

Patterson, LaJoy dismiss June school election environmental scores

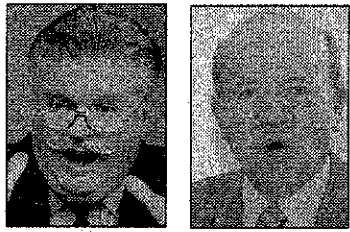
will fill 3 board seats

It shouldn't come as any big surprise, but Canton's two Republican members of the state legislature, Rep. Phil LaJoy and Sen. Bruce Patterson, didn't score too well on the Michigan League of Conservation Voters Legislative Scorecard.

The Ann Arbor-based group issues the annual scorecard based on legislators' votes on selected bills. This year the Senate was scored based on votes on seven bills, the House on eight.

According to the flier sent out by the group, "The goal of this scorecard is to educate Michigan citizens how their lawmakers are acting on environmental issues."

"The scorecard provides information to help voters decide if their elected official is acting in the interest of



Patterson
clean air, clean water and their community."

Lawmakers earn 1 point for what the group considers a "pro environment/conservation" vote and zero points for an anti vote.

This year's bills included those dealing with imported trash reduction, damage to Great Lakes coastlines, water use regulation, joint planning commissions, Sunday hunting, disputes over groundwater uses and polluter permit fees.

Overall Patterson earned a

score of 57 percent while LaJoy was rated at 38 percent.

"I would have to summarily dismiss them," Patterson said. "I never heard of them. They're a special interest group. I've got some track record where I've actually done something meaningful."

LaJoy had a similar reaction.

"It's the first time I've ever seen that chart," he said. "If you look at it it looks like a lot of Republicans got the same vote as me. I try to analyze every situation, check with the needs of my district and vote the best way I can."

While no senators received a 100 percent score from the group, nine were rated at 86 percent. All were Democrats.

In the House 22 representatives were rated at 100 percent. All were Democrats.

Two four-year terms and the remaining year of another four-year term will be up for grabs in the June election in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools.

Incumbent board members Cindy Schofield and Terrance McClain will be candidates for the two full terms, while Teresa Robbins will campaign for the remaining year of the four-year term.

Robbins was appointed to the board in May 2003 to fill a vacancy created by the death of longtime board member Mathew McCusker. McClain was appointed in November to fill the remaining months of a term held by Richard Eisminger, who left the school district.



McClain



Schofield



Robbins

board's policy, employee services, building and sites and instruction committee and has been the board vice-president for three years.

"The state's problem is going to have an impact on the district," she said.

"We've been very fortunate up to this point to have a fund equity and not have to make cuts. I hope the state turns around because great things are happening in Wayne-Westland and I don't want to see that end."

them and help maintain programs. It's a great group of people to work with."

McClain decided to seek appointment to the board last year to provide representation for the district's minority population.

"It's important to have minority parents feel they have a voice and it's important to the minority students as well," he said.

Before joining the board, he worked with school psychologist William Gray and was assistant basketball coach at Wayne Memorial High School. He now is mentoring young African American males at Stevenson Middle School to help them realize their potential.

"I really do what I can to help African American students to help them with their academic scores and to help them gain confidence, so they know they can do it," he said.

A former school board member - she served from 1998 to 2000 - Robbins is currently the board's treasurer. She also serves on its finance, policy and community relations/legislative committees.

"Going for the one-year term was the right thing to do because I took Matt's place," she said of her decision to run.

As a board member, she would like to see the district's MEAP scores continue to improve, and like Schofield, believes financial stability is crucial to the school district.

"As a board member, I look for programs that help our kids academically like the ROTC program," she said. "We would have been foolish not to start it. The discipline and presence is a wonderful addition to our program."

"Even though we're financially challenged as a board and with the help of the administration, the district keeps going forward."

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"I started working at Able Party Rental in Plymouth when I was 16," she said. "I started out washing chairs, then moved to the office."

She stayed with Able for 16 years, until the company closed.

"I left and stayed home for a while," she said. "Then my husband, Richard, and I decided to open our own business."

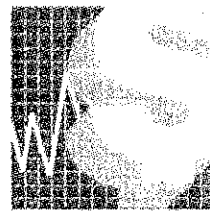
She rents equipment from tents and canopies to Moonwalks and a five-gallon fountain that can be filled with anything from Kool-Aid to champagne punch.

And if you're unsure just how to plan for a big event, she has literature outlining how to prepare for birthday parties, weddings, graduation parties and more. And if she doesn't have a brochure to fit your specific needs, just ask. She'll tell you how to do it.

"In the last two years there's been a big increase in first communion parties," she said.

The main thing in planning for a party, she said, is to start

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Mary McKee

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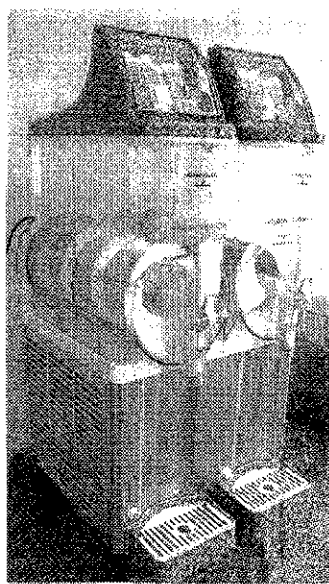
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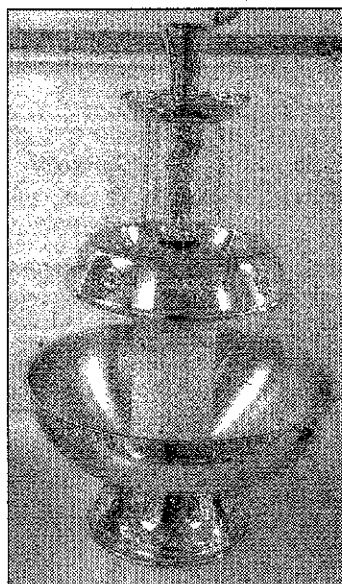


Canton Canopies features snow cone makers, great for the younger crowd.

early. Pick out a date and make a guest list. Then decide what kind of equipment you'll need.

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"It's a lot easier to do individual items than packages," she said. "And you can select



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exactly what you need."

She's got outdoor games and Moonwalks. Pitchburst is a popular item for outdoor parties.

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Mary McKee stands beside the hot dog cart inside the showroom.

beneath it.

"We used to have a dunk tank," she said, "but that was too much trouble. No more dunk tanks."

If you're planning to serve food — and, of course, you will — she offers hot dog carts, chafing dishes, propane grills, a popcorn machine, cotton candy machine, snow cone machine, an ice cream cart and even a soft-serve ice cream machine and hot fudge dispenser.

Dinnerware china, flatware, glasses and cups and saucers are all for rent.

For weddings, you can rent

arches, candelabras, kneeling benches and a guest register stand.

The most popular items for rent are the standard tents, tables and chairs.

"But there's also a lot of interest in the hot dog cart," McKee said.

While she doesn't provide the food, she has a referral list of caterers who do.

She does some advertising, but says most of her business is from referrals or repeat customers. And she does handle corporate accounts.

For more information, call (734) 414-6388.

Measure would save money, LaJoy says

A bill that state Rep. Phil LaJoy, R-Canton, says could save Michigan taxpayers up to \$12 million annually was approved by the state Senate last week. LaJoy said the bill will now go back to the House, which has already passed it, for some minor cosmetic changes, then on to the governor.

House Bill 5190 would consolidate human resources divisions for 20 state departments into one division in the state Department of Civil Service. It would also create an executive director to oversee the office of human resources.

"There are currently 20 human resource directors in state government," LaJoy said, "and some of their salaries are as high as \$107,000."

LaJoy said that in preparing the bill he talked with officials in various state departments, including the Office of Management and Budget.

"Do you think you need 20 human resource directors in the state?" LaJoy said he asked the officials. "They said 'no' and I said, 'Well, let's do something about it.'"

LaJoy is no stranger to the subject. He spent 35 years working for and then owning his own human resource business.

"We need to streamline government," he said. "What we're doing now just isn't working. Putting state government personnel operations under one umbrella is a common sense approach that will benefit everyone."

LaJoy said he doesn't know when or if the state will get lost revenues back, so cuts have to be made.

"This bill will save money without cutting social programs, education and other needs areas," he said.

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CONDUCTOR

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the rule. That doesn't mean there isn't always work to be done in the effort to encourage and showcase women musicians, composers and conductors, Washburn said.

In conjunction with March as Women's History Month, Washburn – for her efforts and foresight – has been honored – with two distinguished awards.

The Women's Foundation of California honored Washburn as one of its seven Outstanding Local Heroes for her work with the Women's Philharmonic. On March 24, Washburn will be honored with a Women in Leadership award from the city of West Hollywood's Women's Advisory Board. In addition to her duties in Plymouth, Washburn also serves as conductor and artistic director for the West Hollywood Symphony.

While one award honors her for building the Women's Philharmonic, the other honors her for building and leading the West Hollywood Symphony. "I guess I like building. I seem always to be in these positions. I love the challenge.

"It's more special because the awards are for long-term building. This means a lot."

Washburn is working side-by-side with the Plymouth Symphony Board to create Orchestra Canton and the Celebration Youth Orchestra, which is conducted by Lindsey Riemer.

It seems Washburn's life indeed is about challenge. In addition to living in two places – California and Michigan – Washburn is totally committed to making both symphonies stronger and to bring contemporary conductors and their music to the forefront.

While West Hollywood and Plymouth are smaller communities, Washburn is convinced that gives more flexibility for both symphonies to grow and try new things. "Lots of people love orchestra music. They just don't know it yet," she said.

One way of getting people into symphonic



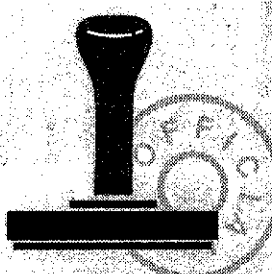
Plymouth Symphony conductor Nan Washburn is honored with two awards this month.

music is to have the composers on hand at concerts when their music is played. "That's when we have so much more excitement. I love Beethoven, but it's not the same as having the composer stand up and take a bow." For example, composer Mary Watkins was at the March 13 jazz concert. "We worked through her piece as she wrote it. She changed some of it and it includes some of my performance notes," said Washburn, who says she is not a composer, but an arranger.

"I love shaping other people's musical thoughts. Composers are very special people."

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FOR THE RECORD



BIRTHS

Aidan Browning
Born March 9 to Michael and Jennifer Browning of Superior Township at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

DEATHS

A
Norma L. Adams, of Swartz Creek and Davisburg, died March 16.

B
Robert Edward Bulmer Sr., 69, of Plymouth, died March 16.
Shirley M. Bulson, of Westland, formerly of Canton, died March 5.

C
Robert Cleland, 71, of Pentwater, died Feb. 28.
Marion J. Corey, 81, of Auburn Hills, died Feb. 28.

D
Tom G. Drewes, 76, of Pigeon, died March 5.
Betty N. Dunlop, 82, of Grand Rapids, formerly of Rochester, died March 5.

F
Sallie L. Faudie, 55, of Rochester Hills, died March 7.
Marc E. Ferrand, 85, of Rochester Hills, died March 28.
Ruth I. Fischer, 77, of Orion, died Feb. 29.
Rhonda L. Franks, 80, of Rochester, died Feb. 29.

H
Juanita Haley, 84, of Brighton, died March 16.
William J. Hasper, 78, of Wyandotte, died March 13.
Olive L. Heil, 88, of Auburn Hills, died March 2.
Marie G. Hewitt, 93, of Rochester Hills, died March 12.
Eleanor W. Hoff, 86, of Livonia, died March 17.

J
Keith Carl Johnson, 50, of Plymouth, died March 17.

K
Patricia E. Kreft, 50, of Sterling Heights, died March 14.
Irene Patricia Kull, of Westland, died March 17.

L
Lois Lane, 83, of Madison Heights, formerly of Plymouth, died March 15.

M
Rita T. Mannix, 73, of Farmington

For the Record appears in every edition of the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's *Observer Life* section in *Passages* on page C5.

Hills, died March 11.
Josephine "Jo" L. McKenzie, 81, of Rochester Hills, died Feb. 26.
John B. McVay, 38, of Rochester Hills, died March 7.

N
John R. Nowels, 81, of Sterling Heights, died March 3.

S
Hubert J. Sargent Jr., 77, of Rochester Hills, died March 7.
Richard M. Spitzley, 84, of Rochester Hills, died March 2.
Muriel Steed, 96, of Presbyterian Village, Redford, died March 18.

T
Suzanne I. Thompson, 86, of Rochester Hills, died March 4.
Eunice D. Troha, 87, of Rochester Hills, died March 28.
Charles R. Turkette, 69, of Oakland, died March 6.

W
Constance J. Webster, 84, of Bloomfield Hills, died March 11.

COP CALLS

Cars damaged

Canton police responded to three reports of cars being broken into on St. Patrick's Day. Two cars parked in the same driveway in the 1300 block of Ranier. A resident said the windows of both cars were broken out.

A stereo was taken from one. From the other a CD player was taken along with speakers, an amplifier, 150 CDs, a winter jacket, a cell phone and \$100 cash.

A Northville resident said his car was broken into in the 8400 block of Brookpark. An electronic compass was taken.

Mailbox hit

A resident of the 6800 block of Devonshire told police she heard a noise outside her house about 7 a.m. on March 18.

She looked out her front window and saw her mailbox lying on the ground and a burgundy Volvo speeding away.

Pallets taken

An employee of Anson Mold on Market Street said he looked out the front window of the company about 11:45 a.m. March 18 and saw a red pickup pulling a trailer loaded with wood pallets.

A check in the back of the company found 40 pallets valued at about \$150 missing.

Player stolen

An Ann Arbor resident reported the theft of an MP3 player from his locker while he was working out at Lifetime Fitness on March 18.

Car vandalized

A Plymouth resident said he went to his car after getting off work on March 18 and found the car window smashed and two tires flat. The incident occurred in the 43000 block of Joy Road.

AGENDAS

The Canton Board of Trustees will hold a regular meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 23, at Summit on the Park.

Agenda items include:

General calendar

1. Consider final preliminary plat for Grand Oaks subdivision.
2. Consider special land use for Canton Township Church.
3. First reading amending the noxious weeds ordinance.
4. Consider purchase of water meters and metering control devices for 2004.
5. Consider purchase of Caterpillar 430D backhoe loader.
6. General fund contributions to the community center fund FY 2003.
7. General fund contribution to capital projects road paving fund FY 2003.



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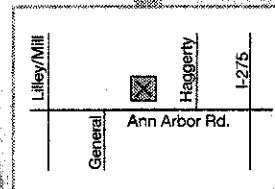


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Please describe how this individual has contributed to the stability and improvement of the Canton community: _____

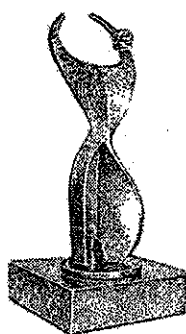
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Athena Award presented by women's group

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The award will be presented at noon, Wednesday, May 19, at Carraba's. Only 142 luncheon tickets are available.

The BPW is seeking nominations for the award, which may be given to a male or female business owner or professional. All nominations must be received by March 26.

The BPW will use the proceeds for it scholarship fund.

For tickets, contact, Clarice Killian at (734) 394-2572, Jody LaBoda, (734) 981-2144 or Phyllis Werth at (734) 394-1025.

LAYOFFS

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"We've cut things in the past that people didn't really notice, except for the pay-to-play high school sports which seemed to be accepted by students and parents.

"Some people told me to eliminate sports, which would save us \$1.8 million. But, how can we tell kids to get connected at the park and then cut sports?" he said. "I'm not looking to do anything with elementary class size. That will drive people away."

Ryan said he'll propose to the school board they use \$6 million in fund balance and cut \$3.2 million from the budget. He said there will be tough cuts proposed, but declined to speculate what those would be.

All are contingent on guidelines from the Board of Education. President Judy Mardigan said the bulk of the budget activity will come in April.

"We've given Dr. Ryan the first opportunity to tell us where things can be trimmed," she said. "Then, we will develop guidelines for budget preparation."

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STAFF WRITER

The senior citizens at the Dyer Center could teach Henry Ford a thing or two about the assembly line moving.

In what has become an annual event, senior volunteers turned out last Friday to pack and stack backpacks meant for the district's annual Kindergarten Roundup on Tuesday, March 30.

"This is the second time they've been here this week," said Mary Browe, director of the Dyer Center. "On Monday, they did 40,000 issues of the *Connections* (the district's newsletter). Some labeled and some coordinated it. They have it down to a science. They're well-organized."

For more than two hours, the seniors worked preparing 1,200 backpacks for the roundup.

The backpacks are filled with things parents can work with the children over the summer, said Sally Perkins, the district's director of elementary education. There's crayons, a pair of scissors, markers, glue stick and a small white eraser board. The backpacks also contain two storybooks, ABCs book and numbers book. There's also a folder for parents about signing up for kindergarten.

"Even children who move into the

district during the summer will get one," Perkins said. "The reason we do this is we want the kids to start off great and that we're about learning. It's about starting off at the very beginning and everything in the backpack is educational."

The program started five years ago. Grant money helped purchase the supplies, which were sorted and sent to the district's 17 elementary schools, where staffs did the assembly work. It switched over to the senior volunteers at the Dyer Senior Center a few years ago, so instead of delivering boxes of supplies, school employees now deliver bags filled with finished backpacks.

"I wish I could stop and read them," said Tess Chick, putting the storybooks in her backpack.

This is the second year the Canton resident has helped. She likes doing things for the Board of Education. She thinks it's important. She also admits she's more interested in school now than when she was younger.

"I graduated from high school when I was 69 from old Plymouth Salem High School," she said proudly. "I went for my GED and then I went back for all of the credits. And you know what, I was smart."

The supply line ended at a second set of tables, where another six seniors like

school board Trustee Ed Turner and Carol and Jack Bluerock of Canton zipped the zippers and then passed them on to be put in bags for the different schools.

"This is my third year," Turner said. "I always sit down and do whatever needs to be done with the bags. It changes every year."

"We enjoy doing extra like this for the Dyer Center," Carol added.

"It makes them feel useful," Browe said. "Their minds are still there and they're active. The school work makes them feel useful."

The Dyer club has 400-plus members, 90 percent from the Wayne-Westland school district. The remaining 10 percent come from Livonia, Redford, even as far away as Milford, according to Browe.

Their volunteer work goes beyond newsletters and backpacks. They also are serving as mentors eighth-graders in Jennifer Stovel's English class at Marshall Middle School.

Students and their senior partners are reading the same book relating to the Holocaust and World War II and exchanging letters about their readings. At the end of the project, they will meet face-to-face.

Helping keep the table stocked and assembling backpacks were Merle



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Jack and Carol Bluerock of Canton work together at the end of the assembly line, along with Wayne-Westland school board Trustee Ed Turner, zipping up the filled backpacks.

Wencel and Arthur Balint, both of Westland.

"We do whatever tasks need to be done," Balint said. "We do whatever comes up, whether it's putting out the *Connection* paper or this."

"It's a good thing for the community,"

Wencel said. "One thing about our club, it's all volunteer. Mary puts it to the club and we decide. It's a group decision."

Joe Kanikowski of Garden City, who ferried supplies to dwindling stacks along the table, was impressed with the effort Friday.


"I was just there and started doing it," he said of his assignment. "That's the way it is. If you see something that needs to be done, you go and do it. You don't ask."

Charlotte Kilpatrick of Westland put her postal service training to good use, filling two backpacks at a time as she walked along the tables. "This is great," she said. "When my kids were little, they didn't have things like this. I think this gives the kids something to look forward to when they go school."

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ACLU's Kary Moss marks a victory on one front

Kary Moss looks tired, which is not surprising, given that she has spent another 70-80 hour week fighting for mostly unpopular causes. On top of that, she commutes from Ann Arbor to Detroit, and is the mother of a teenager.

But the executive director of the Michigan branch of the American Civil Liberties Union is a bit optimistic on one front, anyway. Perhaps thanks to a little ACLU lobbying, supporters of the death penalty failed decisively last week to get enough votes in the Michigan House to put a constitutional amendment on the November ballot that would have allowed capital punishment.

Michigan, which hasn't put anyone to death since it was a territory, was the first state to abolish executions. But homicides are soaring again in the Motor City, and there was an enormous outcry when two very young officers, Matthew Bowens, 21, and Jennifer Fetting, 26, were brutally gunned down last month after they made what seemed to be a routine traffic stop.

Moss, a native New Yorker who has very vivid memories of Sept. 11, understands the anger. But the ACLU is firmly against capital punishment on a variety of grounds, not least of which, she says, is that it is pretty clear that innocent people have been executed. In the last decade, scores of prisoners have been released from death row, and sometimes from prison altogether, when DNA evidence proved conclusively they were not guilty of their supposed crimes.

"At a time when Illinois and other states are putting a moratorium on capital punish-

ment, Michigan should not consider the death penalty," Moss testified before the state legislature earlier this month. She noted that when the U.S. Supreme Court re-legalized capital punishment in 1976, it said it had to be "fairly and consistently administered," she noted. No one can say that test has been passed.

But capital punishment is far from the only item on the Michigan ACLU's plate. For more than two years, she and her staff, who are based in a small building on the fringe of Wayne State University's campus, have been primarily occupied with civil liberties concerns stemming from the Patriot Act.

Last year, the main concern was an expanded "Patriot Act II," and when that was off the table, they lobbied against something called the "Total Information Awareness Program," which later died in Congress.

These days, the ACLU's key focus is on something called MATRIX, short for the Multi-State Anti-Terrorism Information Exchange system, a program that ties together government and commercial databases in order to allow state and local police to conduct detailed searches on particular individuals.

"This is really the same thing as TIA, except they've brought it back and privatized it," she said. "It is unclear what data will be compiled, who else may have access to it, or what standards would trigger the creation of a file," she said.

"They won't tell us what's in the database - except that it includes both government and commercial data - nor is it clear what it will cost to use it."

Traditionally, the ACLU has fought most of its battles on a shoestring, though longtime members say that Ms. Moss' management skills - and the times - have helped. The Michigan branch has doubled its membership, to about

12,000, and doubled its annual budget, to about \$1 million, in the six years she has been there.

Additional funds have come in when the ACLU wins major lawsuits and the court directs the other party to pay their costs. A windfall is expected soon from a long-running Livingston County case involving unfair treatment of women prisoners in the county jail. "They wouldn't allow them to participate in a work-release program, and the guards could watch them in the bathrooms and in the showers," she said.

For the next few months, much of her focus is expected to be on affirmative action. Following the U.S. Supreme Court's decision last year to allow affirmative action to be used in university admissions, opponents, led by California businessman Ward Connerly, are circulating petitions to get a ballot proposal banning the practice.

The ACLU hopes to help defeat that measure. Pushing her glasses back, getting ready to put another pile of miles on her aging Honda Accord, Moss, a 45-year-old attorney, smiled. "It's really about the Bill of Rights, about defending the rights and liberties of everyone, especially the least popular. That's why we're here."

Footnote: Frustrated with the Michigan Legislature, James Bowens, father of one of the recently murdered officers, is leading a drive to gather the 317,000 valid signatures needed for a ballot initiative that would legalize capital punishment for those who murder police officers. Experience shows, however, that it is nearly impossible for such an effort to succeed unless it can pay professionals to gather signatures.

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Ah, yes, they remember it well, Proposal A brought us together

Sen. Debbie Stabenow remembers the swirl of concerns and frustrations over escalating property taxes and failing school districts in 1993 as *The Perfect Storm*. Former Gov. John Engler doesn't remember Stabenow even being in the room when the decisions were made to calm the storm.

Stabenow and Engler were the featured speakers Monday at an all-day conference to commemorate the 10th anniversary of voter approval for Proposal A, the landmark change in school financing. The conference was jointly sponsored by two Michigan State University research groups, The Institute for

Hugh Gallagher

Public Policy & Social Research and The Education Policy Center.

Fortunately, Stabenow spoke in the morning and Engler spoke at lunch or things might have become a bit testy. As it was, despite differences on what needs to be done now to "fix" Proposal A, most participants lauded passage of the proposal and the bipartisan political process that led up to it.

The event was co-hosted by Engler's state Treasurer Doug Roberts, now the interim director of IPPSR, and David Plank, co-director of the Education Policy Center and co-author of a detailed report on Proposal A released in November by the center.

The conference was Roberts' brainchild and a celebration of practical politics in action. Roberts is a strong believer that what happened in late 1993 and early 1994 was a fine example of "people of goodwill" coming together to solve a common problem that transcended "politics as usual."

Well, maybe, and maybe not. For Engler, this was clearly

about politics and getting the best of his opposition. And, if a little good government could result from it, all the better.

In addition to the featured speakers, the program included several panel discussions. David Arsen, Plank's co-author for the report *Michigan School Finance Under Proposal A*, gave an outline of the report and its recommendations and then moderated a discussion of academic researchers on the effects of Proposal A. Everyone supported the proposal, but saw need for change.

The odd man out in this group was Jack McHugh, a legislative analyst with the conservative Mackinac Center for Public Policy. McHugh's free market approach to education didn't sit well with the audience of public school educators or with his fellow panelists. McHugh seemed to realize he was in "enemy" territory, though he had an ally a little later when Engler took the podium.

Stabenow, a state senator from Lansing when the proposal was presented to voters, remembers "politics making strange bedfellows." She is credited with setting everything in motion in the fall of 1993 by proposing that the state eliminate local property taxes for support of public schools. As Republicans Engler and then-Senate Minority Leader Dick Posthumus recalled, they "leaped" at the opportunity. That forced the Legislature to work fast and under pressure to propose a new method for financing public education that would dramatically reduce property taxes.

To Engler, it was a godsend. As he remembers it, when he had earlier proposed a 20-percent reduction in property taxes, it was Sen. Art Miller, the Democratic majority leader from Macomb County, who suggested that maybe they should go further. As Stabenow had her sights on the governor's job, she became the lead person for making the recommendation. But, according to Engler, she

opposed Proposal A when it was finally before voters. (Later, former state Rep. Lynn Jondahl clarified that Stabenow instead supported the fallback position which would have increased the income tax, which would have been deductible from federal tax and shift some of the tax burden to the federal government).

Jondahl was part of the "Group of 14," experienced members of the House from both parties who hammered out the details of Proposal A. Jondahl was one of the most liberal members of the House and he continues to have a droll, prodding sense of humor.

He, Posthumus, Miller and former co-Speaker Paul Hillegonds joined Engler at the memory lunch.

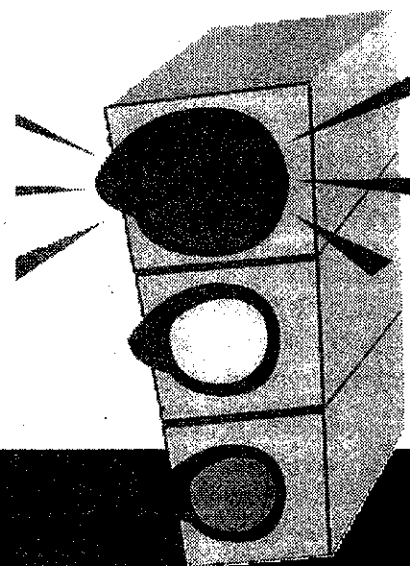
Engler's rendition of events was, as always, amusing. He made clear his interest was in reducing taxes. He calls those who want to "tweak" Proposal A tax talkers who, in his view, wrongly equate more spending with better schools. He even chided his hosts from The Education Policy Center for their "mediocre" research on charter schools and their blasphemous suggestion that a 2-mill increase in the state property tax *might* be helpful.

"We always thought it was about kids and about education. The question of quality is how do you empower parents, give them additional choices, how do you bring elements of the market to bear," he said.

The conservative Engler and the liberal Jondahl were the liveliest speakers of the day. Both embraced their partisan positions with rich humor and a poke in the eye to the opposition. Both seem to recognize that even "bipartisan" solutions are the result of partisan gamesmanship.

Let the games continue.

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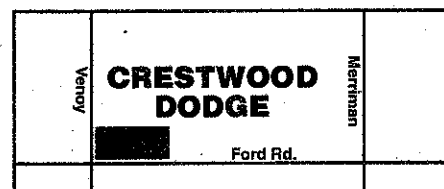
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New fees would help fund recycling efforts

A bill that would add a surcharge for trash dumped in Michigan landfills is gaining support from a diverse coalition of organizations as one of the best ways to improve the state's recycling efforts.

The Senate bill, recently introduced by six state senators including Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, would force trash haulers to pay a \$3 tipping fee for every ton of solid waste disposed of in any state landfill. The money would be deposited into a waste diversion fund, which communities could tap into to support local recycling programs.

Senate Bill 721 is currently being debated in the senate's Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee, which is chaired by Patty Birkholz, R-Saugatuck. A coalition, which includes the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, Michigan Environmental Council and the Michigan Recycling Partnership, is hoping the bill eventually makes its way to the governor's desk.

According to James Clift, policy director for the MEC, a Lansing-based group that represents nearly 70 environmental groups, the tipping fee would generate about \$42 million annually for recycling programs. With most communities facing budget troubles, Clift said that money would be particularly enticing.

"Many communities are cutting recycling programs because of fiscal constraints. If you have to choose between laying off police officers or cur-

tailoring recycling, it's really a no-brainer," Clift said. "The lion's share of the money produced by this bill would go to local communities and help reverse this trend."

If the bill passes, Clift said it would also reduce the amount of trash brought in from out of state, from places such as Canada. Currently, Michigan is the only state in the Great Lakes region that doesn't have such a fee in place.

The bill was introduced last year after an effort to expand the state's bottle deposit law

stalled after a number of public hearings held by Republican senators. Although environmentalists still support expanding the law so deposits are put on noncarbonated drink containers like water bottles, state Sen. Mike Bishop, R-Rochester, said the measure doesn't have enough current support.

"I just don't see that happening anytime in the near future. There wasn't enough overall consensus at the public hearings to support it. So we're looking for alternative ways to

increase curbside recycling," he said. "We have limited resources right now, but something needs to be done. Our landfills are filling up far too quickly. That is something we can all agree on."

The main opposition to expanding the bottle bill came from food retailers and bottlers, who said an expansion of the bottle law would be too burdensome. Michael Sarafa, president of the Southfield-based Associated Food Dealers of Michigan, which represents approximately 2,200 food

retailers around the state and is a member of the Michigan Recycling Partnership, said his organization is supporting the passage of the tipping fee bill.

"Frankly, if we don't get this passed, there will be more pressure to include more containers under the bottle deposit law, which will be very bad for retailers," he said.

Some groups, like the Ann Arbor-based Ecology Group, an MEC member, are still pushing to get the bottle bill expanded. Mike Garfield, the group's director, said the bottle deposit

law is the best recycling law the state has. But he is also a big proponent of the tipping fee bill, because Michigan has one of the worst records of recycling in the country.

Michigan's currently recycles about 20 percent of its solid waste, compared to the national average of 30 percent. In addition, less than 40 percent of Michigan communities have curbside recycling programs.

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The occasion is Schoolcraft College's Super Science 12:30 - 4 p.m. Saturday, March 27. Aspiring scientists will enjoy a presentation by Dr. Zap, a Michigan educator who combines physics, chemistry and optics with a measure of showmanship to inspire and motivate youngsters to aim for technical careers.

The 50-minute program will feature lots of audience participation, with demonstrations on what it feels like to be a gyroscope or see sound travel across the stage.

Next, participants can spend two hours among COSI Toledo's 10 exhibits. The hands-on activities explore principles of flight, polymers, rocketry, weight, chromatography, ecosystems and building structures.

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Tourney champs

The Canton-Salem Unified Junior varsity hockey team followed a 9-6-2 regular season with a victory in the Shamrock Tournament March 12-14 at Glacier Pointe Arena in Port Huron.

The Unified team opened the Midget BB Division tournament with a 2-0 win over Ricks Autobody, with goals from Ryan Mooradian and Derek Schmitt. Unified tied Livonia 2-2 in its next game, with goals by Sean O'Connor and Mooradian. Another 2-2 draw — goals by Anthony Briliati and Nick Cole — with Midland followed.

In the final, goals by Shawn Ruman, Schmitt and Andy Barylski led to a 3-2 win over Livonia. Unified goalie Paul Sikora was named tournament MVP.

Other team members are Logan Beam, Jon Bonham, Jason Booms, Nick Cole, Cory Hames, Kirk Haneline, Evan Haneline, Kyle Kowalski, Joe Marin, Dan O'Connor, Jason Sharrow, Ed Simeone and Adam Vukmirovich. The team is coached by Marv Leaym, Paul Panaretos and Greg Hames.

Team leader

The Michigan State University baseball team has gotten off to a 4-7 start this season, but at least one Spartan is playing well.

Oliver Wolcott, a junior with sophomore eligibility and a Canton HS graduate, has appeared in nine games for MSU, with five starts. A third baseman, Wolcott was leading the Spartans in batting average at .364 and slugging percentage at .682, and was second in on-base percentage at .417.

Tourney champs

The Canton Red Wings Mite hockey team took top honors at the Arctic Blast Tournament Feb. 29 in Chelsea.

The Red Wings got through their first three games fairly easily, but the final was a struggle. In their first game, the Wings beat the Novi Wildcats 7-3. After that came lopsided wins over Chelsea No. 3 by a 9-3 count and Chelsea No. 1 by a 6-0 score, with goalie Kyle McMillan getting the shutout.

In the final, the Red Wings faced the Novi Wildcats once again. The Wings led 2-0 in the third period when Novi stormed back with two late goals, the tying score coming with just 1:31 left in the period. In overtime, the Wings' Steven Dunn got the game-winner, with assists from Bradley Cecil and Everett Czarnota.

Other team members are Dylan Bonelli, Matthew Clemons, Bryan Eastman, Jerry Jordan, Evan Joseph, Thomas Kelly, Geoff Kelm, Jared Merandi, Adam Siedlaczek and Noah Willer. The Red Wings are coached by Matt Cecil, Steve Czarnota, George Dunn, Brian McMillan and Steve Willer.



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Goal-tending is often the difference in the playoffs, and in Friday's series opener against Kitchener Whalers' back-up Ryan Nie came through with 33 saves on 35 shots.

Nie-tly done!

Whalers' backup goalie stops Rangers in opener

Just as the Ontario Hockey League playoffs were beginning, the Plymouth Whalers got the worst news possible.

Starting goalie Paul Drew, an OHL all-star, suffered a badly sprained ankle Tuesday and will most likely be lost for the season.

Suddenly, the Whalers were beginning the post-season against one of the league's top offensive teams and the defending league champs, the Kitchener Rangers, with their backup goalie, Ryan Nie.

"It was a big test for him," said Whalers' coach Mike Vellucci. "He hasn't played a lot of hockey for us in a while. I think he's played two games in the last month."

But Nie was ready for the challenge, back-stopping the Whalers to a 3-2 victory in the opening game of this best-of-seven series Friday in Kitchener.

The series resumed Saturday night at Plymouth's Compuware Arena. Game Three will be back in Kitchener Monday, with Game Four at Compuware Wednesday.

Nie and the Whalers' specialty units were the difference in this game. Nie stopped 33 of 35 shots on goal in besting Kitchener's veteran goalie, Brad Topping, who had 19 saves.

"You could tell he was ready for the challenge," said Vellucci of Nie. "When I called him into my office and told him he was in, he was sorry for Paul but he also had this big smile on his face. He couldn't wait to get in — he wasn't nervous at all."

"He had to be at the top of his game."

He was, keeping the Rangers off the board until late in the second period. By that time the Whalers had a 2-0 lead, thanks to second-period goals by James Wisniewski, on the power-play at 7:58 (from Vaclav Meidl and Jonas Fiedler), and Mike Letizia, at 13:12 (from Ryan Ramsay and John Vigilante).

The Rangers closed the gap to 2-1 with a power-play goal by Adam Keefe at 17:50 of the second period, but the Whalers regained their two-goal edge early in the third period when John Mitchell scored on the power play at 1:10 (from Vigilante and Gino Pisellini). Kitchener trimmed it to 3-2 at 10:47 with a score by Peter Franchin, but the Rangers could not get the equalizer.

The Whalers' specialty units were exceptional, converting 2-of-6 power-play chances while limiting Kitchener to 1-for-11.

Spliz team sparkles at state meet

The Level Nine Gymnastics State Competition proved to be a superb proving ground for the Spliz Gymnastics team from Canton.

Held March 14 at Eastern Michigan University, the Spliz team posted a 110.525 team score, good enough for a second-place finish — not bad considering the team consisted of just four girls.

Cheryl Conlin, a 14-year-old from Northville, paced the Spliz squad by capturing Junior B Division titles in the uneven parallel bars (9.35) and balance beam (9.45).

All four of the Spliz girls qualified for the Regionals.

Green, also 14 and from New Hudson, competed with Conlin in the Junior B Division. She was first in both the vault (9.275) and floor (9.40), was third on beam (9.40) and was second to Conlin in the all-around (36.65).

Lindsay Bridges, an 11-year-old from Canton, competed in the Junior A Division and turned in a terrific performance. Bridges placed second on the vault (9.0) and was second on bars (9.275), finished third in floor (9.20) and fourth in beam (9.15).

Her all-around total of 36.625 was good for second place.

Chelsi Denback, a 15-year-old from Trenton, competed in the Senior A Division. She placed fourth in the vault with a 9.175.

Denback's other scores were 8.20 on bars, 8.75 on floor and 8.55 on beam. She had a 34.675 score in the all-around.

All four of the Spliz girls qualified for the Regionals, which are slated for April 3-4 in Lansing.

Annual game brings out everyone's best

Michael Gilbert sat at the scorer's table, alternately eyeing his script and the chaos on the basketball court.

"Well," started Gilbert, just as he started a response to every question. "I like doing the announcing because there are great plays, but more because they are my friends at Burger School. Well, I also like announcing because I like doing my favorite words — 'Let's get ready to rumble!'"

Gilbert was preparing to announce the annual basketball game between Garden City High School's varsity and junior varsity basketball teams and the Burger Center for Autism Broncos.

It's an annual trip that Cougars basketball coach Greg Williamson gladly makes. His team always loses — the streak is five — but at the same time always wins by

playing. It brings joy to the players, the cheerleaders and the other students of the school, a countywide magnet school for autistic children.

Gilbert, of Detroit, is at the end of his time at Burger. At 26, he's at the cutoff for attending the school. And he reflected on what he thought would be his last game.

"Well, I'll miss my friends playing in the game," Gilbert said. "Mostly I'll miss everyone, including the Garden City cheerleaders and the Burger cheerleaders."

In a short time, he would start his pregame announcements. He would introduce Williamson, who would send his team through some drills. He'd thank coach Mary Jimenez for her help with the game. He would introduce the national anthem, and he would introduce his friends — the Burger players — to a

packed crowd at the tiny gym.

More than 40 players from Burger took to the court Friday afternoon — all playing about half of a 10-minute quarter. Some scored, most didn't. But they all tried. And they all treated it like it was truly March Madness.

First quarter

Tony Ardinger galloped down the court, hoping he'd get the ball. His nervous intensity showed in little ways — snapping his fingers or clapping his hands in the front, then behind his back.

The 13-year-old Livonian gave it his all during his five-minute stint on the court. He never got close enough to take a shot, but threw a couple of arcing passes that led

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Churchill coach best in Observerland

The success of the Livonia Churchill wrestling program has been gradually building during Marty Altounian's tenure as coach.

The 2003-04 season was arguably Churchill's best as the Chargers captured five tournaments, its first Division I team dual district crown in school history, not to mention a 19-2 dual-meet record.

Churchill was also co-Observerland Invitational champion with Westland John Glenn this season and took home Western Division dual meet trophy in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The Chargers also sent seven wrestlers to the Division I state individual meet at the Palace of Auburn Hills with junior Manuel Schubert coming away with the 171-pound title.

"It doesn't come without great support from the parents, our administration and my assistant coaches," said Altounian, who was named Observer Coach of the Year. "With assistants like John McCurdy and Mike Gaffke, the only thing I have to worry about is coaching."

The 37-year-old Altounian is a 1985 graduate of Livonia Bentley who wrestled, played football and baseball in high school. Altounian played four seasons of football at Wayne State University, where as a nose guard, he earned All-America honors in NCAA Division II along with being an All-Great Lakes Intercollegiate Conference pick. During his senior year with the Tartars he served as team captain.



Salem's Ryan Stump (top), here in a match against Wayne's Justin Keatts, was 34-5 for the season and won titles at the Salem Invite and Observerland tournaments. He was also second in the state.

Altounian, who works in his family's jewelry business, served as Brent Withington's assistant for four seasons before taking the head reins seven years ago.

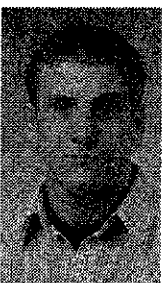
"Every year we've gotten better, the only thing that holds us back is sheer numbers," said Altounian, who had a squad of 19 this season. "A lot of the kids we get are starting from scratch. A kid like Kris Felice (125 pounds) had no wins as a freshman and had 46 this year as a

senior. That means we're doing the right things."

The 2004-05 also looks promising for the Chargers, who return six of their seven state qualifiers.

"It's nice to see that we grew together as a team," Altounian said. "And another thing that helped is that we have seven scholar-athletes."

See All-Observer wrestling team on page B2.

**Jesse Gardocki**
Liv. Franklin**Andrew Nadhir**
Redford CC**Justin Smith**
Liv. Churchill**Ryan Stump**
Salem**Kris Felice**
Liv. Churchill**Jim Moore**
Redford Union**Corey Phillips**
Canton**Tim Hammer**
Wayne Memorial**Ryan Webb**
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Garden City**Neal Kemp**
Luth. Westland**Eric Chambers**
John Glenn**Jeremy Walker**
Salem**Marty Altounian**
Coach - Churchill

Jesse Gardocki, Liv. Franklin, 103: The junior finished the year with a 39-5 record, leading the Patriots in wins and pins, while bringing his career mark to 66-36.

Gardocki was Livonia City, Observerland, Western Lakes Activities Association and Dearborn Fordson Invitational champion.

"Jesse is a great example of what someone can do with hard work and dedication," Franklin coach Dave Chiola said. "He was 3-20 his first year, and quite frankly, didn't show much potential. He worked out, wrestled and came back a different kid. He fell short of his goals this year, but to someone like Jesse, it will just make him work that much harder for next year."

Andrew Nadhir, Redford Catholic Central, 112: Nadhir finished 39-6 in his second year with CC and won his weight class in the Detroit Catholic League and Observerland meets.

The sophomore Nadhir won the district final, before falling in the regional final. In two years, Nadhir is 65-14.

"He vindicated an earlier loss in the finals of the Observerland tourney," said CC coach Mike Rodriguez. "This victory matured Andrew for the remainder of the season. His determination and passion to succeed is exciting to watch."

Justin Smith, Liv. Churchill, 119: The junior finished seventh in his weight class and finished with a 40-7 record, raising his career mark to 98-37.

Smith was Division I regional and district champion, Livonia City champ, along with Rochester and Olivet invitational champion.

In a Division I team regional semifinal bout with Bellefonte, Smith pinned Justin Williams to bring his team to within four points for last match.

"Justin is a wrestler that just can't get enough wrestling in," Churchill coach Marty Altounian said. "He is always wanting more. He is able to listen to the coaches and perform better and better each week. His happiest times are wrestling practice and winning tournaments. He is very coachable and makes everything he does look easy."

Ryan Stump, Salem, 119: A junior, Stump was a champion at the Salem Invitational, the Adrian Invitational and at Observerland. He also finished second at the WLAA Finals and was second at the state tournament.

For the season, Stump compiled a 34-5 record - which brings his career mark at Salem to 89-21.

"Ryan continues to be a joy to coach and to know," said Salem coach Greg Wozniak. "I hope he learned that talent only takes you so far, that hard work and your own desire to be at states takes you the remainder of the way."

Kris Felice, Liv. Churchill, 125: The state qualifier finished the year 46-5 to up his career numbers to 87-41.

The Observerland and district champion, Felice also won invitationals at River Rouge, Olivet, Livonia, Rochester, Garden City and Wyandotte.

"The amount of improvement Kris has shown from his freshman year is remarkable for a young man who made it to the state meet his senior year," Altounian said. "Kris didn't win a match his freshman year and won 46 this year. That's a lot of hard work and desire to be able to accomplish that."

"He was one that the team counted on time and time again in our dual meets. He was definitely a go-to guy for us this year."

Jim Moore, Redford Union, 130: Moore spent the year between 130 and 135 and had his season-ending success at the higher weight - finishing seventh in the state.

The junior went 44-7 this year and is 90-32 for his career. Moore was a champion at the district and regional levels, won the Observerland and South Lyon tourneys and was lower weight MVP at the Observerland meet.

The two-year captain set a team season record for takedowns with 199 and was the first junior at Redford Union to place at the state tourney.

"Placing in the state meet is a huge accomplishment for anyone, but Jim did it as a junior," said RU coach Russ Swinson. "Having a kid like Jim return is a coach's dream and I am looking forward to watching him succeed next season."

Corey Phillips, Canton, 130: Phillips' season was an extended highlight reel - and perhaps the best part is, he's just a freshman. That makes his posting a 47-10 match record all the more impressive.

Included in that record were first-place finishes at the Salem Invitational, the Canton Dual Tournament and at the WLAA

2003-04 ALL-AREA WRESTLING TEAM

103 pounds: 1. Jesse Gardocki, Jr., Liv. Franklin; 2. Alex Fowler, soph., Liv. Churchill; 3. Josh Preiss, soph., Wayne Memorial.

112: 1. Andrew Nadhir, soph., Redford CC; 2. Jason Crothers, Jr., Wayne; 3. Rowdy Glasgow, soph., Wayne.

119: 1. Justin Smith, Jr., Churchill and Ryan Stump, Jr., Salem; 2. Justin Keatts, Jr., Wayne; 3. James Jones, soph., Franklin.

125: 1. Kris Felice, Jr., Churchill; 2. Mike Dendinos, Jr., Salem; 3. Saul Fuentes, soph., Liv. Stevenson.

130: 1. Jim Moore, Jr., Redford Union and Corey Phillips, Canton; 2. Dave Burr, Jr., Salem; 3. Jim Wood, Jr., John Glenn.

135: 1. Tim Hammer, sr., Wayne and Ryan Webb, Jr., Canton; 2. Zach Vaughn, Jr., Salem; 3. Jameson Murray, Jr., Churchill.

140: 1. John Gourlay, Jr., RU and Rece Cox, Jr., John Glenn; 2. Rex Fugaban, sr., Wayne; 3. Dave Watkins, Jr., Franklin.

145: 1. Darlo Mainella, sr., Stevenson; 2. Chris McGone, sr., Wayne; 3. Greg Wacker, sr., John Glenn.

152: 1. Brad Bartram, Jr., CC, Brandon Noble, sr., Lutheran Westland, and Daron Cruickshank, sr., John Glenn; 2. Ben Adams, Jr., Churchill; 3. Will Schultz, sr., Salem.

160: 1. Trevor Stewart, Jr., CC; 2. Emilio Perez, sr., Garden City; 3. Brad Allen, sr., John Glenn.

171: 1. Manuel Schubert, Jr., Churchill, Scott Schwarzlose, sr., CC, Dan Haller, sr., Lutheran Westland, and Jeremy Sparks, sr., Garden City; 2. Bryan Longton, sr., Wayne; 3. Jordan Schaefer, sr., Salem.

189: 1. Neal Kemp, sr., Lutheran Westland; 2. Jake Fairchild, sr., John Glenn; 3. Joe

Tournament. Phillips also was second at the Springfield Dual, Catholic Central and Observerland tournaments and was third at both the state district and regional tournaments. He finished seventh at the state finals.

"Corey is extremely coachable and has a great work ethic," said Canton coach Casey Randolph. "His ability to focus and prepare in and out of practice is tremendous for a freshman."

Bargerstock, Jr., Stevenson.

215: 1. Eric Chambers, sr., John Glenn; 2. Hafeez Qureshi, Jr., Churchill; 3. Eric Vojtkofsky, Jr., CC.

275: 1. Jeremy Wallace, sr., Salem; 2. Pat Draheim, Jr., Churchill; 3. John Morasso, Jr., CC.

COACH OF THE YEAR: Marty Altounian, Churchill.

HONORABLE MENTIONS

Salem: Brian Danvill, Chris Drabicki, Scott Fysh, Matt Keffler, Matt Sammutt, Alex Smith, Ryan Tooley, Josh Anson, Jeremy Henderson, Nick Morency; Redford Union: Ken Nelson, Josh Loar, Josh Wischmeyer, Mike Taylor, Robbie Carmichael; Canton: Sam Santilli, Nick Poole, Konrad Konsitzke, Steve Hoesy, P.J. Caram; Redford CC: Niko Ianni, Robert Price, John Kinville, Mike McHenry; Lutheran Westland: Russell Tobkin, Jacob Sutter, Robert Bytner, James Mackenzie, Mark Yapp, Jacob Galindez, Jameson Higgins; Clarenceville: Ali Ismail, Brent Robbins, Kurtis Robbins, Pat Kennedy, Robert Malady, David Kazaryan, Adam Raby; Stevenson: Alex York, Adam Kokenakes, Doug Fellows, Cody Rize, Kyle Lis, Edgar Fuentes; Franklin: Mike Warren, Ryan Hawkins, Kayle McCart, Matt Warren, Blake Karkoska, Chris Weiss, Chris VanCamp, Ryan Pokrylyk; John Glenn: Mike Weck, Jon McCahill, Ryan Cabildo, Brandon Nikula, Orlando Carswell, Saif Naber; Churchill: Tim Hecksel, Eric Brace, Josh Kelly, Dan Clement, Dan Gaffke, Winben Duan; Garden City: Steve Ludke, Craig Markgraff, Thurston: Joey Hassett, Jeff Ryan, Alex Stupnya, Shawn Taylor.

Tim Hammer, Wayne Memorial, 135: The senior had a banner season, going all the way to the Division I state championship match before losing a heartbreaker to Davison's Jon Reader, 7-5.

As a junior, Hammer finished sixth.

During his career, Hammer sported a 130-30 record, including a 39-2 mark this season.

This season, Hammer won the Observerland Invitational and also was named MVP of the Romulus Tournament. He was also individual district and regional champion.

Ryan Webb, Canton, 135: Webb continued to improve his already impressive wrestling resume, putting together a 40-8 match record to take his career record to 71-18.

A junior, Webb finished first at the Hudson Dual, the Springfield Dual and Canton Dual tournaments, the Salem Invitational and the WLAA Tournament. He was also second in tournaments at South Lyon, Catholic Central and Observerland, finished second at both the state district and regional tourneys, and took eighth at the state finals.

"Ryan is a great leader in the room," said Canton coach Casey Randolph. "He spends a lot of time wrestling in the spring and summer, and he helps set a precedence for our program."

John Gourlay, Redford Union, 140: Three is a solid number for Gourlay. The senior is a three-time All-Mega Conference selection, a three-year captain, a three-time MVP and on Saturday, finished third in the state in Division I.

Gourlay, who went 47-5 for the season and 164-34 in his career, was also the district champion, the Mega White champ and won the Garden City Christmas Tourney.

"He's the kind of kid that doesn't come around often," said Swinson. "He will be missed for his leadership as much as for his wrestling. He's always the hardest working

kid in the room. He works so hard that you actually have to tell him to stop."

Rece Cox, Westland John Glenn, 140: The junior finished the year 48-3, including a fifth-place finish at the state meet. Only an injury default prevented him from reaching the finals.

Cox, 120-23 during his career, was Western Lakes, Observerland and Troy Invitational champion. He also was a finalist at the Redford Catholic Central Invitational and served as Glenn's captain.

He was a state runner-up a year ago at 135 and has been a finalist in every tournament he has competed in for the past two years.

"Rece has worked extremely hard for his accomplishments," Glenn coach Bill Polk said. "Although he fell short of his goal this year, he still had a great season. He is the most talented wrestler I have coached. Rece has been a bright spot in our lineup since he was a freshman. His dad has done a great job teaching him what it takes to be a champion. We look forward to his senior year."

Darlo Mainella, Liv. Stevenson, 145: The senior placed fourth in the Division I state meet, while finishing the year with a 51-4 record. For his career he went 136-34.

The two-time captain was Garden City, Observerland, Western Lakes and district champion. He also took second in the regional.

"His hard work and commitment to wrestling the past two years has made him one of the top wrestlers in the state," Stevenson coach Bob Moreau said. "His leadership and dedication to the team will be greatly missed next year, on and off the mat. I personally am going to enjoy watching him wrestle at the next level in college."

Brad Bartram, Redford CC, 152: Bartram was one of several successful wrestlers at the weight class, winning the Catholic League, the Observerland tourney and finishing eighth in the state.

The junior finished 49-10 overall, winning the district at Livonia Franklin and placing third at the Chippewa Valley regional. In three years, he has a 130-19 record.

"He was able to get to the state tourney for the second time and he placed this year," said Rodriguez. "Brad is a young man whose aspirations to be a state champion is all hard work. He is a joy to coach."

Brandon Noble, Luth. Westland, 152: The senior finished 48-8 on the season and ended his career with a 145-50 mark.

This season, Noble placed sixth in the Division IV state meet after winning both the district and regional crowns. He also was Metro Conference and Harper Woods Lutheran East champion, while finishing second at the Dearborn Fordson meet.

Noble is a two-time state qualifier, placer and conference champion. He also helped the Warriors to two straight quarterfinal appearances in the Division IV team dual state tourney.

Noble was also an All-State selection in soccer who led Lutheran Westland to the Division IV state finals.

Daron Cruickshank, John Glenn, 152: The Glenn team captain finished his senior year with a 45-12 record. His career mark is 119-62.

Cruickshank was a Western Lakes and state qualifier this season. He is also a two-time WLAA champ and state qualifier and has served two years as captain.

"Daron is the hardest working athlete I have ever coached," Polk said. "His dedication and commitment was an example for our entire team. It has been a pleasure to have him become part of the John Glenn wrestling tradition."

"I look forward to watching him become a successful college wrestler. We will miss him."

Trevor Stewart, Redford CC, 160: Pound for pound, Stewart might be the best wrestler in the area. Certainly his record proves that - 58-1 this season, 150-5 in the last three years and a two-time state champion.

He won tournaments in Grandville, Goodrich, Toledo St. John's, CC and the Observerland meet. He was the Catholic League champion and won district and regional titles.

"I admire his composure for a 17-year-old," said Rodriguez. "His passion for the sport of wrestling is overwhelming. I am proud to be his coach."

Manuel Schubert, Liv. Churchill, 171: The junior, who finished 50-4 overall, capped an incredible season by winning the Division I state title.

He was district, WLAA, Observerland, Rochester, Olivet, River Rouge, Garden City and Livonia City champion as well.

Schubert's career record is 101-35.

"Exceptional is the best way to describe Manuel," Altounian said. "He is the workhorse in the wrestling room, the calm but intense leader, always wanting more and never satisfied."

"He also does it in the classroom with a 4.26 grade-point average. He is tireless in his effort to be the best. He always wants to improve. He is every coach's ideal athlete."

Scott Schwarzlose, Redford CC, 171: Schwarzlose was one of a quartet of solid wrestlers at 171, finishing second in Division I to Chambers.

He was also a two-time Catholic League champion, won the Toledo St. John's tourney, and was runner-up at the Observerland tourney.

The senior posted a 57-7 season record and a 175-25 career record. He's also a three-sport athlete, as the punter for the football team as well as playing lacrosse.

"He's a very talented athlete," said Rodriguez. "He's an outstanding champion and leader on the team. I know he will succeed at Texas Christian."

Dan Haller, Luth. Westland, 171: The senior took third place in the Division IV individual state meet to cap a 48-6 season.

He is a three-time state qualifier, district and Metro Conference champion as well. His career record is 160-46.

This season, Haller also won the Lutheran East Tournament and helped the Warriors to their second straight Final 8 berth in the Division IV team state finals.

"Dan Haller is a hard-working athlete, excelling in football, wrestling and track," Lutheran Westland coach Dennis Tuomi said.

Jeremy Sparks, Garden City, 171: Sparks was another one of the area's top wrestlers, taking fifth place at a Division I meet dominated by Observerland participants. He was the most valuable wrestler at the Dearborn Fordson tourney, won the Inkster tourney, was the league (for the third time) and district champion, and the regional runner-up.

He finished the year at 50-6 and had a career record of 119-39.

"He is an exceptional young man," said Garden City coach Aaron Davis. "One of those wrestlers that may only come along once in a coaching career. Coming from Garden City, where there is no middle school wrestling, to advance not only to the state tournament, but to also bring home a medal says a lot for the young man."

Neal Kemp, Lutheran Westland, 189: The senior captured 52 of 53 matches this season en route to a third-place finish in the Division IV state meet.

Kemp is a two-time Garden City, Metro Conference, district and regional champion. He also won Observerland this season and is a two-time state qualifier.

Kemp's career record as a Warrior is 144-25.

"Neal is a very dedicated and hard-working wrestler," Tuomi said. "He's a self-made man."

Eric Chambers, John Glenn, 215: The senior made it all the way to the state finals before losing to nemesis Lance Shunia of Walled Lake Western, 4-2.

During the season the Glenn co-captain also won Observerland, district and Troy Invitational title.

Chambers finished 49-6 this season, including a school-record 36 points. His career record is 126-37. He was also a finalist at the CC Invitational and was runner-up to Shunia in the Western Lakes. He was a three-time regional qualifier and two-time state qualifier (placing fourth as a junior).

"Eric is the best clutch performer on the team," Polk said. "We could almost always count on him for a pin."

"Eric is a great example for our younger athletes in the classroom and on the mat. I'm sure he will be as successful in life as he was for our wrestling team."

Jeremy Walker, Salem, 275: A senior, Walker's last season wrestling for the Rocks was a stellar one. He had a 42-5 record for the season, bringing his career total to 118-26.

Among his accomplishments: first-place finishes at Lake Orion, Salem 10, Salem Varsity, Adrian and Williamston tournaments; winning the state district title for the second consecutive season; placing second at the WLAA Tournament; and placing seventh at the state finals.

"Jeremy had a lot on his plate all season," said Salem coach Greg Wozniak. "In the last week (of the season), Jeremy was in two state meets, taking first in the state in culinary arts then seventh in wrestling."

"Jeremy is a credit to his family, team and friends. It is a true joy to have had him cross my path."

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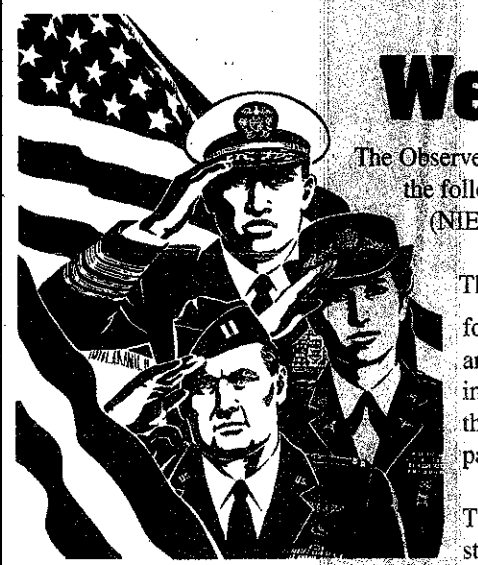
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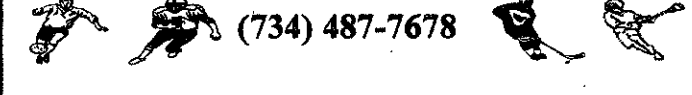
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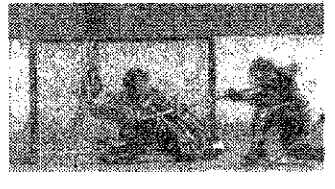
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to shots.

Still, there was one thing that separated Ardinger from the rest. He was the only player there who had fans with signs cheering him on.

"That's my brother and his friends," Ardinger said. "But you know what? The Churchill Stomp Team is going to perform just for me at halftime."

And they did — OK, Ardinger shared their performance with the rest of the crowd, but he knew they were there for him.

"I had fun for all of this," Ardinger said. "I passed well. That was the best and that's what I do well."

Valentino Rodriguez didn't pass a lot — mostly because he didn't get the ball a lot.

But he shot when he had the chance — the old-fashioned potty shot between the legs. And he had more than his share of opportunities. As the first quarter wound down, his teammates fed him down low, but it was to no avail. He couldn't get the ball in the hoop.

"Yeah, I tried to shoot it in," said Rodriguez, a shy 9-year-old from Redford. "I didn't get it to go in, but I liked playing."

Despite their better efforts, the Garden City JV held a 9-8 lead.

Second quarter

Josh Cleer had no qualms about shooting. And shooting and shooting.

He made some and missed some. And he had the interview process down pat — once he found out what was going on. When a teacher informed him he was being interviewed for the paper, he had a simple one-word response.

"Sah-weet!"

Cleer claimed he made three shots in the game. When a reporter asked him if he really scored three times, the 15-year-old from Garden City backed down and sheepishly said, "No, I only scored two. I was only joking."

But he did score and he did have a good time.

"I played pretty well," Cleer said. "I made a couple of shots and had a good time."

Adam Bunde of Westland got in the second half of the quarter. Like the rest, he had no prob-

lems going up and down the court and, like Rodriguez, had his best shot between his legs.

Bunde, 9, might have been small, but had one thing going for him. His ever-present squint and crew-cut blond hair reminded one of a young Chris Mullen.

And he had a Mullen-esque defensive moment. Instead of letting a Garden City player go down on a breakaway, he kept the play from getting started by grabbing the player's arm to keep him from getting away. The play turned into a bucket for the Broncos.

"Yeah, defense," said the soft-spoken player, wiping his mouth on the collar of his jersey. "Yeah, shooting and defense. I did good."

The Broncos came alive with a 26-21 lead.

Halftime

Energy was the rule from start to finish. After a solid performance by the Livonia Churchill Stomp Team that alternately got the crowd clapping and stomping to the rhythm and sitting in rapt silence, Gilbert received a plaque thanking him for his service and one other surprise.

He was asked by coach Andy Holmberg if he'd come back next year to announce the game — even if he was too old to continue attending classes at the center.

"This is great! I love you all," said Gilbert, before giving way to performances by the Burger cheerleaders. "I can't wait!"

Third quarter

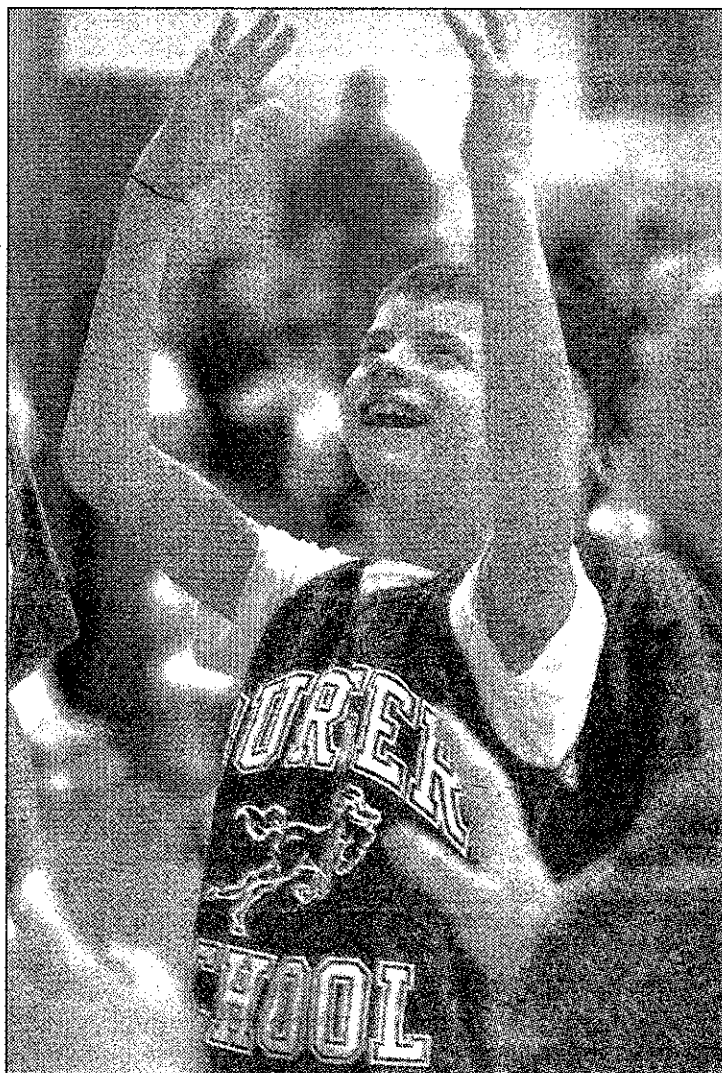
"Are you guys ready?" coach Natalie Kajkowski asked her squad, ready to start the third quarter. "Are you ready to go out there?"

Kyle Borowiak heard the message and delivered. While he didn't score, he shot a couple of times and missed. But he played solid defense, did a pretty good job at directing traffic and was a rebounding machine.

"It wasn't one of my best games, but it wasn't one of my worst either," said the 16-year-old from Redford. "I had problems shooting. I'm not good at seeing side-to-side or depth, but I'm good close in."

"But rebounding? That's what I'm best at. I can't go for a long time. I'm not a scorer, but I can rebound."

The Broncos pushed their lead



Dustin Kelly of Plymouth watches his shot go toward the basket.

to 46-31, using a 20-10 advantage against the Cougars varsity.

Fourth quarter

Josh Dickerson tried to score. Boy did he try.

But playing against the "taller" Cougars intimidated the husky 5-foot-11 12-year-old from Garden City.

"Those guys are over six feet tall and I'm just 5-11," Dickerson said. "I'm almost tall, but not tall enough. I tried for a shot and to score, but it didn't happen."

He had the opportunity to score and had no problem going down low, but a hand in his face tended to make him pass to a teammate. Dickerson did get a few shots off, but missed.

"The play was tough out there," Dickerson said. "I had a good game and I just hope I can do this again."

After waiting the whole game, Dustin Kelly finally got his chance. The youngster from the Plymouth-Canton school district was smaller than most players, but he tried his best on defense.

And down the stretch, he got his chance to score. His shot with three seconds left didn't go in, but he didn't care.

After the game and a 62-48 Burger win, he and his teammates got medals from the Garden City players commemorating the game.

"I'm going to hang this up in my room," Kelly said. "I like to play and I shot, but I didn't score."

After that, Kelly walked away and gave a staff member a half-hug.

He didn't need to score. He'd already won.

ALL-STATE HOCKEY

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY COACHES ASSOCIATION ALL-STATE TEAMS

DIVISION I

Goalies: Justin Bolla, Livonia Churchill; Aaron Gilmcomb, Brighton; Joonas Kyllanen, Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Defense: Mike Dziewit, Churchill; Bill Makela, Redford Catholic Central; James Grover and Kenny Jacobs, East Kentwood; John Kiviston, Brighton; Brian Plunkett, Ann Arbor Pioneer; Jeff Marley, Ann Arbor Huron.

Forwards: Chris Barczuk, Churchill; Jimmy Burns, Redford CC; Phil Chartier, Marquette; Antwan Hall, Port Huron Northern; Travis Zach Grover and Adam Pilecki, East Kentwood; Adam Peters, Clarkston; Mike Hautamaki, Brighton; Mike Barrett, Birmingham Unified; Evan Owen and Mike McCoy, Ann Arbor Pioneer; Keith Ferris, Ann Arbor Huron.

DIVISION II

Goalies: Ryan Gregory, Birmingham Brother Rice; Corey Hall, Davison; Mark Grignon, Grosse Pointe South.

Defense: Kevin Brojek, Warren DeLaSalle; Sean Mitera, University of Detroit Jesuit; Jason Pailing, Trenton; Jeff Miller, Portage Central; Trey Shields, Grosse Pointe South; Doug Pickens, Brother Rice.

Forwards: Stefan Fedal, Brother Rice; Curtis Christensen and Trent Mitchell, Davison; Joey Parke, Justin Abdelkader and Brent Kuzma, Muskegon Mona Shores; Phil Murray, Portage Central; Jacob Schering, Trenton; Scott Anderson and Ted Theodore, U-D Jesuit.

DIVISION III

Goalies: Andy Chima, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook; James Wood, Houghton; Mitchell Rybicki, Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

Defense: Bob Reiners and Chad Langlais, Cranbrook; Erik Drieselman, Dearborn Divine Child; Drew Fortney and Eric Roman, Orchard Lake St. Mary's; Josh Brown, Flint Powers Catholic.

Forwards: Craig Urwin, Chelsea; Nick Budzyn and Chase Langlais, Cranbrook; Dusan Calbus and Dan Blazo, Divine Child; Seth Rogers, Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day; Nick Jeanette, East Grand Rapids; Pat

Nagorsen, Zach Doyen and Derek Carr, Orchard Lake St. Mary's; Ian Isaacson, Flint Powers; Shawn Wilson, Riverview.

WESTERN LAKES

ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

ALL-CONFERENCE

Goalies: Justin Bolla, Sr., Livonia Churchill; Jim Gates, Jr., Northville.

Defense: Mike Dziewit, Sr., Churchill; Nick Guerro, Jr., Northville.

Forwards: Adam Stoner, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; Dave McCall, Sr., Livonia Franklin; Adam Griffin, Sr., Walled Lake Central.

Coach of the Year: Brad O'Neill, Northville.

ALL-WESTERN DIVISION

Goalie: Tony Hyko, Jr., Canton.

Defense: Joe Kozlowski, Sr., Franklin; Aaron Bernstein, Sr., Northville.

Forwards: Keith Robert, Sr., Franklin; Reece McCabe, Jr., Canton; Troy Engelland, Sr., Northville; Eric Lubanski, Sr., Walled Lake Western.

Coach of the Year: Terry Jobbitt, Franklin.

ALL-LAKES DIVISION

Goalie: Ryan Dennett, Sr., Stevenson.

Defense: Jim Scarpace, Sr., Walled Lake Central; Matt Fortier, Sr., Stevenson.

Forwards: Justin Stadler, Jr., Churchill; Jim Nawrocki, Sr., Stevenson; Andy Thackaberry, Sr., Salem; Chad Berry, Sr., W.L. Central.

Coach of the Year: Pete Mazzoni, Churchill.

HONORABLE MENTION

Churchill: Sean Burke, Brandon Hayes, Chris Barczuk, Brandon Mishowski, Derrick Lasecki; Northville: Joe Vitale, Jake Vitale, Derek Mohacs, Blake Brattina; Stevenson: Jon Fritsch, Dave Kubert, Sean Sachau, Jason Vella; Franklin: Jake Garbutt, Matt Sgriccia, Brad Garbutt; Salem: Aaron Cheesman, Craigen Bauldry, Kyle Emmons, John Maurer, Ryan Jones; W.L. Central: Kevin Francis, Shawn Skelly, Mike Sidor, Matt McCallum; Canton: Mike Stewart, Matt Oliver, Kevin Tollison, Kyle Tollison; W.L. Western: Scott Wietcha, Nick Kenny, Justin Strobel; W.L. Northern: Mike Bell, John McMahon, Kevin Naylor.

Adult rec hockey leagues offered

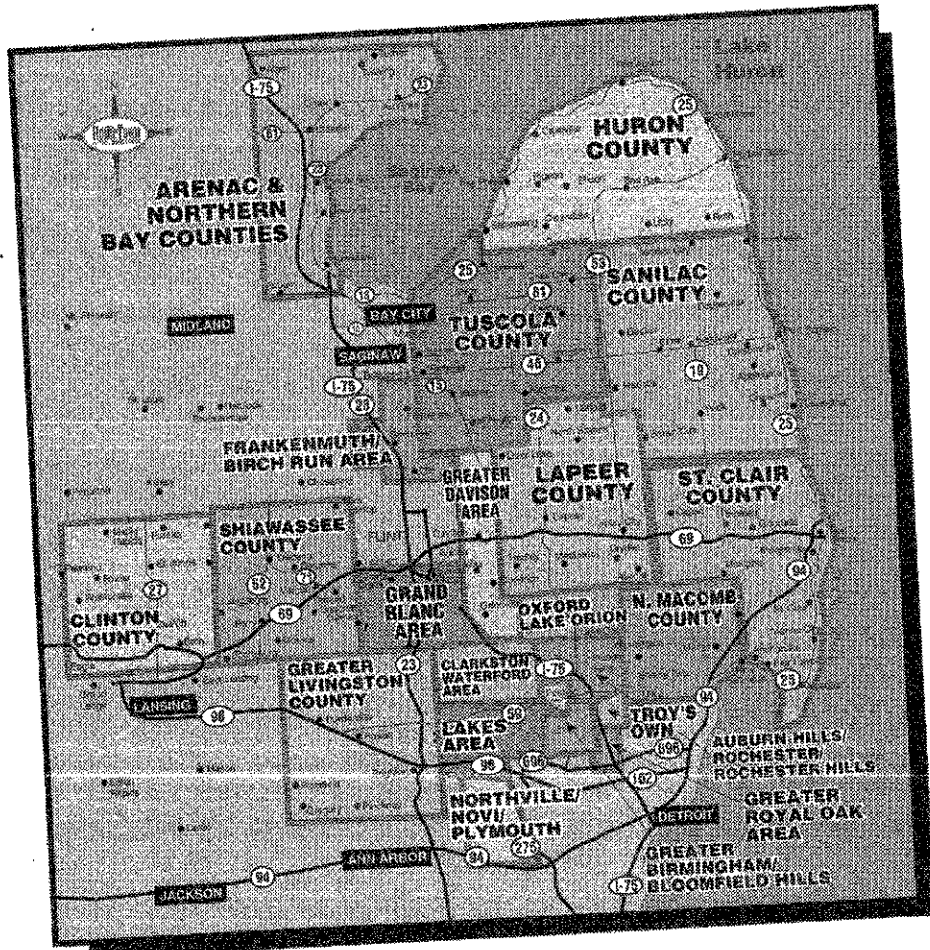
Adult recreation hockey leagues playing out of the Plymouth Cultural Center, Arctic Pond in Plymouth and Arctic Edge Arena in Canton, will be offered Sunday evenings now through March.

Among the leagues offered include men and women over-21, -30, -40 and -50, along with an adult novice league.

Drop-in hockey for seniors over-50 is available each Tuesday and Friday morning at the Arctic Pond.

For more information call the Arctic Pond at (734) 207-7663, or to obtain a registration form, visit www.rsipi.net. You can also call John Wilson at (248) 471-0658; or email him at john@rsipi.net.

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Farmer Jack/O&E Haystack Contest
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Livonia, MI 48150

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BASEBALL/SOFTBALL SIGNUP

The Canton Community Junior Baseball/Softball Association will have registration from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, March 27 in the Chestnut Room of the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

Registration is open to boys and girls 4-18 years old who are residents of Canton or Plymouth, or who live in the PCCS school district. All registrants must show proof of residency and age at time of registration. Fees range from \$75-\$110 for recreation leagues; travel teams' rates are higher. For more information, call (734) 394-5489.

LACROSSE MEETING

The Canton Warriors Lacrosse Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 24 in Room 305, Phase III at Canton HS. The meeting is open to all parents of those on the newly-formed 2004 team. Directions to all away games will be provided.

For more information, call Nina Smithpeters at (734) 981-3290.

KVBSA MEETING

The Kensington Valley Baseball/Softball Association

will have a meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Brighton HS cafeteria. The meeting is for any new and/or returning U-12 or U-14 teams.

For further information, call Jeff David at (810) 227-2332, or visit the Web site at www.KVBSA.com.

WALKING CLUB

The city of Plymouth Recreation Department will offer a new Walking Club beginning March 29. Everyday, on a drop-in basis, people will meet at the Plymouth Cultural Center (located at 525 Farmer) and walk a variety of routes mapped out by the Recreation Department, or they can blaze their own trail.

There are no fees or registrations involved. The morning start time is 9:30 a.m.; the evening start time is 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call the city of Plymouth Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620, Ext. 302.

BASEBALL CLINIC

The annual Salem Baseball Clinic will be in two sessions, the first on Saturday, March 27 and the second on Saturday, April 3, both in the Salem HS gym.

Three hours of baseball instruction from the Salem var-

sity players and coaches, for players ages 7-15, is included. Lunch is provided as well; registration fee is \$20.

To reserve a spot or for more information, call Ron Myers at (734) 459-4026.

DEK, ROLLER HOCKEY

High Velocity Sports (HVS) of Canton is now accepting registrations from individuals and teams for the spring roller hockey session. The season runs April 12-July 18; registration deadline is March 29. Individuals that sign up without a team pay \$135 per player plus a \$20 jersey fee. The team fee is \$1,000 for teams that pay in full by March 29, \$1,200 for teams that pay by their first game. The fees include 10 games plus playoffs.

A developmental dek (floor) hockey league (without inline skates) is available for 4-6 year olds. The playing surface is split in half so that four teams can play at once. All equipment is provided and players are taught the proper stick-handling techniques and general rules of the game. The fee is \$65 per player.

Dek (floor) hockey is also offered for adults. The season and deadlines are the same as the above-listed roller hockey dates, however the team fee is \$800 if paid by March 29 or \$1,000 by the team's first game. The individual fee is \$85 per player.

For the more seasoned roller hockey player, HVS offers a Cub

league for 5-7 year olds. This league is for children that can already skate and are ready to play in league games.

HVS also offers youth roller hockey leagues for Atom (8-and-under), Mite (10-and-under), Squirt (12-and-under), PeeWee (14-and-under), and Midget (17-and-under) players.

The adult roller hockey leagues include Copper (recreational), Bronze (intermediate), Silver (competitive), Gold (ultra-competitive), Coed and Over-30 leagues.

For those trying to improve their skills, youth and adult drop-in roller hockey clinics are available. Drop-in roller hockey for youth and adults is also available. Check www.hvsports.com for updated days, times and fees.

For more information on roller or dek (floor) hockey at HVS, or to register, please visit us at www.hvsports.com or call (734) HV-SPORT.

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

■ The WaCo Wolves U-9 travel baseball team will hold winter tryouts for the 2004 season. The team will play about 50-60 games during the season plus a World Series.

For more information, please call Bill Hardin at (734) 516-3723.

■ The Michigan Indians U-14 travel baseball tryouts will be 2:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 27, at Total Baseball in

Wixom. Aaron Knieper, former pro player and full-time baseball instructor, will coach this team.

The team will play in the Michigan Superior League and six tournaments, with indoor training at Total Baseball. Please call in advance: Aaron Knieper, (248) 219-8205, or e-mail him at arknieper@aol.com.

■ The Canton Mustangs U12 travel baseball team needs a few players for their 2004 squad. The Mustangs play in the Kensington Valley Baseball and Softball Association League, with 20 league games and 4-5 weekend tournaments (approximately 35 games in total). To be eligible, the player cannot turn 13 until after July 31, 2004.

For tryout appointments, call Jeff Gatt at (248) 752-7376.

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL CAMP

Total Baseball in Wixom is featuring its Spring Baseball/Softball Camps, with instruction from Aaron Knieper, formerly of the Montreal Expos; Lee Bjerke, Michigan HS Coaches Hall of Fame member; and Jess Milosek, Bowling Green University softball.

Hitting, pitching, fielding, base-running and more will be covered in this camp on fundamentals. Participants will be put on the radar gun for arm speed. The camp runs from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. April 12-14 at the Total Baseball Fields. Cost is \$135 per player, with a \$10 discount for the second child. Ages are 7-17 years. Space is limited. Please call (248) 668-0166, or

email them at totalbbal-wixom@aol.com or check the Web site at www.total-baseball.com.

WATER EXERCISE, CHALLENGE

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will hold its River Challenge classes at 6 p.m. Wednesdays and 8 a.m. Saturdays, along with its Deep Water Exercise classes 10 a.m. Tuesdays and Fridays at the Community Center Aquatics pool.

The River Challenge class is a 50-minute class. (Webbed water gloves provided. You must wear your own water shoes to each class.)

The Deep Water Exercise class will provide effective resistance to strengthen and tone the upper and lower body, as well as an abdomen workout to achieve greater flexibility. It is also therapy for sports injuries. Swim ability is not necessary. Water jogging belts are available, or you can bring your own. You must wear your own water shoes to each class. Call (734) 466-2925 or visit www.ci.livonia.mi.us.

LESSONS

Total Baseball, 30990 Wixom Road, will offer pitching, hitting, and fielding lessons for ages 6-18.

Lessons are by appointment only.

The cost is \$35 per half-hour or \$165 for five private lessons.

Call (248) 668-0166 or email totalbbalwixom@aol.com or visit www.total-baseball.com.

NOTICE
PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP
RESIDENTS

If you experience an overflow of backup of a sewage disposal system or storm water system, you must file a written claim with the Plymouth Charter Township Department of Public Works within 45 days after the overflow or backup was discovered. Notice should be mailed to Plymouth Charter Township, Department of Public Works, 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Failure to provide the written notice will prevent recovery of damages. Contact the Department of Public Works, 734-453-8131, Extension 21, for assistance immediately upon discovery of an overflow or backup.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Tanger Center Boiler Replacement Remodel**. Specifications and Bidding Documents will be available for examination and distribution on or after March 15, 2004. For further document examination information, please contact Dan Phillips of the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 1:30 p.m., Friday, April 2, 2004 and should be addressed: Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, RE: Tanger Boiler Bid, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
THOMAS WYSOCKI, Secretary

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Canton High School Media Center Renovation**. Specifications and Bidding Documents will be available for examination and distribution on or after March 15, 2004. For further document examination information, please contact Dan Phillips of the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 2, 2004 and should be addressed: Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, RE: Canton Media Center Bid, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **District-Wide Homeland Security Services**. Specifications and bid forms are available by contacting Dan Phillips of the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 2, 2004 and should be addressed: Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, RE: Homeland Security Bid, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Salem High School Media Center Renovation**. Specifications and Bidding Documents will be available for examination and distribution on or after March 15, 2004. For further document examination information, please contact Dan Phillips of the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 2, 2004 and should be addressed: Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, RE: Salem Media Center Bid, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Canton High School Kitchen Renodel**. Specifications and Bidding Documents will be available for examination and distribution on or after March 15, 2004. For further document examination information, please contact Dan Phillips of the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 2, 2004 and should be addressed: Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, RE: Canton Kitchen Renodel Bid, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
(734) 453-1234

A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, April 1, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following items:

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| Z 04-06 | 708 Church | Non-Use Variance Requested
Rear Yard Setback Variance
Zoned: RT-1, Two-Family Residential
Applicant: Jeremy Panizzoli |
| Z 04-07 | 275 Adams | Non-Use Variance Requested
Accessory Structure Distance to Main Structure Variance
Zoned: R-1, Single Family Residential
Applicant: Matthew List |
| Z 04-08 | 600 Ann | Non-Use Variance Requested
Front & Side Yard Setback Variance
Zoned: R-1, Single Family Residential
Applicant: Liz & Timm Carson |
| Z 04-09 | 279 N. Evergreen | Non-Use Variance Requested
50% Air Flow Variance
Zoned: R-1, Single Family Residential
Applicant: Mark & Sandra LaPointe |

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 206

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2101 Haggerty Rd.
Canton, MI 48187
(734) 981-0300
Unit 2038 household goods
Unit 3042 household goods
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Unit 6052 household goods | Shurgard of Livonia
30300 Plymouth Rd.
Livonia, MI 48150
(734) 522-7811
Unit 2001 restaurant equipment
Unit 4130 household goods
Unit 4132 household goods |
| Shurgard of Canton South
45229 Michigan Ave.
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 398-5416
Unit 4044 household goods
Unit 4112 household goods
Unit 4159 household goods
Unit 4253 household good
Unit 4274 household goods | Shurgard of Walled Lake
1901 East West Maple Rd.
Walled Lake, MI 48390
(248) 668-4020
Unit 3054 boat
Unit 3055 jeep wrangler
Unit 4040 boxes/files
Unit 5013 household goods
Unit 6004 household goods
Unit 6007 household goods |
| Shurgard of Southfield
19350 W. 8 Mile Rd.
Southfield, MI 48075
(248) 357-1137
Unit 1002 household goods
Unit 1040 household goods
Unit 1202 household goods
Unit 2079 household goods
Unit 2090 household goods
Unit 3006 household goods | Shurgard of Taylor
9300 Pelham Rd.
Taylor, MI 48180
(313) 292-2950
Unit 3033 household goods
Unit 5099 household goods
Unit 6058 household goods
Unit 6097 household goods |
| Shurgard of Dearborn
24920 Trowbridge Rd.
Dearborn, MI 48124
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Unit 1116 household goods
Unit 1300 household goods
Unit 2050 household goods
Unit 2056 household goods
Unit 2254 household goods | Shurgard of Sthfld @ Telegraph
24200 Telegraph Rd.
Southfield, MI 48034
(248) 208-9000
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Unit 2187 household goods
Unit 2166 medical equipment
Unit 1059 household goods
Unit 1046 household goods |
| Shurgard of Ann Arbor
2500 Industrial Hwy.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
(734) 793-2212
Unit 1041 household goods
Unit 1058 household goods
Unit 2033 household goods
Unit 3062 household goods
Unit 6011 household goods
Unit 6025 household goods | Shurgard of Plymouth
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Canton, MI 48187
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By Candy Parent
DAILY PRESS & ARGUS

What was good for your parents, may not be ideal for you.

"Times have changed," says Curt Fournier. "We have a different economy than we did 10 years ago."

Curt, a mortgage broker with Premier Mortgage Funding, Inc., says things like the Internet, stock scandals, Sept. 11, and other events have changed the economy. Today's families generally carry more debt, refinance their home every three years and move every seven years. Obtaining a 30-year mortgage is no longer synonymous to today's lifestyles, Curt says. He recommends people look at their mortgage in five-year increments.

Curt enjoys helping people. He hates to see mortgage brokers take unfair advantage of their clients. Instead, Curt wants to teach people how they can build wealth.

"You need to understand your finances," he says.

Many people look to cut corners with lower credit card interest or look for high rates of return on their retirement savings, without examining their largest debt — their home. With the right mortgage program, Curt says he can help a client turn their house into an asset, rather than a liability.

Curt operates his business differently from other mortgage brokers. He doesn't simply hand them a one-size-fits-all mortgage. Instead, he sits down with each client and asks them about their financial situation, their plans for the future and other information. Then, he presents them with four or five mortgage options that will benefit them, along with his personal recommendation. After explaining each one to his clients, he recommends they visit their personal financial advisor and then get back with him on the final decision.

"We become friends first," he

says. "I don't want their business if it doesn't benefit them. There are too many people who I could help. I can't waste my time selling someone a mortgage they don't need."

In fact, Curt's desire to help people build their own wealth has led Curt to study for an additional financial license. Soon, he will be able to help people with their entire financial package.

"I like to help people eliminate debt as quickly as possible by paying the least amount of interest as possible," he

To do that, he invites each client to examine the options available to them. Programs, such as an interest-only loan or a short-term ARM, can help to free up additional money to get out of debt quickly. Once a client is free of debt, they can use the equity in their home to invest and make additional funds. These programs can also be used to

increase an individual's standard of living. It's just a matter of learning how mortgages

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Today there are other options that will reduce the amount of interest

paid and reduce the amount of payments each month. If clients think in five-year increments, they will see a substantial savings on their home.

"Numbers are numbers," Curt says. "I am not selling them a mortgage. I am helping them understand how the process works and then the numbers speak for themselves."

Although each situation is different, the only way to see the benefit is to look at an example. Assume the client is financing



Helping clients put their money where it counts are Curt Fournier, center, and his staff, from left, Tami Rogers, Victoria Januszewski, Jason Fournier, Eric Lewandowski, Deniele LaButte, Carla Eagan and Katelyn Lewandowski.

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And, at the end of the five years, Curt helps the client find another low rate that best fits their situation. By working with returning customers and referrals and by keeping his profit-margin low, Curt is often able to re-finance without any fees or closing costs.

"I have a different vision than most mortgage brokers," Curt says. "My position is to help consumers save as much as possible. With a long-term loan, the savings aren't realized until the end of the loan and consumers don't stay in houses for 30 years anymore."

"Wealth is built by paying less money to the bank," he says.

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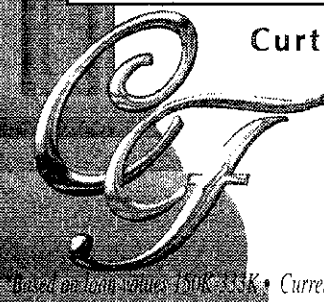
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Jacque Martin-Downs

Nutrition concerns a priority

Picture this ... you walk into a school cafeteria and are blown away by the scents and sensations wafting through the air. In fact, you aren't sure where you are.

Instead of the usual institutional setting of metal, formica, bright lights and linoleum, this commons area has low lighting, checkered tablecloths, and real cutlery, on top of four-top tables. The smells from the kitchen include pizza cooking in a wood-burning oven. In the middle of the room sits a delectable salad bar, with luscious fruit piled high in a rattan basket right smack in the middle.

Am I in Italy, you ask? No, you are in the cafeteria of the 21st-and-a-half century, the dream of Chef Alice Waters, creator of Chez Panisse Restaurant in Berkeley, Calif. Using her foundation's money, she has already commissioned the Edible Schoolyard, an organic garden at King Middle School in Berkeley.

Her goal is to "re-engineer" children's palates across the nation. She believes that "food is a vehicle for social change." Sure, you're saying, only in Berkeley Calif., could they pull off something like that. We could never do that here in Michigan.

But knowing the typical school lunch runs \$3 and her organic concept is \$2 more, she wonders if we wouldn't be able to support changing the quality of cafeteria food by instituting a sliding fee scale, where the more affluent families subsidize others, or where community organizations sponsor children.

Michael Murphy, associate professor of psychology at Harvard Medical School, was intrigued by her ideas, knowing diabetes and obesity rates in children were alarmingly high. His three-year study on the Edible Schoolyard curriculum showed improved behavior and fewer emotional problems, as well as overall GPA improvement.

"What this research shows about vegetable eating is that you probably ought to put kids in a garden, but also teach them about gardens, cook the food from the garden and have them taste it and see it's delicious," Murphy said.

With the huge number of children now being diagnosed with ADD/ADHD, Aspergers (a mild form of autism), conduct disorders and the like, one has to be suspicious that something is going on that is impacting children's brain chemistry.

So between obesity, diabetes, ADD and other emotional difficulties that are prevalent in today's children, we need to put nutritional health concerns on the front burner. As Peggy Orenstein from *The New York Times* magazine said, "Perhaps her plan for America's schools will indeed be like her fine dining revolution, with its mixed lettuces and sumptuous peaches: years from now we'll look back on today's lunchtime offerings, which seem so inevitable, and see them for the soggy iceberg lettuce and canned string beans they are."

Jacque Martin-Downs is a family therapist in Livonia. She can be reached at (800) 940-3808.

Sanctuary aims at better rabbit care

BY BRAD KADRACH
STAFF WRITER

Catherine Socall considers herself an animal lover in general.

But when you get her talking about her pet rabbit, Snoopy, her eyes light up and her smile widens to the width of her face.

The smile was at full wattage last weekend as Socall, husband Allan and several other volunteers gathered at Specialty Pet in Plymouth for an adoption extravaganza to benefit the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary near Milan.

Lots of rabbits were on hand, including more than a dozen available for adoption, as volunteers tried to raise awareness and interest in the bunnies.

"There's something special about bunny rabbits," said Catherine Socall, whose rabbit was there. "They show you such affection. They have all the traits of a caring, loving creature."

Rabbit awareness is a key right now, with the Easter holiday coming up, because rabbits are a popular Easter present, but they're also one of the more mistreated and misunderstood animals, according to officials at the sanctuary.

PROBLEMS, ABUSE

Of all animals used and abused by people, rabbits probably suffer in more ways than any other species, they say, citing things like the use of rabbits in cosmetic testing, and the penchant of people to simply dump them when they tire of them.

Even people who adopt a rabbit as a pet, officials say, often inadvertently mistreat it, keeping it in an outdoor hutch where it rarely sees anyone, or indoors in a small cage. Many are dumped at the local animal shelter.

According to information on the sanctuary's Web site, rabbits are the third most-popular companion animal, after cats and dogs. Unfortunately, they say, this means that an ever-increasing number of them are being abandoned to fend for themselves, or dumped at the local animal shelter.

"Rabbits are misunderstood, and they aren't valued as a pet," said Cathy Watson of Ann Arbor, who sits on the sanctuary's board of directors. "A lot of people just dump them."

It's one of the reasons the sanctuary was created. It's been in southeast



Allan Socall and his wife, Catherine, (in the hat) help youngsters learn about caring for rabbits at an event benefiting the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary at Specialty Pet in Plymouth last weekend.



Rabbits are a popular gift among families, particularly at the Easter holiday.

Michigan since 1995 and has saved close to a thousand rabbits, pigs, ducks, chickens, turkeys, ducks and cats from abandonment, neglect and death.

Formerly named "PigHoppers," sanctuary officials decided in 2003 the overwhelming need in this area was to provide a safe haven for rabbits, in particular. The name – and more importantly, the focus – changed.

That's OK with Tim Patino of Plymouth Township, who was looking for a way to honor the memory of his pet rabbit, who passed away. Patino had gotten the rabbit as a gift, and "really fell in love with her."

"She was such a loving pet," Patino

said. "When she passed away, I wanted another one, but I wanted to get one that deserved a second chance."

He heard about Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary, and fueled by the memory of an incident where he saw someone dump two rabbits with a bag of pellets in a field outside Toledo, has devoted himself to the cause. Patino and his wife, Marie-Chantal, go out to the sanctuary every other week to feed and help care for the rabbits.

FARM SITE

The sanctuary is located on 10 acres of farmland in Whittaker, Mich., with a specially built "bunny barn" that opens onto five yards which provide area for the rabbits to be rabbits. While adoption is one of the sanctuary's goals, mostly officials want to educate the public on the needs of rabbits to make them smarter in raising bunnies.

"We want to teach people how to take care of them," said Allan Socall, who, in addition to caring for Snoopy is fostering a rabbit named Princess for eventual adoption. "They're needs aren't complicated, but they are different."

Unfortunately, according to Watson, many people lose interest in the rabbits or aren't willing to do the work necessary to train them – for instance, rabbits can be litter-trained just like cats – in

order to keep them. Dumping often becomes the answer.

The Socalls' rabbit, Snoopy, was originally an Easter present who, along with his bunny brother, were left to die. That kind of treatment angers the Socalls.

"Someone just got tired of them and left them to die," Catherine Socall said. "There are places you can take pets. They have to do that."

The problem, according to Watson, is that people who dump their rabbits figure they're wild animals anyway, and will know how to survive. The vast majority of the time, that simply isn't true.

"A lot of people think rabbits will be OK in the 'wild,' but domesticated rabbits don't have survival skills," Watson said. "They depend on people to feed and care for them. A rabbit that's dumped will last about two weeks before being killed."

That's why the sanctuary was at Specialty Pets last weekend – they'll be out again April 3-4 – for the adoption event. Patino, Socall and Watson were among those trying to heighten rabbit awareness, raise some money for the sanctuary and recruit volunteers to help out.

"We're very passionate, but we're also very protective," said Watson, who owns nine rabbits herself. "We want what's best for the rabbits."

Tips for better bunny care for Easter season and beyond

Officials at the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary offer the following tips for the care of rabbits:

PLAYTIME

Toys are important to keep your bunny occupied and prevent damage to your home:

- Closed cardboard box with at least two doors for hopping in and out
- Large clay or cardboard tube to hide in
- Chew toys: apple tree branch, pine cones, anything made of untreated straw, wicker, or seagrass (coasters, mats, baskets, etc.)
- Toss toys: cardboard roll from toilet paper, wire ball with a bell inside, plastic keys for babies, large Lego blocks, etc.
- Empty margarine tubs and lids
- A towel to dig in or drape over a chair for your bunny to run through
- Old telephone books and cardboard boxes to shred
- Box full of hay, straw, shredded paper, spare piece of carpeting or anything else your bunny likes to dig in
- Litter box full of sand or soil to dig and roll in.

FEEDING

■ Rabbit's diet should be comprised mainly of fresh, leafy green vegetables and timothy hay (not alfalfa). Fresh water should be available at all times, in either a bottle or a bowl.

■ Commercial rabbit pellets are not a healthy diet, and should be fed in moderation, if at all. A better choice for adult rabbits is a timothy hay-based pellet. Oxbow Hay and American Pet Diner are two companies that currently manufacture nutritious timothy pellets. Both are sold on various rabbit Web sites as well as www.oxbowhay.com and www.americanpetdiner.com



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hyland-Morton

Bernard and Linda Hyland of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Molly Catherine Hyland to Michael Paul Joseph Morton, son of Drexel and Mary Morton, also of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a 1999 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a 2003 graduate of Western Michigan University with a degree in English and comparative religions.

Her fiancé is a 2000 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, and currently student-teaching at Romulus High School. He will graduate from Western Michigan University in April with a degree in history education.

A May 30 wedding is



planned at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton.

Oliansky-Collins

Estelle Oliansky of Plymouth and Manuel Barbosa of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacey Diane Barbosa, to Mark Andrew Collins, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Collins of Norwalk, Ohio.

The bride-to-be is a 2002 graduate of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and is employed as a high school math teacher in the South Redford School District.

The prospective groom is a 1997 graduate of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and works for Frito Lay.

A Nov. 6, 2004, wedding is planned at St. Aidan's Church in Livonia.

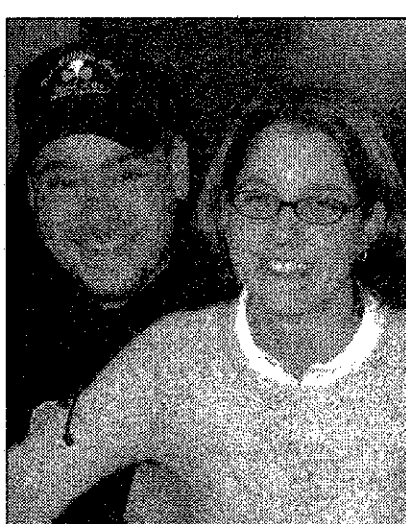


Miller-Loiselle

Judy and Fred Miller of Plymouth join with Fran and Ron Loiselle, also of Plymouth, in announcing the engagement of their children, Susann Miller and Zach Loiselle.

Susann is a 1998 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, and Zach is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1996 graduate of Henry Ford Community College.

A May wedding is planned.



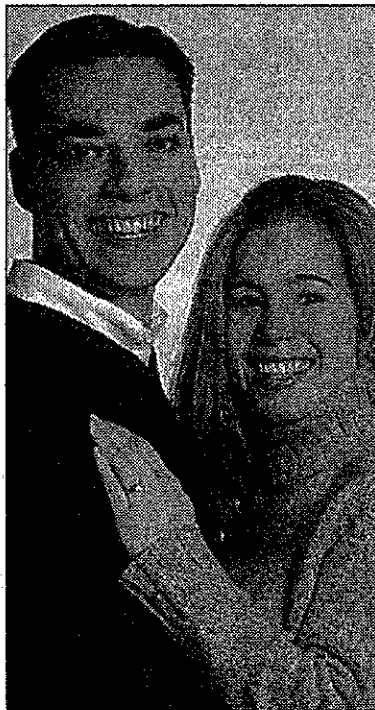
Hayes-DiFranco

Ruth and Michael Hayes of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Carrie Elizabeth Hayes, to Joseph Anthony DiFranco, the son of Joseph and Joan DiFranco of Dearborn.

The bride-to-be is a 1999 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and graduated from Michigan State University in 2003 with a bachelor's degree in dietetics. She currently works as a pharmaceutical sales representative.

The prospective groom graduated from Dearborn Divine Child in 1995, and from the University of Notre Dame in 1999 with a bachelor's degree in finance. He will complete his master's in May and continue working for Ford Motor Company.

A Jan. 14, 2005, wedding is planned at St. John's Golf &



Conference Center in Plymouth Township.

LIBRARY PICKS

Every week the Plymouth District Library staff provides the *Observer* with their list of "Best Sellers" based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons. The books are available by placing a request with the library, (734) 453-0750.

Fiction

1. "3rd Degree," James Patterson
2. "The Da Vinci Code," Dan Brown
3. "The Last Juror," John Grisham
4. "The Five People You Meet In Heaven," Mitch Albom
5. "Ransom," Danielle Steele

Nonfiction

1. "Deliver Us from Evil," Sean Hannity
2. "The Passion: A Collection of Still Photographs taken on location during the Mel Gibson movie, 'The Passion of the Christ'"
3. "American Dynasty," Kevin Phillips
4. "The Price of Loyalty," Ron Suskind
5. "Fabric of the Cosmos," Brian Greene

Parents' Choice New Children's Poetry Books

1. "Humphrey's Birthday," Sally Hunter
2. "Can You Cuddle Like a Koala?" John Butler
3. "Giving Thanks," Jonathan London
4. "Kiss, Kiss!" Margaret Wild
5. "Let's Count Puppies," Katherine Kunhardt

Sale April 3 to provide abundance

Tri-City Christian MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) is having a Mom 2 Mom Sale 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 3, at 3855 Sheldon Road in Canton. Admission is \$1. For more information, call (734) 397-0819.

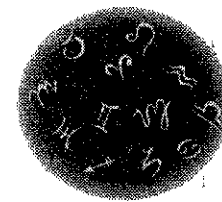
Pam Stoneburg says think of a cross between a flea market and a garage sale, and you'll have a Mom 2 Mom Sale.

For \$20 moms rent an 8-foot table where they sell children's gently used clothes, maternity clothes, toys, baby equipment, and miscellaneous items that their families have outgrown. There is also a Big Item Room for those items that don't fit on top of the table or underneath. There is a 10 percent fee for items sold.

The April 3, sale benefits the MOPS group (Mothers of Preschoolers). This is a ministry of Tri-City Christian that is for moms with kindergarten-aged kids and under. The sale supports those moms needing MOPS scholarships. It helps with convention costs and crafts for MOPS moms and their kids (Moppets).

Star Struck

(March 21-March 24)
By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Rarely has there been a time when you have learned so much or come so far. In fact, if you are prepared to make just a few more concessions, you'll come to realize that not only are many of your fears unfounded, but also that you are now, and always have been, among friends.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

It'd be nice if everyone shared your honesty, but they don't. It'd be nice if everyone could be trusted to abide by the rules like you, but they can't. Mars changing signs today warns that a little bit of suspicion now could save you a lot of trouble later on.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

It takes a lot to get you upset, but a potent kick from Mars changing signs tomorrow is bound to test your patience to the limit. You are prepared to accept errors in judgment, but deceit and stupidity you can neither forgive nor condone. Therefore, don't hesitate to let your anger show.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

Although you'll talk and act with confidence this week, deep inside there will be a worm of unease. You seem to know that nothing is quite what it seems—especially since the month began. It's good that you're worried; it'll keep you on your toes.

LEO (July 24-Aug 23)

With so much planetary activity now taking place in the health and well-being angle of your horoscope, you no doubt feel under the weather. However, this is no time to take short cuts or back out of commitments. Things will fall into place once you stop trying to mask every situation.

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)

Even if you're one of those Virgoes who likes to plan each new step in as much detail as possible, you'll be remarkably adventurous this week. The only thing that might hold you back is if you listen to those who urge you not to take risks. You should, in fact, be taking more than ever!

LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23)

You're about to reap the rewards for sacrifices you made in the past. Good luck will come your way when and where you least expect it, and you mustn't feel guilty that you're doing well while those around you are suffering. It's your turn to taste the good things.

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

People will put you on the defensive now, even though on the face of it, you have absolutely nothing to worry about. And although Pluto denotes hassles with authority figures, you don't have to keep your thoughts to yourself. On the contrary, the time has come to give as good as you get.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

Although you tend to be an optimist, even you must feel disillusioned now because of others' total lack of integrity or moral fiber. However, it is also true to say that you are currently experiencing really is a final chapter in a very complex saga in your life. It's time to turn the page.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21)

You're entitled to your beliefs and opinions, but you're not entitled to deny others the same right. If you find yourself disagreeing loudly with family or friends this week, it might be wise to turn and walk away. Don't growl; be grand, Cap!

AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19)

There will be times this week when you feel lost and alone, but there will also be times when you feel in tune with the whole of creation. It's that feeling you must try to hold on to. The truth is you're never alone: There's always someone there to help you.

PISCES (Feb 20-March 20)

Responsibilities on the home front mustn't be allowed to stop you from smiling, nor should they be allowed to interfere with your hopes and dreams. The more others try to convince you that your beliefs are irrational, the more you can be certain that you're on the right track.

Dennis Fairchild is a Birmingham-based astrologer and author of several books on divination. For information, call 1 (248) 646-3555 or e-mail DenFairchild@aol.com.

Group offers help with substance abuse issues

Families Anonymous meets monthly at 8 p.m. Thursdays at St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton. This group provides support for families and friends concerned about the use of mind-altering substances such as alcohol, drugs or behavior problems of a loved one. Call (734) 416-0315 for additional information.

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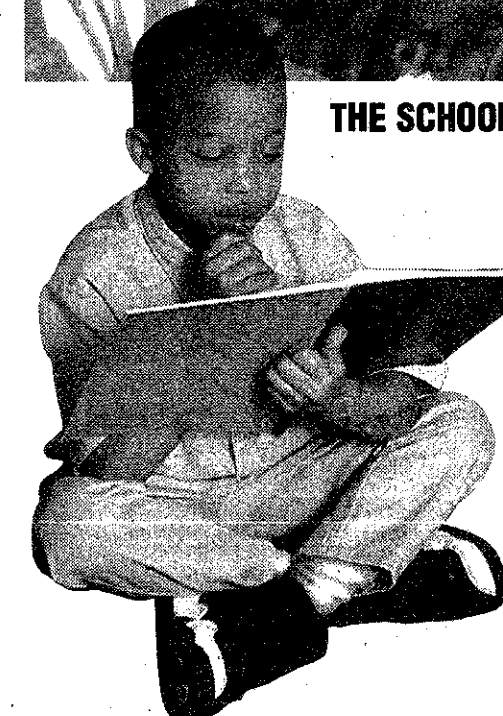
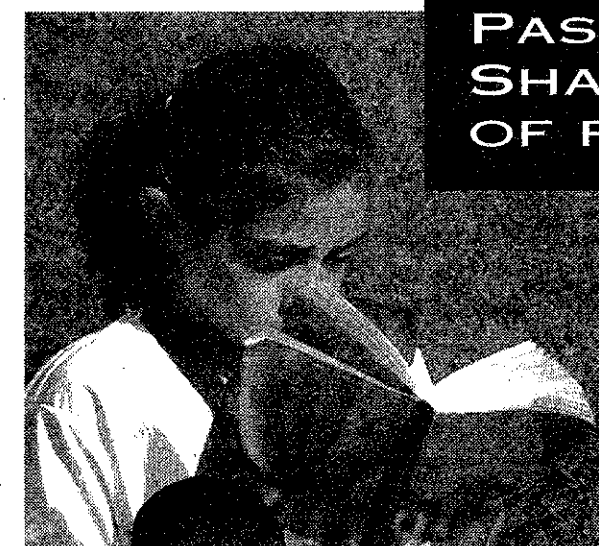
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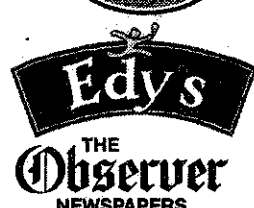
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Women's Resource Center benefit draws crowd, applause

"We are making a difference. Our journey goes on."

Those were the powerful words of Executive Director Nancy Swanborg as she concluded a presentation at the Women's Resource Center 30th anniversary celebration and spaghetti dinner benefit Tuesday, March 16, at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Earlier, Swanborg had interspersed history with success stories of women helped by the center. Over the years, displaced homemakers, single mothers, widows, and separated and divorced women have received counseling and career information to explore their options as well as scholarships when in financial need.

Last year, 250 individuals received 331 scholarships from the center thanks to funds raised at the annual Spaghetti Dinner & Wine Glow. Swanborg expects to exceed last year's \$9,000 to help even more students. Seventy more tickets were sold as a result of the event's move to expanded facilities in the new VisiTech Center. A sold-out crowd of 420 attended the 21st annual fund-raiser usually held in the Waterman Center.

"It's important to look back at the roots of the women's resource center and to envision possibilities for the future," said Swanborg.

WRC HISTORY

It's taken 30 years of dedication and heart since the center opened Sept. 9, 1974, in a single room in the Bradner Library on campus. With only a desk, chair and phone, Nancy Dufour took on the responsibility as its first director after the counseling department became aware of problems facing displaced homemakers and women in crisis. By 1975, second director Jean Christensen was moving the center into a small house next to the campus. The 1980s brought more opportunity for growth as the center began offering peer counseling six hours a day. By the time Virginia Wilhelm took over as director in 1984, Project HERS (Homemakers Employment Re-entry System) was up and running. Five years later, Swanborg took over and the name was changed to From Micro Chips to Chocolate Chips. Since then, it has become an award-winning program which takes participants from working inside the home to outside employment after receiving educational counseling, computer training and job placement assistance. Begun in 1994, the Chips Boutique provides them with gently used clothing to wear at interviews.

STORIES OF TRIUMPH

The help doesn't stop there. In 2003, a second program was added to for those completing Micro Chips to learn about personal finance. The knowledge is already helping Sarah Stewart, a young mother of two boys with special needs. One of the success stories, Stewart sent a letter thanking the center. Because of the help she received there, she "plans to finish school and earn a teaching degree."

Antoinette Fulton, a single mother with three children is another success story in progress. A current student, she is working full time, going to school full time, and will be going on scholarship to Walsh College this fall. Fulton's portion of the presentation was on film because she was in class.

Plymouth mother Sharon Poszywak told the audience that if the Women's Resource Center hadn't helped with child care she wouldn't be working at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Center today and graduating from the nursing program in May.

At the age of 50, Marie Feeley was able to pursue her dream to become a nurse. The center paid for her textbooks and assisted with a scholarship. She received her associate degree in nursing, passed the board exams and is now working at Oakwood Hospital-Annapolis.

Kaitlyn Sandberg, who recently won the national Women of Triumph award, talked about leaving an abusive husband, losing custody of her

five sons, attempting suicide several times, and being diagnosed with multiple personalities. She had accompanied a friend who was looking for information to the center. The friend left, she stayed. Today, Sandberg is heading for Costa Rica to become CEO of a company and to help open the first displaced women's center.

One of the most touching moments of the evening was when Chips participant Kerri Sarb spoke from a wheelchair. She didn't mention what put her there a couple of years before, only that the program taught her goal setting, self-esteem.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Sarb and the other women are the reason Elizabeth Johnson began coming to the Spaghetti Dinner 21 years ago. Johnson is a Women's Resource Center Advisory Board member, Plymouth attorney, and daughter of Jane Moehle, one of the original trustees of the college.

"It's incredibly important,"

said Johnson. "It's a way for the community to be involved with the college, to see the work done. So many people have been helped by the Women's Resource Center."

Janet Bennett's been attending the fund-raiser for years because she feels it's one of the ways to help women in transition.

"It's very worthwhile," said Bennett, president of Friends of Greenmead historical village. She was attending with husband Robert, a former Livonia mayor.

"I bring my used clothes for women who might not otherwise be able to get out into the workplace," said Janet Bennett.

From summer 2002 to Spring 2003, the Women's Resource Center helped 783 women through a variety of services. Last year, 182 women and five men received degrees and certificates allowing them to seek positions that could sustain them financially.

"We still need to support those women going back to school," said Swanborg. "The need is great still."



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Sharon Poszywak gets a hug and a bouquet from WRC Executive Director Nancy Swanborg.

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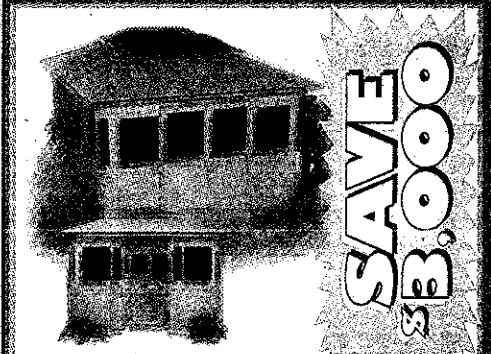
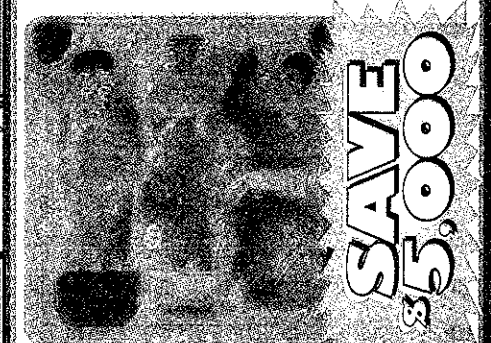
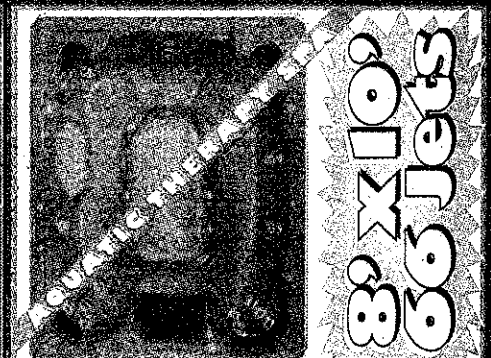
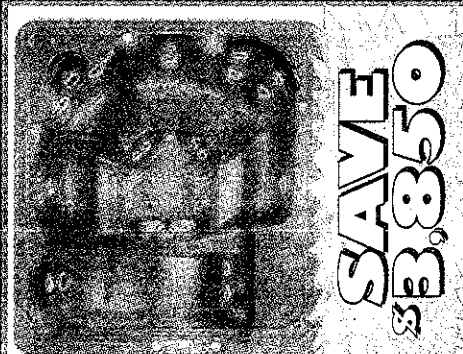
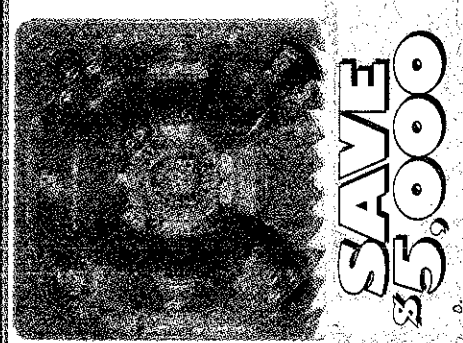
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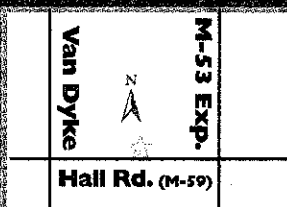
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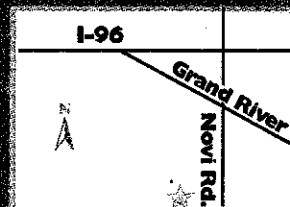


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A native of Havana, Cuba, Lobe studied ballet at the National School of Ballet where she graduated in 1982 as ballerina-professor. She immediately joined the National Ballet of Cuba where she danced classical and contemporary repertoire. Lobe was promoted to the rank of principal dancer in 1988. That same year she won a certificate as a finalist in the International Ballet Competitions in Bulgaria and Mississippi. She then joined the English National Ballet in London.

Lobe has taught master classes and workshops throughout the country. Currently she teaches at the Dance Institute of the University of Akron where she was presented with the 2003 Outstanding Teacher Award in recognition of her dedication to excellence in dance education.



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Birmingham High School
Class of 1954
A reunion is planned for Oct. 22-24, 2004, at the Troy Marriott. For more information, call Joan Gassaway Berndt at (248) 335-7160 or joangobue@aol.com.

Brighton High School
Class of 1984
The class of 1984 is planning their 20-year reunion on Aug. 7, 2004. For more information, call Sally Rector-Langley at (517) 505-4970.

Cabrini High School
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If you're interested in working on the 20-year reunion, please contact Debbie (Scott) Paulus at (734) 737-9743 or Laurie (Marra) Makawicz at (734) 981-7263.

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Center Line High School
Class of 1974
Center Line High School's Class of 1974 30-year reunion takes place Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Ford Conference & Event Center in Dearborn. Tickets are \$80 per person, which includes appetizers, strolling supper, open bar, entertainment and valet parking. For more information, call Karen Hudak Miller at (248) 569-7739 or e-mail her at Kare156@aol.com.

Canton and Salem
Class of 1994
A 10-year reunion is planned for Nov. 26, 2004, at the Doubletree Hotel in Novi. For more information, call Julie at (810) 227-4671 or e-mail Pcep1994@yahoo.com.

Cody High School
Class of 1957
The class of 1957 has invited other interested friends from all the 1950s classes. Being held at 7 p.m. Oct. 9, 2004, at Fox Hills Golf and Country Club near Plymouth. Cost is \$75/per person which includes sit down dinner, open bar, music, and many surprises. Call for more info on golf and reservations at the Hilton Garden Suites. For further info, call Loretta (Muciek) Nedwick at (800) 859-9502. Class of 1963 and 1964
A 40-year reunion will be Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004, at Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest, 1275 S. Huron, Ypsilanti. (734) 487-2000. Doors open 6 p.m., dinner 7 p.m. \$60 per person includes: dinner/dancing, memory book, cash bar. Send check or money order to Cody Class Reunion, c/o Phil Varilone, 22911 Sheridan, Dearborn, MI 48128-2801. For more information, e-mail the reunion committee at: 63-64Comets@comcast.net.

Cooley High School
Class of 1954
A 50-year reunion is planned for Saturday, July 17, 2004, at Livonia Marriott (not Courtyard) located at Six Mile Road and I-275. A reception will be at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:30 p.m. An informal gathering will be held on Friday, July 16, in a hospitality suite at the Marriott. A bus tour of Cooley High School is also in the planning stages. Call Daneen (Stark) Gallo at (734) 462-2786.

Dearborn High School
Class of 1954
A 50-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004. For information, call Helen Kramer Turchan at (313) 565-4816 or Sally Hicks Williams at (734) 464-8263.

Dearborn High School
Class of 1974
A 30-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004, at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. Looking for classmates. Please pass the word. Contact Ann Kennedy Hutchins at (734) 591-6866.

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Class of 1964, Jan., June & Aug.
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Ferndale High School
Class of 1979
A 25-year reunion being held on Aug. 7, 2004, at St. John's Armenian Banquet Center in Southfield. Contact Ferndale 1979 Reunion, c/o Richard Broder, 31700 Middlebelt, Suite 165, Farmington Hills, MI 48334.

Ferndale Lincoln High School
Class of January and June 1954
A 50-year reunion is being held Oct. 9, 2004, at the Detroit Golf Club. For more information, call Isabelle (Wiggins) Paterson at (248) 548-6638.

Fordson High School
Class of 1988
A 15-year reunion is being planned. Classmates are being sought. Respond to either www.classmates.com, class-reunion1988@yahoo.com, or mail your name, address and telephone number to: Class of 1988 Reunion, 11349 Fenton, Redford, MI 48239.

Franklin High School
Class of 1984
A 20-year reunion is being held from 6 p.m.-midnight Saturday, July 31 at Burton Manor in Livonia. E-mail franklinhs1984@yahoo.com or call Darcy at (313) 531-7443 or John at (734) 421-0852 with any information on classmates.

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AROUND TOWN

Friends of Maybury meeting

The Friends of Maybury State Park meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 1, at the Northville Public Library to discuss upcoming activities. For more information, call (248) 349-2687.

Arts and crafts show

Handcrafters sponsors its 22nd-annual Spring Arts and Crafts Show April 3-4 at the Northville Recreation Center at Hillside, 700 W. 8 Mile at Sheldon in Northville. More than 90 juried artisans will be on hand. Show hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. April 3 and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. April 4. Admission is \$2. No baby strollers.

Women business owners

Women Business Owners of Southeast Michigan hold their monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 6, at the Lake Forest Golf Club, 3110 West Ellsworth in Ann Arbor (1.5 miles south of I-94 and Ann Arbor-Saline Road). Speaker this month is Maggie Bayless of Zingerman's, who will discuss "The Art of Giving Great Service." Free to members, \$10 guest fee at the door. For more information or to register, go to www.wbo-mich.org or call (734) 332-9300.

Republican women meet

The monthly meeting of the Suburban Republican Women's Club takes place at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 25, at the Pick-A-Bone Restaurant, 30325 Six Mile in Livonia. Entertainment by the Sixth Gate Cloggers. There is a \$12 charge for the luncheon. For reservations, call (248) 474-3525.

Ski travel show

The Metro Detroit Ski Council hosts the 2004-2005 Ski Travel Show from 1-4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 16, followed by a spring ski dance with live entertainment from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Admission is free, the public is invited.

Mom 2 Mom sale

Tri-City Christian MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) is having a Mom 2 Mom Sale from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, April 3. Children's gently used clothes, maternity clothes, toys and miscellaneous items. \$1 admission. Located at 3855 Sheldon Road in Canton. For information, call Pam at (734) 397-0819.

Spring break art camp

The Ann Arbor Art Center offers a week-long spring break camp for children ages 6-12 from April 12-16. Participants may register for both

morning (9 a.m. to noon) and afternoon (1-4 p.m.) sessions, or just one. Activities will include glazing a piece of pottery, drawing, painting, and more! Cost is \$86 for members and \$95 for non-members, with a lab fee of \$15 for both. To register or for more information on spring break camp offered at the Ann Arbor Art Center, call (734) 994-8004, Ext. 101, check out the Web site at www.annarborartcenter.org or drop by 117 W. Liberty in downtown Ann Arbor.

St. Mary registration

Open registration for St. Mary Catholic School in Wayne starts Monday, March 22. The K-8 school features state-certified teachers, local bus transportation, latchkey programs and partial scholarships to qualified students. The school is located at 34516 Michigan Ave. For more information, call (734) 721-1240.

Tilt comedy

Tilt Improv Group of Ann Arbor performs two shows in April (April 10 and April 24) at the Civic Theatre Rehearsal Studio, 322 W. Ann, two blocks west of Main. The first show is "short form" comedic improvisation, the second is "long form" where the cast takes suggestions from the audience. Tickets are \$5 and reservations are suggested. For more information, call (734) 669-6241.

Golden anniversary

The River Park Chapter of International Association of Administrative Professionals (formerly PSI) will be celebrating their 50th anniversary June 17. The group is looking for past/present members and guests to join in a celebration at the Holiday Inn Heritage Center on Northline in Southgate. The event starts at 6:15 p.m.; cost is \$20 for dinner. For additional information, please contact Karol Polaczkyk at kpolaczkyk@hayes-lemmerz.com or by calling (734) 737-5283, or Angela Devoy at adevoy@sme.org or by phone at (313) 425-3131.

Flea market

The Ann Arbor Women's City Club hosts the 50th annual Flea Market from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 27, at 1830 Washtenaw Ave. Art, antiques, collectibles, books, jewelry, decorations, baked goods, toys and linens will be available. Antique appraisals will be by DuMouchelle. Admission is free, no strollers.

Madonna auction

Madonna University's "Down Under" scholarship dinner and wine-tasting auction gala is set for 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 23, at Laurel Manor in Livonia. One winner will have a choice of either a fully-equipped 2004 Chevrolet Corvette two-door coupe or

\$25,000 in cash. Only 650 tickets will be sold at \$200 each. For more information, go to the school's Web site at www.madonna.edu or contact Rose Kachnowski at rkachnowski@madonna.edu or (734) 432-5421.

Winterfest beer tasting

The ninth annual Winterfest Beer Tasting, sponsored by the Schoolcraft College Gourmet Club and Merchant's Fine Wine, takes place from 7-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College's Livonia campus. Patrons must be 21 or older and provide identification at the door. Tickets are \$40 per person and can be purchased at Merchant's Fine Wine locations or in the Student Activities Office at Schoolcraft College by calling (734) 462-4422.

Junior gardeners

Washtenaw County MSU Extension hosts a Junior Master Gardener Class for children ages 9-11 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursdays from May 6-June 10 at Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor. In this hands-on program, participants and their parents will explore various gardening topics in a casual atmosphere. Cost for the class is \$35. For application and deadline information, or for additional details, call (734) 997-1678.

Rafting trip

The 16th annual Schoolcraft College White Water Rafting Trip takes place on the Lower New River in West Virginia June 4-6. Cost is \$141 per participant and includes two nights' camping, a live band on Saturday night, three meals and rafting on Saturday. First payment of \$65 is due April 9. For more information, call the Student Activities Office, (734) 462-4422.

Hospice training

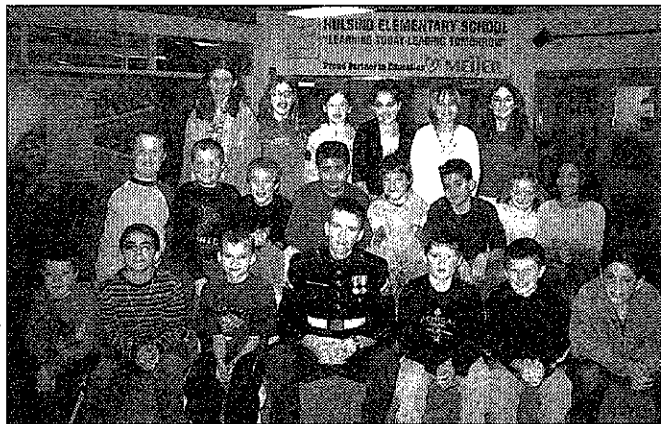
Heartland Hospice, 3840 Packard in Ann Arbor, is looking for caring, dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, Livingston and Monroe counties. Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running and clerical services. Call Ann Christensen, volunteer coordinator, (734) 973-1145, for more information.

Plymouth Optimists

Entertainment 2004 Books on sale with all proceeds to help children throughout southeast Michigan. Price is \$30 and is home delivered. Call Bill at (734) 453-8253.

Fish Fry

The Plymouth VFW is again featuring Friday Night Fish Fry for only \$7 from 5-7 p.m. Also, Sunday brunch is available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. the third



Pen pals

Lance Cpl. Evan Vanover poses with students in Jodi Ring's fifth-grade class at Hulsing Elementary during a recent visit. Vanover was one of the military members to whom students wrote letters in their annual military mail campaign. Vanover is the soldier who found the dog tags of former POW Jessica Lynch.

Sunday of the month. The post is at 1426 S. Mill St.

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Lutheran Social Services of Michigan is a foster care agency in the community that places children in loving foster homes. The agency is in need of loving and stable homes committed to parenting children ages 10 to 17 years old. Call (734) 971-5776 to find out how you can help.

Entertainment books

Plymouth Community Chorus is selling the 2004 Entertainment Books to help fund their musical scholarships and charitable activities. They can be ordered by calling (734) 459-6829.

Plymouth Symphony

Plymouth Symphony League is launching the 2004 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale. The cost is \$30. Place your order at the Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453-3016.

CLUBS

German/American Club of Plymouth

Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road, Plymouth. Call Mary Ann at (734) 420-0857 for further information.

American Legion

Beasley-Zalesny Post 112 meets at the I.O.O.F. Hall on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. All veterans that served during any of the wars

are eligible. Contact (734) 459-7324 for further information.

Woman's Farm and Garden Club-Plymouth

Meets every second Monday of each month from September to June, excluding January. Persons interested in joining, contact club president, Judy Krieman at (734) 459-1027.

Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club

Looking for energetic new members to participate in community service projects. This club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Salvation Army Building on Main Street. The third Thursday is a dinner meeting with a speaker. Call (734) 981-7259 for further info.

LBN

Local Business Network is a business networking organization dedicated to helping you grow your business. The Plymouth chapter meets on the first and third Friday of each month from 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. at Old Village Law located at 771 N. Mill in Plymouth. Please call Eric Morris at (313) 278-5070 or Scott Montgomery at (734) 462-2277 for further information.

Kiwanis Evening Club

Meetings are held at Atlantis Restaurant 39500 E. Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth, at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, contact Charline Miller at (734) 455-4782.

Mothers & More

The Wayne County chapter of Mothers & More meets twice a month in Plymouth. Call (866) 841-9140, Ext.

4329, or visit Web site mothersandmore63@onebox.com.

Exchange Club of Canton

Meetings are the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at the Roman Forum, 41601 Ford Road in Canton at 6 p.m. Areas of activity are Americanism, Community Service, Youth Activities and the Prevention of Child Abuse.

P/C Vietnam Vets of America

Chapter No. 528 meets every second Monday of the month at the Plymouth VFW Post No. 6695 on Mill Street, just north of Ann Arbor Road at 7:30 p.m. If you were a U.S. serviceman or woman and served between 1964 and 1975, you can join the Vietnam Vets. Visit Web site www.geocities.com/tedenright/PlymouthCantonVVA528.html.

BNI Plymouth II

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

West Suburban Stamp Club

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

BPW

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

SEPAAC

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

MOPS-Plymouth

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

Colonial Kiwanis of Plymouth

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

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DeVONCE

Michael J. DeVonce age 79, of Troy, Mar. 18, 2004. See detailed obituary at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

GOTSHALL

Robert H., age 76, died Tuesday, March 16, 2004 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. Bob was born in Highland Park, MI, January 10, 1928, the son of Letha Hoffman and Walter J. Gotshall. He was a graduate of Pershing High School and attended Wayne State University. Bob was Marketing Director of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce with offices in Washington, D.C. and Southfield, MI. He retired in March, 1995. Prior to that he was employed in the advertising department of the Ann Arbor News and the Detroit Free Press. He moved to Plymouth in 1961. He was a member of the AdCrafters Club, the Amateur Radio League and the Romeo Club. He was a talented illustrator and cartoonist and loved anything electric, especially computers. Although his illness restricted his retirement activities, he continued to attend his regular luncheon groups, enjoyed three memorable Father-Son trips to Florida and one final trip to the Northern Michigan he so enjoyed. He is survived by his wife of 56 loving years, Marian; daughter, Katherine English; son, Robert, Jr.; son, Thomas; and grandchildren, Kristen, Erica and Thomas II (T.J.). A memorial service will be held Monday, March 22 at 11 am at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main, Plymouth, MI. Friends may visit beginning at 10am. The family suggests memorials may be made to: St. Joseph Mercy Cancer Care Center, P.O. Box 995, Ann Arbor, MI 48106.

LANE

Lois Marion, age 83, of Plymouth, died March 15, 2004. She was born August 21, 1920, in Ontario, Canada. She came to the Plymouth community in 1944, from Walked Lake, Michigan. She was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth, and a member and Past President of the Vivians Club of the Plymouth Elks. She worked as a waitress at Hillside Inn (now Ernesto's), and also as a machine operator at Whitman and Barnes. After retiring from Whitman and Barnes, she and her husband, Raymond, spent many wonderful years traveling in their motor home across the United States and Canada. She took great pleasure in visiting and camping with loved ones in Ontario, British Columbia, and Nova Scotia. She truly cherished her family, friends, and her beloved dogs. All who knew her will remember her as an outgoing, fun-loving person. She is survived by her daughters, Carole Cell and Linda Kiasner of Texas, her son, Mark Lane, her daughter, Joan Vendola, and 8 grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her devoted husband, Raymond. A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 27, 11am, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon Rd., Plymouth. For those who desire, the family suggests memorials to the Vivians Club of the Plymouth Elks. Arrangements handled by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home (734) 453-3333.

TEETER

Maurice S. September 9, 1927 - March 18, 2004. He came into this world the son of a proud Detroit police officer in 1927. He joined the Merchant Marines during WWII at age 16. He later joined the army. He became a Livonia police officer in 1953 and rose to the rank of Lieutenant. He was known for his integrity, honesty and fairness. He loved wood carving, fishing and deer hunting. A loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle, brother and friend, he departed this world a Christian and proud father of a Livonia police officer. After a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer, he passed away on Thursday, March 18. He will be missed.

VERROT

Raymond, 72 of Bonita Springs, FL, died Tuesday, March 16, 2004, formally of Belleville, Michigan. He served in the Korean War from 1950 to 1954. In 1955, married Mary Ann DeMara and preceded to advance in the restaurant business (Little Caesars Pizza locations in Wayne and Washtenaw county) until his retirement. Raymond was a true and blue University of Michigan Football fan. He was preceded in death by his father, mother, a brother and baby grand daughter. He is survived by his loving wife Mary Ann of 48 years; five sons Bruce and his wife Mary of Naples; Mark and his wife Mary Beth of Michigan; Brent of Michigan; John and his wife Callie of Naples. Also surviving nine grandchildren: David and his wife Jenny; Danielle; Trevor; Ryan; Gretchen; Jake; Nick; Alex and Josh. A Memorial Mass of Celebration was held Thursday, March 18, 2004 in Bonita Springs, FL. For his love of children and his grandchildren, donations are to be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1905

JOHNSON

Keith Carl, age 50, of Plymouth, died March 17, 2004. He was born March 24th, 1953, in Detroit. He is survived by his mother, Marge Robert of Plymouth, and his father, Robert Johnson, of Detroit. Private services held. Arrangements by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 734-453-3333.

May You Find Comfort in Family & Friends

May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.



Take It From Ernie

Ernie Harwell

In the zone by thinking positive

Great athletes seem to have one thing in common, regardless the sport. They say that when they're "in the zone," playing becomes easy for them. They'll also tell you that they approach the game with a positive attitude, expecting to win.

After traveling all across this country and meeting thousands of people, I've noticed that the healthy people I meet seem to have something in common, as well. They have a way of "seeing the good side" and finding the opportunities in a situation rather than focusing on the bad. And that positive attitude seems to translate to good physical and mental health.

With that in mind, it's worth considering what we can do to develop and maintain a positive outlook on life, so that our health can flourish.

Here are five tips for thinking more positively in your daily life:

- Stop negative talk.
- Look for the hidden opportunities in problems.
- Visualize positive outcomes to the challenges in your life - expect the best.
- Stop feeling guilty about things that "didn't end up right."
- Laugh every chance you get, especially at yourself.

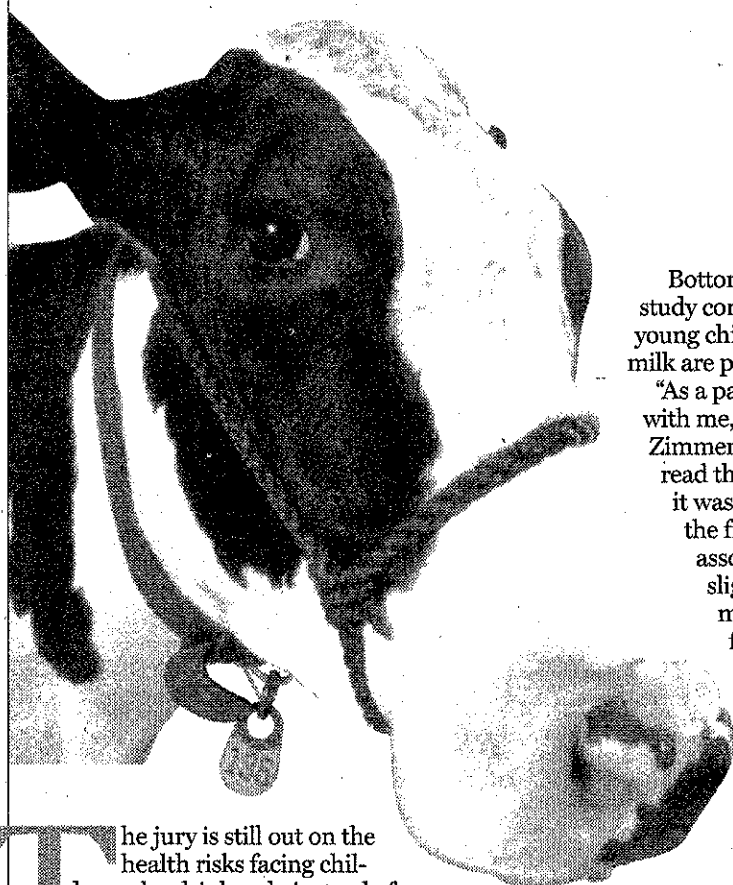
If you incorporate these simple tips into your life, you'll have a more positive outlook, be healthier and perhaps gain a whole new perspective on what's possible.

And please remember to take care of your health before it's longggg gone!

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled *Life After Baseball*, is available in bookstores beginning April 2004.

Drink of choice

Soda or milk? Calcium wins hands down



Bottom line - the study concluded that young children avoiding milk are prone to fracture.

"As a parent it hit home with me," said Zimmerman. "When I read through the study, it was interesting that the fractures were associated with slight trauma, minor slips or falls incurred during normal play. That was scary. It also found milk consumption increases blood levels of insulin growth factor 1, a powerful stimulant of

bone formation."

The more research Zimmerman did on soda consumption, she was convinced of the hazards. Two hundred years ago, carbonated soft drinks weren't an option. The drinks of choice were milk, water or hard liquor. In fact the term soft drink was coined to distinguish these beverages from hard liquor.

Over the years, the demand for soft drinks grew. In the 1950s the average size of a serving was 6½ ounces. In the 1960s it grew to 12 ounces and by the 1990s had reached 20 ounces. Today, 7-Eleven sells the Big Gulp, 64 ounces of soda totaling 700 calories and one cup of sugar.

"Over the past 20 years soda consumption has increased 300 percent," said Zimmerman. "If they're filling up on that it's displacing milk. That's a big problem especially when you look at the obesity with kids."

Zimmerman encourages parents to build up a bone bank account in their children. The bones are where children deposit and save their calcium so they

have enough to draw on when they're older. According to the National Dairy Council, nine out of 10 girls and seven out of 10 boys are failing to meet calcium recommendations for ages 4-8 of 800 mg. a day or the equivalent of three servings of low fat milk, cheese or yogurt. Nine- to 18-year olds need 1,300 mg.

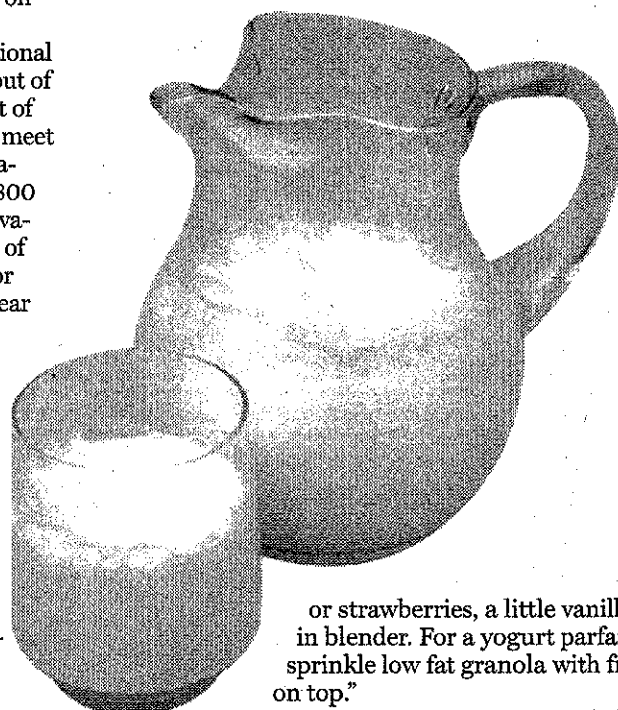
The American Academy of Pediatrics says anyone over the age of two should switch to skim milk or low fat cheese to reduce the risk of heart disease. One cup of non-fat plain yogurt equals 450 mg of calcium, 1 cup of skim milk 300 mg.

"They're missing the opportunity to saturate their bones with calcium," said Zimmerman. "Skim milk, low fat cheese and yogurt are my three top choices. Dairy is an efficient way to go to get a lot of nutrients. You can get calcium from other sources but it's difficult to get a teenager to eat several cups of broccoli to get their calcium, or three cups of kale."

For children who are lactose intolerant, alternatives include calcium fortified orange juice (¾ cup equals 225 mg.), canned salmon with bones, (3 ounce serving equals 205 milligrams), turnip greens (½ cup - 100 mg.), and broccoli (½ cup - 45 mg.).

Zimmerman says parents need to be a role model. If they're guzzling liters of soda, they're children will follow their example.

"The choices you offer are crucial when they're young," said Zimmerman. "If it's not in your home it won't be a choice. Try making dairy more interesting. Make smoothies by mixing skim milk, some frozen banana



or strawberries, a little vanilla in blender. For a yogurt parfait, sprinkle low fat granola with fruit on top."

Zimmerman says sometimes it's difficult to get young girls to consume dairy products because they fear weight gain.

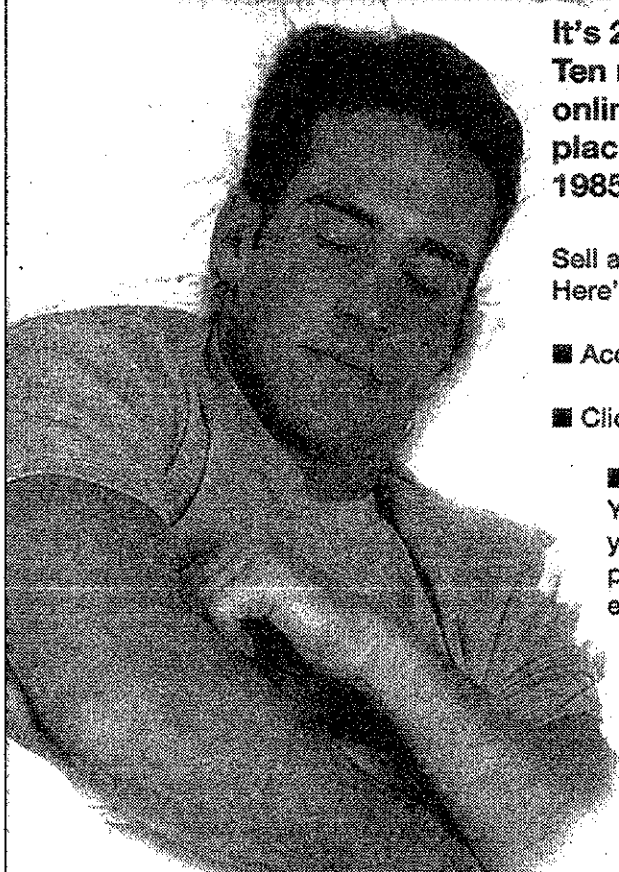
"On the National Dairy Council Web site they list research being done," said Zimmerman. "There's a lot of research going on with calcium and weight loss. In one study girls ages 9-14 who consumed diets rich in calcium weighed less and had less abdominal fat. Young girls have the thought dairy is fattening for me. Well it's not if you choose right."

Dr. Eric Borofsky, an orthopedic surgeon at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, doesn't think parents need to be concerned about their children's calcium intake. He says he hasn't seen a large increase of fractures in children in the last 23 years that he's been in practice.

"In this country, nutritional reasons for kids breaking bones are virtually unheard of," said Borofsky. "If you

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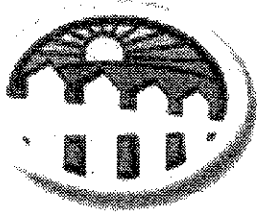
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Testing offering at Diabetes Alert Day

The American Diabetes Association (ADA) has designated Tuesday, March 23, as Diabetes Alert Day to help people assess their risk for the disease. In recognition of the day, Binson's Home Health Care Centers are offering free services like glucose testing, and blood pressure checks at their metro Detroit locations.

"Binson's has been a very strong supporter of the ADA and our efforts to educate the public about diabetes and diabetes prevention," said Andrea Maddox, executive director of The American Diabetes Association for Southeast Michigan and Northwest Ohio. "Binson's is an example of a business actually caring about the people it serves."

American Diabetes Alert is conducted on the fourth Tuesday in March to raise awareness about the seriousness of Diabetes and its risk factors. The centerpiece of America Diabetes Alert is the Diabetes risk test which, which is widely distributed and promoted through local and national media and community activities.

The ADA will make the risk test available on March 23, along with free glucose testing, blood pressure checks and foot checks at all Binson's Home Health Care Centers. There will also be demonstrations of glucose monitoring machines and discounts on diabetic products ranging from supplies to cookbooks, shoes and socks.

Binson's Home Health Care Centers are at 26834 Lawrence in Center Line; 30475 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak, and 6012 Rochester Road, Troy.

Diabetes is a devastating, sometimes deadly disease and its numbers keep growing. More than 18.2 million Americans have diabetes, and 5.2 million of those don't realize they have the disease. In Michigan, more than 700,000 adults suffer from diabetes. Of that number, 216,000 are unaware they have it.

Diabetes is a disease in which the body doesn't produce or properly use insulin, a hormone that converts sugar, starches and other food into energy. What causes the disease is a mystery, although genetics and environmental factors such as obesity and lack of exercise appear to play roles in children and adults getting the most common form of the disease.

For more information call (888) BINSONS or visit on the Web site at www.binsons.com.

'Binson's has been a very strong supporter of the ADA and our efforts to educate the public about diabetes.'

Andrea Maddox
American Diabetes Association

Early diagnosis, treatment of asthma vital

Asthma affects more than 17 million people in the U.S. and is the major cause of school absence and hospitalization in children due to illness. The symptoms of asthma include wheezing, coughing, shortness of breath, and chest tightness. People with asthma may have any combination of these symptoms. Common upper respiratory infections can cause cough and wheeze even in non-asthmatic people making the recognition and diagnosis of asthma difficult for families and physicians. The early diagnosis and appropriate treatment of asthma is imperative to prevent potentially irreversible lung damage, emergency room visits, hospitalization, and even death.

Diagnosing asthma in young children is much more difficult than in adults. The National Heart Lung and Blood Institute, National Institute of Health, American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, along with a host of other organizations have put out detailed guidelines regarding the diagnosis and treatment of asthma. Any child or adult who has had more than three episodes of wheeze, cough, shortness of breath, or chest tightness should be checked for asthma. A family history of asthma, allergy, and eczema makes the diagnosis of asthma more likely in a child or adult with respiratory symptoms. These conditions also

tend to be associated with each other, and a child with nasal allergy has a much greater risk of developing asthma than a child without nasal allergy.

People with asthma often become accustomed to the respiratory symptoms they have and believe them to be normal. Even Olympic athletes have been found to have significant asthma without realizing it.



Dr. Steven Stryk

Some of these athletes thought the shortness of breath or coughing they had was simply due to the fact that they needed to get into better shape. Surprisingly, up to a third of people with severe life threaten-

ing asthma tell their physicians that they feel just fine. Educating the public to bring respiratory symptoms to the attention of their physician is the best answer to the first step in diagnosing asthma.

Asthma has several components including twitchy airway muscle, inflammation, and structural changes of the airway. All three components are important to treat. Asthma medications are divided between short acting rescue medications that alleviate symptoms but do not prevent inflammation or airway

changes and long acting anti-inflammatory preventative medications. National guidelines and scientific literature strongly support the use of several anti-inflammatory medications often combined in one inhaler, such as Advair, for the vast majority of asthmatics.

When effectively managed, the majority of asthma patients should be able to go to school or work with virtually no absences related to asthma flares, should be able to sleep through the night without awakening with wheezing or from coughing, should be able to participate in sports, and should rarely, if ever, need to go to the hospital or emergency room. Unfortunately, this is not the case. In a large study, 49 percent of pediatric patients missed school, 36 percent were hindered in participating in sports, and 54 percent were seen in hospital or emergency facilities in a single year. The adult data is virtually the same. In order to treat asthma a patient must bring the symptoms to the attention of the physician, the physician must be able to recognize the condition as asthma, and then the physician must appropriately treat the condition. There are failures in all three steps, and this need not be the case.

It is important for someone with asthma to empower themselves with an understanding of the condition and the triggers of asthma flares to

help avoid them. Triggers for asthma attacks include allergen exposure such as cat dander, tree pollen, grass pollen, weed pollen, and mold spores. Allergens have been found to play a significant role in the majority of both adult and pediatric asthma patients. Viruses, exercise, and air pollution are other common triggers for asthma symptoms. Other conditions such as sinus infections and heartburn can make asthma more difficult to treat.

A visit to a board certified asthma, allergy, and immunology specialist is a vital part of the management of any asthmatic who requires more than a simple rescue inhaler used once or twice a week. Such a visit will include skin testing for allergies, counseling on avoidance of precipitating triggers, breathing tests, and possible use of allergen injection therapy. Patients will be taught how to self monitor their asthma and make pro-active health care decisions to reduce risks before symptoms occur. It is important to remember, for optimal management, time is of the essence.

Steven Stryk, M.D., is a board-certified adult and pediatric asthma, allergy, and immunology physician. He and his medical partner, David Seaman, M.D., treat adult and pediatric asthma in their Canton, Farmington Hills and Brighton offices.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

MARCH

Red Cross Month

Anyone attempting to donate blood at a Southeastern Michigan blood drive during the month of March will receive a certificate for a free Olga sandwich which is redeemable through June 30, at any Olga's Kitchen restaurant. Call (800) GIVE-LIFE to make an appointment at any of the blood drive locations in Birmingham, Livonia, Lathrup Village, Southfield, Troy, West Bloomfield, and Westland. To donate blood you must be in general good health, at least 17-years old and weigh at least 110 pounds.

Research volunteer opportunities

Beaumont Hospital needs volunteers for research in a variety of areas including blood pressure, breast cancer, bronchitis, diabetes, Parkinson's, prostate cancer, urinary incontinence in women, and dialysis grafts. People age 18 and older with high blood pressure are needed for research studies of new medications. All study-related health care provided at no charge to participant. Call (888) 807-8839. Postmenopausal women with an increased risk of developing breast

cancer can take part in a national research study to compare the effectiveness of two drugs in preventing breast cancer - tamoxifen or raloxifene. Call (248) 551-7695. Diabetes needed to test new oral medications to help lower blood sugar levels. Call (888) 807-8839. Healthy volunteers (African-American men at least age 50 and other men at least age 55) needed for SELECT Selenium and Vitamin E Cancer Prevention Trial. Call (248) 551-6934. Women with stress incontinence episodes need to test an experimental oral medication. Call (248) 551-3355. For more information on studies, call Beaumont's Outpatient Clinical Research Center at (888) 807-8839.

Classes Target Seniors

Schoolcraft College offers seniors classes to get in shape for the summer. Fitness classes for seniors include Strength Training for Seniors, a six-week class meeting Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays. After a warm up, strengthen the major muscle groups of the upper and lower body through 14 to 17 exercises using resistance bands or free weights. Participants work at their own fitness level. Class sessions

begin 1 p.m. Monday, March 22, and 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 23. The fee is \$49 or \$24.50 for seniors. Forever Fit for Seniors is a six-week course meeting Mondays and Wednesdays and featuring a slow pace and specific exercises for arthritis, range of motion, flexibility, strength and balance. Participants will adopt exercises to their fitness level while listening to golden oldies. Class sessions begin 10 a.m. Monday, March 22. The fee is \$49 or \$24.50 for seniors. For more information or to register, contact Continuing Education Services at (734) 462-4448.

Craft sale

St. Mary Mercy Hospital holds a craft sale to benefit cancer services 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, March 25, in the South Lobby. For the craft show, please use the south entrance of the hospital, located at 14555 Levan Road. Need to do some shopping? Looking for something unique? Why not visit the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Annual Craft Show? Ten percent of the sales will be donated to St. Mary Mercy Cancer Services. For more information, call Janet Searight at (734) 655-2938. For directions, or additional information about

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, visit www.stmarymercy.org.

Tai Chi classes

The Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter, presents a gentle exercise program for people of all ages and physical abilities beginning noon to 1 p.m. Monday, March 22, and 7:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 25, at Henderson Dance Academy, 6254 Middlebelt, Garden City, and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday, April 5, and 7-8 p.m. Thursday, April 8 (free demonstration classes 7 p.m. March 25 and April 1), at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Cost for the 7-week class is \$69. To register, call (800) 968-3030.

Senior symposium

A panel of experts will discuss senior health, housing and financial alternatives for senior homeowners in Western Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties 6-8 p.m. Monday, March 22, at St. John's Conference Center, 44045 Five Mile, east of Sheldon, Plymouth Township. No charge. Seating is limited. For reservations or additional information, call (248) 347-7440.

CALCIUM

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don't drink milk but eat vegetables, meat, have any kind of normal diet you won't run into a problem. Children who are lactose intolerant aren't any more at risk. I see mothers who come in with kids who break collar bones skateboarding. All the milk in the world doesn't

matter. Children have very strong bones. They're not going to be deficient unless they lived on gummy bears and soda. Tons of kids don't drink milk.

"Kids are sustaining more fractures because of skateboards, Rollerblades, soccer. It's the gladiator mentality of a parent who has the child in four or five different sports. That's why doctors may be seeing more fractures."

Bone builder for kids

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THE CHANGING NATURE OF FIBROMYALGIA


For reasons not clear, the features of fibromyalgia are changing. Traditionally the condition shows itself by pain throughout the body, fatigue during the day and disturbed rest at night. The characteristic of fibromyalgia is its pressure points - sites on the body that when pressed, elicit the pain you feel everywhere if you have this condition.

Of late the problem of pressure points is lessening. Instead, if you have fibromyalgia, you find yourself experiencing a tingling or numbness, sometimes a shooting pain that goes down your arms into your fingers. At times, this pain is down one arm, at other times includes both. No particular motion or position sets off this pain, and it lasts for moments to hours gradually subsiding. Alternatively, you may go for days and not have this electric-like shock down your arms.

In many instances your doctor feels obligated to look for evidence of a pinched nerve in your neck or consider unusual conditions such as multiple sclerosis. There are clues that the arm discomfort is part of fibromyalgia. First is that the pain radiates down the whole arm in a sleeve type of distribution. Second, is that the pain is migrating and fleeting as noted above. Third, nerve ending studies are often difficult for you. The pain of inserting the nerve conduction needles can be so great as to prevent the technician from completing the evaluation.

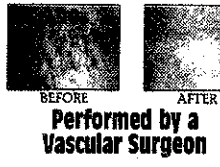
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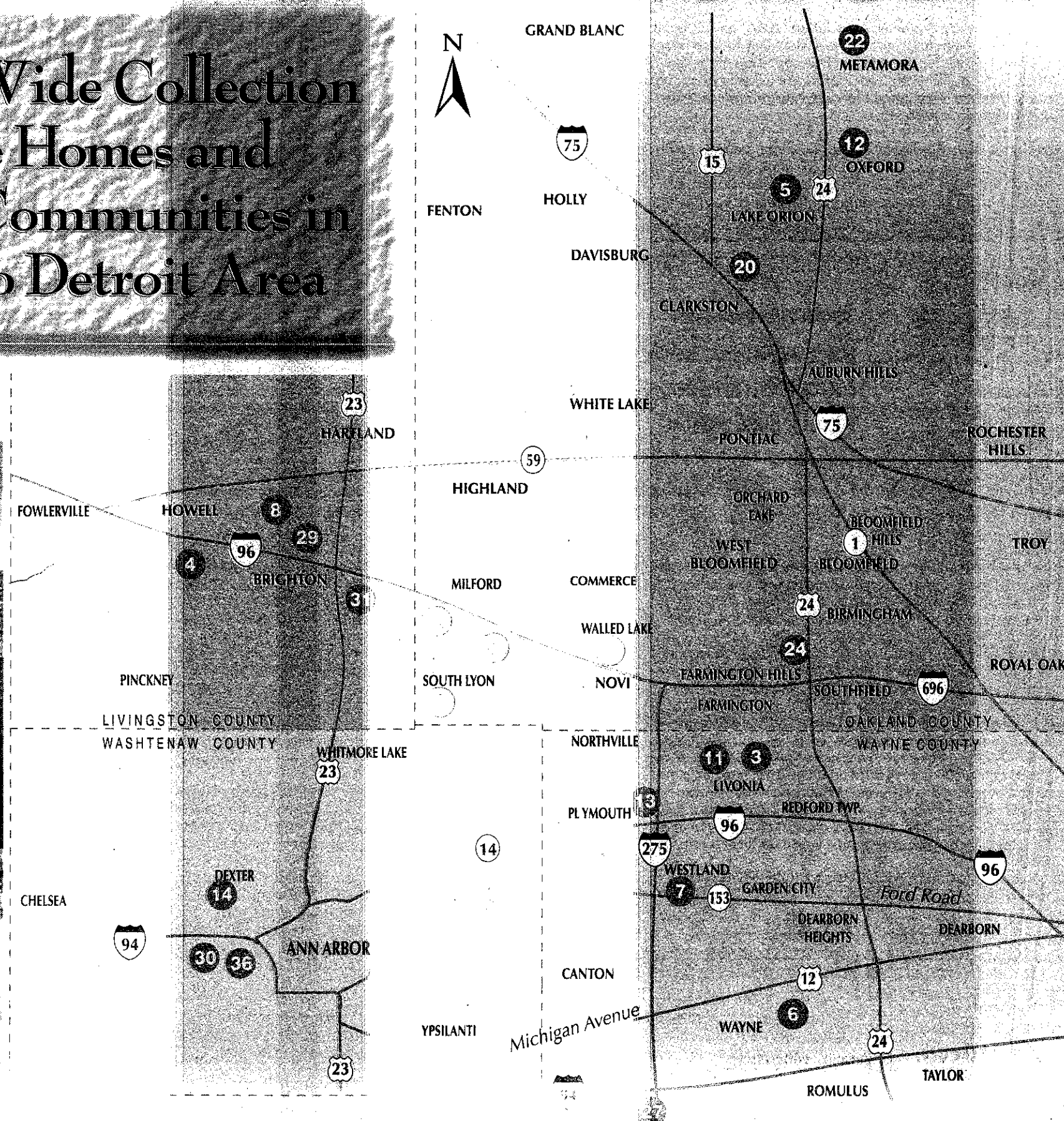
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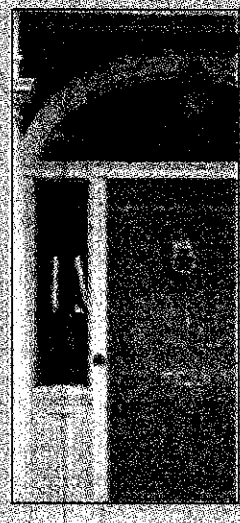
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Pick your options at Preserve on Fellows Creek

BY NORMAN PRADY
CORRESPONDENT

If you enjoy multiple-choice questions, this condominium development might be for you.

It's the Preserve on Fellows Creek, a project by partners Curtis-Kaftan on Palmer Road near Lotz Road, just east of I-275 in Canton.

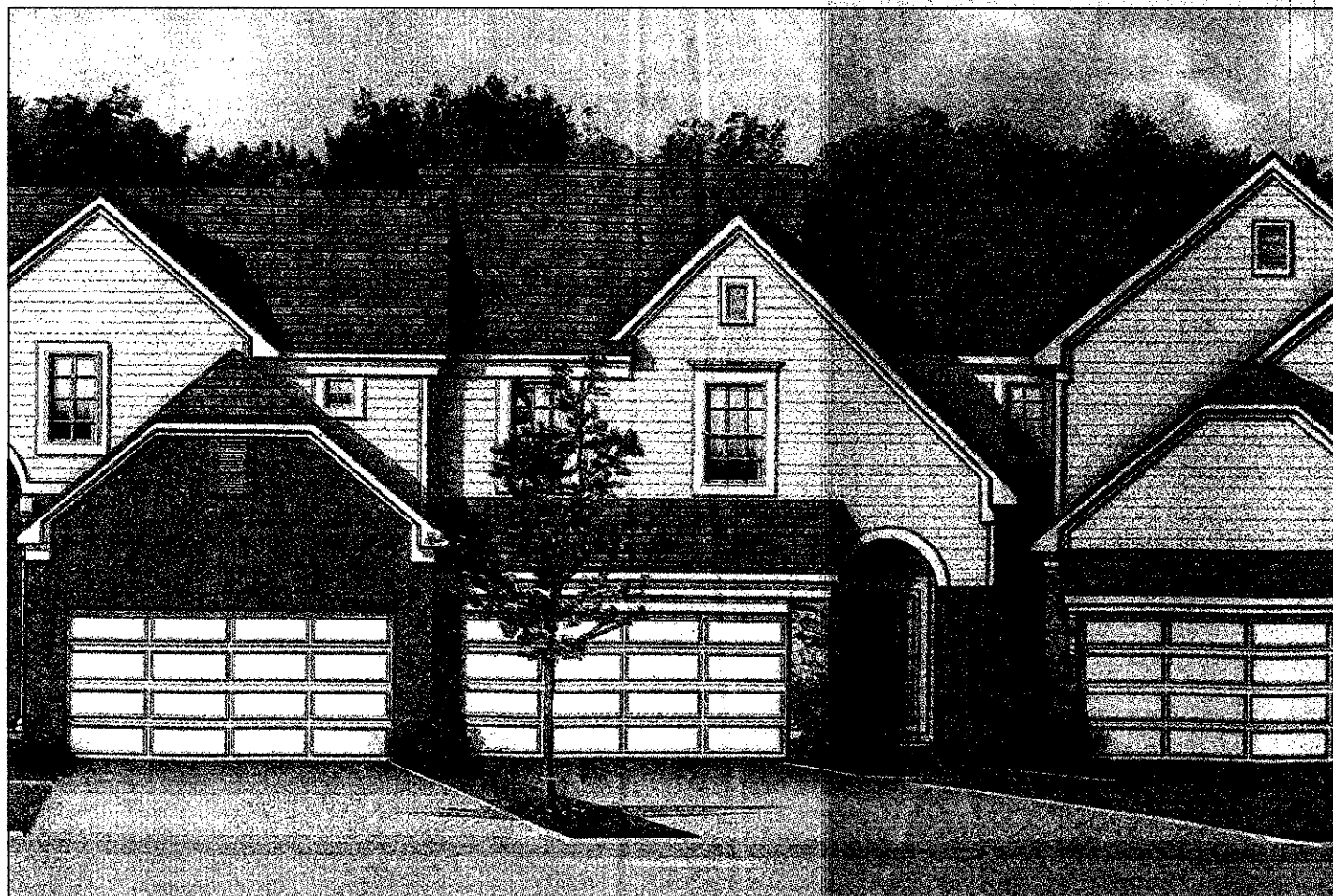
There, in breathing distance of "a heavily wooded nature preserve" and in chipping distance of the public Fellows Creek Golf Course, Curtis-Kaftan is planning 53 attached condos in 11 buildings.

"The majority of our homes ... offer private wooded views or a view of the golf course," according to the builder's sales brochure.

Prices will range from \$197,990 to \$219,990 or more, said Michael Menuck, executive of one of the partners, Curtis Building Company.

'We have some sites that will have walk-out basements and some that will adjoin the golf course,' which will sell at higher prices.

Michael Menuck
Curtis Building Company



The project, in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district, will feature 53 attached condominiums in 11 buildings. Price range is \$197,990 to \$219,990 and up.

The "or more" is all about the multiple choices, Menuck said.

"We have some sites that will have walk-out basements and some that will adjoin the golf course," which will sell at higher prices, he said.

And there's more to the "or more"

about these homes, ranging from 1,303 square feet to 1,546. You see, prior to the start of construction, or the ordering of roof trusses, other specific materials or components, you can add to your house.

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Buyer's guide for those interested in condo project

According to Michael Menuck of Curtis Building Company, models will be ready "in about 60 days." In the meantime he can direct you to a nearby project where you'll be able to see similar homes.

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tional \$9,000 totals the \$10,000 down payment to build your home, a program which the builder said is "flexible."

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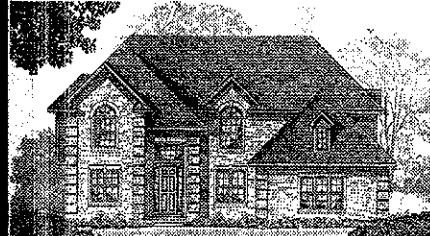
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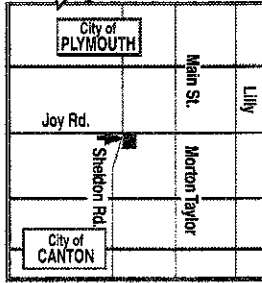
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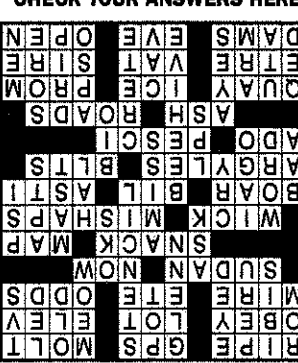
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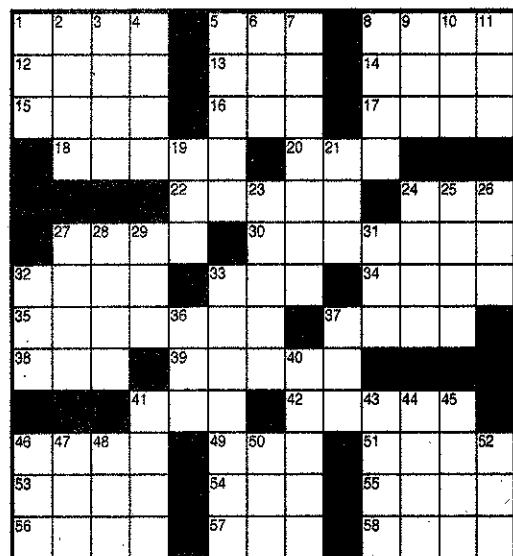
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OAKLAND Custom Quality Craftsmanship
French Tudor with 6 bedrooms, 5.2 baths. Use of marble, granite, oak & hickory. 3 fireplaces, 9 foot ceilings throughout, finished lower level with full kitchen, theatre room, sauna, fireplace, billiard & dining rooms.
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Approx. 6 acres on all sports lake. 4 BR, 4 1/2 BA, walk-out soft compo. w/an attractive ambience. Side drive, 3 car garage, curved staircase, study, main level master w/spa. Ultimate kitchen, food storage area. Finished basement.
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FARMINGTON HILLS Contemporary
Lakefront home on the border of Franklin. 4 BRs, 4 full baths, master suite w/fireplace, marble bath & built-ins. Indoor pool w/sauna, lower level with pool room, dance floor & second kitchen. Extensive deck overlooking lake.
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NOVI Everything You Value
Four BR, 3 1/2 BA Colonial on a quiet cul-de-sac, approx. 1 acre. Open floor plan w/hardwood floors, granite counters & butlers pantry. Formal LR w/bay window & FP. Master, dining room & study. Northville schools.
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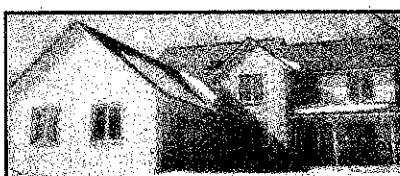
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COMMERCE Lakefront Home
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TROY Large Colonial
Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, first floor laundry, library, great room, deck and wooded lot with a park across the street. Newer Walside windows, roof, cement patio and fresh paint. Paver bricks and sunset stone.
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TROY Wooded Walk-Out
Spacious 5 bedroom, 3.2 bath on approximately 1 acre. First floor master, covered deck accessible from bedroom and family room. Walk-out basement, 2 fireplaces, bedroom with sky lights, newer appliances and roof.
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BIRMINGHAM Great Contemporary
On approximately 1/2 acre lot backing to Fairway Park and the Rouge River. Remodeled throughout, white kitchen, private master suite with bath & walls of windows. Overlooking park-like yard.
(B01LIN) 248-642-8100 \$695,000



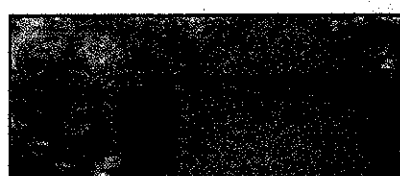
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WEST BLOOMFIELD Gorgeous Luxury Condo
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FARMINGTON HILLS Charming
Three bedroom, 2 bath Cape Cod. New England character with panoramic views of wooded ravine & stream. Wood floors, unique fireplace, shower with steam bath & newer appliances. Open floor plan & tiered brick patio.
(B60FOU) 248-642-8100 \$675,000



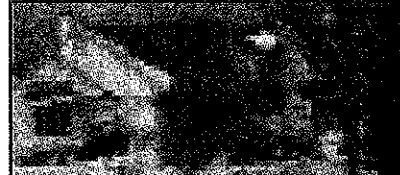
NORTHVILLE Incredible Value
Waterfront estate in Stonegate Sub. Built by Macari. Upgrades: marble, granite, custom cherry cabinets, 2-story enclosed porch, spiral staircase, master with 3-way fireplace, sitting room & bath. Finished lower level.
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TROY Newer Built Ranch
1999 premium brick great room Ranch. White kitchen, first floor laundry, master bedroom with whirlpool tub and finished lower level with kitchen & bath. Custom raised patio, sprinklers. Troy schools. Quick occupancy.
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OXFORD So Many Extra Touches
Designer show place, professionally landscaped, gas fireplace, 4 sky lights, 9 foot ceiling with granite island, lavish master bath with jet tub. Three car garage, finished basement with bath & second kitchen.
(B31BAY) 248-652-8000 \$419,000



FARMINGTON HILLS Steel Of A Deal
Best of locations in town. Best location in sub. Cul-de-sac location for this beauty. 4 big BR, high ceilings, center island in the kitchen, library, FR, LR, finished basement, circular driveway and more.
(B90DOW) 248-626-8800 \$429,000



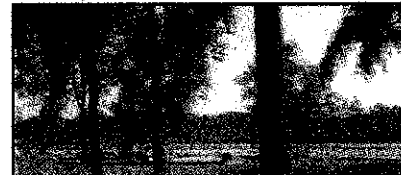
CLARKSTON Built in 2001
Four bedroom, 3 1/2 bath Tudor with high ceilings & neutral decor. First floor master, Jack & Jill bath, hardwood floors, library, recessed lights & granite counters in kitchen. All appliances, deck, unfinished walk-out & 3 car garage.
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DEARBORN Gorgeous Executive Condo
3,350 SF Ranch, large bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, finished basement, 2 car garage in gated community at TPC golf course overlooking fairway. Master with jetted tub & sep. shower, kitchen with granite counter. Reduced.
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TROY A Rare Find
On over one acre with Troy schools. Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths and finished walk-out lower level. Neutral throughout. A lot of storage. All appliances are included. Immediate occupancy. Just start unpacking!
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Remarkable, once in a lifetime opportunity to own this beautiful, serene 2 1/2 acre Ranch with 275 feet on Gerundee Bay on Cass Lake. This property offers a stunning atmosphere. Motivated seller.
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SHELBY TWP. Sharp, Modern Lakefront Home
A premium brick elevation and an excellent lot with a wonderful view of the lake and an island. The house features a huge kit with loads of cabinets, 2 story foyer, GR, lots of windows, big 3 car garage, extra high ceiling.
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BLOOMFIELD Sprawling Brick Ranch
Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath in Berkshire Villas sub. Lot just under 1 acre. LR with FP, custom built-ins & moldings. Cherry hardwood floors, FR with cathedral ceilings & second FR. Newer kitchen. Birmingham schools.
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SHELBY TOWNSHIP Stunning
Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home on a cul-de-sac backing to a private nature preserve. Patio pavers & a 2-tier cedar deck facing the woods. Custom cherry kitchen, first floor master with dual walk-ins and large whirlpool.
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CANTON Stunning Cape Cod
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...best describes the view of the 9th fairway from the soaring 2-story window. Living room, open floor plan, hardwood floors in foyer, kitchen & family room with fireplace, 2 car attached garage, basement & appliances.
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ROCHESTER HILLS New Construction
Four bedroom, 3 bath Colonial with full basement and 3 car side entry garage. Two story foyer with oak staircase. Great room with custom fireplace. Maple kitchen with island & walk-in pantry. Master with jetted tub.
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BIRMINGHAM Very Sharp Colonial
Four bedroom a few blocks from downtown. Updates: roof, kitchen, stainless steel appliances, water heater, mechanicals, windows & hardwood floors. Finished basement, 2 car garage, large lot, immediate possession.
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PLYMOUTH Custom Contemporary Home
Three-story atrium foyer, spiral oak staircase, great room w/FP to sun room, kitchen w/newer granite counters, formal DR w/hardwood floor, library or music room, master w/FP, jetted tub, fin. walk-out, in-ground pool.
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OAKLAND Custom Built Estate
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MILFORD Welcome To Royalty Home
Sits on a wooded 3.63 acres lot. Two story foyer & GR w/2 beautiful spiral staircases, 1st floor mstr, 4 additional bedrooms on 2nd floor, w/Jack and Jill baths, 2 study rooms, finished walkout bsmt w/kit. Library, toy rm.
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Porch wraps around house with country charm

Perky dormer windows and a wide wrap-around porch add curb appeal to the Savage, a mid-size country-style home that feels open and spacious inside.

High ceilings explain some of it. The entire center of the house is vaulted – the entry, living room, dining room and family room. The master suite also has a vaulted ceiling. But another factor is the size of the rooms. None of them are small, not even the utility room. There are no walls between the dining and living areas, and the kitchen and family room.

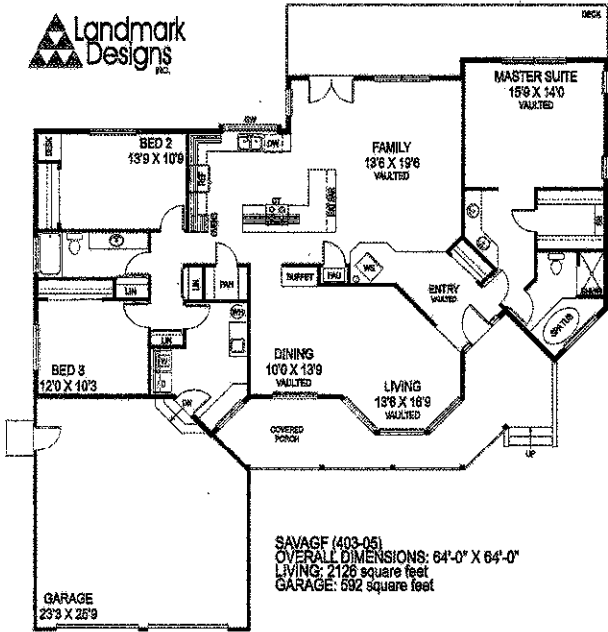
A wide window bay expands the living room, suffusing the space with indirect light from the front porch. More light streams in through the dormers. One is over the dining room and the other is over the living room. The dining room has a built-in buffet.

Practical and eye-catching, the tiled entryway comes into the house at a diagonal and extends into the family room where it underlies a sturdy wood stove. Tile's imperviousness to water comes in handy in the entry, while its resistance to fire protects the floor in front of the wood stove from errant sparks.

A wide garden window illuminates the kitchen and gives tropical plants a home. The cook top is built into an L-shaped island with an eating bar at one end. Counter space is plentiful enough for two or three cooks to work at once creating festive or gourmet meals. A walk-in pantry adds to the plentiful cupboard space. In the family room, French doors open onto a wide deck.

Luxuries in the master suite include a large walk-in closet, an oversized shower, a spa tub and long vanity outside the steamy bathing area. Two secondary bedrooms share a bathroom. Bedroom two, at the rear, is slightly larger and has a built-in desk.

Linen closets line the hallway outside these bedrooms. The pass-through utility room, also accessible from the garage, is exceptionally large. A naturally illuminated counter makes a great home for the family sewing machine.



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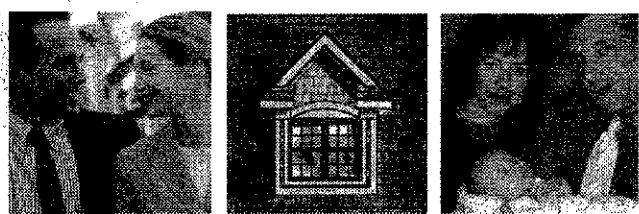
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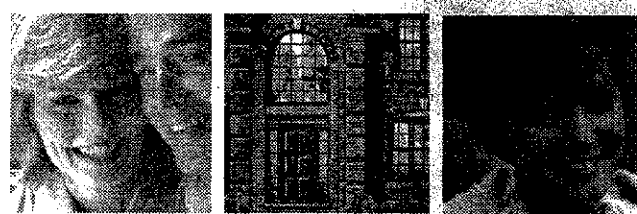
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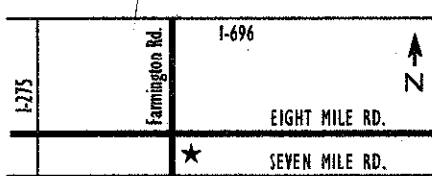


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Canton Township is accepting applications for the Leisure Services Department as Technical Theater Director. This position will oversee and coordinate all technical aspects of Canton Township's performances. Develop and instruct stagecraft classes and manage a volunteer technical theater program, and work with professional and community groups at various locations in the community. Bachelor's degree in Technical Theater or an equivalent combination of education and/or experience. Knowledge, training and skill in organizing and managing facilities for the performing arts. \$10-\$23/hr. Applications available at the Township Administration Building, Human Resources Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. A completed Canton Township application form must be completed in its entirety and on file with the Canton Township Human Resources Division by 4pm, April 2, 2004. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at www.canton-mi.org. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

TELEMARKETER
Professional with great phone skills and salesmanship qualities to work part time in Livonia tuxedo rental shop. Ask for Mr. D. 734-425-7070

TELEMARKETING
\$9-\$15 Per hour + bonuses. Telemarketing / mortgage exp. helpful. Full/part time. Call: Bob RG. Enterprises 248-613-7444 or fax resume: 248-681-4962

TEMPORARY COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST (MUNICIPAL SERVICES)

Canton Township is accepting applications for Temporary Communications Specialist (Municipal Services). Responsible for planning, organizing, and implementing Township communications, developing public relations, preparing multi-media materials and presentations. Must be proficient in the use of a personal computer; training in desktop publishing, graphic design techniques, photo manipulation software and presentations software preferred. Bachelors Degree in Communication Arts, Community/Public Relations, English/Journalism, or a related field 20 hrs/week. Salary \$22.20/hr. applications can be picked up at the Canton Township Human Resources Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at www.canton-mi.org. A Canton Township application form must be completed in its entirety and the form must be received in the Human Resources Division prior to 4pm, March 31, 2004. No resumes will be accepted without written application form. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

TOOL SHOP ASSISTANT
\$10-\$12/Hr. Farmington Hills. 32-40 hrs/wk. Mechanical ability req., shipping, receiving, shop clean-up. Some lifting. Fax: 248-471-1156

TREE CLIMBER

Tree service in Farmington area seeks a climber. Must have exp. & drivers license. Budget Tree. 1-800-964-7785

TRUCK DRIVER - CDL B
Livonia based Steel Service Center is looking for a part-time truck driver with valid CDL B and good driving record. Excellent starting wage and benefit package. Apply in person: CONTRACTORS STEEL COMPANY, 36555 Amrhein, Livonia (near Plymouth & Levan).

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

Needed for Meals on Wheels in Troy. Please call between 9am-2pm. 248-546-2700

VP MEMBER SERVICE

LOC Federal Credit Union seeking VP of Member Service. Responsible for both Cash/Member Service Departments. IT exp. is a must. Services background expected. Management exp. required. Solid compensation/benefits package. Send resume to: VM Member Service, LOC Federal CU, 22601 Farmington Rd., Farmington, MI 48336. Or email knicoil@locfederal.com

WAREHOUSE

Ceramic tile co. in Livonia has an available full time position. Must have 2-3 years warehouse experience. Benefits, profit sharing & 401K. Call: HR Manager (248) 476-7850, ext. 2254 or fax resume: (248) 476-3828

WAREHOUSE:
Novi Medical distributor, shipping/receiving hi-to experienced pre-ferred. Starting salary \$10.35. Fax resume: 248-348-8522; Drug screening. Equal Opportunity Employer

Help Wanted-General 5000

WELDER REPAIR TECHNICIAN

Polynorm Automotive North America is a Tier 1 supplier of medium stampings and assemblies to the global automotive industry. We currently have a position open for a Welder Repair Technician. The successful candidate will be a hands on licensed/certified welder repair/electrician with good trouble shooting skills. This position will support production activities and perform preventative maintenance on equipment. Required skills include: resistance/spot/projection welding, PLC training, problem solving and robotic controls. Requirements include journeyman license with a minimum of 10 years experience in automotive manufacturing. Polynorm Automotive North America is an EOE. Qualified individuals send resumes to: humanresources@polynorm-na.com

Welder/Mechanic Experienced

Needed for repair & fabrication shop. Must have own tools. Knowledge of trailers helpful. Excellent wages & benefits. RESUMES ONLY: 7780 Ronda Drive, Canton, MI 48187.

WILLIAM D. FORD TECHNICAL CENTER
Position open as follows: P/T Computer Instructor, Ford Skills Enhancement program. Mon & Tues. 3pm-6pm. Posting closes April 1, 2004. For information call Ginny Kowalski, 734-419-2106. Apply in person at Wayne-Westland Community Schools, 36745 Marquette, Westland, E.O.E.

WINK-JET - Mailing machine operator, mechanical & computer skills needed. Exp a plus. Willing to train the right person. Full time. Resume to: Mailing Services, 45525 Grand River, Novi MI 48374. email sales@pscolor.com

Writer/Editor
Our dynamic, service-oriented organization needs an enthusiastic team player eager to grow this position. The National Truck Equipment Association is seeking a candidate with strong copy writing/editing skills to produce several monthly and quarterly newsletters as well as communications within a variety of media. Candidates with PageMaker and layout experience will be given added consideration. Send resume: Gwen Brown, Communications Director, NTEA, 37400 Hills Tech Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48331-3414. fax (248) 489-9590 or gwen@ntea.com

Computer Programmer
Part time. Knowledge in Visual Basic. Access 97 Visual Studio a plus. Good pay and flexible schedule. Perfect for college student majoring in CIS. Robot Printing and Communications 12085 Dixie Redford, MI 48239 (313) 255-0470 FAX humanresources@robotprinting.com

DATA PROCESSING COORDINATOR

Livonia financial institution seeks full-time Data Processing Coordinator. Requirements include experience or exposure to Novell NetWare and Zworks software installation experience, ability to work independently, and excellent documentation skills. Data processing and financial institution experience preferred. E-mail resume to sewleski@csco.org or fax to (734) 522-8295. Salary requirements should be included.

WEB DEVELOPER

Full time for commercial web application developers. Strong background in HTML and experience in server-side scripting and SQL a must. Great pay and flexible hours. Robot Printing and Communications 12085 Dixie Redford, MI 48239 (313) 255-0470 FAX humanresources@robotprinting.com

ACCOUNTING PERSONAL ASSET MANAGER

Strong background in accounting and finance required. Candidate must have above-average interpersonal skills. With job training and experience, qualified candidate may become the corporate interface for this executive. Ideal candidate is highly independent, has a wide range of abilities, and is flexible with time. This job offers unique, exciting and challenging projects to be completed in a variety of settings. Familiarity with trusts and high-end personal tax a must. Min. 4 year degree required, CPA preferred. Resumes only, please, to: Marie Johnston, HR Department, 25800 Northwestern Hwy Southfield, MI 48075. Benefits. EOE.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Full time for Livonia medical equipment co. Peachtree experience preferred, but not necessary, will train. Fax resume to 734-522-9380

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/RECEIVABLE

And Payroll. Part time temporary position late May through August. Fax resume to 734-729-7776

Help Wanted-Office 5020

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Full time position for a dependable, organized person for landscape contractor. Answer phones, assist customers, invoicing & proposals. Exp. preferred. Fax resume 734-524-1031 email: lbywalec@db-landscaping.com

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Orchard Lake Country Club is seeking an Administrative Assistant to the General Manager. Must have strong computer/office skills and professional demeanor. Salary and Benefits package. Send resume to: Email: alcc@comcast.net or fax (248) 682-9680

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
For commercial real estate firm in Southfield. Excellent pay. Full time. Fax resume: 248-262-8315 or email ismith@levismith.com

Administrative Assistant

Seeking professional person for part-time (30 hrs./wk.) position with consulting firm in Farmington Hills. Must have excellent communication skills and be proficient in Microsoft Office. A/E firm experience desirable. Competitive wage/flexible hours. Send resume to Bev Thome, StructureTec Corporation, 4777 Campus Dr., Kalamazoo, MI 49008-2594. EOE.

Administrative Assistant (Creative)

needed to join fun, past paced Marketing dept. Word, Excel, PowerPoint & Illustrator a must! Graphics experience and good writing skills will be needed to be considered. Please email resume and salary history to: employ@pobox.com

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Southfield based Insurance and Employee Benefits firm has an immediate opening for an Administrative Assistant. Will be responsible for creating spreadsheets for new and existing clients. Strong interpersonal and communication skills. Will be communicating with the Human Resources Departments of our new and existing clients. Some telephone coverage and customer client contact involved. Must be proficient in all Microsoft Office programs. Accuracy and attention to detail a must. We're looking for an energetic person who is looking to grow with our firm. Background in employee benefits a plus! Flexible hours, no weekends. Please include your salary history and desired salary range. Please fax or email resumes to 248-354-5532 or jobs@kaufmanllc.com

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CUSTOMER SERVICE

Livonia based alarm co. seeking rep for data entry/customer service position. Heavy data entry. Fast paced office environment. Strong attention to detail & basic computer skills required. Leave voice mail message at 800-468-4640 ext 2401

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Farmington area. Full time for highly motivated, energetic, self starter with strong data entry skills. Must have exp. with Windows XP/NT, Microsoft Word/Excel/Access. Benefits included. Fax resume to 248-868-3543

LEGAL LITIGATION SECRETARY

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Help Wanted-Office 5020

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For Southfield P.I. law firm. Minimum 3 years experience. Windows/Microsoft Word knowledge a must. Salary commensurate with experience. Send resume to: Sherry Simmott, 2928 Crooks Road, Royal Oak, MI 48073.

OFFICE ASSISTANT

Part Time for psychological clinic. Knowledge of medical claims and insurance benefits preferable. Tues, Wed & Fri. with some flexibility. Fax qualifications to Debbie, at 248-642-5739.

OFFICE ASSISTANT

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OFFICE CLERK

Warner, Norcross & Judd LLP has an immediate opening for an Office Clerk, working in our Southfield office. Positive attitude and flexibility are key. Position entails stocking supplies, mail delivery, making copies, receptionist duties, kitchen maintenance, conference room set ups and other general office projects. Please send, fax, or email your resume with salary requirements to: Human Resources Dept: Warner, Norcross & Judd LLP, 111 Lyon St. N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2467, fax (616) 222-2243, email: office@wnj.com. To learn more about WNJ, visit our website at www.wnj.com. EOE.

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Local telecommunication firm is seeking full time individual to assist with general office duties. We are looking for a flexible highly motivated & energetic person who is eager to learn & work with cellular products. Must have great communication & computer skills. Positive attitude a must. We offer casual dress, competitive hourly wages, cellular phone & service. Send resumes & salary requirements to: humanresources@discovercom.com

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OFFICE MANAGER

For local home improvement co. A college degree is required with strong emphasis in accounting. Successful candidate will have exp. in managing people & general office procedures. You must be trained in Word, Excel & PowerPoint. We are a growing co. & need someone who can improve our operation & be part of our growth. Salary based on exp. Email resumes: office@homecom.net. Code# Box 0840

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RECEPTIONIST

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Help Wanted-Office 5020

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Looking for a person with good communication skills, computer exp. in Excel. Apply in person. 39133 Webb Dr., Westland.

RECEPTIONIST/PART-TIME
Mon-Fri 10am-2pm Filing, phones, and computer work. Fax resume (248) 967-6391

SALES COORDINATOR
To assist in order entry, filing, answering phones and general office duties. Must be computer literate. Send resume and salary history to: 11865 Globe St., Livonia, MI 48150, or fax to: 734-464-2225

Secretary II - PT
City of Southfield
Day-to-day general office/clerk duties. Requires: HS grad, 3 yrs exp. as a secretary, MS WORD and Word Perfect including merge documents, must successfully complete the Secretary II skills battery. Mon-Fri, 12 Noon-5 PM - preferred; \$14.30 to \$17.60 per hour plus benefits. Apply by 5:00 p.m. March 31, 2004 to: City of Southfield HR Department, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield, MI 48076. For more info visit www.cityofsouthfield.com.

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Help Wanted-Engineering 6030

QUALITY ENGINEER

Full-Time - Novi, MI

Polynorm Automotive North America is a Tier 1 supplier of medium stampings and assemblies to the global automotive industry. We currently have a position open for a Quality Engineer at our facility located in Novi, MI. The successful candidate will serve as a liaison between customers and internal departments to maintain quality systems, understanding of quality standards, and to lead the resolution of quality issues. This employee will be involved in all functions of quality including but not limited to: advanced quality planning, problem solving using the 8-D problem solving process, tooling and gauge design and build, GD&T, PPAP, FMEA, Control Plans and work instructions, PPAP utilization, process parameters based on results, responsible for establishing requirements for effective statistical QA systems; processing statistical QA data, data collection and issuing reports; implementing SPC & SMC checks to prevent external & internal failures; SPC data collection devices, assisting in problem solving techniques with inspectors and other departments; investigating and recommending new techniques in statistical quality assurance systems. Requirements include a minimum of 10 years experience in quality. Experience in quality tool and die root cause resolution is a must. Knowledge of SPC activities including ISO-14001, QS-9000, and 8D. Strong problem solving and communication skills. Bachelor's degree required preferable in a technical field. Experience in a metal stamping and welding environment is a plus. Polynorm Automotive North America is an EOE. Qualified individuals submit resumes to: humanresources@polynorm-na.com

Help Wanted-Dental 6040

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Help Wanted-Sales (6120)

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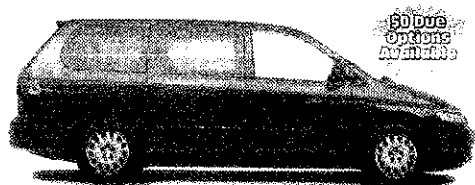
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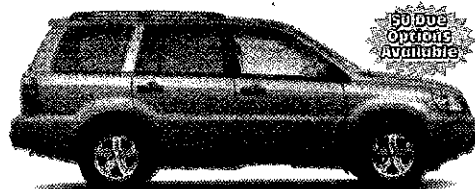
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SALE \$22,390* **24 MO. LEASE \$159***



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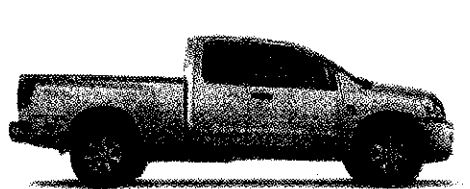
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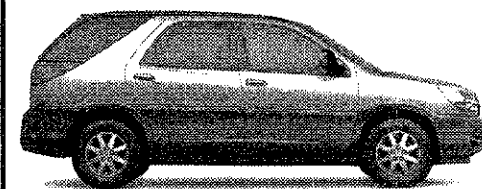
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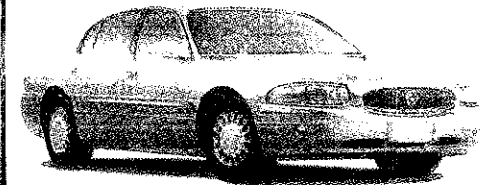
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CD, power windows, cruise control. Stk. #562042

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2004 CENTURY
ABS brakes, power seat, cruise control. Stk. #173651

SAVE \$7,500 **\$15,141***



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\$1500 PEP REBATE **\$17,809***



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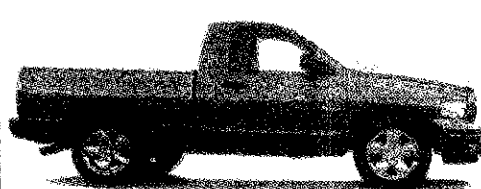
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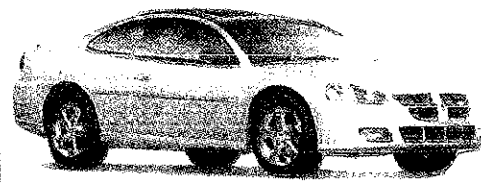
2004 RAM PICKUP
Automatic transmission, air conditioning, anti-spin, cloth interior and more! Stk. #231629

WAS \$22,230 **SALE \$14,892***



2004 GRAND CARAVAN
Auto, air, pwr windows and locks, cruise, tilt, AM/FM/CD, rear air & heat, pwr mirrors, Quad seating, keyless entry, running boards. Stk. #509218

WAS \$28,025 **SALE \$19,172***



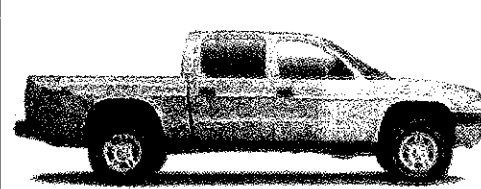
2004 STRATUS RT 2 DR.
3.0L V6 auto stick, air, power windows & locks, AM/FM/CD, leather, power moonroof, 17" chrome wheels, ABS & more. Stk. #033799

WAS \$27,315 **SALE \$20,853***



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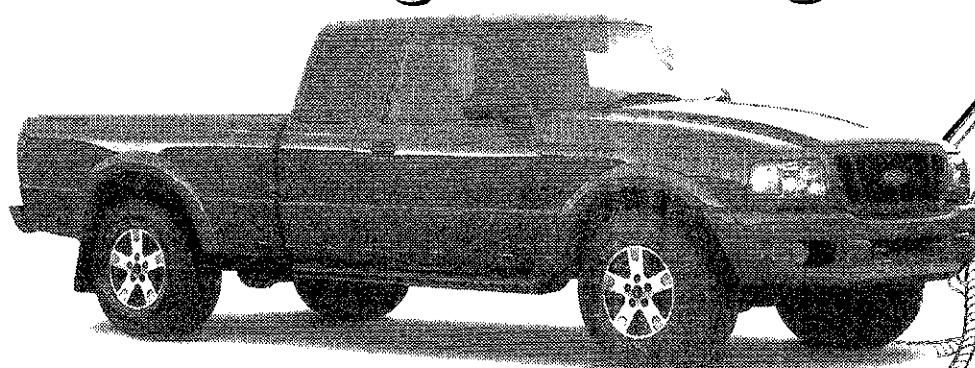
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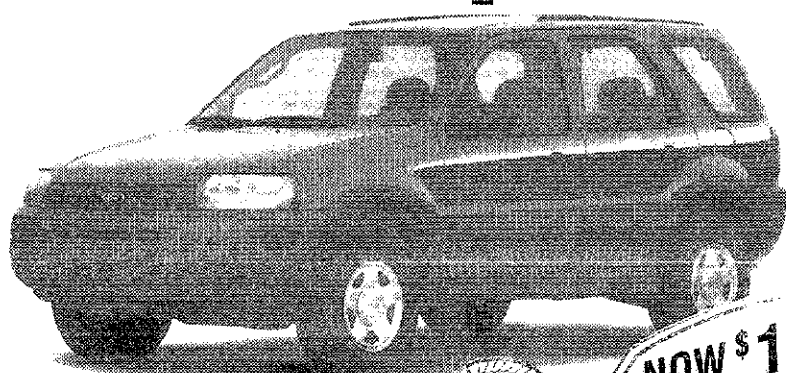


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39 MO. LEASE
\$120^{64**}

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WAS \$26,015

2004 Escape XLT

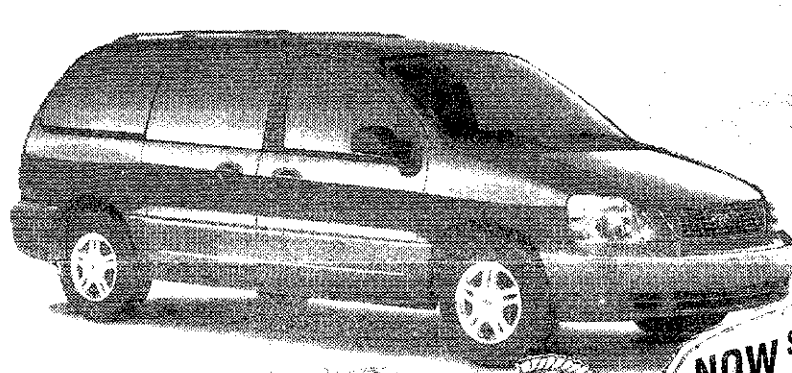


V-6, auto, power steering, power brakes, air conditioning, cruise control, tilt wheel, AM/FM stereo CD, power seat, power windows, power locks, step bars. Stock #5T9020

WAS \$23,860

NOW \$18,321¹⁶
39 MO. LEASE
\$209^{79**}

2004 Freestar SEL



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WAS \$31,285

NOW \$20,674⁷⁴
39 MO. LEASE
\$232^{47**}

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NOW \$15,837⁶⁷

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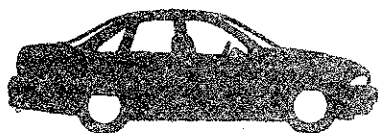
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2004 Ford F-150: it's really great

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It took a lot of guts. For a company that sold more than 800,000 Ford F-150s in 2002 - representing 23 percent of its total sales in the domestic market - and go ahead and redesign it, well, it took guts. Or maybe it was gut-wrenching, knowing the old adage, "don't fix what isn't broken."

The F-150 has always been a strong contender in the full-size truck market here in America, and it showed with the advent of Toyota, Nissan and Mazda throwing their hat in the ring over the last decade. A full-size pick-up? Ah, those are only bought by construction guys and cattle ranchers, right?

I don't think anyone expected women would ever buy a full-size truck 20 or 25 years ago. Today, however, it's common. And I know for a fact that my 10- and 12-year old girls won't buy a passenger car - they want a truck. "Cars are too small," they tell me. And those words were spoken while driving in a full-size passenger car.

A little history, courtesy of Ford's own files: the very first factory-assembled pickup was built in 1925 and cost \$281. More than 34,000 were built that year. In 1948, the F-Series became Ford's all-new, post-war line of vehicles. The designations ranged from F-1 (1 ton) to F-8 (3 ton).

The very first F-150 was introduced in 1975, while in 1988, the first 4X4 SuperCab F-150 was launched the F-Series has been America's best-selling truck for 26 years running. There have been a host of changes in redesigns in the years after 1980, but this one has got to be the best.

And now, in 2004, the F-150 has been redesigned once again, providing it with a lot more comfort features, configurations, better engines and trim levels.

You've got a ton of choices here, folks. That's what makes the F-150 so successful. Every cab choice - Regular Cab, SuperCab and SuperCrew - comes with four full-size doors. Talk about convenience. For you, for your passengers, even for the dog. No more fiddling around with the little half-door that you had to have closed before you closed the driver's door.

And speaking of the interior rear room, it's six inches longer, providing even more comfort for your passengers and any equipment you have to haul.

Two inches deeper this year are all of the cargo boxes, whether you choose the 5.5-foot (which will easily fit in your garage), 6-foot or 8-foot lengths. On the 5.5-foot box, you can finally choose from the Flareside or Styleside styles. In the rear, the tailgate benefits



2004 Ford F-150. Vehicle type: Full-size truck. Power: 5.4-liter V8. Mileage: 14 mpg city/18 mpg highway.

from Ford's own Tailgate Assist, which helps you open and close it with a little more ease.

Let me get one quick thing out of the way. Please, for your comfort and convenience, get the running boards put on this truck. I'm not of small stature and I had a heck of a time getting in and out of it. I love the fact that its ground clearance is hefty, but climbing in is a chore without them.

The frame of the F-150 is almost nine times stiffer torsion ally than previous models, which improves ride quality, durability, quietness and the ability to drive it easier.

There are five distinctive models to choose from: XL, STX, XLT, FX4 and Lariat, being the top-of-the-line, no holds barred model. Driven this week was the Lariat SuperCab 4X4 SS model, with its 145-inch wheelbase. Believe it or not, each model choosing has a distinct look to it and is easily distinguished from the others.

The F-150 is beautifully styled, with rounded corners, an aggressive front end and a rear treatment that exerts its mark as a truck.

On the inside, you'll find a host of refinements and a look that makes it feel more like a passenger car than a full-size truck. There is so much room inside that a little kid could get lost. Up front, there's a huge center console separating two large and comfortable captain's chairs.

And up top, there's an overhead rail system that lets you customize your storage options. Available is a simple storage area for glasses and garage door opener, but you can also slide in a DVD entertainment module.

Instrumentation is thoughtful and logically placed. Everything is within the driver's reach and easy to understand and operate. The interior surfaces are clean and have softer touches, further

lending itself to the female market.

Power is delivered by either a 4.6-liter single overhead cam Triton V8 or a 5.4-liter single overhead cam Triton V8. Driven was the 5.4-liter, which was quite powerful driving it around town and on the freeways. The 5.4-liter delivers 300 horsepower and is mated to a new four-speed automatic transmission. The 4.6-liter gives you 231 horsepower, has two valves per cylinder and a cast iron block also mated to a four-speed automatic.

We talked about the added rigidity of the F-150. There's more to that than just ride quality. It's also a safety issue. Its structure allows this truck to absorb more crash energy and disperse it before it reaches the interior cab.

Other safety features include dual-stage driver and front-passenger airbags, driver's seat position sensor, safety belt pretensioner and an electronic crash severity sensor. If the vehicle detects there isn't a passenger in front, it automatically deactivates the passenger's side airbag.

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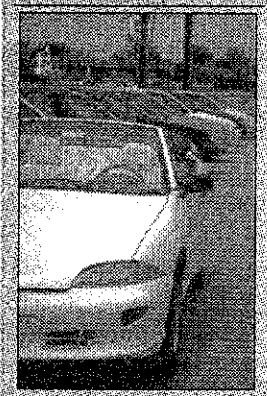
Motor Trend gave its coveted Truck of the Year award to the F-150 this year, an accolade it deserves. Go take a look, I think you'll agree.

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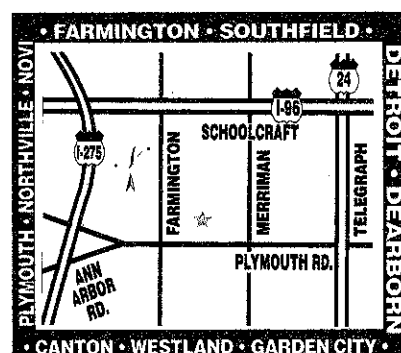
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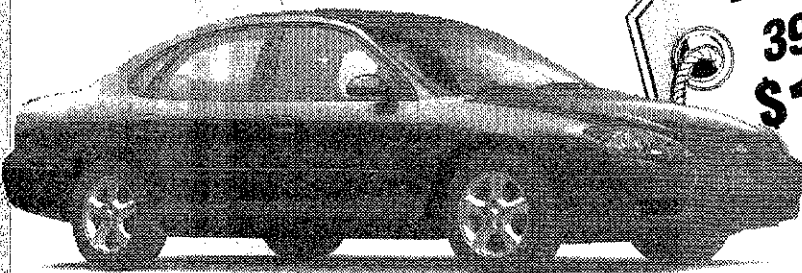
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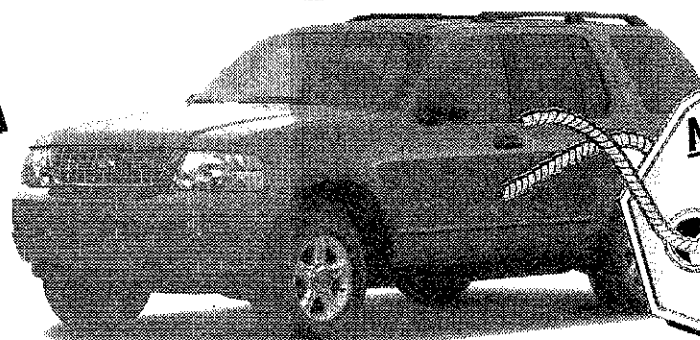


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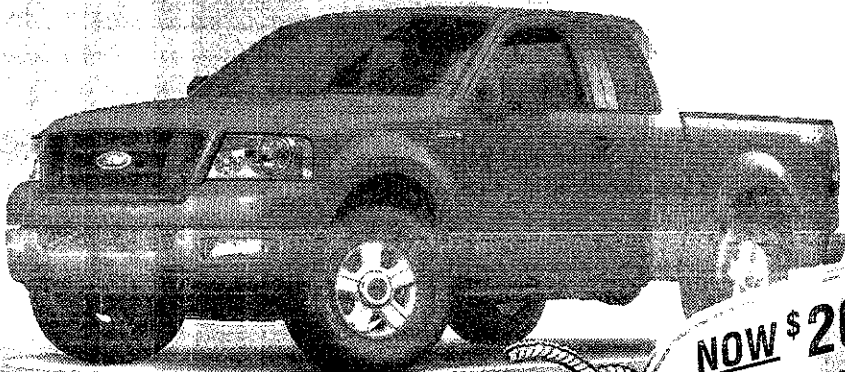


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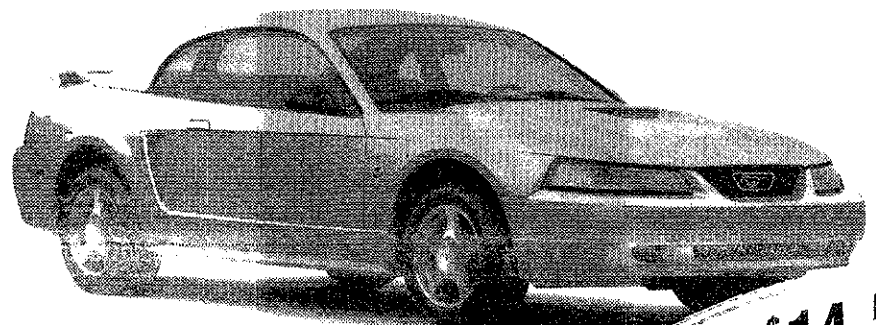


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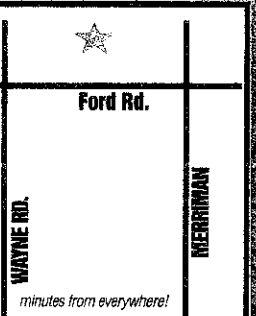
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