictures with scenery done in warm tones or depicting places of retreats like, gazebos, streams, family vacations and other getaways that might inspire relaxing daydreams and can also make a "come here" statement.

Including personal items, like family photographs and special books with a place to read quietly can provide interest and a homey tone.

"Of course family heirlooms always help, too," Scott says.

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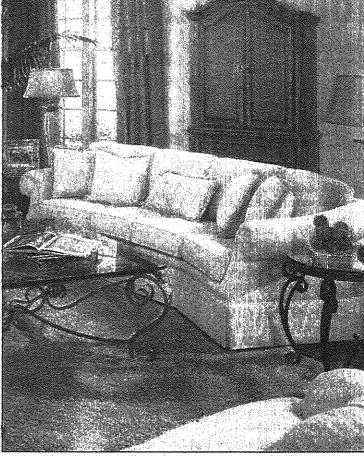
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of ourselves." Basically, formal living rooms are a creation of builders, says John Wohl, interior designer with TVI, Inc. in Royal Oak and a designer on call at the Michigan Design Center in Troy.

"We really only live in a couple of rooms in our house," he says. But, we can recapture that living room space by making it a sanctuary for relaxation or an entertainment center, depending on our lifestyles. It doesn't have to be a place intended for visitors to admire from afar and has an invisible "Do Not Enter" sign for the people who live there day in and day out.

"To not have a space that is comfortable is really passé," Wohl says. "It's like one client who had a very dressy dining room and I asked if she used it. She said, 'Yes, every night, but we usually take our shoes off.'

One way to make a living room



A curved sofa is certain to be a conversation piece for your living room or great room.

tained, because no one wants to relax in a room where they have to constantly worry about making it dirty or ruffling up a perfect arrangement. "Have table surfaces that don't require a lot of care and fabrics that are easy to care for, also," he says. "We tend to move about with meals if we have one or two people in the household and to have spaces that would accommodate that would make it more comfort-

He recommends adding whatever will create that sense of comfort for the people living in the home.

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"Particularly if we've been

busy with work all day or involved in a business and we're dealing with a lot of issues, to have things that are comforting to us in a space, is nice," Wohl said.

Recliners, footstools that are easy to pull up, and good lighting for reading by a favorite resting spot make areas inviting, too. Create a space that might allow for music in the background if that's what you like.

Or, maybe you want a quiet zone that has no sound. It might be a place where televisions, stereos and other electronic equipment are banned, because they might create chaos. This might be a place to cocoon where you're surrounded by warm, plush draperies, carpet and furniture with big, comfortable cushions.

"It can be a place to keep us away from commotion and a place to turn all that off," Wohl

"The most important thing we do for a client is to help them express their vision of themselves and how they perceive themselves in our world today in their home

"We really do try to make spaces accessible and the formality or informality is set by the mood," Wohl says. "A lot of families like very casual living in every space. There are other families who like to think of themselves as the Carringtons. Everyone has a different view of themselves."

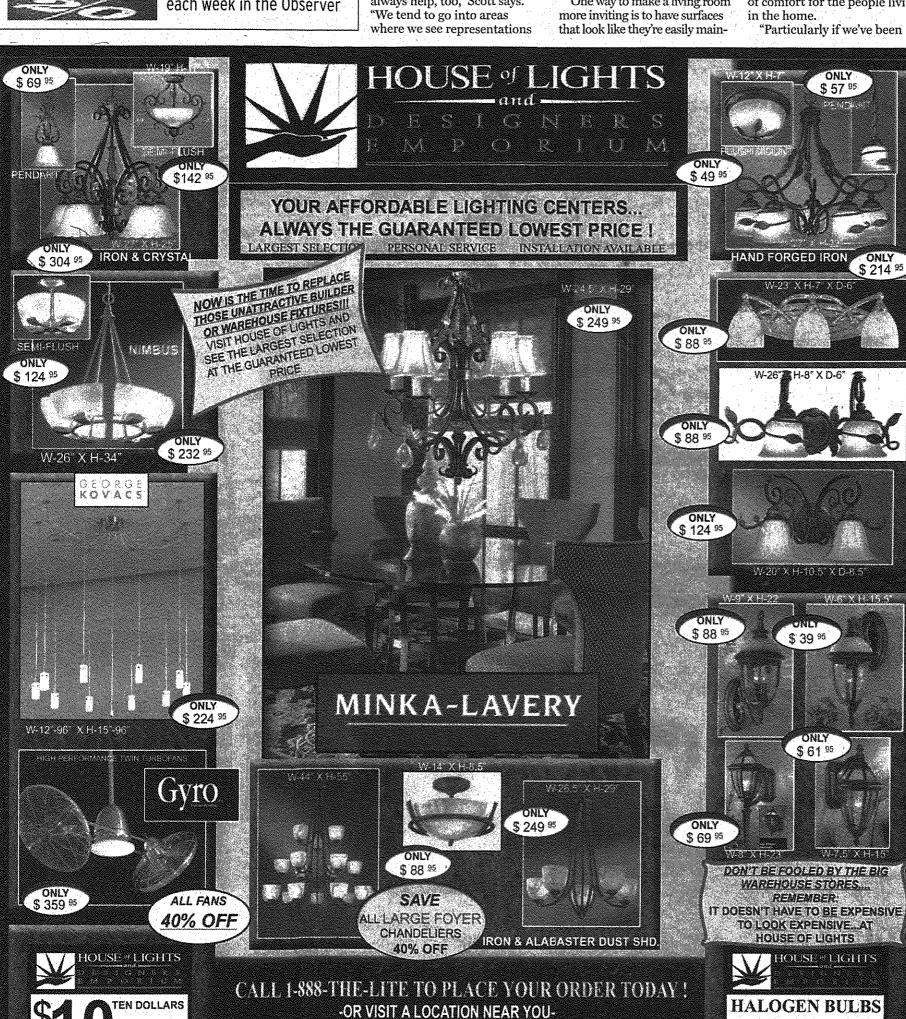
A curved conversation sofa is perfect for cozy chats with family and friends and is the right kind of furniture to draw people into the living room, explains Paul Franks, owner of Franks Furniture, a family run business for 40 years at the same location in Wayne.

"It makes that living room more livable," explains Franks.

Add an entertainment armoire, with two large doors on top and another two on the bottom, to hide the television and sound system. Since more and more people are buying large screen televisions, Franks offers custom entertainment centers to fit any size wall, television or other large piece of equipment.

"Recliners are still very, very popular and sometimes in a living room, you might want to be a little more formal than in a family room and in that case you might want to go to a high leg recliner," Franks says adding that these recliners aren't squirted and don't look like the typical recliner. Instead, the high leg recliner, looks like a chair with exposed legs.

"It's ideal for reading a newspaper or book and having a quiet afternoon," he adds.



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Innovations in illumination brighten spaces in style

tant now as a piece of furniture."

Sheets said cloth shades are

more popular now on lights, while painted finishes require

less maintenance in terms of

dusting, he said. Earthtones

"Shades on lamps are more

decorative," Sheets said. "They are rustic and contemporary.

Our look here (at Rochester) is more 'traditional, transitional.'

while our Farmington store would feature something more

contemporary. But the lamps

Pine Tree in Lake Orion spe-

While table lamps have long

been considered integral furni-

great room, Belesky is speaking

shadows it casts and the areas

it illuminates - can produce an

effect much similar to a furni-

ture arrangement or a piece of

art."You can create any type of

mood or atmosphere that you

Much of the innovation in

home has risen in tandem with

lighting the big rooms in a

the increasing popularity of halogen lighting, which burns

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over once-popular track light-

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are popular on the lamps

themselves.

BY MIKE MURPHY CORRESPONDENT

Hand in hand with the proliferation of great rooms and two-story-high ceilings have come innovations in the lighting industry that can better brighten big spaces.

In essence, though it remains functional first and foremost, lighting for living rooms and great rooms has become more of an aesthetic statement and less of a functional necessity.

The myriad options available to consumers unfold from functional lighting, task lighting and accent light, the three basic types of lighting that manufacturers produce and that lighting designers recom-

"Track lighting used to be used to light up a room, but now it is used for task lighting, said Ken Sheets, salesman at House of Lights in Rochester. "It is generally used to highlight a sculpture or a painting."

Within those lighting categories is a wide array of terms that includes pin-up lighting, under- and over-lighting, throw lighting, monorail lighting, track lighting, recessed lighting and cable and rope lighting.

Functional lighting is used when it's important to see clearly from one end of a room to the other. Task lighting zeroes in on curio cabinets. Accent lighting exists to highlight anything from a wall

hanging to trophy on a mantel. "Lighting sets the tone of a room," Pine Tree Lighting sales manager Mike Belesky said. "Lighting used to be very utilitarian. Now people use it to decorate a house. It's as impor-

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filament made out of tungsten steel and operates with halide gas, is that it's a very hot light.

"Track lighting is not used as much as it used to be because it busies up a ceiling," Master Lighting sales and lighting consultant Janet Iannicello said. "Track lighting is usually the last ultimatum rather than the first."

Iannicello, who has worked in the Canton store for 19 years, said that large hanging fixtures, like chandeliers, are making a comeback, especially in terns of lighting a large living room or great room.

"People still use table lamps but you can really enhance a big room with a big fixture," Iannicello said. "It's more of a formal look. More of a statement."

In terms of table lamps, Iannicello said the trend many consumers are picking up on is to live large and to turn to oversize, wrought-iron lamps with either a painted or brushed surface.

Consumers are also looking for more energy efficient lighting, like low-voltage florescent lighting, which generally

comes with a higher price tag.
"I think suppliers really need to come down on the prices of bulbs," Iannicello said. "When it first comes out, it costs more."

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BY JOAN BORAM CORRESPONDENT

Many people, when they think "recliners," see "behemoth," but they should take another look.

Recliners found on the market today are perfectly at home in any room, regardless of decorating style. Thanks to sleeker designs and classic fabrics, they're no longer relegated to rec room or den.

Good-bye Archie Bunker. hello "Friends" - a recliner has had a starring role in that trendy TV show. With prices ranging from \$299 to \$4,000, recliners are a \$4 billion industry.

"The early recliners were characterized by a handle in the side: it's function was to make the chair recline," said George Bruni, the recliner buyer for Art Van.

The handle was eliminated when the push-back was designed, creating an aesthetic opportunity to use a recliner in any room, depending on the fabric and design. A wingback recliner with a traditional fab-

ric is just another chair - until you lean back and put your feet up."

The high leg recliner resembles a stationary wing chair, said William Franks, owner of Franks Furniture in Wayne.

"It doesn't have as many positions as a traditional recliner, but some people are willing to sacrifice versatility in the mechanism for the sake of a stylish appearance," Franks said. "A pair of these chairs in a matching fabric fit any décor, traditional, mission, country or modern." Some people, however, don't want a stylish piece of furniture - they just want to pull the lever, lean back, and watch the Lions.

"We still sell a lot of traditional models," said Bruni. "But they're selling in colors that make a splash in a room cobalt blue, garnet, shamrock and daffodil. With one of those, you don't have to redecorate, just add a few matching accessories.

Bruni added that, as baby boomers age, lift chairs are becoming a huge market.

There are recliners designed to lift people with arthritic hips, and zero gravity recliners, which support the lower back and elevate the legs higher than the heart. There are rockers and gliders and pedestal models with separate ottomans. You can have recliners with cup holders and (by special order) built-in coolers. Chairs recline with a slight body motion, the push of a button, or the pull of a lever. You can even have a big person's chair - wider and sturdier than a standard model.

"Recently, a man and wife came in a bought his and her recliners - a rocker for him and a swivel for her," said Don McIntosh, sales associate at Newton Furniture in Livonia. The two wingback chairs just fit the space in a picture window. The couple were birdwatchers, and the window faced the area where the bird feeders are. In addition to comfort, the wife wanted a chair that would keep pressure off her knee after a scheduled knee operation."



Barcalounger's Lectern style recliner has three positions, and tapered legs in cherry or light walnut finish.

As theater rooms become more popular, so does theater seating for the home, according to McIntosh.

The three or four seats are in a semi-curved configuration, and each chair reclines independently of the others. The chairs have cup holders,

and melamine platforms between the chairs are moisture-and butter-proof."

Theater seating may be special ordered at Newton Furniture stores in Novi and Livonia.

At Sharper Image stores in Novi and Troy, you can find a

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Jewish dressing

Levitt Foods President
Todd Levitt recently debuted
Jewish Dressing, available at
Hiller's Markets and other
fine stores. There is French
dressing, Italian, Russian and
Greek. Up until now there
has been no Jewish dressing," stated Levitt.

The new dressing is derived from an ancient recipe and its base consists of honey, mustard and celery seeds. It is Kosher and is suitable for use with any food. There are no animal products so vegetarians will be able to enjoy it as well.

New Web site

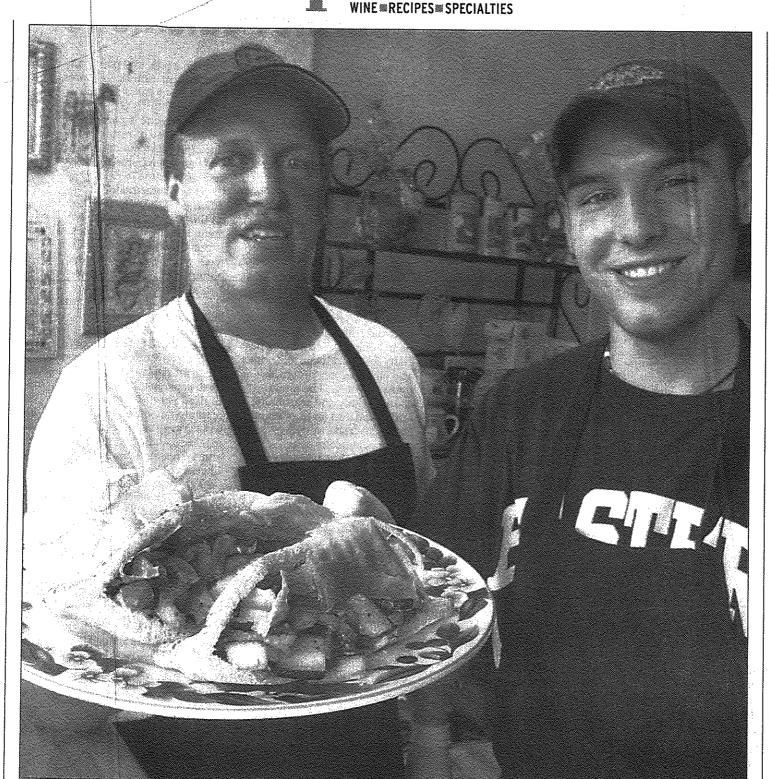
Even as English muffins roll out hot and fresh at Bays, the company is rolling out a fresh new Web site and online recipe contest designed especially for today's busy families.

Now English muffin-lovers will have a new opportunity to get cooking in the kitchen as Bays' renowned recipe contest returns in a new online format. The search for America's favorite Kid-Friendly After-School Snacks at www.bays.com launch runs through Friday, Oct. 17.

In addition to the quarterly recipe contest, the site emphasizes quick and simple seasonal recipes - featuring versatile English muffins - for every meal of the day.

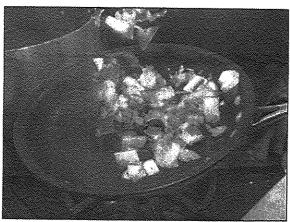
By popular demand, it will retain its extensive archive of recipes developed over the years by Bays president and Cordon Bleu Chef, George Bay.

The new kid-friendly snack-themed recipe contest invites participants of all ages to add to the site's existing portfolio of quick yet tasty meal and snack recipes by contributing their own original creations, Each recipe submitted will be judged by George Bay. The winner of the first contest will be announced Nov. 1, at www.bays.com, and will be awarded with a \$500 Williams-Sonoma gift certificate. A complete list of contest rules is available online at www.bays.com.

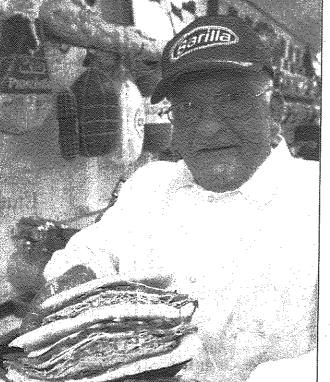


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Manager and chef Greg Gill (left) and cook Aaron Hall of Bushels Café in Plymouth show off their popular Grilled Veggie and Hummus Pita filled with grilled eggplant, zucchini, tomato and lettuce on a bed of hummus and feta. Below, Hall grills vegetables for a veggie sandwich.



the Softhe Sandwich



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Frank Chimento shows off their best. Chimento's Italian sub features focaccia bread piled high with capicola, Italian herb turkey, genoa salami, Italian roast beef, mortadella, boiled ham, provolone cheese, lettuce and optional tomato and onion. It's dressed with their own homemade oil and herb dressing. Frank says that the ingredients aren't chosen because the flavors blend, but because they all stand out. It's a two-fisted sandwich.

BY KIMBERLY MORTSON STAFF WRITER

Dagwood Bumstead was a master at the art of creating a sandwich. One might quibble with the eccentric ingredients he chose to cram between two slices of bread — eagle talon, fish (preferably two days old), tin of sardine oil, cold and gooey pot of spaghetti, one gallon of mayonnaise and one fried egg over easy — but it was his style and unrestrained appetite that he is perhaps best known.

Sandwich lovers would agree. Creating a good sandwich is more that just slapping a few cold cuts between two slices of white bread and calling it a meal. A carefully constructed sandwich would satisfy even the pickiest of eaters and doesn't require a sack fries as an accompaniment.

WAY BACK WHEN

Historically speaking, the sandwich is said to have originated with English nobleman John Montagu, the Fourth Earl of Sandwich (1718-1792). The legend goes that Montagu was gambling in the wee hours of the morning in London in 1762 when he ordered a waiter to bring him roast beef between two slices of bread. The Earl was able to continue gambling without having to get his fingers greasy like he might have from a traditional

English meal.
Sandwiches have evolved from Montagu's informal convergence of meat and bread into many forms, including the pannini, submarine, grinder, muffuletta, hoagie, wrap, open-face, pita pocket and croissant among the most popular.

With the wide-spread interest in low-carb meals, Atkins dieters, who have grown tired of eating slices of meat and cheese devoid of bread, are opting for lettuce to hold their sandwiches together. The thin green wraps are suitable envelopes for their food and are both low in calories and carbohydrate-free.

Chimento's Italian Market owner, Frank Chimento, believes fresh ingredients are the key to a good sandwich, whether it's a pesto and buffalo mozzarella sandwich on rye or his favorite Italian submarine sandwich on focaccia bread.

"It's the freshness of the sandwich that makes the difference. It's made while you wait and not ahead of time," the Livonia business owner said.

Chimento meticulously slices and stacks five different meats together, including sweet capiacola, Italian-style herb turkey, Genoa salami, mortadella and

"Each flavor of the cold cut has to contrast with the other. They

PLEASE SEE SANDWICH, D2

Matanzas Creek enlarges portfolio

atanzas Creek Winery
(MCW) was founded in 1977
by Sandra and Bill MacIver.
The original winery was established on the site of an old dairy farm in Sonoma County's Bennett
Valley.



Focus on Wine

By 1985, the MacIvers had built a modern, state-of-the-art winery and decided to specialize in making three varietal wines: chardonnay, merlot and sauvignon blanc.

Wine

Ray & Eleanor EARLY ROUTE

"We chose to stay with chardonnay," Bill explained, "because we felt it was a hallmark wine; sauvignon blanc because we were developing a style that excited us and brought something new to the world of sauvignon blanc; and merlot because we wanted to be one of the early pioneers of a varietal we particularly enjoyed."

When asked why they dropped cabernet sauvignon from their line, a move that surprises most people, the MacIvers said that with so many cabernets being produced by a plethora of wineries in a myriad of styles, there was little challenge left in the varietal.

While refining their style, as many as 100 individual experiments were conducted at the winery each harvest.

The experiments included: pressing temperature, picking criteria, tank versus barrel fermentation, juice oxygenation, vine virus, juice fining, clonal selection, yeast types, aging on the lees, stirring regimes, barrel toast, barrel age, wood source, coopers and vineyard maturity, to name a few

The Matanzas Creek philosophy stressed that there are ways to make better wine.

This included an active research program at the winery and implementation of proven methods.

"We made wine with a quality goal in mind," Sandra reemphasized, "learning and applying new lessons each year, knowing that if we reached our goal, an appreciative audience would be there."

At the beginning of the 1990s, MCW's vineyard acreage doubled from 40 to 80 acres and plantings of syrah were added. The first syrah was released with the 1994 vintage.

LEGACY PASSES ON

After more than two decades of success, the MacIvers retired in 2000 and passed the MCW torch to long-time friend Jess Jackson (of Kendall-Jackson fame), a man who knows how to both grow and source grapes and build brands. Matanzas Creek now has the benefit of additional quality fruit from the Jackson family's Bennett Valley vineyards.

The new owners have returned cabernet sauvignon to the MCW portfolio along with viognier. Current winemaker Gary Patzwald said, "With a focus on continued quality improvement, the vineyard and cellar operations are keenly centered on merlot and cabernet sauvignon, as well as chardonnay and sauvignon blanc. As this decade unfolds, Bennett Valley fruit sourcing is an important facet of this winemaking opportunity."

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SANDIICH

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can't blend in and the sandwich has to be colorful. The eyes have to help the flavorbuds taste," said Chimento, who separates the capiacola. turkey and salami from the mortadela with shredded lettuce "for color."

Finally comes several slices of provolone cheese before concluding with ham and the focaccia bread lid that is generously brushed with an olive oil and vinegar mixture of Italian herbs including bay leaves, basil, oregano and rosemary as well as paprika, hot pepper and garlic.

EXPERIENCE

Chimento opened his family's original Italian market on Fort Street, and then Michigan Avenue and Schaefer, before settling on Plymouth Road in Livonia in August 1993.

He said customers are free to order any kind of sandwich created from their wide selection of fresh meats and cheeses, but it's the Italian sandwich on focaccia or hardcrust Italian bread that is consistently the most requested.

Vinnie's of Canton owner Zane Floyd agrees. His customers are lined out the door of the Michigan Avenue roadside restaurant (west of (I-275) for their Italian sub that can be made with a minimum of five meats and six cheeses all the way up to a 12-cheese, 20-meat monstrosity.

"Quality food makes the sandwich," said Floyd. "We get our bread delivered fresh daily from two local bakers. I don't let anyone know where my buns are delivered from because they're so popular."

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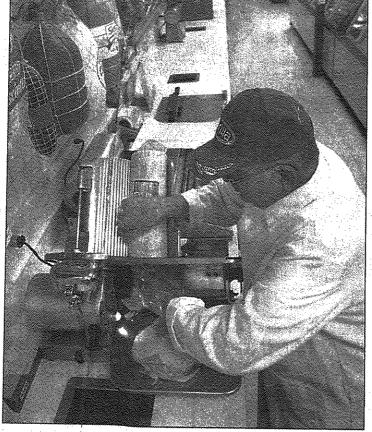
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Frank Chimento of Chimento's Italian Market in Livonia, slices fresh provolone cheese for an Italian focaccia sandwich. Their sandwiches are made to order, while you wait, or you can fax in your order.

soft- and hard-crust buns feature homemade Italian dressing with Geona salami, capiacola, ham, pepperoni and cheeses including provolone. mozzarella and Swiss. A must for the Italian sandwich is Vinnie's homemade dressing. The herb and oil mixture. another recipe Floyd keeps under wraps, can be applied directly on the bun or served in a container on the side for later use. "It's delicious," added the Canton owner who makes and sells his own Italian sausage.

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Bushels Café on North Mill Street in Plymouth is perhaps best known for the vegan and

vegetarian grilled pita sandwiches and wraps that chef/manager Greg Gill cre-

"I would say fresh ingredients are essential," Gill said. "We use fresh herbs and vegetables, make all our own salad dressings, soups and we make the hummus and pesto here, too. None of it is store bought.'

Bushels' Grilled Vegetable Sandwich with Pesto and the Grilled Portabello Sandwich are two of the most popular. "We're trying to make more vegan and vegetarian items," Gill said. "We make three soups daily - one with meat and two without."

Located in Plymouth's Old Village, the café offers customers several varieties of bread, including pita sesame seed, Italian flat, tomato wrap, French, croissant and multi-

Whatever your favorite sandwich, whether it's peanut butter and jelly on toast or something elaborate like the Dagwood, be sure it's made with the freshest ingredients for the best taste.

Cucina Leone prepares fresh gourmet cuisine for home

Wood grilled bone-in rib eve or Amish chicken breast, pan seared fresh black sea bass, and lavender honey and peppercorn encrusted salmon complete with gourmet side dishes are just a few of the mouth-watering selections prepared fresh daily at Cucina Leone in Birmingham.

Cucina Leone provides "Carried Away Cuisine" for today's busy lifestyles, but also has room for up to 18 guests to

Chef-owner Jack Leone and his staff prepare meals cooked to order in an open kitchen featuring an oak burning oven, grill and rotisserie. Cucina Leone offers a plethora of specialty food products, fine wines and champagnes to complement any meal. The menu changes daily and seasonally, and is updated on the Cucina Leone Web site as well www.cucinaleone.com

Cucina Leone provides gourmet catering and renewable gift cards that make excellent gifts for all occasions. The restaurant is open Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. and

Sunday, 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover cards are wel-

Cucina Leone is part of a growing trend of restaurants that offer replacement meals that can be prepared to order and taken home to enjoy as if they were homemade.

Some of the items featured on the "Carried Away Cuisine" menu include Roasted Chicken Breast Pot Pie (caramelized fresh vegetables, fresh thyme, butter crust); Cucina Leone House Salad (baby greens, toasted walnuts, chevre cheese, balsamic cherries, granny apples and balsamic vinaigrette); Wood Grilled Angus Delmonico Steak (zip sauce, garlic mashed potatoes, grilled fresh asparagus); Forever Braised Short Rib of Beef (caramelized onion and red wine gravy, roasted garlic mashed, sautéed baby carrots); and 4 Cheese Macaroni & Cheese w/Crispy Prosciutto (asiago, parmesan, mascarpone, tillamook cheddar w/toasted breadcrumb crust).

Cucina Leone is located at 755 East Maple (in the Kroger complex) in Birmingham. For

more information call (248) 901-1600.

GORGONZOLA POLENTA CROSTINI 1 cup Polenta, coarse ground 3 cups chicken stock 1/2 cup gorgonzola cheese ½ cup Parmesan cheese, grated Kosher salt and white pepper Topping:

1½ cup roasted red peppers 1 tbsp. extra virgin olive oil-2 tbsp. capers 1 tbsp. balsamic vinegar

salt and pepper

Bring the chicken stock to a boil and slowly add the Polenta while stirring constantly. Continue to stir until the mixture thickens. Add the gorgonzola, season and continue to simmer. When thick, add the Parmesan cheese then pour onto a buttered pan to is: cool. Spread the Polenta approximately 1/2 inch thick.

For the topping, mix together 1/2 cups of roasted red peppers, thin diced, two tablespoons capers, I tablespoon balsamic vinegar, 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil and salt and pepper to iA taste. Cut the cooled Polenta into two inch rounds and top each round with a tablespoon of your topping.

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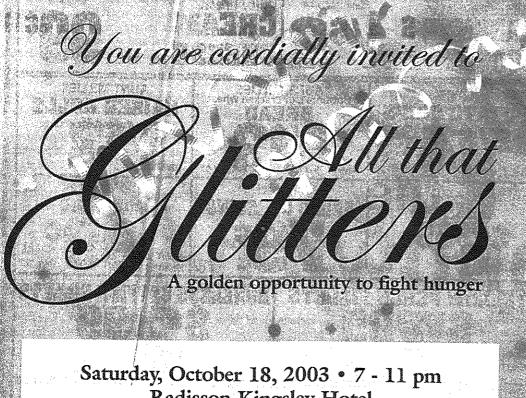
Italy: 2001 La Scolca Gavi "Valentino" \$13 and 2002 Mastroberardino Greco di Tufo \$24 (really delicious)

New Zealand: 2002 Villa Maria Cellar Selection Riesling (great with sushi) \$19 All wines mentioned are available in the metro-Detroit area. If a retailer does not France: 2002 La Vieille Ferme stock a specific wine, ask that it be ordered from the distributor.

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Fall wine dinner

Station 885 of Plymouth (885 Starkweather Street) will host the "Rodney Strong Vineyards Dinner" at 7 p.m. Oct. 8. Please call Robert or Kim for details. Seating is limited. Tickets are \$100 per person (includes gratuity and tax). Guests will have the opportunity to purchase wine that evening as well.

Andiamo chefs create

Executive Chef Sam Sharkas, Chef of Andiamo Osteria Rochester, will demonstrate his Italian-Asian creations, Appetizer - Temaki - Zushi Starch - Fettuccine; Main Course -Chicken Cacciatore; Dessert -Zabaione. The demonstration will take place from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2 at Specialties Showroom (2800 West 11 Mile Rd in Berkley). The class fee is \$30 per person. Pastry Chef Karen Krol of the Andiamo Restaurant group will demonstrate her award winning creations from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, Oct. 15. For information call (248) 548-5656 or visit our Web site at www.specialtiesshowroom.com click on Cooking Classes.

ABC's of Dining The Community House (380 South Bates Street) will offer a class "The ABC's of Dining for Parent and Child" 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8. Children (ages 8-12) will gain confidence at gatherings and dining situations by learning how to converse easily with relatives and friends. The program includes a full course dinner. During the dinner, children will learn how to: take their seat, use proper posture and handle the knife and fork. The program is presented by Denise Ann Taylor, Taylor is trained and certified by the Protocol School of Washington. The cost of the program is \$65 per team. Dressy attire is preferred.

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The class will be instructed by Dawn Vassel, owner of Vassel's Catering, and is scheduled 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14 and Nov. 11 at From Scratch, 29831 Northwestern Highway, Class fee is \$40 per class. For registration and information, please call 248-203-

Healthy cooking

Since most people don't have hours and hours to cook for their families, what foods can be quickly prepared that are both nutritious and tasty? To find out, register for the "Quick and Healthy Cooking Demo" at the **Botsford Center for Health** Improvement in Novi. Call (248) 477-6100. Class begins at 6 p.m., Oct. 23. Fee, \$5. While you're there, do some taste testing. You'll be convinced that quickly prepared meals can be both good for you and delicious.

Cuisine du Jour

Chef Mario Etemad, senior vice president of Food Service and Hospitality for Palace Sports and Entertainment, will discuss stews and cassoulets 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 23. For information, call (248) 377-2300.

Cooking with Style Nell Benedict will present a series of four enticing and exotic cooking classes (demo only) entitled "Cooking With Style" Tuesday evenings, October 7-28, at The Community House (380 S. Bates) in Birmingham. The series kicks off with Thai Cooking on Oct. 7, 7:30-9:30 p.m., \$22. The class will focus on demystifying the exotic dishes of Thailand. Benedict will prepare classic Thai dishes such as Chicken Satav served with a Classic Peanut sauce and Cucumber Sweet Relish; Thai Hot and Sour Lemon Grass and Shrimp Soup; and Pad Thai. Other classes include: A Greek Feast, Oct. 14, 7:30-9:30 p.m., \$22; Italian Meat Entrees, Oct. 21, 7:30-9:30 p.m., \$22; Italian Dishes from Nell's Cucina, Oct. 28, 7:30-9:30 p.m., \$22. Attendees will sample dishes and take home recipes. To register call (248)644-5832, or www.communityhouse.com

Learn Asian Thai and Chinese appetizers, a soup and main dishes will be created in this class 7:15 -9:15 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15. Bring a 9-by-13-inch pan with lid and a heatproof soup container. Class will be taught at Smith Elementary School in Troy. Class fee is \$21, food fee is \$5. Call (248) 823-5100 for information.

Make a Gingerbread House A fun, holiday project where each student (grades K-6) creates his/her own Gingerbread House using snow icing, then decorates it with a variety of candies. It makes a wonderful holiday decoration and a great gift (use it as a surprise box and hide gifts of money inside). Each is a unique work of art. The class is presented by Ginger Works and is scheduled for 10 a.m.

Yesterday was World Vegetarian Day.

case for why you like or dislike vegetables.

Create a classified advertisement describing the

Next Week (October 6-10) is Math Literacy Week.

classmates. Use the newspaper and other resources

examples from work, home, school and sports. Have

family, friends and other classmates take your quiz. Provide answers and explanations for each question.

Have references for further study in case the quiz

What kinds of basic math knowledge does every

person need to be successful? Discuss with

to create a math literacy quiz, using real-life

takers need to brush up on their math skills!

World Teacher Day is October 5th.

perfect teacher.

Write a news story about the pros and cons of being

a vegetarian, and list as many vegetables as you can think of in the article. At the end of the story, make a

Newspaper-In-Education

Saturday, Dec. 13, and 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 16, at Derby Middle School, Room 115. The class fee is \$13 per person. For registration and information, please call 248-203-3800.

Parent and child workshop Together a parent and child will assemble and decorate an extra-large gingerbread house, approximately 4 pounds (or about 10-by-12 inches) made of sweet, fragrant gingerbread with lots of icing and candy. Please bring a cardboard box to carry it home. This class will be presented by Ginger Works, 10-11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 20 at Derby Middle School, Room 115. The class fee is \$30. For registration and information, please call 248-203-3800.

Taste Fest 2003

Don't miss the most delicious holiday event in Westland. Join us for a culinary adventure featuring the area's finest chefs. The 2003 Holiday Taste Fest begins at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2 at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road, Westland, Sponsored by the Westland Chamber of Commerce. Partial proceeds benefit the Joseph Benyo Scholarship Fund. Call (734) 326-7222 for details.

Gingerbread workshop

The Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe annual Parent and Child Gingerbread House Workshop is planned from 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30; and 1-6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1. The parent and child team will create a completed house in one class. \$30 per team. Advanced registration a must. Seating is limited. Call (734) 261-3680. Mary Denning's is located at 8036 N. Wayne Road, Westland.

Party Planning Secrets

Learn cutting edged Manhattan event planning techniques on a budget. Dazzle your guests as you explore the hottest and latest color choices, exciting themes, shortcuts, and timesavers. The class will be taught by Harold Baldwin 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, in room F108 at Seaholm High School. The class fee is \$39. For registration and information, please call 248-203-3800.

Chili Cook-Off

The Great Lakes Regional Chili Cook-Off is set for Sunday, Oct. 12 at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth from 11. a.m. to 6 p.m. The day will include a ride-in motorcycle bike show. Cooks from all over the country will be vying for the top spot. Call Annette Horn at (734) 455-8838 for further informa-

Please submit items at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk, Taste editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E, Maple, Birmingham, 48009 or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net



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Pecan pies a classic holiday dessert Turkey guide takes you

Who doesn't love a good pecan pie at the holidays? Even if you don't eat them for Thanksgiving they make great desserts that are hard for your guests to resist. Pillsbury has devised several versions of the traditional pie you'll love.

Pecan Pie Ginger Cheesecake has a pecan pie mixture atop a cheesecake layer studded with nuggets of crystallized ginger, and it's all baked in a flaky pie crust. This combo takes dessert to new heights!

PECAN PIE GINGER CHEESECAKE

- Pillsbury Refrigerated Pie Crust (from 15-oz. pkg.), softened as directed on package
- (8-oz.) pkg. cream cheese,
- 6 tbsp. sugar
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 74 cup finely chopped crystallized
- Topping: 2 tbsp. Pillsbury BEST All Purpose or Unbleached Flour
- ¼ cup butter, melted
- % cup firmly packed brown sugar 1 tsp. vanilla
- 2 eggs 2 cups pecan halves or pieces

Heat oven to 350°F. Prepare pie crust as directed on package for one-crust filled pie using 9inch glass pie pan or 9-inch deep-dish glass pie pan. In medium bowl, combine cream cheese, sugar, /2 teaspoon vanilla and 1 egg; beat at medium speed until smooth. Stir in ginger. Spoon and spread filling in crust-lined pan. In large bowl, combine flour and butter; mix

Stir in pecans.

Carefully spoon mixture evenly over filling.

well. Add brown sugar, 1 tea-

spoon vanilla and 2 eggs; mix

Bake at 350°F. for 40 to 50 minutes or until center is set and crust is golden brown. Cool 1 hour. Refrigerate 2 hours or until thoroughly chilled. Store in refrigerator. Prep Time: 20 Min-

(Ready in 4 Hours 10 Minutes) makes 12 servings.

MYSTERY PECAN PIE

1 Pillsbury-Refrigerated Pie Crust (from 15-oz. pkg.), softened as directed on package Filling:

1 (8-oz.) pkg. cream cheese, softened

- cup sugar
- ¼ tsp. salt 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 egg
- 3 eggs
- /4 cup sugar 1 cup corn syrup
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1/4 cups chopped pecans

Place pie crust in 9-inch pie pan as directed on package for one-crust filled pie. Heat oven to 375°F. In small bowl, combine cream cheese, 1/3 cup sugar, salt, 1 teaspoon vanilla and 1 egg; beat at low speed until smooth and well blended. Set aside.

In another small bowl, beat 3 eggs. Add 1/4 cup sugar, corn syrup and 1 teaspoon vanilla; blend well. Spread cream cheese mixture in bottom of crust-lined pan. Sprinkle with pecans. Gently pour corn syrup mixture over.

Bake at 375°F. for 35 to 45 minutes or until center is set. If necessary, cover edge of pie crust with strips of foil after 15 to minutes of baking to prevent excessive browning. Cool 2 hours or until completely cooled. Store in refrigerator.

Prep Time: 20 20 Minutes (Ready in 3 Hours) and makes eight servings.

This double-decker pecan pie satisfies the craving for a rich dessert with a pleasing contrast of smooth, crunchy and crisp textures. Top the pie wedges with whipped cream or ice cream and serve with freshly brewed coffee.

DOUBLE CRUSTED PECAN PIE

DANISH

(15-oz.) pkg. refrigerated pie crusts, softened as directed on package

1/2 cup powdered sugar ½ cup apricot or other flavor jam 2 tbsp. butter or margarine, soft-

Don't forget to try something different the next time you whip up a pecan pie. What about adding ginger, cocoa or double the crust and make it a danish.

- (3-oz.) pkg. cream cheese. softened
- cup finely chopped pecans
- ½ cup sugar 1 tosp. Pillsbury BEST All Pur-
- pose or Unbleached Flour tbsp. sour cream
- tbsp. butter or margarine,
- ¼ cup Hungry Jack Microwave Ready Regular Syrup.
- ½ tsp. vanilla
- 1 egg 1/2 cup chopped pecans

to 3 tsp. powdered sugar Prepare pie crust as directed on package for two-crust pie using 10-inch tart pan with removable bottom. Place 1 crust in pan; press in bottom and up sides of pan. Trim edges if neces-

Heat oven to 400°F. Place cookie sheet in oven to preheat. In small bowl, combine all filling ingredients except pecans; blend well. Stir in 1 cup pecans. Spread mixture in bottom of prepared crust. Top with second crust; press edges together to seal.

Place pie on heated cookie sheet. Bake at 400°F. for 15 to minutes or until golden brown.

Meanwhile, in small bowl, combine all topping ingredients except pecans and powdered sugar; blend until smooth. Stir in/4 cup pecans. Pour topping over partially baked pie. Reduce oven temperature to 375°F.; bake an additional 18 to 28 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 10 minutes. Lightly sprinkle powdered sugar over pie. Cool 2 hours or until completely cooled. Store in refrigerator.

Prep Time: 45 Minutes (Ready in 3 Hours 15 Minutes) and makes 12 servings.

COCOA PECAN PIE

- 1/2 cup Gold Medal All-Purpose Flour
- 1/2 cup graham cracker crumbs 1 tosp. sugar
- 3 tbsp. margarine or butter,

melted

1½ tsp. vanilla

- 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar 1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa 1 cup light corn syrup

- 3 egg whites 1/2 cup coarsely chopped pecans Topping:
- 1/2 cup frozen fat-free whipped topping, thawed

Heat oven to 375°F. Spray 9inch pie pan with nonstick cooking spray. Lightly spoon flour into measuring cup; level off. In medium bowl, combine flour, graham cracker crumbs and sugar; mix well. Add margarine; mix well. Press firmly in bottom and up sides of sprayed pie pan.

In large bowl, combine brown sugar and cocoa; mix well. Add all remaining filling ingredients except pecans; stir until smooth. Stir in pecans. Pour into crust.

Bake at 375°F. for 28 to 38 minutes or until center is puffed and knife inserted in center comes out clean. Cool on wire rack for at least 1 hour or until completely cooled. Serve at room temperature or refrigerate until serving time. To serve, spoon or pipe whipped topping around edge of pie.

Prep Time: 20 minutes (Ready in one hour, 50 minutes) and makes eight servings.

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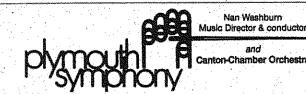
As Thanksgiving draws near, millions of Americans will be engaged in one pursuit: buying turkey.

To help consumers find turkeys raised without the routine use of antibiotics and growth promoters, as well as certified organic and heritage turkeys, the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy (IATP) has teamed up with GRACE (Global Resource Action Center for the Environment) to launch a fully updated "Eat Well Guide" (www.EatWellGuide.org), a free national online guide to all meat raised with sustainable methods.

The guide will launch on Nov. 3, featuring a special turkey section, just in time for consumers across the country to find the perfect Thanksgiving turkey, one that has been raised sustainably or organically on a small farm in their area. The guide will also include information on chicken, beef, pork, lamb, goat, buffalo, and fish.

'Consumers are increasingly worried about industrial meat production and its negative impacts on human health, the environment, and animal welfare," says Dr. David Wallinga, M.D., Director of IATP's Food and Health Program.

"People are particularly wary of the widespread and unnecessary use of antibiotics in animals raised for meat. Many are looking for meat raised in healthier, alternative ways. The Eat Well Guide is the perfect resource for people who want to eat well, but don't know where to find sustainable meat near them." The new Eat Well Guide will provide a locallysearchable online directory of producers, grocery stores, restaurants, and mail-order outlets throughout the country that offer healthy meat raised sustainably, without antibiotics and other growth promoters, as well as certified organic.



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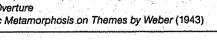
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Mary Cassatt (1844-1926) (1993) Songs for Mezzo Soprano, Trombone & Orchestra Turandot Overture

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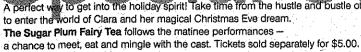
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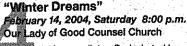




Musical Miniatures" Canton Chamber Orchestra

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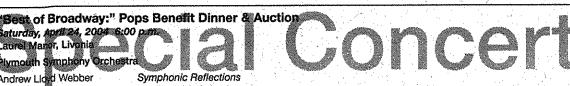


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Three delicious layers tall, they feature an oatmeal cookie crust and a crunchy oat-pecan streusel topping.

Mashed sweet potatoes, lightly sweetened with brown sugar, replace the more traditional pumpkin in the flavorful filling, which gets its southern "spirit" from a splash of bourbon and a dash of cayenne

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SPIRITED SOUTHERN SWEET POTATO BARS

2 cups Quaker oaks (quick or old fashioned, uncooked) 1½ cups all-purpose flour 1/4 tsp. salt (optional) 1/4 to 1/4 tsp. ground red pepper

(cayenne pepper) I cup (two sticks) butter, softened 1/2 cup granulated sugar

1 tsp. vanilla 2 cups mashed cooked sweet potatoes or canned pumpkin 2 eggs, lightly beaten ¾ cup firmly packed brown sugar 2 tbsp. bourbon OR1/2 teaspoon

rum extract) optional

1 cup chopped pecans Heat over to 375 degrees Spray 13x9 inch metal baking pan with cooking spray. In a

large bowl, combine oats and flour, mix well. Transfer 2/2 cup to small bowl and add salt and red pepper; set aside for filling.

To remaining oat-flour mixture, add butter, granulated sugar and vanilla; blend with electric mixer on low to medium speed until crumbly. Reserve one cup for topping. Press remaining mixture evenly onto bottom of prepared pan. Bake 15 minutes; remove from oven.

In separate bowl, combine sweet potatoes, eggs, brown sugar, bourbon and reserved% cup oat-flour-red pepper mixture; mix well. Spread filling over warm crust. Add nuts to reserved one cup topping mixture; mix well. Sprinkle evenly over sweet potato filling, patting lightly. Bake 30-35 minutes or until topping is light golden

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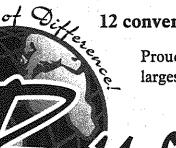
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2 packages (4 ounces each) single serve graham cracker pie crusts Decorations:

Assorted candles, colored sprinkles or Halloween candy cut

Blend Eagle Brand and water with mixer or wire whisk in a large bowl. Beat in pudding mix until blended.

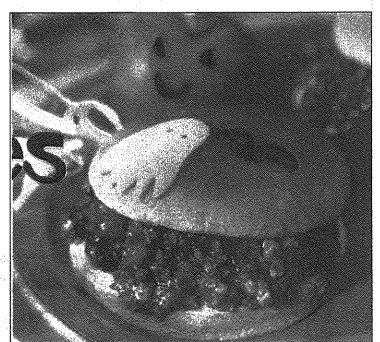
Chill at least 10 minutes. Fold in whipped topping. Spoon into pie crusts; chill and decorate, as desired. Refrigerate leftovers. Makes 12 tarts.

WITCH'S BREW

1 can (14 ounces) Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk (not evaporated milk) 1 can (46 ounces) pineapple juice 1 bottle (2 liters) orange soda,

Orange sherbet optional

Stir together condensed milk and pineapple juice in a large punch bowl, add orange soda. Top with sherbet if desired. Serve over ice. Refrigerate leftovers. Makes four quarts.



Garnish these Spooky Sloppy Joes with cheese ghosts and olive bats.

SPOOKY SLOPPY JOES

I pound ground beef 1 small onion, chopped ½ cup chopped orange or red bell

1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce with basil, garlic and oregano ½ cup chili sauce

I tosp. Worcestershire sauce 1 tsp. salt

¼ tsp. black pepper 4 hamburger buns

Brown ground beef with onion and bell pepper in large nonstick skillet over medium heat for 8-10 minutes (breaking into crumbles).

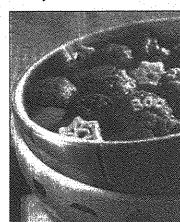
Pour off drippings.

Stir in tomato sauce, chili sauce, Worcestershire sauce, salt and pepper. Cook an additional three minutes or until heated through, stirring occasionally.

Spoon equal amounts of beef mixture on bottom half of each bun. Close with top half of each bun. Decorate beef mixture or bun tops with decorations as desired. To make olive bats, cut sliced black olives in half and arrange them to resemble bat wings. To make ghosts, use cookie cutters to cut ghost shapes from thin slices of cheese.

MONSTER MEATBALL SOUP

1 package (16 ounces) frozen fully-cooked beef meatballs 1 cup frozen vegetable mixture



Monster Soup features meatballs, vegetables and pasta in a delicious and spooky broth.

> (broccoli, cauliflower, carrots)

2 cups water

1 can (14 to 141/2 ounces) diced tomatoes with roasted garlic 1/4 cup uncooked small pasta shapes (such as Halloween. alphabet or wagon wheels) Dairy sour cream (optional)

Combine frozen vegetables, water, broth, undrained tomatoes and pasta in large saucepan; bring to boil. Reduce heat; simmer according to package directions until pasta is just tender.

Meanwhile, microwave meatballs according to package direc-

Add meatballs to soup; heat through. Serve with sour cream



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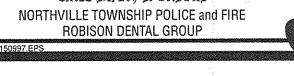
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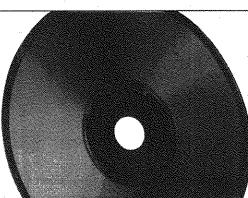


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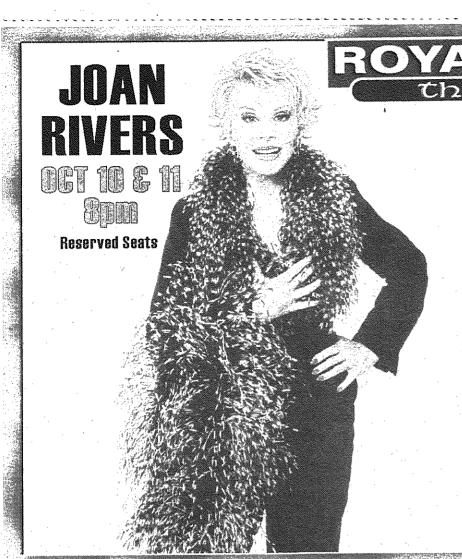
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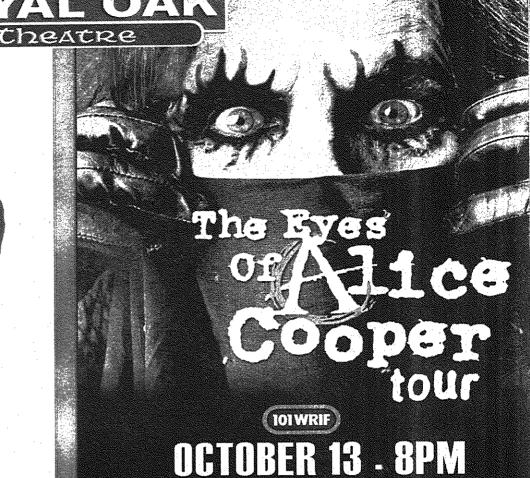
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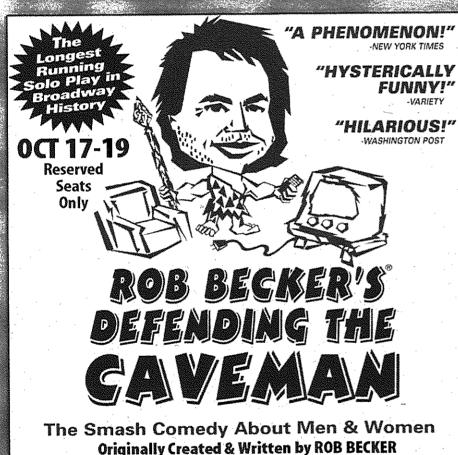
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Hot Ticket

Hamlisch opens Ford Center season

KEVIN BROWN STAFF WRITER

Oscar- and Grammy-winner Marvin Hamlisch can take the heat in Paris.

The newsmaking European heat wave was misery for some this summer, but the record heat didn't stop Hamlisch and his family from enjoying the Eiffel Tower and other attractions.

One hundred degrees in Paris can still work," he explained.

Hamlisch performs Saturday at the opening of the 2003-04 Ford Community & Performing Arts Center season. He has written or co-written pop hits including, Nobody Does it Better and Lollipops and Rainbows, recorded by stars from Barbra Streisand to Carly Simon to Kenny Rogers.

The four-time Grammy and three-time Oscar winner is probably best known for film scores including The Sting and The Way We Were.

These days, he tours in every season but summer. He also performs as principal pops conductor with the Pittsburgh Symphony and The National Symphony in Washington, D.C.

Hamlisch, 59, agrees that the success of the film musical, Chicago, has increased interest in musicals, particularly in reviving past musicals.

He names The Way We Were as his favorite among songs he's written, but values one career accomplishment the most: "The thing that I'm proudest of is I won the Oscar in '74, and it's almost 30 years since then and I still have a career, there's still interest."

DIRECTOR

At the Ford Center, Hamlisch will lead Dearborn's Vanguard Voices choir. "That's a solo I'm doing but I'm using their choir. We're going to have the choir do things and I'll conduct and we'll also make up songs on the spot."

He's really a charismatic performer," said center director Jack Raeburn, on why Hamlisch was chosen to open the series. "You get some of that boyish charm. His show always has numbers he's written; he's got some amazing hits."

Hamlisch opens the third season for the theater. "Bands, Blues, Ballads and Broadway" is the theme of this year's sea-

"I think our general appeal is for family-oriented affordable entertainment," said Raeburn. "We fit more within a traditional arts center vein." Center staff also talk to audience members and sur-



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Marvin Hamlisch composer

vey show-goers to ask what they'd like to

Some of the best-received productions since the theater opened have been Lou Rawls, Wayne Newton and Melissa Manchester, all of which were sell-out

Even though Rawls' time-conscious road manager was trying to get him off stage at his planned 10 p.m. exit, the singer "was just having a great time with our audience and our audience with him," Raeburn recalled.

MEMORY

A lesser-known performer, Scotland's Bonnie Rideout, provided a special memory for the sell-out audience she performed for in a Christmas show. "She clicked with the audience. She had that intangible whatever, it was a very meaningful show," said Raeburn.

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Center staff are fond of noting that no seat is farther from the stage than second base is from home plate.

Even though the Ford center is relatively new, a tradition already has been established: Each performer or company decorates a foam ceiling tile in the backstage dressing room area.

One of the dance companies glued one of their ballet slippers," Raeburn recalled.

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THE RUNDOWN

**1/2 (out of four)

uch like last year's enjoyably scrappy Cradle 2 the Grave, The Rundown is a stupid, disposable action film, essentially Hollywood's version of a B-movie. It features second-tier stars performing low-octane stunts, stuff like kicking and punching instead of car chases and explosions.

The upside is that the cast seems to relish their role as box office underdogs, clearly having more fun than the entire cast of the *Matrix* trilogy combined. And isn't that why we go to stupid action films? To have fun?

The Rundown keeps its focus very limited – four characters, really – and the resulting work is tight, funny and exciting.

Beck (Dwayne Johnson, aka The Rock) is a debt collector for a crime lord. His real ambition is to open a restaurant, but to do that he must pull off One Last Job locate the boss' estranged son in Brazil and bring him home.

But when he finds Travis (Seann William Scott), he is quickly pulled into

Travis' mission to uncover an ancient gold artifact called "El Gato de Diablo," which could make them both a lot of money, as well as free thousands of slave laborers who toil under the cruel hand of the ruthless gold miner Hatcher (Christopher Walken).

The fight scenes are the main draw and they are executed with skill and, oddly enough, restraint.

True, Beck's ability to be repeatedly smashed in the face with a tree and walk

away unharmed is pure fantasy, yet the film never devolves into the kind of anything-goes idiocy of *Charlie's Angels* or *The Matrix*. The editing of the fight scenes is stylish and efficient with a neat reliance on close-ups; director Peter Berg cares more about faces than effects, and that's a good sign.

Indiana Jones is Berg's clearest influence here, with Travis representing the archeology element and Beck providing the bemused fisticuffs.

Scott, best known for his iconic role as Stifler in the *American Pie* films, is acceptable as the comic relief but mildly disappointing.

Johnson, on the other hand, is as close

to the perfect action hero as you're likely to find. He's as brawny as Schwarzenegger, more likable than Stallone and probably a better actor than either of them. Action heroes usually

stumble when they're called upon to deliver emotion, but Johnson holds his own in a refreshingly brief speech about 'How He

Came To Be This Way'

Look closely at Johnson's face – behind the brawn, he is a funny-looking geek trapped in a pro wrestler's body. Johnson's goofy employment of overwrought expressions would be called "overacting" if somebody else attempted it, but his natural personality and terse line delivery make it work.

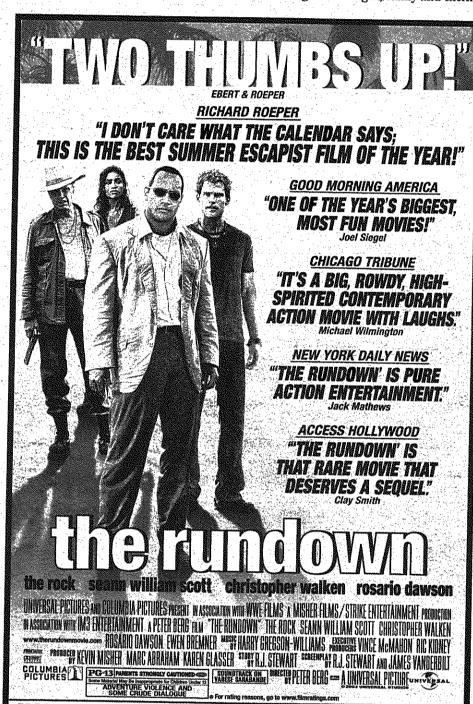
Walken, for his part, plays himself yet again, proving once and for all that he's no longer a human being. Like Al Pacino, Walken has been in so many films that the English language apparently no longer carries any meaning for him. He recites lines like "You're dead, you just don't know it yet" as if he means, "Try this delightful raspberry jam."

The result, of course, is pure Walken – weird for the sake of being weird.

Somehow it doesn't matter, though, for Walken spends much of the film standing in front of video security monitors, overlooking the action and adding his bizarre commentary.

The film keeps returning to him for quick, one-seconds quips delivered in extreme close-up. *The Rundown* knows its strengths – Johnson's charisma, Scott's attitude and Walken's Walken-ness – and utilizes them well.

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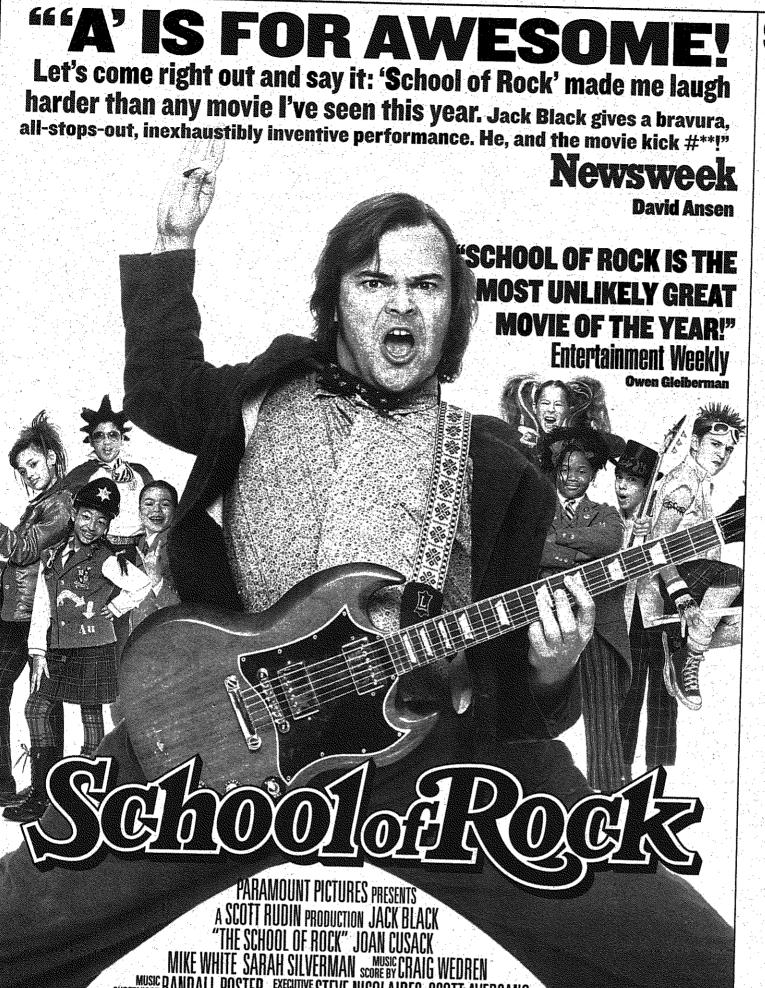
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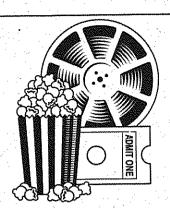
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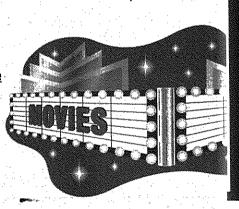
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Small screen

'The Boneyard' is worth trying to dig up

hink of the world's great actresses, and pretty soon the name Phyllis Diller is bound to come up.

Granted, her film oeuvre has been rather slim, but she actually is listed in the 1934 production of Maniac, one of the most

bizarre - and worst movies ever made.

And speaking of bizarre, not to be overlooked is her bravura performance in The Boneyard, a 1990 production that withstands

the ages and is worth seeking out. The Boneyard starts straight-forwardly enough. Alley Oates, a

reluctant psychic investigator, agrees to help the local police seek out the

story behind a particularly grisly murder. Three children were killed by a crazy mortician who kept them locked in his basement and fed

them "leftovers" derived from his clients.

Beyond

Bad

Greg

Kowalski

But this isn't as nasty as it seems, for the undertaker insists the kids weren't kids at all, but actually demons who feasted on people. He only kept them in his basement as a long-standing family obligation and fed them the bits o' others to keep them from seeking dinner on their own.

And further, he says, they're not dead. They are, however, in the local morgue, known affectionately as The Boneyard.

Enter, Ms. Diller. She portrays Miss Poopenplatz, the night shift manager of the Boneyard. She's nearly bald, but that charming laugh of hers is unmistakably present. She also has a dog, a particularly obnoxious poodle named Floofsoms.

Well before you can say bow-wow, the little rascals have indeed come back to life to raid the refrigerator, and anyone standing in front of it, including Miss Poopenplatz, whom they turn into a 10foot-tall bug-eyed zombie hell-bent on killing everyone. How that happens is best left undescribed here.

Anyway, the rest of the film follows the cast being chased through The Boneyard by the little drooling, skeletal zombies, who very badly need dental care.

Ah, but there's more. Dear Floofsoms laps up some of the goo spilled by the dead body of Miss Poopenplatz. This results in one of the most bizarre scenes in perhaps the history of filmdom.

The sight of a 10-foot tall snarling

mutant poodle with a pink ribbon in its hair is so hilarious that one of the cast members bursts out laughing. I'm not sure that was in the script.

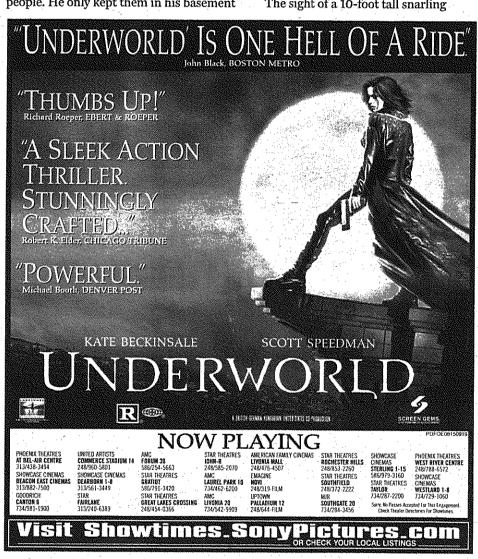
The Boneyard has just about everything going for it. There are actually a couple of genuinely chilling scenes in this slopfest, the cast is good, the demons are appropriately awful, there's plenty of gore and goo

and there's a 10-foot tall mutant poodle. And Phyllis Diller.

The Boneyard can be dug up at various video stores. Look deep among the shelves. Thomas Video in Clawson also has a copy.

Greg Kowalski is going to check out his copy of Maniac to see where Ms. Diller fits into the picture. More on this later. He can be reached at (248) 901-2570.





Comedy

Second City-Detroit still laughing 10 years later

BY KEELY KALESKI STAFF WRITER

Flashback – Sept. 15, 1993 – metro Detroit's abuzz over the anticipated opening of The Second City-Detroit and its first revue – *Power to the People Mover.*

Flash forward – Sept. 18, 2003 – opening night of The Second City-Detroit's 10th anniversary revue. The Tigers are playing across the street at Comerica Park and it's crowded downtown, something you couldn't say 10 years are.

There's no reason to "stay on the highway until we get to 8 Mile," anymore – things are changing downtown and The Second City-Detroit is part of it.

10, a collection of sketches from the past 24 revues, is a multimedia show that opens with WDIV news team coverage of opening night, and ends with a giggle.

Mainstage cast members Shawn Handlon, Jelly, Jeff Fritz, Suzan Gouine, Topher Owen and Rico Bruce Wade carry on the tradition started 10 years ago. They're funny, serious when they need to be, sarcastic, and great singers and dancers.

The show's a stroll down memory lane, with some surprises. It's edgy and funny – all of the things Second City is supposed to be.

Gouine puts her own clever spin on the Secretary of State office sketch. She's the slow-as-molasses clerk who calls out numbers even though there's only one person standing in line.



CHRISTOPHER L

The cast of Second City-Detroit (from left) Shawn Handlon, Jelly, Suzan Gouine, Jeff Fritz, and Topher Owen.

downtown soul food restaurant for lunch. They don't know what chitlins are, or what to say when the African-American owners offer their son, who's in trouble for writing "nigger" on a wall in Detroit, a job.

Politics, relationships, sports – this show is a kaleidoscope of many themes – a perfect "10."

Second City is known for launching talent, and it's happening in Detroit too. Alum Larry Joe Campbell is co-star of the ABC sitcom According to Jim and touring with his one-man show Terry vs. The Towel Man.

Keegan-Michael Key co-stars on Fox's Mad-TV this winter. Colin Ferguson stars in NBC's new fall sitcom

TEN

What: The Second City-Detroit's 25th revue, a retrospective of the best scenes from the past 10 years Where: The Second City Detroit, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit

When: 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday. Touring company presents 'Stars & Strife' 7 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets: \$15 Wednesday-Thursday; \$20 Friday-Saturday; \$12 Sunday, (248) 645-6666 or www.ticket-master.com. For information, call (313) 965-2222.

Coupling. Maribeth Monroe and Kirk Hanley are on national tour with My Cousin's Wedding, which originated at The Second City-Detroit as Standing on

The Second City-Detroit also offers a training program for aspiring actors, a business communications and business solutions program, and summer youth improv classes.

Its touring company performs throughout the country and on the mainstage. You can see them in *Stars* ♥ *Strife* on the mainstage 7 p.m. Sundays.





On stage

Planet Ant's 'The Glass Menagerie' may shock you

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Tennessee Williams' The Glass Menagerie is as revered and well known as many of William Shakespeare's plays.

But that kind of status turns off many

"A lot of people kind of roll their eyes at The Glass Menagerie. They think it's not sexy, not meaty; that it's just pieces of glass on a shelf," said York R. Griffith, artistic director at Hamtramck's Planet Ant Theatre, where the play is running Thursday-Sunday through Sunday, Oct. 12.

In addition to being a classic of modern American theater, The Glass Menagerie is a sentimental play, added Griffith of Farmington. "So the challenge for us was to dust it off and try to do something new

Rest assured, the Planet Ant has. Director Travis Reiff of Wyandotte won't reveal exactly how for fear of ruining the surprise. Put it this way: A key element is missing.

Winner of the New York Drama Critics Circle Award for Best Play, The Glass Menagerie silhouettes an eccentric Southern family, the Wingfields.

Susan Berg of Oxford plays Amanda and Jessica Cloud of Livonia portrays Laura. Griffith also appears in the show as Tom.

SOUTHERN WAYS

What: Tennessee Williams' 'The Glass Menagerie.

When: 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, through Oct. 12. Thursday, Oct. 2, is Singles Night.

Where: Planet Ant Theatre, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck.

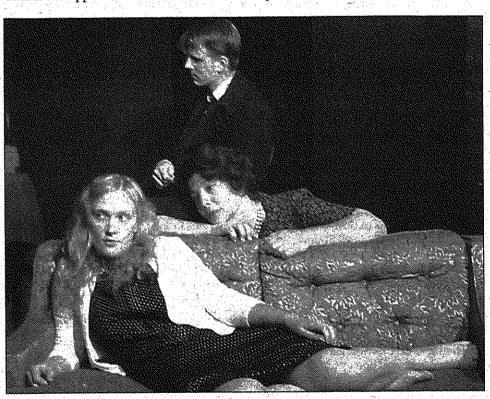
Tickets: Adults, \$15, students, \$10, except Thursday show, \$20, call (313) 365-4948 or visit www.planetant.com.

Although Williams' language in Menagerie is unquestionably beautiful and elegant, his character studies are just as engaging, said Griffith.

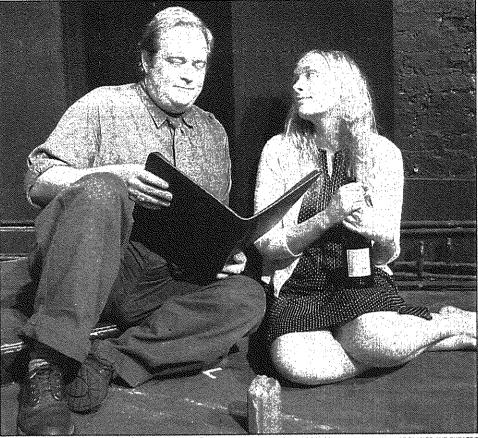
"It's easy for the audience to get caught up in the language of the play, but they don't necessarily pay attention to what's happening with the characters. We're focusing more on the characters."

With a little luck, naysayers will change their minds.

"I can understand why people roll their eyes at it, but I hope after they come see it, they kick themselves for it."



Jessica Cloud of Livonia, (from left), Susan Berg of Oxford and York R. Griffith of Farmington perform in 'The Glass Menagerie,' running through Oct. 12 at Planet Ant Theatre.



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Joel Mitchell (left), plays the gentleman caller and Jessica Cloud, of Livonia, portrays Laura in Tennessee Williams' 'The Glass Menagerie.'

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Cover story

Meet Hemigod, Detroit's next music stars

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

Who will be the next big Detroit music success story?

Some signs point to Hemigod - A band that defiantly ignores the local hipster garage music scene opting for straight-up rock n' roll, and power chords. Rebellious Hemigod plays what it wants - big, loud, rock n' roll with some Southern twang.

Reminiscent of Led Zeppelin, but not mimicking, Hemigod is long-hair, shirtless, low-rise jeans and great guitar - pure rock n' roll. At this moment, a deal is in the works with Atlantic Records; an album scheduled for release by January, followed by a video, and possibly another stadium tour with friend Kid Rock.

Hemigod signed on to Top Dog, Kid Rock's record label. Atlantic Records expressed interest soon after. The band that has been together for several years hasn't even put out a CD, but has played to sold-out audiences throughout the Midwest and South while touring with Kid Rock.

Hemigod's emerging success is because of its talent, but it takes more than good songs to get attention, it takes luck. Hemigod's four-leaf clover is Kid Rock.

Rock, as everyone in Detroit knows, has a golden touch. Proof is Uncle Kracker, of Rock's Twisted Brown Tucker Band, whose album Double-Wide went Platinum.

'We can't thank (Rock) enough," said Hemigod bass player Eddy McCauley.

GETTING STARTED

Hemigod lead vocalist Tim Authier sang with Kid Rock. Then Rock introduced him to guitarist Bobby East, who plays with the Twisted Brown Tucker Band.

"Ironically, Bobby and I both held onto each other's phone numbers for weeks and we both happened to call each other on the same day," Authier said.

They met, started making music, and then hooked up with bass player Eddy McCauley, another Rock friend with strong musical roots. Then, like so many rock groups do, they went through several drummers before finding Todd Glass. Hemigod and Kid Rock have a bit of

what McCauley calls Southern "hick" in their music.

Rock expected his audience to appreci-

ate Hemigod and he was right.

"When we played live, after each song, especially in places like West Virginia and Arkansas, the crowd went wild," Authier said. "I thought (Kid Rock) was playing a joke on us and walking on stage behind me after each song to get the crowd going ... but he wasn't. It was electrifying.



Hemigod plays pure rock n' roll and they make no apologies about it.

HEMIGOD

Musical genre: Straight-up rock'n roll and Southern twang

Albums: None, but an album is scheduled for release by January.

What makes them special: They've played stadium concerts with Kid Rock as the opening band.

THE MUSIC

All the guys in Hemigod have been playing for years. Authier, who also writes much of the lyrics, said he sings because it's the only thing he can really do well.

And their music isn't exactly politically

We play music that makes people want to go out, drink and have sex; not to save the rain forest," McCauley said. "If you have a conscience, that's great, but do it on your own damn time. I'm tired of geek rock. We aren't a nice little band. We don't wear suits and we don't have gimmicks. And yeah, we're a bit pessimistic. ... We all got picked on in high school, but we aren't complaining. We certainly aren't Radiohead, who's a great band, but how many people actually listen to them in

their cars? We're straight up rock n' roll." So who is Hemigod's audience?

"I don't know," McCauley said. "Drunks? When we play we want people to feel like rock stars, we want it to be fun. We want it

The band's influences include death metal, bluegrass, British-invasion rock and homegrown. They've created songs titled Hate You Now, which begins with great guitar by East and a strong voice by

It has a Southern hard rock feel and is about love gone sour. Hate You Now starts slowly and as the intensity builds it explodes just when you need it to.

The nasty, even harder song Pledge Allegiance to the Bomb (which has no correlation to 9/11) goes - "got money to burn, got stomachs to turn, and I got something to show you right now ... and it's gonna be the time of your life so help me, Lord.

It's sex, drugs, rock n' roll, the way it was in the 1970s.

WHAT THEY AREN'T

Hemigod isn't Detroit garage rock. They don't try to be and don't want to be. Maybe that's what separates them from the rest.

"There's all this talk that Detroit has a great music scene, but it doesn't exist," said McCauley. "No one is willing to go check out a band they never heard of; Detroiters

would rather go to the dance club. The local music scene is dead, really. Years ago a local band could attract 1,000 people. Now they're lucky if they can get 300."

McCauley and Authier said they know some people want to see them fail.

"We really don't care," McCauley said. "People call us sellouts because we play music that a lot of people like. ... What's wrong with that? We play what we want to play. We aren't going to play garage just because a few people think it's cool. There's a hundred bands out there trying to sound like The Hives, and you know ... they all sound the same."

"We play rock n' roll and we don't give it a second thought," Authier said. "There's a tremendous amount of pressure right now and some people want us to do things to make us fit in. ... Well, f--- you, we aren't bending."

Hemigod is confident, but not arrogant or naive enough to say they're the next Guns n' Roses or even Grandfunk Railroad - even though their fans give them that

"To me rock is dead," Authier said. "Where's the Deep Purple? Zeppelin? It's not around anymore, but I'm still going to play what I feel."

The members of Hemigod want to be big rock stars. They want to make a million bucks. They want the stadium shows and they aren't giving apologies.

Now, that's rock n' roll.

Dining adventure

Catch some falling leaves, dinner, show

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

Autumn's color change will peak in different areas of Michigan during the next month, and there are many ways to view

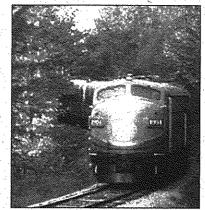
Rather than a fall color tour road trip, or stroll through the park, try an old-fashioned rail excursion with a leisurely meal.

Lake Central Rail Tours takes guests from Mt. Pleasant to Cadillac or Owosso to Cadillac. Lunch and dinner are served on board.

Michigan Star Clipper Dinner Train in Walled Lake leaves after sunset, features a three-hour train ride, five-course meal and show.

Guests on the Grand Traverse Dinner train are served a fivecourse meal, and enjoy a 60-mile journey.

"During the color change, we will have thousands of guests in just a four-week time span," said Ella Cooper, president of the



The Grand Traverse Dinner Train takes guests on a 60-mile fall color tour of northern Michigan's Boardman River Valley and Pere Marquette National Forest.

Grand Traverse Dinner Train. "We offer a three-hour tour where you can linger over a gourmet meal while enjoying a spectacular view."

The October and November menu includes chicken satay with peanut sauce, sautéed vegetables, fried chicken breast with morel cream sauce, cracker crusted walleye with caper dill cream sauce, New York strip steak with shrimp lobster pate, vegetarian or vegan lasagna. Dessert is brandy creme caramel with fresh fruit.

"We're a tourist attraction because of our location in Traverse City," Cooper said. "But we have repeat customers because of our incredible meal. What people appreciate about dinner trains is that they allow you to own that table for the entire evening, at regular restaurants people often feel they can't linger for that long."

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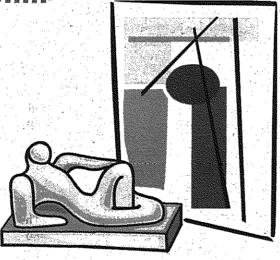


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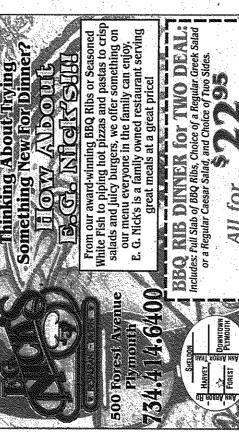
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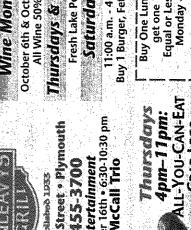
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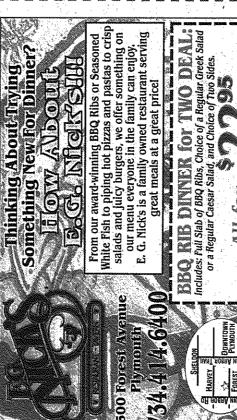
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Lake and 13 Mile roads, OJ's is the kind of It's easy to miss. In a former coffee shop spot that gathers fans by word of mouth. tucked into a corner location at Orchard

Yet, not solely that way. Eijen Suzuki, who earning a fine arts degree at La Salle Institute of Arts in Montreal, Canada, has goes by "OJ," a nickname acquired while

He first became known to lovers of fine fans. After he tired of designing the menu Japan, he did a stint at Cherry Blossom in located in Royal Oak, OJ packed in sushi Novi before launching out on his own in Japanese food at Musashi in Southfield, then at Kyoto in Troy. When Little Tree been gathering devotees for some time. served on Northwest Airlines flights to

Born in Taiwan to a Japanese mother and Taiwanese father, 39-year-old OJ, who speaks five languages, was raised in Japan 200I.

and educated in Canada.

He learned classical Japanese culinary arts in Japan.

FOODIE FUN

Many elements make OJ's a different spot for Japanese food. Judge first by the name Sushibar. Why not the conventional two words Sushi Bari

OJ doesn't follow even Japanese convention, which he says is "slipping away from Fraditional Japanese food and traditional tradition and authenticity, even in Japan. sushi are disappearing.

"To make Japanese food properly, a chef needs classical training. Today, many of these chefs do not know how to use knives A printed menu? For sushi, yes. For everythe board behind the thing else, it's handand kanji (Japanese sushi bar, you either translate or be lucky Carroz as your waitspecials, posted on read kanji, have OJ written in English characters). If you enough to have 20 want to know the need to be able to year-old Corey

ticing his Japanese and introducing OJ's Carroz is studying Japanese at Oakland Community College and he enjoys prac-

miso tsuke yaki, mackerel marinated with

morumi miso (sweet red miso) and rice wine sake, then cooked on an open grill.

A MOOD

One more not to miss is saba morumi

spot with pinewood tables and other accents emphasizing the wedgwood blue walls. An Japanese hanging lamps create a soft glow. Although there's no kid's menu, OJ said, open ceiling with spotlights and a few lowtail, A Nigiri combination plate features seven different fish: bluefin tuna, yel salmon, red snapper, mackerel, Australian white tuna and gizzard shad.

Seating only 36, OJ's is a rather humble

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"I do what I do," OJ concluded, "because That's quite evident from the drawings children have left him on what has come to be called "the kid's wall." "Kids love this place."

it's a way of life. I take my food seriously.

It's not about amassing wealth."

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at his new restaurant in West Bloomfield.

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learning some essentials about the tions of Japanese food.

Fijen '0J' Suzuki prepares traditional sushi

Among OJ's personal favorites, great for

sharing, are maguro yamakake, tuna,

wakame seaweed mixed with tangy miso

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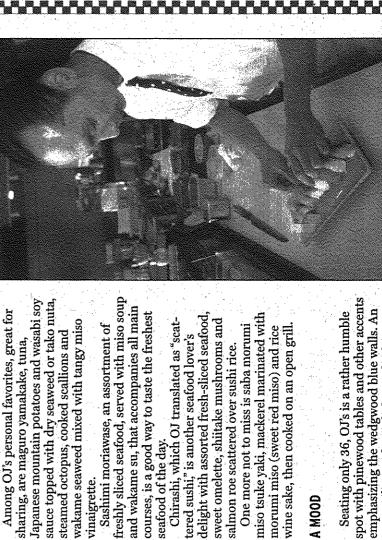
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JNDERSTANDING THE MENU

steamed octopus, cooked scallions and

vinaigrette. Sashimi moriawase, an assortment of

and spirits for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Contact her at (734) 953-2047, mailbox 1864#. Eleanor Heald writes about restaurants, food, wine



courses, is a good way to taste the freshest

Chirashi, which OJ translated as "scat-

seafood of the day.

delight with assorted fresh-sliced seafood,

is another seafood lover's

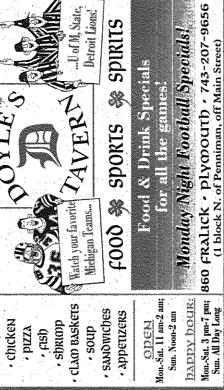
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What's old is new again

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RADISSON KINGSLEY HOTEL

A clothing drive 7-10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, will benefit the Baldwin Church and Center's Clothing Closet in Pontiac. Donors can pull up under the Radisson Kingsley Hotel's porte cochére and hand off donations to volunteers. As a thank you, Matt Prentice's Deli Unique will offer curbside complimentary coffee and smoothies.

The Radisson Kingsley Hotel, at 39475 Woodward Ave. in Bloomfield Hills.

LITTLE ITALY RISTORANTE

The Bacchanalian feast, Rosemount Estate, celebrates the Australian Wines of Rosemount Estate at a 6:30 p.m. reception, 7 p.m. dinner, Tuesday, Oct. 14. Call (248) 348-0575 for reservations, 227 Hutton, Northville.

MIDTOWN CAFE

After the sudden death of Bruce Cameron, owner of Midtown Cafe in Birmingham, a few weeks ago, speculation began about the future of this popular restaurant.

Robert Imhoff of Imhoff Investment LLC in Bloomfield Hills is the administrator of Cameron's estate.

In an interview this week, he indicated that "at some time in the future, Midtown Cafe will be sold to an interested party. I estimate that will not be for a year or two. Until that time, Midtown Cafe will continue to operate under the same general management."

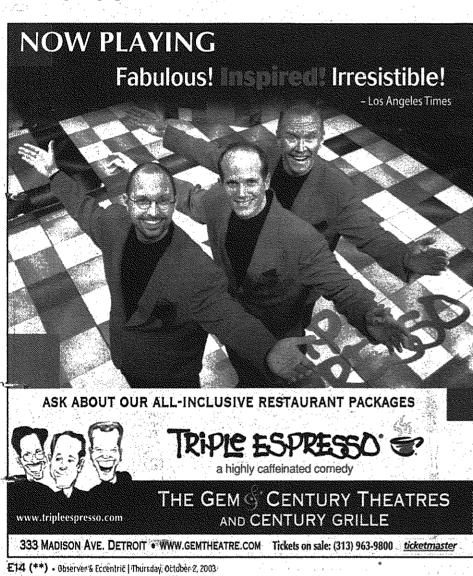
Midtown Cafe is at 139 South Old Woodward Ave. Open for lunch 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Dinner served 5 p.m. to midnight Sunday and Monday, until 1 a.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Call (248) 642-1133 for reservations/information.

P.F. CHANG'S

Designed in conjunction with P.F. Chang's title sponsorship of the Rock N Roll Arizona Marathon and Half Marathon to be held Jan. 11, a new Training Table Menu highlighting 14 entrees has been introduced.

Diners looking for dishes packed with protein or loaded with carbohydrates can find nutritional information for each dish on the new Training Table Menu that is available at lunch and dinner.

P.F. Chang's has two metro Detroit locations, 2801 W. Big Beaver Road (in Somerset Collection-South), Troy (248) 816-8000, and 17905 Haggerty Road, Northville Township (248) 675-0066.





Dance the night away at upscale Sevin

BY CHRYSTAL LIEBOLD CORRESPONDENT

You have to dress well to get through the nightclub doors of Sevin – formerly known as Sin – in Pontiac. And if you arrive past 11 p.m. expect to wait in line.

Hailed as the only nightclub of its kind in the Midwest, Sevin is a club with unique drinks and a stylish, dynamic atmosphere that's reminiscent of nightspots in the Big Apple.

The newest nightclub to open in Oakland County, at 40 W. Pike St., Sevin caters to an "upscale college crowd," but also has the fixings to please a more mature demographic.

"I heard there was great music here, so I came," said Emily Savickis, 21, from Dearborn Heights. "I hope to drink and dance and go home in one piece."

The two-story venue offers techno and hip hop music, a 220-seat patio and a 1,800-square-foot dance floor featuring caged dancers, waterfalls and over \$100,000 worth of sound equipment and lights.

For those who want to take a break from the dancing scene, Sevin offers a martini jazz lounge, a beauty salon and a private party room that hosts everything

SEVIN THE NIGHTCLUB

Where: 40 W. Pike St., Pontiac, (248) 745-7461, www.sevinthenightclub.com Hours: 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Wednesday,

Friday, and Saturday

Cover: Ranges from \$5 to \$20; no charge for ladies, excluding special events and holidays.

from surprise birthday parties to bachelorette parties. The 21,000-square-foot building also has a VIP room, which boasts a dark, fantasy-like atmosphere reminiscent of Studio 54 and all the elaborate excess that went along with it.

"It's crazy – it's bananas," said manager Ray Hughes. "There isn't anything like this in the Midwest, and I'd argue that. It's hard to compete when you put so many aspects into one nightclub."

The club is open Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Wednesday is 18 and older, featuring dance, hip hop and R&B music. Hughes said the club accommodates about 1,000 club-goers on a typical Wednesday, while Fridays and Saturdays aim to cater to a more "experienced" age group of older professional adult couples who come in and frequent the club's jazz lounge.

From now through the end of the year, women will never pay cover at the night-club, said Hughes. Guys pay \$5 on Wednesdays, \$10 on Fridays and \$15 on Saturdays.

At Sevin, all you need is money, energy and "stylish nightlife attire." Leave your headbands, hats and tennis shoes at home.

"We still enforce a dress code and try not to let riffraff in since that's where a lot of problems start," said Hughes. "When you enforce a dress code, people don't come in their Kmart specials. People take the time to dress up. It's a sexy crowd."

To avoid the overwhelming lines that form, Hughes recommends to get a spot in line around 10 p.m. The club is packed by 11 p.m. to midnight.

"Business has been amazing," he said.
"Nobody can come close to doing the numbers we've done since we've opened."

The drink of choice for the beautiful people at Sevin is the Sevin Deadly Sins, which holds beer, seven full shots of liquor and comes in a fish bowl with dry ice for \$15.

Manager and head bartender Jamie Austin won't divulge the drink's ingredients

"It's a secret," he said, "Leave it to your imagination. It's the No. 1 seller, because once people see it they order it all night."

Other popular drinks include Yager Bombs, Cosmos and "anything with Redbull in it," according to Austin.

Club-goers can expect to be in for a surprise or two in the fall – the club currently has several projects "in the works" for the upcoming months.

"Think of your wildest dreams and take it 10 notches higher and that will get you where we're going to start at and work our way up from there," said Austin.

Hughes said although he lived in L.A. for three years, he has yet to visit a club that tops Sevin's uniqueness and authenticity.

"It's different, it's completely different," said Hughes. "You have to come here to understand.

Chrystal Liebold worked at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers as an intern this summer.

Check out the Blues at George & Harry's

George & Harry's, 22048 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, has two hot shows scheduled. For more information call (313) 359-2799.

John Hammond Jr. performs 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15. Hammond is one of the foremost Delta Blues musicians on the contemporary scene. Admission is \$10.

Coco Montoya plays his left-handed

axe at 9 p.m. Monday, Oct. 20. Cover is

Admission for other shows is \$5. Friday and Saturday performances begin at 10:30 p.m. Weekday shows begin at 9 p.m. Here are more highlights:

Friday, Oct. 3, Mudpuppy; Saturday, Oct. 4, Anthony Gomes; Tuesday, Oct. 7, The Dearborn Big Band; Saturday, Oct. 11, Larry McCray; Thursday, Oct. 16, Johnnie Bassett & the Blues Insurgents; Friday, Oct. 17, Debbie Davis; Saturday, Oct. 18 Eric Sardinas; Wednesday, Oct. 22 Laith; Thursday, Oct. 23, Johnnie Bassett & the Blues Insurgents; Friday, Oct. 24, Thornetta Davis; Saturday, Oct. 25, Robert Penn; Wednesday, Oct. 29, Laith; Thursday, Oct. 30, Johnnie Basset & the Blues Insurgents; Friday, Oct. 31 Joce'lyn B.



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'Heidelberg Project' artist has something to say about America

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

Don't hide behind the flag.
That's one message to take from An American Show, an exhibition of American Flag-themed pieces, by painter, sculptor and urban environmental artist Tyree Guyton.

Best known for creating Detroit's Heidelberg Project, a controversial outdoor installation, Guyton has taken American Flag elements from his other work and incorporated them into new multimedia works.

*An American Show opened last week at the Batista Gallery in Ferndale and continues through Friday, Nov. 7.

In the meantime, Guyton is collecting pennies – about 700,000 – enough to cover the exterior of a Detroit house. The project is called the *House that Makes SENSE* and will serve as a children's art gallery and workshop.

To better understand An American Show, consider Guyton's take on Americans' patriotic rush to buy up and put up the American Flag after the 9/11

ALL-AMERICAN ART

What: 'An American Show,' an exhibition on the American Flag through various mediums by artist Tyree Guyton, creator of The Heidelberg Project.
When: Through Friday, Nov. 7; hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.
Where: Batista Gallery, 756 Livernois, Ferndale.

Information: Call (248) 544-4627.

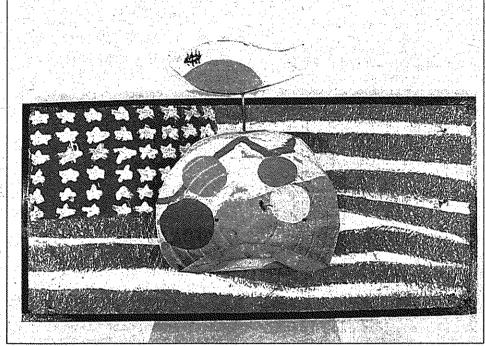
terrorist attacks.

"We use the flag as something to hide behind," he said. "I think it's a game that we play. It has a lot to do with people not wanting to think."

Guyton hopes his American works cause people to think more about combat in the Middle East and world politics. "We're living in a crazy time," he said. "I find myself questioning everything that's being said by our leaders right now."

But don't misinterpret Guyton's irreverence in *American*; most bear his signature colored polka dots. One piece showcases the Stars and Stripes from the confines of a bird cage.

"I'm talking about bouncing back," he said of the exhibit, in particular a series of works in which coil-spring mattresses seem to mimic and frame and grow out



RATISTA GALLERY

A fish appears to move left over a painted American flag with uneven white strips in a piece entitled, 'Swimming Upstream.'

of the American Flag. "Life will beat you up bad. But you've got to find a way to bounce back."

Another motif, painted household doors, also seeks to embolden, not deconstruct, said Guyton. "We are in and out of doors every day. Doors are opportunities when you walk through them."

Agree or disagree with Guyton's poli-

tics, American forces the viewer to take a second, more conscious, gaze at our national symbol.

"In the context of today, I think that's important to all of us as Americans," said Detroit artist Charles McGee, one of Guyton's instructors.

"We are all influenced by the sight of the flag. We all register it. The artist teaches you about the imagery and responds to it."

So what, in McGee's mind, is Guyton's current response?

"It's like a bomb has dropped in his midst."

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Artists explore creative process

Painter/sculptor Robert Schefman, actor/director Gillian Eaton and dancer/choreographer Ma'at will demonstrate their respective analysis of the creative process as part of the Third Annual Guest Artist Series at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre on Monday, Oct. 13.

Schefman, a native Detroiter, lived and worked in New York City for 13 years, before returning to the Detroit area in 1989. His work has been exhibited at the U.N. Plaza, New York City; Lemberg Gallery and Robert Kidd Gallery, Birmingham/Bloomfield Art Center, Birmingham; and shows in Chicago, Santa Monica.

Schefman, chairman of the Foundation Department at the Center for Creative Studies, will be speaking on "The Rumplestilskin Theory."

Eaton, a native of Wales, studied at the Old Vic Theatre School and became a member of the Royal Shakespeare Company, which allowed her to tour around the world.

Her Detroit-born husband convinced her there were wonderful opportunities here, which Eaton continues to mine, such as performing and directing at JET and the Performance Network. She has directed numerous productions, including the acclaimed Romeo and Juliet at the JET, which featured a Jew and an Arab as the star-crossed lovers. In the coming year, she has committed to direct Macbeth at the Hilberry, and will act in the Performance Network's production Mrs. Shakespeare: The Complete Works.

Ma'at starting taking ballet lessons at age 3. Her African name means balance, in life and spirit, which is the center of her philosophy and the basis of her art.

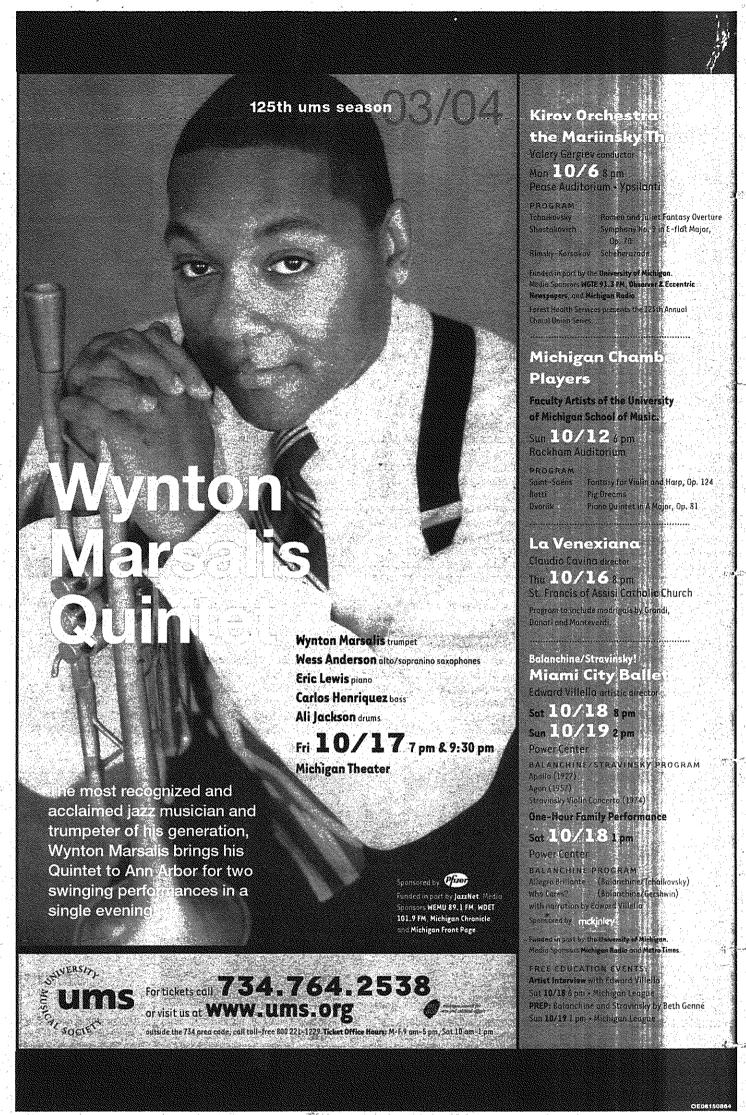
The classically trained dancer blends ballet, tap, jazz and modern dance techniques with traditional African tribal dance movements to create a unique dance style which she has choreographed for dance companies and has performed for audiences in the U.S. and Canada.

Ma'at lives in Toronto, where she is rehearsing for a show that opened this month.

She will be accompanied by percussionist Efe Bes, a self-taught musician who most recently performed at the JET's production of *Romeo and Juliet*.

This is the third in a series of explorations into the creative process. The evening is presented by Joan Israel, a therapist in private practice, and Dorie Shwedel, public relations consultant.

Tickets are \$15 and can be ordered by calling the JET box office, (248) 788-2900. JET is inside the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road in West Bloomfield. Proceeds benefit JET.



Your Guide to Entertainment

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Puppetry

Detroit Puppet Theatre, Turtle Island, 2 p.m. every Saturday, \$5 children, \$7 adults, (313) 961-7777.

Meadow Brook Theatre

Children's auditions for A Christmas Carol, ages 6-13; Saturday, Oct. 4, rehearsals begin Oct. 28, performances Nov. 20 to Dec. 21. Sign in 1 p.m. the lobby of Meadow Brook Theatre, Oakland University campus, bring resume, photo, (248) 370-3308.

Marquis Theatre

Musical comedy Miss Halloween Patch. 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday Oct. 4 through Nov. 2, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, 24, 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18 and 25, 135 E. Main, downtown Northville, \$7.50, (248) 349-8110.

Mosaic Youth Theatre

On Friday, Oct. 24 the Mosaic Youth Theatre will perform on the Plymouth Community Arts Council stage (774 N. Sheldon Road) at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25. Call (734) 416-4278.

THEATER

Fox Theatre

Sound of Music, Tuesday, Sept. 30 to Sunday, Oct. 5, \$28-\$70.50 at Ticketmaster or www.OlympiaEntertainment.com, (313) 471-6611.

Farmington Players

A Streetcar Named Desire, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 2-4, Oct. 9-11; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5; 32332 W. 12 Mije Road, between Orchard Lake and Farmington Roads, Farmington Hills, \$13, (248) 553-2955.

Performance Network

The Sins of Sor Juana through Oct. 5 Tongue of a Bird, Oct. 16-Nov. 9; (734) 653-0681, performancenetwork.org online.

Clarkston Village Players

Comedy Night with Jesse James Lundy and Friends. 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday. Oct. 11, Clarkston Village Players' Depot Theatre, \$12, (248) 625-8811 or www.clarkstonvillageplayers.org.

DANCE

Ballroom Dancing

Moondusters will host ballroom dancing to live bands, featuring popular swing, fox trot, waltz, cha-cha and other Latin every Saturday from 8:30-11:30 p.m. \$6. Dressy attire. Singles and married. Meet at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road and Five Mile, Livonia. Call Joe (248) 968-5197.

Beginners Square Dance Class

Learn to square dance! No experience or partner necessary. Every Monday from 7-9 p.m. at the VFW Hall on 9 Mile Rd., just west of Telegraph Road in Southfield. Classes begin Oct. 6. Come to one of these classes to sign up. Classes run through May. Your first class will be free, \$3 per session thereafter. Call for more information (313) 531-3027 or (248) 476-7253 or visit http://squaredancemichigan.tripod.com/

Dance concerts

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble announces

its four concert 2003-04 metro Detroit subscription season. The first concert On the Move, will 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, Varner Recital Hall on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. A concert prelude including a conversation with the artistic directors and performance by the dancers from the EDE Center for Dance will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults; \$12 for seniors and \$8 for students. Call (248) 370-3013 for information about the remainder of the subscription season concerts.

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Nightnotes

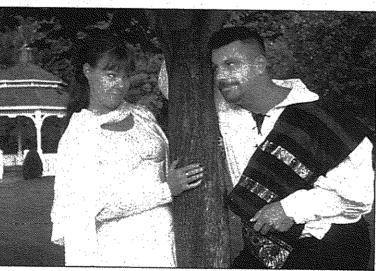
Season opener Jazz on the Fringe. William Lucas, trumpet, Ellen Rowe piano, Paul Keller, bass, Pete Siers, percussion, 8 p.m. reception, 8:30 p.m. concert Friday, Oct. 3. Hagopian World of Rugs, 850 S. Old Woodward, Birmingham, \$19, (248) 559-2095.

Kirov Orchestra

University Musical Society presentation, 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti, \$65, \$60, \$50, \$34, \$18, (734) 764-2538, www.ums.org

Dearborn Symphony

The Dearborn Symphony Orchestra



Barbie Amann and Steve Tadevic star in 'Much Ado About Nothing,' presented by SRO Productions at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3-19. Performances in the 1854 Church at the Burgh Historical Park, corner of Civic Center Dr. and Berg Road, one traffic light east of Telegraph, north of 10 Mile Road, in Southfield. Tickets \$10 adults, \$8 children 12 and under and seniors, available at the door or call (248) 796-4613. For more information, call (248) 796-4645.



Comedian Jimmy Pardo appears at Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase, 314 E. Liberty, downtown Ann Arbor, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 3-4. Tickets \$8 at the door Thursday, \$11 Friday-Saturday, discount for tickets purchased in advance, call (734) 996-9080.

begins its 42nd season with Shostakovich, Tchaikovsky and more 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3; Musical Friendships, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m.; Eastern European Connection, 8 p.m. Jan. 30, 2004; From Vienna to Paris to Broadway, Classic Pops 8 p.m. Feb. 28, 2004; Romantic Excursions and a Little Jazz, March 26 at 8 p.m.; and 8 p.m. May 7, Majestic Mahler. To buy tickets call (313) 565-2424 or visit www.dearbornsymphony.org.

Birmingham Musicale

At The Community House, 380 S. Bates. Birmingham, 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9. Gail Mitchell, soprano; Rebecca Happel-Mexicotte, piano, and Timothy Nicolia. ∝cello.

Chamber music

There are a limited number of single concert tickets for the 2003-04 Chamber Music Society of Detroit season available. Concerts include: Oct. 11 Richard Goode on piano; Nov. 15, Juilliard String Quartet; Dec. 13, Emanuel Ax on piano; Jan. 10, 2004, Bergen Woodwin Quintet with Orli Shaham on piano. Tickets may be purchased by calling the CMS of Detroit (248) 855-6070.

Cranbrook Music Guild

Opening concert 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, Vadim Gluzman, violin, with Angela Yoffe. piano, Sanctuary of Christ Church Cranbrook, corner of Cranbrook and Lone Pine Roads. Afterglow, in the Guild Hall. Season tickets will be available at the concert; the five concert season is \$100. Single tickets are \$30 at the door; student tickets \$15. (248) 644-6352.

JAZZ/BLUES

Ron's Fireside Inn

Charlie Gabriel Reeds, 7:30-11 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, Bill Lucas, trumpet, Oct. 15, Buddy Budson piano, Ursula Walker, vocals, Oct. 22, Barbara Ware, vocals, Oct. 29; 28937 Warren, Garden City, \$5 cover with dinner, \$10 cover

without dinner and two-drink minimum, reservations recommended, (734) 762-7756.

Kerrytown

EdgeFest Thursday-Friday, Oct. 2-4. See Web site for the schedule and ticket information www.kerrytown.com/concerthouse, 415 North Fourth Avenue, Ann Arbor, Call (734) 769-2999.

Jazz in the Garden

The Jazz in the Garden series 2003 concert schedule Avishai Cohen; Oct. 9, Straight ahead (all woman jazz ensemble); Oct. 16, Ramsey Lewis Trio; Oct. 23, Marcus Belgrave & Fathead Newman with Ray Charles Band reunion concert. Jazz in the Garden will be held in the GM Wintergarden in the Renaissance Center's five-story atrium overlooking the Detroit riverfront. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. all concerts begin at 7 p.m. Visit www.shoprenaissancecenter.com

Silky's Martini & Music Cafe Witchdoctors (blues) 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Too Blue Feat 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, 21931 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, (313) 565-6278, \$5 cover, weekends after 8:30 p.m.

Edison's

Mark Arshak, guitar 7 vocals, bass, drums trio, 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, Robert Penn, quitar & vocal, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, John D. Lamb, guitar, bass. drums trio, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, 220 Merrill, Birmingham, (248) 645-2150.

Bird of Paradise

Happy Jazzy Friday 5:30-8 p.m. appetizers, jazz and blues, cover \$10, Betty Joplin 9-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 3-4, \$10 cover, 312 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, (734) 662-8310.

Dixieland Band

The new season at Shield's Pizza will feature Chuck Moss' Paint Creek Dixieland Band 1st and 3rd Saturday from 2-5 p.m. monthly. Cover \$8. Full menu. Call (248) 476-2674. Shield's Pizza. 25101 Telegraph, northwest corner of 10 Mile.

Music Revisited

Sight/Sonic - the art of music revisited at Detroit contemporary's 5 year anniversary. Show runs to Oct. 26, 5141 Rosa Parks Blvd. Detroit, Visit www.detroitcontemporary.com

FOLK

Blackthorn

O'Mara's Restaurant and Pub. 2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley, 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 3-4, (248) 399-6750, www.blackthorni.com

Trinity House Theatre

John Austin 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Scott Greenberg opens show, \$10; Clive Gregson with Ralston Bowles 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, \$10, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia, (734) 464-6302.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Detroit Zoo

Ocktoberfest, noon to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, German entertainment and food, activities for children. Tickets \$5 adults, \$3 children, no charge for children under 2, does not include Zoo admission, \$9 adults, \$6 children and seniors, 10 Mile Road at Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 398-0900, www.detroitzoo.org

Body, Mind, Spirit Festival

Macomb Community College Sports & Expo Center, 12 Mile Road at Hayes Road. Warren, noon to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4. \$5, www.phenomenews.com or (248) 569-3888.

Lecture

Linda Wells, presenter from the Detroit Institute of Arts, will be conducting a slide show, 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9 at the Franklin Public Library The Realm of Flora: Botanical Imagery at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 32455 Franklin Road.

Cheerleadering event

All cheerleaders, past or present, receive free admission at the Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (corner of Kirby), 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12. Presentation by Viola Sprague, cheerleading coach at Wayne State University, and the Warrior cheerleaders, followed by contest. All cheerleaders who come in uniform can participate in a group picture that will take place on the Museum's Bank One Plaza at 3:30 p.m. This group picture will be added to the Museum's Guts, Games & Glory: Detroit's Sporting Legacy exhibit. Food, refreshments and giveaways will also be available. (313) 833-1805 orwww.detroithistorical.org.

Cosmic Origins

Five distinguished astronomers will lead a series of lectures sponsored by the UM Department and Astronomy, the University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History and the UM Student Astronomical Society. The series will cover the origins of the universe, galaxies, stars, planets, etc. at 7:30 p.m. in Auditorium D, Angell Hall, 435 South State Street, Ann Arbor, Friday, Oct. 3.



CPOP Gallery presents Yumiko Kayukawa's Pop Paintings through Oct. 28. Opening reception 6-11 p.m. Saturday features Sapporo beer, Japanese treats and karaoke. The gallery is at 4160 Woodward Ave., Detroit. For more information, call (313) 833-9901 or visit www.cpop.com.

physics professor August "Gus" Evrard, "The Birth of Galaxies:" Oct. 17. Professor Alyssa Goodman, "A Recipe for Making Stars and Planets;" Oct. 24, Professor Geoffrey Marcy, "Extrasolar Planets and Prospects for Life;" and Nov. 7, professor Fred Adams, "Future of Life, Universe and Everything." Call (734) 764-0478 or visit www.exhibits.lsa.umich.edu

Wayne State events

Wayne State University's Dept. of Music will host an Invitation Chorale Festival with Joseph Jennings, director of Chanticleer (10:30 a.m. Oct. 11); Organ master class with Notre Dame's Olivier Latry at 4 p.m. Oct. 30; and the 37th **Annual Salute Concert to Downtown** Detroit noon Nov. 25. Call (313) 577-1795 for details.

Troy Museum events

The Troy museum will feature two unique lecture opportunities in November. First, anyone is eligible to sign up for a trip to see the Detroit Thanksgiving Day Parade Studio on Nov. 8. The fee for this trip (not included in the general fee) is \$17 for adults; \$13 for students. On Nov. 15, as part of the regular lecture series, author Mike Davis will talk about the excursion boats that plied the Detroit River. The museum is located at 60 West Wattles Road, Troy. Call (248)

524-3570.

Greenmead fall events

Greenmead Historical Park has a schedule of 2003 fall events starting with Greenmead's Country Market, Thursdays through Oct. 16 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mother Goose at Greenmead Halloween Walk, 10 a.m. to noon Oct. 25 (\$6 per child). Sunday Tours at Historic Greenmead now through Oct. 26 and Dec. 7, 14 and 21, No tours on holiday weekends. For more information call (248) 477-7375. Greenmead is located at 20501 Newburgh Road, Livonia.

ART

Livonia Arts Commission

Patti Monroe-Mohrenweiser Words of Art featuring poetry by Wayne Joseph, Oct. 2-30, Fine Arts Gallery, Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia Camera Club photo exhibit, Livonia City Hall Lobby, 33000 Civic Center Dr.

Downtown Ann Arbor galleries, shops and studios will participate 5-10 p.m. Friday. Oct. 3, art demonstrations, refreshments. (734) 994-8004, Ext. 104, www.annarborartcenter.org

Creative Arts Center

Art of Nora Chapa Mendoza, Oct. 4-31,

opening reception 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, 47 Williams St., Pontiac, (248) 333-7849.

Bead Bonanza

Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, \$3 admission, www.greatlakesbeadworkers.org

Paint Creek Center for the Arts

Art & Artifact, student exhibition and cooperative effort between the College for Creative Studies, Cranbrook Art Museum and Institute of Science, Oct. 10 to Nov. 8. Artist reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10, 407 Pine St., downtown Rochester, (248) 651-4110, www.pccart.org

COMEDY

Joey's Comedy Club

Joey's Comedy Club of Dearborn (5070 Schaefer) will host Steve Bills, Oct. 3-5; Patrick Spring, Oct. 9-12; Billy Ray Bauer, Oct. 16-19; Chas Elstner, Oct. 23-26. and Ruben Ruben, Oct. 30-31, Nov. 2; Call (313) 584-8885. Oct. 2 is Open Mike Night beginning at 8:30 p.m.

Joey's of Livonia

Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Tuesday's are Open Mike Night at 8 p.m. cover is \$3. Call (734) 261-0555 for upcoming schedule.

FILM

Uptown Birmingham 8

College night every Monday. Students who present student ID at box office receive a \$5.75 ticket to film of their choice, complimentary small popcorn. Live poetry readings on the second level of the theater 8-10:30 p.m., 211 S. Old Woodward, downtown Birmingham, (248) 644-FILM.

CLUBS/BARS

The Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, Call (248) 544-1991 or visit www.themagicbag.com.

George & Harry's Blues Cafe

George & Harry's is located at 22048 Michigan Ave. in Dearborn. Call (313) 359-2799. Friday and Saturday shows begin at 10:30 p.m. Weekday shows begin at 9 p.m. Club Bart

22726 Woodward, Ferndale. All shows at 10 p.m. Ongoing Thursdays and Sundays, comedy night; and Fridays and Saturdays EvenExchange (Motown, R & B and Jazz). Call (248) 548-8746.

Mephisto's

2764 Florian Avenue. Want a taste of the music at Mephisto's? Visit its entertaining Web site www.mephistosdetroit.com. While surfing you'll dance in your seat to the heavy techno beat repeating 'here we go.' Mephisto's is close to both I-75 (off Caniff) and I-94 in Hamtramck (off Mt. Elliott). This 21 & over club where proper attire is mandatory is new to our ever-changing club scene and features three levels including a VIP lounge and terrace; a Tiki Bar, and high energy dance floor. The place looks hot with deep red and purple jewel tones. Music is techno, hip hop, old school and top 40. And when you aren't dancing, check out the very worthwhile art: 1940s

glamor girl pinups and much, much more. Hours: Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7 p.m. to 2 a.m., (313) 875-3627.

Reggae

Tropical Hut Lounge, 14925 Livernois, Detroit near Fenkell. This is not one of those suburban nightclubs that pretend to be an island-style bar with fake grass and palm. It's one of Detroit's truly authentic Reggae/roots clubs that attracts the city's island-born residents. If you aren't dancing, you might not fit in. Tropical Hut DJs have the pulse on the freshest music from Africa, the Caribbean and West Indies. Wednesdays, Ladies Night; Thursdays, Reggae Night; Fridays, Friday Surprise; Saturdays, African Night; Sundays, Fun Sundays. Open 4-9 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday; 4 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Thursday-Saturday, 5 p.m. to midnight Sunday, (313) 861-5340.

Majestic Theatre

4140 Woodward Ave. Detroit. Parking available on street and behind building. It seems that every blues, underground, industrial, punk, reggae, world and Americana band has played here. Buju Banton and Burning Spear played here as did Social Distortion's Mike Ness. Attire is freestyle, casual and up. Before the night begins, stop at the adjacent Majestic Cafe for a gourmet veggie sandwich, mussels or Mediterranean dip. And if that isn't fun enough, stroll over to the also adjacent Garden Bowl. There the lanes and balls glow in the dark and the rock n' roll crowd enjoys a good bowl while the Ramones play off in the background. Call for hours, (313) 833-9700.

MUSEUMS. PARKS AND TOURS

Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen

The 16-acre museum complex tells the story of Oakland County's earliest pioneers. Admission includes tours of the 1840 Van Hoosen Farmhouse, 1850 Tenant Red House and 1927 Van Hoosen Dairy Barn. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, at the museum on Van Hoosen Road, one mile east of Rochester Road off Tienken. (248) 645-4663 or visit www.rochesterhills.org/museum.htm

Ann Arbor Hands On Museum

Celebrating 20 years of discovery, museum offers more than 250 science and technology exhibits to explore the world of science, 220 E. Ann. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$7, \$5 children, students and seniors. (734) 995-KIDS or www.laahom.org

Detroit Science Center

Located at 5020 John R, Detroit. (313) 577-8400, www.detroitsciencecenter.org **Detroit Zoo**

see-through acrylic tunnel where polar bears swim around visitors. \$8 adults, \$6 seniors and children, Call (248) 398-0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroitzoo.org. Now open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The Detroit Zoo is always looking for volunteers. To volunteer or for more information, call Sue Kingsepp at (248) 541-5717.

The Arctic Ring of Life features a 70-foot

Family fun



Jon Weiss and his son, Johnny, ride around the arena in a specially designed car at Ringling Bros. and

Human cannonball having a blast

BY KEELY KALESKI STAFF WRITER

It's easy for Jon Weiss to have a blast at work. He's a human cannonball – shot out of a specially designed machine during the Greatest Show on Earth – Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, now playing at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

He's been doing the act longer than anyone else, since 1987, and figures he's been shot out the cannon 5,500 times.

"It's very dangerous," said Weiss, whose wife Laura presses the button that launches him into space 110 feet as fast as 65 mph. "You're relying on your ability and the machinery."

Serious stuff for a guy from Long Island, N.Y., who auditioned for the show after graduating from Clown College in 1981. He never dreamed he'd still be touring and traveling with Laura and their three children, ages 8, 5 and 3.

"I never chose it," he says about his career. "I look back and can't believe it. I truly enjoy what I do. No one can fake it."

The only drawback is life on the road— 11-and-a-half months out of the year. Time off is spent in Long Island visiting family; home is a 45-foot house trailer.

On the plus side, he and his wife are able to be a part of their kids' lives 24 hours a day. They've traveled all over the country, Canada and Mexico.

"My kids don't see color or race," he says.
"I teach them that we're all equal and have strengths and weaknesses. It's OK to make mistakes as long as you learn from them."

Weiss encourages people to come to the show an hour early for the preshow, where they can mingle with performers, try on costumes, get autographs, pet animals and have their picture taken.

RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS

When: Through Sunday, Oct. 5.
Performances are at 7:30 p.m.
Thursday-Saturday; and 11:30 a.m.;
3:30 p.m. Saturday; 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.
Sunday. The Three Ring Adventure
begins an hour prior to show time. No
charge for ticketholders.

Where: The Palace of Auburn Hills Tickets: VIP \$30 and \$45 (front row), \$20, \$17.50 and \$12.50 at the box office and Ticketmaster outlets, call (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com or www.palacenet.com. Visit www.ringling.com for information

"I'm the host of that," he said. "I truly enjoy what I do. For a kid to meet a human cannonball really means a lot to them, it's wonderful. I love my job at the circus."

This year's show is a mix of traditional circus acts and cutting-edge-daredevil stunts.

Three women take center stage – Sara The Tiger Whisperer, Mystical Mei Ling and Circus Siren Sylvia Zerbini. Sara also works with zebras and elephants.

A ninth-generation circus performer, Zerbini is equally at home orchestrating eight horses in the ring or dangling on a trapeze far above the arena floor.

Experience farm life at Upland Hills Farm

BY ANDREA HUI

Milking cows? Riding ponies? Not for most people in today's urban society. But at Upland Hills Farm in Oxford, the dream of farm life for children and their families is a reality.

In 1960, Knight and Dorothy Webster created Upland Hills Farm. Their vision was to share the joys of and educate city dwellers about farm life. Four decades later, the farm and programs have expanded tremendously; the farm serves over 100,000 people a year.

From day camps to corporate parties, Upland Hills Farm has a program for almost anyone interested in a unique experience.

Through demonstrations and handson experiences, children learn farm life essentials like milking a cow and shearing sheep. They also enjoy hayrides, playgrounds and feeding the geese.

The farm even provides a traveling show that visits schools. Programs are designed to be educational and fun. The School Assembly Program allows the entire school to experience the farm without leaving school grounds.

In the fall, the farm is a great family

day trip.
The Harvest Festival includes
hayrides, magic shows and farm shows.
The storybook trail, where a book comes
to life in the forest, is a favorite. You can
even pick your own pumpkin from the

pumpkin patch.
Don't forget to purchase cider and doughnuts as you stroll the Farmer's Market. The market is stocked with fall essentials such as apples, honey and

Indian corn.

"Upland Hills Farm is such a neat place to go," said Jill Klar of Rochester.

"My mom used to take us here when I was little, and now, I'm taking my kids. We are always looking for something to do for a few hours and this is the perfect place."

The entire farm can be rented out for a company outing or any special event. Numerous catering services are available

The Farm also organizes company picnics for smaller companies unable to rent the entire farm.

For these events, the farm is closed to

For evening events, the farm can be rented for hayride parties.

A bonfire is provided and adds to the



Jill, Tom and their son Jeffrey Klar of Rochester enjoy a tractor ride through the woods at Upland Hills Farm.

UPLAND HILLS FARM

Where: 481 Lake George Road, Oxford.
Take 1-75 north to Exit 81 (M-24/Lapeer Rd.) Lapeer Road, north to Silver Bell.
Turn right on Silver Bell to Adams. Turn lefton Adams to the end. Turn right on Stoney Creek to the end. Left on Lake George to the Farm. for more information and prices, call (248) 628-1611, www.uplandhillsfarm.com

Harvest festival: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 4 to Oct. 26. Farm market, tours, hayride, pick-your-own pumpkins, cider & doughnuts. Admission \$7 per person children (24 months and younger admitted free).

Harvest Moon Hayrides: 7-10 p.m.
Friday-Saturday in October. Thirty-minute hayride, complimentary hot chocolate or apple cider and doughnut, sit around the bonfire with family and friends. Cost \$7 per person.

quaint charm of an evening away from the bustle of the city.

Experiencing life on the farm is easily achieved at Upland Hills Farm.

No matter what time of year or what the event, Upland Hills Farm has a collage of programs for the entire family.

Pure Picks

Selected from the reams of publicity propaganda, we present our top entertainment picks for the week, "Filtered" just for you.

Fall moves into Michigan quietly and stealthily, putting summer to bed. Music released this time of year almost always reflects the settling effects of fall.

Musician Sam Beam, who is the sole member of Florida's Iron and Wine, recorded, produced, wrote and even took the cover photo in his latest effort, the 5 song EP, The Sea & The Rythm out now on Sub Pop.

The EP's title track creeps forward



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and peacefully as Beam's vocals harmonize over the banjo and gentle, acoustic picking to sound like whispering a secret in the dark. While "The Night Descending" is a more upbeat song (well, as upbeat as Iron and Wine gets) that may remind listeners of a softer, slower take on hootenanny. It adds up to the perfect music for watching the leaves change with a cup of hot chocolate. The album is available at local record stores or online at http://www.subpop.com. For more on the band, check out http://www.ironandwine.com.

Iron and Wine will play with headliner Broadcast Oct. 10 at the Magic Stick, 4120 Woodward Ave. in Detroit. Tickets are \$10. Doors open at 8 p.m. 18 and up.

A great place to spend a chilly fall evening filling your tummy with-comfort food: Sweet Lorraine's Cafe and Bar, offers contemporary American cuisine and homemade delights from Creole to vegetarian specialties.

A repeated winner of Wine Spectator's "Award of Excellence" they offer a list of over 25 wines by the glass. Plans are in the works to open a downtown location by late fall.

The restaurant has three locations: 1451 W. 14 Mile Road in Madison Heights; 17100 N. Laurel Park Dr. in Livonia: 29101 Greenfield Road in Southfield.

Not wanting to waste the last night of the weekend sitting at home? Boogey on down to the Garden Bowl, where the boys from Young Soul Rebels records spin a variety of music at the Young Soul Revue each Sunday night at the Garden Bowl, 4120 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Admission is free.

The store, which opened this summer, is owned by the Italy Records owner Dave Buick and located above the C-POP gallery.

For more on the store, check out http://www.italyrecords.com.



Few rock concerts have as much potential for gettin' down as this show. Canadian spaz-punk band Hot Hot Heat is scheduled to perform Saturday at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E Congress St. in Detroit. New York art punkers IMA Robot, and local favorite The French Kicks will open. Come shake what your momma gave you.

Tickets are \$16. Doors open at 8 p.m. All ages. Tickets can be purchased from Ticketmaster online at htpp://www.ticketmaster.com or call (248) 645-6666. For more on the band, check out http://www.hothotheat.com.

Comedy

Cure your insomnia and need to rant by attending Comedy Central Live starring Dave Attell and Lewis Black Saturday at Michigan Theatre, 603 E. Liberty Street, Ann Arbor. Attell, star of the sleeper show Insomniac joins Black, a former contributor to The Daily Show with Jon Stewart. for what should be an off-beat, sardonic comedy showcase. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased through Ticketmaster online at htpp://www.ticketmaster.com or by calling (248) 645-6666.

Pure Picks is written by Stephanie Tardy. Is there something you want considered? To submit information on local entertainment or other ideas to be featured in this space, e-mail her at stardy@oe.homecomm.net.



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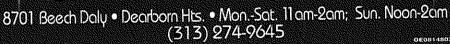
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Bicyclists enjoy pedal power

BY KEELY KALESKI STAFF WRITER

Ride your bike across the state of Michigan, on a country road under a canopy of colored leaves, or slip and slide into the new

You'll be in good company: The bicycle clubs who organize these events, and weekend day trips, are fun people who enjoy being outdoors.

Pedaling 285 miles in six days from Lake Michigan to Lake Huron is something anyone can do, "if you're in reasonable shape and your bike fits," said Mary Walden of Walled Lake, who recently completed the PALM -Pedal Across Lower Michigan ride with over 300 people ranging in age from preschool to older than 70.

The tour started in Montague with stops in Newaygo, Big Rapids, Mt. Pleasant, St. Charles and Marlett, and ended with a police escorted bicyclist parade through downtown Lexington.

Walden went with her husband, Jim, daughter Stephanie 14, son Jeff, 17, and friends from St. Matthew Lutheran Church.

"It's cliché, but it's a bonding experience," she said. "You have stories to tell about the things that happened on the road, everyone has a different story."

Walden liked biking as a teenager. She grew up in Southfield and remembers the freedom she felt riding her bike with cousins to the Franklin Cider Mill.

'Wow! What an adventure." she said. "I'd been there with my parents, but never by myself. I



MARY WALDEN

Kevin Degen of Bloomfield Hills (three-wheeler) enjoys the PALM ride with new friends.

like getting places under my own

steam, enjoying the scenery and

taking pictures, meeting new

people."

Strangers quickly become friends on the PALM ride. You camp out on junior or high school football fields, take showers in the school locker room, and eat together in the cafeteria. Bikers load their gear onto a moving van every morning that takes it to the next stop.

People come from all over Michigan and neighboring states to participate.

I think it's wonderful for families," said Pat Dobosenski of Birmingham. "It's an attainable goal, we've seen kids do it, the ride is set up so everyone is successful."

Dobosenski also enjoys going on bicycle trips organized by local clubs like the Blue Water

Ramble in St. Clair on Sunday, Oct. 5. The routes — 40, 60, 80 or 100 miles - cross into Canada. Bicyclists take the ferry to Canada across the St. Clair River. Closer to home is the Fall Back 40 Challenge in Clarkston on Oct. 12.

'They're well-planned, and the routes are easy to follow," she

Drivers follow the route and help bikers who break down on the road. There are food stops, and lots of like-minded people to encourage you.

"Everything's taken care of," said Dobosenski, "and the food is always great."

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BICYCLE MICHIGAN

For more information about bicycling in Michigan, including the 2004 PALM, visit the League of Michigan Bicyclists Web site www.LMB.org or call (888) 642-4537. They publish a poster calendar with dates and information on the back for most tours and rides in Michigan. Calendar sale proceeds support LMB's projects. Join the LMB for \$15 for an individual or family membership, and receive one free; or send a SASE and a check for \$2 to: Poster Calendar, League of Michigan Eicyclists, P.O. Box 16201, Lansing, MI 48901.

Upcoming trips

Blue Water Ramble - Sunday, Oct. 5, St. Clair, 40, 60, 80, 100 mile route into Cavada. Optional U.S. only route available. Organized by the Clinton River Riders, Bill Duemling, (586) 819-0209, www.lmb.org/CRR

mar Fall Back 40 Challenge - Sunday, Oct. 12, Clarkston, 17, 27, 44 and 62 mile ride through the rolling hills of northern Oakland County. Organized by Flying Rhino Cycling Club, Jim Owens, (248) 625-7000, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, or noon to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday; or e-mail, frccp@hotmail.com, www.fly-

🟙 First Dozen Tour - Thursday, Jan. 1, Olive Branch Masonic Lodge, 1170 Mason, Dearborn, \$6.50 fee. \$8 after Dec. 10. Pedal in the New Year with a 12-mile bike ride. Presented by the Cycling Saddlemen Bicycle Club, Tom Ogden, (734) 721-0077. before 10 p.m., or e-mail saddlemen@yahoo.com, www.saddlemen.org

🗃 Polar Rhino Ride - Thursday, Jan. 1, Clarkston-Independence Township Library, eight and 17 miles. Fee to be determined. Contact Jim Owens, number above.

Don't let autumn get away; catch some falling colored leaves

It's time to plan a fall getaway, here are some ideas:

Michigan's annual fall color show begins at the top of the state in the Upper Peninsula, where it gets cooler first. It then moves southward. Peak color in the U.P. is early October; in the northern Lower Peninsula through mid-October; in mid-Michigan from early to mid-October, and in southern Lower Michigan from mid- to late October. For information on Michigan fall color conditions, visit

www.michigan.org or call (888) 78-GREAT (784-7328). Information is updated weekly by AAA Michigan at www.aaamich.com during the fall color

🖿 At Big Bay Point Lighthouse Bed & Breakfast, one of the few surviving resident lighthouses in the country, guests enjoy a half-mile of Lake Superior shore. viewing tower, sauna, library and fireplaces. The package starts from \$177 plus tax, is based on double occupancy and

includes one night's lodging, breakfast and wilderness waterfall tour. For more information, call (906) 345-9957.

Tea for Two, Grand Hotel - Mackinac Island, package includes accommodations, full breakfast and five-course dinner daily, one 18-hole round of golf on The Jewel per person, afternoon tea in the parlor, all gratuities and baggage handling charges and a special discount on ferry boat tickets.

Rates start at \$199 daily/per

person/double occupancy or \$333 daily/single. Package available in October only. For reservations or more information on this package, call (800) 33-

Lazy K Ranch Bed & Breakfast -Clifford, two nights in a jacuzzi suite, dinner, go horseback riding both days and sit down to a hearty country breakfast. Offered weekends Oct. 16-31, \$350.00, (989)761-9528, http://home.centurytel.net/lazyKranch/

Tour New York's garment district

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

Here's an idea for something different for those with money to spare: a rare opportunity to tour New York's Garment District with a veteran of the fashion industry.

The guide's name is a secret, but it will be someone connected to a big name in the fashion industry.

The tour is one of the offerings of The Community House in Birmingham. Travel coordinator Kay Van Dusen planned the event. Her goal is to offer interesting group tours at lower-thannormal costs.

"We took this trip about eight years ago and it was amazing," Van Dusen said.
"Tour-goers get a behind-the-scenes look of the fashion history. It is incredible. ... You will walk into these rickety old buildings, down deep hallways into cavernous rooms and see the hard work going on inside. It's astounding. It completely changed the way I look at the clothing in my closet."

Today, Van Dusen occasionally wonders about the person who might have created her clothes.

She has a stronger appreciation for the quality work, she said.

Aside from the tour, guests are given the opportunity to shop – at deep discounts. From there, guide and tourist will lunch at Ben's, a famous Kosher deli in New York

A TOUR OF NEW YORK'S GARMENT DISTRICT

What: Tour-goers will tour the garment district with a fashion designer, and visit one or two design houses. When: Friday-Sunday, Oct. 17-19 What it includes: Round-trip air fare from Detroit to New York; two nights at the Marriott Marquis Hotel and tour of the district by deluxe motor coach. Cost: \$699 per person double occupancy; \$961 per person single occupancy.

\$200 deposit reserves space. Call The Community House, (248) 644-5832 and ask for Kay Van Dusen in the travel department.

"And of course we will also visit Canal Street for those \$10 Rolex watches and other fun."

The rest of the tour is free for guests to spend on their own.

"We don't want people to have a hectic schedule on this trip, so free time is definitely on the agenda."

Spend a day 'antique-ing'

The 56th Annual Goodwill Antiques Show returns for the second year to the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion at Oakland University in Rochester, Friday-Sunday, Nov. 7-9. More than 50 exhibitors from across the country will be featured.

The event will be from 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, with a black-tie optional Gala Preview Party with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres and music by Mystic Knights of Jazz.

A new Friday evening event 7-9 p.m. features cash bar, nibbles, jazz musicians and a magician. Show-goers who have already paid the \$10 admission for the day will not pay an additional charge to attend.

Those who come only for the party will

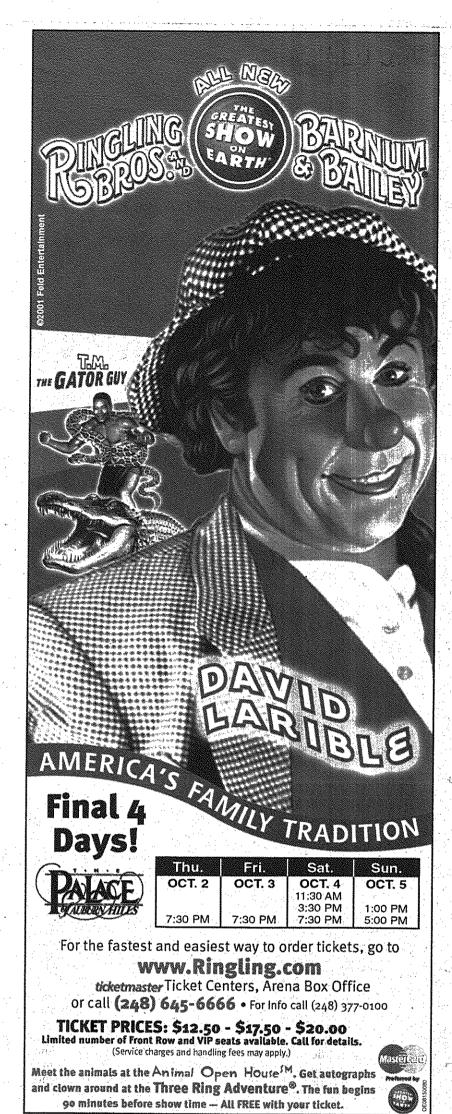
be charged \$10.

General admission \$10 tickets to the Antiques Show may be purchased at the door. Parking is free. Preview tickets are \$80 to \$200, (248) 375-1493.

Show hours are noon to 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 8-9.

The show also will feature free professional antiques evaluations on the Saturday morning before regular show hours begin for the day.

Ernest Du Mouchelle of Du Mouchelle Galleries, Kenneth Katz of Conservation Museum Service and Stephen J. Till, a gemologist, will provide free evaluations of items (limit of three) brought from home 9:30-11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 8.







Real Estate Inquires

Robert M. Meisner

No hot water, defects, irk homeowners

I live in a condo and we have had no hot water for a number of days. The board's president told us to contact the management company who told us that it's the tenant's responsibility to have the boiler fixed. More and more problems are being handled this way by not being handled. What course do we have, as tenants, in this situation? It all depends on what your condominium documents say and your rights against your landlord under your lease. You are entitled to the useful enjoyment of your premises as a tenant regardless of whether or not you own a condominium. Your landlord/co-owner should be advancing your interest with the association, assuming it is the association's responsibility to fix the hot water heater. If, in fact, it is the co-owner's responsibility, that is between you and the co-owner. Good luck.

My parents bought a home five years ago, and since then they have encountered numerous structure problems, some of which were hidden by the seller. My question is, since we have been encountering all these problems over this span of five years, can we still take legal action against the previous owner for not disclosing some of this information in real estate documents, or is it too late? You might take the position that this was a breach of contract, which allows you to pursue the claim for six years from the date of the breach of the contract, but there is, of course, no guarantee that a court will look at it as such. Negligent and/or intentional misrepresentation would be the basis of your claim. You are best advised to consult with an attorney; but I would certainly attempt to pursue the matter if you can establish that these defects were hidden purposefully by the seller.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@mich.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

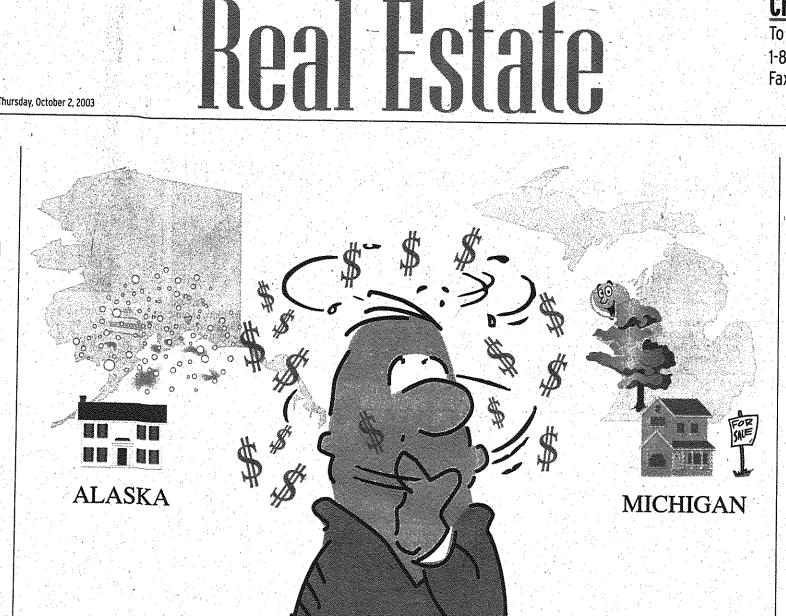
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Absent sellers don't necessarily take less for home

BY NORMAN PRADY CORRESPONDENT

Is this a wish come true for home buyers?

The sellers had to move to Alaska. They're now making payments on the house in Anchorage and the one they still own here. They're paying two sets of utility bills every month. They're paying for ${\tt snow}$ removal at their new place and lawn cutting at the old place.

Are these desperate sellers? Can you just about whisk their house out from under them as they become overwhelmed by all the expenses?

Maybe, said Lynn DeJohn. And maybe not.

DeJohn, a Realtor with Quality Real Estate Properties GMAC, Plymouth, said she has an answer for buyers who believe they have the upper hand over absentee sellers.

"If you're thinking of squeezing, give it a try," she said. "Write that offer. Bring something to the sellers. Let them show you how desperate they are. Sellers have three options about an offer: accept, reject, or counter."

But the sellers might not be desperate at all, DeJohn said. They might have the eco-

nomic ability to operate two houses, she said. Or their former home might now be in the hands of a third-party company that has advanced them the equity they had in the property and is handling the operating expenses, she said.

"So don't take it for granted that you can steal a house just because of the sellers' situation," she said.

It's really like any she said: "You make an after so you can find out how low the sellers are willing to go. But at the same time, you have to know how high you're willing to go."

DIFFERENT ROLE

In Andy Sakmar's 30-plus years in real estate, he said, he's learned that the agent for absentee sellers has additional responsibilities.

If the sellers don't have a friend or neighbor looking after the house, Sakmar said, the agent takes on that task, following up on showings by other agents and seeing that lights are off and doors are locked. Sakmar is the broker at Century 21 Sakmar & Associates, Rochester.

"The absentee sellers are not

really at a disadvantage," Sakmar said, "but their agent might be. We deal through faxes and express mail and when you try to negotiate over the phone, there are things that might be more difficult to pull together

than if you're face to face." And because of "that popular misconception among buyers," he said, "it might be a little more often that we get offers further i the mark. But there are no

distress sales in these situations." At the same time, he said, the emptiness of an empty house can be a disadvantage. "A furnished home always shows better," he said. "Empty reveals flaws."

How far away the sellers might be is not the issue, according to Richard Halmekangas, broker, One Way Realty, Livonia. It's

whether they're there or not. "When sellers are occupying the home," Halmekangas said, "there is an unconscious tendency for the buyers to believe the sellers are set and not going to negotiate much.

"If the house is vacant, the tendency is to assume that the sellers are in trouble."

If there's a disadvantage on either side of the deal with absentee sellers. Halmekangas said, it

could be for the buyers, who might not be able to gain "intimate knowledge of the house, the well-being of the house."

"You don't just buy the house, you buy the owners," he said. "Are they persons of character, did they maintain it, did they do what they said they were going to do? Repair things properly or just patch them up?"

And then there's Jody M. White, broker, Rice Realty, Westland.

She said the absentee sellers will have no problems "if they have the right agent."

The "right agent," she said, is someone who knows the local market very well, has an extremely high sense of responsibility and is an excellent communicator.

The sellers, she said, have to have continual "reassurance about the market. They need comfort. They have to know what's going on."

As for advantage or disadvantage to the buyers, she said, as in any home sale, the sellers might remain unknown strangers. "Buyers might never know who the sellers are."

Mortgage

Tim 'Timbo' **Phillips**



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an you imagine buying a \$200,000 plus home with only \$6,270 out of your own pocket? The FHA's small down payment provision and the market's continued low mortgage interest rates have now created compelling reasons for renters to buy homes now instead of later.

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The Department of Housing and Urban Development has increased the maximum FHA loan value for single-family dwellings in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw, Lenawee, and Livingston Counties, to \$209,000. The monthly payment on FHA mortgages at the upper limit is about \$1,060 per month on Adjustable-Rate Mortgages, and close to \$1,285 per month for a 30-year fixedrate loan. Add on a few hundred dollars a month for real estate taxes, homeowners insurance, and mortgage insurance, and you are in your own home.

Current renters should be able to buy a home using the FHA guidelines for almost 40 percent more than they currently pay for monthly rent and still come out ahead. Let's say your current monthly rent is \$1,200, and your marginal tax bracket is 33 percent. The payment on a home purchase of \$200,000 (assuming property taxes and homeowners insurance of \$2,800 and \$600 per year, respectively) would be about \$1,630 per month.

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Timothy J. Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. You may reach him toll-free at (866) 369-4516, or via www.HomeQuarters.BIZ. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

Rates for 30-year mortgages falling again

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

After rising sharply since late June, rates on benchmark 30-year mortgages retreated for the third week in a row, a trend that should help keep the housing market humming.

For the week ending Friday, Sept. 26, the average rate on 30year mortgages dipped to 5.98 percent from 6.01 percent a week ago, the mortgage company Freddie Mac reported Thursday in its weekly nationwide survey of rates.

The rate was the lowest since

late July, when 30-year mort-

gages averaged 5.94 percent. Rates on 15-year fixed-rate

mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, held steady at 5.30 percent this week. Rates for one-year adjustable mortgages edged down to 3.77 percent, from 3.81 percent, The averages for mortgage

rates do not include add-on fees known as points.

Thirty-year and one-year ARMs each carried an average fee of 0.6 point this week. Fifteen-year mortgages carried an average 0.5 point fee.

A year ago, rates on 30-year

mortgages averaged 5.99 percent, 15-year mortgages were 5.41 percent and one-year adjustable mortgages stood at 4.22 percent.

In mid-July rates on 30-year mortgages slid to 5.21 percent, the lowest in more than four decades. But then investor concerns about the economy and the Federal Reserve's handling of short-term interest rate policy pushed bond rates up, causing long-term mortgage rates to rise. In the past three weeks, however, rates on 30-year mortgages have gone down.

Freddie Mac economist Amy Crews Cutts, explaining the drop below 6 percent for 30year fixed rate mortgages said that "investors in bond markets were calmed by assurances from Fed monetary policy-makers that no action would be taken until 2004" to raise short-term interest rates.

She was referring to the Fed's decision last week to hold a key short-term interest rate at a 45-year low of 1 percent and the Fed's statement that short-term rates may stay at such low levels for some time.

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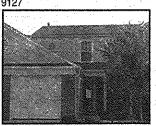
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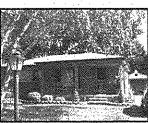
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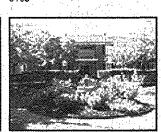
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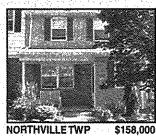
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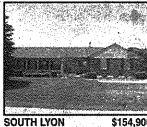
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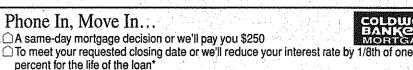
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43062 Arlington	- \$212,000
3471 Brooklyn	\$110,000
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524 Constitution	\$208,000
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1541 Delancy	\$100,000
7678 Embassy	\$270,000
43610 Hanover	\$216,000
1670 Ironwood	\$254,000
1321 Longfellow	\$183,000
45302 Middlebury	\$330,000
50403 Monroe	\$158,000

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50455 Monroe	\$224,000	18781 Whitby		\$194,000
44509 N Umberland	\$128,000		Plymouth	
2568 Shagbark	\$350,000	1225 Fairground		\$171,000
47029 Southwick	\$370,000	1145 Hartsough		\$263,000
49123 Wooster	\$120,000	9260 Oakview		\$167,000
Garden City	100	1200 Ross	٠.	\$226,000
31234 Florence	\$149,000	9627 Wellington		\$435,000
6458 Gilman	\$130,000		Redford	
6547 Sunset	\$134,000	15797 Indian	,*	\$65,000
		15861 Indian	** .*	\$128,000
Livonia	6 1 1 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	9986 Riverdale		\$130,000
32401 Cambridge	\$265,000	9047 Winston		\$134,000
11712 Camden	\$55,000	13568 Woodbine	1.11	\$118,000
11716 Camden	\$55,000			
15363 Garden	\$85,000		Westland	
17529 Hizmet	\$145,000	2715 Barns		\$245,000

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NEW OFFICE LISTINGS

Grubb & Ellis Company announced two new office listings totaling over 480,000 square feet in Farmington Hills. Team members Ray Husband, senior vice president, Office Group and Edward Wujek, office specialist, Office Group recently secured the following listings in Farmington Hills -27555 Farmington Road. Formerly occupied by CitiMortgage, this property measures 264,000 square feet and will be completely renovated. Available for occupancy in the second

quarter of 2004, this building will be considering tenants ranging in size from 10,000 square feet to 264,000 square feet.

Known as Orchards Corporate Center, 27725 & 27755 Stansbury Boulevard, a Class A office property, measures 216,070 square feet and is at 12 Mile and Orchard Lake roads. This property can accommodate tenants ranging in size from 2,144 square feet to 30,000 square feet. For more information, visit www.grubbellis.com.

SACHSE CONSTRUCTION

Jim Sharkey has joined Sachse Construction of Farmington Hills, a provider of premium commercial construction and design/build services as a superintendent. Sharkey had been project manager with F.H. Martin Construction Co. His 15vear construction career includes commercial and health care construction

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earned a bachelor degree in

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University. Sachse is building a \$1.3 million shopping center on Hilton Road near West Grand River in Brighton Township. The 15,000square-foot center will house Livingston County's first custom-home theater retailer - SF AVIO, "Michigan's Home Theater Store." Dave Barnett, AVIO's president and founder, is developing the project called Grand Hilton Center. When complete in late fall the center will include space for two to

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Rooms that sell houses to be profiled

It's the room that quickens your heart beat. It's the room that talks

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If you're selling a home with a "killer" room, or if you're a real estate agent offering a house with

one, we'd like to hear from you so we

can tell our readers about it. Contact Keely Kaleski, assistant managing editor Features, (248) 901-2587, or

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Oregon property values rise despite wildfires

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

When wildfires forced residents of Camp Sherman to evacuate for a few weeks in late August and early September, home builders Chris Peters and Jim Christian didn't worry there would be less demand for their work.

Property values keep going up here," Christian said. "People just buy insurance and hope their house doesn't

If anything, the Booth and Bear Butte fire complex, which has burned 90,824 acres and continues to cook, has slowed builders in their quest to put up new homes in the area.

'We've missed a bunch of work over this," Peters said. "About a month."

Though wildfires in the area the past two years have interrupted summer vacations, caused evacuation hassles for residents and hurt tourism, they haven't put a damper on people's desire to live among the trees here.

Property values in Camp Sherman and neighboring Black Butte Ranch, both about 10 miles west of Sisters, have continued to soar. And new buyers, ready to purchase homes that can range in the millions of dollars, keep com-

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in this part of Central Oregon during the past decade, faith in firefighters and the belief that "it won't happen to me" when it comes to houses burning down.

"The fires haven't had any effect but short term," said Rad Dyer, owner of Ponderosa Properties, one of the largest real estate companies in Sisters. "As soon as one's resolved the market comes back. Already in Camp Sherman, buyers are coming back to look."

MOUNTAIN VIEW

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Mike Reed, co-owner of Coldwell Banker Reed Bros. Reality, said in some cases fires last summer increased property values in Black Butte because mountain views from houses were widened.

This year we are ahead of last year for sales, and last year we were ahead of the year before," he said. "The numbers don't lie."

The thick Deschutes National Forest, dry weather and activities like hiking and skiing have made this part of the state a growing tourist area. It has also become a Mecca for retirees, as thousands of Oregonians and others from diverse parts of the country arrive every year.

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ranked respectively first and fourth for the fastest-growing cities in the state.

Much of that boom has spilled over to the Sisters area. And residents know the population magnet will continue to drive property prices up.

Ten years ago, Baby Boomers Laurie and Kevin Adams bought a 3,200 square foot house in Camp Sherman for \$185,000.

Today it's worth over \$500,000, Laurie Adams said. And worries about wildfires?

There is one camp of people who say you've had your fire and the likelihood of a second one in the same spot is slim," she said. "I'm in that camp."

Last summer, the Cache Mountain fire burned two houses in Black Butte Ranch. Fires this summer came within feet of dozens of other houses in Camp Sherman.

None of that discouraged Joe Lautze and his wife from building a house. The retired couple is living in an RV this summer while they wait for construction to be completed. They were evacuated from Camp Sherman twice because of wildfires, but can't wait to move in to their dream home.

"If you talk to others you know how well organized the effort has been" to protect houses, said Lautze.

Indeed, dozens of residents interviewed here raved about how well firefighters managed

the fire. So far, over \$25 million has been spent fighting it, making it the second most expensive fire in the country this summer, said Robin Vora, spokesman for the U.S. Forest Service.

Dave Baumgartner, a division supervisor who worked to protect homes in Camp Sherman, said many residents he dealt with had little understanding of the forest or the risks of wildfires.

"They think it won't happen to them," he said. "We struggle with that."

Baumgartner said that as the number of inexperienced forest dwellers who move into the woods increases, it will become more difficult to get them to observe fire prevention techniques, such as thinning trees around property and putting on metal roofs to guard against falling embers.

That could lead to more houses getting burned, he said. Still, fire threats aside, population growth in the woods in this area won't likely subside anytime soon.

Roger White, who has owned the only grocery store in Camp Sherman for eight years, says he expects to continue seeing new faces of residents every year.

"This is one of the crown jewels in Oregon recreation," he said. "And the houses are going up faster than you can blink."

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Standard Federal Bank will hold a free home buying seminar on how to select and finance a home. The seminar will meet 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 4, at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tips will be provided on the entire home buying process from how to set a housing budget, understanding credit reports, defining home and neighborhood checklist and the mortgage application process. Call (800) 643-9600, Ext. 22532.

CONDOMINIUM COURSE

Condominium attorney and columnist, Robert M. Meisner, Esq. of Meisner & Associates, P.C., an adjunct professor of community association law at Detroit College of Law at Michigan State University and Cooley Law School, is again teaching his course entitled "Condominium Operation: Introduction to The Essentials for Success" 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7-28, at the Bingham III Office Park, 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Bingham Farms. Program sponsored by Oakland Community College. The cost for this class is \$95 per attendee. Call (248) 522-3618 or (248) 644-4433.

HOME SEEKER WORKSHOP

Experts from Ross Mortgage discuss the trials and triumphs of home loans and mortgages 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, Butterfield Auditorium, 2155 Butterfield Dr., Troy, off Big Beaver Road between Crooks and Coolidge. No charge. Call (248) 547-4700 or www.rossmortgage.com to register.

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Get the help you need to pass the Michigan state builder's license examination with a 16hour comprehensive seminar offered by Walled Lake Community Education in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute. The seminar is scheduled 6-10 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Oct. 13-22, at Walled Lake Middle School (46720 W. Pontiac Trail).

The cost is \$205 plus \$20 for the course textbook and sample questions.

Pre-registration with payment is required no later than Thursday, Oct. 9 to Walled Lake Community Education. Call (248) 956-5000.

HOME BUILDING SEMINAR

Livonia Community Education, in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute will a 16-hour seminar on Home Building: Protecting You and Your Investment, 6-10 p.m.

Monday/Wednesday, Oct. 13-22, at Holmes Middle School, 16200 Newburgh Road, Livonia.

The course covers home financing, the building process, and builder's terms and contracts. The instructor, who is a licensed builder, will cover the basics of buying property, building codes and permits. The cost is \$205 plus \$30 for two textbooks. Pre-registration with payment is required by Thursday, Oct. 9. Call (734) 744-2602 or www.buildersinstitute.com.

PROTECT YOUR MONEY

Waterford Community Education, in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute will a 16-hour seminar on Home Building: Protecting You and Your Investment, 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday Oct. 14-23, at Kettering High School (2800 Kettering Road).

The course covers home financing, the building process, and builder's terms and contracts. The instructor, who is a licensed builder, will cover the basics of buying property, building codes and permits. The cost is \$205 plus \$30 for two textbooks. Pre-registration with payment is required by Friday, Oct. 10. Call (248) 674-3145.

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Bloomfield Hills Community Education in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute will offer a comprehensive 16-hour seminar on Home Building: Protecting You and Your Investment. 6-10 p.m. Monday/Wednesday, Oct. 13-22, at Andover High School, 4200 Andover Road.

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REAL ESTATE FORUM

Two-day forum Main Street Mania: Woodward and Beyond, Wednesday-Thursday, Nov. 5-6, presented by the University of Michigan Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, School of Business Administration, and the Urban Land Institute Detroit District Council. Day one at the Radisson Kingsley Hotel, Bloomfield Hills features keynote address by Charles J. Wheelan, director of policy and communications for Chicago Metropolis 2020. Day 2 at the Michigan League, University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor, features A. Alfred Taubman delivering the keynote address. Cost \$265 for both days, if registered before Oct. 22, or \$295 if registered after. A single day with lunch is \$165, students pay \$50. For more information, or to register, visit www.umuliforum.com

Ranches carrying big price tags

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ranch prices are rising in Sublette County, according to an informal survey of the latest real estate listings. The western Wyoming coun-

ty, ringed on three sides by mountains, forests and wilderness, has been growing rapidly in recent years as people have found its recreational properties less costly and less crowded than the real estate market in adjacent Teton County.

However, as more people discover Sublette County, its prices are becoming less affordable. The most expensive holding

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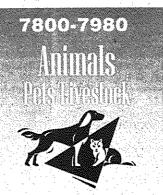




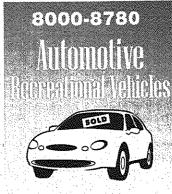












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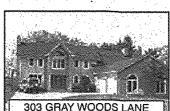
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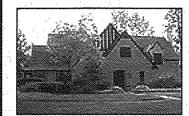
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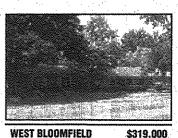


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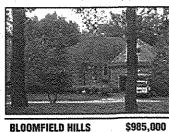
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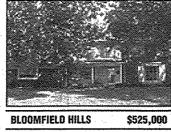
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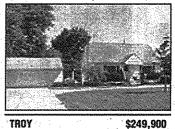


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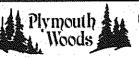
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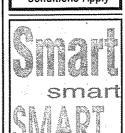
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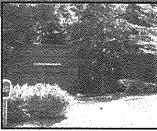
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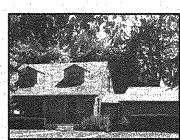
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WESTLAND - Updated ranch. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home w/newer roof, windows, deck, furnace & A/C. Hardwood floors, 2 car garage w/newer door & electric opener. Finished LL makes nice family room. Fenced yard & highly sought after Livonia schools. \$164,900 (50SAN) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE - Country in the city. Totally remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch offers 2 car garage, circular driveway, Andersen windows, all appliances. Ready for immediate occupancy! \$189,000 (52MAR)



GARDEN CITY - Custom built ranch. Unique floor plan surrounds inground pool, offers large living area + 2 kitchens, 2 laundry areas, separate heating & cooling. Newer furnace & C/A units, vinyl siding, newer roof, attached garage, all sitting on approx 1/2 acre lot. \$193,500 (11DAW) 734-455-5600



GARDEN CITY - Don't miss this Newer roof, vinyl siding windows, C/A, front porch & newer appliances + home warranty in this cute 3 bedroom home w/2.5 car garage. \$124,900 (38DOV) 734-455-5600



HOWELL - Newer 1.5 story condo. Great BR, 2 BA unit w/open vaulted ceilings. 1st floor laundry, 2 car gar & full basement. Deck overlooking natural pond. Gas fireplace. Master suite w/WIC, 2 seat shower. Hardwood floor in kitchen and foyer. Oak cabinets, bannister & railings. A must see. \$182,900 (21NEW) 248-349-5600



NOVI - Buy Big - Pay Small, Beautiful 4 BR colonial in wooded sub w/Novi schools. Home has been updated. Solid foundation, spacious, sprinkler system, electric, fence, huge deck. Some w/hardwood floors, newer kitchen, roof & furnace. Home warranty included. \$319,900 (83ENN) 248-349-5600



GENOA TOWNSHIP - Executive Retreat. Pine Creek sub offers this 4 BR, 2.5 BA home w/open floor plan. 2-story LR w/2way frplc. Open FR, butlers pantry-cherry cabs w/Corlan counters, Andersen wndws & profes landscaped w/sprinklers. 2nd floor sun deck w/porch. Access to Brighton Lake. \$585,000 (64ARB) 248-349-5600



WESTLAND - Charming starter home. Cute 2 bedroom ranch w/2.5 car garage, updated furnace, C/A, vinyl windows, roof, circuit breakers & much more + a home protection plan. \$89,888 (24KAR) 734-455-5600



WESTLAND - Large home on large lot. Room to roam. Hardwood floors & beautiful oak trim throughout. Updated kitchen, upstairs has bedroom & computer room. Breezeway to attached garage. \$159,900 (09PAL) 734-455-5600



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LIVONIA - Gorgeous ranch, wow views. Great approx 1/2 acre lot w/beautiful views. 3 BR, 2.5 BA. Kitchen w/white bay cabinets, 2 car attached garage, Maple floors, loop shag carpet. Vaulted ceiling. Master w/WIC, sprinklers. Natural frpic. Footings for 4 season room. This one is a beauty. \$274,900 (84SUN) 248-349-5600



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CANTON - Classic Elegancel Custom built on approx 1 acre lots. Foyer w/wrought iron & wood trimmed staircase, 2 story GR w/frplc & crown molding, kit & master bath w/Granite tops. All 3 bedrooms have a bath & WIC. Full bsmt with w/o & 3 car att gar. \$759,000 (51ROL)



DETROIT - Warrendale ranch. Nice & clean 4 bedroom ranch. Partially finished basement, 2 car garage, updates include: roof, furnace, C/A, hot water heater. Appliances are negotiable. Some updated windows, 1 year home warranty, tool \$104,900 (52WES) 734-455-5600



bedroom brick ranch! Ceramic foyer, living room w/newer carpet, freshly painted, cover cellings, newer windows, newer wood-like flooring in kit & DR. Renovated bath w/shower, pedestal sink. Refinished hdwd firs in BRs, fin bsmt & 2 car garage. \$177.900 (70HAR) 734-455-5600



LIVONIA - Clean 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Tudor style home. Kitchen with oak, Pergo, Corian, formal dining room, library, first floor laundry, finished basement, 50 gal hot water heater, C/A, organizers in all BR closets. Newer carpet and roof. 2 car garage, Deck. \$339,900 (85MYR) 248-



Spectacular best describes this stately 4 BR, 3.5 BA custom colonial deep in golf community. Certainly nothing spared. \$100,000 in upgrades & over \$40,000 in landscaping including pavers and custom deck. \$884,500 (57SAT) 248-349-5600



NOVI BRICK RANCH. Come fall in love with this fabulous home on approx 1/2 acre. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths w/Northville schools. Walk to downtown. Newer furnace, hardwood floors, carpet & stone tile in baths & kitchen. A dream home w/huge garage. \$299,900 (31BYR) 248-349-5600

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backing to nature preserve in Fox Hollowi Dramatic cellings, gourmet kit w/granite. Magnificent mstr ste, fin'd w/o bsmt. Numerous amenities! (54WOO2)

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NOVI \$550,000 SPACIOUS CUSTOM HOME on 2+serene acresl 3,500+ SF, 4 BR, 2 full bths/2 half bths. Media room, sunroom, fin'd LL, 2nd fir laun, Northville mailing & schools. Uncompromising quality! (05NIN2)

MILFORD

\$509,900 FORMER BUILDER'S HOME! 4 BR, 3.5 BA, 2 sty foyer w/dual circular staircases, dbl entry drs, gourmt kit, granite cntrs, deck w/gazebo, lower level has full kit, FR w/FP. Total 4700 SFI (E1185)

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PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP SHOWS THRU-OUT!
4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial features newer rf, carpet,
Pergo fir in DR, updated baths, wood firs in kit &
nook, ceramic in loyer & lav, Ig FR w/FP, & much

MARVELOUS CUSTOM BUILT RANCH! 3 BR. 2.5 bth home on 0.78 acres leads back to Hines Park, giving a country estate feell Private put-ting green & 17x24 covered deck, Many custom features! (A38600) nook, ceramic in loyer & lav, Ig FR w/FP, & much more! (P14475)

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NORTHVILLE \$467,500 STUNNING NEUTRAL CONDO on the best dressed listi 2BRS, 2.5 baths. Numerous up-grades incl: granite, lighting,carpet & cabinets.Extra crown midg. Luxury mstr bath.

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\$279,900

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COLONIAL ON WOODED LOTI 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, expensively upgraded. Newer kitchen & baths, beautiful flooring & neutral decor. .66 acre lot-wooded. Immediate occupancy! (23B47248)

PLYMOUTH

FARMINGTON HILLS \$269,900 BEST BUY IN FARMINGTON HILLS! Fabulous schools and highly sought after subdivision. Gorgeous hrdwd & ceramic tile firs up & down. Updated kit & BAs, newer furn, a/c, rd, elec, & much more! (G29011) tormal dining room, 2 1/2 car att'd gar, rec rm, C/A, newer windows, furnace & roof shingles. (R271)

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BEAUTIFUL CONDO IN COUNTRY CLUB VIL-

LAGE Open, spacious, sunlit condo with view of pond. 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 2 fireplaces, study with bay window, island kitchen. Perfectl (90COU2)

NORTHVILLE

\$263,900 SECLUDED AREA OF COVENTRY. Hard to find 4 BR raised ranch w/newer kit w/Merrilat cupboards, newer windws, newer carpet in fin bsmt w/glass blk. 3 full baths, Ig utility rm, Ig lot, & morel (S16184)

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\$319,900

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LIVONIA



NORTHVILLE \$255,000 1903 HISTORICAL FARMHOUSE STYLE! Numerous updates, walk-out. A must see! (26BUT8)



DEARBORN \$249,900 GROWING FAMILY SPACE IS YOURS INTHIS 4 BR, 3 bath, 2,000 sq ft Dearborn col. Remod kit & baths, finished basement, hardwood floors, newer carpet, all appliances, C/A & garage. Near

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2000 So ft colonial, 3 full baths, master suite.

DEARBORN HEIGHTS

\$249,900 WESTLAND BUY A DREAM 3 BR custom brick & vinyl 1,549 sq ft Westland ranch w/Livonia schools. HW floors, fam rm w/fireplace, remodeled-kitchen, newer windows, carpet, roof, 2 car. (P346)

\$249,900 PLYMOUTH OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS! 4 bdrm, 1.5 bath col.
Updated kit w/maple cbnts & all appls. Formal
LR & DR w/hrdwd firs. Newer wndws, furnace, A/C, HWH, crpt, deck. 1st fir indry.

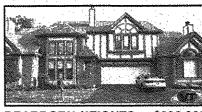
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\$179,900

\$235,000 CANTON PICTURE PERFECT! 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath quad-leyel on quiet street. Updates include: A/C, roof, windows, siding, garage & patio doors. Beautiful paver walkway. (23C622)

GREAT LOCATION! WALK TO TOWN! 2-story home on Ig lot, 3 BR, 3 baths, newer roof, Pella windows. Was income property, but can be converted to a family home. Never a better time to buyl (15NOV2)



DEARBORN HEIGHTS SHARP! SHARP! SHARP! 2 BR, 2.5 BA, exotic decor, very updated, vaulted ceiling, 2 stry foyer, study on main fir, loft on 2nd level, lovely view of Ig deck. FP in mstr BR, & more!!! (A26717)

PC220082

PC220282

\$215,000 THE BEST YOU'LL FIND! Sophisticated & warm. Don't miss the chance to own this 3.5 bath, 3 bdrm condo. It has hardwood floors, attached 2 car garage, professionally finished basement. (23M31532)

WESTLAND \$211,900 A LITTLE SLICE OF HEAVEN .55 acres Livonia schools! 3 bdrm, 2 bath ranch w/walkout! Enjoy this private lot w/creek & wildlife. Newer kit & baths. Mostly fin bsmt. You're gonna love it!

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CANTON \$209,900 CLASSY & STYLISHI 3 BR. 1.5 BA colonial, 2 car attd garage, basement, lots of quality ceramic tile, premium carpet, Kohler fixtures, FR w/FP & cath ceiling, Ig deck, & morel (B2360)

REDFORD \$174,900 COUNTRY IN THE CITY! This brk ranch sits on

a half acre lot. New windows in family rm w/FP and separate heat and air. Roof 3 yrs, furn/air 13 yrs, part fin bsmt, all appliances. (M17394)

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WESTLAND \$199,999 LARGE 5 BEDROOM 2 STORY HOME 2 1/2 baths, 2 1/2 car garage, carport and large all season room with hot tub. Many updates. Bathroom in basement, 2 bedrooms upstairs with full bathroom. (M384)

NICE LIVONIA RANCH This 3 Bdrm, 1.5 bath

home has hardwood floors, Liv Rm w/vaulted ceiling, updated kitchen, finished bsmt, 2 car gar, fenced yard w/brick patio. Livonia schools. (54HAR2)



LIVONIA \$194,600 OVER AN ACRE! Beautiful grounds, brick ranch with fireplace in living room, garage, & basement. Lot is 165x299. Call to seel (P19127)

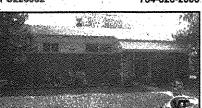
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LIVONIA



\$189,900 STUNNING 3 BEDROOM 2.5 BATH BI-LEVEL. This contemporary home sits on an extra large lot. Big windows, walk in closet, master bath, walk out lower level. 1775 Sq feet. Make this a must

PC220502 734-326-2000



WESTLAND POPULAR TONQUISH NEIGHBORHOOD! Location! Close to everything, schools, ice rink, mall. Well cared for with many updates thru-out. Newer furn, c/a, elec box, tear off rf, 220 in gar

\$156,900

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DESIRABLE RANCH IN OLD ROSEDALE GARDENS Hardwood floors throughout. Kitchen has been updated. (All appliances stay).

Finished basement has second bath. Fence yard. Close to X-ways, school and park. (20BER2)

\$154,900 REDFORD UNIQUE & ROOMY! Walk out bent is fin in drywall. All updates are done. Home has open fir plan w/tasteful neutral decor. Doorwall in lower level walks out to patio & nice yd. (B14148)

PC070362 248-348-6430

\$149,900 LIVONIA GREAT LOWER LEVEL CONDO IN LAUREL PARK 2 BR, 2 baths w/beautiful screened porch overlooking commons area. Close to everything you need. Assoc dues incl heat & water, immed occupancy. (75UNI2)

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YPSILANTI \$149,900 **OUTSTANDING CONDO IN GREAT AREA!** Lovely 2 BR, 2.5 BA condo nestled on dead end street. Spacious deck. MSTR BR has WIC's. Cathedral ceilings. Located near St. Joe's Medical facility Ann Arbor. (41COL2)

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REDFORD \$159.900 TONS OF CHARM & CURB APPEAL Over 1,500 square feet. Formal dining room, updated kitchen, fireplace, walk-out basement, 2 car garage & more. (S143)

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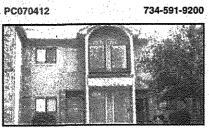
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\$124,900 \$131,900 CANTON WELL CARED FOR GROUND FLOOR UNIT All SUPER SHARP MINT LIVONIA RANCH! Up-dated kitchen & bath - furnace & air 7 yrs - some vinyl windows - rf 1 yr - Ig 2 car garage - nice lot appliances stay. Neutal decor. Absolutely ready to move into, 2 full baths, C/A, Euro kitchen (75x130) - all appliances - home warranty. (M20332) cabinets and doorwall w/nice view. Living room dining combo. (L426)

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WESTLAND \$87,500 JOB RELOCATION FORCES SALE Nicest unit in Greenview. Newer windows, gutters, entry door, furnace & C/A. Finished basement offers family room, study/exercise, laundry storage areas. (A236)



\$82,500 DESIRABLE GROUND FLOOR END UNIT W/ the added bonus of an in-unit stacked washer/ dryer. Newer C/A. New Berber cpt t/o. Custom mirrors in dining area. Master has walk-in closet. 734-326-2000

DEARBORN



WHAT A NEIGHBORHOOD! This 3 bdrm ranch

makes a great start for some lucky buyer. Hrdwd firs in bdrm & under carpet in LR. Newer furnace & c/a. Deck off back. 2.5 car gar w/opener.

WHY RENT WHEN YOU CAN OWN! Affordable 1 BR, 1 bth condo w/freshly painted interior. New carpet, kit fir, dishwasher & blinds. Newer roof, huge walk-in closet. Patio faces beautiful pondi (95WOO2) 248-348-6430

REDFORD

GREAT STARTER HOME! New kitchen with brand new stove and refrigerator. Nice backyard, hardwood floors. Move right in and make it your home! P19775 734-591-9200 \$120,000

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BEAUTIFULII Large 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath col. Very spacious LR w/gas frpic, 9' ceilings t/o 1st fir. Open kit w/white cbnts. 2nd fir laundry. Mstr ste w/dual WIC & whirlpool tub. 23P41825 734-455-7000

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734-326-2000 **PLYMOUTH** UPDATED PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP HOME! Walk to local elem school or walk to Hines Park, either way this charming ranch has location all over it. Full base, 2 car det, FR w/a FP & tons of updates. H11520 \$199,900

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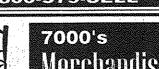
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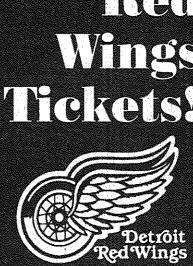
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Garage Sales

LIVONIA - Thur-Sun, 9-5pm 35927 Dover, S. off Ann Arbor Trail, W. of Wayne Rd. Collectibles, glassware, misc. LIVONIA - Two Families. 31303 W. Chicago, E./Merriman. Oct. 3 & 4, 8am-4pm.

LIVONIA 2 FAMILY-MUST SEE Oct 1-3, 9am-4pm. 386 Roycroft, N/5 Mile, W/Hix. 29682 Robert. Middlebelt, N. of W. Chicago. Glass, pottery (most of it is

marked) pictures, frames prints, finished photos, sheet marked music, magazines, & lots o other stuff! No clothes. Rain or shine. Held in a garage. Thurs, Fri & Sat 9am-4 pm LIVONIA Thurs Fri Sat & Sur 9-5. huge garage sale 6 families 2 houses, antiques

including dining room among many, many other other items. S. of Plymouth Rd. off Harrison, between Middlebelt & inkster Rd. LIVONIA Thurs-Sat, 10-4

36091 & 36296 Lyndon E/Levan Bikes, kids' books software, furniture, Avon, misc LIVONIA Thurs.-Sat., Oct. 2-4, 9am-4pm, 14618 Stonehouse, west off Newburgh, north of Lyndon.

LIVONIA- 29203 Rayburn. Oct 2, 3 & 4. Antiques, Clothing Furniture & Misc. 9am to 4pm LIVONIA- 6832 Parklane Levan & 6 Mile. Thurs.- Sal 9-4pm. Toys, Clothes, new items. Lots of Stuff Everything must gol LIVONIA- Multi-families.,Oct

2-3-4th., 9-5, 39077 & 39105 Jamison. Kids items, furni ture, household & misc. LIVONIA- Oct., 2-3-4th., 9-5 19851 Louise, btwn. 7 & 8 mi., off Middlebelt. Little of

everything! LIVONIA: Oct. 4 & 5, 9-5pm Pump organ, antique dresser misc. items, 9327 Frederick Meirose & Deleware.

NORTHVILLE Fri & Sat 8-4 555 Novi St. Furniture, wash er/dryer, desks, computer stuff, household, clothes. Go to http://www.rbyardsale.com for map, list, pictures.

Northville-Moving/Garage Oct. 2-5, lawn tractor, end tables, boy/girl's clothes, toys computer/printer, household 44677 Oak Forest, off (west-side) Sheldon, S. of 6 mile. NOVI 40311 Oak Tree, off Cranbrook S. of 10 Mile, W. o.

clothes, furmiture, misc. NOVI Sofa bed, oak dresser school desk, bookcases, col-lector dolls, misc. 24435 10 & Beck. Thurs-Sat, 9-5.

Haggerty Oct 3rd & 4th. 9-6

PLYMOUTH - 3 family Garage Sale. Housewares, clothing miscellaneous. 9220 Oakcliffe, S. of Ann Arbor Rd. E of i-275. Thur.-Sat. 9-4. PLYMOUTH - Huge 7 family Thur. - Fri., 9am-4pm. 10534 Homestead Ln., N. Territorial

W. of Napier. Rain or Shine. PLYMOUTH - Group Garage Sale, Thurs, Oct. 2nd & Fri Oct. 3rd, 9-4pm, 1227 Maple corner of Maple & Herald downtown Plymouth. PLYMOUTH - Oct 3-4, 9-3pm Boy, baby & toddler clothes maternity clothes, other baby

misc., furniture, household items, 41020 Greenbriar Lane S. of 5, W. of Haggerty. PLYMOUTH 49116 Fox Dr. N. Fox Pointe Sub-off Ridge Rd. S. of North Territorial. Sat Oct 4 9-5 had set antiques light fixtures, household items, etc.

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PLYMOUTH TWP. Portsmouth Crossing, off North Territorial. Oct 2nd & 3rd 9-3. Oct 4th 9-1. Huge sale! furniture., household items, linens, fabric, clothes, and much more.

PLYMOUTH TWP. Multi-family! Furniture, household, toys, ir. clothes, remodeling misc ie. storm doors, hardware, misc., antiques, coffee tables, nhone stands. noit clubs prione statios, you class, bikes, lamps, leaf blower, etc. 9184 Hackberry, between Ann Arbor Rd and Joy off of Lilley. Thurs & Fri -9-5 Oct 2 & 3.

PLYMOUTH: Oct. 3-4, 9-5pm Lakepointe Sub, (Schoolcraft/Haggerty)

41102 Greenbrook Lane, Plymouth: Thurs - Sat., 9-4 46072 Wesboro Dr., Beacon Estates, W/Sheldon, off Ann Arbor Trail. Variety of items. Furniture/ household acces sories, appliances, etc.,etc.

REDFORD Fri, Sat, Sun (Oct 3-5), 9am-5pm, 10052 Arnold S of Plymouth, E of Beech Plus size women's clothing men's clothing, misc items. REDFORL

Thurs. Oct 2 - Sun Oct. 5, 9-5pm. 17701 Denby, E/Inkster, S/7 Mile. Lots of good stuff! Retired Pre-K teacher selling classroom items. Sat., Oct. 4th. 9AM - 4 PM. 37659 Ladywood W. of Newburgh,

ROCHESTER Antique/furniture Garage Sale. Numerous pieces: chairs, tables, chests mirrors, brass fireplace curbs trunks, silverware, lamps brass and iron beds, lawn art some tools and more Saturday October 4th, 10an to 3 pm at 132 Woodward downtown Rochester, West o street. University and Tienken Roads

ROCHESTER HILLS Oct 2,3.4, 9am-4pm, 1347 & 1369 Autumn Lane, Kings Cove. N. of Tienken, W. of Rochester Rd. Antique furnibookcase, ture, lamps, kid's items, etc.

Royal Oak Thurs., Fri., Sat., 9-4. 2203 N. Washington Ave., N. 12, W. Main.

ROYAL OAK-MULTI FAMILY YARD SALE Oct. 3 & 4, 8-3pm. 3858 W. 13 Mile., W/Woodward, across from hospital. SOUTHFIELD ESTATE SALE

28764 Sutherland - off 12 Mile (east side), south of Greenfield. Thurs., 10/2 -Sat., 10/4, 9:00 to 4:00 734-354-8652 SOUTHFIELD Thurs.-Sun. 9am-5pm, 25205 Stonycroft

N. of 10 Mile, E. of Telegraph SOUTHFIELD- Oct. 3, 12-6 Oct. 4., 8-5., 27430 Lahser bwtn. 11 & 12 mile rd Women's clothing and shoes infant boy clothings (twins toys, vacuum cleaners, furn ture, household items & much

Furniture. misc. 2863 Dina Dr., N. of Square Lk., of Dequindre to left on Ranierl. TROY garage sale! My stuff can be your stuff! Come & Seel 3450 Ellenboro, N. of Big Beaver, W. of Rochester Rd.

TROY - Oct 3-5,

TROY Oct 4, 9-2pm Household plus misc. 40+ yrs. 4325 Marywood Dr. between Wattles & Long Lake TROY Oct. 3 12-4:30, Oct. 4 10-4:30p. 3695 Estates Dr., N/Big Beaver, W/off Coolidge, Baby stuff & household goods.

Thurs & Fri 10/2 & 10/3 9-5.

Garage Sales

W. BLOOMFIELD - Lots of tots of clothes, household items, furnishings, etc. Oct 3, 1pm-4pm. Oct 4, 9am-5pm. Oct 5, 9am-4pm. 4709 Stoneview.

W. Bloomfield Fri & Sat, 9-5. 4559 Deckerland, (248) 683-7180. Huge multi-family sale! Furniture, baby & kids' stuff. WAYNE: Yard Sale, 5251 Fletcher. Oct. 2 (1 wk.) Also WWII collectible life figurines.

Moving Sales BLOOMFIELD HILLS mov ing/garage sale! including fur niture everything must go! Saturday & Sunday 10-5. 4545 Pickering, S. of Maple

W. of Franklin. Bloomfield Hills: Oct. 2-4, 9-5, Hand & power tools, rolltop desk, more. Westchester Village, 3117 Pebble Lane.

Clarkston -Huge Moving Sale.

lam-5pm. 42160 Eaton Ave.

E/Lahser, S/Maple. CANTON- Huge Moving sale. Oct., 3-4th., 9-5, 204 Redfield include mattress) or, mirror, 2 nigh Dresser. Court, off Cherry Hill.

Oct: 4-5, 9-4pm. Antiques furniture, appliances, much \$200. misc. Too much to mention. Even the house is for sale! 6242 Waldon, bet. Sashabaw COMPLET KITCHEN- Incl. DEARBORN HGTS - Moving Out of State. Fri. thru Sun.

W. of Telegraph, N.of 94 LIVONIA - 16475 Park St between Levan & Wayne Rd. S. of 6 Mi. Sun. Sept. 28 -Oct.- 4, 9am-5pm. Patio furni-6400/sacrifice, 734 981-9325 basement furniture & more.

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LIVONIA Moving Sale, furni-

ture & accessories, Thurs. & Fri., 9-4pm. 36042 Sherwood,

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ances, lots of stuff! Inkster

ROCHESTER HILLS - Oct 2-

Rd, btwn 6 & 7 Mile.

4. 2849 Steamboat Springs. Shadowood Sub. N. of Walton, E. of Adams. Rochester Hills - Huge sale! Thurs., Frl., Sat., 9-4. 1255 Seville, S. off Avon, E.Crooks. ROCHESTER HILLS 1291 Kingsview, Oct. 2-3-4th., 9-5

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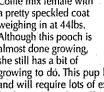
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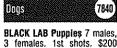
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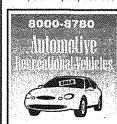
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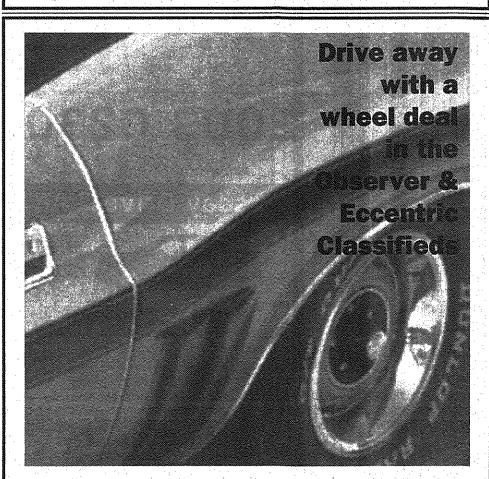
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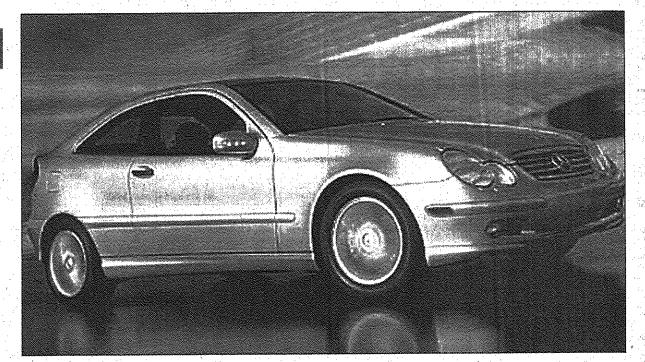
When you review cars, it's helpful to have a neighbor like Dennis. Because when Dennis, a high-school senior, gets excited about an automobile, you know to pay special attention. And you know what? Dennis was all over the Mercedes-Benz C230 Kompressor Sports Coupe. Of course, the fact that he owns a Kompressor himself -the least expensive Mercedes-Benz sold in the United States -- was part of the equation. But Dennis owns an automatic-transmission Kompressor, and he wanted to see what the six-speed manual I was reviewing was all about. So we took it for a spin.

His conclusion and mine: The 2003 C230 Kompressor Sport Coupe offers a phenomenal driving experience, especially in the manual-transmission model, where you feel in total command of this sleek sparkplug. The automatic-transmission Kompressor pales just a bit, and only by comparison.

Dennis occasionally complains that the 1.8-liter, super-charged and intercooled, four-liter engine is a bit underpowered, but with a car this size, the 189 horsepower generated by the engine gave me rabbit-like starts, nifty acceleration on street or highway, and a great feeling of capability. My only complaint about the six-speed is that appropriately collaring all of this power apparently required relatively closely spaced gear intervals, almost to such an extent that it's easier using second gear to accelerate from stop than bothering with first gear. Kompressor also posts satisfactory gas mileage too: 21 mpg in the city and 31 on the highway.

At suggested retail prices beginning around \$25,000, Kompressor does indeed make the class and power of a Mercedes-Benz affordable to just about anyone. The C-Class sports coupe is one of several steps in the evolution of that part of the Mercedes line from being solely a sedan to a comprehensive model line. Yet the coupe, being small and a two-door, has a youthful, zesty spirit all its own, which complements the more traditional Mercedes-Benz aspects of its personality.

The fact that Kompressor is out to make a different



C230 Kompressor Sport Coupe makes the class and power of a Mercedes-Benz affordable to just about anyone.

statement than Mercedes is used to making becomes obvious from just looking at the vehicle at a standstill. Seven inches shorter than its sedan sibling, the coupe is about a half-inch lower as well. And the designers made the most of that compact silhouette, giving the Kompressor coupe an aggressive nose-down, wedgeshaped profile, complete with a spoiler on the rear. The optional 17-inch alloy wheels complete the look of a roadready rocket.

Among the many nifty features of this car is the fact that the Kompressor coupe features a window panel underneat the integral rear spoiler. Normally, the spoiler would block a part of the driver's rearward vision. But this clear-panel feature gives the driver sufficient visibility to help in parking and other maneauvers.

The version I drove didn't have one, but a popular option on this car is a Panorama sliding sunroof: From the front windshield to the rear spoiler, nearly everything is glass. Just press a button, and the front half of the roof slides over the rear, leaving a roof opening that is about one-third larger than a conventional sunroof. Both rearseat passengers also have a skyward view through a fixedglass pane. And because the front part of the Panorama sunroof slides over the outside of the car, it doesn't reduce headroom. Two electrically operated roller blinds on the inside shade the interior from the sun when the roof is closed.

Inside, Kompressor is impressive as well. The most endearing thing is that Mercedes-Benz designers resisted whatever temptation they might have felt to mix colors and materials in the interior and went with classic allblack surroundings. Driver and front passenger have extra lateral support. Access to the rear seats is relatively easy thanks to a one-lever feature that lifts and moves the front seats forward, giving the average person ample room to climb into the two-seat rear. There's decent cargo space, especially when the asymmetrically dividing rear seats are employed. Valuables are kept invisible in the back, thanks to a shelf that raises and lowers with the trunk lid.

I did hear some complaints about the small size of some of the control knobs, and I found the one drink holder an inadequate number (even though it cleverly folds down into the center console).

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