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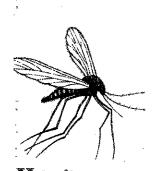
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Checking up

Canton students will be among almost 7,000 from the Detroit area who will give the Rouge River a checkup Wednesday, May 5, in the Meads Mill Recreation Area in Hines Park.

Students from Canton High School, Plymouth High, Salem High, Field Elementary and Tonda Elementary will conduct tests on the river to assess its health and determine what can be done to protect and restore it.

Dine and wine

A wine and food tasting to benefit the Canton Youth Development Outreach Program, the **Canton Community** Foundation, the March of Dimes and the Leadership Canton **Alumni Association** Scholarship Fund is scheduled for 7-9 p.m. Friday, May 7, at Waltonwood at Cherry

Approximately 20 wine tables with a wide variety of red and white wines, as well as beer and nonalcoholic beverages, will be available. Hors d'oeuvres provided by Holiday Market, entertainment and several door prizes are also included. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door, and are available at Holiday Market and the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, call Debbie Zevalkink at (734) 394-5188.

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

Fix it or trash it. That was the essence of an order issued to National Church Residences of Ohio, owner of the abandoned Sheldon Place senior housing center at Sheldon and

Ford roads. The building has been vacant since August 2001 after leaks and cracks appeared in the then threeyear-old \$4.4 million building.

About a year ago, a dangerous building hearing was held on the structure. At that time Joseph Philips, the hearing officer, told NCR to fix the building and that the issue would be revisited in a year.

On March 23 of this year, another hearing was held on the building, which has been shored up but not repaired.

At that hearing, Philips asked for a letter from a structural engineer attesting to the safety of the building. He set a deadline of April 6 to receive the letter.

As of April 21, Philips said, he still had not received any such correspondence.

On that date he sent a letter to Mark Ricketts, president of NCR, informing him of the situation.

'It is my opinion," Philips wrote in the letter, "that the condition of the building in its current state is unsafe. I draw this conclusion from the fact that you have chosen to vacate the building. Philips then ordered that the

building be "demolished or otherwise made safe by Aug. 1, 2004."

"My main concern is having things done by wintertime," Philips said Friday. "I tried to give them enough time to go through the legalities. I think they know the building is safe, but they're hesitant to make that statement because it may be used against them in the lawsuit."

NCR has filed suit against DeMaria Construction Co., the contractor who built the building, in a dispute over liabilities for the building's problems.

In his order Philips told NCR that if a decision is made to

demolish the building, it must apply for a permit by July 1. If the decision is to repair the building, a permit to begin repair work must also be applied for by July 1.

"That's a pretty aggressive time frame," Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack said. "I support this approach 100 percent. The building's been empty for almost three years."

Bryan Amann, a local attorney representing NCR, was out of town Friday and not available for comment. Another NCR attorney did not return a phone call from the Observer.

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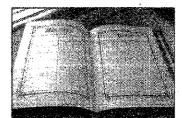
Dating back

Society receives 19th century Bible filled with Canton history

> BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

The Canton Historical Society recently received a copy of a 19th century Bible belonging to Milton Carleton — and now it is trying to find some descendants of the Carleton family.

Dave Curtis, president of the historical society. received an e-mail from a man who lives in the area of Canton, Ohio, who said he had possession of the Bible



A section of the Milton Carleton bible is devoted to family marriages and births.

and would like to donate it to the Canton (Michigan) society's archives.

After several e-mails back and forth, the Ohio resident said he had a friend who was coming to the North American

International Auto Show who could bring the Bible. Curtis agreed to meet the friend at a hotel at Metro Airport to

pick up the gift. Back at the museum, Curtis and his wife, Ronni,

society vice president, began examining the Bible.

The cover page contains the following inscription: "This book for Milton T. Carleton from his mother and

The family records section contains listings of numerous marriages, births and deaths, including the



Room Curtis) vice president of the Canton Historical Society, looks through the 19th century bible, once owned by Milton Carleton.

marriage of Walter R. Carleton of Canton and Carrie E. Truesdell of Canton, Dec. 24, 1890. The latest marriage listed is Walter Ralph Carleton and Grace Smith, April 13, 1929, in Detroit.

Deaths include Harriet E. Truesdell on March 9, 1913, at age 69 and Cornelius B. Truesdell on Feb. 17, 1918, at age 73.

The one page that was not filled in, Ronni Curtis

noted with a chuckle, was the "Family temperance pledge page."

"No one signed that," she said.

Anyone with information on the Carletons or their descendants may contact Ronni Curtis at (734) 340-

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Police Officer of Year is modest about his efforts

STAFF WRITER

When Lake Orion native Daniel Traylor graduated from Lake Superior State University about 12 years ago with a degree in criminal justice, he started looking for a job as a police officer.

But jobs were hard to get then. "It took me 11 months and three weeks to get a job," he said. "I went all over the country - North Carolina, Wisconsin, all over. Then Canton offered me a job and I

That was in 1993. Thursday night, Traylor was honored as Canton's Police Officer of the Year.



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Jeffrey Seifert was honored as the Civilian of the Year.



Daniel Traylor was honored with the Officer of the Year during the Canton Police Department Annual Awards.

Growing Liberty Fest parade will travel new route

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI STAFF WRITER

When Fred Bolden decided that Canton should have its own parade, he printed from the Internet what is affectionately called his parade bible.

"I learned how to build a float. I learned how to plan a parade. I learned how to get sponsors," Bolden said. "Now we are learning how to improve a parade. That's what we are working on now."

The "we" is Bolden and Debbie Zevalkink, assistant to the township supervisor, who are co-chairs of the Liberty Fest Parade, now in its third year. The latest improvement in

the popular parade during the annual Liberty Fest is a change of venue from the Summit and Heritage Park to Canton Center

"We had suggestions from people that we should change the route," Zevalkink said. "The parade route was a little short. The bigger the parade got, we needed more room."

On Saturday, June 19, floats, clowns, drill teams, bands, horses, unicycles - you name it — will gather in the parking lot at Meijer on the southeast corner of Ford and Canton Center roads. From there, the third annual parade will march 1.6 miles south down Canton Center and end at St. Joseph Mercy at Summit Parkway.

"It will draw more of the community by having it on a major road," Bolden said.

Bleachers also will be placed at Canton Center and Cherry Hill for VIPs — anyone who wants to pay \$5 for a seat and a continental breakfast. Judges also will be posted there as the parade has its first contests.

Supervisor Tom Yack will sponsor the bike decorating contest, which will be accompanied by contests for the best youth sports group, best float, best youth entry, best auto and, finally, the best of the parade. Monetary prizes will be awarded.

The co-chairs are counting on a parade

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Van Buren Schools hold meeting to discuss bonds

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI STAFF WRITER

Ellen Boyd wants residents in a portion of southern Canton to know important things are happening in the Van Buren School District.

"It's very exciting," said the mother of two children, whose children attend Van Buren schools. "The district is trying to make big changes that are well overdue."

A facilities committee is reviewing a proposed \$150 million bond - likely at a fall election - that would build a new high school, rebuild a middle school from the old high school, and provide improvements to others, including technological upgrades at all the schools.

BY JACK GLADDEN

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station is about to become a

reality.

The bond would apparently be repaid over 271/2 years.

These are improvements that are so desperately needed," Boyd said.

Boyd is urging Canton parents in the Van Buren district to attend an informational

Western Canton will get new station

meeting at 7 p.m. at the Belleville High School cafete-

"We need the community support," she said.

The committee's proposal will then go before the school board at 7:30 p.m. Monday,

For more information, contact Van Buren Schools at (734) 697-9123 or online at www.resa.net/vanburen

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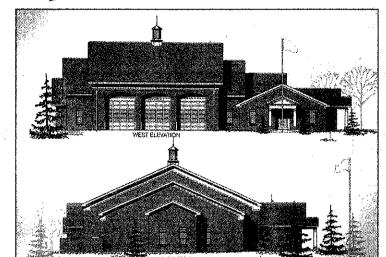
week, the final step is approval by the board of trustees, and that's virtually guaranteed.

Work is expected to start in July on the station that will be located on the east side of Denton Road between Cherry Hill and Saltz. That portion of Denton doesn't exist yet. It's part of the Denton Road extension, which is packaged with the paving of Saltz and the paving and widening of Cherry

All of those projects should be completed by the end of the

When the new station was first proposed, there was a dispute over the location. Public Safety Director John Santomauro and Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher favored the area of Michigan Avenue and Haggerty, while Township Supervisor Tom Yack and the board of trustees favored the western portion somewhere in the Cherry Hill Village

After a meeting with township officials last year, which



Canton's third fire station, to be built on Denton Road between Cherry Hill and Saltz, will follow the design guidelines for the Cherry Hill Village/Uptown developments. Work is expected to begin in July.

Santomauro requested, it was agreed to build the station in the western portion, where almost all of the new growth is

The new 11,000-square-foot station will be in keeping with

the design guidelines set for the Cherry Hill Village/Uptown developments. It will be staffed by 12 firefight-

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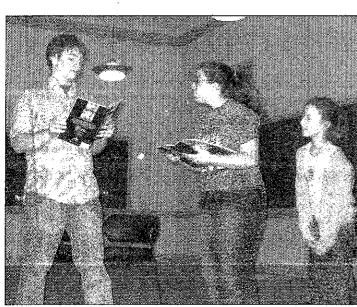
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Music Man Harold Hill (Kyle Kaufmann) convinces Mrs. Paroo (Alexis Mosley), to put her son, Winthrop Paroo (understudy Molly Wallace), in the River City

Seventy kids take stage in 'Music Man Junior'

The spotlight will turn on Canton, Plymouth and Northville kids when they take the stage in Music Man Junior May 14-16 at Discovery Middle School in Canton.

This classic story about shady, but charming, salesman Harold Hill (Kyle Kaufmann) in a simple mid-American town is full of quirky townsfolk and the pleasantly stubborn music teacher Marian Paroo (Stefanie Mallasch). As Harold captivates the town of

River City, Iowa, Marian sets out to prove that he's a fake all the while falling head over

Music Man Junior, which is presented by Ever After **Productions and Canton** Leisure Services, features 70 local kids. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. Advance tickets can be purchased at the Summit on the Park in Canton. Call the Summit at (734) 394-5460 for more information.

Canton author reveals secrets to \$\$\$ freedom

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI STAFF WRITER

If it's possible to fall in love with a

business, Curt Whipple did it - twice. A college graduate in television and radio broadcasting, Whipple was well on his way to a happy career in sales and management, as well as voiceovers. A friend one day offered to help him with his finances. Life insurance policies and mutual funds were the topic.

"The combination of the two got me interested in financial services," said the president of C. Curtis and Associates Inc. in Canton.

Like any young couple starting out with small kids, Whipple and his wife had their fair share of economic hardships. Once his friend spoke with him about finances, Whipple was hooked but still working in broadcasting, moving from Missouri to California, Illinois and, finally, Michigan.

Shortly after Whipple moved his family to Michigan, he quit his job. "I started the financial planning business in my basement the next morning," he said.

After helping a radio business owner make more money, "I just found that to be much more gratifying." The downside was that he and his wife, Connie, didn't know anyone in Michigan and now he didn't have a salary.

But in the first month, Whipple made enough to pay the bills. "And we have never looked back," said the Canton resi-



dent and the founder and president of the Financial Freedom Education Institute.

The career change took focus and self-discipline, plus a knack for numbers, all qualities Whipples possess-

"You have to get a tunnel vision about what you are learning," he said.

As a financial planner, Whipple specializes in helping people who are 50 and older, a crucial time in life when there is less time to recoup financial losses. In fact, right at the start Whipple encountered a retiree who lost half his retirement on bad advice.

"I always ask the question, 'Who taught you about money?" Whipple said. "My heart hurts for people in theirs 20s, 30s and 40s who no one has wanted to help. It's not how much money you have, but what you do with it."

To that end, in July 2003, Whipple published his book, You Will Never Have Financial Freedom By Paying Off Your Debt. He also opened the Financial Freedom Education Institute to help people understand how to better handle their money, especially as retirement

"I want people to understand the path to follow to be financially free," Whipple said. "It's really not so much about

money, but what you do with it." In a nutshell, the priority is saving, actually investing. "The name of the

game is to build assets," he said. Too many people focus on becoming debt-free or paying off their bills.

"People have a comfort level of debt," he said. "They spend their whole life about debt. While you are playing with your debt, what you are doing is wasting time not building assets."

Whipple teaches people how to find their missing money. He also teaches the 32 ways that people waste money. For example, if you come across an extra \$500, don't put it all to that credit card bill. Whipple suggests paying \$250 to the debt and \$250 to build your assets.

"The reactions are overwhelmingly positive. I see people almost instantaneously change their lives," he said.

While getting ready with two new books, Whipple also conducts workshops and seminars through his education institute. He targets people in local businesses, churches and associations. Through the institute, he provides home study kits, tapes and CDs and CD-Rs for computers.

"The tapes and workbook take people by the hand and walk them through the process," he said.

For more information, Whipple suggests logging on to his Web site: www.ffei.net.

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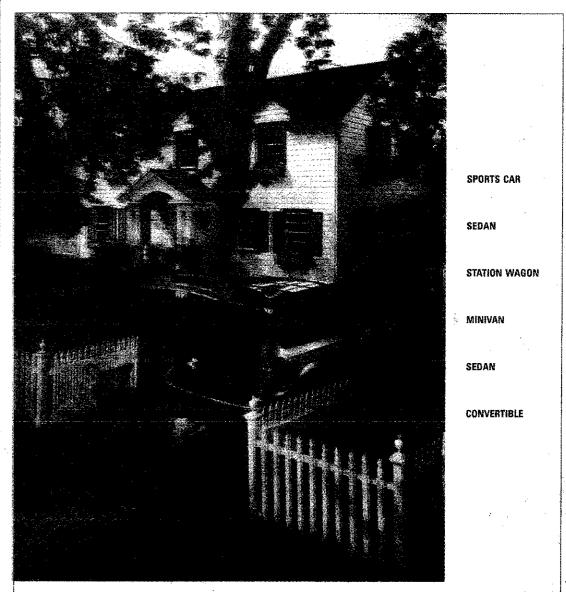
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The Canton Liberty Fest Parade Committee is taking applications for the 3rd Annual Community Parade at the Liberty Fest Saturday, June 19. This year, Canton Center Road will be closed for the parade.

For more information, contact co-chair Fred Bolden at fbolden@bcbsm.com or cochair Debbie Zevalkink at dzevalkink@canton-mi.org or at (734) 394-5188.

TEEN DRUG SERIES

"Teens Using Drugs: What To Know and What To Do," a free, ongoing community education series, will be presented by social worker Ron Harrison in the Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Classroom EC4, 5305 Elliott Drive in Ypsilanti.

Part One, "What To Know,"

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will be presented from 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 1 and will provide information on understanding and recognizing teen substance abuse problems.

Part Two, "What To Do," will be presented from 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 8 and will provide information on what should and should not be done when a teen substance abuse problem is suspected or identified, and will include a recovering teen speaker.

The presentations are free and open to the public. Parents, teens, and people who work with teens are all welcome. Free literature about alcohol/other drugs and teens is provided. There will be opportunity to speak with the presenter after the workshop.

For more information, call (734) 973-7892, e-mail jessa@med.umich.edu or go

http://www.hvcn.org/info/tee nsusingdrugs.

BOARD FORUM

The four candidates for two seats on the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education have been invited to take part in a public forum at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 5 at Discovery Middle School in Canton.

The forum is sponsored by the Observer Newspapers and the League of Women Voters of Western Wayne County.

Incumbent board president Judy Mardigian and challengers William Gibbons, Becky Moore and Barry Simescu were all invited to attend. Candidates will give open-

ing and closing statements, and will answer questions posed by audience members. who will have the opportunity to submit their questions on cards provided by the League of Women Voters.

The election is scheduled for June 14.

'SuperCenter' to replace 3 Livonia Secretary of State sites

Land will close all three of Livonia's branch offices and replace them with a new "SuperCenter," under plans to modernize and consolidate branch operations.

Livonia will be one of five locations to get a "SuperCenter," which will feature Saturday hours, automated license renewal services and additional staff. The location of this new site has not been determined as Land recently hired a real estate company to look for potential sites.

"We're trying to use our limited resources better," said Kelly Chesney, Land's spokeswoman. "Our current branch centers are based on a 1970s business model, so the Secretary wanted to upgrade the services."

By the end of this year, Livonia's branch offices at Newburgh near Seven Mile, Seven Mile next to Livonia

Mall and Plymouth near Levan will close after the new SuperCenter opens, Chesney said.

Land also will open 22 Secretary of State Plus offices, which will be bigger than the traditional branch offices with additional staff and automated services, but not have Saturday hours. Land wants to station four of these Plus offices in Western Wayne County. They will be located in Westland. Canton, either Novi or Northville, and either Dearborn Heights or Redford.

After a year of gathering input for customers and employees, Land developed the statewide reorganization that will eliminate 20 of Michigan's 173 Secretary of State offices. No jobs will be lost, though.

"There will be a number of staff reassigned to new offices as we open up these new SuperCenters and Plus

hope to open up some of these new facilities within the next

90 days." By increasing the staff at fewer, larger facilities, Chesney said customers of the SuperCenters and Plus Offices will no longer be turned away

lunch. "With early retirements and fewer state resources, we have only two people working at some metro Detroit branches," Chesney said.

because the staff is out to

When the new facilities open, Michigan motorists will be able to use a credit card or debit card to pay driver license and license plate renewals. The Secretary of State offices will also have new ATM-like machines where customers can scan license-renewal documents and insert a credit card into a machine which will immediately kick out new license tabs.

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William C. Savage Jr., 60, of Farmington Hills, died April 29. Geneva Schrage, 89, of Santa Fe, N.M., formerly of Bloomfield Hills, died April 25.

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A special Michigan House committee reviewing the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department will hold its first public hearing May 3 in Canton.

The event, originally set for April 26, will take place at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., announced Rep. Phil LaJoy, R-Canton, a committee member.

Canton area residents and officials will be among the first to get their voices heard on the water board

issue. Their comments can help shape new reform policies, according to LaJoy.

"I encourage everyone to take part in this important first hearing," LaJoy "You can help guide the committee in its efforts to reform the water board."

In recent years, the water department has drawn criticism for apparent inconsistencies in its policies, questionable rate differences and uncer-

tain lines of authority and communication.

From May to September, the panel will hold hearings throughout the metro Detroit area to talk with people about reforms needed in the water system.

The water department is responsible for providing water services to 4.3 million residents in more than 125 communities in eight southeast Michigan counties.

MILITARY NEWS

GRADUATED

Air Force Airman Kristen A. Zielinski has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the

Zielinski is the daughter of Glenn Zielinski of Canton, and the granddaughter of Gloria Zielinski of Dearborn Heights. She is a 1998 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, Canton.

PARADE

filled with music, marching, smiles, fun and laughter. The first year, the parade drew 49 entries; last year, it was 60. With any luck, that number will only increase this year.

For sure the Canton Public Library's Precision Bookcart Drill Team will perform, as will the Canton firefighter clowns and the Eastern Michigan University Cheer Team, the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park marching band and uni-

"We have lots of Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and Brownie troops," Zevalkink said.

The parade will be led by the Canton police honor guard. Grand marshals will be Kyle Siarto and Sean Bowers, who brought home medals from the Special Olympics World Games in Ireland. Siarto and Bowers also were honored recently as Canton Community Achievers.

The parade committee continues to accept applications for groups, individuals and companies to participate in the parade. There is no fee. But political candidates are asked to do more than walk the route.

can have a float or an antique car, something that is going to enhance the parade, or they can sponsor a contest."

With the parade just a couple of months away, Bolden can look back with pride, "This took a few years to develop. We're now really developing this into a real parade. We are giving people more bang for the buck."

In his days of studying parades, Bolden attended most in surrounding communities and critiqued them, finding what he liked and disliked. "That's how I came up with

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the flow of ours," he said. jmaliszewski@oe.homecomm.net

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OFFICER

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"Officer Traylor exemplifies the professionalism of this department, not only during the normal course of his duties as a patrol officer, but also by participating in several special assignments within the department," John Santomauro, director of public safety, said in presenting the award. "As a field training officer, Officer Traylor maintains a high level of job knowledge. During 2003, Officer Traylor was a field training officer for several new officers and

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ensured that they were trained to the high standards of this department."

In addition to his regular duties, Traylor is a range officer, a member of the bicycle unit and rapid response team and a member of the Western Wayne Special Operations Team, for which he was recent-

ly selected to be a team leader. Traylor was modest about receiving the honor.

"I don't really think I did anything out of the ordinary to deserve it," he said. "I just like police work and I like working with the guys. Everybody on the shift believes in the team concept and that no one person is more important than the team."

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Traylor and his wife, Tonya, have a 2-month-old daughter, Allison.

Honors for the Civilian of the Year went to Jeffrey Seifert, a public safety service officer. A member of the department since 2001, Seifert works as a dispatcher and in the local lockup.

"During the year 2003," Santomauro said, "Seifert went above and beyond the call of duty by setting an outstanding example for every PSSO in our department. He has been a dedicated member of the department and the shift on which he serves."

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ligaments, as these are the knee injuries that commonly happen to basketball, football, and

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Local book drive benefits Detroit schools

Books make great gifts. Just ask the hundreds of students at two Detroit schools who benefited recently from the generosity of elementary and middle school students throughout the Observer circulation area.

More than 48,000 new and gently-used books were collected by 10,000 students in schools throughout Livonia, Redford, Westland, Garden City, Plymouth, Canton and Farmington Hills as part of "Pass It Along — Share the Gift

of Reading."
"It truly is a wonderful thing you did for these children. I know it seems like such a small thing, but for them to get their own books is very special," said Sue Simcox, director of Bridgepointe, a nonprofit organization which helped distribute the books to Nienas and Maybury elementary schools in Detroit. Both schools struggle to provide even the basics for students.

Douglas Elementary School in Garden City with 409 students collected the most books 6.046. The school wins a

pizza and ice cream party courtesy of Boscos and Edy's Ice Cream.

Third- and fifth-grade teachers Jim Crosby and Kim Mussen, along with Bev Johnson, school librarian, coordinated the contest at Douglas.

"That's terrific," Crosby said when notified that Douglas won. "We have a great school commu-

nity and they really rallied." Douglas students donated nearly 13 books per student.

"We made it a competition and awarded a pizza party to the class who brought in the most books," said Crosby, adding a first-grade class won the party.

The entire school will be treated to pizza and ice cream before the school year ends.

"The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers along with our partners - Michigan Education Savings Program (MESP), Edy's Ice Cream and Boscos - want to congratulate all participating schools, students, parents and teachers, said Susan Rosiek, executive editor of the O&E. "The

response to our book drive was tremendous. The generosity of students throughout our circulation area is overwhelming and heartwarming."

From the largest (St. Michael's Catholic School in Livonia with 816 students) to the smallest (five-member Scorpion Den Pack 743 of Allen Elementary) schools stepped up to help make a difference.

The books made a difference the day they were delivered. according to one volunteer.

"While we were in the classroom today, the students went to the auditorium to pick out the books you had delivered. The children were so excited! What a great gift for them. Every child couldn't wait to show us what books they picked. Those books will truly make a difference in these children's lives," said one volunteer

at Nienas Elementary. Other schools participating in the seven-week long book drive included Hoben Elementary, Canton; Bentley Elementary, Canton; Tonda Elementary, Canton; Hayes

Elementary, Westland; Walker/Winter Elementary, Westland; St. Raphael Catholic, Garden City; Farmington Elementary, Garden City; St. Valentine Catholic, Redford Township; Our Lady of Loretto Catholic, Redford; Central Middle, Plymouth: Grandview Elementary, Livonia; Coolidge Elementary, Livonia; Adams Elementary, Livonia; Kennedy Elementary, Livonia; Frost Middle, Livonia, St. Edith Catholic, Livonia; Holmes Middle, Livonia; Randolph Elementary, Livonia; Washington Elementary, Livonia; McKinley Elementary, Livonia; and Kenbrook

Elementary, Farmington Hills. Bridgepointe is a nonprofit organization which aids innercity schools.

Bridgepointe is committed to breaking the cycle of poverty," Simcox said. "There is no quick-fix or easy answers. What we do know is that we are making a difference in the lives of these very special children. With your help, we can do more to create an environment of learning."



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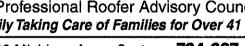
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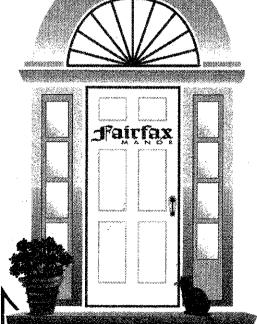
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Detroit's new top cop can't solve city's woes by herself

his has been a rough year so far on the mean streets of the Motor City, with the homicide rate bafflingly skyrocketing even as the population continues to shrink.

Some of the murders have been particularly harrowing. Two young cops were gunned down in cold blood after a routine traffic stop. A man tortured and beat his ex-girlfriend and four of her kids to death with a pipe.

By last week, Detroit had recorded more than 135 murders, up nearly 50 percent from a year ago. That's almost as many as in New York City, which has nine times Detroit's population.

This has made for a rough baptism under fire for a woman who might have been known, were demography different, as Detroit's first Japanese police chief. Detroit Police Chief Ella Bully-Cummings is always introduced as the first top cop in Motown who is a woman. Make that, an African-American woman. But she was born in Japan - her mother is Japanese who married a black GI from Detroit, and her heritage is a big part of who she

"Every day I look in the mirror — I have my mother's eyes. My mother is my heart," she says. But she no longer speaks a word of the language, and has never been back to the country she left in 1959, before she was 2.

And before she contemplates her mirror, she usually checks her home computer for the grim toll from the night before.

"There is no one factor I can see," she says when asked why so many murders. "If you look at the homicides in the city, most are not random. They are people that knew one another, and if it is not drug-related, it is either revenge or retaliation



Lessenberry

or domestic violence."

Last year at this time, she never expected to be sitting here. Five years ago, she left the police force,

she thought

for good, because she didn't respect the administration at the time. Then two years ago, a new chief, Jerry Oliver, arrived from Virginia with a new agenda, and persuaded her to come back as an assistant chief. It took some selling, but she did.

Then last fall, Oliver, who had been controversial from the start, attempted to board a plane with a loaded handgun in his luggage. That was the end of his Detroit career.

Three days later, the mayor appointed Bully-Cummings. Thirty years earlier, she had been a ticket taker in a neighborhood theater, a skinny little girl from a desperately poor family. A car pulled up, and a policewoman in full uniform emerged. Ella was transfixed. "It was nothing I could ever think about becoming up to that moment." Thereafter, she couldn't think of anything else.

She worked her way through college and law school on the force, did most of the major jobs, was shot at, learned the ropes. Except no one really can learn how to be chief. And the department she took over last November was under fire, indeed. Federal investigators said it was the most troubled they had ever seen.

Two embarrassing "consent decrees" stipulated that Detroit's police would be watched over by the federal courts for at least five years. That came after the U.S. Department of Justice charged that Detroit citizens were subjected to "excessive force, false arrests, illegal detentions" and police who routinely violate constitutional rights.

Citizens complained of cops who gunned down people needlessly. Cocaine disappeared from a locked room in the aged and dank police headquarters on the fringe of Greektown, a place where insulation pokes through walls and wires hang crazily.

None of this fazed Chief Ella. "I would call it a department undergoing change," she says, choosing her words carefully. "But it is a reform that was long needed. It is about accountability, and maintaining standards."

Those standards are meeting with some resistance. Last winter, when homicides skyrocketed, she put cops on 12hour shifts to get more police presence on the streets. The police union protested, and she backed down.

"But what I am going to do is redeploy resources back into patrol." She plans to have fewer of her 4,000 cops manning desks, that is; put more on the streets. She can make the change on her own. But what isn't clear is how much good that will do.

The real problem is that Detroit is a city of broken families and increasing poverty, where the whites are gone, the black middle class is now fleeing for the suburbs and casino gambling is nearly the only growth industry.

Wringing corruption out of the force is bound to help. But what Ella Bully-Cummings and her cops need most is a city with more jobs and hope, and leadership with the vision to get Detroit there.

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Health care coverage is vital for a healthy community

ay 10-16 is "Cover the Uninsured Week." This week is also designated as National Hospital Week, set aside every year to recognize the doctors, nurses, volunteers and support staff in hospitals throughout the country caring for patients every day of the year.

Events are planned during this week throughout southeast Michigan to recognize health care workers, as well as to bring attention to the plight of the 1.2 million individuals in Michigan who are uninsured, about 11.7 percent of our neighbors and friends. Having health care coverage whether through an employer, an individually purchased plan, or a publicly subsidized program - is essential to everyone's well being.

Additionally, health care cov-St. Mary Mercy erage is a vital element for Hospital in Livonia assuring that our state's economy supports assuring that is productive and able to compete health care coverage with other states and nations in is widened so that attracting jobcreating investall individuals have ments. As such. it is of concern access to needed that over threequarters of those health care services. who are uninsured are those who are working,

or who are members of families where at least one of the adults in the family is employed.

Following in the tradition established by the Felician Sisters of Livonia, St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia supports assuring that health care coverage is widened so that all individuals have access to needed health care services. As such, we are supporting "Cover the Uninsured Week" as a focused way of bringing attention to the problems arising when so many people are



David Spivey

uninsured. Each year, about 43,000 individuals visit our Emergency Center, a service to our

community

that has

grown substantially in the last several years. Throughout Michigan, the number of emergency visits has climbed significantly as well. As our numbers have grown, so has the breadth of our emergency services. Our board-certified emergency physicians and skilled nurses quickly respond to patients needing care, regardless of their ability to pay.

Through our Fast Track service, we are able to care for less severe injuries or illnesses generally within an hour. Our **Emergency Center** also offers a Chest Pain Clinic, provided through funding from the Hearts of Livonia. This generous donation has allowed patients with chest pain to receive immediate response and evaluation in a special-

ly equipped clinic to determine if their symptoms indicate a heart attack.

A large majority of those who visit our Emergency Center have true emergencies. However, many working poor - especially those who are not eligible for Medicaid or working for those employers who do not offer health care coverage - come to our Emergency Center because they have no other place to receive health care services. They do not have a physician from whom to

receive preventive services or care needed to manage a chronic disease. In total, nearly 2,000 patients a year without insurance are treated at St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, as part of our mission, has collaborated with other community-based organizations to understand the specific needs of the uninsured in our community. To that end, we sponsor wellness activities and health assessment services for seniors, hold health fairs to assist families in their use of car seats, provide free CPR classes and health screenings, among other services.

Most recently, over 600 men participated in a free prostate screening at the hospital. In addition, we collaborate with local leaders in developing strategies for the improvement of the health status of area residents. A full listing of our upcoming community programs is included in the About Your Health newsletter inserted in today's newspaper.

All of these efforts are important and part of the mission of St. Mary Mercy Hospital. We salute our doctors, nurses, volunteers and support staff providing quality, compassionate care to every person who enters our doors. However, to truly maximize the health status of the residents of our community, provide health and medical care efficiently and effectively, as well as enhance the infrastructure of our economy, we need to assure that all individuals have health care coverage.

David Splvey is the president and CEO of St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, A resident of Northville, he also serves as chairman of the board, Livonia Chamber of Commerce, and is a board member of the Rotary Club of Livonia, St. Mary Mercy Hospital is a member of Trinity Health, based in Novi. For more information, visit www.stmarymercy.org or call marketing/public relations at (734) 655-1591.

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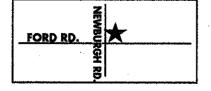
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Twenty-five Michigan counties do not meet new standards for ground-level ozone and must clean up their act by the end of the decade, the **Environmental Protection**

Agency said earlier this month. The new eight-hour standard, which averages amounts of ground-level ozone over eight hours, replaces the one-hour standard in place since 1979. Wayne and Oakland counties both have "moderate" ozone problems, and state and county officials will need to reduce pollution from power plants, motor vehicles and factories if Michigan is to meet the new standards by the 2010 deadline.

The 25 Michigan counties are among 474 nationwide that have too much ground-level ozone. Most major U.S. cities have "moderate" ozone problems, with Los Angeles the worst of all. Eighteen states are in complete compliance with the new rules.

Ground-level ozone, a primary ingredient in smog, poses a significant threat to public health. It is harmful to breathe even in small amounts, especially for children, and can cause permanent lung damage and can aggravate respiratory conditions like asthma and bronchitis.

"The rules are now catching up to the science," said David Gard, energy policy specialist at the Michigan Environmental Council. "Ozone in lower concentrations is still very harmful to people's health.'

Motor vehicles, power plants and factories are the primary sources of ozone pollution, which tends to spike in the warm summer months as the sun's ultraviolet radiation combines with nitrogen oxides and volatile organic compounds to produce ground-level ozone.

The Southeast Michigan Council of Governments is working on a plan to meet the new standards, said Chuck Hersey, manager of environmental programs.

SEMCOG is conducting a pollution inventory on vehicle emissions in order to estimate how much pollution comes from wehicles. It has formed a tas force of community, environmental and business leaders to work with the state Department of Environmental Quality to find the best ways to meet the standards. And it is beginning to study different types of fuel to determine which are the most environment-friendly.

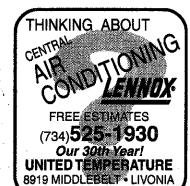
The ruling means a return to auto emissions testing for Wayne and Oakland counties, though the process will be simpler for most vehicle owners than it was in the past.

That's because Michigan has one of the newest car fleets in the country, and newer cars, which have on-board diagnostics, can avoid the old tail-pipe test and simply be hooked up to a computer that will determine the car's emissions level. Manufacturers and business

owners complain that the new rules will be costly to meet. But Gard of the Michigan Environmental Council said that's the wrong way to look at the situation.

"It's always important to keep in mind costs [of air pollution] we're paying in society," he said. Lax pollution controls may keep utility prices low, he said, but drive up health insurance premiums, lower productivity and cause children to miss school.

Hersey said he there are too many variables to promise the region will meet the new standards by the deadline. But, he said, "I am optimistic that were going to come together and figure this out...What we do know is the air is going to be far better than before."



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Johnson Creek Day has contests, fun run

The Johnson Creek Protection Group is holding Johnson Creek Day 2004 Saturday, May 15. This educational, hands-on, community day is to raise awareness about Johnson Creek. The day will consist of two main programs, and you can choose to do just one or both events!

The first Johnson Creek Trail Run/Nature Walk will begin at 9:30 a.m. and a Children's Fun Run at 10:30 a.m.

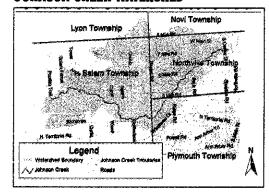
The Johnson Creek Trail Run and Nature Walk course takes participants through areas of landmark trees, along the creek itself and overlooks vital wetlands. This event starts and finishes at Northville Community Park in Northville Township, located on the west side of Beck Road, between Five and Six Mile

Register for the 5K (3.1 miles) run/walk for \$15 or the Children's Fun Run (1/4 mile for kids 8 and under) for \$10. All proceeds go toward JCPG interests and activities. Participants will receive a Johnson Creek Day T-shirt (while supplies last) and will be entered in a post-race raffle drawing. For more details and the entry form, visit the Web site at www.jcpg.org. Space is limited and early registration ends May 1, so sign up now!

The fourth-annual Fish Hatchery Park Trout Celebration will begin at noon.

The Trout Celebration will be a community-oriented celebration of Johnson Creek at

JOHNSON CREEK WATERSHED



This map shows the route of Johnson Creek.

south side of Seven Mile Road, west of Sheldon), providing information to the public on how they can help to preserve the creek for the future.

This multifaceted event will include demonstrations and displays by the Michigan Bat Conservancy, Nature Discovery (frogs and toads by Jim McGrath), Doug Sweet from the Belle Isle Aquarium presenting shells of Michigan mussels, Friends of the Rouge, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Wayne County and others.

Space will be limited for some events. Find out more by contacting Michelle West at 734-

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BASEBALL - Chiefs blow past Walled Lake Western

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Salem's Kristin March plays the ball away from Stevenson's Jamie Radley, who later assisted on the Spartans' first goal.

Rocks fall to Spartans, 2-1

The best always seem able to elevate their game when needed

Last Wednesday, in a soccer match that always seems to determine the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division champion, Livonia Stevenson's Melissa Dobbyn sent a rocket that Salem keeper Kristen O'Beirne got a hand on but couldn't stop. The resulting goal gave the Spartans a 2-1 triumph in a game played at

It also, no doubt, will give Stevenson a berth in the WLAA championship game - even though it was just their second division match. Still, the Spartans are 6-0-2 overall, 2-0 in the Lakes. Salem is 4-2-1 overall, 0-1 in the Lakes.

"She hit it very well with her left foot," said Stevenson coach Chris Pinta, "and their keeper had a hard time handling it."

The goal was the ninth of the season for Dobbyn, who missed all of last season with an Achilles tendon injury.

This year it was the Rocks, who beat the Spartans last year, who had to play with a key injury. All-state midfielder Marissa Sarkesian injured her back six days earlier in a match against Royal Oak Kimball; she sat out the first half against Stevenson and played only part of the second half.

A strong wind played a role in the match, but not the way it should have. Stevenson had the wind at its back in the opening half, but could not score; all the goals were scored in the second half, when the wind favored Salem.

"Personally, I thought we played better into the wind," said Pinta. "We're not a kick-ball

style of team, so in the second half we passed the ball more and played better."

Stevenson got the game's first goal early in the second half when Kelly Valdivia out wide on the flank, beat the Salem defender and sent a hard cross into the box. The ball hit a Rock defender and deflected in: Jamie Radley was given the assist.

Salem tied it on a Jordan Falcusan goal, Cherri Buijk earning the assist. Dobbyn's game-winner came with about 14 minutes left to play.

"It was a good game," said Salem coach Joe Nora. "The wind gave both teams fits. I thought our defense played as well as we could play.

"We had some chances (late)." The Spartans made some adjustments at half that helped, offensively and defensively. "Our focus at halftime, their field is so big, we had a hard time adjusting to it," said Pinta.

So there was a big gap in the field that (Salem) took advantage of. We talked about lessening that gap, and we did. By restricting the space, we were able to win the ball in there and generate our attack from there." And probably assure them-

selves of a title-game berth. Canton 1, Northville 1: On Wednesday at Northville, the two teams that in recent years have ruled over the WLAA's Western Division clashed with no decision

The draw left Canton at 6-0-3

overall, 0-0-1 in the division. Rachel Perry scored for Canton with 18 minutes left in the first half. Christie Daniels assisted. Northville's goal came from Danielle Toney 10 minutes into the match; Vanessa Bailey

assisted.



Warriors reign

Four goals by John Moylan helped carry the Plymouth/Canton varsity lacrosse team to a 9-6 triumph over Ypsilanti Lincoln Wednesday at Canton's Heritage Park.

The win gave the Warriors a 4-3 overall record.

Movian also had two assists in the game. Jared Ruark contributed two goals, Bobby Groat had a goal and an assist, and both Jeff Brandt and Chris Gould got goals.

Canton wins

Canton's golf team improved to 3-1 overall



The Chiefs' Natalie Slupek earned meet medalist honors with a

Chiefs' boosters

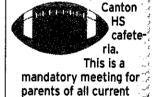
The Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club will have its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 12 in the Chorus Room at Phase Three.

Parents of all present and future football players, including those of students currently in eighth grade, are welcome to attend.

For further information, call club president Marie Farkas at (734) 453-

Meet the coaches

The Canton Chiefs Football Meet the Coaches Night is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 18 in the



football players. Parents of new players, particularly incoming freshmen, are also encouraged to 💢 attend.

Important information regarding the football program will be discussed.

The Booster Club will have its membership meeting at the conclusion of the Meet the Coaches meeting.

For more information. call Marie Farkas at (734) 453-6327.

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Griffin Park in Canton.

Johnson averaged 8.1 points and

"We're excited to have Marcus, we think he'll have a good career here," Schuberth said. "What Marcus brings is a winning attitude, he's won championships at Schoolcraft. And we know that coming out of coach (Carlos) Briggs' program that he'll be thinking 'team first,' which should

"Along with his athleticism and his

PLEASE SEE JOHNSON, B2

2nd Johnson going to UCF

Sounds like the name of a company – Johnson & Johnson.

Two Johnsons could be in the starting lineup by the time next season rolls around for the University of Central Florida men's basketball pro-

And both Johnsons, Gary and Marcus, found their way to the Orlando, Fla., campus via Schoolcraft College.

Gary, a 6-foot-2 point-guard from Wayne Memorial, was a catalyst for UCF's run this season to the NCAA Tournament. Gary, who averaged eight points and four assists per game, helped UCF win the Atlantic Sun Conference Tournament and earn a first-round matchup against Pittsburgh. Central Florida finished 25-7 overall, including a tough 53-44 loss to Pitt this March in Madison,

With three starters lost to graduation, including two front-liners, the 6-7 Marcus Johnson hopes to fill the

seven rebounds per game as Schoolcraft repeated as state junior college champion and finished 27-4

The 6-foot-7, 230-pound Johnson signed a letter-of-intent Tuesday night at his home in Inkster after getting a visit from UCF head coach Kirk Speraw and assistant Tom Schuberth.

make it an easy transition.

ability to run the floor, Marcus fills a vacancy that we need with our two graduating inside seniors. We think he brings even more athleticism, hus-

Conlon tosses a no-hitter for Canton

Finally — Canton's softball team got to play an unranked team.

The final wasn't all that spectacular. The Chiefs got eight hits at Walled Lake Central Friday, but could produce just one run. Fortunately it was enough, especially with the way Molly Conlon pitched.

Conlon tossed a near-perfect game, allowing no runs, no hits and no walks. Indeed, the only baserunner for Central reached on an error in the Chiefs' 1-0 victory.

Canton improved to 6-5-1 overall. On Wednesday, the Chiefs lost 2-1 in eight innings to fourth-ranked Walled Lake Western; on Thursday, No. 1-ranked Brighton topped them 7-1.

In the win over Central, Canton scored in the fifth when Jackie Perrino reached base on an error, stole second. was sacrificed to third and came home on a passed ball.

The Chiefs had eight hits in the game, three of them (including a double) by Heather Richardson and two others by

"We're playing real good," said Canton coach Jim Arnold. "We just didn't get the key hits at the right time.

"We stranded eight runners on base. You can't keep doing that and be suc-

cessful." In their Western Division loss to Western, the Chiefs had a 1-0 lead going into the bottom of the sixth inning.

Western pitching ace Lauren Talbot led the inning off by blasting a home run to tie the score. Three hits in the eighth off of Conlon gave the Warriors the 2-1 win. Richardson had two of Canton's five

hits in the game, one of them a double. Conlon allowed two runs on eight hits and no walks, striking out 12.

Talbot got the win, giving up one unearned run on five hits and no walks. striking out 12.

Sarah Anthony started and took the loss against Brighton, surrendering three runs on five hits and a walk in three innings. Canton's only run came in the first on a Brittany Scero single, a passed ball, a walk and a ground out by

Madonna takes WHAC title

The most pleasing moment for a coach, any coach, is witnessing their advice come to fruition.

For Madonna University softball coach Al White, it happened at the most pivotal of moments. With two out and the go-ahead run at third base in the sixth inning, White called timeout to give some advice to his batter, Stacey Sexsmith.

It worked. Sexsmith lined a shot up the middle, scoring Krystal Shina with what proved to be the game-winning — and Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conferenceclinching -- run in the Crusaders' 4-3 tri-

The win gave Madonna a split with the Golden Eagles, who won Thursday's first game, 4-1. But it was enough to clinch the WHAC regular-season title, and the bye in the conference tournament straight to the NAIA regional tournament. After his traditional soaking following the

victory, White revealed what he had said to Sexsmith. "She was hitting down on the ball and

trying to hit it toward left (field)," he said. "I told her to square her bat toward the pitcher more and hit it up the middle." It proved to be crucial advice at a critical

juncture. The Crusaders had entered their doubleheader against Cornerstone University with a relatively comfortable lead in the WHAC; the opening-game 4-1 win by the Golden Eagles had jeopardized

True, Cornerstone had to sweep both of Thursday's games, played at Livonia Ladywood HS, and Friday's twinbill against Madonna in Grand Rapids. But that firstgame win had started the momentum rolling toward reality.

"The girls knew if we went there, there would be a lot more pressure on us," said

The second game was close throughout, neither team leading by more than a run. Cornerstone's offense was provided almost entirely by third baseman Kendra Beckman, who tripled off the center-field fence to drive in a run in the first and then smacked a mammoth solo homer that hit the flag flapping in the breeze beyond the center-field fence in the fourth.

The Crusaders kept battling back, however, getting a run in the second on a single by Shina (from Farmington Mercy) and a two-

PLEASE SEE MADONNA. B3



Madonna University freshman pitcher Shannon Noder started, but did not get the decision in the second game against Cornerstone.

JOHNSON

FROM PAGE B1 tle and rebounding than what

we lost."
Marcus Johnson said he looks forward to reuniting with Gary Johnson.

The two played together during the 2002-03 season as Schoolcraft finished 31-4 and earned its third straight trip to the NJCAA Division I Tourney in Hutchinson, Kan.

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"I'm looking forward to playing with Gary because he's my type of point-guard," Marcus said, "I also like their style of play (UCF's). They like to play defense like I do, which is get up on your man. And I do like the coaches, too."

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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL Monday, May 3

Salem at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.
Canton at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 4 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 4
Redford CC at Stevenson, 4 p.m.

Huron Valley at Taylor Baptist, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 5

Churchili at Salem, 4 p.m.

Franklin at John Glenn, 4 p.m.

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Franklin at Canton, 4 p.m. John Glenn at Salem, 4 p.m. Franklin Road at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 7 Wayne at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 8

(all double-headers)
Farmington at Churchill, 11 a.m.
Franklin vs. Cranbrook (Ford Field), 11 a.m.
DeLaSalle at Redford CC, 11 a.m.
Adrian at John Glenn, 11 a.m.
Trenton at Wayne, 11 a.m.
Stevenson at Lake Orion, noon.

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Monday, May 3

Salem at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.
Churchill at Canton, 4 p.m.
Northville at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at W.L. Northern, 4 p.m.
Bishop Foley at Ladywood, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 4:30 p.m.
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Tuesday, May 4 Huron Valley at Bethesda, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 5 Salem at Churchill, 4 p.m. John Glenn at Franklin, 4 p.m. Stevenson at Northville, 4 p.m.

Regina at Ladywood (2), 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 6

Churchill at W.L. Northern, 4 p.m.

Canton at Franklin, 4 p.m.

Salem at John Glenn, 4 p.m.

Wayne at Canton, 4 p.m.

Franklin Road at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 7
W.L. Central at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 8
Bedford Invitational, 8:30 a.m.
Pieper Tourney at R.O. Kimball, 9 a.m.
Canton Classic, 9 a.m.
Fraser Tournament, TBA.

GIRLS SOCCER
Monday, May 3
Salem at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
W.L. Western at Canton, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 4

Hamtramck at Luth, Westland, 4:30 p.m. Mercy at Ladywood, 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 5 Salem at Wayne, 4 p.m. Churchill at Northville, 7 p.m. Franklin at W.L. Western, 7 p.m. Stevenson at W.L. Central, 7 p.m. John Glenn at Canton, 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 6 Luth. N'west at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m. A.A. Huron at Canton, 7 p.m. W.L. Northern at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Friday, May 7

W.L. Northern at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
Friday, May 7
Wayne at Garden City, 4 p.m.
Plymouth at Dearborn, 7 p.m.

Frankiin at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Saturday, May 8 Ladywood at Notre Dame Prep, 11 a.m. BOYS TRACK Monday, May 3

Redford CC vs. Divine Child at Liv. Ladywood, 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 4 Clarenceville, Lutheran Westland at Lutheran North, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 5

Salem at W.L. Northern, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 6
W.L. Western at Canton, 3:30 p.m.
Plymouth at Northville, 3:30 p.m.
Franklin at Churchill, 3:30 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Central, 3:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Wayne, 3:30 p.m.
Hamtramck, G.P.W. Univ.-Liggett
at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 7 South Lyon Invitational, 4 p.m. Saturday, May 8 Adrian Invitational, 9 a.m. Canton at Troy Athens Relays, 9:30 a.m.

GIRLS TRACK
Tuesday, May 4
Clarenceville, Lutheran Westland
at Lutheran North, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 5
W.L. Northern at Salem, 3:30 p.m.

Regina at Ladywood, 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 6

Northville at Plymouth, 3:30 p.m.
Canton at W.L. Western, 3:30 p.m.
Franklin at Churchill, 3:30 p.m.
W.L. Central at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.
Wayne at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m.
Hamtramck, G.P.W. Univ.-Liggett

at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 7 South Lyon Invitational, 4 p.m. Saturday, May 8 Troy Athens Relays, 9 a.m. Tory Clark Inv. at Adrian, 9:45 a.m. W.L. Central Viking Relays, TBA

BOYS TENNIS
Monday, May 3
Canton at W.L. Western, 4 p.m.
Churchill at W.L. Northern, 4 p.m.
Franklin at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem, 4 p.m.
Plymouth at John Glenn, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, May 5
Redford CC vs. Rice (S'craft), 3:30 p.m.
W.L. Central at Salem, 4 p.m.
W.L. Northern at Plymouth, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Churchill, 4 p.m.
W.L. Western at Franklin, 4 p.m.

Canton at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Northville, 4 p.m.
Thursday, May 6
Franklin at Canton, 4 p.m.
Friday, May 7
Churchill at W.L. Western, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.
Salem at John Glenn, 4 p.m.

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Plymouth at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 8
Grand Blanc-Holly Invitational, 8 a.m.
Woodhaven Warrior Classic, 9 a.m.
Monroe Tournament, 9 a.m.

GIRLS GOLF Monday, May 3 Pinckney Tourney at Timber Trace, 9 a.m. Stevenson vs. Salem (St. Johns), 3 p.m. John Glenn vs. Plymouth 3 p.m. at Fellows Creek Tuesday, May 4

Tuesday, May 4
Churchill vs. W.L. Northern
3 p.m. at Brentwood
John Glenn at Dearborn (CC), 3 p.m.
Stevenson vs. W.L. Western
3 p.m. at Fox Creek
Wednesday, May-5

Franklin vs. W.L. Western 2:45 p.m. at idyl Wyld W.L. Central vs. Salem 3 p.m. at St. John's Churchill vs. Wayne 3 p.m. at Whispering Willows Stevenson vs. Canton 3 p.m. at Fox Creek John Glenn vs. Northville

3:30 p.m. at Tanglewood
Thursday, May 6
Ladywood vs. Regina (St. Johns), 3 p.m.
Friday, May 7
Mercy Invitational at Hilltop, 2 p.m.
Wayne vs. Plymouth
2:45 p.m. at Fellows Creek
Churchill vs. W.L. Western
3 p.m. at Links of Pinewood
Stevenson vs. W.L. Central
3 p.m. at Eldorado
John Glenn vs. Salem

3 p.m. at Fellows Creek
PREP LACROSSE
Tuesday, May 4
Cranbrook at Redford CC, 5 p.m.
Wednesday, May 5
Plymouth/Canton at Waterford, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 6

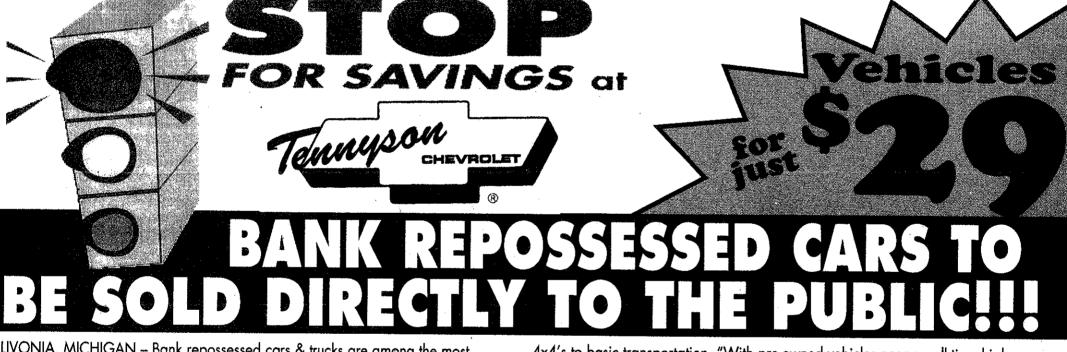
Troy Athens at Redford CC, 5 p.m.
Friday, May 7
Ladywood at Holt, 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 8
Lansing Waverly Tourney, 9 a.m.
Plymouth/Canton at Zeeland, 1 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL
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Sunday, May 2
Madonna at Concordía, 1 p.m.
Tuesday, May 4
Madonna at Oakland Univ. (1), 4 p.m.
Wednesday, May 5
Madonna at Calvin College (1), 4 p.m.

TBA - time to be announced.

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Tuesday, May 4th - 9-8 pm

Wednesday, May 5th - 9-8 pm

Thursday, May 6th - 9-9 pm

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MADONNA

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out, run-scoring double by Kasey DeSutter. Beckman's homer was offset by a solo blast by Madonna's Jamie Bobrowski, also over the center-field fence, tying the game at 2-2 after four innings.

The Crusaders took their first lead with a run in the fifth. After two were out, Crystal Little (Wayne Memorial) singled and Arin Fowler walked; Emily Cunningham then singled into left field, scoring Little to make it 3-2.

Beckman had wreaked havoc all day on Madonna's pitching, collecting three hits in four trips (with two runs batted in) in the first game. Her triple and home run convinced Madonna pitcher Shannon Noder to pitch carefully to Beckman when she led off the sixth, resulting in a walk.

It backfired, however; with Kathy Betts running for Beckman and one out, back-toback singles by Mary Mauro and Barb Korpi delivered the tying

Yet White was certain his team could, and would, deliver in the clutch, simply because it had all season. "These girls don't believe they can get beat," he said.

Shina, who was 3-for-3 in the game, started Madonna's sixth with a double to right-center field. She was sacrificed to third, and was still there with two out when Sexsmith came to the plate. Sexsmith had struck out and grounded out in her two previous at-bats against Mauro, the Cornerstone pitcher. But her third trip was a charm.

"Coach told me to make it happen," Sexsmith said, "and to go up the middle."

Her execution was perfect.
The Cornerstone seventh was a bit nerve-wracking; with Kelly Nilson pitching in relief of Noder and two out,
Cunningham booted a ground ball at shortstop, the Crusaders' first error of the game. That brought — guess who? — to the plate. But Nilson got her on a grounder to Cunningham, ending the game and giving Madonna the title.

Nilson got the pitching win, boosting her record to 20-8, with 1½ scoreless innings.
Mauro, who's 21-13, took the

Rocks struggle to score in pair of defeats

When Salem defeated Western Lakes Activities Association rival Livonia Stevenson 3-2 on Monday, there were indications of trouble ahead.

Stevenson was good, but not that good. And Salem managed just six hits.

That trouble surfaced when the Rocks met a pair or stateranked teams and were blanked by both. On Friday, Walled Lake Western — No. 4 in Division 1 — got a superb pitching performance from ace Lauren Talbot in beating Salem 2-0 at Salem.

Last Tuesday at Chelsea, the Rocks lost 6-0 to the topranked team in Division 2.

"We knew we'd have a tough week," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland. "And we're not hitting the ball well right now. Seems we're hitting it right at people.

"We've been facing some real good pitching, but I'd rather get them out of the way now and get these girls prepared."

Against Talbot on Friday, the Rocks' only hit was a double by Emily Maletic in the sixth inning. She was sacrificed to third but was stranded there.

Western got a run in the fourth and another in the seventh off Salem ace Kelli Szczepanski, who gave up two earned runs on nine hits and three walks, with three strikeouts. Talbot walked one and struck out eight in getting the win for Western.

There were some bright spots for Salem against Western. "Our defense today was outstanding," said Southerland.

Szczepanski also took the loss against Chelsea, giving up six runs on eight hits and one walk, fanning three.

The two losses dropped Salem to 4-2 overall; the Rocks are 2-1 in the WLAA. Agape 19, Franklin Road 6: Canton Agape Christian got its first win of the season Wednesday, stopping Novi Franklin Road with a fiveinning mercy.

An 11-run second inning was the key for the Wolverines, now 1-4 overall and 1-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic conference.

Tarah Armbrester was 4-for-4 at the plate and scored three runs to lead Agape. Lindsey Gant and Rebekah Pummill each had three hits, as the Wolverines took advantage of the Franklin Road pitcher's wildness — she hit eight batters.

Juli Schultz got the pitching

Mercy 2-2, Ladywood 1-1: In a Catholic League Central Division double-header Thursday, visiting Farmington Hills Mercy (9-3, 5-1) swept both ends by identical scores over host Livonia Ladywood

Mercy rallied to win the opener in the 10th innings as Danielle Maxwell led off the seventh with a homer and Kelly Blanchard clinched it in the 10th on an RBI double.

Tammi Karagosian, who scored the game-winning run, walked in the 10th and moved to second on Kelli Ferrara's sacrifice bunt.

Winning pitcher Dana Frantz, a junior, struck out 12, walked only one and allowed just four hits in going the distance.

Losing pitcher Lauren Taylor allowed five hits, two walks and struck out nine in 10 innings.

Ladywood took a 1-0 lead in the fifth when Stephanie Day singled and courtesy runner Kasey Shelton scored all the way from first on Jess Blaesser's single.
In the nightcap, Mercy's two

In the nightcap, Mercy's two runs in the opening inning held up for the victory.

Amanda Hall, who gave up seven hits, was the winning pitcher. Ladywood pitcher Kaitlyn

Huddas allowed six hits, one walk and struck out four in seven innings.

The Blazers tallied their lone

run in the sixth when Jill Schulz scored from second on Blaesser's single.

Schulz and Halle Doenitz each had two hits in the loss. Blanchard, who had a double, and Maxwell, who tripled, collected two hits apiece.

Huron Valley 12, Agape 5:
Westland Huron Valley
Lutheran's Amanda
Gruenewald went 3-for-4 with
three RBI Thursday, leading
the Hawks (3-4, 2-1) to a
Michigan Independent
Athletic Conference triumph

(1-5 overall).
Rheanna Howard also went
2-for-2 with three walks and
two RBI.

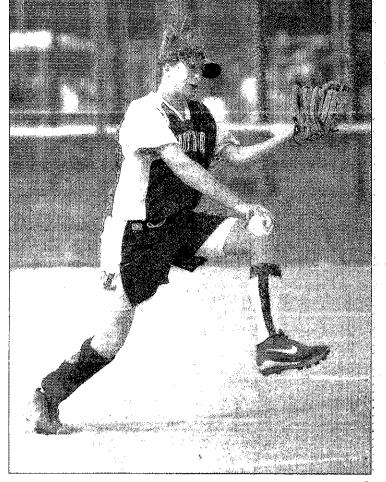
over Canton Agape Christian

Lauren Greer, the winning pitcher, tossed a three-hitter. She struck out 10 and walked

Churchill 5, Franklin 4: Cat Sidor clubbed a third-inning homer over the fence and added a triple Wednesday as Livonia Churchill (6-4, 2-1) overcame some sloppy play in the field to beat host Livonia Franklin (4-4, 0-2) WLAA-Western Division game.

"We were lucky to win, we did not play well," said Churchill coach Carrie Koricam, whose team committed five errors.

Brynn Kerr, Shannon Cleck and winning pitcher Bridget Long each collected a pair of singles for the victorious



Ladywood pitcher Lauren Taylor in first game with Farmington Hills Mercy.

Chargers. Kerr also had an

Becky Garbutt had an RBI double for the Patriots, while Lisa Garbutt singled and had an RBI. Sara Wagaman doubled.

Long allowed five hits, walked one and struck out three in going the distance.

Losing pitcher Amanda Morrill gave up eight hits, walked one and struck out two. Three of the five runs were earned as the Patriots made six errors.

John Glenn 18, Wayne 3: It was no contest Wednesday as

visiting Westland John Glenn (2-6, 2-1) took four innings to mercy rival Wayne Memorial in a WLAA-Lakes Division game.

The Rockets took advantage of 14 walks and outhit the Zebras, 8-1.

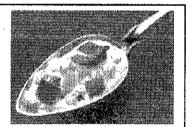
Winning pitcher Dana
Baran went 2-for-2 with a pair
of walks and two RBI. She
struck out three and walked
four in four innings.

Devin Ross also contributed an RBI double.

Shelby Scott had the lone hit for Wayne.

Glenn had four errors, while Wayne had two.

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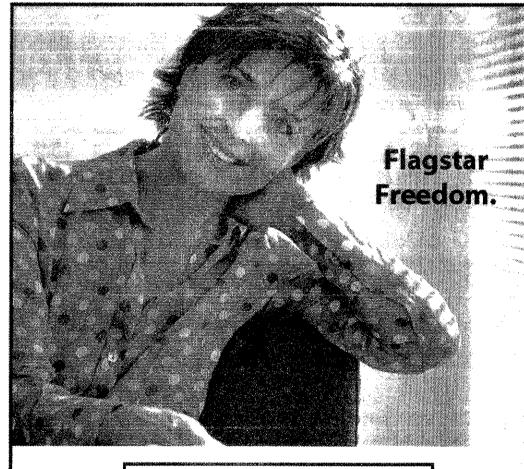
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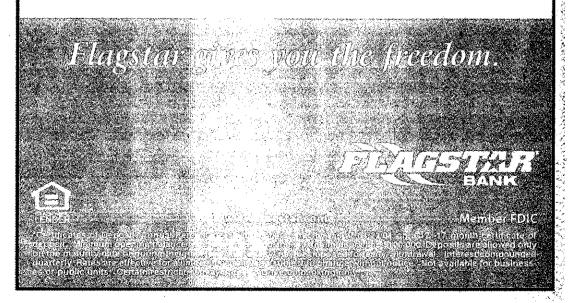
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OBSERVER'S BEST BOYS TRACK	High Jump	
Shot put		Brad Waidman (Canton)
Paul Stradtner (Garden City)	48-5	Matt Graham (Franklin)
Phil Rocker (Churchill)	47-5	Joe Mielke (Franklin)
Jon Smart (Redford CC)	46-11,5	Andy Rossow (Canton)
Chuck Cannon (Churchill) 46-4.5		Matt McClellan (Canton)
Brian Nakoneczny (Stevenson)	45-	Mike Lanius (Canton)
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Ryan Danescu (Redford CC)	45-9	Nick Reed (Stevenson)
Chauncy Jones (John Glenn)	45-6	Steve Paye (Canton)
Chris Snider (Canton)	45-4.75	Joe Gonzalez (Stevenson)
Dan Haller (Luth. Westland)	45-1	Cam Scharchburg (Plymouth)
Brad Waidmann (Canton)	44-3.5	Pole Vault
Discus		Jon Chapman (Canton)
Paul Stradtner (Garden City)	164-5	Ryan Santa (Churchill)
Brian Nakoneczny (Stevenson)	150-3	Bill Breslin (Churchill)
Ryan Danescu (Redford CC)	146-8	Derek Reeves (Canton)
Brad Waidmann (Canton)	146-3	Jayson Wurtzbacher (Salem)
Chuck Cannon (Churchill) 144-3		Aaron Reamy (Churchill)
lke Mbanugo (Salem)	132-8	David Hain (Churchill)
Alex Jachym (John Glenn)	128-10	Rich Hensel (Canton)
Jon Smart (Redford CC)	128-3	Chip Fisher (Salem)
Adam Bogenshutz (Churchill)	127-0	Matt Kappier (Salem)
Nick Schwagie (Redford Union)	123-2	Joe Pond (Stevenson)
Long Jump		110-meter hurdles
Julian Smith (Canton)	21-3	Bill Makela (Redford CC)
Francisco Beltran (Churchill)	20-10.5	Ross Farguhar (Churchili) 15.2
Brian Rumao (Salem)	20-9.5	Rodney Preston (Canton) 15.4
Joe Mielke (Franklin)	20-8	Brad Waidmann (Canton)
Matt Smitherman (John Glenn)	20-7.5	Brad Zygmontowicz (Redford CC)
Donnie Carson (Clarenceville)	19-7	Matt Kapler (Salem)
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Brad Zygmontowicz (Redford CC)	41.7
Zach Zrull (Redford CC)	42.2
Ross Farquhar (Churchill) 42.3	
Corey Stewart (Canton)	42.6
John Mitchell (Stevenson)	43,2
Tim Chew (Salem)	43.3
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Joe Mielke (Franklin) 100-meter dash	43.9
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Andy Rossow (Canton)	51.5	David Lucas (Redford CC) 10:06.0	
Cyrus Azizi (Canton)	51.6	Adam Warner (Salem)	10:17
Brandon Kneefel (Stevenson)	52.8	Dan Kapadia (Salem)	10:19
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Devin Thomas (Canton)	53.5	Tim Howse (Churchill)	10:29
Chris Wade (Plymouth)	53.8	Connor Schultz (Churchill)	10:36
Pat Brown (Thurston)	54.3	Marc Sanders (Churchill)	10:42
Brad Sokolowski (Salem)	54.4	Mark Piorkowski (Stevenson)	10:42
Donnie Carson (Clarenceville)	54.9	400 relay	
800-meter run		Canton	44.1
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Joe Crist (Salem)	2:04.9	John Glenn	45.2
Joe Horka (Churchill)	2:04.9	Wayne Memorial	45.3
Matt Patra (Redford Union)	2:05.0	Churchill	45.5
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Eric Kehoe (Luth. Westland)	2:08.7	Churchill	1:34.
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John Gourlay (Redford Union)	2:11.0	1,600 relay	
1,600-meter run		Stevenson	3:30
Dave Lucas (Redford CC)	4:35.5	Canton	3:34
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Shot put	
Nia Henderson (Churchill) 43-7.5	
Anna Wilson (Salem)	33-6.75
Jenna Hudy (Franklin)	33-3
Tiffany Clarke (Thurston)	33-0
Sarah James (Franklin)	32-4
Bethany Jury (Ladywood) 31-9.5	
Maggie Fisher (Salem)	31-4
Erin Loveil (Franklin)	30-5
Amy Bodnar (Stevenson)	30-4
Jessica Jaskot (Churchill) 30-0	
Discus	
Nia Henderson (Churchill) 140-7	
Rachel Cooper (Garden City)	110-11
Anna Wilson (Salem)	108-2
Alicia Krueger (Luth, Westland)	101-4
Robyn Whalen (Franklin)	101-2
Angela Lightie (Churchill) 100-9	,012
Erin Loveil (Franklin)	99-0
Amy Bodnar (Stevenson)	97-9
Sarah James (Franklin)	92-0
Jessica Jaskot (Churchill) 89-5	72.0
Long jump	
Jennifer Anderson (Wayne)	18-9
Brittany Howard (John Glenn)	18-0
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Brittany Lockhart (Salem) 15-7.5	15.7
Sumon Joyner (Canton)	15-6
Natalie Wasio (Thurston)	15-5

Renita Price (Wayne) 15-5 Andrea Nyberg (Canton) Ally Plisko (Stevenson) Courtney Powell (Plymouth) Lisa Arrowsmith (Stevenson) High jump Alyssa Supplee (Franklin) 5-4 Kelsey Ramthun (Luth. Westland) 5-0 Kasey Butler (Stevenson) 5-0 Brittany Petty (Plymouth) 5-0 Izabela Taszkowska (Canton) 5-0 Lache' Wilkins (Churchill) Kristir Zgorecki (Churchill) 4-10

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100-meter hurdles Casey Lynett (Franklin) Dana Eldred (Salem) J.Q. Williams (Canton) Jenelle Miller (Stevenson) 17.2 Tauri Rothermel (Churchill) Andrea Lang (Salem) Kaitlin Armstrong (Stevenson) Kristen Oltersdorf (Stevenson) Stephanie Foster (John Glenn) Gretta Melvin (Thurston)

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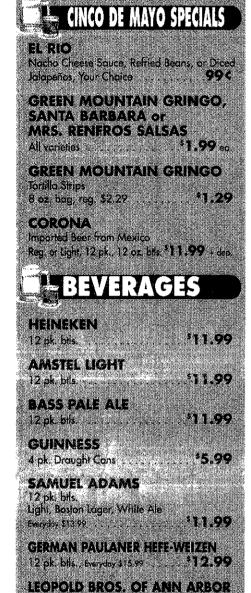
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TRACK RESULTS

CANTON ILA PLYMOUTH 23 April 29 at Plymouth : Shot put: 1. Chris Snider (C), 42-feet, 1 1/2-

inches; 2. Lester Booker (C), 40-1 3/4; 3. Miller (P) 39-2 1/4. Discus: 1. Brad Waidman (C) 141-0: 2. Snider

(C), 122-0; 3. Joe Zugai (C). 107-0. High jump: 1. Waidman (C), 6-3; 2. Matt McClellan (C), 5-8; 3. Cameron Scharchburg

Long Jump: 1. Julian Smith (C). 20-7: 2. Rodney Preston (C), 19-3; 3. Nathan Gholston

Pole vault: 1. Jon Chapman (C), 12-9; 2. Derek Reeves (C), 11-9: 3, Rich Hensel (C), 11-0. 4x800-meter relay: 1. Canton (Eric, Zech,

Scott Reidsma, Nick Johnson, Scott George), 9:11.5: 2. Plymouth, 9:39.0. -110 hurdles: 1. Preston (C), 16.6: 2. Tim

Phillips (P), 17.7; 3. Corey Stewart (C), 17.9. .100 dash: 1. Kevin Burdette (C), 12.2; 2. Gholston (P), 12.3; 3. Dave Calille (C), 12.3. 4x200 relay: 1. Canton (Smith, Brandon Reeves, Andy Rossow, Devin Thomas), 1:38.4;

2. Plymouth, 1:48.0. 1,600: 1. Dave Otting (C), 4:56.0; 2. Nathan Phillips (C), 4:57.0; 3. Sean Dillon (P), 5:08.0. 4x100 relay: 1. Canton (Smith, Burdette,

Calille, B. Reeves), 45.6; 2. Plymouth, 48.9. 400: 1. Cyrus Azizi (C), 53.5; 2. Thomas (C), 54.2: 3. Chris Wade (P), 56.5. 300 hurdles: 1. Stewart (C), 43.2; 2. Gholston (P), 44.9; 3. Phillips (P), 45.0.

800: 1. Phaltiel Whitlock (C), 2:11.7; 2. Scott George (C), 2:14.1; 3. Zech (C), 2:16.0.

200: 1. B. Reeves (C), 24.2; 2. Burdette (C), 24.6; 3. Rossow (C), 25.4. 3,200: 1. Patrick Slavens (P), 11:42.3; 2.

Christian Chagas (P), 11:58.0; 3. Charles Wolfe 4x400 relay: 1. Canton (Azizi, Calille, Whitlock, Preston), 3:46.4; 2. Plymouth, 4:00.7. Dual-meet records: Canton, 4-0 overall, 2-O in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division: Plymouth, 0-4

> **CANTON 91** PLYMOUTH 46 April 29 at Canton

the following:

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High jump: 1. Brittany Petty (P), 5-feet; 2. Izabela Taszkowska (C), 5-0; 3. Katie Cezat (C),

Pole vault: 1, J.Q. Williams (C), 9-6: 2, Mina Pirzadeh (C), 7-6: 3. Kavla Coleman (C). 7-0. Discus: 1. Kara Jones (C), 82-5: 2. Dorian Mac (C), 69-8: 3. Heather Hicks (C), 64-3 1/2. Shot put: 1. Jennifer Dunn (P), 26-11; 2. Mac

(C), 25-3 1/2; 3. Ashley McClellan (C), 23-11. Long jump: 1. Sumon Joyner (C), 15-6; 2. Andrea Nyberg (C), 15-2; 3. Courtney Powell

4x800-meter relay: 1. Plymouth (Janet Hanchett, Jackie Beeler, Nicole McLaughlin. Sarah Sherwood), 10:53.0; 2. Canton, 11:04.0. 100 hurdles: 1. Williams (C), 17.1: 2. Leslie

Olech (C), 18.9; 3. Coleman (C), 19.1. 100 dash: 1. Breana Wallace (P), 13.3: 2. Amber Lee (C), 13.8; 3. Sara Mueller (P), 14.3. 4x200 relay: 1. Canton (Sarah Stobbe, D'Angela Pitts, Joyner, Lee), 1:52.0; 2.

Plymouth, 1:54.0. 1,600: 1. Beeler (P), 6:03.0; 2. Becky McCormack (C), 6:07:0; 3. Anna Jimenez (C),

4x100 relay: 1. Canton (Wendy Dishong, Joyner, Nyberg, Williams), 55.2; 2. Plymouth,

400: 1. Stobbe (C), 1:03.0; 2. Janet Hanchett (P), 1:05.0; 3. Michelle Lager (C), 1:06.0. 300 hurdles: 1. Cezat (C), 53.2; 2. Paszkowska (C), 54.1; 3. Olech (C), 54.2. 800: 1. Sherwood (P), 2:41.0; 2. Beeler (P),

2:45.0; 3. Lisa Clinton (C), 2:49.0. 200: 1. Wallace (P), 28.6; 2. Mueller (P), 29.4; 3. Lee (C), 30.1.

3,200: 1. Alli Schmitz (C), 13:57.0; 2. Clinton (C), 13:58.0; 3. Carrie Oleszkowicz (C), 13:59.0. 4x400 relay: 1. Canton (Stobbe, Lager, Williams, Cezat), 4:27.8; 2. Plymouth, 4:47.0.

Dual-meet record: Canton, 2-2 overall, 1-1 WLAA Western Division; Plymouth, 0-4 overall, 0-2 Western Division.

> SALEM 54 LIVONIA STEVENSON 83 April 29 at Stevenson

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Pole vault: 1. Jennifer Perkins (LS), 9-0; 2. (tie) Allie Vraniak (S), Ashley Aquinto (S), 8-0. Long jump: 1. Brittany Lockhart (S), 15-7 1/2; 2. Ally Plisko (LS), 15-1 1/2; 3. Lisa

Arrowsmith (LS), 15-0. Shot put: 1. Anna Wilson (S), 33-6 3/4; 2. Kelly Griffith (LS), 28-8 1/4; 3. Amy Bodnar

(LS), 27-10 1/2. Discus: 1. Wilson (S), 108-2; 2. Bodnar (LS),

92-4; 3. Sarah Mausols (LS), 87-2. High jump: 1. Kasey Butler (LS), 5-0; 2. (tie) Lynden Gault (S), Kara Piorkowski (LS), 4-8. 4x800-meter relay: 1. Stevenson (Amanda Sculthorpe, Melanie Anderle, Amber Cicala, Plisko), 10:31.1; 2. Salem, 10:59.7.

100 hurdies: 1. Andrea Lang (S), 17.5; 2. Dana Eldred (S), 17.9; 3. Kristen Oltersdorf

100 dash: 1. Elizabeth Sturdy (LS), 13.3; 2. Jennifer Perkins (LS), 13.9; 3. Allison Collins

4x200 relay: 1. Stevenson (Collins,

Arrowsmith, Kaitlin Armstrong, Linda Montgomery), 1:51.0; 2. Salem, 1:57.8. 1,600: 1. Heather Sirko (LS), 5:21:5; 2. Kelly Gibbons (LS), 5:24.1; 3. Kristen Frey (LS), 5:24.9.

4x100 relay: 1. Stevenson (Collins, Sturdy, Armstrong, Perkins), 52.3; 2. Salem, 55.6. 400: 1. Linda Montgomery (LS), 1:03.3; 2. Lockhart (S), 1:04.8; 3. Arrowsmith (LS), 1:05:4.

300 hurdles: 1. Armstrong (LS), 49.5; 2. Lang (S), 51.2; 3. Diane Burek (LS), 52.9. 800: 1. Laura Friedman (S), 2:25.6; 2. Lisa Montgomery (LS), 2:27.0; 3. K. Frey (LS), 2:29.7.

200: 1. Linda Montgomery (LS), 28.0; 2. Gault (S), 28.9; 3. R. Rehberg (LS), 29.2. 3,200: 1. Lauren Kane (S), 12:30.0; 2. S. Kulczycki (LS), 12:51.0; 3. Liane Griffiths (S),

4x400 relay: 1. Salem (Lockhart, Cindy

Edwards, Katie White, Friedman), 4:26.4; 2. Stevenson, 4:36.7. Duai-meet records: Salem, 3-1 overall, 1-1 WLAA Lakes Division; Stevenson, 4-0 overall,

> **LIVONIA STEVENSON 100** SALEM 37 April 29 at Salem

Shot put: 1. Geoff Leskie (LS), 44 feet, 2 inches; 2. Ike Mbanugo (S), 40-2. Discus: Ike Mbanugo (Salem), 132-8.

High jump: Joe Gonzalez (LS), 5-8. Long jump: John Mitchell (LS), 21-2. Pole vault: 1. Jayson Wurtzbacher (Salem), 11-0; 2. Matt Kappler (S), 10-6. 110-meter hurdles: Matt Kappier (Salem),

300 hurdles: 1. Mitchell (LS), 43.2; 2. Tim Chew (S), 43.4.

100 dash: Nana Adamako (LS), 11.4. 200: Keith Hearns (LS), 23.6. 400: K. Hearns (LS), 50.6. 800: Collin Hall (LS), 2:07.0. 1,600: Matt Rzepka (LS), 4:55.8.

3,200: Dan Wilson (LS), 10:55.0.

400 relay: Stevenson (Adamako, Greg Wilson, Pat Clasgens, Kevin Murawski), 45.0; 2. Salem, 46.1. 800 relay: Stevenson (Adamako, Clasgens

Murawski, Trevor Hearns), 1:34.6, 2. Salem, 1,600 relay: Salem (Kevin Wesley, Brad Sokolowski, Will Schultz, Jayson

Wurtzbacher), 3:45.0. 3,200 relay: Stevenson (T. Hearns, Tony Lenardon, Matt Rzepka, K. Hearns), 8:46.9; 2

Dual meet records: Stevenson, 2-1 overall, 2-0 WLAA-Lakes Division: Salem, 2-2 overall, 1-

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DETROIT COUNTRY DAY 3

April 30 at Schoolcraft

No. 1 singles: Andrew Thompson (CD) d.

No. 2: Arvind Nagaragan (CD) d. Kevin

No. 3: Matthew Riley (CD) d. Andrew Luiek,

No. 4: Nick Carroll (CC) d. Jonathon

No. 1 doubles: All Daneshvar and Britton

No. 2: Jason Beydoun and Ryan Snider (CC)

Steele (CC) d. Vivek Behera and Brandon

Pinto (CC) d. Ali Daneshvar and Gabe Diaz 67

d. Chandler Young and Brayton Groth, 6-2; 6-2.

d. Andrew Fretter and Kyle McNealy, 6-3, 6-3,

(CC) d. K.T. Kim and Michael Nosanchuck.

Chiefs blow past Walled Lake Western

Canton's baseball team Wednesday in its six-inning 16-6 mercy of Walled Lake Western at Canton.

The Chiefs improved to 3-12 overall and evened their Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division record at 1-1.

Several players contributed to the onslaught. Brad Gallison had three hits, including two doubles, and drove in three runs, Kevin Kwiatkowski had three hits

and three RBI and Tarik Khasawneh had two hits and three RBI.

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Dave Mintz also had three hits with a double and four runs scored. Dave Neu was 2for-2 with a triple and three runs scored, and Kyle McKinney slammed a solo home run.

The pitching win went to Rich DeMeyere.

On Monday, Canton lost a double-header to Dearborn Divine Child, 15-2 and 11-10. Joe Mishler took the loss in

the opener; Gallison was the loser in the second.

Mintz had three hits with a triple and two RBI in the two games, Neu had four hits with a double and a home rum and three RBI and Khasawneh got three hits with a triple and two runs batted in.

Christian 11: Mistakes, particularly on defense, led to Plymouth Christian Academy's loss to Allen Park

A.P. Inter-City 16, Ply.

Inter-City Baptist Thursday at

The Eagles are 6-2 overall,

0-2 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. The loss went to andrew

Shumaker, his first of the season after five-straight wins.

Aaron Ciborowski continued his hot hitting by going 3for-3 at the plate with a home run and four RBI. Shumaker had three hits including a pair of doubles, and Drew Gallagher had two hits and scored two runs.

Offense can't carry Madonna to victory

Seventeen hits. Thirteen runs.

Should be enough to win a baseball game.

But it wasn't for Madonna University when the Crusaders clashed in a nonconference game with Rochester College Wednesday at Rochester's Cement Park. Instead, their pitching and faulty defense led to a 17-13

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Department at (734) 455-6620,

loss, dropping them to 29-22 overall.

Four pitchers got to the mound for Madonna, with Mike Hand starting. He worked five innings and gave up 10 runs on 15 hits to absorb the defeat; however, only two of the runs he gave up were earned.

In fact, six Crusader errors resulted in 10 unearned runs.

ACCOUNTANT

The win went to Rochester reliever Andrew Hendershot, even though he allowed four runs (three earned) in 3 1/3

For Madonna, hitting leaders were Joe Greene with a triple, a single and five runs batted in; Tony Kern, with three hits including a home run and two RBI: Ben Galus. with three hits, two of them.

doubles, and three RBI; Jason Barbeau, with four hits and three runs scored; and Preston Picard (from Farmington), with three hits and three runs scored.

Rochester got four hits from Chris Rickard; three hits from Chris Zimmerman; three hits and three RBI from Chris Avery; and two hits and four RBI from Brett Crawford.

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TENNIS RESULTS

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SALEM 8 PLYMOUTH 0

April 28 at Salem No. 1 singles: Chris Treadwell (S) def. Luc Lucaj 6-2, 6-2.

No. 2: Robby Wallen (S) def. Kevin Welch 6-No. 3: John Schellhase (S) def. Ali Saleem

No. 4: Kushal Mistry (S) def. Justin Magill

No: 1 doubles: Roma Buffa-Ali. El-Hourani

(S) def. Doug Eggleston-Jerry Declercq. No. 2: Neil Bakshi-Blake Foster (S) def. Erik

Kerpalski-Clint Kerpalski. No. 3: Pete Bartlett-Dave Isakson (S) def. Purresh Bhavsar-Nick Mazzocco 6-4, 6-0. No. 4: Mo Shahid-Pauel Kargol (S) def.

Brael Yergenran-Chris Koitz 6-1, 6-0.

REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL 7 **BLOOMFIELD CRANBROOK 1** April 28 at Cranbrook

No. 1 singles: Britton Steele (CC) d. Camron Riopelle, 7-6 (7-4), 6-4.

No. 3: Andrew Lulek (CC) d. Chris

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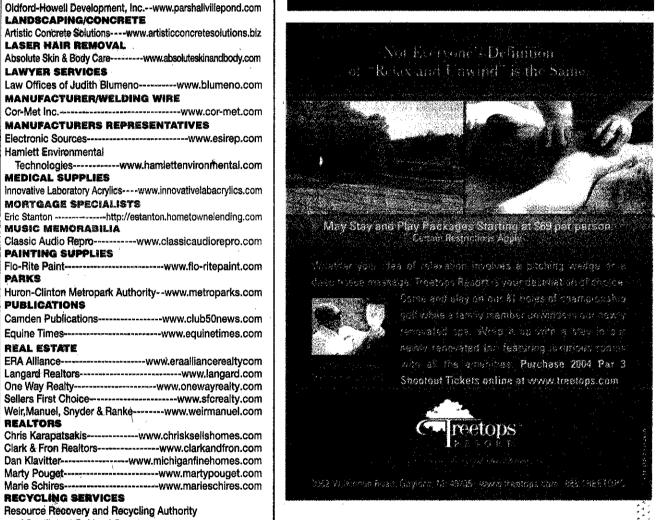
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My stepdad is making me get a summer job, but I have a lot of piercings and have applied to a ton of places. None of the places has called back and my stepdad says if I don't get a job he is going to kick me out. What should

Distressed in Canton, 17 I have a feeling you think you are not getting calls back from places because of your piercings, which could be. Have you tried applying at some record stores, coffee shops and/or landscaping businesses? Those places may be more accepting of piercings. Another thing you can do is call the places you have applied and politely tell them your name and that you filled out an application, then ask, "Have you had a chance to look over my application and do you plan on holding any interviews soon?" Then, thank them and tell them that you look forward to talking with them. To get a job you really have to be proactive. Just filling out an application isn't going to guarantee an interview. Managers like people who show initiative. So try that and good luck!

Dear Jen I don't know how to put this, but sometimes when my best friend goes out with her boyfriend I get jealous. Does that mean I am

Confused in Livonia, 16 Well, it could be a few things. First of all, are you getting jealous because she is having fun without you? Or because you don't have a boyfriend and she does? Do you feel like you are missing out and she doesn't spend enough time with you? Or, you may have feelings for her. You are going to have to dive deep inside yourself and figure out what the root of the jealousy is and how you really feel about your best friend. You might be gay, but it could be any of the other reasons as well. You need to ask yourself if you have always felt this way about your best friend or has it just been since she has had a boyfriend. Have you been attracted to a friend of the same sex in the past or is it just recently with your best friend? This is something only you can figure out. The only advice I can give you is to always be true to yourself and your feelings.

Dear Jen Over spring break my boyfriend and my sister went on spring break together. I couldn't go because I had to stay and get caught up on some homework. Now my boyfriend calls the house to talk with my sister. I think they are cheating on me. How do I confront them? Feeling betrayed in Garden City,

This is an awkward position you are in right now and I can understand where your feelings of betrayal are coming from. You really need to talk with your sister about how you are feeling, as well as your boyfriend. I am sure neither one of them wants to hurt you in any way. I wouldn't jump to conclusions since they may just have become friends while they were on vacation. Be honest when talking about how this new friendship of theirs in making you feel uncomfortable and insecure. Jennifer Sawalha of Livonia has a master's degree in psychology from the Center for Humanistic Studies. She can be reached by e-mail at

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Very Special performers

Regional fest showcases abilities

John McKevitz seems as excited about singing in the Celebration of Arts-Ability Festival as if he were about to take the stage of American Idol. This is the Rochester Hills resident's first time performing in the annual showcase presented by the Southeast Region Committee of VSA arts of Michigan Saturday-Sunday, May 7-8, at Livonia

For months, McKevitz worked hard on the John Denver song with music therapist Sarah Link at FAR Conservatory in Birmingham. It will take another four hours just to get dressed for the big day, but he doesn't mind. Since cerebral palsy left him wheelchair-bound, it takes McKevitz that long to get ready for work at Oakland County Community Mental Health and he doesn't have nearly as much fun.

McKevitz is one of 200 children and adults with disabilities who will sing, dance and play chimes 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, May 7, and noon to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, May 8. The festival coincides with Celebrate the Arts featuring performances by members of the Farmington and Birmingham musicales, and Tuesday Musicale of Greater Pontiac now through May 15. In celebration of National Music Week, musicians such as Michigan Flute Orchestra, and students at Derby Middle School Band from Birmingham and Hilbert Middle School Band from Livonia will perform a variety of music.

"I'm looking forward to singing at the festival," said the 36-year old McKevitz who performs 12:45 p.m. Saturday. "I'm so touched that I can actually get out there. I hope that I can touch people just to show you don't have to be one of these superstars that goes out and performs every day."

Committee chair Connie Lott says that's the whole idea behind the festival - to level the playing field for people with disabilities. The festival provides them an opportunity to perform before an audience like abled children and adults. The festival showcases performers from all over the southeast region including Oakland Schools Autistic Program.

"Our festival is different because we take it to the people and showcase talents and abilities of children and adults with disabilities and we also invite the public to celebrate with us," said Lott of Northville. "They get to see that these are individuals who are not any different from their own children and grand-

children. It's a real sharing. Music therapist Margaret Hull finds it rewarding for those on both sides of the stage. She's been bringing her special education students to the festival since it began in the New Center area nearly 15 years ago. This year 75 performers from Kennedy Center, Pontiac Northern and Central high schools. Washington and Madison middle



Troy drummer Ben Monkaba performs at a celebration of arts-ability Saturday, May 8, at Livonia Mail.



schools, and Herrington Elementary in

Pontiac will board buses for the ride to

rewarding," said Hull, a Birmingham

resident and committee member. "It

gives us motivation to work on our pro-

school. When you perform in front of

look your best, sound your best."

Every year, Troy drummer Ben

Monkaba leaves the stage to standing

applause. His mother, Terry, says, "he

loves to come to the festival." Now a

sophomore at Troy High School, he's

school. This year he'll be singing Nat

and Natalie Cole's Unforgettable with

Kate Gardner in addition to playing

drums for Boyz II Boyz, a vocal duo

been performing annually since middle

Carrie Wheeler proudly displays her watercolor, 'Asian Pines,' which will be on exhibit during a festival presented by the Southeast Region Committee of VSA arts of Michigan at Livonia Mall. 'Asian Pines' was chosen as the 2004 Tshirt design for the committee's annual festival.

Canton artist

from Pontiac with Brandon Walker and Marlon Smith.

Williams syndrome, a rare genetic "It's been quite an adventure for us, so disorder, left Monkaba with mild to severe learning disabilities. The audience would never know it by watching him play that he survived four heart grams, to perform outside of their home surgeries before age 4, and still is unable to tie his shoes. people who don't know you, you want to

Fellow musicians have made note of his talent as well, inviting him to join the jazz band at his high school. Monkaba's parents bought him his first drum set at age 10. He currently studies privately with Bruce Gallant in Birmingham.

"I look forward to seeing the smiles on people's faces," said Ben Monkaba, a student at FAR Conservatory in Birmingham since age 3. "It shows that they appreciate what I do."

Canton artist shows off abilities

Carrie Wheeler beams with pride as she poses for photographs with three watercolors selected for the annual Emerging Arts Exhibit sponsored by VSA arts of Michigan. The Canton artist finds it hard to believe that in the last several months she's gone from being relatively unknown to having her work reproduced on T-shirts.

Wheeler's "Asian Pines" was recently selected to appear on shirts commemorating the annual festival put on by the Southeast Region Committee at Livonia Mall. On May 7-8, the shirts will be on sale for \$15, or two for \$25. Whe three watercolors will not only be on exhibit during the festival but through May 11 along with dozens of works by children and adults with disabilities.

Primarily self taught, Wheeler's been painting since she was 11 years old. At age 26, it's art that boosts her spirits during the days when multiple sclerosis and bi-polar disorder get her down."I have always been an artist but had to put it on hold for various reasons," said Wheeler. "I have limited use of my left hand and even though I'm right handed there are tasks that require me to use both. Sometimes I have eye problems, double vision.

"But an artist with a disability is like anybody else. Sometimes you're even more aware because you don't have the ability to do other things. The exhibit and VSA arts gives artists with disabilities independence."

Chorus rocks into its 30th year

Livonia.

STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Community Chorus continued marking its 30th year with its annual spring concert last weekend at Northville High School.

And, like the chorus' other performances, it rocked the house with its unique brand of musical entertainment.

The chorus, founded in 1973 by vocal music teacher William Grimmer of East Middle School, started with just a dozen singers at the first rehearsal. According to Eunice Taylor, the communications chairperson for the chorus, Grimmer felt he had a wealth of talent in that small group and had, for some time,



Musical Director Michael Gross conducts the chorus

dreamed of founding a community chorus. During Grimmer's tenure, the group doubled in

"When he retired in 1977, he also left the chorus," Taylor said. "However, he remained an avid supporter until his death. The William Grimmer Memorial Scholarship is given

each year in his memory." In the fall of 1978, Michael Gross was chosen to direct the chorus. The Christmas concert that year, according to Taylor, had its largest audience to date. By 1979, she pointed out, additional chairs had to be placed in the narthex of the First United Methodist Church to accommodate the crowd.

Today, she said, some 4,500

people attend performances. "(Grimmer) would probably be very pleased to see how his idea for a small community chorus has grown into the renowned and respected choral group it is today," Taylor said.
"Some things do not change, though. The group continues to sing for the love of music."

By the fall of 1982 the group



Accompanist Nancy Whitecar and the Plymouth Community Chorus during its spring concert at Northville High School.

had grown to 120 members. In February 1983, the chorus hosted the Great American Choral Festival and received a silver medallion for finishing second in the adult non-choreographed division.

Since 1983, the chorus has presented three concerts and has sung the Christmas portion of Messiah with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. In 1993,

the chorus recorded its first cassette/CD release, A 20th Anniversary Christmas. More recently, chorus members recorded the well-received Broadway Magic.

"The chorus has twice trayeled to Washington D.C., performing by invitation during the Sunday services at the National Cathedral," Taylor

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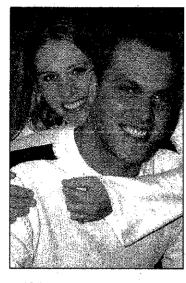
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Slaggert-Moore

The engagement of Jill L. Slaggert and Jeffrey W. Moore, both of Saginaw Township, is announced by their parents, Dave and Lynda Slaggert of Saginaw Township and Glenn and Terri Moore of Canton.

The bride-to-be graduated from Saginaw Valley State University with a bachelor of arts degree with majors in English and secondary education. She is presently teaching in the Bay City Public School system.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Catholic Central High School and is pursuing a degree in computer information systems from Saginaw Valley State University. He is currently working for the



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The prospective groom earned a bachelor's degree in business marketing from Western Michigan University in 1997. He is employed as a sales manager with Spectrum Signs & Designs.

An Aug. 21, 2004, wedding is planned at St. Thomas A'Becket in Canton.



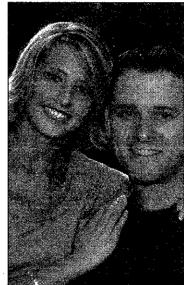
Wade-Capaldi

Russ and Jan Wade of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristi M. Wade, to Matthew J. Capaldi, the son of Rick and Pam Capaldi of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and went to Michigan State University. She is currently employed as a physician assistant at Arbor Medical School.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School who works as a project manager for Knoll

A Sept. 11, 2004, wedding is planned at North Congregational Church in Farmington Hills.



CALENDAR

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AROUND TOWN

Northville flower sale

The 17th annual Flower Sale comes to downtown Northville May 28-29. The sale takes place from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. May 28 and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 29, with more than 15 greenhouses, all members of the Metropolitan Detroit Flower Growers Association, taking part. Main Street between Hutton and Center, will be closed to cars. For more information, call (248) 348-0488.

Care lecture

Author and funeral director Thomas Lynch presents a free lecture on the topic, "The Good Death, Good Grief and Good Funerals: Finding Our Place in the Continuum of Care" at St. Colette's Church in Livonia. The lecture takes place from 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 18. For more information, call 9734) 953-6024.

Grant-writing seminar

The National Education Foundation. National Grant Writers Association, American Cancer Society, American Red Cross, Salvation Army and more than 30 other public and private nonprofit agencies sponsor a grant-writing seminar for the general public from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. May 10-13 at the Sheraton Novi, 21111 Haggerty. Cost is \$659. For more information, call (803) 750-9759

Crafters wanted

Organizers of the annual Northville Sidewalk Sale are looking for crafters and food vendors for the annual event, scheduled for 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7. Craft booths are available for \$40 per booth; food booths cost \$100. For more information, call Sally or Toni Genitti, (248) 349-0522.

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(May 2-May 5) By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

There are likely to be more questions than answers this week, kiddo. but at least you should now be able to put a key obligation on a firmer coting. You have achieved and worried so much recently- now it's time to concentrate on consolidating your gains...

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

No one is a more devoted friend or employee than the Bull-born. Alas, you appear to have ignored certain warning signals over a money matter recently. Therefore, this week is all about questioning others' intentions and making sure that everything is well-defined and above-board.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

physical microscope this week, and any weaknesses will be magnified. A parting of the ways may seem to be the best solution, so don't hold on to smoke and mirrors. You'll feel differently by the end of the month.

Relationships- both personal and professional- will be under the meta-

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

Tuesday's Full Moon in your element marks a turning point. A personal quest is at a critical stage, and it is up to you to decide which way to go. Don't allow anyone to distract or dissuade you from doing what you know must be done. Your instincts have never been better- use them!

LEO (July 24-Aug 23)

A recent domestic-investment project or worry seems to have been dominating your thoughts. But now the combined astro-effects of Jupiter going direct is urging you to take time out for fun and romance. You deserve a break from your daily routine and family stuff- so take

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)

Turn your attention to what you own and earn, and how you can increase your income without putting yourself under too much pressure. One way is to make better use of your time, which is way too precious to waste! The moment has come to face up to harsh realities.

LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23)

Better hope that your health is good and you've had plenty of sleep, because this is going to be a busy week. You'll be on the go from first thing in the morning to late at night. You'll have more fun or more done in the next seven days than you managed to in the past seven weeks. Aim for "fun."

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

is said that Life is what you make it and, with the Sun opposite your birth-sign, you are now in a position to make it very good indeed. However, whether or not you do so depends on your motivation and organization skills. (Oops! I said the "O"-word. Not your strength.)

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

Fire-brother Mars endows you with great courage this week, but it may spill over into recklessness. Your task now is to learn the difference between a calculated risk and foolhardiness. You can learn the easy way or the hard way, Sadge. Choose "mellow," what do you say?

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21)

This week's astro-accent is on moolah, and it would seem that even as one door closes, another opens. The Sun, supported by your ruler Saturn are provoking you to do just that and calling you take control of a shared responsibility. Never forget that you can benefit more from giving than from receiving.

AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19)

nis week's Full Moon brings endless discussions about money and property matters to a head. You are reminded that there are two kinds of gratitude- the sudden kind we feel when we take, the larger kind we feel for what we are given. Uh-huh: this is a give-and-take week. Think before you speak.

PISCES (Feb 20-March 20)

Sunday-Monday's Moon in Libra challenged by Saturn both signify that if life is a series of lessons, then each conflict or crisis should be considered as homework, for they are certainly not intended to defeat you- only help you grow and then graduate into the next exciting stage of your development.

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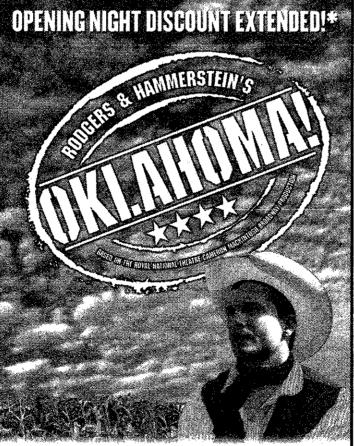
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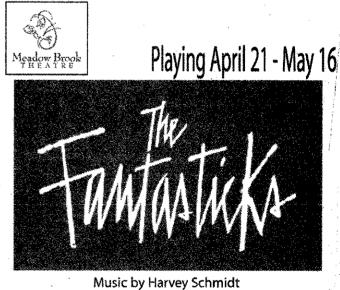
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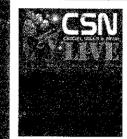


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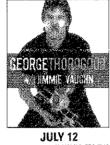


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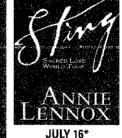




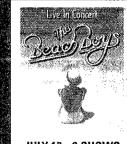
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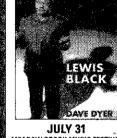
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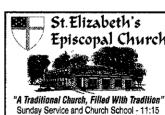
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Offering constructive criticism to others can be beneficial, but only if the other person is receptive to our It's Easy To Criticize... comments. In teaching situations or during on-the-job training, constructive criticism is usually necessary to instruct and help a person develop a trade or vocation. However, correcting someone, even in a kind of skillful manner, can be very challenging, since we are never sure how the individual may react. Many friendships and families have been destroyed because someone has been overly critical of another person's words or actions. Knowing when we should offer our comments can also be difficult, and we should be fairly certain that our comments are truthful and necessary. It often seems so easy to criticize others because we mistakenly believe that we are without fault or are such experts on most everything. The Bible tells us that we look at the speck in our brother's eye, but we pay no attention to the log in our own (Luke 6:41), Faultfinding and being overly critical of others, especially behind their backs, are wrong and can become habit-forming. However, kind words are good for the soul and help to build a person up.

The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but a wise man listens to advice. R.S.V. Proverbs 12:15

Avoid miscommunication with clearer messages

Q. I feel like my wife and I can't talk with each other anymore. Everything I say to her is misinterpreted. I try to make an effort in hearing what she has to say, but it isn't working. Can you help us?

Overall, communication with others is very important, but in our romantic relationships it is even more critical. Studies show that partners who communicate poorly with each other are very dissatisfied and unhappy in their relationships. But more often than we realize, we face what is commonly known as miscommunication, when the message we send our partners is not the same message they receive. Miscommunication typically occurs for two reasons. First, there may be a discrepancy between what we say (our words) and our behaviors (like our facial expression, or the way we look at our partner). It is interesting to note that if a discrepancy like this does occur, the truth usually lies in our behaviors rather than our words!

Miscommunication also can occur when we have trouble saying what we mean. Here is a classic example that I use during my Relationship Enrichment Seminars. A husband is sitting on the couch, and he turns to his wife and says: "Let's go out for dinner tonight." This statement can be interpreted in several

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ways by his partner. Does he mean "Let's get out of the house, just the two of us and go somewhere special," which is a positive comment, or "I am tired of your cooking, I want something else to eat," which has a negative connotation? This is how miscommunication can begin!

We need to send clear messages to our partners and we need to be better listeners. Here are some Love Doctor tips on how to work on communication with your partner.

Tips on how to send clear

messages to our partners: 1) Use what I call behavior description. Tell your partner specific behaviors that annoy you and avoid using words such as "always" or "never."

2) Use "XYZ" statements. "When you do X in situation Y (behavioral description), I feel Z (an I-statement). For example, when you interrupted me right now, I felt annoyed. 3) Avoid "kitchen sinking" where you bring everything up at once into the conversation. Be careful to deal with one issue or topic at a time.

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4) Do not engage in mindreading or assume that you understand or can predict your partner's thoughts and feelings without asking. Always ask!

Tips on how to be a better

1) Paraphrase what you hear and repeat it back to your partner in your own words. Give them a chance to agree that that is what they actually

2) Use perception checking. Ask your partner for clarification about what they are feeling.

3) Stay polite and have the ability to calm down. You can do this by taking a "break" from each other, or taking long slow deep breaths.

4) Validate and respect your partner's point of view. You don't have to agree with them, but it is important that you allow them their own feelings.

You can learn more by attending the Love Doctor Relationship Enrichment Seminar, 7-9 p.m. May 27 at the Emagine Theatre in Novi. To register for the seminar or submit a question, go to the Love Doctor's Web site www.detroitlovedr.com.

Terri L. Orbuch, Ph.D., is a psychologist, sociologist, author, Oakland University professor and research scientist at the University of Michigan. Listen to the Love Doctor on 100.3 WNIC FM every Tuesday morning between 7-7:30 a.m.

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FICTION

- 1. "Glorious Appearing," Tim LaHaye
- 2. "The DaVinci Code," Dan Brown 3. "Nighttime is My Time," Mary Higgins Clark
- 4. "The Five People You Meet in Heaven," Mitch Albom
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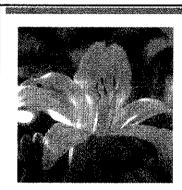
NONFICTION

- 1. "Eats, Shoots and Leaves," Lynn Truss 2. "Against All Enemies," Richard A. Clarke
- 3. "Three Weeks with My Brother," Nicholas Sparks
- 4. "Worse Than Watergate," John W. Dean
- 5. "Ten Minutes from Normal," Karen Hughes

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FLORENCE CAROLINE NULTY

(Nee Sederlin) passed away on April 27th at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. Florence was born on the Sederlin homestead near Scandia, Kansas on March 5,1908. Upon completion of high school she attended Kansas State College, graduating in 1929 with a B.S. degree in Home Economics. She taught school at Sharon Springs, Kansas for two years Shaton Spinings, Kansas for two years before her marriage to Robert L. Nulty in 1931. During their early marriage they lived in Detroit and Jackson, MI. In 1947 they moved to Plymouth, MI where they resided until her passing. Florence had been a member of the P.E.O. Sisterhood since 1946 and was affiliated with Chapter AI, Plymouth at the time of her death. She was also active in the AAUW for many years. Florence will be remembered for her love of travel, her creative talents and her extensive correspondence with friends and family. Florence is survived by her husband of 72 years, Robert L. of Plymouth, her son, Robert D. (Phyllis) of Northville, MI, her daughter, Jane Sloan (Laird) of Sugar Land, TX and Grand Manan, New Brunswick, grandchildren Tammy Nulty of Plymouth, Laura Vargas of Burke, VA, Lance Sloan of Sugar Land, TX, and Tom Garner of Louisville, KY and great grandchil-dren, Trevor and Austin Garner and Valerie and Philip Vargas and numer-ous nieces and nephews. Memorial Contributions may be made to: Cottey College, c/o Bonnie Myhrum, President, Chapter AI P.E.O., 12460 Woodgate, Plymouth, MI 48170. Funeral services were held Saturday,

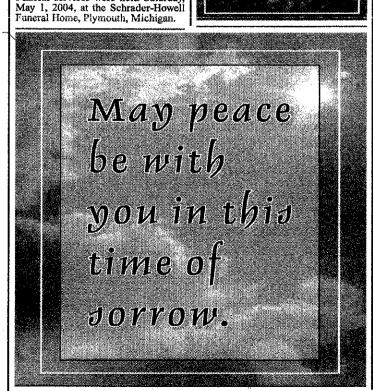
WILLIAM C. G.

SAVAGE, JR. Age 60. Born in Titusville PA, died at home April 29, 2004 in Farmington Hills, MI. Beloved husband of Mil. Beloved husband of Midori for 35 years. Loving father of James C. (Tonya) Savage & Jennifer (Joel) Torretti. Son of Nellie Savage and the late William C. G. Savage, Sr. Survived by 2 brothers & 1 sister. Retired Jr. ROTC Instructor Garden City High School, retired Colonel U.S. Air Force. Memorial service Wednesday, May 5th, 3pm at First United Methodist Church of Farmington, 33112 Grand River Ave. Farmington, MI 48336 (1 block E. of

Farmington Rd). In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Patient Advocates for Advanced Cancer Treatment, Inc. 1143 Parmelee NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49504. Interment Arlington National Cemetery Arrangements by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

ARTHUR H. TROST

Age 100 of Weeki Wachee, FL died Tuesday, April 27, 2004 at his home. Born in Detroit, Michigan he moved to Florida 14 years ago from Westland, Michigan. He retired after 32 years from the Ford Motor Company of Rawsonville, Michigan, he was a member of the U.A.W. and the Newburg United Methodist Church of Livonia, Michigan. He was preceded in death by his daughters, Beraldine Trost and Marjorie Trost Edmonds. Survivors include his Wife: Vera; Sons & Daughters-inlaw: Arthur & Tracy Trost of Byron, Michigan, Gale & Sonne Stowell of Caseville, Michigan, Gerald & Laurie Stowell of South Lyon, Michigan and Wendell & Doreen Stowell of Pinck-ney, Michigan; Daughters & Sons-in-law: Karen & William Stacy of Weeki Wachee, FL and Kathleen & Edward Myers of Westland, MI; 29 Grand-children 50 Great Grandchildren and 11 Great Great Grandchildren. Arrangements by Merritt Funeral Home, Spring Hill, Florida. (352) 686-6649



GENEVA SCHRAGE Born June 17, 1913, died April 25,

2004 in Santa Fe, NM, formerly of Bloomfield Hills. Born to Delilah and Albert McCalla in Hurdsfield, ND, Geneva survived her parents and all ten of her siblings. She moved around as a child, but Michigan eventually became her home. She married Harry Scheage in 1939 and had two children, Joyce Kopp and Richard Schrage. She has 6 grandchildren: Greg Kopp, Lori Hoolihan, Rick Schrage, Brad Schrage, Duane Kopp, and and Andrea Schrage. She took much pride and joy in her 9 great grandchildren, ages 8 to 2; Gillian, Karherine, Kristen, Kerri, Violend Court Figure 2. Kieland, Owen, Fionna, Tyler, and Bridgit. Funeral service Monday, May 3rd, 11:30am at The Runkel Chapel of First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Mapie, Birmingham, MI 48009. Interment Acacia Park Cemetery. Memorial tributes to the Church. Arrangements by A. J. Desmond & Sons. 248-549-0500.

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Moderation is key to a healthy life

've seen a lot of people over the years make the mistake of putting too much time and energy into one activity or another. They'd develop an interest and, suddenly, that's their whole life. I saw it in college, in the Marines and in my time as a reporter and broadcaster.

I've always felt that one of the most underrated "secrets" to living healthy is to lead a life of moderation. Whether it's working, eating, drinking, watching TV, spending time on the Internet or even exercising, it's important to make sure we maintain a sense of balance. Don't overdo it.

Not investing too much in one aspect of our lives helps us focus and keep our perspective on what's truly important in life.

I believe it was Cicero who said, "Never go to excess, but let moderation be your

It's worked for me over all these years, and I think it just makes good sense.

And please remember to take care of your health before it's lonngggg 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 titled Life After Baseball, is available at local bookstores or by calling (800) 245-5082.

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Mosquito smarts

Prevention, surveillance key to swatting West Nile

Two weeks ago, the first death from West Nile virus was reported in Ohio, too close to home for Anahid Kulwicki. The Wayne County Department of Public Health director, together with Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, was warning community and municipal officials against the virus at a morning-long seminar April 21.

Reported cases and deaths were significantly reduced in 2003 after health department campaigns against the mosquitoes which bite humans after biting birds carrying the disease. They fear residents may not be as vigilant this season and are trying to nip the disease by eliminating the bug. The Oakland County Health Division most recently launched "Mosquito Smarts," a program to educate residents about diseases transmitted by the insect, including St. Louis encephalitis and eastern equine encephalitis. West Nile virus can cause illnesses ranging from mild flu-like symptoms to encephalitis, meningitis and death.

"Ohio being so close to us, we want them to take all precautions draining standing water so mosquitoes don't breed," Kulwicki said. "They don't want to go out when mosquitoes are most active - and use repellent. That's especially important for people with poor immune systems and the elderly (according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, that means anyone over age 50). West Nile virus kills less than the flu, but we hope to prevent even one death. We don't want to use chemicals after the fact."

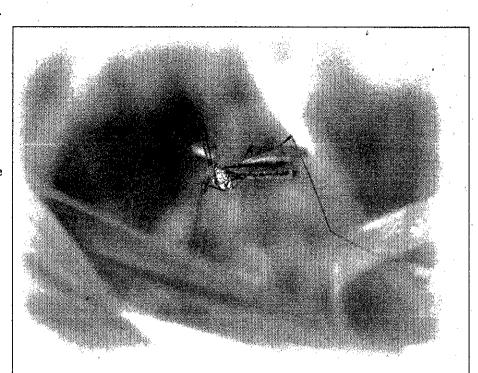
Brian Wilson remains especially cautious as Livonia's assistant superintendent of public service. Livonia holds the distinction of having found the first positive dead crow in Michigan in 2002, and collected a total of 1,000 dead birds (of 1,721 in Wayne County). Dead crows, blue jays and other corvids such as sparrows are early indicators of the presence of West Nile virus. Birds found dead less than 48 hours should be reported to the Wayne County Department of Public Health Environmental Division by calling (734) 727-7445 or reporting them at www.waynecounty.com. In Oakland County, call (877) 377-3641. Health officials warn residents to wear gloves when handling dead birds.

"We have done extensive testing since and there are signs the population may be returning," Wilson said. "Birds may be developing antibodies. We're remaining vigilant by continuing treatment - larviciding 11,000 storm drains and parks and recreation facilities. Culex pippien is the prime carrier and likes old pop cans, flower pots, tires. At home, the greatest preventative is to police the property for an old wheelbarrow, gutters."

Ficano knows that prevention works. He was Wayne County Sheriff for 20 years before becoming county execu-

"Prevention is a tool," Ficano said. "We know with West Nile virus, prevention works. The virus first hit in 1999 and by 2002 there were 121 cases and seven deaths reported by the Wayne County Health Department (plus 99 cases, eight deaths in the city of Detroit). In 2003, there were fewer cases and zero deaths and people may not be as aware to take precautions. There's a tendency to drop off the radar screen, but most is common sense. If there's standing water in a little kids pool, turn it over. Drain those toy buckets. Make your home less attractive to mosquitoes."

Like Ficano, George Miller is concerned that residents of Oakland County will become lax when it comes to prevention. As health officer for the Oakland County Health Division,



Miller instituted "Mosquito Smarts." For more information on West Nile virus, visit the Web site at www.co.oakland.mi.us/health.

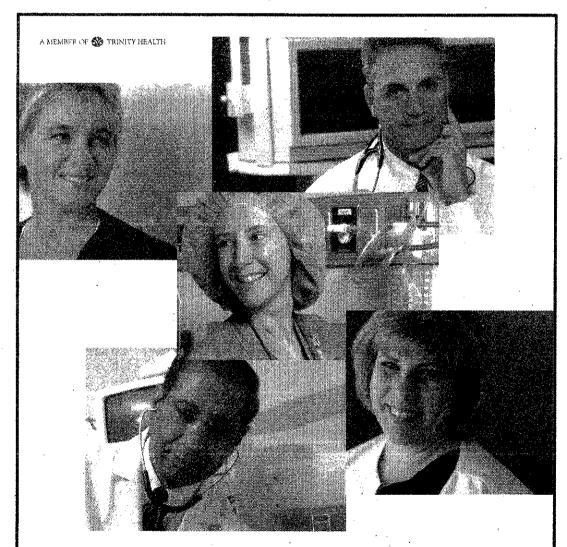
"In 2003 we had fewer cases and one death in Oakland County," Miller said. "We began planning in late February. Oakland County is offering \$500,000 to municipalities for surveillance to determine breeding grounds and if they do have them to purchase larvicide to do away with them. Last year, we experienced significant rainfall to wash out the catch basins. This year, rainfall is less for washing out the gutters and the grounds. Mosquitoes can't breed in

Barbara Robinson-Dunn doesn't want to see another summer like 2002. The technical director of microbiology at Beaumont Hospital tests for infectious diseases. In 2003, she sent fewer human specimens to the Michigan Department of Community Health.

"Last summer doesn't compare to southeast Michigan two summers ago, that's why I am concerned," Robinson-Dunn said. "I just heard they're predicting another hot, dry summer. The most efficient spreaders, culex pippiens, like hot and dry. I hope in southeast Michigan we've become sensitized to dumping bird baths. Larvae dump their eggs in any standing water and if there is no rushing water to wash that away, mosquitoes breed."

Steve Tackitt, director of Wayne County Health Department's Environmental Health Division, agrees weather and bird population affect the

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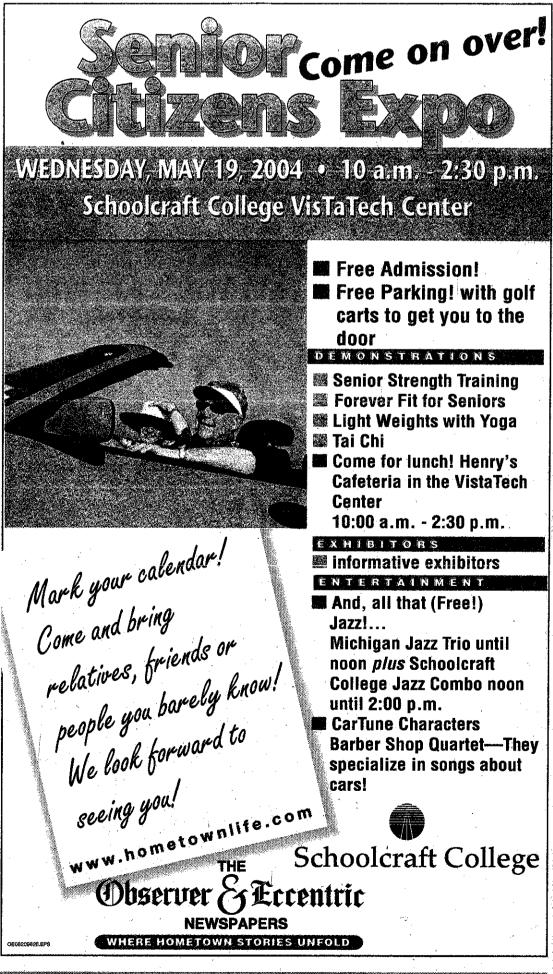
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Memorial service

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital of Ann Arbor will hold a special memorial service for those who have experienced a pregnancy or newborn loss 7:30 p.m. Monday, May 3, in the hospital's chapel, 5301 E. Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor. This nondenominational service provides a setting where family and friends can gather to remember their infants who were lost through pregnancy losses such as ectopic pregnancy, miscarriage, stillbirth and newborn death. The service provides a time for healing, praying and sharing with

others who have experienced similar losses. There will be music, scripture readings and the sharing of personal experiences. Registration is not required. For more information, call (734) 712-3354.

Grief recovery series

Saint Joseph Mercy Hospice will present a five-part grief recovery series on five consecutive 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays beginning May 4 in the Exhibition Room of the hospital's Education Center, 5301 E. Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor, Registration is required. The series is open to the public and there is no charge. It is recommended that participants attend all five sessions. To register, call (734) 327-3409. The series will help people who have lost loved ones adapt to the loss and develop new skills in coping.

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www.communityhouse.com. **Anxiety Disorders Screening Day**

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To educate the public about the symptoms of anxiety and depressive illnesses, and to help individuals learn about these disorders, their symptoms and effective treatments. St. Marv Mercy Hospital will hold a free program and screening 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and 3-6 p.m. Wednesday, May 5, in Classroom 2, 34675 Five Mile Road in Livonia. Please use the South Entrance off Levan Road. There is a no fee for this screening, and pre-registration is requested. For more information or to register, call (734) 655-2944 or (800) 494-0277 (for out of area callers). For directions or additional information, visit the Web site at www.stmarymercy.org.

Participants will have an opportunity to view a video at the screening, entitled When the Mind Causes Pain. A confidential meeting with a mental health provider is also offered, and a referral if necessary.

The relationship between physical pain and emotional pain is very well documented in the medical literature, "Among patients with depression, many primarily go to the doctor with physical symptoms. Some common symptoms are back pain, fatigue, insomnia, and headaches," said John Tait, MSN, RN, Clinical Nurse Specialist, St. Mary Mercy Hospital Behavioral Medicine Department. Also, he added, "Patients with physical symptoms are more likely to experience depressive symptoms.

Safety expo for families Each year one out of every four children sustains an injury serious enough to require medical attention. As part of National SAFE KIDS Week, the University of Michigan Health System and the Washtenaw County SAFE KIDS Coalition will be holding a free safety expo for parents and children to learn more about safety issues in and around the home 3-7 p.m. Wednesday, May 5, at U-M Health System's East Ann Arbor Health Center, 4260 Plymouth Road, east of U.S. 23's Plymouth Road exit, Ann Arbor, For more information. visit www.safekids.org or call (734) 615-1520. For more information on keeping kids safe, visit the safety page on the U-M Your Child site, ww.med.umich.edu/llibr/yourchild/genl-

safe.htm. **Health Screenings**

Botsford General Hospital will offer health information sessions and screenings 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, May 5-6, at Livonia Mall as part of metropolitan Detroit's 2004 Project Healthy Living Bonus Days. Free height and weight, vision, hearing, blood pressure, glaucoma, and podiatry screenings and medication counseling will be offered. Health displays featuring nutrition, physical activity and local health-related services will be offered. A series of optional tests will be offered including a Blood Panel Profile, \$40. Registration begins at 10 a.m. on May 5 and 6 at a table near the Sears store in Livonia Mall at 29514 Seven Mile Road and Middlebelt.

Focus put on fibromyalgia

May is Fibromyalgia Awareness Month and a good time to learn more about the disease. The Plymouth Integrative Medicine Center is holding an interactive seminar to demonstrate different treatment methods including the integrative approach 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 8, at St. John's Golf and Conference Center. 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth Township. Cost is \$125 and includes lunch. To register, call (734) 451-2272.

Fibromyalgia is a multi-symptomatic condition that may include widespread pain, chronic fatigue, tender points, anxiety, depression, insomnia, irritable bowel syndrome, carpal tunnel syndrome, TMJ, allergies, cold sensitivity, hypothyroidism, and memory and concentration difficulties. The American College of Rheumatology estimates that nearly six million Americans are affected by the disease.

Among the presenters and topics are Dr. Irene Metro, overview; psychotherapist Christine Griffin, stress management; Jingfei Huang, acupuncture and Chinese herbal medicine, and physical therapist Jeff Allen, myofascial release and cranio-sacral

Plymouth Integrative Medicine Center is also coordinating the Fibromyalgia 10K Walk-A-Thon Sunday, May 16.

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incidence of West Nile virus. Last summer, a decrease in the population of jays and crows, combined with less rain and cooler temperatures, led to a decline in reported cases and deaths.

"Many of us asked have you seen any blue jays or crows," Tackitt said. "That shows a significant die-off. The winter bird count by the Rouge River Bird Observatory at University of Michigan-Dearborn said crows accounted for 10 percent of the bird population in 2001. By 2003, there were less than one percent.

"This year, crows and blue jays will still be collected. The local health department is swabbing them and sending them to MSU for testing. In the U.S. in 2002, there were 4,161 cases and 277 deaths. The CDC is recommending increased surveillance and mosquito con-

Read Taste

Tips for preventing mosquito-borne diseases

Steve Tackitt isn't letting his guard down against West Nile Virus. The director of Wayne County Health Department's Environmental Health Division tallied up numbers for the audience at a recent seminar hosted by the Wayne County Department of Public Health and Wayne County Executive's office.

"2002 wasn't a good year for Michigan with 644 cases, 51 deaths," said Tackitt. "In 2003 there were 19 cases with two deaths. The hot bed is southeast Michigan. In 2003, Wayne County had the highest number of mosquito infection rate. There's the highest propensity for human outbreak for the coming vear."

Tackitt had a list of tips for preventing the disease with onset of symptoms 3 to 15 days after inoculation. Prevention is key when one female mosquito can carry one million viruses, and can lay 300 eggs, three times a year. First detected in New York in 1999, West Nile Virus spread to the neighboring states of New Hampshire, Vermont and West Virginia in 2000. By 2001, it covered the Midwest and Maine and south to Louisiana, by 2002 the central states and west coast.

'Drain all standing water where mosquitoes breed. Mosquitoes are most active in early morning and evening.

Wayne County Health Department

In 2003, human cases were reported in 85 percent of states in the continental U.S.

"Drain all standing water where mosquitoes breed," said Tackitt. "Mosquitoes are most active in early morning and evening. Use repellent with 35 percent DEET (or permethrin). Higher content does not mean better results.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends products with 10 percent or lower DEET for children. Do not use DEET products on infants. Wear long sleeves and long pants and apply repellent to exposed skin and clothes. Close gaps and cracks in window

Bird baths should be cleaned and refilled with water on a regular basis. Pet food and water bowls should be kept clean and the water changed daily. Water that collects on top of a swimming pool cover may prove to be an excellent breeding area for mos-

Ornamental pools can become major mosquito producers if allowed to stagnate. Aerate the pool or stock with surface feeding minnows. Goldfish offer little, if any, benefit.

After a rainfall make sure potted plants without drainage holes do not maintain standing water. Remove weeds (mosquito hiding and resting areas) and mow your lawn on a regular basis.

Keith Tate, director of disease control for Wayne County, warns against nailing up bat houses in the backvard as a way of eradicating mosquitoes.

"10 percent of bats in Michigan are rabid," said Tate. "Bats (as a deterrent) are a myth and you may actively put yourself at risk).

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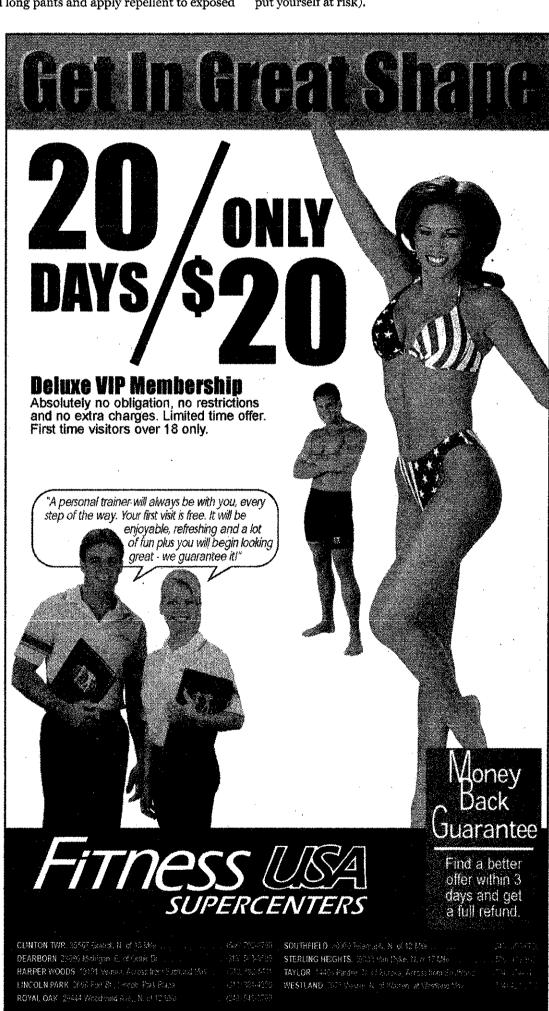
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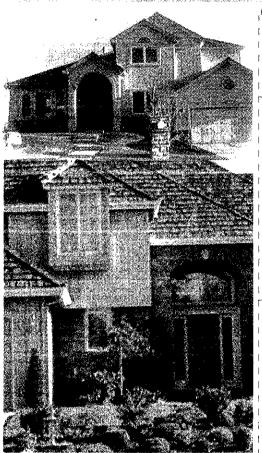
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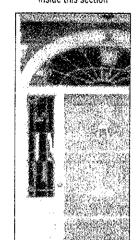
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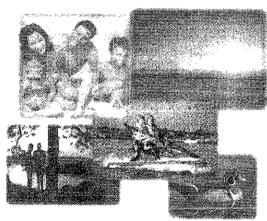
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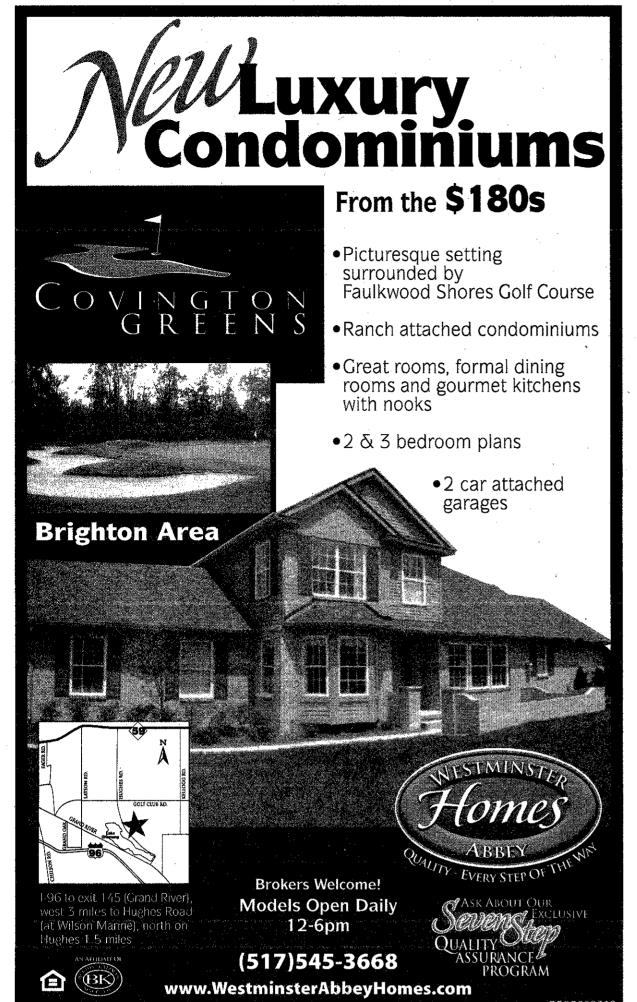
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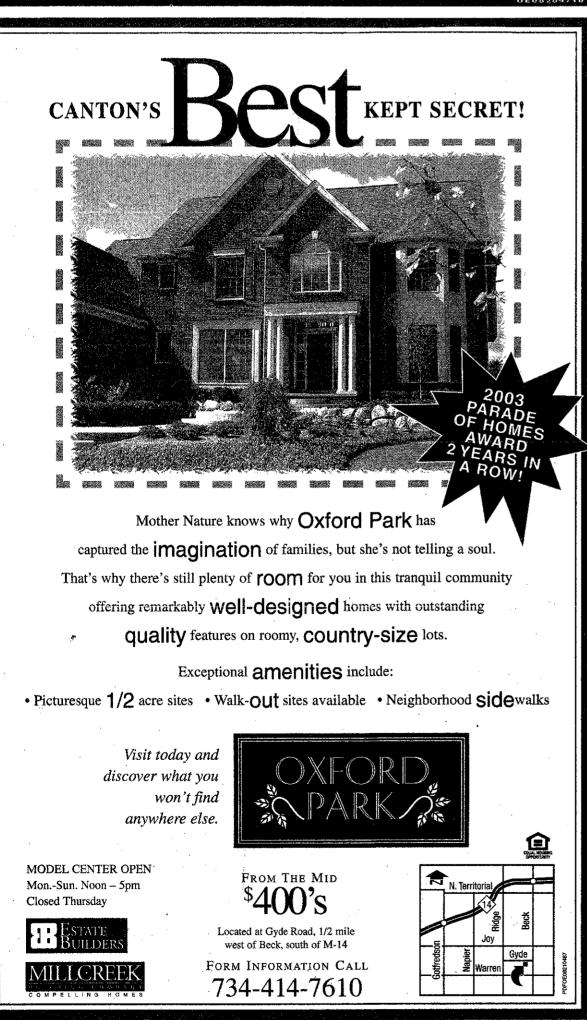
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Builders design homes compatible with lifestyles

BY DARSHAN GREWAL CORRESPONDENT

Homeowner's lifestyles are changing. With the onset of the information age, computers have moved from the workplace into the home. People are living longer and retiring earlier. Older parents are moving in with their children. Cooking and entertaining in the home are enjoying increased popularity. Because of these and other trends, homes today are being built to be more compatible with buyer's lifestyles.

One of the biggest factors impacting design is how technology will change the space needs in the home. Because many southeast Michigan companies are now allowing their employees to work from home either part time or full time, homeowners need dedicated home office space with appropriate telephone, fax, modem and computer service. Some of the models, such as the Wilshire II at Tollgate Woods in Novi, offer a library. This library, which is conveniently located off the front entrance, makes it practical for welcoming business associates. Or, as is the case with the Chelsea model at Charing Cross in Canton, offers a bonus room that can be converted to office space if the homeowner so desires.

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People are also looking to the home to be their center for entertainment. Many homes will have media rooms with sophisticated sound and video systems built in or retrofitted to suit the owners. A home theater is featured in the Bradford decorated model at Westchester in Canton.

Life cycle housing is another trend in home design. Many people are moving less, and they want their homes to suit them as they go through different stages in their lives and their needs change. For example, a builder may offer a home with three bedrooms today, but the builder will give the new owner the option to finish an attic or other space as needed to accommodate a new child or a parent that comes to live with the family. Other homes will be placed on a lot so that there will be plenty of room to add an addition. The owner will be able to see the plans for that addition when the original house is purchased. Homebuyers can also choose to add special features to their homes such as wider doorways and non-slip tile floor to better accommodate

an aging person's needs. This will also help when the owner wants to sell the home, since the floor plan is flexible and can meet the needs of many potential buyers.

GARAGES

Garages are likely to be set back from the street and are normally attached depending on the market. In addition, the space above the garage can also be flex space for later additions such as an in-law suite or home office. Garages are increasing in size. Singh currently offers many models with three-car garages, and at Westchester in Canton, a fourth car option is available on many homes.

New homes also are changing to better accommodate entertaining. Kitchens are flowing seamlessly into family rooms. Formal dining and living rooms are becoming multi-purpose rooms. For example, many new custom homes come with bookshelves built into the dining room so the area can be used as a substitute home office or study area when it is not needed for formal entertaining.

Basements are being finished to accommodate special areas for exercising, hobbies and other projects. These rooms will have larger windows at the ground level to allow for natural lighting. They may also include such things as floors designed to cushion an exerciser's feet and specialized storage for tools and hobby supplies.

Finally, on the exterior, one trend has not changed. Homeowners are still requesting maintenance-free materials. Our clients appreciate the brick and vinyl exteriors that we offer on some of our Singh homes.

Professional builder members of the **Building Industry Association of** Southeast Michigan are skilled in working with homeowners to make sure that the home they build today can also meet their needs in the future.

Darshan Grewal is a vice president of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan in Farmington Hills. He was named Young Builder of the Year by the association in 2001. He is also vice president of Singh Development Company in West Bloomfield. For over 30 years, Singh has been developing and building luxurious custom nomes and subdivisions, upscale apartment communities, senior living residences, prestigious office and commercial buildings, and high-tech/light industrial properties.

10 ways homeowners can improve air quality

(NAPSI) - It may surprise you to learn that the air inside your home can be up to three times as polluted as the air outside. Fortunately, the experts at York Heating and Cooling believe ventilation systems and air cleaners can improve your home's indoor air quality.

Properly designed ventilation systems replace a portion of stale indoor air with fresh outdoor air, reducing energy loss in the process. Air exchangers from York, for example, let users manually or automatically adjust the fresh air flow. The units retain a portion of the energy used to heat or cool the house, saving money on utility

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American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers recommends homeowners follow 10 tips.

1. Vent bathrooms, kitchens, toilets and laundry rooms directly outdoors.

2. Avoid locating furnaces, air conditioners and ductwork in garages or other spaces where they can draw contaminants into the house.

3. Properly vent fireplaces, wood stoves and other hearth products.

4. Vent clothes dryers and central vacu-

um cleaners directly outside.

5. Store toxic or volatile compounds such as paints, solvents, cleaners and pesticides out of occupiable space.

6. Minimize or avoid unvented combustion sources such as candles, cigarettes, indoor barbecues, decorative combustion

Use sealed-combustion, power-vented or condensing water heaters and furnaces. When natural-draft applications must be used, they should be tested for proper venting and should be located outside the occupiable space when possible.

appliances or vent-free heaters. 7. Provide operable windows or additional mechanical ventilation when using home cleaners or painting.

8. Use sealed-combustion, power-vented or condensing water heaters and furnaces. When natural-draft applications must be used, they should be tested for proper venting and should be located outside the occupiable space when possible.

9. Put a good particle filter or air cleaner in your air-handling system to keep dirt out of the air and off of your ductwork and heating and cooling components. Maintain it or replace it regularly as required.

10. Distribute a minimum level of outdoor air throughout the home, using whole house, mechanical ventilation.

For more information on the technology of improving IAQ, visit www.yorkupg.com or call (800) 910-

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Come to terms with real estate. Here are some Web sites that can help you understand the language of real estate.

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Common-sense tips to help you relocate

(NAPSI) — Life may be a bit easier and a little less expensive for many of the 44 million Americans who relocate each year. Now they can change their address using an online service from the Postal Service, electronically file the information and take advantage of money-saving offers from companies featured at the Web site.

A secure site, MoversGuide Online, is the fastest and most accurate way to file change of address information. It even lets users order moving supplies and arrange storage, notify utilities to shut off or initiate service, sign up for phone service, create a customized moving checklist and learn

about schools and services at the new

location. Plus, the site provides such useful

- tips for movers as: ■ Get more boxes than you think
- you will need. ■ Use bigger boxes for lighter
- Reinforce the bottom of boxes
- with at least one strip of packing tape. ■ Pack room-by-room, keeping
- similar items together.
- Pack boxes firmly to keep the contents from shifting.
- Use crumpled paper for padding. Seal boxes tightly with wide packing
- Pack CDs vertically. Don't stack them flat.
- Place heavier items in the bottom of the box and lighter items on top.
- Separate items with paper to prevent scratches.
- Remove lids from jars and ceramics. Wrap each separately.
- Seal any opened boxes and bot-■ Pad fragile items with towels,
- linens, curtains. Clearly mark these boxes "fragile." ■ When disassembling furniture
- put the hardware in a plastic bag with any assembly tips and tape it onto the
- Ask your mover if you can leave clothes in drawers. Find out how the
- movers want hanging clothes packed. ■ Make a master list of all your
- belongings. ■ Number boxes when they are packed and sealed. Indicate on each box its room destination. Write on the

master list the contents of the num-

bered boxes. ■ Make a box of essentials labeled open first." Have this box loaded last (so it's unloaded first) or move it yourself. It should include flashlights, a pocket knife, a hammer, screwdrivers, nails, masking tape, tape measure, light bulbs, hand towels,

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soap, toilet paper, shampoo, shower curtains, paper towels, coffeemaker and filters, paper plates and cups, plastic utensils, dish detergent, a sponge, pet foods, dishes and trash

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Moving with children to new locale needn't be traumatic

(NAPSI)-When considering a move. a recent survey found, a parent's top concern is how that move will affect their fam-

Fortunately, guidance is now available on how to make the move easier for children. Here are 10 tips from the real estate professionals at Century 21:

1. Make a positive goodbye to the old home and community. Before you move, host a gettogether with close friends and neighbors to say goodbye. Visit special places your family loves. When your home is empty, walk through the rooms and see how empty they are

without your possessions.

2. Plan a welcoming ritual for your new home. Walk through it together. Gather to hang a family photograph or find a place for an object that is special to your family.

3. Have survival necessities that you can find immediately in your new home. This includes the "blankie" for baby, toys for kids, favorite pajamas for your preschooler, essential CD for your teen and the coffee pot for you.

4. Re-establish family routines right away. Once you've moved in, get back to your normal schedule as quickly as pos-

5. Prioritize the unpacking process. Make your first priority setting up the kids' rooms. Take time to enjoy getting to know your new home.

6. Allow the kids some say in setting up their bedrooms. Let them claim their new space.

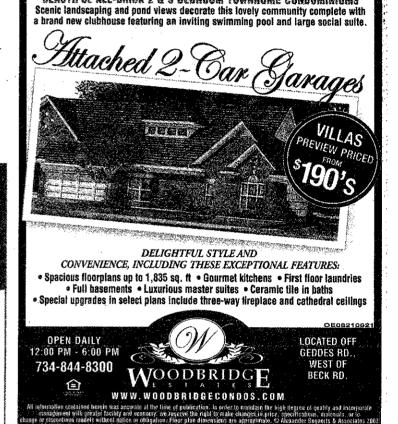
7. Help your children feel comfortable in their new rooms. Some children have problems sleeping in a new bedroom. Take time to talk about how this room is similar to the child's old room and how it's different. Pay special attention to things that were in the old room to encourage a

sense of familiarity.

8. Get familiar with the new neighborhood. Talk to your kids about where they can go and where they can't. To make a game of it, print out the Scavenger Hunt on

www.C21SmoothMoves.com. 9. Help your pets settle in. Cats do best when you confine them to one room in the new home. Keep dogs on a leash until they get to know the new neighborhood.

10. Make new friends but keep the old. Help your children make friends in the new community by finding activities for them, including clubs, lessons and classes. Support For more information, visit their need to hold on to their the Web site at old friends. www.C21SmoothMoves.com.

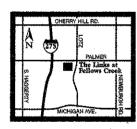




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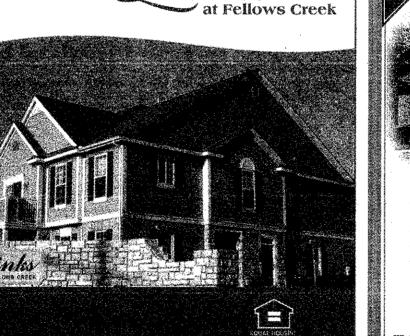
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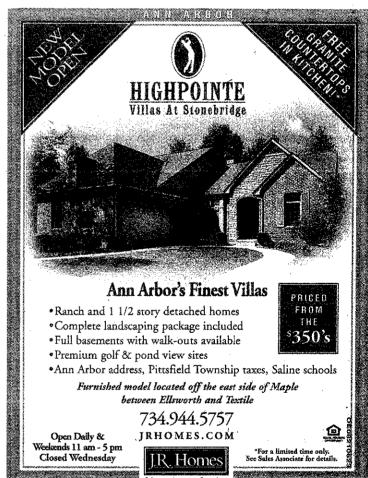


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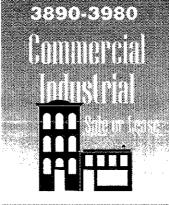




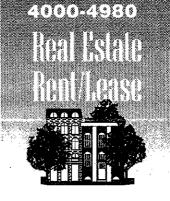






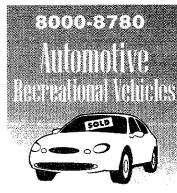


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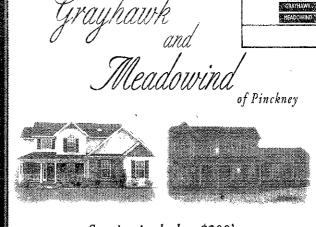


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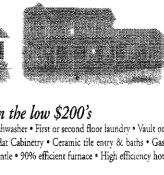
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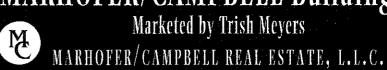
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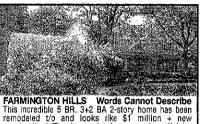
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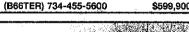
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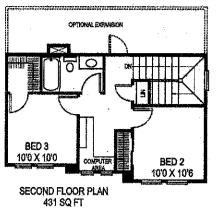
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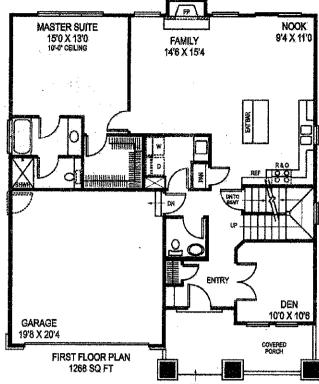
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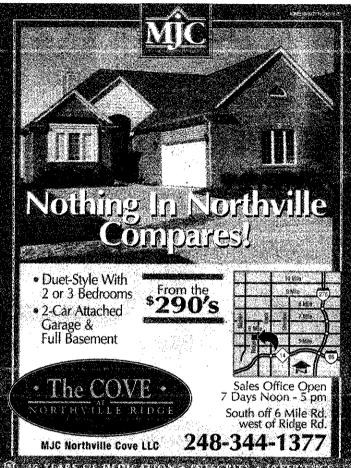


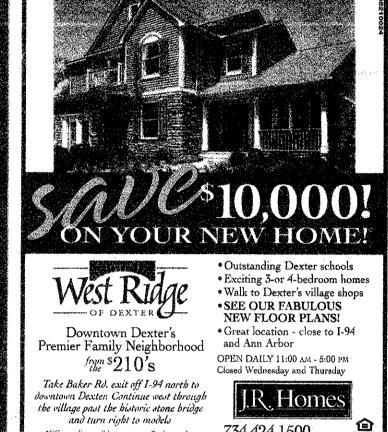
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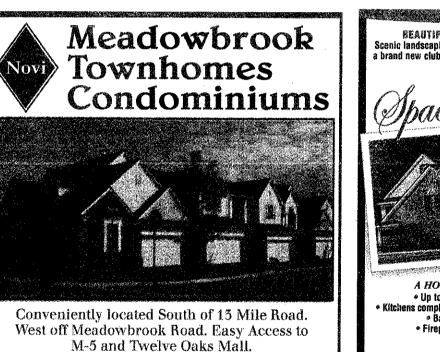
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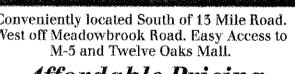












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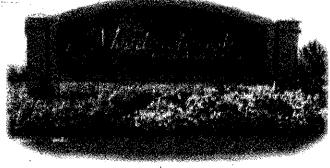
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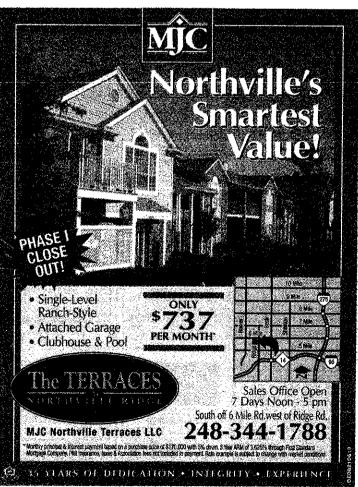
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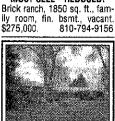
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tant to purchase a home because they are weary of the upkeep and responsibility surrounding ownership. There are solutions for those who desire minimal maintenance responsibilities: townhouses, condominiums and cooperatives. Often the terms are used interchangeably, but there are distinct differences between these types of dwellings. If you are interested in one of these homes, arm yourself with the following information to help you decide what type of ownership is right for you.

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Townhouses are usually a series of single story or multistory units that are linked to each other horizontally by common walls. Some even have attached garages or driveways. Townhouse owners hold title to their units and the land beneath them, so the units cannot be stacked on top of each other. Owners are responsible for the upkeep of the interior and exterior structure. Common areas like recreation areas, pools and sports courts are owned jointly by all townhouse owners. In addition, owners pay property taxes on their individual

A property owners' association usually manages the townhouse complex and collects fees from all owners to maintain common areas. Depending upon the association, snow removal, lawn care and garbage disposal are often covered by the maintenance fees.

to the condominium unit, not the land beneath the unit, so condos can be stacked However, there are some who are hesion top of each other. (Although some condominiums are designed to look exactly like townhouses, you still do not own the land beneath your unit.) All condo owners share title to common areas. Common areas include land, the

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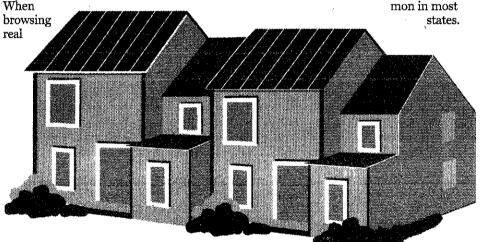
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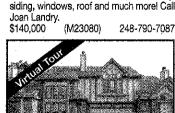
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er's time. Whenever the topic of money is brought up, you should have a salary negotiation strategy ready. The first thing you should do is find out the market salary range of the position. Some resources are job listings

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money, let the employer state the range before you bring up yours. How much a salary is negotiable depends on factors like the position, the company, your potential value to the company, and your experience. Most entry-level salaries won't budge, but mid-level or executive positions range between 10 to 20 percent, according to career experts. Employers will negotiate within that range, but will usually only exceed it under special circumstances.

Written backup is a good way to justify your salary request. Feel free to bring in any statistics you found. You can also round up performance evaluations, letters of recommendation or any other proof you have of your worth, such as other salaries you've been offered. Of course, be prepared to share your accomplishments at previous jobs to support your cause. When you pitch a salary offer, the employer may disagree with your number. Instead, he may make a counter-offer. Give yourself at least 24 hours to think about it. That way you can do some number crunching and make sure this number will really work for you. If it doesn't, put together a package with a number that you feel is appropriate. Remember to

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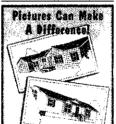
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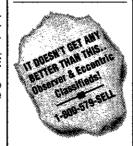
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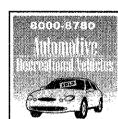
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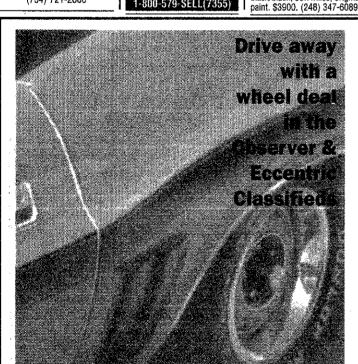
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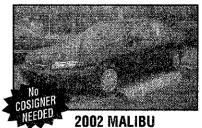


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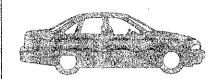
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2004 Hyundai Elantra GT: Great Value

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2004 Hyundai Elantra GT: Great Value

The 2004 Hyundai Elantra is one of the best vehicles at the best price gracing American roads today. Hovering just under the \$15,000 price tag, this is a passenger vehicle that not only gets great mileage but is functional as a family car.

Driven this week was the Elantra GT, which is the sportier model that has a host of options that make it worth every penny you'll pay. There are three models to choose from: the Elantra GLS, Elantra GT four-door and the Elantra GT five-door.

European styling is the key here, with the Elantra looking more like a foreign car than an American-bred one. The new design is more refined, making this Elantra look more expensive than it really is.

There's a new hood, front fenders, bumper, headlamp assembly and a revised grille that features horizontal bars. I think it looks sporty as well.

Slipping inside the front driver's seat, you'll notice new instrumentation and a new center console. There are pronounced heating and cooling controls as well as new controls for the door locks.

Hyundai has added a 12-volt power source to the front instrumentation. Leather seating surfaces are standard, as well as power door locks, power windows, power mirrors, cruise control, tachometer, trip computer, keyless remote entry, variable intermittent wipers, rear window defroster and wiper, tilt steering column and floor mats.

Like I said, value.

The 2.0-liter dual overhead cam 16-valve engine features continuously variable valve timing for better control of engine emissions. The engine is more



2004 Hyundai Elantra GT - Vehicle type: Cpmpact Sedan. Power: 2.0-liter 16-valve engine. Mileage: 27 city / 34 highway. Where built: Korea. Price as tested: \$15,587.

than adequate for a vehicle of this size. I never had a problem getting it going on the freeway or around town.

Standard is a five-speed manual transmission. Unless you do a lot of freeway driving, opt for the automatic for a little more comfort. But if you're a control freak and need that power over your vehicle, but all means take that five-speed manual and have a lot of fun with it. It's not only responsive, but can provide a little bit of excitement if that's what you want.

By the way, the engine is rated at 138 horses. More than enough to power a vehicle of this size.

This Elantra is a little bit larger than its previous model, offering a little more headroom and more rear seat leg and hip room. It's also 2.3-inches longer in its wheelbase than the previous model.

I was duly impressed with the quiet ride and comfort it provided. Usually in smaller vehicles, you'll find you'll feel every imperfection in the road surface -- and there are so many on Michigan roads -- that at times, the ride can be downright uncomfortable. I never felt that way in the Elantra.

The driver's seat is adjustable and is larger and more comfortable that last generation. The front seat belts are adjustable, too, which really helps those of us who are tall.

I found all controls and knobs to be easy to understand, easy to operate and a joy to play with. Side airbags are standard, as are driver and passenger front air bags, of course.

There are child safety door locks, child seat anchor system and automatic locking retractors and an energy-absorbing steering column for your safety.

I never mention this, but I just have to in Hyundai's case. All vehicles Hyundai sells in the U.S. come with bumper-to-bumper coverage for five years or 60,000 miles and power train coverage for 10 years or 100,000 miles -- one of the best in the automotive business. There's also 24-hour roadside assistance at no extra charge for five full years, no matter how much mileage is on your vehicle. Not bad.

I've recommended Hyundai vehicles to two individuals -- a good friend and a cousin -- and both of them have been pleased as punch to own one. Maybe you should go take a look and see if you'll be pleased as well.

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