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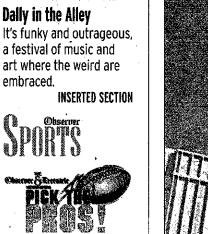
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Week 1

Win weekly prizes and be eligible for a grand prize. See today's Sports section for all the details. SECTION C

Workers needed

The Canton Clerk's Department is now accepting applications for precinct inspectors to work the Nov. 2. general election. An applicant must be qualified, a registered voter within Wayne County and a United States citizen. Applicants seeking to volunteer must be able to work closely with others, assemble voting stations, read, write legibly and speak English. They must be able to perform simple math calculations, follow instructions and possess interpersonal skills to work with the public.

The rate of pay is \$125 for the day, and the applicant must attend a mandatory training class at the rate of \$20 pay for the class. Applications may be picked up at the clerk's office during regular business hours. For information, call (734) 394-5120.

Ask the lawyer

Condo and single-family homeowners will have a chance to Ask The Lawver at 7 p.m. Monday. Sept. 13, at the Homeowners Advisory Council meeting. Attorney Doug Alexander from Alexander, Zelmanski and Lee will answer legal guestions for free. The Council will meet at Canton Fire Station No. 1 just north of Canton Township Hall.

Bible talks

A Bible prophecy lecture series begins at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at Summit on the Park in the PDC room. "Is there Hope in the Apocalypse?" begins with a presentation on what the future. holds. This free series of meetings will be held on Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Presenters include the Rev. Mike Doucoumes; a Detroitarea singer/evangelist, Greg Hardy; and Raymond Waller of the **Detroit Rescue Mission.**



The Village Theater nears completion as the opening gala date approaches.

Start of an artful era

Decade of waiting ends as theater opening dawns

BY DOUG JOHNSON STAFF WRITER

Almost 10 years of planning will come to fruition Saturday night with the gala opening of the Cherry Hill Village Theater.

It was nearly a decade ago that residents and community groups responded to an outreach by Canton Township officials, who were asking a simple question: Was a community theater feasible?

The result of all that work will be unveiled to the community this weekend and next in a variety of celebration and tours.

"It has been a long process but I love the result," Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack said. "We tried to achieve a feeling of richness. The architects have done a wonderful job with woods, and fixtures

and burgundies (seats and carpet)."

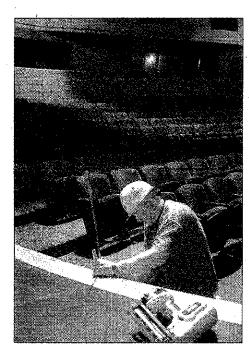
Karen Bean, interior designer for the theater's architects, TMP Associates of Bloomfield Hills, said the interior motifs came from classic American theaters of the 1920s, '30s and '40s.

"It is not any one style like Art Deco that's simply too specific. We tried to create a feeling, a spirit," Bean said. "I am thrilled the look has come out great. We loved working with the township."

Tim Casai, TMP's lead architect on the project, calls it a "modern theater in a traditional style."

"The building couldn't stand out like a sore thumb in the Village," Casai said. "We wanted it to look like it has been here for a while. The only real face for





Darrell Miller installs woodwork in the Village Theater. He works for Denn-Co.

Library develops 1-stop Web site

STAFF WRITER

When Ellen Paré and Laura Fawcett say they've got "Everything Canton," they

really mean it. The Canton Public Library librarians are putting together a database, accessible from library computers or home computers, that offers information about "anything and everything to do with Canton."

"We'll be a one-stop shop for information relating to Canton," Fawcett said.

The idea was the brainchild of library Director Jean Tabor. Rebecca Havenstein-Coughlin, head of adult services for the library, came up

with the name. "I thought, wouldn't it be great, since we are the library if we just had everything in one spot," Tabor said. "If



PLEASE SEE WEB SITE, A5 Ellen Paré (left) and Laura Fawcett with the new Web site.

Sheldon **Place fate** in hands of HUD

BY JACK GLADDEN

The fate of Sheldon Place, the abandoned senior housing center at Ford and Sheldon, may be known before long.

And that fate will apparently be in the hands of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

A lawsuit involving National Church Residences of Ohio, owners of the center, and DeMaria Construction Co., the builders of Sheldon Place, was settled in court without a trial, but some details are still to be worked out.

Township Supervisor Tom Yack said on Tuesday that he had spoken with attorney Bryan Amann representing NCR last week and that Amann told him the parties will be back in court on Friday (Sept. 10) regarding the insurance payout.

Following that HUD will be contacting us," Yack said.

At a dangerous-building hearing earlier this year, hearing officer Joseph Philips issued an order telling NCR to demolish the building or make it safe by Aug. 1. On that date Amann sent the township a letter requesting "a very short extension of time before Canton Township undertakes any unilateral action."

At that time, Amann said there were several options of what to do with the building that was abandoned more than three years ago.

"NCR can keep the building and repair it," he said. "Or they can hand the building back to HUD. Then HUD can remarket the building or just have it demolished."

Late last week, HUD issued the following statement regarding Sheldon Place:

"The owner of the project, National Church Residences of Sheldon Road Michigan, Inc. (NCR), has been in active litigation in Wayne County, Michigan, with several defendants that are responsible for material construction errors that, among other concerns, caused the project to fail HUD's physical conditions standards.

'The litigation remains pending, although a July 6, 2004, trial was averted by the litigation parties reaching an in-court settlement among NCR and the several defendants. HUD is not a party to the litigation or the settlement and will pursue all appropriate actions HUD determines are appropriate relative to HUD's concerns.

"The litigation parties continue their efforts to finalize that settlement, with the assistance of the Wayne County, Michigan, court. HUD expects that litigation settlement will be concluded

"In the interim, HUD intends to proceed with its separate efforts to properly resolve the issues surrounding the failed project, which is expected to include foreclosure of HUD's mortgage. While demolition of the project is ultimately possible, HUD has not reached a final determination in that regard."

Health screenings top 2nd Senior Summit

The second Canton Area Senior Summit, featuring informational and health fairs, service and assistance programs geared toward senior citizens, takes place Sept. 13 in Canton. The senior summit, sponsored

by state Rep. Phil LaJoy, R-Canton, also includes food, door prizes and informational discussions on senior-issues. The senior day takes placé at the Summit on the Park from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is

"The summit provides seniors direct and immediate access to relevant information and agencies that serve their needs," LaJoy said.

Today's seniors are much more active and want the most out of life. This event offers the outlet to help achieve that goal."

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

Registration forms are available through the Canton Area Senior Center, 46000 Summit Parkway, and September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Road, in Van Buren Township.

Here are some of the scheduled events:

■ Breakfast and registration, 8:30-9 a.m.

■ All day, various exhibits, and blood pressure and diabetes screenings, hearing tests and an Ask the Physician table.

The health services are being

Annapolis Hospital.

■ SBC phone bill problems presentation at 10:30 a.m. featuring Bob Brown from SBC.

■ U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, will hold a question and answer session on prescription drugs at 10:45 a.m.

■ Exercise presentation by Julie Burt from Canton Leisure Services will be held at 11 a.m.

■ Bingo from 12:45 p.m. until door prizes have been won. Event ends at 2 p.m.

Coming Sunday in your Canton Observer



Tough decisions

Hospice care offers an alternative for those with painful, terminal illness. Sunday's Health section looks at new ideas on end of life care.

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ANTIQUE APPRAISAL

The Canton Historical Society will host their annual Antique Appraisal Clinic Saturday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Ernest DuMouchelle from the DuMouchelle Art Galleries of Detroit will appraise; he has appeared on the PBS presentation of The Antique Road Show. The clinic will be held at the Cherry Hill School, corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge in Cherry Hill Village. There is a \$10 fee for verbal appraisals and a \$15 fee for written appraisals. All proceeds benefit the Historical Society. You can call (734) 453-5297 for a scheduled time; walk-ins will also be accommodated. Limit is three hand-carried items per

'FOR SALE BY OWNER' SEMINAR

A free seminar, "For Sale by Owner," sponsored by Greatland Title, is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 16, at The Summit in Canton.

Speakers include Eileen McDonnell from Approved Mortgages, Inc. and Andy Piper from www.michiganfsbohomes.com. RSVP to Debbie Gillen at Greatland Title, (734) 454-3500.

SPEAKER AT THREE CITIES

Three Cities Art Club will be

holding their next meeting on 7-9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 13, in the Meeting Room of the Plymouth Township Municipal Building at 42350 Ann Arbor Road (northeast corner of Lilley and Ann Arbor Roads).

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Special guest speaker Linda Shapona of the Canton Arts Commission and Canton Project Arts will talk about the opportunities available to artists in Canton.

Everyone is welcome including artists, want-to-be artists and patrons of the arts. Refreshments will be served.

For further information about this event or the club, please contact Marilyn Meredith at (734) 397-2348 or threecitiesartclub@hotmail.co

PCAC CONCERT

Matt Michaels Trio with singer Judy Cochill will be performing on stage at the Plymouth Community Arts Council at 8 p.m. Friday, Sept.

This, the first performance in a series of three called "Live at 774," promises to provide outstanding traditional jazz by the Director of Jazz Studies at WSU. Michaels has written scores of numerous commercial and industrial films, done arrangements for Tonight Show guests and received the International Film and TV Festival of New York Silver



son at Madonna.

Tickets for the series are \$60, individual tickets are \$25 available at the PCAC, 774 N. Sheldon Rd., Plymouth, or by calling (734) 416-4278.

CENTRAL CITY AUDITIONS

Auditions for female and male dancers, singers and gymnasts, ages 6 to adult, are being held Saturday, Sept. 18 at Central City Dance Center, 8004 Sheldon Center Road, in Canton.

The Central City Christmas Spectacular will provide audiences with a Broadway-style Christmas performance for the entire family.

The Christmas Spectacular will celebrate the spirit of the holiday season with some of the most talented performers in Southeast Michigan.

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Showdates are Dec. 17, 18, and 19 at the new Cherry Hill Village Theater.

Tamara Nastev-Smola, owner and artistic director of Central City Dance, is looking for dancers with strong stage presence and performance qualities, dancers that are technically diverse. Tim Smola, a native Michigan dancer and choreographer, says that it is important to find dancers that love performing. "When a dancer loves what they're doing, they shine on stage and keep you at the edge of your seat," Smola said.

The Central City Christmas Spectacular will be a part of the Cherry Hill Village Theater's grand-opening sea-

ASSOCIATION COMING Some call them "oldies, but

goodies." Others call them "the Golden Oldies." Either way, when you think of the most memorable songs from the 60s, Cherish and Never My Love by the Grammy-nominated group The Association are sure to come to mind.

Fans of The Association will have the opportunity to see the ensemble perform these songs live at Canton's Village Theater at Cherry Hill on Saturday, Sept. 25 at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$30; there are two ticket locations, Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway and the Village Theater Ticket Office.

For more information about the theater and to view the CHV Theater's complete schedule, please visit www.canton-mi.org/CPAEC/about.asp.

CHILI IS COMING

The Great Lakes Regional Chili Cook-off, Salsa Competition and Motorcycle Bike Show returns Sunday, Oct. 10, to the streets of downtown Plymouth.

The event starts 8-9:30 a.m. with check-in and setup, followed by a cooks' meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Salsa and chili judging takes place between noon and 3 p.m., with samples available to the public for \$1 apiece starting at 3 p.m. Awards are announced at 5 p.m.

The motorcycle bike show runs 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Bobby Lewis & the Crackerjack Band is among the live entertainment between noon and 5 p.m. and chili and food booths will be open 11 a.m. to 5

p.m. The event also features opportunities to shop Plymouth's unique downtown stores, and activities for children.

For more information, call Chili Chairperson Annette Horn, (734) 455-8838.

FOOD NEEDED

The Plymouth Salvation Army is quickly watching the shelves in its pantry get bare as a heightened client need has prompted a food shortage.

Officials said the pantry is in need of a variety of dry goods, including (but not limited to) boxed instant rice, instant potatoes, crackers, stuffing, cereal, Hamburger Helper, biscuit and pancake mix.

The Salvation Army is also still in desperate need of paper goods such as toilet paper, paper towels and feminine hygiene products. The Salvation Army office in Plymouth also serves Canton Township.

For information on how to help, call the Plymouth Salvation Army, (734) 453-

CRAFTERS. ARTISTS WANTED

Officials of the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters are looking for crafters and artists for "Spring Arts and Crafts Ensemble." The event is scheduled for 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, March 19 at Canton High School. It's a juried show.

For more information, email Diane VanDyke at djvandyke@peoplepc.com or call (734) 416-3354.



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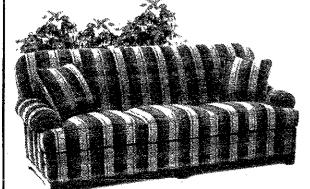
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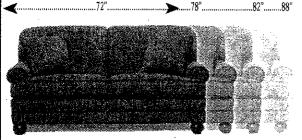
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Marshalls, Michaels stores set to open this week

Marshalls, a leading off-price retailer, will open a new store in Canton today (Thursday, Sept. 9) at the Willow Creek Center on Ford Road.

The store will be open until 10 p.m. tonight.

Marshalls has more than 650 stores nationwide, including about a dozen in the Detroit metropolitan area. The Canton store will have 38,000 square feet of space and will feature men's, women's and children's clothes and accessories, as well as an expanded athletic footwear and shoe departments. "At Marshalls you find the same great trends found in department stores and specialty stores," Marshalls' spokesperson Jennifer DeBarge-Goonan said. She said that the firm's worldwide buying power allows them to discount merchandise up to 60 percent.

Other stores will open soon in the new center including Michaels, an arts and crafts store. Michaels grand opening was set for Sunday, Sept. 12. That chain has more than 800 stores.

Church hosts dog and cat adoption fair

The Dog and Cat Days are back for a second year at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill Road in Canton.

The adoption event for animal rescue groups will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11. The church will have food and, yes, barbecued hot dogs will be on the menu.

There will be games for the kids and lots of dogs and cats and kittens to be loved.

More than 400 people attended last year and there were 26 applications taken. Each rescue group sets their adoption process and fees. Some of the groups that will be attending this year are: Camp Kitty, PURRfect PAWSibilities. Critters with Paws and Claws, The Buster Foundation, MUTTS MUTTS, Friends of MI Animals Rescue. Greyhounds of Eastern

Shedding new light at DuBois

Spotlight donation helps expand theater program

BY LAUREL THOMAS GNAGEY CORRESPONDENT

A perfect example of what can happen when school and community come together is how Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district Superintendent Jim Ryan characterizes the effort that made it possible for high school students to have two more opportunities this year to be involved in the performing

Thanks to a permanent loan of a theatrical lighting system from the Spotlight Players community theatre organization, and the district's ability to find a few dollars to rewire the DuBois Little Theatre, students now have double the number of extracurricular productions in which to become involved.

"In essence, any time students, faculty and the community get together, good things happen," Ryan says.

When Spotlight Players moved out of the old Northville Hospital and began to plan for productions in the new Canton Village Theatre at Cherry Hill, they contacted teacher Shannon Henry to see if she could use the 12-dimmer, 40-instrument lighting system.

"Education has always been an important element of our mission," says Spotlight Players President Ken Kuna, "We knew we had valuable equipment but had no permanent home for it. It was a nice fit: we had the equipment, she had a need."

When the call came, Henry, the students and several booster parents already were in the process of fund-raising with a goal of making the Canton DuBois Theatre another performance venue, in addition to the Gloria Logan Auditorium in Salem High School, home to the Park Players.

Fund-raising already had provided for the addition of a new portable sound system, a new floor and several costume racks.

"When Spotlight Players offered the lighting system, it was a dream come true! I knew we finally were on our way to making the DuBois the truly wonderful theatre it was meant to be," Henry said. "We

IMPORTANT DATES TO

REMEMBER:

- Sept. 9 after schoolinformational meeting to outline plans for the DuBois Theatre season.
- Sept. 13-16 after schoolauditions for "Our Town"
- Nov. 4-6 and Nov. 11-13 at 8:00 p.m.-"Our Town" will be performed in the DuBois Little Theatre, Canton High School on Canton Center Rd. at Joy. Tickets are \$8. Donations for a spring musical may be sent to the PCCS Educational Excellence Foundation (EEF), E.J. McClendon Educational Center. 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. Please indicate on the check that you are making a contribution specifically for the Canton DuBois Theatre

formance opportunities for our students in a legitimate theatre that would provide a professional model and experience a place where students could perform."

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eligible for a tax deduction.

musical.

Spotlight Players board member Pat Filios was the first to suggest the donation in what she calls a mutually beneficial arrangement: The lights for Henry's theatrical expertise. In addition to teaching at PCCS and in Orlando, Fla., Henry's career includes 20 years as a professional actor in the U.S. and London

Filios knew first-hand about Henry's knowledge and experience, because two of her three daughters went through high school with drama as a creative

One daughter, Liz, is a senior in musical theater at the University of Michigan. Daughter Catie, a freshman at Michigan State, just finished a class with Henry in the spring.

Filios said the Players' relationship with Henry is built on the premise that if students become involved in theatre at school, they also may participate in community theatre now and in the future. To that end, Spotlight Players board members hope to continue to support Henry as she builds the DuBois Theatre program.

"The high school is so big and getting bigger every day," Filios said. "There are a lot of talented kids and not a lot of parts."

Canton High School Principal Cassandra Smith agreed, noting more than 300 students audition for approximately 50-70 parts combined in the two Park Players productions each year — a number that also keeps growing.

"Our recent district survey showed a tremendous interest in dramatic arts among incoming freshmen," Smith said. "It is wonderful that, with this help from Spotlight Players, we will be able to offer more students the opportunity to learn and grow through experiences in theatre."

Ryan said participation by nearly 80 students in a new drama club Henry formed last year in response to the district survey also convinces him there is a need.

"We've got a good thing going there with Mrs. Henry and what she is doing in the DuBois," Ryan said.

"She makes kids take risks and great things happen.'

For the first production, Henry plans to have students risk a great deal by letting their acting skills - not fancy sets or costumes - dominate the stage in the production of "Our Town."

The classic drama by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Thornton Wilder takes place on an empty stage with minimal props, requiring the actors to tell the story, a challenge Canton junior Marie Dolney hopes she'll have a chance to

"I like the fact that it's more acting than prop work, so



Lytle, Judy Nguyen and Jessica Tashman learn how to aim the lighting instruments donated to the Canton DuBois Theatre by the Spotlight Players.

you're focused on the actors rather than the surroundings," Dolnev said. "I love the main character and one of the mothers. It's so cute and old-fashioned."

Henry said she chose the play because it is a work by an author from whom students can learn a great deal.

"Thornton Wilder celebrates the ordinary and points out that often we don't appreciate people in our lives," Henry said.

"He writes powerful plays on the human experience that force the actors to use their skills to help the audience understand his complex characters."

Henry said another reason she chose "Our Town" is that it calls for 30-plus actors, which she may expand to nearly 40 to allow more students to be involved.

She admits there also is a

practical reason she picked this play - funding. With only a small amount of money to begin the program, Henry is counting on proceeds from the first season to build DuBois Theatre resources. Since "Our Town" basically has no set, the only costs will be for costumes, publicity and a small royalty

Henry would like the second play in the spring to be a musical, but her ability to do one is contingent on getting monetary support.

DuBois boosters are attempting to secure funding from outside sources, but to have adequate time to order scores and hire musical expertise, Henry will have to know if that funding is possible by the end of October; otherwise, she'll choose a drama. Either way, she said, students will have another opportunity to perform in March 2005.





THEATER

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the building is the entry."

Casai actually used the word "cool" to describe the experience of designing a small theater created primarily for drama. TMP specializes in community, college and high school theaters of all sizes.

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'Canton got a lot of mileage for their dollars. Tom Yack and the many other township people really cared," Bean said.

"They were constantly pushing us to get value in what we did. We had to be sure it was affordable," Casai said. The theater was built with \$7 million in donated funds and \$4.5 million from the township.

Saturday night's gala opens



Jennifer Tobin and project supervisor Mike Firsch discuss a setback last week; emergency power was needed because of a transformer that had to be replaced.

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with food and a reception at 6:30 p.m., followed at 8 p.m. by performances in the new theater. The event closes with dessert on stage around 9:30 "so everyone will have seen everything the theater has to offer," Yack said. Tours will be offered 1 and 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12, and again 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., every hour on the hour, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 18-19.

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Cherry Hill Village. We think they did it," Yack said.

Theater-goers will be impressed by mundane things, too. "We did not skimp on the seats," Casai said. "These are one of the best. There's not a bad seat in this house"

The so-called back of the house includes dressing rooms, a classroom and a rehearsal room. Yack praised Arts Coordinator Jennifer Tobin, Leisure Services Director Ann

HOURS

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Roads, parking should be ready for theater gala

It's been a "ninth-hour" situation, according to Canton engineer Todd Žilincik, but, if the weather cooperates, the roads and parking should be ready for the gala grand opening of the Village Theater Saturday night.

"We have to do the final pavement marking and striping," he said Wednesday. "And we've got to tidy up the area. The roads are paved. We're keeping our fingers crossed."

The opening coincides with the resurfacing of Cherry Hill, the paving of Saltz Road from Canton Center to Ridge and the Denton Road extension north of Cherry Hill to Ridge.

As of Wednesday afternoon Wayne County crews were still working on the section of

Conklin, his fellow board trustees, the planning commission and dozens of volunteers who have contributed to the completion of the theater.

Consultants were hired and several thing were studied before the final decisions were made: Where to put a theater in Canton? What would its size be? Is there a way to raised

Cherry Hill between Canton Center and Beck.

"From the township's and the contractor's standpoint," Zilincik said, "we're into the ninth hour. A lot of things are happening. We need the right

time and the right place." He said parking should not

be a problem, either. "A parking lot is being built west of the school house and by the Canton Human Services Building," he said.

That, plus on-street parking, should accommodate patrons attending the grand opening ceremonies on Friday and

Saturday nights. There is no specific parking lot attached to the theater, but once development of the entire area is complete the plan is to have plenty of on-street park-

ing with walking access to the theater. enough money in donations? What size and space dimen-

sions should there be? One group met with the architects once a week once plans were agreed upon, Yack said.

"The stage door is in the back alley," Casai said. "Just like traditional theater. You can wait there until the star of the show comes out."

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Neighbors frustrated with lack of help getting moldy home cleaned up

STAFF WRITER

A mold-infested house on Burnham, north of Hanford and west of Lilley, is still causing problems, according to the neighbors.

Earlier this year the house was the focus of a lawsuit filed by Craig and Donna Nehasil against a West Bloomfield couple who sold them the house in 1998. The Nehasils claimed they were the victims of fraud, because the condition of the house was not disclosed at the time they bought it.

In May of this year a jury agreed with them, found the West Bloomfield couple guilty of fraud and misrepresentation and ordered them to pay \$250,000 in damages. The Nehasils still have not seen the

They haven't lived in the house for about three years but many of their possessions are still inside. They can't take them out because of the mold problem.

Meanwhile, since they haven't lived in the house, the California-based mortgage company has taken possession of it. The Nehasils no longer have any connection to the

But the township has kept sending them notices of ordinance violations about the grass and upkeep of the prop-

"I put the township on notice back in March and again in June," Donna said, "because they kept sending us ordinance violations. I think last week they finally noticed that we didn't own the property anymore.'

She says she sympathizes with her former neighbors, but she doesn't own the house any-

"We can only feel bad for the people around there," she said. "They've lived with it for the past 4-1/2 years."

Neighbor Michelle Overaitis says they are frustrated with the condition of the house and the grounds.

There are animals coming in now," Overaitis said. "In our backyard we've had five possums, mice, rabbits and a woodchuck. There's a whole family of possums."

She's also concerned about the mold problem.

'It's toxic and our kids are all in the neighborhood," she said. "When they do tear it down, who knows what would happen?"

She said calls to the township have been fruitless. They told us to call the

Wayne County Environmental Office," she said. "And we

just want the dues." Canton building official John Weyer said the

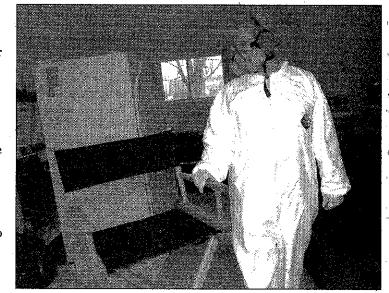
township has no authority over the mold problem, if there is

"I'll have the exterior part of the property evaluated," he said, "to see if it meets property standards. If the property defaulted back to the mortgage company, then they have the responsibility for it."

On Friday Weyer said township inspectors looked at the house and determined that the house had, indeed, defaulted to the California-based mortgage company.

He said the company was represented by a Detroit-area attorney and they had hired a property maintenance company to maintain the outside of the property.

"They should be cutting the grass and maintaining it some-



Donna Nehasil, who must wear a HAZMAT suit to enter the house she bought on Burnham checks furniture that was damaged by mold.

The local attorney for the company said he could not

company itself were not available for comment.

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people come into Canton and the township offices are closed, this is a way to get answers to their questions.

At the moment, Fawcett and Paré are collecting data for organizations that want to be listed on the site.

That list can include businesses, churches, civic groups, organizations that provide services to seniors and handicapped, clubs - just about anything that has a Canton connection.

"So far we have about 400 active records," Fawcett said.

The site is up and running and can be accessed from the library's home page, www.cantonpl.org. Scroll down to the "Everything Canton" logo on the right side of the screen and

That will bring up a list of frequently asked questions about the site, plus links from which you can search the database or fill out an online form to get your organization listed.

Paper forms can be picked up at the adult reference desk at the library.

'Or people can call and I'll mail it to them," Fawcett said. "I'll bring it to them." While the site is active, the

the database. Special kiosks will be set up in the library dedicated to the

emphasis right now is on col-

lecting information to add to

"Everything Canton" database. "There will be a work station with just that site on it," Tabor said. "There will be the Internet presence but also a physical presence in the building."

The kiosks will also have print versions of brochures, maps, handouts from the chamber of commerce and the township. There will also be restaurant menus available. Whether those will be available for patrons to keep or just to make copies of hasn't been determined.

"We going to try to have things that people will take away," she said. "The neat thing, though, is the database. We've had that, but we haven't made the best use of it."

Christie Ekern, library marketing director, said, "We're trying to reach out to the non-traditional library patron. But librarians use the data base, too, to help patrons."

And not all the questions they receive are library related.

"You'd be surprised what people call the library for," Paré said. "And this database can help us help them."

Just recently, a patron called the library at night.

"He needed something notarized," Fawcett said. "But the township clerk's office was closed."

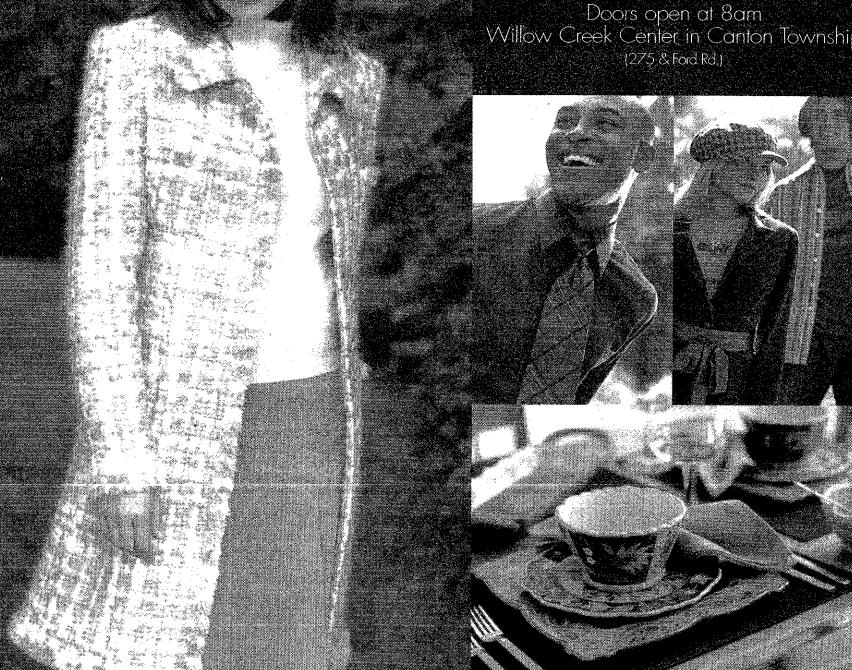
A search of the database for "notary" turned up a UPS store that offered notary service in the evening.

"Everything Canton" started out as an internal resource for the librarians to help answer such questions. Patrons wanting to donate used clothing or locate the nearest synagogue didn't know where to look.

Over time, the list of resources grew and the library decided to expand it and make the information more accessible to Canton residents.

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CHV Fine Arts and Antique Fair attracts local artists, dealers

BY DOUG JOHNSON STAFF WRITER

Cherry Hill Village will register another first in mid-September when the First Annual Cherry Hill Invitational Fine Art and Antique Fair will be held.

About 25 artists and antique dealers will present their wares Saturday, Sept. 18, from 10

a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Artists will be in tents and booths outside and the antique dealers will be inside the old Cherry Hill schoolhouse.

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The juried fair is tied into grand opening tours of the new Cherry Hill Village Theater. Both the tours and the art fair are free, although

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you need advance tickets to tour the theater. The tickets are available at the front desk at the Summit.

Organizer of the art fair is Kris Darby of Canton, longtime Salem High School art teacher who retired in 1995.

Four of her former students will be in the show: Todd Marsee, Tim Schantz, Chris Schantz and Elizabeth Walter.

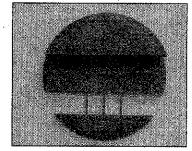
"I talked to Canton arts coordinator Jennifer Tobin about a year ago and it just worked out our first show falls on the day of the free tours," Darby said.

"The idea is to keep this small and intimate. We are just beginning so we wanted to limit it to fine arts. There will not be any crafts, although crafts are fine." Canton artists in the show

include Elaine Jeris, a jeweler;

Vincent Maiorana, a landscape artist, and Chris and Tim Schantz. Antique dealers include Feather Your Nest Antiques

from Superior Township; their showroom is on Ford Road



Tim Schantz of Canton will have his original sculptures in the show, Like his brother, Chris, he is a Salem High School grad.

just over the township line at Napier.

'We're thrilled to be in the show. We get a lot of Canton customers, a lot of them coming in after buying their new homes in Cherry Hill Village," Jan Poe, Feather co-owner

Poe said a lot of CHV residents come in the shop to buy cottage-style furniture for their summer homes and also antiques for their homes in Canton.

Poe said she will display smaller items at the show like



Elaine Jeris of Canton will have her jewelry pieces in the show. This is her Carnival line of necklaces and ear rings.

garden accessories, romantic decorative items and vintage linens. The shop has about 5,600 items in its inventory.

Chris Schantz is bringing photos and computer-generated art to this, his first show.

"I am excited and a bit nervous. I don't know what to expect," Chris Schantz said.

The Salem grad said his work will be mounted on acidfree paper and won't be very

expensive.

Elaine Jeris said she was not sure what to expect because this was a new event. "I am pleased that it is a fine arts show. Being a first-time event is cool; it's going to be fun."

She will show about 60 larger pieces and a few dozen smaller pieces. Jeris makes colorful glass beads for jewelry using a flame-worked method. djohnson@oe.homecomm.net



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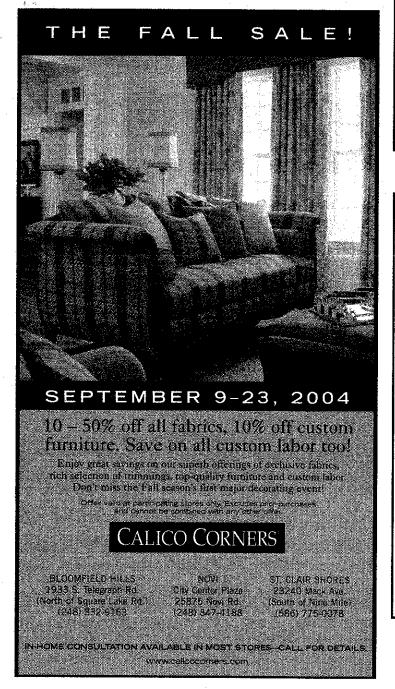
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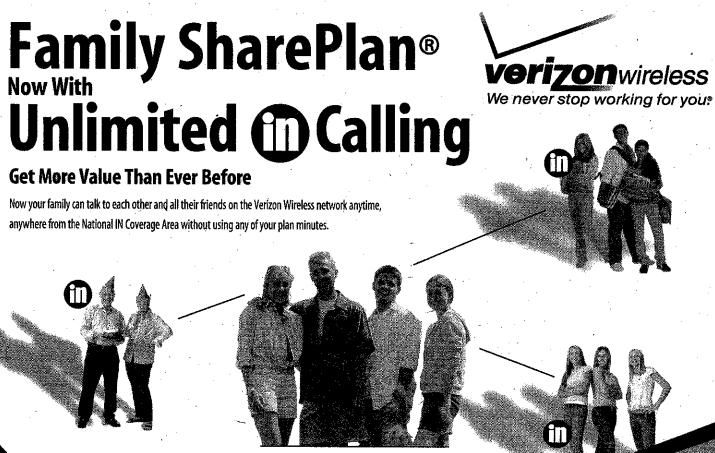
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Canton man dies in cycle accident in Scio Township

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to be held today (Thursday,

Sept. 9) at St. Mary Catholic

Church in Wayne. He is sur-

Canton, his parents, and three

ters, two sons and nine grand-

children. Memorials suggested

are the Alzheimer's Association

or the American Diabetes

Association.

sisters, as well as four daugh-

vived by his wife Denise of

An unusual crash Sunday in Washtenaw County involving two Honda motorcycles, which were traveling in opposite directions, caused the death of a Canton man and a Livonia man.

Washtenaw County Sheriff's investigators said a motorcycle driven by Jonathon Shaw, 49, of Livonia, crossed the centerline on a curve and struck a westbound Gold Wing motorcycle, driven by James Vinson, 57, of Canton.

The accident happened Sunday at 3:30 p.m. on Huron River Drive, west of Tubbs, in Scio Township.

Both drivers were critically injured and both died shortly after the accident at University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. Toxicology results will determine if alcohol was a factor in the crash, according to police.

Sheriff's investigators in a press statement said the bike driven by Shaw was traveling at "an extremely high rate of

Cops seek suspect in store heist

Canton Police are looking for a suspect in the robbery of the Pinetree Party Store on Joy Road just east of I-275.

According to police a male in his late teens entered the store about 9:30 p.m. on Sept. 4. He produced a silver colored pistol and demanded all the money in the cash register.

The clerk at first asked if he were kidding. The youth then again demanded the money and threatened to shoot the

The clerk placed an undisclosed amount of money in a small paper bag and gave it to the youth, who left the store and fled east on foot.

Police set up a surveillance perimeter in the area and called in a K-9 unit. The K-9 started a track at the store and followed it until it ended in a parking lot at a nearby apartment complex.

No one was injured during

the incident. The suspect is described as a black male in his late teens, about 5-feet-5, weighing 130 to 150 pounds with black hair. He was wearing a black shirt and pants with a red and white baseball cap.

Anyone with information is asked to call Canton Police at (734) 394-5400.

Firefighters sponsor poster contest

Fire Prevention Week will be Oct. 3-9 this year. To celebrate the event, the Canton Fire Department and the Canton Chamber of Commerce are cosponsoring a Fire Prevention Poster Contest. The theme of this year's Fire Prevention Week is: "Test Your Smoke Alarms."

The contest is open to students (grades 1-5, public school; grades 1-6 private school) who live in Canton. Interested students need to illustrate a poster (up to 12-by-18 inches) about fire prevention or fire safety.

The poster is due on or before Oct. 13 and can be turned in to the school office or

To learn more about Fire Prevention Week, visit www.nfpa.org.



DEATHS

Howard J. Becker, 69, of Westland, died Sept. 6.

Dale N. Freese, 59, of Wayne, died

Valeeta Heil (Hudgens), 84, of Fenton, formerly of Birmingham, died Sept. 6.

Kenneth F. Sheedlo, 75, of Farmington, died Sept. 4. Dorothea "Dorie" Snavely, 90, of Bloomfield Hills, died Aug. 21.

CARS DAMAGED

Police are investigating several incidents involving damage to auto-



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mobiles or thefts from vehicles. ■ A resident of the 51000 block of Mott Road reported that someone scratched the words "I kill you" on the bedliner of her 1996 Ford Ranger. The incident occurred

sometime between Aug. 23 and Sept. 1. Damage was estimated at

■ A resident of the 8600 block of Honeycomb Circle said when he returned home about 1:30 a.m. Aug. 30 he saw the rear window of his 1989 Oldsmobile shattered. Two stones and shards of glass were in the front driver's seat. Damage was estimated at \$300.

■ An Emerald Pines resident reported that someone took his. wallet containing credit cards and miscellaneous papers from his SUV that was parked in the driveway of his home. The incident occurred between Sept. 1 and Sept. 2.

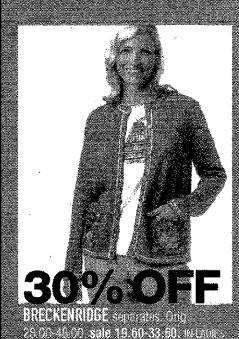
■ A resident of Walnut Ridge said someone removed his wallet from his car. That incident occurred

between Aug. 21 and Aug. 22 but was only recently reported. ■ A resident of Woodmere reported someone made deep scratches on the trunk lid of his 1996 Ford Taurus between Aug. 29 and Aug. 30.

PURSE TAKEN

A Ryegate resident reported to police that someone took her pursed containing credit cards, \$200 cash 16 and other items from the kitchen at counter in her home.

She said she heard a noise about 2 a.m. on Sept. 2 but didn't know what it was. Later that morning she 🕏 discovered the purse missing. She said someone apparently entered the house through the garage service door.



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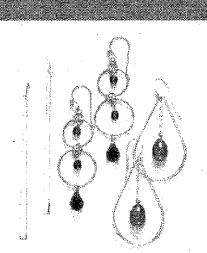
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OUR VIEWS

More private cash is required

There are shark alerts, tornado alerts, hurricane alerts and now state budget slashing alerts.

For community arts organizations in Canton and Plymouth, the warning that the proposed \$11.8 million in state grants for arts and culture may be eliminated or cut drastically has the same bite as a shark alert for swim-

Leaders, volunteers and advocates of community arts and cultural organizations have long learned to live under the spectre of annual state funding reductions. In most cases, creativity in financing, as well as the realignment or reduction of programming, has helped keep organizations alive.

Each year, the public, including corporations and community foundations, is asked to financially help maintain arts and cultural programming.

If more drastic state cuts are indeed on the horizon, the demand will become even greater. The choices facing arts organizations are becoming increasingly limited.

Many organizations have learned to diversify their funding stream, yet state support goes a long way in enticing corporations and other contributors of an organization's legitimacy.

For arts organizations and for the communities, the answer is not in giving up. The only choice is to move forward. The question is how.

The best local example is the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, which opens Sept. 11. Private funding is the source behind the new facility. Township officials and volunteers have tapped into area corporations, including builders and developers. And it worked.

The wise business owner knows that community events bring dollars into the local economy. Money everywhere is tight. Yet local organizations have climbed mountains in sustaining private contribu-

In the next round of anticipated state cuts, organizations will be forced to be even more creative and bolder in requesting private financing.

A community without arts and culture is simply a concoction of buildings and roads without heart or sub-

But arts organizations need to consider their missions, avoid any type of duplication with other groups, and prepare to again seek increased private financing.

On the other hand, the public, including corporations, must take on the responsibility of helping promote and secure arts and cultural programs in the community by digging into their wallets and coffers.

Candidates: Stick to issues that matter

As the Nov. 2 election approaches, we implore state and local candidates to discuss the issues that affect voters the

Issues like public education, the quality of our roads

and the preservation of open space.

We want candidates to share their ideas for adequately funding K-12 public education; improving roads and alleviating traffic congestion; protecting the purity of the water we drink and the air we breathe; and controlling urban sprawl and conserving park land for future genera-

And, we want them to discuss creative ways to pay for these improvements - without further burdening tax-

We're not talking about giving lip service to these isspes. We want a serious discussion that will lead to practical solutions and provide voters with the necessary information for them to make informed deci-

We expect serious candidates to attend - and be wellprepared for — candidate forums and coffee klatches sponsored by local chambers of commerce, PTAs and PTOs, homeowner groups and the League of Women Voters.

We expect them to respond thoughtfully to written questionnaires that are published.

And we encourage voters to read candidates' platforms, attend meet-the-candidate events and debates - or watch them when they are aired on local cable channels.

This election, let's put an end to muckraking, character assassinations, half-truths and sign stealing. Let's take up the issues that matter most — and then stick to them.

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Saved the pig

An 11-year-old Canton middle school student deserves kudos for her role in the Canton Lions Club auction of a pig this past Sunday, Aug. 29, at the Bartlett-Travis House.

She decided to take action after hearing about the fund-raiser. Upset at the thought of this pig becoming the centerpiece of a barbecue, and with the assistance of her parents, she purchased 300 tickets, the vast majority of those sold. She contacted SASHA Farm, a 65-acre sanctuary in Manchester, to find out whether they had room for Harry. They

Lions officials allowed her to select the winning ticket. To the relief of all, she won. Duane Bordine volunteered to take Harry to his new home. Harry will live out his life with approximately 200 other animals, including several other pigs, on this peaceful farm. More information is available at www.sashafarm.org.

Sometimes a young person can teach us how to show more compassion to the animals who share our planet.

> Bee Friedlander Canton

Supporting Zarbo

Thank you very much for your indepth coverage of the very interesting and competitive Canton trustee primary race. I especially appreciated getting to know each of the candidates via your interview with them.

I think I am in good company when I say I don't spend an exorbitant amount of time following local politics. I prefer to spend my free time enjoying my family and home, taking advantage of recreation opportunities, shopping/dining, etc., of which our

township employees and Board of Trustees can be very proud.

When I first came to know my neighbor Karl Zarbo was a Canton trustee, I thought, "Well, maybe there is hope for politicians." He is a regular guy, with a similar work ethic and passionate opinions like myself. He is on the township team that has contributed to our success, while serving as a planning commissioner for nine years prior to his appointment to trustee.

He makes himself available to our homeowners' association (he is a past president), in addition to soliciting our feedback on issues facing Canton (he's also a member of the Ford Road Task

True, he has only been a trustee since January 2003 (when he was appointed from a pool of 55 candidates). All the more reason, I urge other Canton residents to take opportunities to meet and talk with Karl. Look for him at your door, at community events (though he is usually manning the grill at Lions Club events) or at the library, just to name a few places around town.

Knowing Karl Zarbo is our "watchdog" lets me spend even more time on my hobbies and family, and less time on local politics.

Randy Cook Canton

Changing school districts

LETTERS

I am a homeowner in the Huntington Place II Subdivision in Canton. I am also the representative for the Huntington Place I and Huntington Place II Subdivisions in our attempt to transfer our properties from the Van Buren school sistrict to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district.

We are now at the state appeals level in our attempt to win this decision. The fact is that the Van Buren school district does not want to allow this transfer to occur. It does not want to relinquish the school tax dollars we pay, nor does it wish to relinquish its potential foundation grant money received by every public school child that attends its schools from our

To the district, it's a matter of economics, nothing more. For us, it's about our children, the quality of their education and being a part of the community in which we live. We were aware of the fa that our homes were in the Van Buren school district when we moved into the area; however, we were also led to believe that a school district boundary change was in the works, as well.

We were misled. There were no school district boundary changes planned by anyone. So, we took it upon ourselves to make it happen. We have met all the necessary requirements for this transfer as mandated by the Michigan Department of Education.

The reasons we wish to transfer are: We believe the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools district would provide a far superior educational opportunity for our children, we believe that the distances our children live from the schools they now attend are prohibitive to any extracurricular school activities and, above all, we want our children to go to schools in the community in which we live.

After all, we live in Canton, Many of us work in Canton. We shop and do our business in Canton. We go to church in Canton. Our friends live in Canton. We recreate in Canton. We also want our children to go to school in Canton, not Belleville. We have nothing to do with Belleville.

As a matter of fact, our parents are so adamant about this issue that out of the 43 school-age children in our two subdivisions, only 15 go to public schools in the Van Buren school district; the rest all attend either private, parochial or charter schools. Not only do the bureaucrats want to

deny this transfer for the economic reasons, but also because if we win it will set a precedent for other subdivisions on the southern school district border to follow suit as well. Families in Central Park, North Woods and River Woods Subdivisions all wish to transfer, not to mention the subs off Geddes Road that are being bused to the Wayne-Westland schools.

This transfer approval would literally open up "Pandora's Box" with new transfer requests and they don't want that to happen. We are right! These school district boundaries should have been changed a long time before this.

On Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2004, there is a

bond election to be held for the Van Buren Public Schools for 4.54 mills or \$150,000,000 to rebuild its antiquated schools. To stand a chance of winning our transfer appeal in Lansing this bond issue must fail. If you reside within the

Van Buren school district, please go and

vote NO at this bond election. We need your help! In addition, Rep. Shelley Taub has introduced House Bill 5065 to the Michigan House of Representatives. This bill in a "nutshell" would enable us to transfer our properties to the Plymouth-

Canton Community Schools district with

absolutely no say-so from the Van Buren

school district or Wayne-Westland school district whatsoever. We need this bill to

If you live in the Van Buren school district, or the Wayne-Westland school district and want your children to attend the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, call your Reps. Philip La Joy or John Stewart, and Sen. Bruce Patte to urge their support to vote YES on House Bill 5065! We desperately need the support of all homeowners that are affected by these archaic school district boundaries.

We alone do not stand a chance of winning this appeal. It's time for all concerned citizens to stand up and be counted. Unfortunately, it's the only way we're going to make this happen.

> **Mark Dixon** Canton

Hollowell and Kerry

Since President Bush has taken all the blame for everything from the AIDS epidemic to the war on terror, let's evaluate John Kerry's attitude regarding the open prostitution during the Democratic convention in Boston.

In two separate radio broadcasts, a certain call house madam encouraged "the girls to get out on the street." In the second interview, she said, "I'd like to see a lot of men happy."

I never once heard John Kerry denounce any immoral activity either before or after the convention. So maybe Butch Hollowell thought John Kerry was giving the green light to the red light dis-

> **Dolores Kapanke** Garden City

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"She will be just perfect for the foundation. ... This is a very exciting expansion for the foundation. She will establish new relationships and maintain our current relationships."

Joan Noricks, Canton Community Foundation executive director, on new development director Loren Wadington

Latest budget fiasco masks true problem state is facing

emember the story about the frog in the pot of water on the stove? You put a frog in the water and you slowly turn the heat up, a degree or two at a time. Supposedly a frog will sit quietly in the water until, yep, he's poached.

Well, we haven't had poached frog at our house for some time, but the moral is clear and all too true: If you keep doing bad things little bit by little bit, nobody is likely to notice until it's too late.

Which brings us to the current flap about school funding. It's now clear Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the leaders in the Legislature spent the last couple of weeks secretly cooking up a scheme to get a measly \$6.6 million out of the coming year's \$1.2 billion budget deficit by

> slashing state payments for Michigan school districts that spend more than \$9,000 per pupil.

On the chopping block is \$74 per pupil in state aid for Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Farmington, Southfield and Troy. Farmington schools get dinged worst, by more than \$900,000 this coming year.

The timing couldn't be worse. This hit home when school has already started, and teachers, custodians and bus drivers have been hired and are in place. This year's school budgets were all adopted by July 1, as state law requires. Now, officials of these school districts simply have no idea about how to absorb cuts of this magnitude this late.

Northville Supt. Leonard Rezmierski's comments are typical: "This is no way to run a business. You simply cannot adopt a school budget in June based on assumptions about what might or might not be done by the state in the middle of September." Evidently, the governor and the legislative leaders are not particularly worried about that. Oddly, it's not the schools, but our Democratic governor and the Republican-controlled Legislature who keep teetering on

the verge of violating their Constitutional obligation to adopt a balanced budget by the beginning of the state's Oct. 1 fiscal year. Whatever your politics, it's simply irresponsible for Lansing to disrupt the orderly workings of our schools while both parties finish their usual dreary annual game of budgetary chicken. If we simply have to find \$6.6 million to fix the budget, far better to do so by reducing state school aid across the board, which we could

do for a paltry \$3.50 per pupil. There are three important things to be said about all of this. First, the Lansing folks are spinning that the only districts that are going to be hammered are the "rich" ones, implying that cutting highspending districts really isn't going to hurt much, and that it's only fair to go after a few rich folks. But the truth is that pitting "rich" districts

against "poor" is nothing more than a shoddy divide-and-conquer tactic. For one thing, it isn't completely true. What the dollar amounts are really a measure of, in large part, is how willing voters in those districts were to support their schools in the days before Proposal A.

Fortunately, most school districts have figured this out; for example, all 28 Oakland County superintendents, from Birmingham to Hazel Park, are standing firm against the plan.

Moreover, if the proposed cuts go through, districts that once might have been regarded as "rich" won't be so any longer. Listen to Farmington school Supt. Robert Maxfield: "We're committed to our program for this year, which means we'll be operating at a deficit. When this time comes around next year, we'll be facing massive cuts to make up for this year."

The second point is more philosophical — with a practical

twist. The besetting sin of democracies is that they often fall prey to the notion that equality in mediocrity for all is better than the hope of excellence for some.

That sort of thinking is why socialism always fails. The districts now under the gun are exactly those districts that historically have chosen to come up with the money to provide an excellent

education for their citizens. They were supposed to have been "held harmless" under Proposal A, but over the years their spending has effectively been frozen while costs have kept climbing and, as a result, they are

now in trouble — for trying to do a good job. And now the Lansing-based political class seems to want to cripple the few excellent public schools left. Let's hear it for a new political slogan: "Mediocrity for all! It's only fair!"

What the small minds in Lansing seem to have forgotten is that when parents who are well enough off feel the quality of public education has declined beyond a certain point, they can and will pull their kids out of the public schools.

Doing so is easier than ever, thanks to charter schools, and thanks to Proposal A, every child who leaves costs the public schools thousands of dollars. That sets up a vicious circle in which the more kids leave; the more the quality of cash-starved public education falls; and still more families take their kids out of the schools. The end product could look very much like the public schools of Detroit.

And communities with substandard schools aren't going to attract the kind of people or the kind of businesses they want to

My third point is the most important — and the one the governor and the Legislature least want to hear. Sooner or later the governor and the Legislature are going to have to develop the guts to face the fundamental problem, which is that the state budget is chronically and structurally unbalanced by more than \$1 billion per year.

They have only two real choices: 1) Cut state spending by at least \$1 billion a year. This will make a lot of people very, very angry. 2) Fix our absurd tax system by broadening the base of the sales tax to include services while reducing the rate. This will make some antitax-at-any-cost people very angry, but it will cure our built-in budget problem that otherwise will go on and on for years.

Of course, nothing could terrify politicians more than actually facing the facts and making decisions as big as the scope of this problem. That's especially true when we have an election this fall, and every single member of the governing class will have to run two years from now.

Hence the convenient conspiracy of making lots of little spending cuts around the edges that lets the politicians stumble into a new fiscal year having "balanced" the budget, but leaving unsolved the underlying problem.

That's what they have just done to our better-endowed school districts. Which brings us back to the frog in the pot of the water. We can slowly, slowly keep turning up the heat, cutting here and there, nipping away at those few remaining things of high quality (good schools and good universities, for instance).

But at the end of the day the cumulative effect of this death by a thousand short-run cuts will leave our signature institutions, just like the frog, well and truly poached.

And there is nothing harder than unpoaching a frog.

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

Mrs. Masters' tiles are for sale again :

ris Darby was convinced that Plymouth-Canton needed a place where potters could work together. Before Kris retired from teaching, she, along with Carolyn Hook, Kathy Sandberg, Ruth Price and Debbie Lieberman established the Village Potters Guild.

With the help of Torb Guenther, Kim Guenther and Al Larson, Frameworks' owner, the Guild opened a studio a year later. They recruited new members, such as Eileen Hewett and Barb Masters, longtime English teachers. Today, the Guild is celebrating its 10th anniversary and has

grown to 25 members. Carolyn Hook, the current president, said, "The mission of the Guild is to educate the community about ceramics and art and give potters the chance to learn

from others." She's always happy to welcome new members.

Other Guild events are the Fourth Annual Studio Clearance Pottery Tent Sale held on Sept. 11 at 340 N. Main St., followed by the

Cherry Hill Village Fine Arts and Antiques Show on Sept. 18-19. Pottery is very beautiful, but working in

clay is dirty work. Some potters love to work with mud, while others are more interested in colors, paints, glazes, and finishes. While with some pottery may look very delicate, it may have been built by a potter who "threw the clay" and then "fired" the object in a kiln.

Kris likes to work with clay because "the materials are natural and come from the earth." You could say that Kris, Barb and Eileen used their potter's skills when they were teachers, but instead of clay, they molded and shaped children. Barb Masters died in 2003. Debbie Lieberman, Margaret

Madonna

Nowak, Eileen Hewett and others came up with the great idea to make tiles from Barb's molds. These keepsake tiles were sold at Art in the Park and at the Tent Sale. All proceeds go to the Barbara Masters Art Grant (Educational Excellence Foundation), which brings creative programs to PCEP. Mrs. Masters was one of my favorite teachers. Having a

teacher like Mrs. Masters in the '60s was cool. She was intolerant of intolerance. She allowed students to be radical, but never lazy. She insisted that if you were going to be in her class, you had to think. She could be cantankerous, but she was absolute in her passion for literature and the arts. She breathed life into Thoreau, Emerson, and even George

Eliot. Emerson wrote, "The measure of a master is his success" in bringing all men around to his opinion twenty years later." I don't know if I agree with everything Mrs. Masters said, but she certainly made an impression on me. I suspect she

also influenced my son, John, even though she retired before he was a student at PCEP. When John took the Zen and Emerson class, his teacher was

Kathy Thompson, another one of Mrs. Masters' students. John didn't have to buy a copy of Emerson; he borrowed my dogeared, marked up copy. John would have loved Mrs. Masters because he's just as irascible and thought-provoking as she was It's too bad that teachers can't be replicated as easily as

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Sheriff hosts workshop on missing child alert system

Representatives from law enforcement agencies as far away as Jackson and Flint came to Wayne County last week to learn about a hightech tool now available to assist them in the event a child turns up missing in their community.

Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans, who was the first major law enforcement official in Michigan to implement the A Child is Missing (ACIM) telephone alert system, hosted the event at its training facility at Wayne County Community College in Van Buren Township.

More than 70 police officers in attendance saw the power of ACIM's telephone alert system, which sends out thousands of customized pre-recorded phone messages to homes and businesses in the immediate vicinity of a reported disappearance or abduction. The non-profit organization, which is based in Florida, uses computer mapping and databases to retrieve the phone numbers, which can be dialed at the rate of 1,000 per minute.

Evans added the service to



Ralph Caporale, a trainer from A Child is Missing, talks with law enforcement officials from throughout the state at the program hosted by the Wayne County Sheriff's Department.

his Missing & Exploited Children's Task Force in April, when he announced the Sheriff's Rescue Network. which he has made available to all 43 police agencies in Wayne County. The Task Force is made up of five sheriff's deputies and two Detroit Police officers whose sole responsibility is to find missing

"These phone messages contains specific information about the time and location of the child's disappearance, as well as their description," Evans said. "What that does is enlist an army of eyes and ears in the immediate area of the disappearance, which is a tremendous help to police."

The results can be dramatic, according to ACIM trainer

Ralph Caporale. "We had one instance where a man dropped off a young girl he had abducted because he saw people coming out of their homes, looking for the girl and calling her name."

It's that kind of result that Evans hopes will attract those law enforcement agencies that attended the training to sign up for the free services.

"Time is the most critical factor working against us when we are looking for a missing child," Evans said. "Within a matter of a few minutes, we will have the ability to contact thousands of individuals who will become our eyes and ears to help us locate the child," Evans said.

In Wayne County, approximately 3,000 children are reported missing each year. While most are either recovered or return on their own, the county's Missing & Exploited Children's Task Force, which is made up of Sheriff's Deputies and Detroit Police officers, has safely recovered more than 350 missing children since it was created in October, 2003.

Astronaut Sally Ride to host third Science Festival

Sally Ride, America's first woman astronaut, will be attending the the third annual Sally Ride Science Festival at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Sunday, Sept. 12.

The Festival is for girls in grades five through eight with parents and educators also welcome to attend. The event will also be the site of the official kick-off of TOYchallenge 2005, a funfueled toy- and game-design competition created to motivate middle school-age students, especially girls, to use their science, engineering and design skills.

This is one in a series of

Festivals organized by Sally Ride Science, a company dedicated to creating events, programs and activities that support girls' interest in science, math and technology. More than 25 Sally Ride Science Festivals held around the country have each attracted hundreds of girls and parents for a day of science, socializing and fun. The Festivals are designed to pique the interest of middle school girls, a group that for a variety of reasons begins to drift from their natural interests in science and

The event will feature a keynote speech by Sally Ride; Discovery Workshops led by women professionals ranging from veterinarians to rocket scientists; and a festive Street Fair with booths, exhibits, food, music and a drawing for prizes. There is also an adult track for parents and teachers on topics such as hands-on science and gender equity. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m., and the festival runs from 11:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. The \$18 advance registration fee (\$25 the day of the event) includes full festival participation, souvenirs, and lunch. Girls attending the festival can

also join the Sally Ride Science Club for a sponsored rate of \$5 for the first year.

The Festival will also host the launch of TOYchallenge 2005 which was developed by Sally Ride, Smith College and Hasbro, Inc. as an outreach activity to engage middle school-age students, especially girls, in science and engineering and to inspire them to pursue careers in those fields. Area teams that participated in TOYchallenge 2003 and 2004 will be on hand to demonstrate their toys and share their experiences. New teams that pre-register for this year's competition can display their plans and designs for review and attendee feedback.

The Festival is presented in association with the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. The event's lead sponsor is the Ford Motor Co., other sponsors include Johnson Controls, Pfizer and IBM. The Festival will incorporate the resources of the local community to energize girls and encourage them to Reach for the Stars!

Teachers, parents and students can pre-register and find out more about the Festival schedule and workshops either online at

www.SallyRideFestivals.com or by phone at 800.561.5161. Preregistration is strongly recommended as space is limited. Interested TOYchallenge coaches and teams can find further details and pre-register at www.TOYchallenge.com.

Sally Ride Science was founded by astronaut Sally Ride to support the large numbers of girls and young women who are, or might become, interested in science, math and technology. For more information on Sally Ride Science programs, please visit: www.SallyRideScience.com, or call (800) 561-5161.

Airport traffic up by 9.5 percent

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Total passenger traffic at Detroit Wayne County Airport jumped 9.5 percent in June compared to June 2003, according to preliminary figures released by the airport's business office.

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percent in June and were up 6.23 percent for the first six months of 2004 over 2003. A total of 256,411 aircraft have arrived or departed the airport in the first half of 2004.

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Home holds equal delight for kids and parents

BY MARY KLEMIC STAFF WRITER

Charlie and Kerry Dillon thought "small" when they renovated their 1930 farmhouse colonial home, where the family has lived for five years.

That is, their four children ages 11, 10, 7 and 3 - were the foremost consideration in the project.

"Ĭt's a home for children," Kerry Dillon said.

"Every room is designed with them in mind. This is not a museum."

Gregory Hall, Allied ASID, of La Belle Provence in Birmingham, created delightful rooms that appeal to adults as well as children.

Coziness is conveyed throughout the residence, even though it is now more than 5,000 square feet. Some features celebrate the individuality of each youngster; others, the tastes of their parents.

What could be called "childfriendly" elements - such as paint and upholstery with colors and patterns that hide fin-gerprints and spills – co-exist comfortably with those of adults - such as charming antiques and reproductions, and decor with sophisticated features including Brunschwig & Fils tassels and trims.

"We tried to make it happy, kind of fun, casual but not overly casual," Dillon said.

This residence will be one of seven on the 17th annual **Community House** Birmingham House Tour, scheduled Tuesday, Sept. 21. (See related items.)

"The seven homes on this year's house tour represent Birmingham today," said Lisa Brody, co-chair of the event.

"The tour features homes designed by architect Wallace Frost that have been adapted to today's lifestyles, as well as modern new homes that combine the present-day desires of homeowners with style and ele-

"There's truly something for everyone to dream of having for themselves."

COMFORTABLE COMBINATION

In the renovation, which included additions, pains were taken to keep new elements in the feeling of the original style. Custom-made molding and

cabinetry are among these features. All of the light fixtures in the house are antiques, some of them from Michael's Lamp Shop in Lathrup Village.

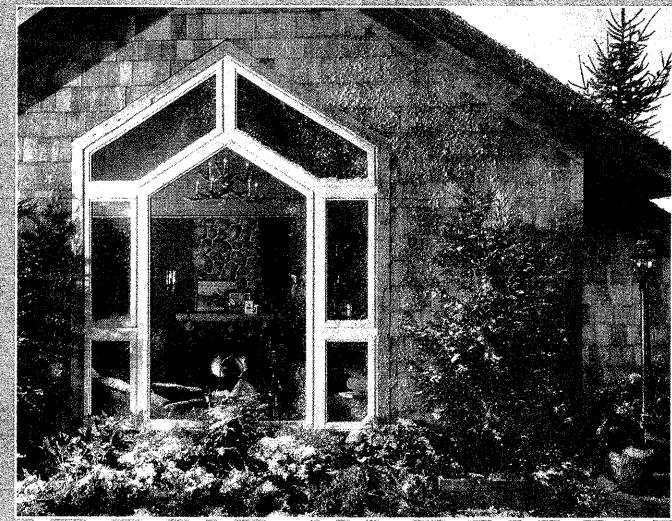
The entryway is colored apricot, in gloss paint so it picks up natural light. It contains a reproduction antique French chest, and a needlepoint rug made by women in North Carolina who teach needlepoint and sell their items to Hall.

The new kitchen, with natural light sources that include a skylight and an oval window, houses an island and counters topped with green Iranian granite. Dark wooden chairs along one side of the island have vinyl-covered cushions.

Insets were put on the white cabinets so the doors fit into frames. Polished nickel hardware matches the pewter and ceramic containers from Kerry Dillon's collection displayed around the room.

In an adjoining space, antique-looking prints of cows are arranged on the walls around a long wooden table. A large window frames a living

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INFORMATION

itting in your home with the heat cranked up in the coming winter months, you may not notice the brisk air sneaking into your home or the warm air sneaking out.

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Perhaps you should check your windows. According to the EERE, heat loss and gain through and around windows accounts for more than 25 percent of a home's heating and cooling bills.

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FIX-IT

John Piotrowsk, manager of the glazing department, commercial and residential, at Lairds Glass in Plymouth said if you can't afford to

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■ Check every window and door to make sure there is adequate weatherstripping and caulking which will ensure a secure seal around the openings in your home.

■ Seal up any little cracks or gaps where air can leak into your home. Many experts believe the average home has enough of these small holes to equal one 3-foot by 3-foot

■ If you have storm windows, put them on early in the autumn to help save on your home's energy bills.

■ Make sure to lock all the hardware on your windows. This creates a strong seal that prevents cold air from coming into the home. Even when closed, an unlocked

window can still allow air to escape. Examine your windows. Make

sure they're doing their part to help insulate your home. Check for hot and cold spots or drafty areas inside your home near windows, which can indicate energy

If you decide it's time to replace your windows, don't wait until the spring thaw. Replacing windows before winter weather sets in can save your family substantially on

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For more information on winterizing your windows and energy efficiency in your home, check out these Web sites:

■ Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy http://www.eere.energy.gov/co nsumerinfo/energy_savers/ Michigan Energy

Demonstration Centers, including Alliance for Environmental Sustainability in Grand Rapids, www.alliancees.org, Environmental House in Ann Arbor, www.recycleannarbor.org, Great Lakes Renewable Energy in Dimondale, www.glrea.org, Upland Hills Ecological Awareness Center in Oxford, www.uheac.org, Urban Options in East Lansing, www.urbanoptions.org, and the WARM Training Center in Detroit, MI 48210,

■ The Energy Office of Michigan http://www.michigan.gov/cis/0. 1607,7-154-25676---,00.html.

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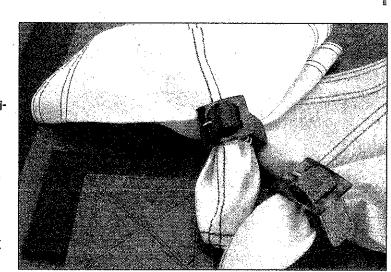
Do you have a special item you'd like to showcase in Marketplace on the front of At Home? We'd like to feature it! Send a photo or slide of the piece, along with information, to: Ken Abramczyk, At Home editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Stylish setting

or visit www.atouchoflace.com.

Dine in comfort with this sumptuous leather place setting offered at A Touch of Lace, 4036 Telegraph in Bloomfield Hills.

Shown with a top-stitch napkin that comes in a variety of colors and a fashion-forward, belt-buckle napkin ring, the square, leather-bound place mat and matching coasters make for just the right ambiance. The palette includes sienna, chocolate and black. Retail prices are \$79 for the place mats, \$64 for the set of four coasters, and \$27 each for the linen napkins and decorative rings. Store hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Evening and weekend consultations available upon request. For more information, call (248) 645-LACE



Links to hospitality Everyone is looking for

something great, that "wow package," to greet their friends and business associates when they arrive into town for the Ryder Cup, says Wendi Rosenthal, owner of The Great American Basket Co. in Farmington

And she and her company have "tee"-rrific ideas about that.

Rosenthal and her team specialize in creating extraordinary statements for their clients using creative packaging and items that will leave a lasting impression with the basket receiver.

"Ryder Cup hospitality packages are the opportunity for companies to welcome visitors to Detroit while reinforcing their brand or message at the same time," Rosenthal said.

The company's Ryder Cup hospitality ideas include a mini golf bag cooler that could contain treats, practice golf balls, tees, pocket tips, a golf towel and many other items (prices are \$125 and \$75 with items, \$30 for the cooler alone); a golf ball bucket filled with assorted snacks and golf novelties (\$45); and a golf bag tote, a gift box filled with an assortment of treats and goodies (starting at \$25).

Hospitality totes and baskets are available for purchase by visiting The Great American Basket Co.'s showroom at 29594 Orchard Lake Road (between 13 and 14 Mile), by calling (248) 626-9050 or - toll free -(800) 528-0473, or online at www.greatamericanbasket.com.

Entertainment book

The Shelby Gardeners Club is selling the Entertainment 2005 book to raise money for its continued beautification projects in Shelby. Township.

Price is \$20. The books are available at the Shelby Parks and Recreation Office, from a club member, or by calling (586) 731-8215.

Supporters Allen Brothers Inc., a

roofing contractor based in Rochester Hills, has donated to the Children's Hospital of Michigan's grand opening charity extravaganza, organized by the Robinson Realty. Group, in an effort to raise treatment and research funds for children facing life-threatening infectious diseases for the Children's Hospital of Michigan.

The hospital's private charity benefit will take place 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct. 9, at The Renaissance Club, 200 Renaissance Center, 36th floor in Detroit.

The emcee will be former UPN 50 anchor Amyre Makupson, and the keynote speaker will be Dr. Herman Gray, chief operating officer of Children's Hospital of Michigan.

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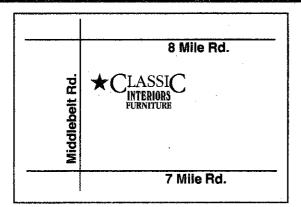
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Arhaus Furniture to open in Birmingham

Arhaus Furniture (www.arhaus.com), an Ohiobased retailer of exclusive handcrafted home furnishings, is gearing up to open a new store location in the Palladium Complex, 202 North Old Woodward Ave., formerly occupied by Tower Records.

The store, set to open mid-November, marks the retailer's second location in the state of Michigan and 26th overall in the United States following a continuing expansion effort. The retailer's first store in the state opened earlier this year at Arborland Shopping Center in Ann Arbor.

With nearly 20,000 square feet on the first floor of the three-story building in Birmingham, Arhaus plans to recreate a setting similar to that of its flagship store at the trendy lifestyle shopping center of Legacy Village in Lyndhurst, Ohio. The stunning interior of the store includes an oversized fireplace surrounded by antique, hand-carved paneling and an Italian Courtyard with wrought iron gates.

With a merchandising philosophy heavily influenced by theatre, Arhaus company officials believe the stores are unlike any other in the home fashions category.

John Reed, president of the home furnishings retailer, points to everything from the lighting throughout the

store to the hanging fabrics and hand-painted murals, which help to create an inspirational backdrop for customers.

Our visual team works very hard to create an environment that blends various cultures together to create a very unique, worldly look that our customers love. It's all about making a statement and providing an unmatched product selection so customers can easily envision our furniture and accessories in their homes," he

The river rock fireplace, reminiscent of those found in mountain lodges, will be constructed of nearly 6 tons of stone, and the Italian courtyard, sectioned off with antique Indonesian doors, will house the retailer's complete line of seasonal accessories.

Other features will include an antique, hand-carved Javanese dwelling used to creatively showcase a furniture collection, a signature chair wall housing Arhaus' selection of dining chairs, and a combination of hardwood and mosaic tile flooring throughout the

With the grand opening in the fall, the Birmingham store will introduce shoppers to the retailer's adaptation of the Arts & Crafts era, with home furnishings featuring slightly more feminine shapes, earthy

color palettes, natural finishes and simpler decorative elements.

Mosaic dining tables and Asian-inspired cabinets handpainted with pictorial scenes are some of the items that will be shown, along with Arhaus' many signature collections in upholstery (slipcovered, leather and custom-ordered), indoor and outdoor dining and bedroom furniture.

The Arhaus product development team travels around the world gaining inspiration from various cultures and works with skilled artisans to create the retailer's exclusive product line, including the Copper Arabesque Dining Collection, which combines hand-hammered copper tops and hand-forged iron bases.

"By working directly with these artisans, we are able to offer our customers stylish, high-quality merchandise at a great value," says Reed.

With such a unique product mix, Reed is optimistic about the projected success of the Birmingham store. He says Arhaus has something competitors don't, "a truly captivating store presentation packed with beautiful, handmade furniture and accessories from all over the world. Our products are stylish, yet practical and perfect for today's families," he

Vacuuming maintains carpeting

(NAPS) - If that red carpet you're rolling out is yours, regular cleaning and maintenance can keep it looking good year after year. During everyday use, soil clings to carpet fibers and dulls the carpet's beauty. The Institute of Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration

Certification recommends that you routinely remove dry soil with vacuuming to preserve the carpet's life. Here are some important things to remember:

- Use a hepa-type bag. ■ Replace the bag when it is half to two-thirds full.
- Use attachments for room edges.

■ Since vacuuming only removes about 75 percent of soil, use a professional cleaner regularly to complete the cleaning process. Minute particles, especially those that can be inhaled, can be effectively removed with professional vacuuming and cleaning.

GARDEN CALENDAR

Composting

Feed the Earth . . . Compost!, a home composting workshop, will take place 4-5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at 3910 W. Webster in Royal Oak.

The free outdoor workshop will demonstrate methods for making and using compost in the home garden. It is sponsored by the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority To register, call Karen Bever at (248) 288-5150, or e-mail LFDean@aol.com.

Dahlia show

The Southeastern Michigan Dahlia Society will present its 53rd annual Dahlia Show Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 11-12, at Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt. Hours are noon to 9 p.m. Saturday,

noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. More than 600 to 800 blooms will be on display, and several new cultivars will be introduced. SMDS members will be available to answer questions and welcome new members.

Plant programs

Telly's Greenhouse & Garden Center, 3301 John R in Troy, presents programs 10 a.m. Saturdays. Call (248) 689-8735 for information. In What's New for 2005 (Sept. 11), Telly's owner, George Papadelis, will show slides of next season's exciting and new annuals, perennials, roses and herbs. Learn which plants would work well in your garden. Ornamental Grasses: Landscape in Motion (Sept. 18) will lead you

through the splendid world of these increasingly popular landscape plants.

Farmington Garden Club

The Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon Monday, Sept. 13, at the Longacre House, on the west side of Farmington Road between 11 and 10

A Feng Shui Garden will be the topic, as the organization begins its 70th year as a federated club. Guests are welcome. Betti Poole, past president, will present design tips for implementing the energy in your landscape/garden using feng shui. Poole is also horticultural chair, a member of the Farmington Hills Beautification Commission, a master gardener and a garden designer.

Royal Oak Garden Club

Come grow with the Royal Oak Garden Club at the club's meeting at 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 13 in the Royal Oak Library Auditorium. There will be a slide presentation by Mel Batch and a review of our past year's community gardens. Help the club plan community involvement with the Detroit Zoo, Gilda's Club. Royal Oak Cemetery and the Morias Street Community Center. For information, contact club president Rose at RKUDRON@YAHOO.COM

or cam1martin@aol.com.

Detroit Rose Society

The Detroit Rose Society will meet 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center on Ridge Road, one block south of I-696 and one block west of Woodward.

Hill & Dale Garden Club

The Perennial Plant Exchange, sponsored by the Farmington Hills Beautification Committee and the Hill & Dale Garden Club, is scheduled 8:30-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 18 at Farmington Hills City Hall, located at 11 Mile and Orchard Lake Roads. For more information, please contact Linda Talacki at (248) 646-4374.

Fall cleanup

Learn how to give plants the best start into their next season in The Art of Fall Garden Cleanup, a class meeting 7-10 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, at The Community House, 380 S. Bates in

Birmingham. Cost is \$40. To register, call The

Community House at (248) 644 5832, or visit www.communityhouse.com. In the class, you will receive tips on what to do, when and how - for the plant's good, for your benefit and to make the garden attractive for the winter.

Instructor Deb Hall has been gardening for more than 18 years, and operates her own garden maintenance firm, Gardenbud's.

An advanced master gardener, she earned her Certificate of Gardening Fine Arts from the Michigan School of Gardening, Hall became an instructor for MSG in 1999.

Rose programs

Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, present a series of free programs at their nursery. The schedule of fun and educational programs includes Insect and Disease Control for Roses, 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12, or 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 13; and Climbing Roses, 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, or 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 20. Insect and Disease Control is a slide presentation and tour of the Lindleys' "less than perfect" garden, with special emphasis on natural and cultural control of rose problems. Climbing Roses is a slide program and garden demonstration of training and

pruning techniques. Reservations aren't needed. Each presentation will last about an hour. Dress for the weather. Great Lakes Roses is at 49875 Willow Road, between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) roads in Sumpter Township, seven miles south of Belleville. Its roses are also available at the Ann Arbor and Northville farm-

For information about Great Lakes Roses, visit

ers markets.

www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461-1230.

Tree, bulb sale

Orders in the Fall Tree and Spring Flowering Bulb Sale of the Oakland Conservation District must be received by Friday, Sept. 17. For a catalog and order form, call the Oakland Conservation District at (248) 673-4496 or e-mail bob.mrozek@macd.org. Tree offerings include balsam fir, white fir, Colorado blue spruce, Eastern redeedar, white cedar, red pine, white pine, Norway spruce, white spruce and American larch. Among the bulb offerings are blue jacket, fondante, Gipsy princess and splendid Cornelia hyacinths; single, Triumph, peony, fringed, Darwin and fily tulips; trumpet and large cupped daffodils; narcissi and crocus. Orders may be picked up 1-5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at Springfield Oaks County Park in Davisburg.

School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia, just west of Middlebelt in the Milo Shopping Plaza, and at Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, north of Square Lake Road and east of Telegraph.

Register early. Seating is limited. Some classes have pre-requisites. For more information, call (248) 4-GAR-DEN or visit www.michigangardening.com.

The schedule includes Ins and Outs of Plants, Mondays, Sept. 13-27, in Pontiac or Tuesdays, Sept. 14-28, in-Livonia (fee is \$98); Putting Down Roots in the Wake of Lost Ash Trees, Tuesday, Sept. 14, in Pontiac (\$10); Fall Color in the Landscape, Wednesday, Sept. 15, in Pontiac (\$40); The Art of Fall Cleanup, Friday, Sept. 17, in Livonia (\$40); Bulbs: Tips on Choosing and Using, Saturday, Sept. 18, in Livonia (\$40); Transplanting Large Plants, Saturday, Sept. 18, in Livonia (\$69); All About Lawns, Mondays, Sept. 20 to Oct. 4, in Livonia (\$110); Designing for Winter Interest, Wednesday, Sept. 22, in Livonia (\$40); and Doubling Up Perennials, Thursday, Sept. 23, in Pontiac (\$40). The Michigan School of Gardening will also present The Art of Fall Cleanup Wednesday, Sept. 22, at The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham.

If you have an item for the calendar, please submit it at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net.

Technicians face dilemma on some repairs Save big by recently read an article writ- don't inform these same con- doing?

ten for an appliance trade magazine by Jim Pearce who is the owner-operator of an appliance repair business in Hartselle, Ala.



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

problems that are known to exist on certain brand major appliances, how secretive these problems remain even during the warranty period, and just how loyal should a serv-

Pearce

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ice technician be to the homeowner while being paid by a manufacturer for doing the warranty work. Pearce's article depicts a huge dilemma created by man-

ufacturers and faced by just about every appliance repair company across this country. If appliance technicians talk too much, they cut their own

throats by informing consumers of product problems. On the other hand, if they

sumers of these product problems, the homeowner ends up forking out dollars for repairs that should have been covered under warranty.

Let me give you a couple of scenarios to help you understand this complex problem. Let's say that a certain brandname washing machine needs a common repair of replacing the door latch motor and that a failure of this motor can cause a control board failure. What is a technician to do? The service tech notices this brand washer has a problem, and does that technician say anything at all. Will the homeowner think that the service technician is just trying to create more work and a bigger expense for the customer? With the tarnished image that we have in the service industry this could very

well be the case. After telling the homeowner of a pending failure of a component, will the homeowner get on the telephone and call the manufacturer to request repairs at no charge? If so, the manufacturer is asking who this technician is and what does he or she think they are

If the technician is working for a company that does warranty work for this manufacturer, it could ruin the relationship or eliminate a portion of income for the company. A big question remains of the product problem which is being reported by service technicians across the country.

Does the manufacturer admit there is a problem?

This problem does exist and I don't know if it's as pronounced as written about in Pearce's article but I do know that if it causes a control board failure during the life of this washer, it will cost the homeowner a few hundred dollars for repairs.

Pearce also elaborates on other problems, such as a refrigerator control which freezes everything in the refrigerator section, a known problem cured by changing the control.

Another is a transmission failure in a washer which sprays the clutch mechanism with oil and creates an expensive clutch replacement. A certain stove which in only it's second self cleaning operation

sive repairs. These are all known problems.

Keep in mind that many of these problems occur when the product has gone past the full first year warranty and the repair costs will come out of the homeowners pocket.

This writer has been in the appliance industry for many vears and I remember so well when a product name meant so much to a company's brand loyalty. I remember the upfront attitude displayed by manufacturers when a product problem slipped through the cracks and just how much that attitude has gone by the way-

I believe that service technicians should be sharing every piece of technical information they have with their customers especially if it saves them a repair cost in the future. To the appliance manufacturers who hide certain problems, I say shame on you.

Joe Gagnon can now be heard on WWJ-950 and WXYT-1270. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (248) 455-7281.

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buying online

■ buy just about everything online – books, DVDs, music. Trips, gifts, magazine subscriptions, computer parts and tech gadgets (natch).

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boxer briefs online. (I'll leave the color to your imagination.)

Why the love affair with mouse-click shopping? Convenience is an obvious part of the attraction: I can order a new DVD for the kids in about the time it takes to read this sentence, versus packing them into the car, driving to Target, and having to say "No" to the 15 other things they want me to buy them.

But mostly, I shop online because I'm a bargain junkie. Let's say I want to buy The Wiggles' Yummy Yummy, a must-have DVD for toddlers. Price at Target: \$13.93, not including tax, gas, and round-trip travel time. Price at Deep Discount DVD (www.deepdiscountdvd.com): \$10.20, shipping included; no tax or travel time.

Speaking of movies, I recently switched from NetFlix to Blockbuster.com for by-mail DVD rentals. NetFlix charges \$21.99 per month, versus \$19.99 for Blockbuster's new service - a price that includes two in-store rentals each month.

That not only puts \$24 per year back in my pocket, but also saves me cash on those occasional spur-of-themoment rentals.

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HOME CALENDAR

Home decor

Haberman Fabrics, 905 S. Main in Royal Oak, presents a variety of home decor classes for different skill levels. In Weekender Bag, Mondays, Sept. 13-27, make a versatile tapestry tote that can carry everything needed for a weekend away (fee is \$60).

Students will trace their patterns during the first class and shop for additional materials with guidance from the instructor. In Simple Curtain, Thursdays, Sept. 23

to Oct. 7, beginners will learn how to sew as they dress up living room, bedroom, kitchen or bathroom windows (\$60).Make a simple rod-pocket window treatment, lined or unlined, to use

alone or over blinds or shades; leave class with a custom curtain that fits your decor. Call (248) 541-0010, e-mail

ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com or visit www.HabermanFabrics.com for registration and other information.

Work with a teacher at your own level (beginners and advanced) in Knitting for All Levels, a class offered at the Rochester Community House, 816

The class will meet Wednesdays, Sept. 15 to Oct. 20, or Thursdays, Sept. 16 to Oct. 21. Fee is \$44. Pre-registration is required, by mail or at RCH. No credit cards. Call (248) 651-

0622 or visit www.rochestercomm-

house.org for information.

Tov show The Troy Toy Show will take place Saturday, Sept. 18, at the Troy Community Center, 3179 Livernois, two blocks north of Big Beaver Road (16

Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (7-9 a.m. for early bird customers). Admission is \$4 for adults, free for age 12 and under, \$10 for early bird customers. The show will feature about 50 dealers exhibiting antique, collectible and

modern toys. Among the items will be

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games, soldiers, dolls, vehicles, posters, figures (including figures from popular movies and TV shows), books, sports pieces and comics. The event is presented by Showtime Promotions Inc. Call (248) 646-1047 for more information.

The Frank H. Boos Gallery of Troy will conduct an auction 6 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Sept. 22-23, at the Troy Community Center, 3179 Livernois. A preview of the auction is scheduled noon to 8 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 20-21, at the Troy Community Center. Call (248) 643-1900 or e-mail artandauction@boosgallery.com for more information.

Home, leisure classes

The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, offers instruction in home decor and leisure activities. The schedule includes The Art of Wildflower Painting, Tuesday, Sept. 21: and Knitting for Beginners, six Tuesdays beginning Sept. 21. To register, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832, or visit www.communityhouse.com.

In the wildflower painting workshop, you will learn the techniques of painting foliage, stir roses, backgrounds and petals. These techniques can be used on a variety of craft projects as well as furniture. You will complete a wood plaque during the class to take

Cost is \$22, plus a \$15 materials fee. Instructors Bob and Esther Kerr are experienced interior decorating professionals. They have their own store and do extensive teaching on interior decorative finishes.

In the knitting class, learn the basic skills and complete a pair of child's or adult's mittens. The comprehensive, skill-building sessions will cover casting on, knit and purl stitches, increasing, decreasing, binding off, seaming and reading patterns Fee is \$90. A \$15 materials fee for

workbook, handouts and project pat-

tern will be payable to the instructor. at the first class. The supply cost for practice and project materials (such as yarn, knitting needles and notions) will range from \$25 to \$40 or more depending on your choices; a supply list will be provided with registration. Instructor Natalie Wilson is a Craft Yarn Council of America certified knitting instructor and a professional

Antiques market

knitwear designer.

The 2004 Utica Antiques Market will take place Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 11-12, at the Knights of Columbus Grounds on 21 Mile, 1 mile east of Van-Dyke Road in Utica:

Hours are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. The market will take place rain or shine. Admission is \$5 for adults, free for ages 12 and under. Parking is free. Food and beverages will be available

The Utica market brings together more than 200 dealers from all over the country, specializing in pieces from all periods for the serious collector or the novice.

Numerous experts will appraise pieces on site.

Now in its 18th year, the event is the largest open air market of its kind in southeastern Michigan. It is recognized throughout the Midwest for the great variety, quality and affordability of the antiques and collectibles. The market has a beautiful setting: lakeside on the tree-lined Knights of Columbus grounds.

Ultimate Show House

The Ultimate Show House, 615 Hanna in Birmingham, is open now through Sunday, Sept. 12. Visitors shuttle from The Somerset Collection, Coolidge and Big Beaver (16 Mile) Road in Troy. Hours are noon to 6 p.m. Thursday-Sunday. Shuttle hours from The Somerset Collection are noon to 4 p.m. Thursday-Friday, noon to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Tickets are \$10, available at the

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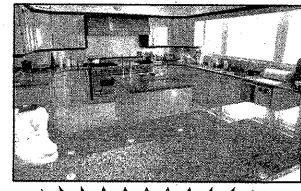
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replace your windows, you should re-caulk and repaint any deteriorated or cracked areas on the window frame to prevent air leakage.

Also, he said to make sure your windows are properly sealed. In Piotrowsk's words, a 'double-paned window - which most people have - consists of a piece of glass on the outside, a spacer and dead air in the inside, and a piece of glass on the outside, all sealed together as one unit. If it's not sealed properly, he said moisture can get in between the glass and make the window appear foggy, and if you have wood windows, the moisture may cause the wood to rot.

"Maintenance is very important," he said.

John Ayers, store manager of Henderson Glass in Southfield, agreed, but said the best bet, when on a low budget, is to add a storm window, which is an extra pane of glass or plastic put on a window to reduce air infiltration and increase the insulation value of a window.

The EERE found that storm windows can reduce your heat loss through the windows by 25 to 50 percent. However, Avers said adding a storm window is like "putting a Band-

Aid on the problem."

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Therefore, if you are going to spend money on a storm window you may want to consider replacing your windows altogether. Cost wise, it may benefit you in the long run. Ultimately, however, the decision is up to you.

ENERGY EFFICIENT

If you do decide to replace your windows, Ayers said you want to make sure they are energy efficient, which means they don't let in drafts and they conduct cold temperatures outside in the winter and inside in the summer.

When shopping for energy efficient windows, there are several things to keep in mind.

As a starting point, Ayers said that double-paned windows are more energy efficient than single-paned windows because single-paned windows provide little insulating value or resistance to radiant heat

Also, he noted that windows sprayed with soft-coated low-e (low emissivity) - a clear coating added to glass that absorbs and reflects radiant heat and ultraviolet rays - are energy efficient because the coating helps keep heat inside during the winter and outside during the summer. Not to mention, he said the coating cuts down

on the fading of furniture and carpet in your home that is often accompanied by direct sunlight through a window.

Windows with low-e coating often have a low U-Value, which is a measure of a material's ability to resist heat flow, or the reciprocal of that, a high R-Value. Ayers said those with low U-values or high R-values are the most energy efficient.

FRAMES

Choosing a frame may be difficult because there are so many choices.

Some common ones to choose from are vinyl, aluminum, fiberglass, vinyl clad and aluminum clad. Each has its pros and cons.

Ayers, Piotrowsk and Joel Cothery, president of Reid Glass in Southfield, agree that vinyl and wood are good insulators and are energy efficient, and that aluminum, although durable, is neither. Cothery said wood frames

are great insulators and look great, but they have to be regularly maintained and are expensive. He said vinyl frames are great insulators and are cost-efficient, but don't look very nice in appearance.

In his opinion, the best types of frames are vinyl clad – those with a wood interior frame and vinyl exterior frame - and aluminum clad wood - those with

Checking windows for air leaks before the first snowfall can help save on costly energy bills this winter.

a wood interior frame and an aluminum exterior frame. because with such frames you have the nice look of the wood frame on the interior, while taking advantage of the easy-to-maintain vinyl and aluminum frame on the out-

Avers said vinvl and fiberglass are the most energy-effi-

Vinyl is the most popular because of cost, but they may expand and contract a lot, and fiberglass is more durable and

does not expand or contract, but is expensive, he said.

Piotrowsk said wood is the best insulator, but the vinyl will get the job done just as well at a lower cost.

All information noted, it seems the bottom line is this; aluminum is durable, low maintenance and inexpensive, yet not energy-efficient; vinyl is durable, cost-efficient, low maintenance and energy efficient, but may not look as nice as other frames: wood is energy efficient and looks very

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Or, according to Piotrowsk, the bottom line could be this: "Buving window frames really comes down to how much you really want to spend and how fancy you want to be."

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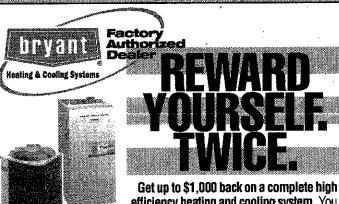
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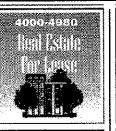
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Visit North Rosedale Park's home and garden tour

One of Detroit's prestigious neighborhoods is opening several homes and gardens for an annual home tour on Sept. 18 presented by the North Rosedale Park Civic Association and the Home and Garden Tour Committee.

Seven homes and one garden will be made available for tour goers, as well as an Architectural Walk-around.

North Rosedale Park is a community of approximately 1,800 homes. The community was first platted in the early 1920s by H.D. Shelden's Sons. At the time the area was first developed, it was a rural area of Redford Township, miles away from shopping, employers and schools. By the end of the 1930s, over half of the community's homes had been built.

The neighborhood features a variety of architectural styles, including Tudor, French eclectic, and colonial-style homes, with a variety of neoclassical and arts and crafts style homes.

The majority of the homes were built during a period of superior craftsmanship, when the building trades included artisans who created textured plaster finishes, molded plaster ornamentation, fine wood moldings and spectacular ceramic tile installations. The homes vary in size and age.

Featured homes include those built from the 1920s through the early 1950s and all offer classic styling of a bygone era. Of unique historical interest the Solar-Boyer Residence will be open for tour. The Solar family was one of the Pioneers of North Rosedale Park and Frank Solar was a recognized champion of the Community House. The Solars designed the home themselves and at close of construction opened the house to the public and sold construction plans. The house includes many unique labor saving devices designed by the Solars.

Frank Solar is also known to have had a regional if not national following as designer of handicraft projects for boys and had a particular interest in projects that recycled used products. Solar also was involved in the model airplane industry and started an early Detroit Model Airplane Club. The tour includes Solar's workshop over the garage with its' original fireplace.

The current owners, Thomas and Kathryn Boyer, have carefully preserved the home's history and continue to enjoy its character. Tom is a respected watercolorist specializing in home portraits.

Of particular aesthetic interest, the Steven and Anita Vogel Residence will be open for tour. The owners have made several important functional and architectural changes to the property that have both updated the property in terms of current living patterns as well as greatly increased its architectural importance.

Steven Vogel is an active Detroit architect, and dean of the School of Architecture at The University of Detroit Mercy and has had a major impact on the Detroit landscape, contributing to both Chene Park and Harmonie Park.

The 2004 Architectural Walk-around features a particularly well detailed Medieval Cottage and garden. Docents will focus on the architectural and stylistic techniques employed to produce an aged effect as well as construction, material and maintenance issues that confront owners of historic and older homes.

Over the years, North Rosedale Park has attracted many of the children who grew up in the neighborhood and decide to return. They know North Rosedale Park is a neighborhood with a true sense of community within which to raise families.

Advance ticket sales to the tour may be purchased for \$12. Tickets may be purchased on the day of the event for \$15 each at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale, Detroit.

All tour and ticket sale information is available at www.nrpHomeTour.info.

Eureka! There's light in the clothes closet

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

If you're like most of us, your clothes closet isn't lighted. And even if you do have a ceiling light, we'll bet dimes for dollars that you still have to take your wardrobe choices out into the sunlight to be sure that you have selected colors that don't

By the way, as you get older, the problem of differentiating between colors in low light becomes even more significant. Furthermore, the condition is exacerbated as your closet becomes more crowded. A top shelf filled with old socks and hat boxes can obliterate the even brightest light bulb.

How do we know about all of this, you ask? Simple. As often as not we have shown up for an important meeting with socks that don't match our outfit or

each other or worse yet, we discover a large obtrusive stain and or tattered area that went completely unnoticed until moments after our presentation had been given (at the front of the room no less) how embarrassing.

Any kind of lighting in a clothes closet is better than none at all, but a lot is left to be desired when the shadow from the boxes on the top shelf prevent the light from doing its job to help you select just the right colors for that day's special business meeting.

We have fluorescent lighting in one of our closets that spans almost its entire length. The problem is that we have two levels of hanging and we can't differentiate color on the clothes hanging on the second tier because they reside in the shadow of the clothes hanging above. Since the light is mounted at the ceiling to the wall connection over the door, there isn't much we can do to locate it to a more advantageous posi-

Sound familiar? If you find yourself struggling to make color choices because the level of light in your dressing area isn't sufficient, then we have some information that should really excite you. We just discovered lighted

clothing rods. What a country. Morris's wife, Carol, is the designer for the remodeling company and she helps us stay. on top of the game when it comes to new and unusual in home remodeling and what it is that folks want. She walked into the office carrying a printout from a Web site called "Lightology." Deep within the site she discovered a lighted clothes pole. We have since done some homework and dis-

covered a bit more about what she found:

Apparently, an Italian manufacturer named Orizzonte has created a light fixture that mounts to the underside of a closet shelf that can be used as a clothes pole. (Wait a minute! No, it's a clothes pole with a light in it.)Well, whichever way you decide to refer to it we are

sure of several things: It is a hanging rod that holds a lamp that uses a fluorescent light tube to illuminate the clothing hanging thereon.

The wattage of the fluorescent light varies from 8 to 21 watts depending on the fixture length.

It comes with a clear diffuser (that's a clear light lens to protect you and the bulb).

It comes with and an anodized aluminum finish (that means that it's aluminum gray in color).

It will hold up to 50 pounds

of clothes. It is available in four lengths:

23, 35, 46, and 59 inches. The fixture weighs about 4 pounds.

It is not dimmable. (AP Editors note: Who cares if it isn't dimmable! We're trying to get more light not less. Anyway, we haven't met anyone yet who has expressed an interest in "mood lighting" their underwear.)

The fixture is self contained and has its own on-board switch. Want to get fancy? Wire the fixture into a door actuated switch and when you open your closet door to show off your handiwork (or underwear), folks will beam at a lighted clothes pole that is on when the door opens.

For more home improvement tips and information visit the writers' Web site at www.onthehouse.com.



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portrait of nature. The tiny library, with natural knotty pine walls and ceiling, was on a slab without carpeting and had small windows. A window was enlarged and a

"It was the coldest room in the house," Hall said.

"Now everybody ... says it's their favorite room."

A tray has been hung like a picture above the flat-screen TV on one wall. Shelves hold a variety of items, among them the children's trophies and trophies from Charlie Dillon's school days.

The latter are an example of how Hall selected personal items for accessories, or decor that represented personal experiences of the Dillons.

Another example is the wallpaper in the laundry room. It displays artistic renderings of actual New England seashore scenes. By coincidence, the sites are where Kerry Dillon's family used to vacation.

The living room walls are a soft blue. Furnishings include pieces by Scalamandre and Barbara Barry, an antique screen on one wall, a reproduction of a chocolatier (a table that was used on ships to serve chocolate), a table with mother-of-pearl inlays, and a pair of blackmoor Nubian prince figurines from Atlanta on the mantel.

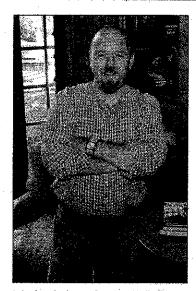
In the elegant dining room are a chandelier from a Detroit hotel, wallpaper that looks like silk, and drapery rods with finials resembling giant hat-

INDIVIDUALITY

Along the wall at the top of the basement stairs, artist Jennifer Gushen painted "Love & Laughter is the Key" with a key shape instead of the word.

Here each child has his or her own bulletin board, at his or her own height, with pins distinctive for each youngster holding the materials in place.

The basement has many special features for children, including a blackboard that



Interior designer Gregory Hall of La Belle Provence in Birmingham stands in the library, which has natural knotty pine walls and ceiling.

almost fills one wall, a kitchenette, a giant sectional, a large ottoman that can serve as a table or lounge, and walls that can withstand thrown balls. As in other rooms, some furnishings have slipcovers that can be easily removed and cleaned.

The master bedroom and bathroom are dressed in green toile. The headboard was made in France and is adorned with the same fabric as the duvet. Hall used the same material to make a canopy for the bed at the sloping ceiling. Drapes are lined in silk.

"Kerry said, 'I wanted to feel like my room is a suite at the Ritz," he said.

A cream-colored armoire that holds a TV and a radiator features paintings of scenes from the toile pattern. The Dillon children can use the bench at the foot of the bed to watch TV or take a nap. The master bathroom contains an ottoman covered in terry cloth, handy for after a bath or shower. A glittering chandelier, and pleated balloon shades with scenes from the toile pattern centered in each section, are among other elements. Each child's bedroom reflects its owner. The eldest daughter's room reminds her of Mary Tyler Moore's TV apartment; one son's room has wallpaper with dogs in cars.

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Charlie and Kerry Dillon's Birmingham residence, which will be one of seven on the Community House Birmingham House Tour this month, was designed so children could be as comfortable in it as the adults. It was also renovated in a way to retain the feeling of the original 1930 home. The kitchen contains an island and counters topped in green Iranian granite, and dark wooden chairs with vinyl-covered cushions. The cabinet doors fit into frames.

Do homework before you work on home

BY MARY KLEMIC STAFF WRITER

A home renovation project, no matter how big, looks so easy on TV.

But before you work on your home, do your homework.

"With all these home renovation shows on, everybody watching them is going 'I can do that," said Jessica York of HGTV's New Spaces.

"Every house that I go into I think, 'That's something I want to do."

The biggest mistake she has seen is that the homework isn't done. "Do your homework instead

of (just saying) 'I'm going to redo my room today," York said in a recent phone interview from Maine. York will be the featured

speaker at a brunch 9-10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21, at The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham.

The brunch is part of the 17th annual Community House Birmingham House Tour (see related items).

Renovation homework



example.

plans would involve removing a supporting wall, for And York recommends that

it include consulting a professional as well. "You might think of yourself as classic (tastes) and you're actually more romantic," she said. "It's nice to get a second

opinion." In her presentation - entitled Renovate, Re-do, Redecorate - York will discuss design tricks, renovation problem-solving tips and the "dos and don'ts" of renova-

"I'm going to share some of the ... tricks of the trade," she said.

This will be her first visit to the area. York said.

"I'm very excited to poke around after the house tour, going on a tour to get the lay of the land," she said.

Each episode of New Spaces covers a complete room remodeling or addition project, from start to finish. It highlights specific challenges and warns about common pit-

"I've always had an interest in home design and decor and renovation," York

"There's a Martha deep down inside of me."

York is involved in a variety

She teaches fitness classes, has an outdoor sports show in Maine and forecasts weather for a station in Portland, Maine.

She had just returned from one of her classes one evening when she gave the interview, sounding as friendly and cheery as she does on the HGTV program.

York enjoys New Spaces. "I get to test out all these different looks at these houses," she said.

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17TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY **HOUSE TOUR**

What: A tour of seven unusual homes ranging in style from traditional to contemporary, presented by Hall & Hunter Realtors. Proceeds will be used to fund The Community House's community outreach programs.

When: Tuesday, Sept. 21. **Hours:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Features:

Attendees will have the opportunity to view the brandnew line of Cadillacs, including the all-new Cadillac STS, on display at each residence.

A brunch 9-10:30 a.m. at The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, will feature a presentation by Jessica York of HGTV's New Spaces.

In her presentation, titled Renovate, Re-do, Redecorate, York will discuss design tricks. renovation problem-solving tips and the "dos and don'ts" of renovation. Miniature dog houses designed by local artists will be

presented as centerpieces at the brunch.The Fan Club Arts Foundation will offer the dog houses at a silent auction entitled Pooches and Picasso 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14, inconjunction with The Community House's Our Town Art Exhibition and Sale, Tickets to Pooches and Picasso are \$45. Proceeds from the event will benefit The Community House's community outreach programs.

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ne of the best things I've experienced while working in the Observer sports department the past four months is the incredible teamwork that is practiced between the sports editors.

all Wright stuff

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Grid Picks

Ed Wright phones when necessary. And if one sports editor is overloaded with work or out sick, another will step in and pick up the slack.

It's a total team

It's a total team concept . . . with one exception: GRID PICKS.

I found this out the hard way a couple of weeks ago as I prepared to make my Week 1 picks. As I

hunkered down in my cubicle with my computer, all the teams' 2003 records and a shiny new quarter (to flip for the games that were too close to call), I overheard my respected colleague, Brad Emons, completing research for his picks, one cubicle over.

"Hmmmm... Livonia Churchill is unbeaten in home openers during presidential election years," Brad said, in a hushed voice, as he scanned some obscure high school football Web site. "And Catholic Central is 7-0 the past four years in August games when its opponents are wearing Nike cleats. Hmmm..."

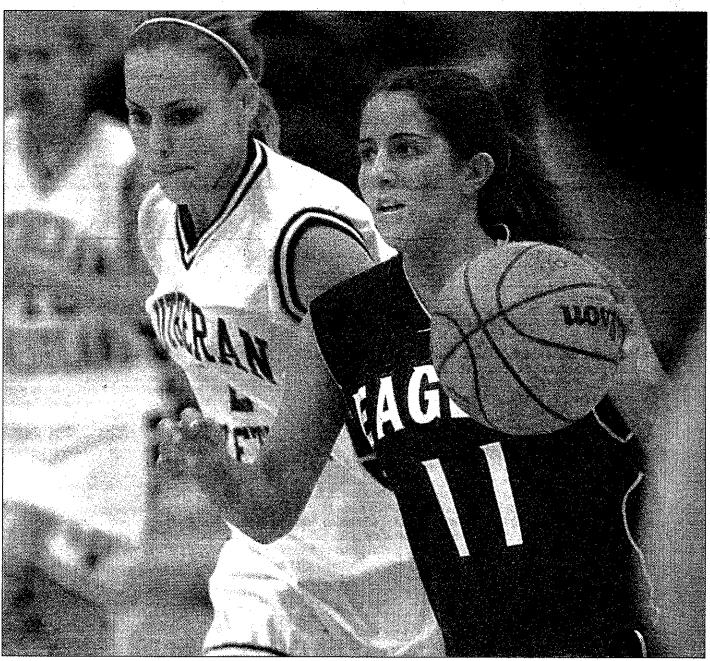
"Hey, Brad, what Web site are you checking out?" I asked. "I'd like to do a little in-depth research myself."

Well, judging by the look I got from Brad, you would have thought I was Michigan State football coach John L. Smith asking U-M coach Lloyd Carr if I could look through his playbook for a few minutes.

"There's no 'I' in team, and no 'we in Grid Picks," Brad said.

I went from feeling like one of the Titans in *Remember the Titans* to Tom Hanks' character in *Castaway*. It suddenly dawned on me that I was going to have to survive Grid Picks alone, only with a quarter instead of a volleyball.

PLEASE SEE PICKS, C2



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Plymouth Christian guard Lauren Soblesky dribbles past Lutheran Westland's Megan Bahr during the first quarter of Tuesday night's game. Soblesky finished with five points in the Eagles' 51-45 setback.

PCA cagers edged by Warriors

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The starting five for Plymouth Christian Academy's girls basketball team sat alongside coach Harvey Jennings for most of the fourth quarter of Tuesday night's 51-45 loss to Lutheran Wostland

The players weren't in foul trouble. They weren't being disciplined. And they weren't playing poorly, Jennings emphasized.

"My philosophy is that all the girls on the team should play, whether they are seniors or freshmen, whether the game is close or lopsided," Jennings said. "And the nice part about it is that all of the girls understand why I do it and none of them have a problem with it."

The loss in the opening round of the Lutheran Westland Basketball
Tournament dropped the Eagles to 2-1 and pits them against Ann Arbor
Greenhills in today's 5 p.m. consolation matchup. The hosts will battle Flat
Rock in the championship game at 7

Joi Jennings netted 24 points to pace the Eagles' scoring attack. Jennings, who also recorded two steals and a block, sat out the end of the third quarter and much of the fourth.

Sophomore guard Brooke Harris made her presence felt despite playing just over a quarter. Harris scored five points and played exceptional defense, according to coach Jennings.

Lauren Soblesky also scored five points, but she came close to a bust-out performance, Jennings said.

"Lauren had at least seven shots that looked like they were halfway down, but then rimmed out," Jennings said. Chelsea Tietjen pulled down a team-

high eight rebounds for PCA.

The Eagles struggled mightily from the field, shooting just 33 percent (17-of-

"It's tough to win when you miss 35

shots," Jennings said.

The Warriors were led by Samantha Wiemer's 14 points. Kelsey Ramthun also had a strong game, finishing with

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Ocelot kickers work hard for 4-0 Labor Day victory

It's time to 'Pick the Pros'

While the majority of America was taking the Labor Day holiday off, the Schoolcraft women's soccer team was manufacturing a 4-0 victory over Concordia University.

The victory improved the Ocelots' record to 5-0 and helped solidify their No. 2 ranking in the National Junior College Athletics Association poll.

Salem graduate Natalie Thomas scored first for Schoolcraft. She was assisted by Cortney Brady (Algonac) and Arielle Bryant (Canton).

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who won that week.

The Ocelots cemented the victory with a three-goal outburst over a 12-minute span late in the first half. The goal scorers were Casey Hoover (Walled Lake Western), Leighanne Myers (Fenton) and Bryant. Melissa Baar (Hartland), Kyle LaPorte (Livonia Churchill) and Tiffani Tuzzolino (Sterling Heights Stevenson) picked up

Defenders Meagan Farrell (Livonia Franklin) and Andrea Dunn (Garden City) combined to help hold Concordia to no first-half shots and just one for the match.



. JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPI

Canton athletic trainer Paul Villiard checks the forearm of a Chief player during the second half of Thursday's Canton-Walled Lake Central game.

Roll the tape Keeping schools' athletes healthy

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

A typical early-September work day for P-CEP athletic trainers Tony Bowers, Pam Everard and Paul Villiard begins at roughly 12:30 p.m. when they arrive at their respective offices at Salem, Plymouth and Canton high schools.

By the time their day ends roughly nine or 10 hours later, they will have taped as many as 100 ankles, tended to injuries that range from blisters to broken bones, filled out enough injury forms to cause blistering on their own hands and

attended as many as eight different team practices.

Throw in Saturday athletic events, and the three can each log as many as 70-75 hours per week during the hectic fall and spring sports seasons.

In other words, a typical day for Bowers, Everard and Villiard is far from typical.

"It's a lot of work, but it's very rewarding work," said Bowers, who has served as Salem's athletic trainer for the past seven years. "I've worked in a physical therapy clinic,

PLEASE SEE TRAINER, C2

Youth basketball

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' Community Education Department will be hosting a new youth basketball league beginning this

The league will consist of leagues for boys and girls in grades 3-12. The season will include practices, games and a post-season tournament for grades 5 and up. Teams will consist of up to 10 players, all of whom will receive a jersey.

The CEBL will hold registration Tuesday, Sept. 14, at Huising Elementary; and Thursday, Sept. 16, at Field Elementary.

Registration fees are \$85 for grades 3-4 and \$95 for grades 5-12. There is an additional \$10 fee for non-residents.

Teams will be selected at an evaluation day, except for players in grades 3-4, who will be randomly assigned to teams.

teams.
Seasons for different
age groups will vary.
Starting dates will be distributed at registration.

For more information, call (734) 641-7459.

Whalers Slip

Paul Giallanardo's second power-play goal in the first period proved to be the game-winner for Windsor in a 3-1 victory over the Plymouth Whalers in an Ontario Hockey League pre-sea-

son match-up.
The Spitfires led 3-0
when Cory Tanaka scored
the Whalers' ione goal at
the 10:26 mark of the
second period. He was
assisted by James Neal
and Matt Rhymer.
Plymouth outshot

Windsor, 31-24.
Rookie goalie Justin
Garay started in net for
the Whalers and stopped
11 of 14 shots. Ryan Nie
took over mid-way
through the second period and knocked away all
10 shots he faced.
Including the pre-season

opener, Nie has now stopped 30 of 31 shots. Plymouth rookies John Armstrong, Michael Kolarz and Rymer also played well in the loss.

The Whalers open their regular season schedule Sept. 24 in Sarnia. They return home the following night to host Saginaw.

Martin dinner set

Madonna University's athletic department will host a benefit dinner will all proceeds going to the Julie Martin Scholarship Fund, 7 tonight, at the University Center Dining Room (on campus).
Tickets are \$25 per

Tickets are \$25 pe person.

A tournament in memory of the former NAIA
All-America and MU graduate, who died of cancer in 2000 starts at 2 p.m.
Friday. Included in the field is Trinity (III.), Taylor (Ind.), Georgetown (Ky.), Saginaw Valley State, Olivet Nazarene (III.) and MU. Action continues at 9:30 p.m. Saturday.
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Co., The Royal Oak Brewery, Unique Restaurants (excluding Coach Insignia) and four passes to any Star Theatre. "Pick the Pros" runs for 22 weeks. You will want to play every week because the grand prize winner will be drawn from all qualifying entries after the Super Bowl. The grand

want to play every week because the grand prize winner will be drawn from all qualifying entries after the Super Bowl. The grand prize includes airfare and accommodations for four to Las Vegas courtesy of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and



Worry Free Vacations, MLT Inc.
In addition, look on pages 4-5 inside today's sports section for a column by Mark Wilson, host of the Steve Mariucci Show on WKRK-FM (97.1) and a story by Sports Editor Marty Budner on a Brother Rice High School grad who also follows the Lions on radio.

"When I came to

Canton and found out we

had a full-time trainer, I

thought it was great. It's

nice to know we have

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All three athletic train-

ers carry walkie-talkies -

"If I have two soccer

same time, it's important

quickly if an injury occurs

that I can be contacted

at the event I'm not at,"

Everard said. "We also

have access to another

trainer at Plymouth PT

Specialists who can help

us out if we need a back-

Bowers said the key to

being a successful athletic

trainer is to care about the

"I try to treat the kids I

work with the same way I

would want someone else

Bowers said. "I want the

athletes' parents to trust

me just like I will trust the

In addition to the three

full-time athletic trainers,

have access to a physician,

football games and shows

athletes at P-CEP also

Dr. Brian Borden, who

attends all of the home

up at the schools every

Monday to evaluate seri-

ous injuries for no charge.

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be treating my children."

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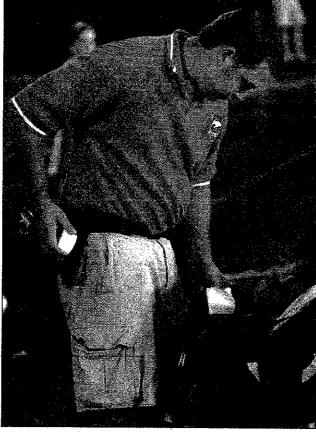
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but it's not nearly as satisfying as this job. In the clinic, most of the time you don't get to see the final result of your work. Here, you can work on an athlete who was supposed to be out for the season and see him back on the field in two weeks. I love the job, which is why I've been here for as long as I have."

Everard, who majored in applied biology in college, started working as Plymouth's athletic trainer when the school opened two years ago. She, like Villiard at Canton, is employed by Plymouth Physical Therapy Specialists and is contracted by the Plymouth-**Canton Community** School District. Bowers is an employee of the school district.

"I find this job to be fun, interesting and rewarding," Everard said. "My . first year here there were only freshman sports, so I didn't put in as many hours as I do now. There are days now when there could be as many as four home games between the different sports, so it's just a matter of prioritizing things. It definitely tests your time-management

skills." Villiard, a graduate of Grand Valley State University, said his love of sports and medicine



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton athletic trainer Paul Villiard restocks his portable supply pack during Thursday's Canton-Walled Lake Central football game.

made it a natural for him to pursue a career in sports medicine.

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"This is a perfect job for me because it has allowed me to stay in sports," Villiard said. "When I was in college, I found that I was good in orthopedics; plus it's what I enjoyed the most, so I put two and two together and decided to become an athletic train-

While athletic trainers

are fixtures at P-CEP. they are a luxury at some smaller schools throughout the state.

"When I coached at Hudson, the coaches were the trainers," Canton football coach Tim Baechler said. "If a player suffered a serious injury, we would lose a coach because the coach is the one who would have to take care of the player. We also did all the taping and everything else.

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PICKS

FROM PAGE C1

Needless to say, I never found the Web site, but I did learn how competitive it gets around here when it comes to Grid Picks.

So far, I'm hanging tough, Web site or no web site. Emons leads after two weeks with a 19-7 mark; Paul Beaudry (since moved to "Sweet Home Alabama") and I are both one game back at 18-8. Kevin Brown is filling in

this week's guest prognosticator. FRÎDAY'S GAMES (all games at 7 p.m.) Livonia Franklin (0-2) at Canton (2-0): Did you know

that Canton is 13-1 the past two seasons when fullback Chuck Schumacher eats oatmeal for breakfast on game days? Seriously, the Chiefs' running game is in full stride after last week's 41-0 win at Walled Lake Central. Schumacher & Co. are too strong for the Patriots. PICKS: Canton - Wright, Emons, Brown.

Livonia Churchill (2-0, 0-0) at Livonia Stevenson (2-0, 0-0): You can bet Spartans wide receiver Trevor Hearns will have a bull's-eye on his back after last week's two-TD 92-yard effort against Franklin. Stevenson must contend with a Chargers defense that has been extra stingy this season. PICKS: Stevenson - Wright, Emons; Churchill -

Walled Lake Central (1-1, 0-0) at Westland John Glenn (1-1, 0-0): Who's stinging more: the Vikings following their 41-0 thrashing at the hands of Canton, or the Rockets, who were upended by a stronger-than-expected Northville team last week? The home-field advantage should help John Glenn rebound from its Week 2 downer. PICKS: John Glenn - Wright, Emons, Brown.

Wayne Memorial (0-2) at Walled Lake Western (2-0, 0-0): Talk about two teams heading in opposite directions early in the season. The Zebras' offense was shut out last week, while Western punished crosstown upstart Walled Lake Northern. Unfortunately for Wayne, it looks like both teams' trends will continue. PICKS: Western - Wright. Emons, Brown,

Garden City (0-2, 0-0) at Lincoln Park (0-2, 0-0): This is a pivotal game for two struggling teams. The winner has renewed hope of a respectable season; the loser's confidence will take another shot to the midsection. Garden City played tough for a half last week before falling to a strong Monroe team. The Cougars will put two strong haives together this week. PICKS: Garden City - Wright; Lincoln Park - Emons, Brown.

Redford Bishop Borgess (1-1, 0-0) at Detroit Urban Lutheran (1-1, 0-0): The level of competition increased noticeably from Week 1 to Week 2 for the Spartans, who got thumped by Detroit East Catholic last week after

thumping Detroit Old Redford Academy in the opener. The roller-coaster ride goes back up for Borgess, PICKS: Borgess - Wright, Emons: Urban Lutheran - Brown.

Redford Thurston (1-1, 0-0) at River Rouge (1-1, 0-1): The Eagles are hoping "The Tarell Lewis Show" is a long-running program and not a mini-series. Lewis scored four times in Thurston's 37-14 route of Ypsilanti last week. Rouge's defense should be as overmatched as the Braves were against Lewis. PICKS: Thurston - Wright, Emons,

Plymouth (0-2, 0-0) at Northville (2-0, 0-0): Despite their first year of varsity status, the Wildcats have been competitive, losing their first two contests by a total of 10 points. Northville opened some eyes last week with a resounding win over John Glenn. The Mustangs will win, but it will be closer than most people think. PICKS: Northville - Wright, Emons, Brown.

Salem (2-0, 0-0) at Walled Lake Northern (0-2, 0-0): Salem has looked impressive in winning its first two, but the Rocks' opponents have gone 0-4 so far. Which brings us to the Knights, who have yet to break into the win column. Salem's early roll continues. PICKS: Salem - Wright, Emons, Brown

Monroe (2-0, 0-0) at Believille (1-1, 0-0): This will be a defining game for coach Bob LaPointe's Tigers, who can make a serious statement with a win over the Trojans. coached by Greg Hudkins (formerly of Clarenceville fame). Monroe is big, strong and fast and will edge Belleville in a close one. PiCKS: Monroe - Wright, Emons; Believille -

Inkster (0-2, 0-2) at Redford Union (2-0, 2-0): This game was originally scheduled for Saturday at Inkster, but field problems moved the game to RU's Kraft Field, RU appears to be the team to beat in the Mega Gold. Inkster is coming off a 21-0 loss to Dearborn Heights Annapolis, a school which cancelled its season last year due to lack of numbers. PICKS: RU - Wright, Emons, Brown.

SATURDAY (All times 1 p.m. unless noted)

Lutheran Westland (1-1, 1-1) at St. Clair Shores South Lake (0-2, 0-1): It's only September, but South Lake has already frozen over. The Cavaliers have been outscored 90-6 in their first two games. Things won't be thawing out much this week against the Hawks. PICKS: Lutheran Westland - Wright, Brown; South Lake - Emons.

Livonia Clarenceville (1-1, 1-1) at Harper Woods (2-0, 1-0): One look at the Pioneers' point total this season they've outscored their foes 94-0 - and you'd be foolish not to pick them. However, their first two opponents were Waterford Mount Zion Christian and Hamtramck, which puts things in perspective. Clarenceville starts another long winning streak. PICKS: Clarenceville - Wright, Emons: Harper Woods - Brown.

Detroit DePorres (0-2, 0-0) at Redford Catholic Central (1-1, 0-0), 7 p.m. at Kraft Field: This Grade A matchup is last, but definitely not least, is DePorres' poor record more deceiving or disappointing? That question should be answered Saturday night against a CC team that is one point away from being undefeated. DePorres' speed will be a concern for the Shamrocks, but they'll contain it enough to win. PICKS: CC - Wright, Emons, Brown.

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CC rebounds from week one setback

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

A week after suffering a rare defeat, three-time defending Division I state football champion Redford Catholic Central got back on the winning said of the ledger Saturday night with a 42-0 win over London

(Ontario) Catholic Central at Redford Union's Kraft Field. We were pleased that the kids played better," said CC

coach Tom Mach, whose team is 1-1 overall. "We had a better week of practice. We don't expect to lose, and when you do, you realize improvements have to take place."

CC had little hangover from its 15-14 setback to Downers Grove South (Ill.) on opening weekend at the Pontiac Silverdome.

The Shamrocks led 28-0 at halftime and invoked the 35point mercy rule with 11:20 to go in the third quarter on Nick Barrett's 32-yard touchdown

Barrett, a 6-foot, 230-pound senior who finished with 91 yards on 12 carries, also scored on a 4-yard TD run with 6:10 left in the second quarter to make it 21-0. He added a 5yard TD run in the opening period.

Mike Parrelly, a 5-9, 185pound junior, who finished with 86 yards on nine carries, scored CC's first TD on a 5yard run with 6:13 to go in the first quarter.

Senior quarterback Anthony Sabo hit senior wide receiver Andrew Vitale on a 17-yard scoring pass with only 28 seconds left in the half to give the Shamrocks a 28-point cushion.

Edward Moore tallied CC's final TD with 5:01 left in the third period on a 19-yard run. Senior linebacker Kevin

Horal went 5-for-5 on extra points and led CC with seven tackles, including one solo and six assists. Rob Fragoso, Eric Vojtkofsky, John Morasso and Mike Carrier added four tackles apiece.

CC had a total of 365 yards total offense to London's 145. The Shamrocks ran for 315 yards, while limiting London to a mere 22 net yards on the ground.

"After looking at some things from the Downers Grove game I think we got better," Mach said. "That game brought out both some good and bad things. We ha evaluate and take a good, hard look after the first week."

The Shamrocks return to action 7 p.m. Saturday at Hilbert Middle School (Kraft Field) to face 0-2 Detroit St. Martin DePorres, the only team to defeat them last season.















Net gains

Salem netters slam Churchill, 8-0

BY ED WRIGHT

STAFF WRITER

Easy does it.

That sums up the Salem girls tennis team's 8-0 victory Tuesday afternoon over Livonia Churchill on the Chargers' home courts.

"All the girls played well," said Rock coach Lin Ware, whose team improved to 1-1-1. "We only had one three-set match. Our no. 4 singles player, Mo Bohr, is really solidifying that position for us. I've also been pleased with the play of our no. 3 doubles team, Stacey Ward and Shobha Narasimham."

Salem returns to action Saturday when it hosts an invitational. Matches are scheduled to begin at 9 a.m.

SALEM 8, LIVONIA CHURCHILL 0 Sept. 7 at Livonia Churchill H.S. No. 1 singles: Alex Ware (S) d. Karyn Tomasic, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Maranon Swasey (S) d. Rachel Saatio, 6-3, 6-2; No. 3: Sarah Jose (S) d. Ashley Keenmon, 6-2, 6-0; No. 4: Mo Bohr (S) d. Ruchi Shah, 6-0, 6-1.

No. 1 doubles: Katie Girskis and Tracy Lytle (S) d. Julie Favesty and Megan Stachura, 6-0, 6-3; No. 2: Michele Cilia and Erica Shy (S) d. Amy Vinsaw and Lindsey Paszko, 6-1, 5-7 and 6-1; No. 3: Stacey Ward and Shobha Narasimham (S) d. Alicia Kozakowski and Ashley McDermott, 6-1, 6-1; No. 4: Amy Yu and Laura Burton (S) d. Jenny Nisenbaum and Rachel Brandon, 6-2, 6-2.

Vikings ace Chiefs

Freshman Ashley Madau has been a silver lining in Canton's otherwise cloudy start to the 2004 season. The



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Salem no. 1 singles player Alex Ware returns a serve Tuesday in her match against Livonia Churchill's Karyn Tomasic. Both Ware and the Rocks cruised to easy victories.

no. 4 singles player improved her record to 2-0 Tuesday with a come-from-behind 4-6, 7-5, 6-3 win over Walled Lake Central's

Walled Lake Central's
Nicole Ausoett.
Unfortunately for the
Chiefs, Madau's win
accounted for half their
points in a 6-2 loss to

Central. Canton is now 0-2. "Along with Ashley, I thought our no. 1 doubles team of Laura McKendry and Dani Reinhardt played well," Canton coach Barb Lehman said. "They gave it everything they had before losing in three sets."

Canton's only other win came when the Vikings No. 3 doubles team defaulted to Natalie Slupek and Heidi Phillips due to injury. At the time of the default, Slupek and Phillips led, 6-3, 1-0.

Canton will travel to Brighton today to take on the Bulldogs.

> W.L. CENTRAL 6, CANTON 2 Sept. 7 at Canton H.S.

No. 1 singles: Michelle Maxfield (WLC) d. Chelsea Darouie, 6-2, 6-1; No. 2: Liz Murray (WLC) d. Katie Bedard, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Erica Rouleah (WLC) d. Emity Hoernschemeyer, 6-2, 6-0; No. 4: Ashley Madæu (C) d. Nicole Ausoett, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.

No. 1 doubles: Megan Haddad and Allie Rotenberg (WLC) d. Laura McKendry and Dani Reinhardt (C), 7-5, 4-6, 6-2; No. 2: Michelle Gursky and Candace Berry (WLC) d. Jennifer Martin and Sheela Ramesh, 7-5, 6-3; No. 3: Natalie Slupek and Heidi Phillips (C) d. Lauren Arnold and Momoko Kowakani by default; No. 4: Melana Gazauyan and Marona Oeybzoh (WLC) d. Ann Katherine Leiting and Nicole Burdiss, 6-4, 6-3.



Salem no. 2 singles player Maranon Swasey swept Churchill's Rachel Saatio, 6-3, 6-2, in Tuesday's Western Lakes Activities Association match. Salem is now 1-1-1.

PCA soccer team remains unbeaten

Sophomore Trevor King scored Livonia Clarenceville's lone goal off a direct free kick at the 10-minute mark of the second half Tuesday, but it wasn't enough as Plymouth Christian Academy used a 5-0 lead to beat the host Trojans in a non-conference game.

Ben Welton scored four times, raising his season total to seven for the Eagles, now 7-0-1 on the season. Welton also had two assists.

Cody Pickren added hat trick, his 11th, 12th and teamleading 13th on the year, to go along with two assists in the lopsided victory.

"I can honestly say we played a better game than last week, but we obviously still have some weaknesses," Clarenceville coach Cassandra Gray said, "We're still working

Clarenceville coach Cassandra Gray said. "We're still working on some basics, like positioning and recovering from offense to defense.

"Our team is still in a stage where we are switching positions to see what works, and trying to gel. Hopefully, we can make some more improvements this week, as our kids need more experiences to improve."

PCA handed Division 3 opponent New Boston Huron a convincing 5-1 defeat Thursday night.

Cody Pickren scored three times while Caleb James found the back of the net twice for the winners.

James, Ben Welton, Dan Monroe and Steve Sumner were credited with assists for the Eagles.

PCA goalie Matt Saagman

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continued his brilliant play in front of the net. The sophomore yielded his first goal of the year Thursday, but he did stop a penalty kick late in the contest.

BROTHER RICE 2, REDFORD CC 1:
Redford Catholic Central coach
Joe Nora was happy with his
team's effort, despite a setback
Tuesday at Birmingham
Brother Rice in the Catholic
League Central Division opener
for both teams.

CC is now 4-1-2 overall.

"The first 20 minutes I was really pleased," Nora said. "It' we were following our plan, working and getting chances.

"But something happened that hasn't happened all yearwe went flat and Brother Rice started taking it to us."

After a scoreless first half, CCs Dade DiMaggio opened the second half scoring.

"After the gool we played

"After the goal we played pretty strong the next five minutes then fell back on our heels," Nora said.

Rice tied the match with 12 minutes remaining and scored the game winner in the 74th minute.

Nora singled out the play of sweeper Bret Fortuna, "who played real solid," along with goalkeeper Brian Walsh.

"This exposed a couple of weaknesses of ours," Nora said. "We need to play a full game. It's definitely something we can work on. In the Catholic League you can't really dwell on a loss."



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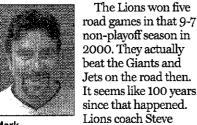
24 and counting: Lions can set new direction Sunday

he Detroit Lions begin the 2004 NFL season with the most dubious record in all of sports - 24 straight road losses and the all-time league mark for futility.

The Lions haven't won a road game since Week 16 of the 2000 season. It's been so long that Y2K was still fresh, Lions Prez Matt Millen was still broadcasting games for Fox and Britney Spears hadn't married anyone vet.

"I haven't experienced a win away from Detroit since I got here," said Jeff Backus, fourth-year Lions offensive lineman. "It's certainly our top priority right now."

"We all know the streak is out there, but those of us that just got here see it as our first regular season game as Lions," said guard Damian Woody, who got used to winning a lot for two-time Super Bowl champion New England.



Mark Wilson

Mariucci is so focused on it he made it part of his state of the Lions address back when camp opened in late July.

"We know we have the worst record in football the last three years," Mariucci said. "We want to see how fast we can turn this thing around and ... we want to win on the road."

It's been Mariucci's mantra in his second season as Lions coach.

Owner William Clay Ford has put his

trust in Millen. The best draft in the NFL and a crop of top-flight free agents gives the man who pays the bills hope that, if nothing else, improvement will come in Joey Harrington's third year as Lions starting quarterback. That means at least one road win.

"Joey will be just fine," Ford said before the preseason road loss in Cleveland. "I have a lot of faith that he can get this done."

At least that one doesn't count. Harrington, who didn't play in the Lions' final preseason win over Buffalo, last won on the road as a senior at the University of Oregon. The team nickname is the Ducks. Real ducks have flown south for the winter and back four times since the Lions last sniffed a road win.

Problem is, the Chicago Bears know about that streak and with a new

coach in Lovie Smith, they don't want to be the team that breaks it. Not losing to the Lions this Sunday at Soldier Field has been on Smith's mind as long as beating the Bears has been on Mariucci's.

Eventually, the Lions will win a road game. Then again, who thought an NFL team could go 46 years with one playoff victory?

Defensive end Robert Porcher, in his final NFL season, was drafted by the Lions the year after that playoff "W." The last thing he wants to do is go out with a four-year road losing skid.

"I want to win every game, home or away," Porcher said. "I can't even imagine finishing my career without winning a road game for four straight years."

"It's really unbelievable, but we can't think about that. We have a game to get ready for. We'll let others worry about streaks," All-Pro cornerback Dré Bly

A win over the Bears on the road would be a boost for everyone before the home opener against Houston. It would come in Chicago, where the Lions once gave away an overtime game because the wind was blowing. Wind in the Windy City. Who knew? That was No. 14 in the

It's now 24 and counting. The counting can end Sunday.

Mark Wilson is host of the Steve Mariucci Show Mondays on WKRK-FM (97.1). A 25-year veteran of TV and radio sportscasting, Wilson's been a radio talk show host at WKRK for the past five years on Sports Night with Parker and the Man. He's a former Associated Press and Michigan Association of Broadcasters Michigan Sportscaster of the Year. He lives in West Bloomfield.



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Lodish: Harrington has the 'tools' to be a strong quarterback ?

BY MARTY BUDNER STAFF WRITER

If anyone knows quarterbacks, it's Mike Lodish.

An 11-year NFL veteran and a participant in an NFL-record six Super Bowls, Lodish played with two of the best in Hall of Farners Jim Kelly at Buffalo and John Elway at Denver.

So Detroit football fans can take solace in the fact Lodish believes Lions quarterback Joey Harrington is on the rise. While he's certainly not Hall of Fame material yet, Lodish says the thirdyear Lions signal caller has the ability to be a winner in the world's toughest professional football league.

"I think Joey has shown a tremendous amount of ability and improvement over the last year and has developed into a nice quarterback," said Lodish, the

Birmingham Brother Rice High School graduate who will do Detroit Lions postgame shows on WDFN, Radio 1130.

"He's not a Hall of Fame quarterback vet and he's not a Pro Bowl quarterback yet. But, does he have all the tools to be a good quarterback? Yes.

"He has the frame and size to be a strong quarterback," he said. "I've always liked Joey Harrington. I think he has great ability."

Harrington's had two lackluster years as a starter as he continues to master the West Coast offense. Detroit's first-round selection out of Oregon in the 2002 NFL Draft has started 28 of 30 games.

As a rookie, Harrington showed promise when he set Lions' first-year single-season records in yards (2,294), touchdowns (12), attempts (429) and completions (215). He also set franchise single-game records that year for yards

(309, the only 300-yard passing game by a rookie in team history), attempts (44) and completions (25).

Last year, among first- or second-year quarterbacks, he led in touchdown passes, passing yards, attempts and completions and was the only one to play and start in every game. His 554 pass attempts - third overall in the NFL and 309 completions were the secondhighest totals in Detroit history.

For the second straight season, Harrington led the NFL with the lowest sacks/pass play ratio (1.60 per cent), after being sacked just nine times in 563

While those are positive numbers, Harrington's down side is that he's tossed 38 interceptions the past two seasons while throwing just 29 touchdown passes. That minus-nine ratio between TD passes and interceptions is the sec-

ond lowest in the NFL over that time period.

The Lions are banking that Harrington's numbers will improve this year based on his experience and the fact he's got a few more playmakers to work

Michigan State graduate Charles Rogers missed most of last year due to injury and the Lions expect him to come back strong. Detroit also drafted Texas speedster Roy Williams with the hopes he will open up the field. Rookie running back Kevin Jones from Virginia Tech figures to aid the offensive attack with his slick style.

So with all those young weapons wearing Honolulu blue and silver, the Lions are hoping this is the year Harrington comes of age. Opposing teams will not only have to worry about a more balanced offense this year, but a

more talented one as well.

Lodish agrees with that theory. Every great quarterback in the NFL has had tremendous players around him," said Lodish, a Birmingham resident who starred in college at UCLA. "Joe Montana had great people to work with. John Elway I think was one of the greatest quarterbacks ever - he could run, he could throw and he could hurt you in most any way.

"If Joey stays healthy and his receivers stay healthy, he'll be OK. I don't see him as the best at his position, but I see him as an excellent football player right now. I think he's looked better this pre-season. The more reps you have, the better you

'This is his third year now and I think he's really starting to understand the offense and getting a better handle on how it works," he said.



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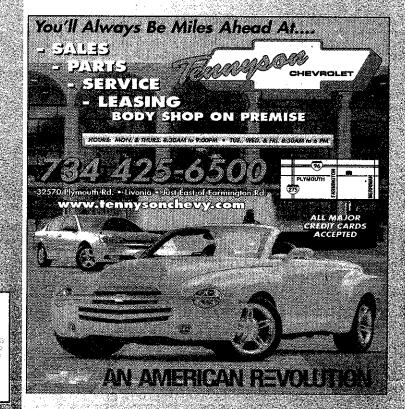
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Gavie Memorial Tournament Former CC great killed in accident kick starts bowling season

abor Day is upon us and for some it means back to school, while for others it means back to work.

And for area bowlers, it means the start of the new league season has arrived. Some leagues have already begun before the holiday and most will get started after Labor Day.

The traditional kickoff is always the John P. Gavie Memorial Tournament at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen

Final results of the Gavie, held Aug. 23, is as follows:

Men's Division (64 teams): Cosma 300 Bowl Classic, first place, 3,471; S&B Pro Shop (same team that just won the team event championship at the National ABC tournament in Reno, Nev.), second, 3,368; Thunderbowl Lanes 22, third, 3,331; Eastridge Insurance, fourth, 3,313; 5-Star Lanes, fifth, 3,289.

Senior division (16 teams): Shorecrest Lanes, first, 3,261; Cosma Senior Classic, second, 3,242; Oldies, third, 3,227. Ladies Division (14 teams): Clique Ladies, first, 3,407;

Royal Ladies, second, 3,135. The event was a huge success as usual, but too bad that some teams actually had to be turned away because all spots were filled.

■ If you are looking for a



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league to join, there are a number of good leagues around town that still need a few good men (or women).

Check these out to see if one is right for you.

Merri Bowl, in Livonia, located at Five Mile Road and Merriman, has some league openings for men at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays; also for ladies at 6:30 p.m. Friday. A mixed league is also available at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays.

These leagues all can use some individuals or full teams and seem to feature a good scoring condition.

For example, Michelle Sterbanz rolled a 300 game with a 757 series in the first week of bowling in the ladies doubles league.

For more information, call (734) 427-2900.

Country Lanes in Farmington Hills has openings for individuals or full teams in the 9:30 a.m. Mondays for its Friends & Neighbors Ladies

The Wednesday Knights, a men's league, rolls at 9:30 p.m.

(Women can bowl if sanctioned under the American **Bowling Congress.**)

Another time slot open is 6:15 p.m. Thursdays for the sanctioned Country Lanes ladies league (five members per team, along with 9:30 a.m. Friday for the Ladies Forum (four per squad).

The 10 a.m. Saturday Youth League can always take on more youth bowlers of all ages.

Parents, this is the right thing to do for your kids. Get them started early and they will gain more than just learning to bowl. It is a learning experience for such things as sportsmanship, character building, and experiencing competition and fair play.

For more information, call Country Lanes at (248) 476-3201 during the day and ask for manager Pamela Jones of Livonia, who bowled in the Women's International Bowling Congress tournament (doubles competition, May 24, in Wichita, Kan.

Jones' doubles partner was missing, so Pam met up with Kanice Aldridge of Rapid City, S.D., and together, they placed sixth in this huge event, each earning \$371.

They plan to do it again next year at Tulsa, Okla.

More information about league openings in my next column.

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

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BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

Former Redford Catholic Central High football and wrestling standout John Spolsky was among two people killed early Sunday morning in a single-car rollover crash on Plymouth Road in Superior Township.

The 27-year-old Spolsky, a 2000 Air Force Academy graduate who lettered two seasons with the Falcons as a nose guard, had just completed Airborne Ranger School training in North Dakota and was awaiting a 12-month assignment in Korea.

Also killed was 32-year-old Trisha Bohm, a special education teacher in Coral Springs, Fla., who had just flown in during the weekend to visit family and friends from Fort Lauderdale to avoid Hurricane Frances.

The two other occupants in the 2001 Jeep Grand Cherokee were recently released from the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital — Trisha Bohm's brother Christopher, 26, of South Lyon, a school teacher from Lake Orion, and Ryan Kato, 27, of Dublin, Ohio.

Spolsky, Christopher Bohm and Kato were all teammates on Catholic Central's 1995 state Class AA championship football team.

"It's so heartbreaking," said CC wrestling coach Mike Rodriguez. "We've had a lot of special kids at our school, but John was by far, right up there at the top. He was such an awesome young man."

CC football coach Tom Mach had learned Spolsky had attended the Shamrocks'

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk



John Spolsky

42-0 win Saturday night over London Catholic Central, but had not spoken with him.

"It makes you appreciáte life more when something like this happens," Mach said. "Everybody knew John was an upstanding, genuine person — everybody liked him. His character and personal values are what made him an outstanding person.

"Even though he got a lot of accolades, he was still the same type of person wherever he went."

In an initial press release, the Washtenaw County Sherrif's Department said the two victims and one other occupant were thrown from the vehicle. A fourth occupant was also injured. Deputies were unable to determine the driver.

Washtenaw deputies were called to the foggy crash scene around 2:45 a.m. and determined the 2001 Jeep Cherokee, registered in Spolsky's name, failed to negotiate a curve while traveling westbound on Plymouth Road. The Jeep ran off the right side of the road and into a ditch, rolling over several times before coming to rest in the backyard of a home west of Joy

Trisha Marie Bohm was a graduate of Northville High School and Eastern Michigan University who had recently relocated from Walled Lake to Florida to take a teaching position.

Trisha had done volunteer work and enjoyed working with the mentally impaired, along with the severely and emotionally handicapped, according to her mother, Mary Lou Bohm.

"She had a gift," Mary Lou Bohm said. "John and Chris were best friends, and John and Trisha had a special bond, too. They enjoyed each other's company, they conversed and were always in each other's spirits.'

Family members and friends spoke Tuesday during Trisha Bohm's visitation at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth.

Visitation for Spolsky will be from 3-9 today at John J. O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, located on the south side Grand River Avenue near Meadowbrook Road in Novi. Mass will be said at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Robert Bellarmine, located at West Chicago and Inkster roads, in Redford.

As a senior at CC, Spolsky was an All-State linebacker and fullback who helped CC win the state title. He also captured the state heavyweight class in wrestling, going 55-0, after losing only one match all season as a junior, that coming in the finals.

"John was a man coming in as a freshman because he was so physically well-built," Rodriguez said. "He didn't want to be an average athlete, he always wanted an edge. He was fun to work with."

Spolsky earned his first letter as a junior during Air Force's winningest football season (1998) when the Falcons finished 12-1. As a senior, the a 5foot-11, 240-pound nose guard became a starter. He also broke the Air Force power index weightlifting record, which had been held by Chad Hennings, who later went on to play for the NFL's Dallas Cowboys.

Mach called Spolsky "the best fullback I've ever had in my 29 years here."

"During the '95 season John was a dominant figure," Mach added. "That year his drive was unbelievable. He was a great competitor. His intensity is what made him a good athlete and such a good example."

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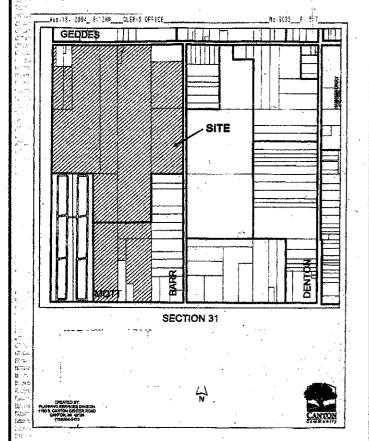
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, September 13, 2004 in the Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning

<u>\$1 CANTON ASSOCIATES REZONING - CONSIDER</u>REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 122 99 0002 000, 122 99 0004 701, 122 99 0005 701 (NORTH 1317,26 FT), 122 99 0006 000 (NORTH 1320.05 FT), 122 99 0007 000 (NORTH 1320,05 FT) 122 99 0008 000, AND 122 99 0011 000 FROM RURAL AGRICULTURAL, TO R-2, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL AND PARCEL NOS. 122 99 0003 000, 122 99 0005 701 (MIDDLE 1317.26 FT) AND 122 99 0007 000 (SOUTH 1304.48 FT) FROM RA, RURAL AGRICULTURAL TO R-3, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL AND PARCEL NOS. 122 99 0005 701 (SOUTH 990.00 FT), 123 99 0003 000, 123 99 0004 000 (PART OF), 123 99 0005 000 AND 123 99 0015 000 FROM R-1, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO R-4, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located west of Barr between Mott and Geddes Road. The overall rezoning plan is on file and available for inspection in the Planning Services Division at the township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S.



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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of

Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept

sealed proposals at the Leisure Services Department up to 5:00

PROFESSIONAL CONVERSION SERVICES FOR THE

CLEMIS PUBLIC SAFETY SYSTEM

Specifications are available at the Department of Public Safety or

you may call Staci Reynolds at (734) 394-5439 All proposals must

be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the

proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and

date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the

right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does

not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex,

religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of

p.m, September 24th, 2004 for the following:

PROPOSED ACTION: AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP

REZONE FROM: C-2. General Commercial

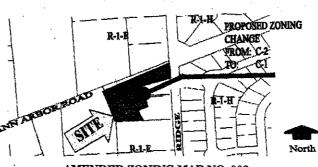
District REZONE TO: C-1 Neighborhood Shopping District

DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, September 15, 2004 TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township, on its own motion, proposes to rezone parcel R78-048-99-0022-700 from C-2, General Commercial District to C-1, Neighborhood Shopping District. The property address is 49471 and 49485 Ann Arbor Road.

Application 1845.



AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 003 Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne, Michigan LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel descriptions, see tax

records based on Tax ID Nos. R78-048-99-0022-700.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the zoning map of the Township, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services Building, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, or call (734) 453-8131, ext. 37. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township, MI 48170. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend rezoning of the subject property to any use allowable under the provisions of the Plymouth Township Zoning Ordinance

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township meetings to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisor's Office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone (734) 453-3840. TDD users: 1-800-849-3777 (Michigan Relay

> KENDRA BARBERENA, Secretary Planning Commission

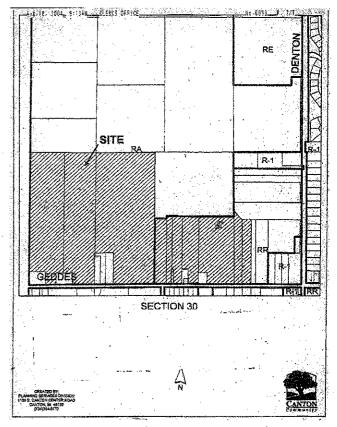
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

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WEST TOWN LINE REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 119 99 0001 0009 (PART OF), 119 99 0002 001, 119 99 0003 001, 119 99 0007 000, 120 99 0002 000, 120 99 00003 000, 120 99 0004 700, 120 99 0006 000, 120 99 0009 001, 120 99 0015 000 AND 120 99 0016 000 FROM RURAL AGRICULTURAL (1 DWELLING UNIT/40 ACRES), AND BURAL RESIDENTIAL (1 DWELLING UNIT/5 ACRES) TO R-2, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (2 DWELLING UNITS/ACRE). Property is located north of Geddes between Denton Road and the western boundary of the Township.



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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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win Cactus Classic

Madonna University completed its sweep Saturday of the desert, winning the Grand Canyon College (Ariz.) Cactus Classic women's volleyball tournament with wins over the Master's College (Calif.) and The Franciscan University

The Crusaders, ranked third in the most recent National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics poll, are off to a 9-1 start despite the absence of preseason All-America Laura Lesko, who is expected to miss the next two-to-four weeks with a bad back.

Two MU players, 5-foot-10 outside hitter Sharvse Bush and setter Ashley Frost, were honored for their efforts at the Cactus Classic.

Bush, a senior, was named Player of the Week by both NAIA Region 8 and Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference after racking up 69 kills (5.75 per game) in four matches, including an opening-round win over Azusa Pacific (Calif.).

The Flint Central High and Mott Community College product hit at a .422 clip while recording 31 digs and seven blocks.

Frost, a junior from Lake

Odessa, was named NAIA Region 8 and WHAC Setter of the Week after averaging 13 assists per game in four MU victories. She also had a total of 60 digs and nine blocks.

Both were named to the All-Tournament team as MU also defeated Master's, 30-17, 30-22, 30-28,

Bush led the way with 20 kills, while Natalja Tinina had 18. Caryn Inman and Tera Morrill (Livonia Franklin) added 12 each.

Tinina and Frost each had a team-high 18 digs, while Morrill added 17 and Stefanie DeNardin 14. Frost finished with 44 assists as Master's falls

Bush had 16 kills and Tinina added 11 in a 30-10, 30-15, 30-23 victory over Franciscan (1-3). Frost contributed 39 assists and 17 digs, while DeNardin had 16 digs. Becci Crane added 10 as Fran.

Late Friday, Heather Spooner came off the bench to contribute six kills and four blocks as MU handed College of the Southwest its first loss of the year, 30-27, 30-26, 30-17.

Tinina had a team-high 14 kills in 30 attempts, while Frost finished with 43 assists.

Madonna spikers Strong winds inspire Lake Orion inventor

nspiration sometimes comes from unlikely places. Just ask Tom Sampe.

An unpleasant day on a windy Florida beach over a decade ago launched the Lake Orion resident on a journey that has culminated in a prosperous part-time business.

A retired landscaper, Sampe often winters in Florida.

"I enjoy the sunshine, and it offers me a time to relax and to run," said Sampe, a veteran of a couple marathons and hundreds of 10k races. "One day it was so windy it literally blew everybody off the beach.

"I got behind an outhouse building to get out of the wind and thought to myself, 'No way. I didn't come down here for this. I can't even see the ocean from here."

He needed something to sit behind that would break the wind - something effective, yet mobile.

Sampe went home and immediately started drawing up sketches of potential windbreakers.

"I had several patterns and finally came up with the t-pee design," Sampe said. "It blocks wind and provides shade," and also provides cover for hunters and anglers.

He calls his windbreakers The Apache Pyramid. The initial pyramids were made strictly to block the wind and provide shade, but Sampe has expanded his line to include portable hunting and fishing blinds as well as a kid's version that doubles as a fort/play

"When the hunting season came around that year I thought, 'Hey, this could make an interesting ground blind," Sampe said.

With a simple change of material his windbreaker



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hunting blind. The slick thing about the The Apache Pyramid is it's a quick, simple set up.

After showing me just one time how it works, I set up a blind, start to finish, in less than 20 seconds. It breaks down just as quickly and rolls up into a 5-or 6-foot long roll that weighs less than four pounds and can be slung right over your shoulder.

For hunting, Sampe offers eight different camo patterns, including Advantage Timber, Full Benefit camo, snow camo and hunter orange. The material is poly/cotton cloth and most blinds offer two different patterns, one on each side of the cloth. There is also an ice fishing model, made from a wind-proof Regency material.

"They are actually a twosided pyramid," Sampe explained. "If you face it into the wind like an arrow, the wind sort of knifes away."

There are also pockets sewn into the bottom edge of the material, perfect for adding a little weight for ice fishing like a couple bottles of water.

"They work great for ice fishing," he said. "The wind won't blow through it - the Regency material is nylon coated. And they won't blow away either, but a little snow helps so you can stick it in a little."

The lightweight frame is made of 3/8-inch fiberglass rod. Sampe offers two sizes, a 5-

foot model, which is great for ground-sitting turkey hunters,



Lake Orion resident Tom Sampe has a prosperous part-time business going with the design of The Apache Pyramid. His windbreakers were made strictly to block the wind and provide shade, but Sampe has expanded his line to include portable hunting and fishing blinds, as well as a kid's version that doubles as a fort/play area.

and a 6-foot model, suited for hunting off a raised seat or bucket. The 5-footers retail for \$90 and the larger models go for \$120.

"With camo on both sides, you can use it in front of you. or as a back-in blind," Sampe said.

Sampe said his blinds have been well received by sportsmen across the nation, who use them for hunting waterfowl,



predators, doves, turkeys and

"They use them for all types of hunting," he said. He added that people have also used them for

photography and videography Sampe said most of his sales of the Apache Pyramid Blinds are through outdoor shows and limited catalog sales through Lost Nation.

Anyone interested in learn ing more about the The Apache Pyramid blind can call Sampe at (248) 391-2131.

Bill Parker covers the outdoors for dis the Observer & Eccentric. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Bill Parker, c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009



SPORTS ROUNDUP

The Northville Parks & offering the following programs beginning in September:

- Adult volleyball leagues both women's and co-ed - will start Monday, Sept. 13 and run 12 weeks. The entry fee is \$220
- Drop-in co-ed adults 50+ volleyball will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The fee is \$1.

Recreation department will be

- per team.

NORTHVILLE REC OFFERINGS

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badminton will be offered Tuesday and Friday nights. The nightly fee is \$7.

■ Open table tennis will be offered Mondays from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. The fee is \$4 per day.

For more information on these programs, call (248) 449-

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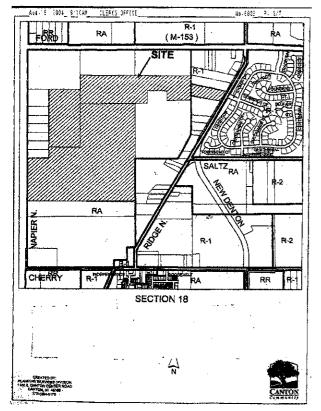
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

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CAPITOL PARK REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 069 99 0010 000, 069 99 0015 001, 070 99 0002 000 (PART OF) AND 071 99 0003 000 FROM RURAL AGRICULTURAL (1 DWELLING UNIT/40 ACRES), R-1 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (1 DWELLING UNIT/ACRE) AND CHERRY HILL VILLAGE OVERLAY DISTRICT, TO R-2, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (2 DWELLING UNITS/ACRE). Property is located south of Ford Road between Ridge and Napier Roads.



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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

Publish: September 9, 2004

NOTICE

This is to notify you that Fellowship Baptist Church of Southeastern Michigan, a Michigan nonprofit corporation with its registered office and principal business address located at 4295. Napier Road, Plymouth, Michigan and previously at 48910 Ford Road, Canton, Michigan is dissolving and winding up its business. Please send written notification of any existing claim(s) to P.O. Box 87961, Canton, MI 48187. All written claims must include the following information: name of claimant, claimant's principal place of business, amount of claim, supporting documentation, contact person and reply information. All claim notifications must be received within six (6) months after the publication date of this notice. If the claim notification is not received within six (6) months after the first publication date of this notice, the claim(s) will be barred pursuant to Michigan law.

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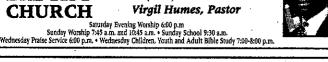
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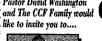


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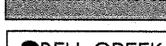
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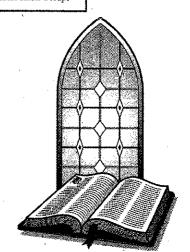
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SEPTEMBER

Rummage Sale

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 11, at Orchard Lake Community Church, Presbyterian, 5171 Commerce Road, between Orchard Lake Road and Hiller.

Bible Study

Focusing on the book of Joshua, begins 9:15 a.m. (to 11:30 a.m.) Thursday, Sept. 9, at Beverly Hills Church, 20000 W, 13 Mile at Evergreen. For more information, call (248) 642-7707 or (248) 540-

Three Baritones concert

The Birmingham-First Concert Series launches its 2004-2005 season with The Three Baritones 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 West Maple, between Cranbrook and Southfield roads, Birmingham. No charge, Free will offering collected at each program to benefit future events in the concert series. Appropriate for all ages. Call (248) 644-2040.

Bible lecture series

"Is There Hope in the Apocalypse?" Bible prophecy lecture series begins 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, with "What Does the Future Hold?", at Cherry Hills Seventh-day Adventist Church, 33144 Cherry Hill, Garden City, Meetings continue Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday nights for several weeks. No charge. Open to everyone. Childcare provided.

Soulful Sundown

5:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 11, guest speaker is 9/11 survivor Todd Creutz, at Grace Lutheran Church, 46001 Warren Road, Canton. Call (734) 414-7422. Coffee at 5 p.m. **Vendors** wanted

For Saturday, Sept. 11 Flea Market (10

a.m. to 3 p.m.) at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church parking lot, 30900 Six Mile, Livonia, Table space is \$15. Call (248) 476-0908.

Fail Flea Market

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, in the parking lot at St. Matthew's Church, 30900 Six Mile, Livonia. A portion of the proceeds go to support missions. Anyone interested in a space to sell their items or more information, call Margaret Northey at (248) 476-0908

Christian Youth Soccer League

"An Evening of Magic," a CYSL fundraiser 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at United Baptist Family Life Center, 236 Middlebelt, Garden City. Cost is \$5, family rates available. Call Terri Fritz. secretary at (734) 513-7844 or Alden Porter (734) 968-9358.

Worship schedule

Resumes regular Sunday worship schedule beginning Sept. 12, which also features Rally Day, the beginning of the Sunday School program at Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Church. 33360 W. 13 Mile at Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Services will be held at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. with Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m. A contemporary service called Praise Forth is held on the fourth Sunday of each month. For information, call (248) 626-

New modern-style worship Come be part of something big!

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church (14175 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Just north of 1-96) is beginning a new MOD-ERN-style worship service on Sunday, Sept. 12. This multi-media service will be informal, using modern and praise music, led by vocalists and various instruments. Dramas, led by the members, will often be part of this service. This service will be held at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday, between the traditional services at 8:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday School, youth, and adult Bible classes will also be offered at 9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. each Sunday. For information, call Linda Hollman, Outreach Director, at (734) 522-6830.

Rally Day Celebration

And Homecoming Picnic Sunday, Sept. 12, begins 9:30 a.m. with the Educational Ministries team providing classes to adults, young adults, youth and children, followed by 11 a.m. worship in the Gothic Sanctuary at First Baptist Church, 300 Willits, one block north of Maple, one block west of Old Woodward, Birmingham. Parking adjacent to church's north entrance. Picnic follows in Springdale Park, the church provides main course picnic foods and beverages, guests are asked to bring a dish to pass, event is appropriate for young and old and includes field games and other special

events. New pastor installation

Pastor Carl Ames will be officially installed at a worship service with Bishop Robert Rimbo 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 12, at Prince of Peace in Westland. A welcome luncheon immediately follows and coincides with Rally Day and the kickoff of the fall education schedule. Rally Day activities begin at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Ames begins preaching at the 9:30 a.m. service Sunday, Sept. 5. Prince of Peace is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran

RELIGION CALENDAR

Church of American in the Southeast Michigan Synod. For more information, call (734) 722-1735.

Rally Day

Combined worship service featuring all of the church's and schools musical groups kicks of Raily Day Sunday, Sept. 12, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 3003 Hannan, Wayne. Open house follows at 10:15 a.m.. A pot luck luncheon with hot dogs will be served 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Fun and games follow. For information, call (734) 728-1950.

Calvin Taylor concert 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12 at First Baptist Church of Detroit, 21200 Southfield Road on the service drive north of Eight Mile, Southfield. No charge. Free will offering will be taken. Taylor has performed in North and South America, Europe, Ukraine and the Far East. He holds music degrees from Oberlin Conservatory, and the universities of Michigan and Kentucky. He has 10 solo recordings. Movements from his Sunrise Symphony have been performed by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Call (248) 569-2972.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy, and renew their love for each other will take place Friday-Sunday, Sept. 10-12, Oct. 15-17, and Nov. 19-21, at St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth. There is a \$50 registration fee. For more information or to register, call (248) 528-2512 or (810) 286-5524, or visit the Web site at www.rc.net/detroit/wwme.

New service times

9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. beginning Sept. 12 for the fall and winter months, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills, Call (248) 476-8860.

Farmington Aglow meeting

6-8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 13 (doors open 5:30 p.m.) at Farmington Community Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile, between Orchard Lake and Farmington roads. Aglow International is a community lighthouse for women. In addition to the meeting, they offer praise and worship, and prayer meetings.

Women of the Word

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study, Women of the Word, begins studying the Book of Luke, entitled Grace Under Pressure 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14, at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile. \$15 registration fee includes interdenominational study materials. Childcare available for children through age 5. For more information, call (248) 348-7600.

Forty Days class

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church is opening their doors to the community for the fall class "The Purpose Driven Life," a six-week study based on the best selling book by Rick Warren, begins Tuesday, Sept. 14 and Thursday, Sept. 16 with morning class 9:30-11 a.m. and evening class 7:30 - 9 p.m. at the church on the north side of Six Mile Road, between Merriman and Middlebelt. Livonia. Discover the answer to the question you have sometimes asked yourself, "What on earth am I here for?" This study is also known as the "40 days of Purpose" and is a small group Bible study. Pre-register by calling (734) 427-1414 and leave your name, address and phone number.

Grief support programs

At Hope Lutheran Church, 3640 Madison at Carlysle, Dearborn. Families are encouraged to attend together as agespecific groups are offered within one convenient location. All are welcome. Seven week series for ages 5-12 begins 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14 (parents and guardians attend the first evening to learn more about the program, various activities and projects are offered by a licensed professional). Six week series for ages 13-17 begin 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21. Adult six week series begins 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21. To register, call Howe-Peterson Funeral Home (313) 561-6163.

Stronger Women

Walking group, jogging, aerobic exercise, crafts, speakers, coffee social, fun and fellowship 9:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 16 to Nov. 18, at Faith Covenant Church, 35415 W. 14 Mile, Farmington Hills. Registration fee \$25, walk-ins \$5. Baby-sitting \$2 per child, \$4 per family per session. For more information, call (248) 661-9191.

Pastor to Pastor series

11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sept. 16, join other pastors for a complimentary luncheon and live CCN satellite presentation of the Emotionally Healthy Pastor hosted by HB London, at William Tyndale College, 35700 West 12 Mile at Drake, Farmington Hills. RSVP by Sept. 13. Call (248) 553-7200.

Youth Raily

Pregnancy Centers of Southeastern Michigan presents Truth & Purity Youth Rally 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 1100 Lone Pine Road at Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills. Tickets \$5 in advance, \$8 at door, \$20 for groups of 5 or more. Speaker is super model Kim Alexis, music by eightysixdrama & Katie Arnold, emcee is tri-athlete Brad Seng. Art competition with prizes. For more information or to register, call (248) 293-0070.

Forty Days campaign

During 40 Days of Purpose people will experience the truths about God's purposes in worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry and evangelism through a weekly message by the Pastor, small group fellowship, personal family daily devotional readings and scripture memory verses beginning 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, at Warren Road Light & Life Church, Westland. For more information or to become involved, call Pastor David Powless at (734) 458-7301.

Lav caregiver workshop

The Role of Faith Development in Pastoral Care workshop will be held 2:30-4:40 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Registration required so that staff may prepare adequate materials for participants, call (248) 476-8860. Presented by Anne Hampson of Samaritan Counseling Center of Southeastern Michigan, the workshop will help lay caregivers achieve a new way of thinking and attending to their care receivers.



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Died September 5, 2004, age 59 of

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of Katherine. Dear father of Jamie

Dale and Jason Scott, brother of

Suzanne (the late Charles "Bud") Kitzmiller, Skip (Lisa) Freese and Sandy Freese. Brother-in-law of Glen

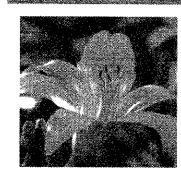
and Mary Coffey and Jeff and Linda Long. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Services were held at

the Uht Funeral Home, Westland, Wednesday, September 8, 2004, with Pastor Dave Stewart officiating. The

family requests memorials be directed

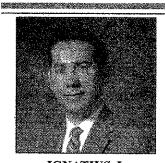
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IGNATIUS J. PALMISANO, MD

Age 86. August 30, 2004. Dear hus-Age 86. August 30, 2004. Dear husband of Wanda for 53 years. Loving father of John, David (Mimi), Steven (Kimberly), Nancy, Peter (Maggie), Robert (Molly), and Daniel (Jodi). Grandfather of 14. Brother of Frank, Ann Rizzuto and Sr. Antoinette Palmisano and the late Mary, Angela and Sam Brother in Law of Albert and Sam. Brother in Law of Albert (Jean) Hamialo. Practicing Physician and Surgeon for 47 years. Graduated Layola Stritch School of Medicine in Chicago, in 1943, completed his residency in surgery at Sinai-Grace (Mt Carmel) and practiced at Mt. Carmel and St. Mary in Livonia. Dr. Malmisano was a Livonia resident for 51 years. Served in the Navy in the Pacific during WWII.

MARIE A. MAST (nee HOERER)

Age 88, of Plymouth, died September 2004. She was born August 12. 1916, in Quincy, Illinois to John and Leona Hoerer. She married Harry E. 20, 1939, November Springfield, Illinois. He preceded her in death on August 5, 1995. After trom Illinois State Norma University, Marie worked as a teacher in Vermilian Co. Public School Danville, Illinois, and later in Detroit. Earlier in her life, she enjoyed partic ipating in many dramas and musical programs. Mrs. Mast volunteered in various capacities throughout her life. including school and scout activities for her four daughters. Later, she volunteered at area hospitals and at the Plymouth Historical Museum. She was also an active member of the Plymouth Gardening Club and the Republican Party. She is survived by her daughters, Judith Togrul of New York, Jean (George) Roshowic of Rockford, IL, Patricia Mast of Warren, and Mary Kay (Paul) Gilmer of South Korea; 10 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Funeral from Resurrection Parish, 48755 Warren Road, Canton, Saturday Ham. Friends may visit at church beginning at 10:30 a.m. Visitation at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main. Plymouth, Friday 4-8 p.m. Rosary Friday 7 p.m. Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice.



VALEETA HEIL (HUDGENS) Age 84, of Fenton, formerly of

Birmingham, died Monday, September 6, 2004 at Genesys Health Park. Services will be held 1 PM Thursday, September 9, 2004 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Visitation will be held 2-4 & 6-9 PM Wednesday and from 10 AM until the time of service Thursday. Those desiring may make contributions to the First Presbyterian Church of Flint. Valeeta was born March 16, 1920 in Herrin, IL, the daughter of Robert F. and Dorothy (Baker) Hudgens. She was married to Robert Charles Heil on November 21, 1947 in Detroit. Mrs. Heil was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps (WAAC), serving at the Pentagon during WWII. She had lived in Fenton since 1999 and was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Flint. She was a former member of First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham for 32 years, serving the Children's Ministry. Surviving are: husband, Robert; sons, Robert Charles, Jr. and fiancée Kim Ebersberger of Chelsea, William Patrick (Theresa) of Rochester Hills, Brian Thomas (Cristine) of Fenton; eight grandchildren; brother, Robert II (Marjorie) Hudgens of Davenport, IA; sister, Billie Warneke of Walcott, IA; sisters-in-law, Betty Gerhart and Marjorie Cromar; many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Irvin Hudgens; sister, Elta Ceperly.

LEROY D. BIERSCHBACH

Formerly of Livonia, died September 2, 2004, in Rose City, MI., Age 48, father of Carrie and Ryan, brother of Larry, son of Ernest and Eva. Funeral Services weere held on September 4, 2004 in Rose City.



HOWARD J. BECKER September 6, 2004, age 69 Westland. Beloved husband eorgia, dear father of Edward (Dorothy) Laux, Steven (Louise) Killian, Theresa (Mark) Waterkamp and Michael (Pam) Becker. Brother of Gordon (Marlene) Becker, Shirley (the late Royal) Nordstrom, Mae (the late Ray) Brown, Carol (Don) Doerfler, the late William, Bernard and Keith Becker and the late Phyllis Hibbard. Grandfather of 17, great grandfather of 5. Services Friday 10 AM at the Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood, Westland, with Fr. Jack Baker Officiating. Burial at Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia, Family will receive friends, Thursday from noon until 9 PM. Memorials may be directed to the Make a Wish Foundation. Please visit and post a tribute at www.uhtfuneralhome.com

FRANCES R. MONCHER Of Bluffton, SC died Thursday, July 2004, at Hilton Head Medical Center. She was born in Pinconning. MI., in Bloomfield Hills, MI, and Orange Park, FL before moving to Bluffton, SC six years ago. Fran was involved in the push to have Hickory Grove Elementary School become a part of the Bloomfield Hills School system back in the late 1950's. She loved her family and friends and was active in the Republican Party, a volunteer in Church and enjoyed Bridge and Tennis. She is survived by her husband of 62 years, Frank L. Moncher of Bluffton, SC; son Craig F. Moncher (wife Holly Beth); daughter Pamela A brown (husband Thomas); both of Bloomfield Hills, MI. Grandsons Chad Moncher, Trevor Waskin (wife Fabiola), Ian Waskin and Thomas Brown, III. A great grandaughter, Ariana Waskin, three surviving sisters, Mildred Mason, Lyla Emmons and Elaine Bast. Three surviving brothers Eugene Pourcho, Kenneth Pourcho and Bruce Pourcho. Memorial Services will be held at Highland Park Baptist Church, Southfiel, MI, on September 11, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. Memorials may be sent to Children's International, P.O. Box 219055 Kansas City, MO 64121, Attn: Michele Ross-Willett, Sauls Funeral Home of Bluffton, SC is assisting the family with arrangements.



KENNETH "KEN" F. SHEEDLO

Born in Nahma, Michigan, Resident of Farmington, Michigan for 49 years Died at Botsford General Hospital September 4, 2004 at age 75. Beloved husband of Dorothy for 49 years. Loving father of Mark (Barb) Sheedlo, Beth Sheedlo, Kathleen Sheedlo and Terri (Ed) McSwain. Cherished grandfather of Kenny, Maddie and Tommy Dear brother of Katherine Gobert and Maryann Hebert. Owner/Operator of Ken's Barbershop for 49 years, first in Livonia, then in Dearborn Heights. Member of Livonia VFW and the Plymouth-Canton Elks. Enjoyed golfing, hunting, fishing and repairing automobiles. U.S. Army Veteran of the Korean War, Private 1st class. Funeral Service 11 am Saturday, September 11th at Nardin Park United Methodist Church. 29887 W. Eleven Mile, Rd. Farmington Hills. Visitation Thursday 5-9pm and Friday 2-9pm at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home. 33603 Grand River Ave. Farmington (1 block west of Farmington Rd.)



her recipe for Hungarian goulash took

top honors. She enjoyed tremendous-

Club and the Birmingham Community

House and cherished the many close

friendships made along the way. Pat

endured one of life's unexpected turns

in 1978 with the untimely death of her

nusband, Don. A widow with four

children to support, she reentered the

workplace, assuming the responsibili-ties of running the family's wholesale

dairy business with her eldest son,

Jeff. Although a woman in a man's

business, Pat, as always, persevered

She worked hard and learned a tough

business thoroughly, enjoyed her numerous accomplishments and

became well-known throughout sub-

urban Detroit as "The Milk Lady" an affectionate title she wore with much

pride. She retired from the business in

1995 after a long and rewarding career. Pat was diagnosed with

Alzheimer's Disease in 1996, just as

she was enjoying the rewards of retirement. She moved to Texas to be

close to her loved ones during the dif-

ficult times she would face. As ever,

Pat's enduring smile and grace carried her and her family through, even as

the clouds moved across her mind.

Pat will always be remembered for her

compassion shown to all people, her

affection for animals and her enthusi-

astic love of life. She is free at last

May the road rise up to meet you, May

the wind be always at your back. May

the sun shine warm upon your face

the rains fall soft upon your fields and

until we meet again, May God hold

you in the hollow of His hand. Pat is

survived by her son Jeff and his wife

Beth, and their children Jordan, Collin

and Meredith of Cave Creek, AZ; her

daughter Jody Gilley and her husband,

Dennis, and their sons Jesse and Jamie

of Benton, LA;, her son Jim and his wife Junie, and their children Nell and

Connor of Austin, TX;, and her daugh-

ter Jill Short and her husband, Andy,

and their daughter Kate of Scottsdale.

AZ. The family will receive friends

Friday, September 10th, 6:00 to 9:00

E. Maple Rd., Birmingham.

pm at the Wm. R. Hamilton Co., 820

Memorial Service will be held Saturday, September 11th, at 2:00 pm

at the First United Methodist Church

of Birmingham, 1589 W. Maple Rd.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in Pat's

memory may be made to the

Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Av., Suite 1700, Chicago, Illinois. 60601

her time in the Village Women's

www.uhtfuneralhome.com PATRICIA ANN MERLIN D. SPITSBERGEN **JOHNSTONE** Born in Moddersville, MI on July Patricia Ann Johnstone passed away 10,1927. Died in his Oakland on September 5, 2004 after a long and Township home on August 31, 2004. difficult struggle with Alzheimer's Disease. She was 78 years old at the time of her death. Pat was preceded in Rochester area resident for 48 years, electrical engineer, outdoorsman, musician, golfer, historian, political death by her parents, Mary Ellen and activist and "a man for all seasons". Survived by his wife, Dottie; broth-Ted Nicholson, her husband Don Johnstone and her sister Gloria Jean ers, Leland and Dennis; sister Louise Kunath. Pat was born August 26, 1928 in Northern Lower Michigan to Wiese; son John; daughters Karen, Jan and Claire Cooper; grandchildren Jillian, Joshua, Jordan, Christine and Mary Ellen and Ted Nicholson. The second of two children, she was bright Jake. He died from complications, and energetic, excelling in school and after surgery to remove a brain tumor. developing her lifelong love of music. Memorial service is Sunday, September 12, 2004 at 2pm at the Paint Creek Methodist Church on She sang, played the clarinet and was a drum majorette, and she graduated from Busch High School two years Collins Road in Goodlson. Memorials To help support her family in to Rochester Tuesday Musical Scholarship Fund, Cranbrook Hospice tough times, Pat went to work at Chrysler World Headquarters in and the Sierra Club. Detroit, rising to the head receptionist position, where her good looks and ALVA DALE RUSH, M.D. keen sense of humor made her a September 1, 2004 at Georgian-Bloomfield, of Beverly Hills, MI. Born June 14, 1917 in Battle Creek, favorite of many as they passed through the giant lobby. In 1955, Pat married Donald Johnstone and moved to Birmingham, Michigan, where Pat Ml. Self employed Dermatologist. Graduate of University of Michigan, and Don were blessed (quickly!) with three children; Jeff, Jody and Jim - in fedical School. Interned at Harper Hospital, donated time and was on the four years. Don worked long hours and Pat was more than busy with three little ones, but she found time to staff at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital-Oakland, Member of Oakland County Medical Society. Served in U.S. Army during WWII. Survived by Wife emain active in her church and in the Birmingham community. At various times, she sang in the First United Mildred; Daughters Betty Jonas of Illinois, Sally Erdegan of Toronto, Penny Hogan of Minnesota; Son' Methodist Church choir, taught Sunday school, participated in her church group, Merry Mates, and David in Germany and step son Dennis Moebs of Plymouth, MI. erved as President of the Birmingham Served as Fresholm of the Land Sumior Women's Club. In 1967, at the age of 39, Pat was delighted by the arrival of her fourth child, Jill. With Funeral Service was Friday, September 3rd. Wm. R. Hamilton Co., Funeral Birmingham. Pastor Thomas A. Zucconi, Ascention of Christ Lutheran abundant laughs and ready smile, Pat Church, Officiating Interment, White Chapel Cemetery, Troy, MI. took her family's good-hearted ribbing in stride when she took 2nd Place in the Mrs. Birmingham contest while

CARLENE JUNE MITCHELL

Age 66, of Southfield. Carlene June Mitchell passed away Saturday morning September 4, 2004 at Hospice Unit of the William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak following a long battle with Multiple Scierosis. She was born on June 14, 1938 in Mansfield, Ohio, the daughter of Carl and Irene Miller. She was a graduate of the University of Michigan earning a degree in education. Surviving are I daughter, Lynne Malone of Brighton, I son, David Mitchell of Midland and 6 grandchildren; Bob, Kristie and Kallie Malone, Andrew, Kaitlyn and Jonathan Mitchell. A Memorial Service will be held at 7:00 pm Friday, September 10, 2004 from the Keehn Funeral Home, 706 West Main Street, Brighton (810) 229-9871. The family will begin receiving friends at the funeral home at 6:00 pm Friday. Memorial Contributions in Carlene's name are suggested to Hospice or to the National Multiple Sclerosis Foundation. Envelopes are available from the Keehn Funeral Home, Brighton.

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Second-half woes doom Rock cagers

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The first half of Tuesday night's game at Brighton was smooth sailing for Salem's girls basketball team.

But the Rocks encountered some rough seas in the second

Trailing 24-16 at halftime, the host Bulldogs regrouped and downed Salem, 49-41.

Salem and Brighton are both

"Brighton went inside to their post players in the second half and they sealed us off nicely," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "We didn't handle it very well. They had five different players score, so it wasn't like one player took over.

"Brighton has had a good team over the years. They've done a lot of nice things. It was good for us to play a team that pressures the ball like they do because we'll be playing four or five teams in our league that play a similar style."

Alyssa Guerin was the lone Rock to reach double figures in scoring, netting 10. Carly Sommers scored eight while Teresa Coppiellie twined seven.

Sue Murphy (16 points) and Kerri Fulks (nine points) paced the Bulldogs' offense. Brighton led 9-8 after the

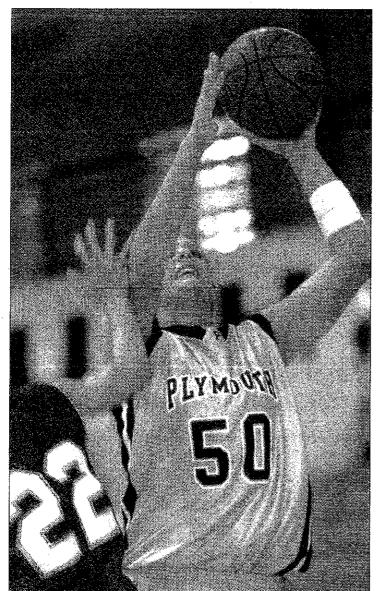
opening quarter, but Salem stormed back to seize a 24-16 halftime advantage. Poor shooting and turnovers

hampered the Rocks in the second half when they were outscored 33-17.

"In the first half, we beat their press and we made nine of 24 shots, which wasn't too bad," Thomann said. "If we would have shot that way in the second half, we probably would have won."

Salem connected on just 14 of 47 shots for the game (29 percent) while Brighton canned 16 of 31 attempts (51 percent).

The Rocks were red hot from the free-throw line, sinking 11 of 13 (84 percent). The Bulldogs drained 10 of their 16



Plymouth's Kim Olech scored 11 points and pulled down eight rebounds in the Wildcats' 36-34 loss to Southgate Anderson Tuesday night.

shots from the charity stripe (62 percent).

Salem opens their home portion of the schedule tonight when it hosts Howell. Tip-off is slated for 7 p.m.

Wildcats lose at wire

Plymouth battled Southgate Anderson to the final buzzer Tuesday night before falling, 36-34. The Wildcats had a chance to tie with 2.2 seconds left, but two free throws missed the mark.

Plymouth is now 1-2 heading

into tonight's game at Mt. Clemens L'Anse Creuse. Anderson improved to 3-0.

"They did a nice job pressuring on the perimeter," said Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly. "They did a lot of halfcourt trapping and we made some bad decisions with the

"The thing I like about this team is that the girls always play hard. The next step is to play hard and play smart."

Jeanine Moise led the Wildcats with 13 points and 10 rebounds. It was the junior post player's third double-double in as many games.

Kim Olech also played well, contributing 11 points and eight boards.

The Wildcats were hampered by poor shooting at the free-throw line (37 percent).

Belleville stumbles

The Tigers (2-2) fell into a deep hole in the first half and almost climbed out, before losing 65-56 to Romulus (3-1) Tuesday night.

The Eagles soared to a 24-9 first-quarter lead and 39-24 halftime advantage.

"We came back to within 44-38 late in the third quarter, but then we committed a couple of turnovers and the next thing you knew we were down 10," said Tiger coach Kevin Edwards. "We matched up well with Romulus; we just got off to such a slow start and we couldn't put it all together after

"I'm proud of the fact that the girls never quit. After a while, they realized they could play with Romulus, but it was a little too late."

The Tigers played without starting point guard Danica

Holmes, who was ill. Taylor Manley led Belleville in scoring with 17 points. Renee Seng added 15 and Erica Brewer chipped in with 13.

Cynthia McGoldrick was the Tigers' top rebounder, pulling nine caroms off the glass.

'Jasmine Peterson and Hillary Ivan didn't score a lot for us, but they both play really well," Edwards noted.

The Tigers return to the court tonight when they travel to Dearborn Fordson to take on the Tractors. Tip-off is slated for 7 p.m.

"Even though we're 2-2, I feel in my heart we could just as easily by 4-0," Edwards said. "This is the first group of girls I've had in years that I don't have to vell at. There are no bad attitudes on this team. It's just a hard-working group of kids."

THE WEEK AHEAD

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Thursday, Sept. 9 Flint Northern at Canton, 7 p.m. Plymouth at L'Anse Creuse, 7 p.m. Howell at Salem, 7 p.m.

PCA at Lutheran Westland Tourney, TBA Belleville at Dearborn Fordson, 7 p.m.

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Belleville at Ypsilanti, 4 p.m.

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PCA at Lutheran Westland, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11 Canton at U of D Invitational Salem at Brother Rice Invitational

Belleville at Ypsi. Golden Inv., 10 a.m. **GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY** Thursday, Sept. 9 PCA at Lutheran Westland, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 11 Canton at U of D Invitational Salem at Brother Rice Invitational Belleville at Ypsi. Golden Inv., 10 a.m.

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Observer

Discover value wines from the **Barossa**

eter Lehmann's highly-touted flagship Stonewell Shiraz, bearing an \$80 price tag, may give the impression that all wines from this Australian producer are expen-

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ontrary! Latest releases in the Peter Lehmann "Barossa Range" are priced between \$12 and \$16 and represent true flavor values.

HISTORY LESSON

Although it's hard to believe, given the success of Australian wines today, a serious grape overproduction throughout Australia in 1979 posed hardship for growers, particularly in the Barossa, a region north of South Australia's capital city of Adelaide. By 1986, the grape glut was so large that the government sponsored a vine pull, whereby the state of South Australia paid growers to rip out vineyards, some of which were planted to prized century-old shiraz.

Peter Lehmann, now affectionately known as the "Baron of the Barossa," could not let this happen to growers with whom he was associated. Lehmann believed that his only choice was to arrange financing, buy the grapes and form a wine company.

Given the popularity of Australian wines today, it's also hard to believe that this was a major gamble. With tongue firmly in his cheek, Lehmann named his wine company Masterson, after Damon Runyon's fictional gambler Sky Masterson in Guys and Dolls.

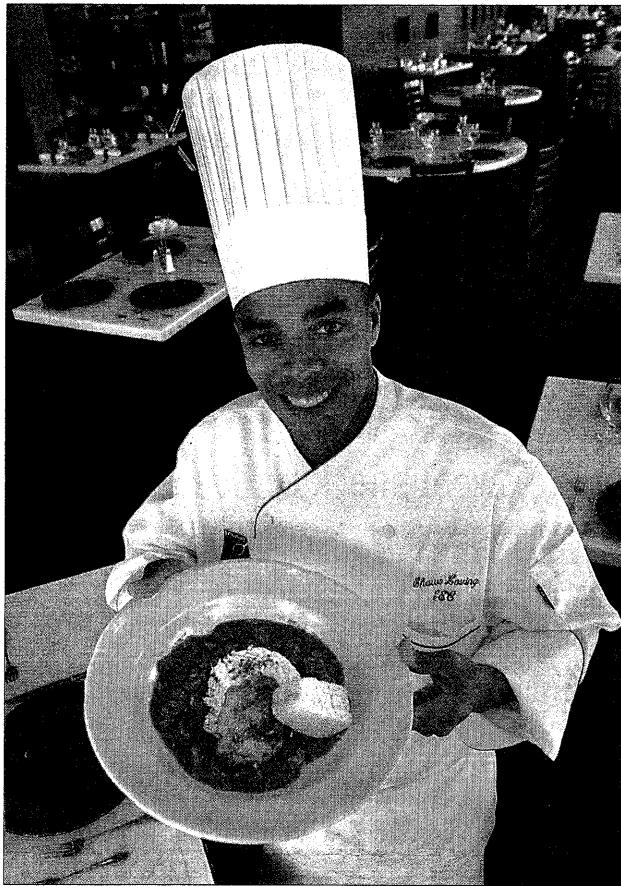
The Queen of Clubs, or socalled "gambler's card," was chosen as the emblem. It remains visible in a variety of artistic interpretations on Peter Lehmann labels, particularly the "Barossa Range."

Peter Lehmann who was born in 1930, founded his winery to protect the livelihoods and vineyards of hundreds of Barossa growers. Loyalty that emerged gives Lehmann access to the widest variety of the best Barossa grapes available from 185 independent grow-

NO GAMBLE WINES

Just as Miss Sarah Brown threw loaded dice for \$2 to win the soul of Sky Masterson to the Kingdom of God, one taste of the following flavor-loaded wines will

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Delectable delights take center stage at Culinary Extravaganza

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

Shawn Loving calls the event "a local Tastefest."

"I look at it as a big chef food party," Loving said. "It's great to be around your mentors, get ideas from them and all the chefs at the event. You can really 'jump start' to some new ideas and talk with different chefs."

Loving, chef and owner of Loving Spoonful in Farmington Hills, will be just one of the chefs rubbing elbows - and spatulas - with some of the best area chefs at

Schoolcraft College's Culinary Extravaganza on Sept. 19. The celebration of gourmet foods and fine beverages takes place 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, in the new VisTaTech Center, with all proceeds supporting student scholarships.

Bruce Konowalow, director of culinary arts at Schoolcraft College, said Schoolcraft College's Culinary Extravaganza usually features about 50 restaurants and

wineries at various displays. With the event now held at VisTaTech (last year's was the first at the new facility), it gives a little more space than

the old space at the Waterman

Center. "People can spread out all on one level," Konowalow said. "It gives the restaurants and the wineries better exposure and the guests have a better flow through the room. And aesthetically, it's much better than it was before.

"We try to get about 50 in here. That's the number we shoot for."

The list of restaurants features some of the finest cuisine in the area. Milford's Five Lakes Grill, owned by Brian

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Rosh Hashanah marks a new start

BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY CORRESPONDENT

The "head of the year" will soon be celebrated by many area residents.

That's what Rosh Hashanah. which marks the Jewish New Year, means in Hebrew, according to Alan Broida of West. Bloomfield. "This holiday is celebrated by attending special temple or synagogue services and being with family," he said. Broida, his wife, Shawn, and children, Jacob, 6, and Abigail, 3, will join his parents, Gerald and Soralee Broida of Walled Lake, and his grandparents, Kate and

Bert Cohen of Southfield, to welcome in the year 5765 on the Jewish calendar.

Also celebrating on this first and second day of Tishri, which is the seventh month of the Jewish year, will be Broida's sister and her family, Ilene and Gary Stone and their children, Brandon, 11, and Alyssa, 9.

Rosh Hashanah also provides a special time to teach children Jewish traditions.

According to Broida, a Reform Jew and member of Temple Israel on Walnut Lake, Rosh Hashanah begins this year at sundown on Wednesday, Sept. 15, and ends at sundown

the next day. "The days following the arrival of the New Year are spent preparing for Yom Kippur, a holy day observed on the 10th day of Tishri and marked by fasting and prayer for the atonement of sins."

Similar to the American New Year tradition of making resolutions, Rosh Hashanah is a time for introspection and reflection. "We look back at the past year and see how we can make the New Year and ourselves better," said Broida. "It's a time to forgive vourself for the wrongs you've done and to forgive others for

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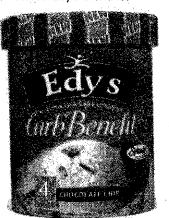


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The Broida and Stone families stress the significance of Rosh Hashanah. Shawn and Al Broida (second and third from left) sit with their children Jacob (left) and Abby while liene and Gary Stone sit with children Alyssa (third from right) and Brandon Stone. A Shofar, a traditional horn that is blown on Rosh Hashanah, is on the table.

ice cream debuts

Dieting is never easy, but cutting carbs gets easier every day with new low carb products. debuting in grocery stores. Edy's Grand Ice



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Edy's Carb Benefit ice cream is available in grocery freezer aisles. To find these flavors in your neighborhood, visit Edy's Flavor Finder at www.Edys.com

Snacks still big

Snack foods such as sodas and chips make up about one-third of the typical U.S. diet, despite the popularity of the lowcarb diet crazes.

A study of 4,700 adults showed high levels of consumption of foods, such as soft drinks and pastries, with sweets, desserts and alcoholic beverages accounting for nearly 25 percent of all calories consumed by Americans, according to an article in the August/September issue of the Food & Beverage Report, published by the Associated Food Dealers of Michigan.

New salads

Big Boy now has four new salads. The Lo-Carb Three Cheese Grilled Chicken Salad features a grilled chicken breast seasoned with garlic and pepper on a spring salad mix, topped with tomato, red onions, cucumbers, Swiss and cheddar cheese, served with bleu cheese on the side. This salad has 10 net carbs.

The Grilled Chicken Chipotle Salad has grilled chicken breast topped 🚉 with chipotle mayonnaise on a spring salad mix, with tomatoes, red pepper, cheddar cheese, and three onion rings.

The New Orleans Style **Blackened Chicken Salad** is sauteed chicken breast blackened with herbs and spices on a spring salad mix with raspberry vinaigrette dipped cantaloupe, honeydew and red onions.

Grilled Ham Steak Salad with Grilled Melons and Pineapple features grilled ham on a spring salad mix with red onions, Swiss cheese and grilled slices of fruit.

Baked beans are summer's favorite barbecue side dish

BY TOMMY C. SIMMONS ASSOCIATED PRESS

As families fire up barbecues for summer weekend cookouts, chances are baked beans will appear alongside whatever's cooking on the grill.

It stands to reason pots of simmering and spicy baked beans should be summer's savory of choice. Baking beans is easy, which makes the classic baked or barbecued beans the perfect side dish to serve with chicken, steaks, ribs and roasted vegetables.

Since grilling requires attention from the cook, it's nice to have a repertoire of side dishes that are simple to assemble.

The Advocate's food staff tested both recipes using dried beans that must be simmered for a couple of hours at minimum, and recipes based on canned beans. There was no appreciable difference in the taste, so we recommend going with the convenient and quickfixing canned beans.

According to The American Century Cookbook by Jean Anderson, the first commercially canned pork and pea beans were done by Burnham and Morrill (B&M) of Portland, Maine, in 1927.

The Bean Education and Awareness Network says that

eating beans can offer a host of health benefits, including weight loss and diabetes and heart-disease prevention. Beans are also a simple and economical way to get nutrients including protein, fiber, vitamins and minerals.

Cooks do negate some of those health benefits when they mix in ingredients like smoked bacon, ground beef or maple syrup, but if portion sizes are moderate even the fattier baked bean dishes can be enjoyed.

Here are a few of the staff's favorite baked bean recipes.

FIT FOR A KING BAKED BEANS

3 slices bacon, chopped ½ cups chopped onions? 3 tablespoons minced ginger

root 3 cloves garlic, minced Four 15-ounce cans navy or great Northern beans

½ cup packed dark-brown sugar ½ cup light molasses ½ cup salsa ketchup ½ cup apple cider 1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard ½ cup crushed gingersnaps

1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves

½ teaspoon ground allspice

2 bay leaves

Fry bacon until crisp in medium skillet; drain bacon thor-

oughly on paper towels. Discard all but 1 teaspoon bacon fat; add onions, ginger root and garlic to skillet and sauté until tender, 4 to 5 minutes. Mix all ingredients in 2-quart casserole. Bake, covered, at 300°F for 2 hours; bake, uncovered, for 30 minutes. Discard bay leaves.

Makes 8 servings.

BARBECUED BEANS

2 tablespoons olive oil 1 onion, finely chopped 1 bell pepper, finely chopped 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped 3/4 pound ground round One 1-pound, 15-ounce can pork and beans

2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce

½ tablespoon black pepper ¼ cup barbecue sauce ¼ cup ketchup with Tabasco sauce

¼ cup cane syrup 1/4 teaspoon dry mustard powder

½ teaspoon curry powder

Heat olive oil and sauté onion, bell pepper and garlic in the hot olive oil until softened. Stir in ground round and continue cooking until browned. Drain off excess grease. Stir in canned pork and beans. Mix in Worcestershire sauce, black pepper, barbecue sauce, ketchup, cane syrup, and mustard and curry powders. Simmer for an hour to

meld the flavors. Serve hot.

Makes 4 servings. Courtesy of David Simmons.

BARBECUED BAKED BEANS

One 16-ounce can pork and beans One 16-ounce can kidney beans,

drained One 16-ounce can green lima

beans, drained 1 large onion, chopped 2 garlic cloves, minced 1 tablespoon Worcestershire

1 teaspoon ground cumin 2 to 3 tablespoons strong cold coffee ¼ cup brown sugar ½ cup ketchup Pinch of oregano

3 strips bacon

Pinch sweet basil

Dash Tabasco

Combine all ingredients, except bacon strips, in a greased 13-by-9-inch baking dish.

Place bacon strips on top. Cover with foil and bake at 350ºF for 1 hour.

Remove cover and continue baking 15 additional minutes.

Makes 10 servings. Courtesy of Pass the Plate. published by The Collection from Christ Episcopal Church, New Bern,

Enjoy hot weather fruits while you can

here is nothing better on a warm day than a slice of ice cold watermelon to refresh yourself. A juicy peach is also a summer treat. Both of these are from garden or orchard to the table foods, ready to wash and eat.

Mark Twain referred to watermelon as "the food that angels eat." Historians claim that watermelon first grew in the middle of Kalahari Desert and was a liquid source for thirsty traders. The walls of Egyptian tombs are decorated with pictures of the watermel-

It is hard to believe that watermelon is a cousin to the cucumber and a kin to a gourd and not really a fruit but a vegetable. There are more than 50 varieties of modern day watermelons that are twice as sweet and three times the size as yesteryear.

If you are adventurous, purchase a whole watermelon. It is a real trick to pick out a sweet ripe one. Some people "thump" them, others smell them or shake them before buying. A flat, dull sound when slapping can indicate an under ripe melon where a hollow sound may mean it's too ripe. Choose one with no bruises, dents or cuts and feels heavy for it's size. The part that was on the ground should look yellow rather than white or pale green. They do not ripen or get any sweeter after they have been picked. Watermelon may

so handle with care. Give your melon a shower or good bath before cutting. Wash the surface of the melon thoroughly under clear, running water with a scrub brush. Salmonella food poisoning and other bacteria can cling to the surface dirt on the rind. If unwashed the inside can get contaminated when the knife cuts through the melon. (Make sure to keep your hands clean,

look hardy but they are fragile

Cover and refrigerate cut melon.

If you buy melon at the store, it should be in ice not just sitting on top of the ice. Watermelons are not acidic, so bacteria can thrive when it's not kept cold. If you are going to serve the entire watermelon icy cold, plan ahead, as it will take eight to twelve hours to

chill a whole watermelon. On to the Peach Celebration! There is nothing like a fresh juicy Michigan peach.

There are two categories of peaches, freestone or clingstone. Freestones readily separate from the pit while the flesh clings lightly to the pit in a clingstone.

Freestones are usually preferred for eating fresh or for freezing while clingstone are used primarily for canning.

Michigan peaches are freestone or a semi-freestone. Some varieties at the local farmers markets are: Redhaven, Cresthaven,



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Glohaven, Red Kist and Harmony. To select the best ripe peach, smell them for a fresh appealing fragrance with a red or golden blush background color. Look for fruit that gives slightly to pressure but don't squeeze or bruise them. Avoid peaches that feel hard and are greenish. Picked green peaches will just get soft and wither. Peaches don't become sweeter after they are picked but ripening makes mature fruit softer and juicier.

The weather actually affects the flavor of peaches. Ripen peaches at room temperature in a closed paper bag and then refrigerate. Wash when ready to eat.

While eating peaches out of hand, they need no peeling, (however, most peaches are peeled for use in cooked dishes.) If the peaches do not peel easily, dip them in boiling water for about 30 seconds, then plunge into ice water and the skins will slip right off. To prevent browning, coat the cut exposed peach surface with lemon juice or ascorbic acid or crushed and dissolved vitamin C tablets.

Peaches are a source of vitamin A, potassium, and have virtually no sodium. They are fat free and if you eat the peel, you get extra fiber. Peaches can be sliced and added to a salad, sugared for shortcake or soaked in white wine or champagne for an easy dessert. They can be baked in a pie or cobbler or puréed for sherbet or ice cream. They can be added to the grill to serve with chicken; pickled to add something extra to a meat platter, or made into jam or preserves.

Watermelon can not be cooked or it loses texture and sweetness.

Don't cut it up too fine or it will fall apart and disintegrate. Watermelon and peaches are versatile when planning warm weather meals. Scoop the flesh out of a half of watermelon and use it for a serving bowl for a fresh fruit salad.

Combine watermelon with cantaloupe, honeydew melon, peaches, grapes, blueberries, strawberries, pears and apple chunks.

Sprinkle a little fresh mint on the top.

Peaches and watermelon are perfect for breakfast, lunch, dinner, or a snack, and they can be served plain or fancy.

This is the time to really enjoy and celebrate them both.

Lois Thieleke is a home economistwith the Oakland County office of the Michigan State University Extension

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sheet; spread with butter. In a cup, combine I teaspoon

of the sugar and the cinnamon; sprinkle over the tortilla. Bake until edges just begin to

brown, 3 to 4 minutes; remove to a plate. In a small bowl, combine the

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Fall Mushroom Mania

As the fall colors burst, so does the forest floor with mushrooms. A Fall Mushroom Mania at Springbrook Hills in northern Michigan brings guides to identify safe edibles and teach handling and preparation of delicious fall mushrooms. Outings are scheduled Sept. 10-12, Sept. 24-26 and Oct. 1-3. Cost is \$179 per person, including two nights lodging in vacation homes. guided mushroom hunting and identification, and all meals featuring mushroom dishes and Leelanau Peninsula wine sampling at the Saturday evening dinner. Groups of six or more are \$169 per person; if no lodging is required, cost is \$124. Call (231) 535-2227 for information.

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In cooperation with Veggies in Motion; class schedules are at www.veggiesinmotion.org.

Cooking classes

You can see a Wolf product presentation (a free class) 6:30-8:30 p.m.Sunday, Sept. 12, Oct. 12, Nov. 9 or Dec. 14 at Trevarrow, 1295 N. Opdyke, in Auburn Hills. For a registration fee, you can sign up for Cuisine du Jour Handson Culinary Training with Shawn Loving, owner and chef of the Loving Spoonful in Farmington Hills, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 16. Celebrate the harvest with Loving's Sage Dusted Turkey Scaloppini with Mushroom and Leek Fondue, Maple Glazed Pork Loin with Carmalized Fennel and Corn Ya-Ya, Fresh "Up Town" Slaw with Papaya, Blood Orange and Pears, Sweet Fig. and Lemon Tarts with Raspberry Sauce.

Chef Keith Famie will be the instructor for a Southeastern Asian Epicurean Journey 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 21. For more information, visit www.trevarrowinc.com or call (800) 482-1948.

Achieve optimal health

Jim Corcoran, president of Veggies in Motion, a nonprofit group, will discuss Achieving Optimal Health, at 1 p.m. Sept. 22 at the Troy Community Center, 520 W. Big Beaver.

Admission is free. Call (248) 524-3484 for information. Corcoran also will give the same lecture at 7 p.m. Sept. 27 at the West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Bldg., 4640 Walnut Lake Road.

For information on that discussion, call (248) 616-9676. Visit www.veggiesinmotion.òrg.

Vegan potluck

Bring a vegan dish to pass and watch Eating by Michael Anderson at 1 p.m. Sept. 26 at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile Rd. in Livonia. This video covers all the deficiencies of the standard American diet. For information, call (313) 541-

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Kim Banda, a local cook on Southfield City Cable 15, will demonstrate a how to prepare healthy meals 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 29 at the Southfield Public Library in the Southfield Municipal Complex, 26300 Evergreen Road. Learn how to cook quick and simple but beautifully presented meals. Get tips on nutritious home cooked meals you can fit into your tight schedule.

This is a good opportunity to point you to a new way of cooking, by simplifying daily meal preparation. This event is funded by the Friends of

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Weight Watchers corporate chef Tim Cikra will conduct a cooking demonstration featuring the Green Goddess Salad from Weight Watchers new "TurnAround" Program cookbook and select Smart Ones Tastings 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 30 at the Millennium Park Center, Weight Watchers Center, 28517 Schoolcraft. The center is open to the public. Readers may call 1 (888) 3.FLORINE for further information.

Create a homemade Greek dinner tonight

CORRESPONDENT

Many Greek dishes are easy to buy ready-made, including rice-stuffed grape leaves; hummus, puréed and seasoned chickpeas used as a dip or spread; and tzatziki, or salad, perhaps made of broiled and smoky eggplant, or the classic combination of sliced cucumbers, yogurt and mint. These popular dishes are good examples of the healthy pleasures of the Mediterranean diet, with its emphasis on legumes, abundant vegetables and whole grains.

Two dishes easily made at home include a meze, an appetizer or first course, and a Greek salad. The simple meze below combines yellow split peas that are cooked down to a velvety,

polenta-like texture, seasoned with oregano, then topped with a cinnamontouched tomato and onion sauce. For a Greek-style salad, use romaine lettuce, low-fat feta cheese, tomato wedges, Greek olives, red onion and green pepper rings. Grilled lamb kebabs and a whole-grain, peasant-style bread would be appropriate to round out the main course.

For a simple but traditional dessert, set out fruit, creamy yogurt and toppings, and let your guests make their own Greek sundaes. Serve a big bowl of cut-up fruit, a plain yogurt that has been drained until it resembles the thick kind served in Greece, plus honey and chopped walnuts for toppings. For greater authenticity, use an imported Greek honey, like thick and dark Hymettus.

GREEK SPLIT PEAS WITH TOMATO SAUCE

1 cup yellow split peas, picked over and rinsed

1 teaspoon dried oregano 1 teaspoon plus 1 tablespoon extra virgin

olive oil, divided Salt and freshly ground black peoper, to

taste 1 medium onion, thinly sliced

2 tomatoes, chopped 2 tablespoons tomato paste

½ teaspoon ground cinnamon 1 bay leaf

1 tablespoon red wine vinegar 2 teaspoon capers, rinsed and drained

Place split peas in a deep saucepan. Add cold water to cover peas by at least 2 inches. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat to a simmer and cook

ly with a wooden spoon, until peas are soft and almost dry. (Add/4 cup water, if ' needed, to keep peas from sticking.) When peas are soft, stir in oregano and 1 [14] teaspoon oil. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Transfer to a wide, shallow dish.

While split peas are cooking, make the 🖺 sauce. Heat remaining oil in a medium non-stick skillet over medium-high heat. Sauté onion until golden, about 6 minutes. Stir in tomatoes, tomato paste, cinnamon, bay leaf and 4 cup water. Simmer until tomatoes break down, about 10 minutes. Remove bay leaf. Mix in vinegar 🚁 and capers. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Spread sauce evenly over cooked peas. Set aside to cool to room temperature. Serve, or cover and refrigerate for up to 24 hours. Bring to room temperature before serving. Makes 4 servings as a main course or 8 servings as appetizers.

Enjoy veggies for summer's farewell

BY DANA JACOBI CORRESPONDENT

For some, Labor Day meant the last beach picnic or outdoor meal of the year.

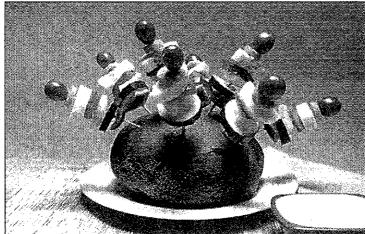
It doesn't have to be.

Here's one more interesting salad or other vegetable dishes to serve outdoors in a casual way. To give crudités a new look, or avoid the mess of salad bits falling overboard, use bamboo skewers and spear them through chunky vegeta-

The result is entertaining for adults and kids alike, especially if you spear the bottom of these raw kebabs into a big, sturdy loaf of bread that serves as a centerpiece. That way, the skewered vegetables stand up, shooting out like colorful, edible fireworks.

For children, use grape tomatoes, variously colored bell peppers cut in squares, zucchini and carrots.

For the very young, pull the vegetables off the skewers before they begin to eat them. With adults, you may also include broccoli. cauliflower, whole mushrooms, marinated artichoke hearts, or fat asparagus that have been grilled or steamed. (Lightly steaming the cauliflower and broccoli will make them more palatable.) For convenience, use no more than three vegetables per skewer.



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Here's one more interesting salad or other vegetable dishes to serve outdoors in a casual way- Fiesta Salad on a Stick.

FIESTA SALAD ON A STICK

1 medium peeled carrot, cut into 12 pieces 1/2 medium red bell pepper, seeded, cut into 12 squares ½ medium yellow bell pepper,

pieces ½ green bell pepper, seeded, cut into 12 squares ½ fat cucumber, peeled, seeded

1 small zucchini, cut into 12

seeded, cut into12 squares

and cut into 12 pieces 12 grape tomatoes . Fat-free ranch, creamy mustard, or Caesar salad dressing 1 round loaf crusty rustic bread

(optional)

To assemble salad sticks, alternate light- and dark-colored vegetables and push them through

skewers far enough down so top pieces are firmly speared. (If using bread, leave at least an inch at the sharp end which will be inserted into the loaf.)

Place enough dressing for 12 servings into one large bowl or into 12 separate serving bowls to use as a dip for the vegetables.

If using the bread, place it on a large serving platter. Insert the sharp end of each skewer into the bread at an angle, to mimic sparklers. Makes 12 servings.

Per serving: 11 calories, 0 g. total fat (0 g. saturated fat), 2 g. carbohydrate, less than 1 g. protein, 1 g. dietary fiber, 5 mg. sodium.

Dana Jacobi writes for the American Institute for Cancer Research.



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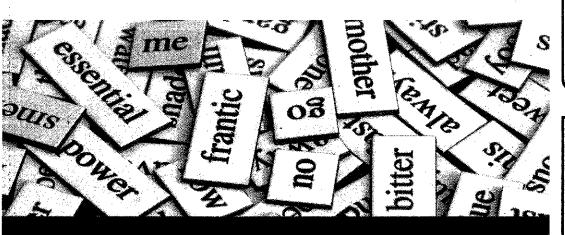
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While long, warm summer nights leave you "wrapped up in outdoor activities, it's important to remember the easy-tomake, creative and fresh alternatives to full-course recipe indulgences.

With their quick combinations of fillings, wraps offer a fast and flavorful approach to sandwiches and traditional

From meats to salads, cheeses and chocolate spreads, wrap varieties are endless. Though wraps have been a culinary trend for a few years, they do yield early, and worldwide origins.

The popular lettuce and rice flour wraps have been a Chinese tradition for centuries, and the French are known for their decadent gourmet

In fact, the current popularity of the wrap can be attributed to the Mexican flour tortilla, whose variety of available flavors, such as spinach, sun-dried tomato and black bean, add an extra element of taste to this palatable fare.

To prepare wraps, simply combine the ingredients inside the requested "wrapper," roll up, and cover in foil or plastic.

Hold the wrap in place with a toothpick and store in the refrigerator.

For an added flavor adventure, when you're ready to experience "dinner in a wrap," slightly heat it to spark the mouth-watering mix of flavors.

For an Italian fix, add a new twist to the traditional bacon, lettuce and tomato sandwich with Caesar BLT Wraps. Simply enhance the traditional BLT fillings with creamy Caesar dressing and Sargento Angel Hair Shredded Parmesan, Mozzarella and

Romano Cheeses. Or, satisfy your sweet tooth with Harvest Pitawiches, chock-full of honey and cinnamon-dressed raisins, walnuts and apple slices, mixed with shredded cheddar cheese.

Visit sargento.com for other recipes that are sure to satisfy your hunger, while leaving you "wrapped up" in summer evening fun.

CAESAR BLT WRAPS

3 cups romaine lettuce leaves. torn

1 medium tomato, chopped ½ cup bacon, crisply cooked, crumbled

¼ cup Caesar salad dressing 1-1/2 cups (6 ounces) Sargento Angel Hair Shredded Parmesan, Mozzarella, and Romano Cheeses

4 (10-inch) four tortillas

Combine lettuce, tomato, bacon and salad dressing in large bowl.

Add cheese; toss.

Spoon mixture evenly onto tortillas; roll up tortillas burrito-

Wrap sandwiches in plastic wrap and refrigerate until serving time.

Variations: Tortillas may be omitted; serve mixture in pita bread or as a salad on chilled plates.

Top with garlic croutons, if desired. Makes a main dish salad for two or a side dish salad for four. Serves four.

HARVEST PITA-WICHES

½ cup plain lowfat yogurt 1 teaspoon honey 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

1-1/2 cups (6 ounces) mild cheddar shredded cheese 2 medium apples, chopped 1/3 cup golden raisins ½ cup toasted walnut pieces

4 (6-inch) whole wheat pita breads 8 lettuce leaves (optional) Apple slices (optional)

% cup thinly sliced celery

Combine yogurt, honey and cinnamon in medium bowl.

Add cheese, apples, raisins, walnuts and celery; mix lightly.

Cut each pita bread in half to

form two pockets. Place one lettuce leaf in each

pocket, if desired. Spoon 1/2 cup filling into each

Garnish with apple slices, if

desired. Serves four.

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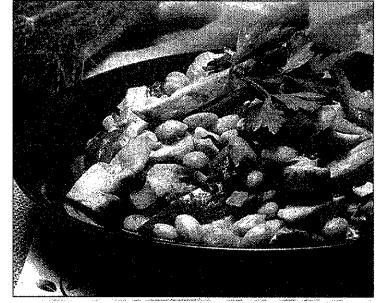
BY DANA JACOBI CORRESPONDENT

When I was growing up, my family, fond of nicknaming foods, dubbed fennel "Pinocchio." We picked this name because it sounds like finocchio, the Italian name for this celery-like white and green vegetable. To my young eyes, fennel looked like the cartoon puppet's elongated nose after he told a lie.

Once an ethnic and seasonal ingredient found only at Italian greengrocers from September to May, fennel now appears in many supermarkets through most of the year. Its distinguishing licorice or anise flavor was considered an acquired "gourmet" taste. Frankly, since it became widely available, I think the chubby bulbs that reach stores are milder tasting than the more pronounced flavor of the fennel I tasted in Italy, France and Greece. For this more intense flavor, check out the slimmer, greener bulbs sold at many farmers markets.

Raw fennel can be fibrous so, if serving it in salads, use a sharp knife to slice it thinly, either vertically or horizontally into thin strips. Cooking quite transforms fennel's flavor and texture. Whether you braise fennel in broth, blanch and then grill it, or simmer fennel in a stew or soup, its licorice taste mellows to a pleasant sweetness with a hint of anise. Cooked fennel loses its fibrousness yet holds its shape no matter how long, or how, it is cooked. In stir-frying or on the grill, it remains white and crisp. But oven-roasted or simmered with liquid, it turns a translucent golden beige that communicates its warm flavor.

Fennel is most often associated with Mediterranean-style dishes, such as this quick sauté, which also includes cannellini beans and chicken. You can also stir-fry it with peppers, red onion, tofu and curry powder. In winter, fennel goes well with root vegetables. For the holidays, try baking thinly sliced fennel layered with



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sliced apple, sweet potatoes, dried cranberries and cider.

CHICKEN WITH FENNEL AND RED **PEPPERS**

3/4 pound boneless, skinless chicken breast 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil

1 medium onion, cut in/z inch crescents 1 red bell pepper, seeded and cut

in/z-inch strips ½ large fennel bulb, or 1 medium, cut lengthwise in/2-inch

strips 1 large garlic clove, finely chopped

1.teaspoon ground cumin 1 can (15 ounces) white beans (great northern, cannellini, trout, etc.) rinsed and drained

¼ cup chopped flat-leaf parsley ½ cup fat-free, reduced-sodium chicken broth, divided 1 tablespoon white wine vinegar

Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Cut chicken into/2-inch by 2inch strips.

Heat oil in a medium, nonstick skillet over medium-high heat.

Cook chicken until white on the outside.

Transfer to a plate. Add onion, red pepper and fennel to the pan. Stir to coat with oil and juices from the chicken. Sauté 2 minutes. Mix in garlic. Cook until onions and fennel are golden, about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Return chicken to the pan. Stir in cumin, beans, parsley, 4 cup broth, vinegar and salt.

Simmer until chicken is white in the center and vegetables are

still al dente, 5 to 6 minutes With a slotted spoon, transfer food to a bowl and keep warm

on the side. Mix cornstarch into the remaining broth until well

blended. Stir into the liquid in Heat to a simmer, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens.

Return chicken mixture to the

Stir until mixture is coated with the sauce and heated through.

Season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve with cooked brown rice or roasted potatoes.

Makes 4 servings. (5½ cups)

Per serving: 240 calories, 5 g. total fat (less than 1 g. saturated fat), 23 g. carbohydrate, 25 g. protein, 6 g. dietary fiber, 368 mg. sodium.

Dana Jacobi writes for the American Institute for Cancer Research and is the author of The Joy of Soy.

Menu offers taste of wine-country style

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Menu planners for summer dining could well look for inspiration to the sunny reaches of California's "Riviera" belt – to the Santa Barbara area, for example, where a homegrown, wine-country style of cuisine flourishes.

The ingredients are all there, along with the Mediterraneanlike coast, climate and growing season. The surrounding farms and more than 70 wineries provide area chefs with abundant raw material for creative cooking. Local resources include acres of lemon, avocado and olive orchards, fresh lavender fields, mushroom farms and farm-raised poultry.

Here's a taste of this freshas-a-breeze fare for a special summer menu, perhaps for an alfresco meal, made up of three dishes from three chefs, with suggested wines.

ROASTED BEET AND FENNEL SALAD

For the Salad:

2½ cups French beans ¼ fennel buib ¼ head_radicchio

3 large beets 3 tablespoons oil

Blue Cheese Vinaigrette (recipe follows)

Shallot Rings (recipe follows)

For the Blue Cheese Vinaigrette:

¼ cup champagne vinegar, or white wine vinegar 1/2 cup olive oil

2 tablespoons chopped shallots 1/2 cup blue cheese, crumbled Sugar, salt and pepper to taste

For the Shallot Rings: 3 large shallots, peeled

1 cup buttermilk

1 cup flour 1 cup semolina flour

4 cups vegetable oil

To make the Salad:

Clean and blanch the green beans in boiling water. Remove fennel tops and the fennel core; slice very thinly, keep in cold water until needed. Slice radicchio very thinly just before using, as it will wilt (if done

ahead, keep in cold water with. squeeze of lemon).

Preheat oven to 350º F. Drizzle beets with oil and season with salt and pepper. Place in a deep ovenproof pan and add 1/2 inches of water. Cover with foil and roast in a 350° F oven for about 1 hour or until tender all the way through when pierced with a skewer. Cool beets; rub off skins with towel. Dice into 4 inch cubes.

To make the Blue Cheese Vinaigrette:

Combine vinegar, oil and shallots in a bowl and mix well with a wire whip. Add the cheese and whisk again. Adjusting for acidity and flavor, season to taste with sugar, salt and pepper.

To make Shallot Rings:

Slice shallots about 1/4 inch thick. Dip slices in buttermilk, drain. Combine flour and semolina flour; toss shallot slices in flour-semolina mixture. Deepfry the shallots in oil until crisp (a pan with tall sides will keep oil from boiling over after adding the shallots; if you do not have a deep pan, use less oil in a more shallow pan). Allow to cool.

To serve salad: Dress the beet and fennel salad ingredients with the Blue Cheese Vinaigrette; adjust seasoning with salt and pepper, to taste. Garnish with Shallot Rings.

Makes 6 servings.

Recipe from Anthony Minniti, executive chef Fess Parker Wine Country Inn-Vintage Room Restaurant, Los Olivos, Calif.

Wine Suggestion: Santa Barbara chardonnay.

HONEY AND LAVENDER DUCK **BREAST WITH GRILLED ASPARAGUS** AND TOMATO

6 duck breasts ½ cup honey 2 bunches fresh lavender, tops

coarsely chopped 4 cups port wine 2 cups veal demi-glace (optional, may be purchased at special-

ty food stores) 3 tablespoons honey 1 stick (1/2 cup) butter

3 bunches asparagus (about 1 pound each) 5 large beefsteak or heirloom

2 tablespoons olive oil 1/4 cup kosher salt or coarse salt Pepper to taste 1½ cups blackberries

Zest of 1 lemon

To prepare the duck: Make cuts 4 inch deep and 2 inch apart through fatty skin of duck breasts. Place breasts fat side down in heavy-bottomed pan. Slowly let the fat render off over medium to high heat on gas burner at side of many grills (if you don't have a gas burner, put pan directly on grill), until duck breasts are crispy and brown. Remove breasts and pour out excess fat.

Preheat oven to 450° F.

Place honey and chopped lavender tops in pan; combine. Roll duck breasts in honey mixture to coat, then add //2 cup water to pan. Roast in 450º F oven, fat side up, for 5 to 6 minutes. Remove from pan and let breast rest 5 minutes before slicing on the bias" and serving.

To make Sauce: In medium saucepan, cook down port and veal demi-glace, if used, until reduced by half, or until you have a thick, syrupy consistency (sauce may be prepared in advance to this point; if so, set aside and keep warm). When ready to finish making sauce, add 3 tablespoons honey and allow to dissolve into sauce. Then add the butter 1 tablespoons at a time until all the butter is melted into the sauce.

To prepare Grilled Asparagus and Tomato: While duck is rendering and roasting, toss asparagus and halved tomatoes in olive oil, salt and pepper to taste. Place asparagus and tomatoes, cut side down, onto medium-hot grill; watch carefully so as not to burn. Remove from heat when asparagus is al dente, about 3 to 4 minutes for medium-sized stalks, and tomatoes are warm.

To serve: Place slices of duck breast in center of each plate. Drizzle with sauce, and top with fresh blackberries and grilled asparagus. Sprinkle a little lemon zest

over the asparagus spears. Makes 6 servings. Recipe from chef Josh Brown, of Bouchon-Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, Calif.



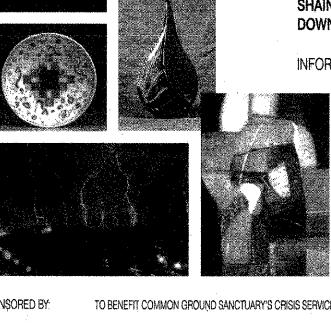
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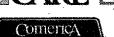








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the wrongs done to you." Other traditions that mark the Jewish New Year include rewinding the Torah, a scroll

that contains the first five books of Moses, "At Rosh Hashanah, we go back to the beginning readings and start all over again," he said. "Also at services, the shofar, which is a ram's horn, is blown to mark this special time."

Although this is a special time for the Jewish community, unlike other holidays, which have symbolic foods to mark the occasion, meals served during Rosh Hashanah are basically individual choices, according to Ilene Stone.

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"Every family has its own special food selections," Stone said. "For our extended family, we usually start with chicken soup, serve brisket for the main course, and often end the meal with a cake, such as wine cake." According to this West

Bloomfield resident, the one food tradition that is a part of the New Year is to eat slices of apples dipped in honey. "A prayer for a sweet New Year is

recited when we eat these foods," Stone said.

Honey, which is the oldest sweetener, is not reserved only for Rosh Hashanah.

It has been used in many Jewish dishes, including Apple and Apricot Honey Cake (recipe below), almost from the beginning of the religion. In addition to serving as a sweetener, it adds flavor to foods and helps in the browning process when spread on poultry. An example is the Honey-Glazed Chicken (recipe below).

Sandra Dalka-Prysby is a freelance writer.

RECIPES

Honey-Glazed Chicken

- 4 chicken quarters with skin 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- Preheat oven to 350°F. Arrange chicken, skin side up in baking dish. In a medium bowl, whisk together all other ingredients for a glaze. Spoon glaze over chicken and cover dish with aluminum foil. Bake for 30 minutes. Remove foil and bake for another 20-30 minutes until chicken is a rich brown. Spoon glaze over chicken at least three

times during last baking cycle.

APPLE AND APRICOT HONEY CAKE

13/4 cup all-purpose flour

- 3/4 cup toasted wheat germ 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon 1/2 cup honey (dark is best)
- ½ cup strong coffee, cooled
- ¼ cup canola oil 3 egg whites, lightly beaten
- 2 teaspoons orange zest, finely chopped 1 cup tart apple, peeled and
- chopped 3/4 cup dried apricots, chopped
- ½ cup golden raisins, chopped

Preheat oven to 350° F and

line 9-inch-square cake pan with parchment paper.

In a large bowl, combine flour, wheat germ, baking powder, backing soda and cinnamon. Set

In another bowl, whisk together honey, coffee, oil, egg whites and orange zest.

Slowly add wet mixture to dry ingredients, whisking to combine. Fold in fruits.

Pour into pan and bake for 40

to 45 minutes until golden brown and toothpick inserted in center of cake comes out slightly

Remove pan for oven, then remove cake for pan.

Keep covered until cooled.

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■ 2002 Peter Lehmann Chardonnay (\$12) displays the delicious white peach aromas and flavors characteristic of the best Barossa chardonnays. The creamy texture makes it a natural match for roast chicken.

■ 2003 Peter Lehmann Eden Valley Riesling (\$16), bottled with a screw cap to maximize freshness and guarantee a wine without cork taint, is crisp and slightly steely.

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popular. Not only is this winner priced right but its superb layers of rich ripe fruit and good structure scream to be matched with grilled beef or grilled duck breast.

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■ 2001 Peter Lehmann Shiraz (\$16). Sumptuous and rich-textured, it is a steal at this price to pair with slowsimmered lamb shanks or a fine filet mignon wrapped in bacon.

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SAMPLES

Polcyn, a certified executive chef who also teaches at Schoolcraft, along with The Farm in Port Austin, owned by Jeff Gabriel, certified master chef and a Schoolcraft instructor, are among the featured restaurants.

Schoolcraft alums also are heavily involved with the food. Loving, Reva Bell of Gravity in Milford, and Shawn McKinnon of Boocoo in Royal Oak are among them, Konowalow said.

Of course, Schoolcraft's American Harvest restaurant, staffed by the college's culinary arts students, will also be serving food. The dishes at the event will span the entire range from appetizers to dessert. A sampling includes lobster bisque, chicken marsala, jumbo crab and shrimp cakes, wedding cakes, bumpy cake, dessert wines and gourmet coffees.

Loving, who also teaches an introductory cooking class at Schoolcraft and fills in for the other instructors, said participating in the extravaganza is a highlight for him.

What: Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza 2004. Event featuring about 50 restaurants and wineries at various displays for patrons to sample. Patrons can stop in at free wine-tasting seminar from 2:30-3:15 p.m. Proceeds support student scholarships.

Where: VisTaTech Center (north side of Waterman Center on north side of Livonia campus, located on Haggerty Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads.) When: 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19

Tickets: \$50 per person. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10. Raffle prizes include a ruby and diamond ring, an LCD television or dinner at the American Harvest Restaurant for four.

Patrons can take part in a live auction featuring a five-course meal for eight prepared in your home, a series of cooking classes taught by Certified Master Chef Jeffrey Gabriel, and overnight stays at Frankenmuth, Pelee Island and the Fairmont Royal York Hotel in Toronto.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call the Schoolcraft Development Office at (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5008. Visa, MasterCard, Discover and checks are accepted.

"It's sort of a combination of feelings," Loving said. "A certain percentage of it is an accomplishment, and you feel it helps in your pursuit of knowledge.

"You also want to do well in the eyes of your mentors." (Master chefs Jeff Gabriel and Kevin Gawronski both instructed Loving when he attended in 1989-91.)

"It's hard to look at (the Schoolcraft instructional staff) as peers when they've been so impactful in the industry and so impactful in my career," Loving said.

Loving expects to make a New Orleans-style sausage gumbo with a black peppered chicken thigh.

"It's a great time," Loving said. "It's always fun to do. And you have to make sure (your food) is right."

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Fair Housing laws apply to associations

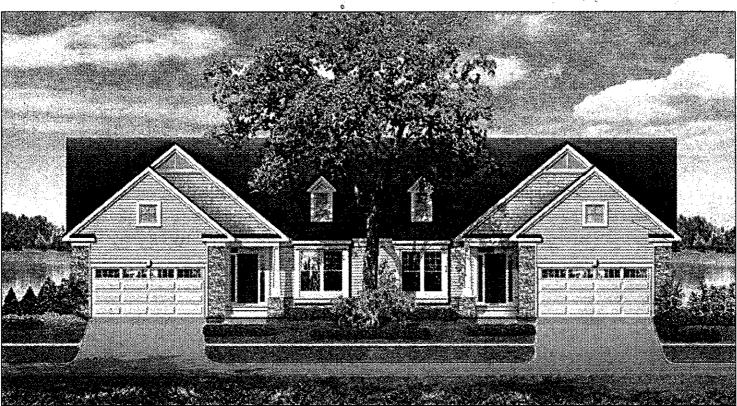
One of our board members has suggested that Federal Fair Housing Act does not apply to community associations. Do you have any comment?

Clearly, the Federal Fair Housing law applies to community associations in many instances. First, associations indirectly get involved in selling or renting units. To the extent they are involved in that process, they are susceptible to recourse. Moreover, if a member has a mental or physical disability, the Fair Housing statute also applies to associations in that regard, particularly with respect to request for modifications. Moreover, there may be state or local fair housing laws that apply and to the extent that your association maintains or allows a "hostile" housing environment, it may be subjected to potential liability under the Fair Housing law. For example, there are several situations that can lead to a claim of hostile housing environment including neighbors discriminating against each other. You are best advised to consult with your association attorney.

I am on a board of a community association and one of our members has posted a sign inside of her car window. The association has a restriction that says that no signs of any kind shall be displayed to public view on any lot and that no yehicles except four-wheel passenger vehicles with no lettering or signage thereon can be placed or stored on any lot. Do we have a basis to pursue the co-owner for this signage?

Probably not, based upon a recent Florida court that ruled that neither provision in the association's declaration applied to the member's signs. As to the first provision, the court indicated that lot meant a plot of land and so it did not apply to a car. As to the second provision, the court said that it applied only to signs on cars and not signs in cars. The court added that the latter provision was intended to prohibit recreational or commercial four-wheel vehicles from parking in plain view and not to prohibit members from posting signs in their cars. This may be a reason for you to amend your deed restrictions.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisnerassociates.com.



These one-and-a-half-story condominium homes at Stony Lake Village in Oxford feature an attached two-car garage, large kitchen with adjoining breakfast nook, large central family room with fireplace, cathedral ceilings and cedar decks. They were built by MJC Companies in partnership with West Bloomfield's Ivanhoe Huntley Homes.

Condominium sales soar as dwellers seek amenities, relaxed lifestyle

BY KEELY SCHRAMM STAFF WRITER

First-time home buyers and baby boomers - these are the people who are buying condos. Sales of existing condominiums and cooperatives set a record in the second quarter. According to the National Association of Realtors, it's the first time this market segment has ever approached the \$1 million sales level.

While affordability is a factor for entry level buyers, changing lifestyles are a major reason that condos are a bigger market share today than in year's past," said David Lereah, NAR's chief economist.

Local Realtors agree. Janet Guardiano, a Realtor with Century 21 Today in Livonia, has listings for condos in Farmington, Farmington Hills, and Northville. "It's a different lifestyle," she said. "A condo is a graduated step up from an apartment and many developments offer amenities such as swimming pools and tennis courts."

HOME SWEET HOME

A condo offers the comforts of home without exterior maintenance - no grass to cut or snow to shovel. It takes a little bit of the scare out of home ownership, said Marie LaGrow, a Realtor with Remerica Hometown in Plymouth. "I see more single women stepping into the market," said added. "They're getting better jobs and better pay. Buying a condo kind of eases them into home ownership and gets them used to it."

"You tend to get more house for your money with a condo, and it's a good way to build equity," added Michelle Michael, an associate broker with RE/MAX Classic in Farmington Hills.

Buying a condo is a move up not downsizing for empty nester baby boomers who want more time to play. "They'll go from a small condo into a much more lavish condo to build their portfolio," said LaGrow. "I just had a couple who sold their home for \$250,000 and bought a \$275,000 condo in a new development. As the development grows their investment will increase."

In the Midwest, condo and co-op sales increased 5.5 percent in the second quarter, 13.7 percent above the same period. last year.

"Look at all the new subdivisions" going up, said LaGrow. "People are looking for an open floor plan and cathedral ceilings. They want a house feel."

That's the reason newer condos are more attractive to many buyers than older condos build in the 1990s. It's a buyer's

market, and buyers can afford to be

"A lot of people like to look at newer condos because they don't want to buy something they have to update," said Michael. "The areas that get the best return on investment and help retain the value of a condo are remodeling the kitchen, finishing the basement, and new windows."

Association dues can vary. "Be very careful," said LaGrow. "Some associations put more responsibility on the homeowner."

"Read the association bylaws and find out what you're responsible for," added Michael. "Some older complexes willreplace windows and doors, some newer ones won't,"

KEY FEATURES

Buyers want access to freeways, but don't want to be too close. For young professionals who travel, being close to the airport is important, so is entertainment and convenient shopping.

When you're shopping for a condo here are some things to consider:

Location is important. "Look around, if there's something you're uncomfortable with, it's probably going to bother a future buyer," said LaGrow. "Condos with a more private view in the front and back are more desirable," said Michael

Look at what parking is available. Consider the traffic in the complex. Some people don't like being on a main road.

Ask if you can plant your own flowers. Is having a patio important to you? Are you allowed to have pets and what are the rules and requirements?

"Make sure you're investing into a financially sound complex," said Michael. "You want one that budgets wisely and hasn't had too many extra assessments. Get copies of financial reports."

Become familiar with the different types of condominiums. Site condos are surrounded by common areas. You own the structure and the land it sits on.

With condominiums you own from the walls in. The outside structure, driveway, and yards are common areas and jointly owned. Condominiums can be either

attached or detached, Empty nesters who want to come home to a room with a view and play golf are looking at Stony Lake Village, a development of 75 duplex ranch and one-and-ahalf-story condominiums in Oxford.

Seven of the units, which are priced in the mid \$250's, are sold. Stony Lake Village is within Waterstone, a masterplanned golf and waterfront community that features 27 holes of golf, several lakes,

RESOURCES

■ The National Association of Realtors - Represents one million Realtors involved in all aspects of the residential and commercial real estate industries, www.realtor.com

■ Stony Lake Village - Located within Waterstone, a master-planned golf and waterfront community west of Lapeer Road, north of downtown Oxford, (248) 236-9630 or www.mjccompanies.com

■ Condominium Operation: Introduction The Essentials for Success, a class taught by Robert M. Meisner of Meisner & Associates, 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 5-26, at the Bingham III Office Park, 30200 Telegraph, Suite 467, Bingham Farms. Class sponsored by Oakland Community College. The cost is \$95 per person, (248) 522-3618 or (248) 644-4433.

hiking and biking trails and natural preservation areas.

"We're in the preconstruction phase. The lots are beautiful," said Maria Cieslák, sales director for MJC Ivanhoe Huntley Homes at Stony Lake Village at Waterstone. "No one backs up to you."

In 1993, condo and co-op sales accounted for 9.6 percent of the total of all existing home sales. In 2003, condos commanded a 12.8 percent market share - a 33.3 percent rise in the portion of sales over the last decade.

Walt McDonald, NAR president, and broker-owner of Walt McDonald Real Estate in Riverside, Calif., said the rise in interest rates may have sparked some buyers into making purchase decisions.

"Even if there was some fence-jumping, mortgage interest rates and costs of servicing a loan are so low in historic terms that the rate increase may not be as big of a factor as in years past," he said. "The demand for housing from growing and aging populations segments, and improvements in the economy, are bigger factors in record condo sales. The rise in market share also shows condos are a good invest-

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Credit tips to make you healthy again

nsurance companies determine your insurability and your policy premiums based on how many "layers" of risk they must manage for you. Bankers and mortgage brokers handle mortgage requests in a similar manner. They add up borrowers' financial risk factors to determine one thing: Will they repay their mortgage as promised?

Mortgage lenders use credit history and credit scores as major elements of their risk analyses. Because credit scores play such a crucial part of the mortgage process, you will benefit from a few simple tips.

HANDLE ISSUES QUICKLY

If you know you have credit issues, handle them immediately. Credit problems tend to go from bad to worse quickly. A seasoned mortgage professional can tell you whether a credit counselor or an attorney may be in order. He may also provide a "road map" toward your future home purchase.

Treat open credit like gold. Make at least your minimum monthly payment on time all the time. It's the best way to improve your scores.

Do not close all of your credit accounts if you are trying to increase your credit scores! If somebody tells you to do so, you are listening to a fool. How can you prove you can properly manage your credit if you have no credit open? If you properly maintain three to five credit accounts and keep each of them below 50 percent of their respective max credit limits, your credit scores will fare well over

BE FEARLESS

Do not fear if you have a credit score but not much of a credit history, or if you have credit accounts that are not scored. There are mortgages available for most borrowers in these situations.

If you are in financial duress and have a good amount of equity in your home, freeing up that equity for debt relief or for a cash infusion may really help your situation. I call it "stopping the bleeding" because it's usually a first step in getting a financial recovery in place. Sooner is always better than later for managing credit issues of any kind.

Timothy Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. You may access his Wealth Academy(tm) archives at www.PhillipsHQ.com or phone him toll-free at (866) 369-4516. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.



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Mortgage rates fall to five-month low, Freddie Mac says

BY JEANNINE AVERSA **ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Mortgage rates fell with rates on 30-year mortgages dropping to their lowest level in five months, good news for potential homebuyers.

Freddie Mac, in its weekly nationwide survey released Thursday, Sept. 2, said rates on 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages decreased to 5.77 percent for the week ending Sept. 2. That was down from 5.82 percent the previous

week, and the lowest since rates averaged 5.52 percent for the week ending

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Rates on 30-year mortgages hit a high this year of 6.34 percent the week of May 13. Since then, rates, while bouncing around, have slowly drifted downward as economic activity cooled in the late spring and early

Frank Nothaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist, said a drop in consumer confidence has raised concerns

among some Wall Street investors about consumers' willingness to spend in the coming months.

The drop in consumer confidence left an unsavory taste in the market, creating a fear that consumer spending will slow," he said. "Because consumer spending constitutes about two-thirds of the economy, this could seriously impact economic growth. As a result, interest rates tend to retreat to lower levels."

For 15-year, fixed-rate mortgages, a

popular option for refinancing, rates dipped to 5.15 percent, down from 5.21 percent. Rates on one-year adjustable rate mortgages declined to 3.97 percent, compared with 4.05 the previous week.

The nationwide averages for mortgage rates do not include add-on fees known as points. The 30-year mortgage and the one-year ARM each carried an average 0.8 point fee this week. Fifteen-year mortgages carried a 0.7 point fee.

A year ago, rates on 30-year mortgages averaged 6.32 percent with 15year mortgages at 5.66 percent and one-year ARMs at 3.88 percent.

The Mortgage Bankers Association, meanwhile, said refinancing accounted for 40.7 percent of all home mortgage applications filed, up from 40.4 percent the previous week.

ON THE NET

Freddie Mac: http://www.freddiemac.com

Note to renters: Waiting to purchase a home can cost you

(NAPSI) - For nearly two years, 45-year-low interest rates have fueled home sales to record proportions. Now, with financial experts in agreement that those rates will continue to rise, the window of opportunity may be closing for the estimated 38 million renters across the U.S - most of whom hope to become homeowners in the near future. In fact, waiting to buy a home could cost you more in the long run.

BUY OR WAIT?

Rising home prices and interest rates are only part of the equation. By purchasing a home now, renters can begin building home equity and personal net worth sooner. In a market where home prices are consistently edging upward, a

home purchased for \$200,000 two years ago could easily be worth \$20,000 more today. That extra money is equity in the homeowner's pocket. Nationwide, home values increased by 23 percent on average since 2000. In some parts of the country, homes have increased by as much as 65 percent or more in the same span of time.

RENTER MISCONCEPTIONS

Many renters or first-time buyers don't realize that purchasing a home is easier today than ever before. It's one reason the national home ownership rate was 62.9 percent for the second quarter of 2004, representing 73.4 million homeowners in the country-an all-time record. To that end, a

number of perceived barriers are sidelining or stalling renters from jumping into the market. Top "fear factors" according to a Bank of America-commissioned survey

Fear of making a costly mistake - Consumers need to be diligent about consulting only with established, reputable lenders. Seek out a lender whois more concerned with your personal financial situation than earning a commission. Also, do your own homework to ensure that you know what competitive mortgage rates are. Mortgage rates are published weekly in the business or real estate section of most major newspapers or visit www.bankrate.com. Use those rates to help guide you, but be mindful that customer service

and attention to your specific needs are also key criteria to consider.

Intimidation of the paperwork and the process - 40 percent of renters believe they either don't have enough money saved or they may not qualify for a mortgage, yet more programs exist today than ever before to limit the amount of down payment needed to become a homeowner-and limit the necessary paperwork. Bank of America, for example, offers an 80 percent less paperwork process

Not knowing where to start - Approximately 75 percent of homebuyers begin by doing online research. Also, firsttime homebuyers may find it helpful to start the process

that benefits many homebuy-

with a visit to a bank or a Realtor recommended by a friend or relative. They can help you determine how much house you can afford and what your payments would be.

Despite the misconceptions above, the survey also found that 57 percent of renters intending to purchase a home by year-end are in fact accelerating their plans in light of the rise in interest rates-and they are smart to do so. For every one percent rise in interest rates, one million renters or first-time homebuyers no longer qualify for a mortgage. Why? Because interest rates factor into affordability. For example, a 1/2-percent increase in interest adds nearly \$50 to the monthly payment on a 30-year mortgage.

"Home ownership is a goal

for most renters, and this is a pivotal time to get into the market," says financial expert Gene Morris. "If your goal is to purchase a home one, two or three years from today, you should visit your banking institution to discuss the benefits of buying a home sooner."

In a rising interest rate environment, millions of renters can still take advantage of an opportunistic market, a positive economic outlook and programs that make buying a home an attractive proposition. If you are one of the millions of renters intent on becoming a homeowner, you owe it to yourself to explore homeownership sooner rather than later. Talk to your banker to get a clear understanding of the options available to you right now.



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Federal Reserve offers tips for tapping home equity

PRNewswire -More and more, consumers are tapping the equity in

their homes to pay for home improvements or college tuition, or to consolidate debts. Home equity lines of credit and loans can have favorable interest rates and the interest may be tax-deductible, depending on your situation. But you need to shop

around to get the

best deal.

Jeanne Hogarth, program manager for consumer education and research at the Federal (http://www.federalreserve.gov/consumers.htm), notes that a home equity line of credit is different from a home equity loan. "A line of credit is a form of revolving credit like a credit card with your home as

collateral. A home

equity loan, on the other hand, is for a fixed amount of money, paid back over a fixed term, much like your primary mortgage."

for a home equity line of credit or loan, knowing what questions to ask can make a big difference in what

When you shop

vou'll pay. Is the lender offering you a home of credit?

■ What are the interest rate and fees?

What is the annual percentage rate?

■ Is the interest rate variable or fixed?

■ How will you repay the loan?

Some plans set minimum payments that cover interest payments only, while others have payments that cover both principal and interest. If you have an interest-only payment plan, ask how you

will repay the prin-

cipal. Hogarth encourages consumers to "read the credit agreement carefully and study the terms and conditions including the APR, the fees and other costs of establish-

ing the plan, and the repayment terms." Some lines d€credit let you convert a line of

credit to a traditional home equity loan with fixed payments for a set number of months. The Federal

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What You Should Know about Home **Equity Lines of** Credit has information on how to get and manage a home equity line of credit, and includes a consumer checklist to help you shop and compare. You can find it on the Federal Reserve Board's Web site at http://www.federalreserve.gov/pubs/ homeline/ or you can order a free copy from Publications, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve

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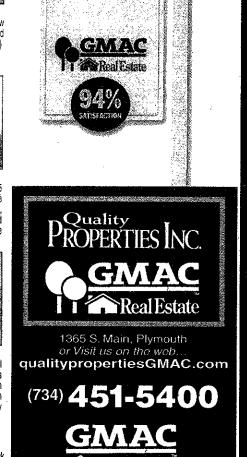


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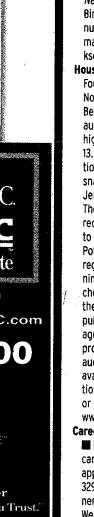
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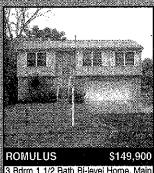
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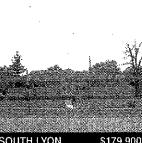
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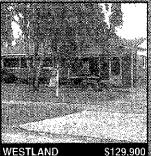
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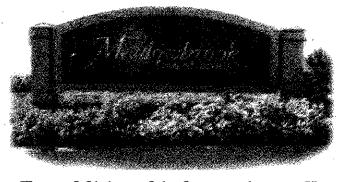
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\$427,000

Make your home clutter-free before selling

9198 Appleton

15013 Beech Daly

\$170,000

\$202,000

(NAPSI) – Selling your home may seem like a daunting task but it doesn't have to be. "It is very important to be clean and clutter-free to show buyers that your house has been well cared for," said Martha Webb, real estate expert and author. A few helpful hints can simplify the process and help lead you to success.

A perfect exterior: The first challenge is enticing prospective buyers to come in for a peek. Make sure that the outside of your home is in tip-top shape by removing any unsightly objects from the yard and

around the house. Trim the hedges and cut the grass, and don't forget about the

Make the inside sparkle: Be sure to clean, clean! Also try to de-clutter your house as much as possible. Having everything neat and organized not only looks nice but also creates the illusion of space, making your house appear larger.

Create an ambiance: "Build the essential emotional connection to help buyers imagine daily life in your house," said Webb. All houses have a distinct personal-

ity. Strive to give your house character that will engage prospective buyers and help it. stand out. By adding soothing smells and sounds, visitors will be more apt to think back on the pleasant atmosphere resonating from within your home. Y Most importantly, make your pets scarce as they may intimidate your guests or create last minute messes.

Satisfy appetites: Everyone is happy to see food! Be sure to have something small for your visitors to nibble on while they are learning about your home.

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w/ bow window and large finished basement, large floor 4BR/2.5BA, huge LR w/picture living room. Basement and plan with 3 BR/3BA, and much windows & fireplace, formal \$184,900 (35HEN)



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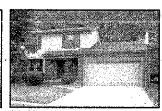


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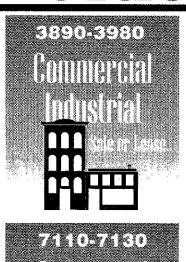


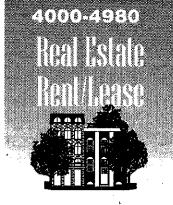


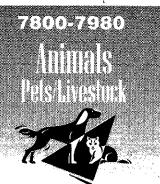




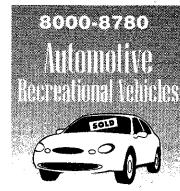












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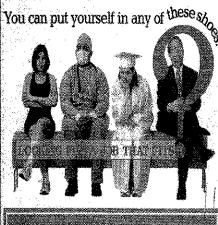


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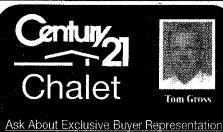
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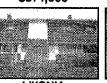




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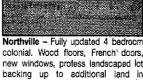
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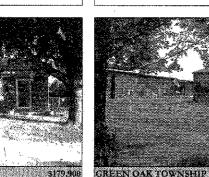
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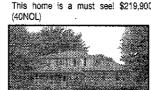
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Great 3 BR brick ranch on approx. 48 acre lot. C/A,
newer vinyl windows, updated kitchen, full basement,
hardwood floor, neutral decor, two car garage
w/workshop. Move in condition. Must see!

DEARBORN HGTS. Living At its Best Delightful brick ranch offers 3 bedrooms within walking distance of schools, churches & rec center, charming eat-in kitchen, 2.5 car garage w/opener.

REDFORD Clean Ranch

3 bedroom home freshly painted, neutral decor, newer windows, steel entry doors & flooring. Some appliances, ceiling fans. Nice floor plan. Screened porch & 1 year home warranty.

3 bedroom, 1.5 bath bungalow in sight of neighborhood park. Updated eat-in kitchen w/bay window, newer Berber carpet, furnace, C/A & bath. Spacious wood deck

HIGHLAND TWP. Go Fore It!
Great golf community. 18 holes golf, exquisite clubhouse, swimming & tennis. Beautiful vistas - 4 BR, 3.5 BA, 2-story w/den & FFL. 3 car side entry garage. Totally neutral. Lots of light. Huge kitchen, ready.

WEST BLOOMFIELD Hills of Chelsea Park 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial located in the Hills Crossing of Chelsea Park w/numerous upgrades. Grand Swarovski chandeller, granite in kit, foyer, formal DR & LR. Privacy lib, 2nd playroom, grand master ste & 2nd master bath.

NOVI Pottery Barn Perfect!
Just move into this spacious updated home. Numerous updates. Ceramic entry, HW floors, carpet, fresh paint. Profes fin LL w/FP w/FP & office. Lg LR w/frpic. Newer, blinds T/O. High ceilings. Tennis, pool & pond.

NORTHVILLE Location, Location

Great family home w/room to spare. Spacious LR w/vaulted ceilings & skylights. Family room w/cozy frplc. Lg deck off DR. Updated kitchen, furnace, HWH, windows, carpet & paint. Walk to downtown.

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NOVI Picturesque Colonial
Landscaping from Better Homes & Gardens w/brick
paver patio w/built-in lights, hot tub & gazebo,
perennials gardens, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, finished
basement, 2 car attached garage & maple kitchen. Picturesque Colonial (E65BRO) 734-455-5600



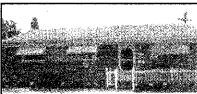
CANTON Classic Elegance!
Custom built on approx. 1 acre. Foyer w/wrought iron & wood staircase, 2 story GR w/ripic & crown molding, kitchen & master BA w/granite tops, 3 bedrooms have a bath & WIC. Full basement w/walk-out & 3 car att gar. (E51ROL) 734-455-5600



LIVONIA Super Family Home
Brick ranch w/3 BRs, 2 baths, family room w/fireplace,
furnace, 2.5 car att gar w/220. Master bedroom w/bath.
Full bsmt, vinyl windows & some appls stay. Must seel (E92BAS) 734-455-5600



ROMULUS Cute As A Button
Come take a look at this updated ranch. 3 bedrooms, 1
bath, partially finished basement, newer windows, fenced yard. Very clean and not too far from freeways & (E74WAL) 734-455-5600



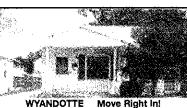
ALLEN PARK A Move Right in Ranch Sharp 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch w/2 car attached garage, basement, great room w/gas log fireplace, sprinkler system, profes landscaped yard, large oak kitchen w/plenty of counter space. (E28WAL) 734-455-5600 \$166,900



GROSSE ILE Ready To Move Int Wonderful 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath ranch on large treed lot. Master bedroom w/full bath, finished basement w/.5 bath, family room, deck w/hot tub, some appliances and (E18JOH) 734-455-5600 \$235,000



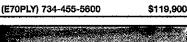
Candidate For Architectural Digest Spectacular 4 BR, 5 BA cust built ranch w/over 5000 sq. ft., spacious GR w/cath ceiling, gourmet kit w/hexagon brkfst rm & custom cabinets, fully equipped kit in i.i. + BR & office. Collectors garage + 3 car attached garage. (E32ADA) 734-455-5600 \$599,900



WYANDOTTE Move Right Int Cute 2 bedroom dollhouse w/updated kitchen w/appliances, updated furnace, H2O tank, roof, oversized 2 car garage, bath & windows + hardwood floors under carpet. (E5519T) 734-455-5600 \$109,900



wooded area from private balcony that has 2 doors & 5x5 storage area. All appliances stay.





WESTLAND Great Starter
With Livonia Schools offers this 3 bedroom, bungalow
w/hardwood floors, some never carpet, updated
kitchen, dining room & ceramic bath + new roof in '04. One year home warranty. (E02HUG) 734-455-5600 \$125,000



Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home w/2 car attached garage, full basement, step up master suite, hardwood floors, family room w/fireplace, bay windows, vaulted ceilings, professionally landscaped lot. (E57MYS) 734-455-5600



WYANDOTTE Spacious Starter
Large 2 BR, 2 BA, 1.5 car garage w/opener, updated
kitchen, windows, roof, elec, plumb, roof & siding.
Formal dinling room eat-in kitchen, basement w/fuli
bath, large lot, all appls & freshly painted. (E405TH) 734-455-5600



Custom built, all brick contemporary "big lot in little Plymouth." Very clean & well taken care of. Has built in double ovens, newer roof & hot water heater. Unique floor plan in this 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath home.





PLYMOUTH Spacious Ranch
Great neighborhood presents 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2
fireplaces, tiled FR, hot tub, updated t/o. All appliances,
2 car attached garage, nicely finished basement,
hardwood floors, paver patio, sprinklers, attic fan.



EASTPOINTE Need Quick Sale 2 bedroom, 2 bath ranch w/finished basement, detached garage, circuit breakers, C/A, 2 natural fireplaces, Florida room, steel entry doors, wood trim t/o, lots of cabs & pantry windows, Ig kit, deep lot. (E11FOR) 734-455-5600



DETROIT Warrendale Bungalow Cute freshly painted brick home w/3 betrooms, 1 bath, hardwood floors, coved ceilings, newer windows, roof + finished basement & fenced yard.



WESTLAND This One Has It All!

2 bedroom, 1.5 bath townhouse. Master bedroom has access to full bath & large WiC. Kitchen w/wood laminate floors, wood cabs & appls. Dining area has doorwall to deck, frpic in LR, attached garage & bsmt. (E64PHE) 734-455-5600 \$169,000



A pleasure to show! GR w/crown molding, neut crpt gas frplc, trimmed in marble. Kit w/white Merrilat cabs appls inci. Dining area has bay window. French doors to library, basement plumbed & daylight windows. (E61EDG) 734-455-5600 \$309,000





NORTHVILLE Quiet Wooded Lot - Approx. 1/2 Acre Stream koi pond enhance the site for this immaculately maintained residence featuring 3 car garage w/plenty of room for family & friends. 4 bedrooms, library/home office, formal dining and much more. (E87ELM) 248-349-5600



REDFORD Beautiful Home
Four bedroom, 2.5 bath cape cod. Near Western Golf
course. Backyard privacy and loads of storage space.
Natural fireplace in living room.



LIVONIA Live On Easy Street

Most of the work's been done. Relax on the deck & view
the park-like settling. 4 BR, 2.5 BA. Nice floor plan with
tons of storage. 1st floor laundry. Many updates like
windows, roof & mechanicals. Clean & well maintained. (E95FAI) 248-349-5600



Great 3 BR bungalow w/updated kitchen and bath, newer vinyl windows, hardwood floors, huge MBR w/cedar lined WIC. All neutral decor and heated 2 car garage. All this plus a one year home warranty. (E09FEN) 248-349-5600



GARDEN CITY Mechanics Dream Garage
Wonderful ranch w/fin LL w/full bath. Newer carpet,
windows, roof & furnace-94. Copper plumbing, updated
electrical, glass block windows. Great neighborhood.
Close to schools. All appliances stay. Steel entry doors. (E81FLO) 248-349-5600



SALEM Beautiful Cape Cod TAYLOR Don't Miss This One! Newer construction condo opens to a 2 story fover. Beautiful gas fireplace, master bedroom w/WIC & vaulted ceiling. Features C/A, 2 car attached garage & Convenient country living for the buyer who seeks peace & quiet yet needs quick drive to Ann Arbor or metro. Nestled high on a hill with approximately 2.74 acres. 4 BR. 4.5 BA, kit w/cherry cabs, hdwd firs. \$173,500 (E26FOX) 248-349-5600



\$679,900

SOUTH LYON Golf Course Community
Custom home 4 spacious BRs, 1st floor master & 2story GR. Kitchen offers cherry cabs, ceramic floor
custom lighting. Professionally decorated. Transfer
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FARMINGTON HILLS Great Home Backing Woods!
Transferred seller's mourn their loss. Beautiful 4 BR,
3BA quad offers ton's of recent upgrades and
improvements. Open floor plan, large toyer, LR, DR,
kitchen w/nook, finished basement, FR w/fg, more.

(E26HAR) 248-349-5600



NOVI A Gemt Approx. .44 Acres
FF MBR w/French doors to brick paver patio. Home
backs to wetlands. Gourmet kit-03, hearth rm w/2-way
fireplace to GR. Lib w/bullt-in cabs, loft/FR, inground
pool, putting green, x-wide drive & 3.5 heated garage. (E37HAZ) 248-349-5600 \$634,900



REDFORD Beautiful Brick Ranch
3 BR, 1 BA + 2 LAV home w/many updates. FR
w/ceramic floor & doorwall to patto. Remodeled kit
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PLYMOUTH Mint Condo
3 BR, 2.5 BA end unit that backs to private woods. Fin
L, perfect for teanager or in-law quarters. Newer chef's
kt wall appls. FFL. Private deck area. All newer carpet,
some hdwd firs. Double doorwalls - newer. (E77HID) 248-349-5600



NORTHVILLE Condo Exquisite masterpiece best describes this Tuscany inspired condo: Hickory kitchen offers Sub Zero frig. Viking cooktop, custom marble floor and backsplash, custom lighting. Finished lower level. Awesome. (E44LOC) 248-349-5600







REDFORD Great Feeling Of Space
Redford's beauty. 4 BR quad. Oak kitchen cab. Formal
DR. Gas froic. Newer roof, C/A, furn & HWH. Tons of
storage. Open floor plan. Quiet serene street. Large lot.
x-way friendly. Ceramic foyer. Wonderful neighborhood. (E86LEN) 248-349-5600 \$207,900



Welcome Home To Rosedale Gardens LIVONIA Ranch boasts 3 BRs, 2 car garage, fin basement w/frplc & being sold by original owner. Come & experience fiving in Livonia w/new recreation center w/approx. 1,342 acres of park land including 46 developed parks. (E28MAY) 248-349-5600 \$174,900



DEARBORN Opportunity Knocks Once 4 BR, 3 BA brick home. Freshly painted, n ewer neutral carpeting. All newer applis in kit. Walking distance to church, school, shopping, parks & restaurants. LR w/natural fireplace, formal DR and finished basement. (E47MOR) 248-349-5600 \$269,000



WEST BLOOMFIELD Luxurious Detached Condo abulous former model Includes 2 BR, 2 BA den/or 3rd BR, great room w/skylights, fireplace, 2 car attached grange and a full basement. Spacious & open floor plan w/high vaultad cellings. Huge MBR suite & much more. (E01PEL) 248-349-5600



LIVONIA Traditional Colonial

3 BR colonial w/LR, DR & FR w/trpic. Large updated eat-in kitchen w/ceramic floor. Open floor plan. Recessed lighting, neutral decor, ceramic foyer and hall, central air and 2 car attached garage. (E31PER) 248-349-5600 \$209,900



BEVERLY HILLS Your Oasis Awaits
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NORTHVILLE \$1,200,000 REPLICA OF 1920'S ENGLISH COTTAGE 4 BRs, 4.5 baths. Home offers post and beam construction. Anderson wndws, french drs, oversized tumbled brick, 50 yr shingles, garden house, bonus rm over gar. 349-6200 (24046622)

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NORTHVILLE \$385,000 STEP INTO THE GARDEN Charming ranch has moved the garden indoors. 3 BRs, 3 baths w/recently renovated kitchen & hardwood floors. Skylights to enlighten the spirit, 349-6200 (24091943)

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\$234,900 BRAND NEW CONSTRUCTION CANTON CONDO 3 BRs, 2 1/2 BAs, Mstr w/sitting area, whirlpool tub, cer tile. Hdwd firs in kit, foyer. 1st flr Indry, bsmt, 12x12 deck, 2 car att gar. Close to dwntwn Plymth.

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\$214,900 LOCATION, QUALITY, VALUE & CHARM! 3 BR, 1.5 bath, 1800 SF brick colonial. 2 car att a/c, bath, kitchen, hardwood floors & new carpet (24103205)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$179,900 READY TO MOVE IN COLONIAL with Indwd firs thru-out. New paint, ceramic baths, dining area w/drwll to nice deck, newer wndws & HWH. Some new appls. Fin bsmt w/rec rm & office area. Morel (P23045) 734-591-9200



\$158,900 THE EXTRAS STEAL THE SHOW In this 3 bedroom brick ranch with full finished basement, remodeled kitchen, C/A, 2 full baths, newer windows, unique storage areas & 2 car garage. (M681)

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$142,900 HAWTHORNE HILLS SUB 3 BRs, 1.5 BAs, finished bsmt, 10x14 Florida rm, 2 car side entry garage. All new items: rf, wndws, furn w/a/c, hwh, kit. All appliances stay. (23113275)

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LINCOLN PARK \$119,900 WELCOME HOME Spacious home featuring 5 BRs, 1 BA. Freshly painted, neutral decor thru-out. Many updates incid roof, wndws, entry doors & porch. Home sits on a double lot. (23M1326)

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LIVONIA

SHARP LAUREL PARK RANCH Updated and maintained to perfection. Open floor plan, 1st floor laundry, enormous professionaly finished lower level, great lot, cir drive, move in condition. 24090467 \$283,300 734-591-9200 ALL THIS CAN BE YOURS!!! 4 BR, 2.5 BA Canton colonial. Features formal LR, FR, ig DR, breakfast/island in kit, paver patio, fenced & sidewalks in sub! Hurry!!! 349-6200 24104266 \$259,900 248-348-6430

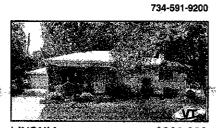


NORTHVILLE \$615,000
VICTORIAN ELEGANCE DOWNTOWN
NORTHVILLE Custom built 1997. 4 BRs,
2.5 BAs. Great floor plan. Upgrades include: 9FT ceilings, crown mldngs & wrap around porch. Walk to town, schools & cider mill. 349-6200 249-349-6430

CANTON FALL IN LOVE 4 BR, 2.5 BA Pulte colonial is model quality. Backing to nice tree line. Formal living rm, dream kit w/oak cabs & island. FR w/ FP. 2nd fir Indry. 2.5 car gar. Deck, sprinklers. (23B2758)

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\$229,900 4 BR, 2.5 BA COLONIAL Amazing valuel Over 2300 SF, 4 BRs, 2 1/2 baths, huge master suite, large bedrooms. Visit www.localgem.com for pictures or call 877-934-6683 ID 706 (24104297)



LIVONIA \$200,000 IMMACULATE HM IN MOVIE-IN CONDITION! 3 BRs, 2 baths. Well located in sub. Kit w/under cabinet lighting, double sink and spacious pantry. Lg brkfst nook w/doorwall to yard. Fin LL w/tile shower. 349-6200 (24102764) 248-348-6430

WESTLAND \$179,900 END OF SUMMER SPECIAL Milipointe colonial offers 3 BRs, 2 1/2 baths, vaulted ceilings, skylights, recessed lighting, oak kitchen w/ceramic tile. Doorwall from family rm to deck.

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DEARBORN \$150,000 BUNGALOW Cozy 3 bedroom, 2 full bath bungalow painted with sunshine! Hdwd firs under carpeting, huge master w/lots of storage & skylight. Many newer features! 349-6200 (24078298)

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REDFORD \$139,900 CHARACTER AT A PRICEYOU CAN AFFORD! Stop by this charming 3 BR, 1.5 bath brk ranch. Updates incld rf, wndws, furn, ac, main bath, security sys, fin bsmt, custom deck & much more! (24060728)

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WAYNE \$119,900 SUPER STARTER is this 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath brick ranch in Wayne. 2 1/2 car garage. Home just redecorated, brand new carpeting, large living room and great open floor plan. (A317)

CANTON

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LIVONIA WELL MAINTAINED, NEWER RANCH Extra Ig country setting backs to woods. 3 BRs, 2 BAs. Lg deck w/hot tub, great for entertaining. Kit remodld in 2004. This gem won't last long. 349-6200. 24104374 \$185,000 248-348-6430

\$525,000 CANTON 3900 SF RANCH ON 1.3 ACRES Extensive remodeling in 2000-01. Gorgeous kit w/bay wndw, 2.5 car heated gar, 1.5 car detached too. New cement brk pavers, indoor pool & jacuzzi, game

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LIVONIA

CUSTOM BUILT CAPE COD GR w/cathedral ceiling, gas FP. 3 BRs, 2.5 BAs, 1st fir mstr w/jacuzzi tub & WIC. Lg kit w/ceramic fir. 1st fir Indry, office & BR. 2.5 car att gar. Hm wrmty. (24089118) 734-591-9200



CANTON \$218,832
WE HAVE THE KEY... to your future. Pretty
brick 3 BR, 3 BA ranch. Ready to move in.
Great fin bsmt. Super fenced yd w/VERY private deck. Plymouth/Canton schools.



GARDEN CITY \$189,900 MAN'S AMBITION-WOMAN'S DREAM in this 3 bedroom brick and vinyl colonial. 3 full baths,

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LIVONIA \$179.500 STEPHENSON DISTRICT Updated 3 BR, 1.5 bath ranch w/beautiful bay window. In desirable Spring Valley sub. Newer roof, windows, A/C, vinyl and furnace. Part fin bsmt. 349-6200 vinyl and f (24076943)

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WESTLAND \$147.500 CLEAN AND NEUTRAL Move in and relax. It's all been done for you. 3 BRs, 1.5 BAs, new A/C & furnace. Maintenance free exterior, Ig garage. See to believe. (23A30591)

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REDFORD \$139,900 FEELS LIKE HOME! Step inside this 3 BR, 1.5 bath ranch and you'll love the warmth. LR/DR combo, updated kitchen, newer circuit breaker, CA, furnace & garage. (23R12065)

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LIVONIA \$116,900 TOTALLY UPDATED & SPARKLING CLEAN RANCH You won't be disappointed, move right in. Updated kit, BA, roof, electr, all interior drs. Trim mldgs, frnt & side drs, paint & crpt. Dining rm or 3rd BR w/drwall (D20203)

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LIVONIA CHARMING 3 BR, 2 BA BRICK RANCH This home offers an open fir plan w/spacious rooms including large eat-in kitchen, 2 full baths, nicely fin bsmt, classic colors & styling, 24080906 \$174,900 734-591-9200

UPDATES GALORE! 3 bedroom brick home with finished bsmt & 1 1/2 car garage features newer roof, windows, furn & C/A, plumbing, circuit breakers & more. Clean & bright! (A620)



FABULOUS CENTRAL PARK COLONIAL!
Hardwood thru foyer & kitchen in this 2001 built,
4 bedroom, 2.5 bath Pulte Baybrook 11. Huge
cedar/trex deck looking over commons.
(23S2461) BE NIMBLE BE QUICK Jump into this newer majestic Pulte colonial. 4 BRs, 2.5 baths, hdwd foyer & kit, plus abundant cherry cabinets, 3 car garage and many more amenities. (23P47694)

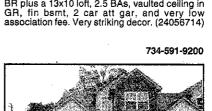


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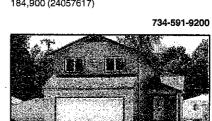
POOL LOVER'S DREAM Comfortable & well manicured ranch, charming kit & brkfst area opening to LR w/bay window, great FR, Ig bsmt & nice deck. Wonderful pool and side yard. 349-6200 (24086049)

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$214,900 NORTH DEARBORN HEIGHTS Condo w/2 lg BR plus a 13x10 loft, 2.5 BAs, vaulted ceiling in



LIVONIA \$184,900 QUEEN'S PARK CONDOMINIUMS Only 3 units, over 1560 SF of living space. Each feat 3 BRs up, den on main fir, 2.5 BAs, full bsmt, 1st fir Indry, oak cabs & s 184,900 (24057617) oak cabs & so much more! \$179,900-



DEARBORN HGTS \$174,900 DON'T DREAM TOO LONG This brand new 1,680 SF 3 BR vinyl 2-story colonial won't wait. Featuring C/A, master suite w/full bath & shower, 2 1/2 total baths, att 2 1/2 car garage. (P444)



NOVI \$145,500

COUNTRY PLACE CONDO Outstanding location. 2 BRs, 1.5 baths, 1085 SF, updated kit, fireplace in LR, fin'd bsmt. A must see home. 349-6200 (24094471) 248-348-6430

ROMULUS \$132,900 SHARP RANCH This 3 BR, 1 1/2 bath features

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a large oak kitchen and dining area that opens to family room with fireplace. Newer windows, fresh paint, deck, newer shingles. (M348)

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WAYNE \$124,900
BETTER THAN NEW Almost everything new.
New roof shingles, vinyl siding, windows, kitchen
cabinets, counters, bath ceramic tile, furnace,
duct work, and more. Hurry. (G394)

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LIVONIA \$91,000
LOCATION! LOCATION!! BEAUTIFUL 1 BR
CONDO Spacious & clean condo w/ great view
of scenic pond. Care-free condo living. Low
association fee. Close to shopping and hwys.
Pets allowed. Extra storage space. 349-6200 248-348-6430

BELLEVILLE GREAT CONDO COMMUNITY Great location in Belleville! Walking distance to Haggerty Elementary School. Needs some improvements, priced to sell. 23W41133 \$69,900



w/great curb appeal. Formal LR & DR, spacious FR w/gas fp. 4 lg BRs, bsmt, Hi-E furnace/AC, newer roof & gar door. Nice area, nice price. 349-6200 (24091067)

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EVERYTHING UPDATED! 4 BRs, 2 BAs, over 1700 SF, hdwd firs in some rms, great kit, lots of curb appeal & backs to park! Great location, Ply-Cant schools & more! (24068695)

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS SPARKLING RANCH-NORTH DEARBORN HGTS 3 BRs, 2 full baths. New kitchen, roof, wndws & more. Beautifully finished bsmt and all appliances stay. This home is immaculate & offers immediate occupancy. (24102450)



Ready for new owner, new paint & carpeting. Cute neutral color throughout, 1st fir laundry, all appls stay. Pergo fir in kit & entry. Seiter motivated! 348-6430 (24052798) 248-349-6200



POPULAR STONEHENGE CONDO! Clean,

neutral & freshly painted! 2 BR, 2-story unit, white kit w/pergo firs, newer carpet in LR, nice fin bsmt, att garage w/direct access. "Move in" ready! (24107147)



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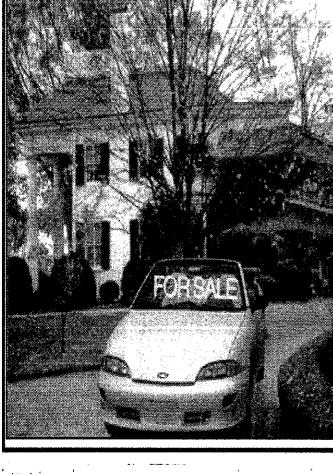
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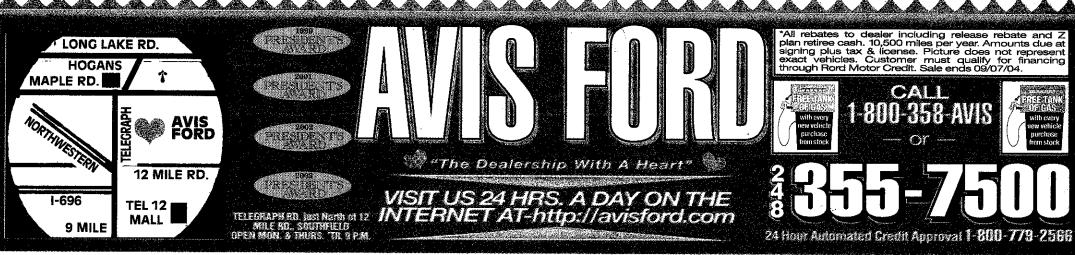
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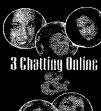
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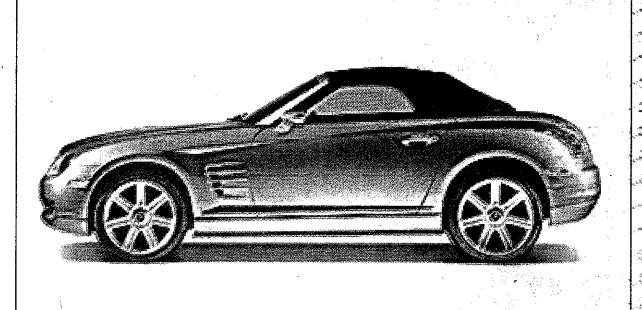
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A big reason for the renaissance of Chrysler lately is that it has been paying a lot more attention to what drivers actually like to own and drive, not just what perhaps they should want to own and drive. Consider the PT Cruiser, which had "fun" written all over it, and the hot-selling 300C sedan, whose aggressively different design made it to the marketplace despite the strong possibility that middle-market Americans would reject it.

Chrysler is applying this philosophy to other segments of its market as well and, for just that reason, is turning out at least two vehicles that are even less practical than the PT Cruiser. One of them is an effectively souped-up version of the Dodge Neon, the small car that the company has been building for about a decade. The other is the Crossfire, the Americandesigned, German-built "boulevard cruiser" that almost pulls off being a genuine sports car.

Obviously enough, we should start with the 2005 Crossfire Roadster. Sales have been somewhat disappointing, but when this two-seater built by Mercedes and Karmann (manufacturer of the Ghia roadster some years back) for Chrysler debuted last year, it created a lot of buzz for the company. Moreover, because the company was able to field a production model of the vehicle within two year of its rave reviews at the 2001 North American International Auto Show in Detroit, Crossfire emerged as proof that Chrysler can do very well on a fast-turnaround basis if necessary.

Crossfire is a load to look at and is unique even in the two-seater marketplace, reflecting a number of classic design themes from Bugatti to the Mercedes SLK Roadster which shares a mechanical platform with Crossfire. It has a lean, long front hood that is dimpled by "speed strakes and flows into a compact, descending cockpit. The name is derived from the crossed lines of the front and rear body sections. The roof is subtly bubbled, and the sweep of the vehicle



The 2005 Crossfire is a looker with a classic design.

ends in a substantial, tightly rounded, boattail-shaped rear hatch along with a spoiler that rises or falls a bit depending on the car's speed. The vehicle also has an especially wide stance.

Put all of that together, and Crossfire is a looker. Under the hood, Crossfire is a pure enough performer. It's not up to the output of a Nissan Z or BMW Z4, but Crossfire's 215 horsepower is adequate to pull away from most vehicles these days. Just one model is available with a choice of a six-speed manual or five-speed automatic, both listed at about \$35,000. Mileage of 17 in the city and 25 miles a gallon on the highway is satisfactory for this kind of product proposition.

Inside, the picture gets a bit more complicated. The striking burnt-orange leather upholstery on the interior was just a bit too jarring, color-wise, for me to enjoy. There are lots of compartments, but only one very inadequate drink holder (compared with the two or more to be found in two-seater competitors). The sun visors are inexplicably tiny. And the rear cargo compartment, at only seven square feet of space, is so tiny that only Crossfire's available custom-designed luggage set could possibly make decent use of it.

In fact, if you want some gusto under the hood and room for human as well as inanimate cargo, consider the Dodge Neon SRT-43. Now, it's nothing like Crossfire, of course, in terms of the hip factor. But it also is priced about \$13,000 less than Crossfire, and for get-up-and-go, this version's 2.4-liter, sixteen-valve turbocharged engine is every bit as worthy as Crossfire's. With mileage of 22 mpg in the city and 30 mpg on the highway, in this day of \$1.90-a-gallon gasoline, this Neon's fuel efficiency is a welcome attribute as well.

Dodge has come a long way with Neon, when the high-roofed compact was introduced as a Dodge and a Plymouth with a decidedly quirky brand image that was punctuated by the greeting, "Hi!" in its advertising campaign. After a fast start in the marketplace, Neon has become just another compact. Yet with the above-described advantages, plus interior and trunk room that are superior for its category, Neon SRT-4 is a worthy choice for someone looking for utility and a little juice at a good price.

Kudos to Chrysler for having the guts to come out. with both of these cars.

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Sept. 10 & 11, 9:30-3:30. 4661 McEwen Dr., N. off Lone Pine, between Telegraph & Franklin Household goods, loaded.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS - 2826 Masefield, Squirrel & Sq. Lake, Fri.-Sat. 9-2pm. Baby & kids items, & misc.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS - 916 Candlestick Ct., off Eastways, Fri. & Sat., 9-4pm. Freezer, bridai samples, antiques, fur nishings, trumpet, computer adcessories & books.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS 6160 Dakota Circle, N/Maple E/Franklin. Sept. 10 & 11 9:30-4:30. Designer clothing furniture, books, toys, videos exercise equipment, house-

BLOOMFIELD HILLS Big Sale! Antiques, collectibles, At Farm house, 4755 Walnut Lake Rd. E/Inkster. Sept. 16-18, 10-4 **BLOOMFIELD HILLS** Saturday 8-3. Multi-family! Like new, Bernhardt leather 4 piece sectional couch, Yamaha golf cart, housewares, holiday decor. new handmade rocking chair, many more items. 2688 & 2710 West Hickory Grove Rd.,,

SALE THEFE SALE Thurs. Sept 9, Fri. Sept. 10, 10-3pm. Designer clothes / Ji Sander, Prada, Japanese etc. Sizes 4-8. Women' shoes, men's clothing suits, linens, pillows, pot-tery, decorative pieces & more! Great stuff! New Dr. East., Lakeshore at Wabeek Condos, between Middlebelt & Franklin, N/of Long Lake

BLOOMFIELD HILLS TWP 8 Families, Stillmeadow Garage Sale, Thurs-Fri-Sat, Sept. 9-11, 9-4pm. N/off Long Lake W/of Lahser, follow the signs. **BLOOMFIELD HILLS- 4 SEA-**SONS CONDO (90units) 9/11-12; Sat10-4pm; Sun12-4pm; 42160 Woodward.

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Sale. Cherry Hill Pointe Condos, corner of Cherry Hill & Lotz Road. Fri.-Sat., Sept 10-11, 9-5pm.

CANTON - Sept. 9th, 10th & 11th. 9am-6pm. 2340 Leigh Court. (N. of Geddes, E. of Beck in Huntington Place) Clothes & misc.

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CANTON 3 Family sale. Sept. 9 & 10, 9-4pm. 43625 Westminister. N/Ford Rd.,

CANTON 41460 Alleghany Sat, Sept 11. One day only! 9-5pm. West of Haggerty, Btwn. Cherry Hill & Palmer.

CANTON Huge 6 Family sale for disabled child. Sept. 10 & 11 9-5 6933 Carriage Hills. S. of Warren, W. of Lilley.

CANTON Moving, Fri.- 8-3pm. Sat. -8-11pm. 7422 Oakmont Drive, NW corner of Warren & Beck. Heritage Farm Sub Bikes, clothes, misc, furniture, skis & households. CANTON Saturday September 11th from 9-5! 43536 Lancelot Dr., S. of Palmer btwn Lilley &

Sheldon, Sports equipment,

CANTON TWP. Subwide Sale Sat. & Sun., Sept. 11 & 12, 9am-5pm. Morgan Creek Condos, off Cherry Hill between Lilley & Sheldon Rds. CANTON- Baby & household goods, 1741 Brookdale Dr. E. Lotz, N. off Palmer. Fri &

CANTON- Garage Sale Fridav and Saturday. Friday and Saturday. Glassware and household items. 6323 Raintree just north of Hanford between Haggerty & Lilley Roads

CANTON- Sept. 10 & 11, 9am to 6pm. Tools; Baby, toddler clothing & accessories, adult coats, small kitchen appliances, washer, das drver, für niture, children's books & toys, 1997 Century Ct south of Palmer & east of Canton

CLARKSTON garage sale Computers, office equipment table saws, tools, baby stuff! 7456 Deer Forest. off Reese btwn Rattalee Lake & Holcomb. Thursday-Sunday (248) 620-7456

DAVISBURG - Community Wide Sale! Sept. 10th & 11th, 9:30-3:30pm. Mill Pond Park (495 Davisburg Rd.), DEARBORN YARD SALE!

15185 Payne Ct., E. of Greenfield, S. of Ford Rd. September 11th & 12th. 10-6. Yard & garden, household crafts & much more! DETROIT HOUSE SALE 1450 Iroquois. Sept.11 9:00-5 9:00-5:00p.m

Tables, chairs, rugs, paintings, lamps, wicker, etc. 313-823-4448 FARMINGTON HILLS - Boys of Botsford, 130 household yard sale. Sept 10-11, 9am. 21719 Orchard Lake Road, near 9

Mile. Proceeds to charity. FARMINGTON HILLS - Fri.-Sat. 10-6pm & Sun. 9-7pm. 29731 Belfast, W. of Middlebeit, S. of Grand River. Lots of childrens stuff!

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Household goods, exercise equipment, toys, clothing, Fri, Sat & Sun 10-4. 38653 Mystic Ct., S. of 14 Mile E. of Haggerty. (Country Ridge Sub) FARMINGTON HILLS Meadowbrook Hills Sub, N. of 8 Mile, between Halsted & 275. Fri. & Sat. Sept. 10 & 11. 8-5 FARMINGTON HILLS Moving Sale #1. Patio furniture, garden items, Christmas items, cross

country skiis, old bottles, books & misc. Sept. 9-11, 9-5pm. 30551 Club House Ln. S. of 14 & E. of Farmington Rd. FARMINGTON HILLS Moving Sale. Living room, dining room, bedroom furniture.

desk & cabinet, computer & accessories. 9/11 & 9/12, 10-6pm. 35725 Lone Pine Lane, 9 Mile & Drake. 248-910-8785 FARMINGTON HILLS Moving! 9 Mile/ Halstead. Thur-Sat. 9-4 on Birwood Ct. Washer/dryer, patio set, furniture, misc. FARMINGTON HILLS Moving! Sept. 11, 9-3. Household, fur

niture & items, lawn equip., microwave, maple hutch

much moré, 28240 Quail

FARMINGTON HILLS Multi-family. Sat.-Sun., Sept. 11 &12, 9-4pm., furniture, household items, much more. 27530 Spring Valley Drive. 1

FARMINGTON HILLS Springbrook Sub Sale, over 20 homes participating, btwn. Middlebelt. September 9th, 10th & 11th, 9am-6pm.

FARMINGTON HILLS, 48331-BIG GARAGE SALE: SEPT. 11th only! 9-5pm, 29849 BEACONTREE. Briar Hill Sub. off 13 Mile, just West of Farmington Rd.

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11, 8-5, 36342 Old Home-stead, S.of 11 Mile, ping pong table, desk, bookcases, extension ladder, computer desks, sandbox, garden tools, clay pots & supplies, misc. house

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LATHRUP VILLAGE GARAGE MOVING SALE - Good stuff no toys. Thur. 12-5, Fri./Sat. 9am-3pm. 27720 Bloomfield

5pm* 5662 GILMAN, GAR-

LIVONIA - 15969 Swathmore Quakertown Sub, Sept. 10-11, 9AM. Furniture, Household. Beanles, Books, Misc.

LIVONIA - Moving/Garage sale. 2 dining sets, uphol-stered chairs, deck furniture, stered chairs, deck unflittle, exercise equip., household & garden items. Thurs., 9/9 & Fri., 8 to 5, Sat. 8-Noon. 20268 Wayne, off 8 Mile via (248) 473-0461

LIVONIA - Yard Sale. Thurs.-Tues., Sept 9-14, 10am. 2 Family. Big Variety. MacIntyre St., 1 blk N. of West Chicago, 1 blk W. of Middlebelt. LIVONIA 15135 Adams Ct. S

of 5 mile and W of Newburgh, Sept 9 & 10th, 9:302-5:30p, 2 Air Conditioners, kids clothes, women's career clothes, tovs. bikes and more LIVONIA 18125 Glengary. Btwn, 7 mile & Newburah Multi family sale! Sept 9 from

9-1pm, Sept 10 from 9-5pm.

Furniture, baby items, kids toys and household items. LIVONIA 2 Families, Misc. 9331 Colorado, N/of Joy, W/ of Hubbard. Thurs- & Fri, 9LIVONIA 2 family garage sale! 39145 Lyndon, Thursday-Sunday, 35 yrs coilectibles & more! 8-6.

LIVONIA 30841 Puritan, btwn 5 & 6, E/Merriman Sept.--9-11, 10-? Furniture, house-

LIVONIA 32829 Illinois. Off Farmingtor Rd. Thurs-Sat, Sept 9-11 8:30am-4pm. Tons of misc. puzzles and other items!

LIVONIA 34848 Middleboro. North of Schoolcraft, West of Stark. Stoneleigh Sub. Thurs-Sat. Sept 9-12. 9-4pm. Tools saws, 10 inch radio, 10 inch

table saw, all Craftsman, shot guns and more! LIVONIA 36075 Allen. East of Levan, South of Five Mile. Sept 9-11, 9-5pm. Crib, dresser, changing table, stroller & twin stroller

36826 Angeline Cr, Off Ann Arbor Trail by Newburgh, Sept 10, 9-5pm, Sept 11, 9-2pm. Household items & clothes

stain glass and video camera.

LIVONIA Enormous sale! Some of everything! Friday & Saturday Sept. 10th & 11th, 9-? 31101 7 Mile Rd., just 1 LIVONIA garage sale! 5 fami-

lyl 5 Mile btwn Newburgh & Haggerty. S. on Eckles to Ross St. Sept, 9th-11th,8-5 LIVONIA garage-moving sale! 16376 Park Lane, S. of 6 Mile E. of Levan. Enter at Westbrook. Furniture, house-

hold items, clothing & much more! Sept. 9th & 10th 9-5. LIVONIA Household, furniture, Fri & Sat., 9-5. 34244

Fairfax Ct., 7 & Gill.

LIVONIA HUGE ANTIQUES SALE. DEALER GOING OUT OF BUSINESS. HUNDREDS OF ITEMS! 33735 6 MILE, LIVO-NIA, W. OF FARMINGTON. THURS-SAT., 10am-4pm

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LIVONIA Misc. & household items, hunting clothes, air hockey & foose ball table, Little Tyke's, kerosene heater. Sept. 9-10-11, 9-5pm. 29615

LIVONIA Moving Sale. 14467 Auburndale, W. of Merriman, S. of 5. Fri-Sat, 8-6. Sun, 10-4. Furniture, bikes, & more!

LIVONIA SUB SALE Sat. Sept. 11, 9-5pm. Riverside St., S./of 5 Mile (1/2 ml. W. off Farmington)

LIVONIA- 39175 Grennada W/Newburgh, N/Schoolcraft. Sept. 9, 10 & 11, 9am-4pm. Misc items, tables, lamps & an Old Singer Sewing Machine, needs tune up.

LIVONIA- End of Summer Garage Sale! Tons of Baby Items; Loads of Toys; Furniture; Clothing; Much More; 15967 Edgewood; Friday & Saturday 8 - 3 Longaberger, toys, luggage, clothes, tons of good quality items - Fri/Sat 9am-4pm -27615 Barkley - north of Lyndon, west of Inkster

LIVONIA- Moving! Dishes, books, CDs, assorted tables, art, & desks. 27545 Bentley, W. of Inkster, N. of Schoolcraft

NORTHVILLE - Sept 9 & 10, 9:30-4. Kids toys, clothes, furniture, housewares. Multi family, 17191 Springhill Ct., 6 Mile & Sheldon

NORTHVILLE - Sept. 11, 9-5.
45394 Pebble Beach Ct.,
Northville Hills Sub., 6 &
Sheldon. Come get your
Christmas presents early.
Swing Set, child size doll house. Everything must go. NORTHVILLE - Thurs.-Sat.

Sept 9-11, 9-5pm. 21760 Garfield Rd., 1 mile W. of Beck, N. of 8. Tools, building NORTHVILLE North Hills Sub Bedford Drive, Multi-home garage sale September 9-11th 9-4 pm. Between 8 & 9 Mile

and Taft & Center Streets NOVI - Sept. 9 & 10, 10-4, 3 family. 24332 Hampton Hill, off 10 Mile, E/Novi Rd. Baby & kids, clothes, toys, skis, car seats, 10' dog run, 1" blinds, furniture, Graf skates & Clicker boots/binding, size 8. Homecoming dresses, size 2, household items & more.

NOVI - Moving Barn/Garage sale Furniture, clothes, tools old car parts, baseball cards something for everyone. Sep. 9-11, Thur. & Fri. 9-5. Sat. 9-2. 28331 Haggerty, N. of 12.

OAK PARK Household Sale -Stereos, Formal Dinning Table Tables, Chairs, File Cabinets, Desk, Toro Push Mower, Toro Snow Blower, Bed Frames., Washer/Dryer, etc. Sat., Sept. 11, 9am-4pm - 248-968-9723

OXFORD - Sun., Sept. 12, 10am-3pm. Furniture, clothing, household items, kids & teen things. Corner of Dennison & Pontiac, just down the street from Starbucks.

PLYMOUTH - multi family Great stuff. Antiques, painted furniture, household goods. 481 Irvin, between Farmer & Blanche, Fri. Sept. 10, 9-4.

PLYMOUTH - Sept. 10 & 11. 9-4. Household items, fishing tackle, exercise equip., hardly used, 697 Blunk St, PLYMOUTH - Sept. 9-11, 9-5, 44427 Beech Dr., between Ann Arbor Rd. & Ann Arbor

Tr. Antiques, accessories, furniture. & misc. PLYMOUTH - Group Garage

Sale. Thurs.-Fri, Sept 9-10. 8:30-4pm. 1227 Maple, corner of Maple & Herald, downtown Plymouth.

PLYMOUTH - Huge Garage Sale. 801 Beech Court, Thurs-Sat, Sept 9-11, 8-6pm. Furniture, household, etc. PLYMOUTH - Many Still Antiques, misc., girls clothes 0-7, Fri 9-10 thru Sun 9-12, 9am-? 41141 Ann Arbor Rd., btwn Lilley & Hagnerty, Park on Marillyn

PLYMOUTH - Multi-Homes. Gov. Bradford Street Sale, W. off Sheldon, S. of Ann Arbor Trail, N. of Ann Arbor Road, E. of Canton Center. Sept 9-11, 9-5pm. Furniture, bedding,

PLYMOUTH - Sat., Sept. 9am-4pm & Sat., Sept. 18, 9am-4pm, 500 Provincetown Lane, N. of North Territorial W. of Sheldon Road. Toys & children's clothing, misc. household items.

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Bedroom Set, Vintage Stereo Components, tons of items. 41215 E. Ann Arbor Rd. Park on Southworth. 9/10-12, 9-7. PLYMOUTH Fri., & Sat., Sept., 10th & 11th, 9am-5nm Quality household

5pm. Quality household, books, music, collectibles and more! 312 Arthur, (2 blocks S. of Farmer, between S. of Farmer, Sheldon and Harvey) PLYMOUTH Furniture, Jeep parts, clothes, tools, misc Thurs.-Sun., 9-5pm. 160 S

Union, Main St. & Ann Arbor Tr. PLYMOUTH TWP- 2-FAMILY Children's items to dining sets Lots of new/slightly used clothing. Bedding, curtains, furniture. Sept 17, 18, 19: Fri & Sat 10-5, Sun: Noon-5. 11637 Butternut Ave in Plymouth Twp

PLYMOUTH Very nice house hold items & accessories, 285 Fair, W. of Lilley, S. of Ann Arbor Tr. Sat., 9/11, 9am-6pm. PLYMOUTH- 12 HOUR, ONE DAY, BETTER THAN ART VAN SALE. Antiques, tools, collectables and many interesting things. 7am to 7pm Sat. Sept 11. 11261 McClumpha. 1 mile west of Sheldon between A.A.

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VILLAGE CONDOS, Sat., Sept. 11th., 9 to 4. Rain day, Sun. N. off Ann Arbor Rd., block W. of Sheldon.

Redford - Fri. & Sat., 9-6. 26826 Student, N/5 Mile, E/Inkster off Fox. Gas stove, twin bed, wood patio doors, stainless steel sink, mountain bike, exercise bike, tools, ext.

REDFORD garage sale. Fri. & Sat. Sept 10 & 11, 9am - 4 pm. 12956 Norborne, 1 block E. of Thurston High School. Dining rice cooker, misc household REDFORD - Fri,-Sun., Sept 10,11,12, 9am-5pm. 25191 Midland, btwn 5 & 6, E. of Beech, Furniture, household items. & much more!

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Puritan, 15884 Woodworth. REDFORD 24 TH Annual Student St. Mile Long Garage Sale, Sat., Sept. 11, 9-5pm. N/of 5 mile, W/ of Beech.

REDFORD 25003 Puritan, Five Points area. Sept 9-10. 10am-5pm. Collectibles, ciothes, baby items and misc. REDFORD Sat.-Sun. 9-6pm. 20562 Lexington, S. of 8 Mile, btwn Beech & Inkster. Entertainment center, 1989 Grand Marquis, Lots more!

REDFORD September 9th, 10th, 11th & 12th (9-4). 13th & 14th (10-2). Toys, baby tems, clothing, pictures, household items, books, furpriced to sell! 9050 Tecumseh, S. of W. Chicago btwn Inkster & Beech Daiy.

REDFORD Thurs-Sat., Sept 9-11, 9-5. 9064 Rockland. E/Inkster, N/Joy.

REDFORD- Sept. 11 & 12, 8am-7pm. Antique tables, camper, house hold items. 18460 Wakenden, W/Beech, REDFORD- 19605 Imperial Hwy, N off Grand River, E of

Clean Sween! REDFORD-APPLETON BLOCK SALE! . 3 blks E of Telegraph, N. of Joy Rd. Sept. 11 & 12,

REDFORD: 12844 Kinloch W/Beech Daiy, btwn. 1-96 & Glendale. Sept. 9-11, 8-6. Washer/dryer, fridge, stove

ROCHESTER A garage sale featuring antiques, furniture, collectibles, household & much morel 8a-5pm, Sat. Sept. 11 & 10am-5pm Sun. Sept. 12 No sales until Saturday, 1205 N. Main.

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Sergeant, Power tools, snowblower, rototiller, chain saw, ladders & much more. SYLVAN LAKE Garage/Estate Sale. Sat. & Sun. 9am-6pm 1626 Maplewood, W. of Tele-

graph. N. of Orchard Lake Rd. TROY - ANNUAL WEXFORD Sat. Sept 11. 9am-5pm. 1 blk.

TROY Garage/moving sale. Saturday only 8:30-7 4433-7 Winter Green Dr., off of Northfield Parkway. Furniture, lamps, baskets, miscl.

TROY Huge 3 Family Sale, Sept. 9 & 10, 9-4, Sept. 11, 9-

2. 3538 Kings Point, S. o Wattles, E. of Rochester Rd. TROY Huge Sale. Everything

baby & household items. Sept. 10 & 11, 9-2, 200 Woodslee. N. of Maple & E. of Livernois, West Bloomfield - Sept. 101 12, 9-6. 3297 Hartslock Woods, N. of Maple, W. of

Middlebelt. Entire household. WEST BLOOMFIELD 2929 Brentwood Rd., N. of Lone Pine, W. of Middlebelt. Household, etc! Thurs-Sat 9-7

WEST BLOOMFIELD Franklin Corners Sub, E. off Middle-belt, S. of Maple, 6736 Woodside Tr. Thurs., 9/9-Sat, 9/11, 9am-5pm. Moving sale, lots of treasures, large size women's clothing.

WEST BLOOMFIELD garage sale antique, collectibles, fur-niture, little Tykes, boys & girls clothes & toys, 3442 Buckingham Trail, N. to Apple Valley from Lone Pine. Thursday-Saturday 9-4. Thursday-Saturday 9-4.

WEST BLOOMFIELD Sept. 11, 8-2pm., 27760 West 14 Mile Rd. Clothes, furniture, and other household items.

WEST BLOOMFIELD Thur-Fit. Sept. 9-10, 9-4pm. 5170 West Bloomfield Lake Rd. & 5327 Old Pond Way, W. of

Farmington, N. of Walnut. WEST BLOOMFIELD, 48324-Great Deals! Clothing (kids and adults), Artwork, Toys, Housewares, Books and Electronics. Saturday and Sunday 9:00-5:00 both days. 2232 St. Joseph.

WEST BLOOMFIELD-MOVING SALE 2 HOUSES, GOOD STUFF IS ON SALE! Sept 10-11, 9-5pm. Household items, men & women'sia clothes, Maple Run Estatesio: S./of Maple, E./Haggertye? 6871 & 6893 Arlington Drive.

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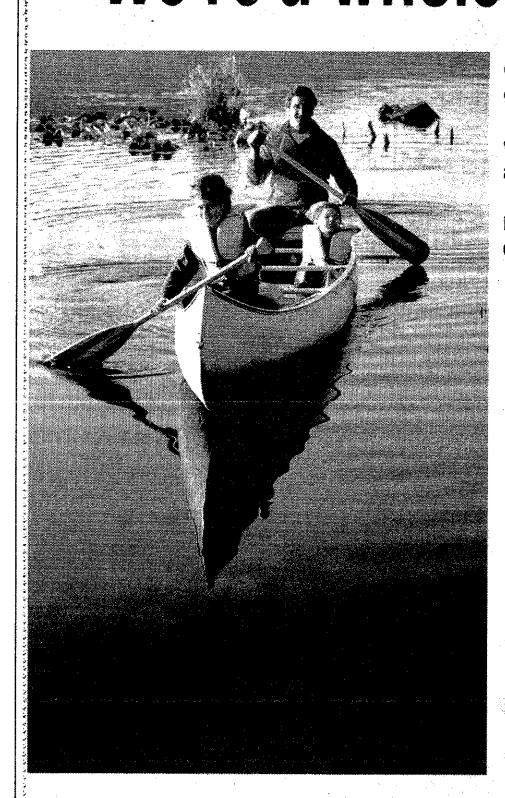
WESTLAND 34521 Hazelwood. South of Cherry Hill, East of Wayne. Sat-Sun. Sept 11-12, 9am-12 noon. Furniture, electronics.a

WESTLAND 6900 Moccasin. E/Wayne Rd., N/Ford. Sept. 10-11, 9-5pm. Furniture, Partylite items, clothes, etc. WESTLAND Gigantic Garage Esate Sale, 32871 Joy Rd,

btwn. Farmington & Merriman. Sept. 9-12, 9-5pm. Decorative items, tons of jewelry, household items, furnism ture, clothes, etc. 1962 WESTLAND- Sat. Sept 11 8 to 4. 14725 Country Club. S of 5 btwn Levan and Farmington.

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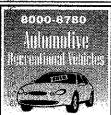
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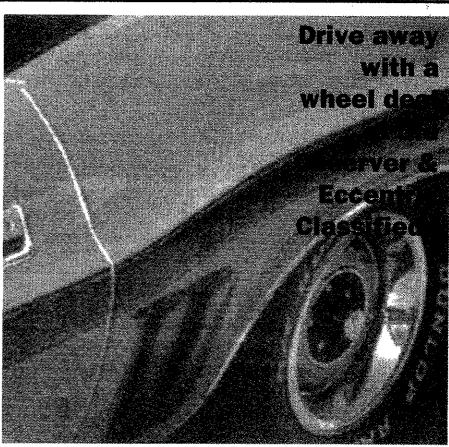
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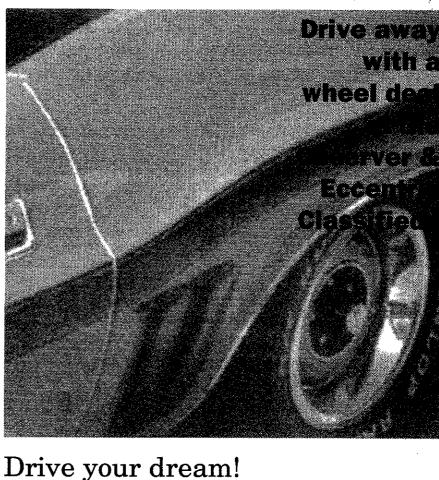
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