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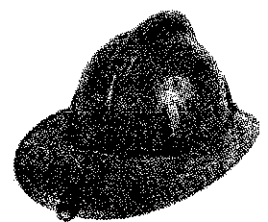
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Art show

The 12th annual  
Canton Fine Arts  
Exhibition opens  
Saturday, Oct. 2, and  
runs through Friday,  
Oct. 22, at The Village  
Theater in Cherry Hill  
Village. It is a juried  
fine arts show. All  
media will be dis-  
played including, but  
not limited to, water-  
color, acrylic, oil,  
mixed media, colored  
pencil, photography,  
clay and pen and ink.  
This year's juror is  
Zdzislaw R. Sikora,  
professor and chair of  
the fine art depart-  
ment at the College  
for Creative Studies in  
Detroit. More than  
235 pieces were sub-  
mitted and only 78  
pieces were accepted.  
Hours for the show  
are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Saturday, 1-5 p.m.  
Sunday and 10 a.m. to  
8 p.m. Monday through  
Friday. The Village  
Theater is at Cherry  
Hill and Ridge roads.  
For more information,  
call (734) 394-5300.

Big vehicle event

Canton Leisure  
Services is holding its  
second annual "By  
Land or Sea" event



from 10 a.m. to noon  
Saturday, Oct. 2, at  
Heritage Park. Fire  
trucks, giant truck  
tires, power sports  
vehicles, a model boat  
club exhibit and  
antique garbage  
trucks will be on hand  
for the kids. The event  
is free.

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# Both school tax issues pass easily

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton  
Community Schools taxpayers  
showed overwhelming support  
for two tax proposals Tuesday,  
one of which will allow the  
board of education to move  
ahead with plans to construct a  
new elementary school in  
Canton Township and renovate  
most school buildings in the  
district.

More than 70 percent of  
those who voted approved of  
the \$109 million bond issue for

Van Buren district proposal defeated.  
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the construction and renovation  
work. The tally: 6,443 to 2,751.

An 18-mill non-homestead  
renewal, which amounts to \$29  
million annually for the next 10  
years, passed easily by more  
than a 3-1 margin — 7,196-  
1,784.

Final results were delayed for  
nearly an hour as election offi-

cials had to wait for approxi-  
mately 150 people waiting to  
vote at the Canton High School  
precinct after the polls closed at  
8 p.m. State law allows for any-  
one who is in line by the time  
the polls close an opportunity to  
cast a ballot.

Many of those waiting to vote  
obviously were in favor of the  
ballot proposals, with the bond  
issue passing 967-188.

"We're very pleased," said  
Kary Amin, co-chair of the  
Citizens Election Committee.  
"It just proves we presented a  
good bond to the community,

and shows their commitment to  
the education of our children."

"I'm thrilled, but not sur-  
prised," added Co-chair Nancy  
Eggenberger. "People told us  
they love their schools and they  
want to support us. When I was  
talking to people, the majority  
understood what we needed."

The district will now go  
ahead with plans for 894 mil-  
lion in renovations at all school  
buildings in the district con-  
structed before 2000. The lone  
exception will be Central  
Middle School, whose future  
the board of education will

tackle in the near future.

The remaining \$15 million  
will be used to construct an ele-  
mentary school in southwest  
Canton, the district's fastest-  
growing area. The district ear-  
lier purchased property for \$1.2  
million in anticipation of voter  
approval.

"I think the school board has  
the best interests of our stu-  
dents in mind, and it's impor-  
tant with the growth in our  
community that we continue to  
expand the schools," said Velina

PLEASE SEE SCHOOLS, A7



DIANE HANSON

## Regional romp

Colorguard members Sarah Couper (left) and Elizabeth Jadcak deftly spin their flags at the regional competition in the Silverdome on Saturday. The BOA performance was the first where the color guard sported new costumes, wigs and flags. For more on the regionals, please turn to page A3.

## Millage rate could spur road projects

BY JACK GLADDEN  
STAFF WRITER

Canton trustees gave formal approval  
Tuesday to new millage rates for the  
December tax bills — and with the new  
rates in place, residents could see some  
improvements to township intersec-  
tions as early as next summer.

Under the plan approved by the  
board, the police and fire assessments  
were reduced by 0.124 mills and 0.242,  
respectively, while the charter millage  
was increased by 0.366 mills.

The overall assessed rate for taxpay-  
ers remains the same as last year at  
8.85 mills. For the owner of a  
\$200,000 home that would mean a

PLEASE SEE MILLAGE, A6

## Canton's Emagine movie megaplex opens tomorrow

BY DOUG JOHNSON  
STAFF WRITER

Canton's new *uber* movie the-  
ater, Emagine, opens tomorrow  
and will feature 18 screens and  
close to 4,000 seats.

The theater, which is on the  
south side of Ford Road east of  
the freeway and just before the  
overpass into Westland, has  
been about two years in the  
planning and execution.

"I think people in Canton will  
be impressed with the theater,"  
Chris Brandt, Emagine vice  
president said. "It's beautiful."

When the theater opens its  
doors, first-run movies or  
recent "held over" features will  
fill all 18 screens, Brandt said.

Ground was broken for the  
\$14.5-million project last  
December.

Several opening events have  
been planned, including:

■ A Canton Chamber of  
Commerce ribbon-cutting  
Friday, Oct. 1, at 6:30 p.m.

■ A *Shark Tale* festival  
Saturday, Oct. 2, 11 a.m. until 3

p.m. in conjunction with the  
Dream Works movie of the  
same name.

■ A salute to those in uniform  
on Sunday, Oct. 3, honoring all  
firefighters, police officers and  
military personnel. By showing  
ID, they will be able to get a free  
ticket to the film *Ladder 49*, the  
new John Travolta movie. Come  
at noon with the kids to see  
Westland fire trucks and meet a  
firefighter.

■ Finally, the theater will  
help sponsor a second grand  
opening, a charity gala night on  
Thursday, Oct. 14, to benefit the  
Canton Community  
Foundation. Tickets are \$35 per  
person and include a taste fest  
with food from several Canton  
restaurants, live entertainment  
for all ages, first-run movies,  
free popcorn and pop, and a  
chance to win a variety of  
prizes. The P-CEP marching  
band is expected to play.

Emagine in Canton is the  
third super-theater facility in a  
chain owned by Paul Glantz of  
Bloomfield Hills and Carl

Slemer of Farmington Hills.  
They operate Cinema  
Hollywood in Birch Run and  
Emagine Novi 18 in Novi. The  
three operations will have 46  
screens total.

"We believe Canton repre-  
sents a terrific market opportu-  
nity," Glantz said. "The combi-  
nation of rapid growth and  
impressive demographics, along  
with an absence of nearby high-  
quality theaters, makes it the  
ideal location to build a  
megaplex."

The 87,000-square-foot the-  
ater features wall-to-wall  
screens, digital sound, rocking  
chair seats, a huge concessions  
area, and beer, wine or cocktails  
that can be taken to your seat.  
Persons buying alcohol wear a  
glow-in-the-dark wrist band,  
and there is a two-drink limit,  
Brandt said.

One 500-seat room offers  
digital projection technology for  
non-film offerings like wrestling  
pay-per-view events, U-M foot-  
ball, the Academy Awards and  
live concerts.



TOM HAWLEY / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mary and Paul Glantz of Bloomfield Hills, one of the owners who will operate  
the new Emagine Theater in Canton was greeted by impersonators Jasmine  
DuBois as Diana Ross and Karen Bell-Brege as Joan Rivers at the Canton Village  
Theater gala recently.

The theater has generated  
about 125 jobs, about 25 full-  
time and 100 part-time, Brandt  
said. The staff has been running  
old film through the projection  
systems the past few days to  
check on image quality and  
sound in all 18 theaters.

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and Guitar Center are all in the  
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## Student faces expulsion after bringing BB gun to school event

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

A Canton Township eighth-  
grader has been suspended from  
school for reportedly bringing a  
BB gun pistol to Discovery  
Middle School during an activity  
night last week.

And, while school district offi-  
cials are going through the steps  
to expel the unidentified stu-  
dent, Canton Township police  
are contemplating seeking  
charges against the youth.

Discovery Principal Roche  
LaVictor said the boy brought  
the pistol to school during activ-

ity night Sept. 22. A second stu-  
dent reportedly was to bring the  
carbon dioxide cartridge to fire  
the pistol, but when he didn't  
the suspended boy then buried  
the gun outside the building,  
retrieving it after leaving the  
school function.

A parent reportedly saw  
something suspicious and con-  
tacted LaVictor the next day.  
"The parent thought they saw a  
pistol, but wasn't certain  
because it was in a darkened  
area outside the building," said  
LaVictor.

LaVictor said he questioned  
the student and got a different

story. But, an e-mail to Assistant  
Principal Clint Smiley gave  
more specific information,  
including names of students  
who knew of the gun.

"We found a student who con-  
firmed a BB pistol was brought  
to activity night, the student  
buried it outside the building  
and retrieved it on the way out,"  
said LaVictor. "The BB pistol  
was never inside the building.  
No students, parents or school  
personnel were ever in jeopardy  
from the weapon."

"We have to follow the district  
policy and state law under the  
Safe Schools Act," LaVictor

added. "He's been suspended  
and won't be allowed back into  
the building until this is final-  
ized."

Frank Ruggirello, Plymouth-  
Canton Schools director of com-  
munity relations, said the dis-  
trict's review committee will  
make a recommendation to the  
Board of Education. As a result  
of state law and district policy,  
that is expected to be expulsion.

Sgt. Todd Mutchler said  
Canton police have seized the  
student's home computer.

"We're waiting for a computer

PLEASE SEE STUDENT, A6

### Coming Sunday in your Canton Observer



#### Healing environment

Hospital addition  
combines state-of-the-art  
technology with a healing  
environment. See Sunday's  
Health Section.

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### DREAMCOAT

The Village Theater's first play opens next week.

The Spotlight Players (formerly the Plymouth Theater Guild) will present *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* Oct. 8-23 at The Village Theater, 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton (Cherry Hill and Ridge roads). Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$16 for youth/seniors, \$15 for groups. Call (734) 394-5460 for adult, youth, season, flexplan tickets; (734) 394-5484 for group tickets.

The show, by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice, will be staged Oct. 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22 and 23. Curtain on Friday and Saturday is 8 p.m.; Sunday curtain is 2 p.m.

This timeless Biblical story is presented with a cornucopia of late 20th-century pop music. Joseph, a young man with the ability to interpret dreams, and who elicits envy for his gorgeous coat, is sold into slavery by his 11 jealous brothers.

After running afoul of Potiphar's seductive wife and suffering mightily, he wins Pharaoh's confidence and becomes the Number Two man in Egypt.

When his brothers, who no longer recognize him, come looking for a handout, he gives them a scare, but quickly forgives them.

The many sons of Jacob are then reconciled.

### FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

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 co-sponsoring a Fire Prevention Poster Contest. The poster theme is: "Test Your Smoke Alarms."

The contest is open to students (grades 1-5, public school; grades 1-6 private school) that live in Canton. Interested students need to illustrate a poster (up to 12x18) 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 a teacher. The poster should include the name, grade, school, teacher, and phone number of the student on the back of each poster. Entries not containing all requested information will be disqualified. Winners will be notified by phone.

The first, second, and third place winners will be awarded a \$50 Series EE Savings Bond. In addition to the savings bond, a trophy will displayed at the school of the first place winner for one year. All participants will receive a certificate. To learn more about Fire Prevention Week, visit [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org).

### YOU SAY YOU'RE ANGRY

The Canton Chamber of

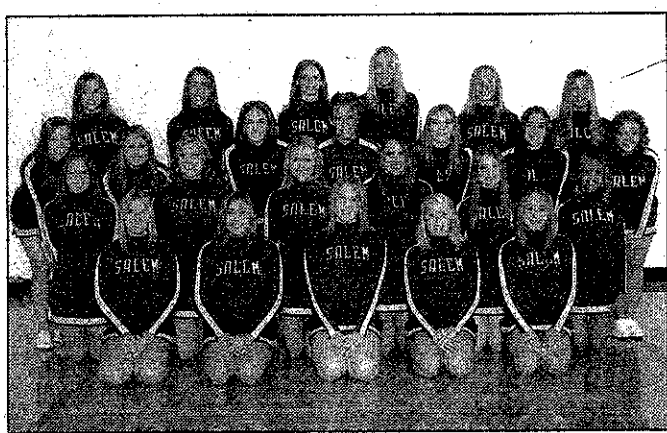
Commerce is sponsoring an anger management talk noon Wednesday, Oct. 6, at the Summit. The luncheon event is \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. The speaker is Marie McDade from the Michigan Anger Management Institute, and yes, she will likely mention the Jack Nicholson/Adam Sandler movie. Call the chamber for details at (734) 453-4040.

### PET ADOPTION

Pet Supplies Plus, 43665 Ford Road in Canton, will hold a pet adoption event from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3, at the store with the help of the Michigan Humane Society. The society's mobile adoption unit, which was started in October 2002, is a full-service 36-foot vehicle that can transport as many as 30 animals. The society's Web site ([michiganhumane.org](http://michiganhumane.org)) shows pictures and details about adoptable dogs and cats at their shelters, including the shelter in Westland.

### CONGRESSMAN

Staff from Canton's local congressman U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, will host hours for area residents at the Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center on Thursday, Oct. 7 from 10 a.m. until noon.



### Rockette clinics

Open registration for the Salem Rockettes' annual pom and dance clinics takes place 6-7 p.m. Oct. 6-7 at Salem High School, outside the gym. Registration deadline is Oct. 8. The Rockettes have also issued thanks to the community for supporting fund-raising efforts such as the car wash and golf outing, as well as upcoming events. Varsity Rockettes include (bottom, from left) Missy Lachowski, Heather Cornell, Ashley Schopieray, Jessica Zokas, Emily Arble; (second row, from left) Jennifer Furniss, Kristina Zaumseil, Ashley Mears, Ashley Montes, Janice Markwood and Imari Patel; (top, from left) Julie Wallace, Lauren Bernacki, Kristi Durkin, Marianne Williamson, Chelsea Archibald and Brittany Van Doyen.

will sponsor a free identity theft seminar for seniors at Waltonwood at Cherryhill, 4600 Cherry Hill Road in Canton, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6. The seminar will be presented by Doug Rosier and Barb Boyd, security specialists from Republic Bank. Reserve a spot by calling (734) 453-9909. Republic Bank's Canton facility is at 6549 Canton Center Road.

### EXCHANGE CLUB

The Exchange Club of Canton was founded in 2002 and is seeking new members. They meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Roman Forum Restaurant, 41601 Ford Road. The club's service focus is child abuse prevention and general help for all youth. The first Exchange Club was started in 1911 in Detroit. Call (734) 207-8943 for further information.

### ARTIST MENTORSHIP

Students in the seventh through 12th grade with an enthusiastic interest in art have an opportunity to work with a professional artist in the Artist Mentorship Program.

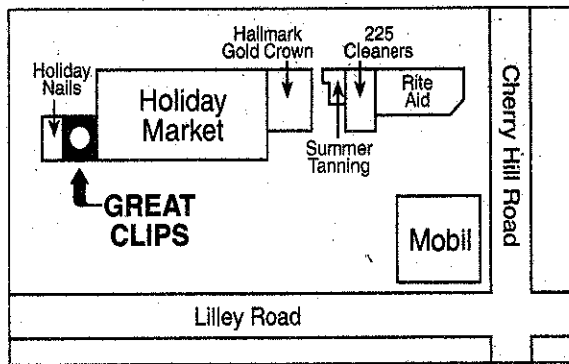
The Plymouth Community Arts Council continues its collaborative effort with The Arts League of Michigan and Canton Partnership for the Arts. It is designed to provide intensive, hands-on experiences for three to five young artists per mentor meeting once a week.

Artists/mentors who have stepped forward to participate in the 2004-05 program include painter Ivan Kende, potter Kathy Sandburg, watercolor/pen-ink artist Byron Reed, multi-media artists Marco Garcia and Vera Smith, musical composer Andre Myer, and film/videographer Laura Beuerle.

For more information about the program, call Leslie Greeneisen, (734) 416-4278.

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### ART CLASSES

D & M Studio, in cooperation with Canton Leisure Services, has started fall classes. One new offering is painting for ages 9-12 Thursday at 5:15-6:15 p.m. And on Saturday 1-2 p.m. there will be a studio art class for kindergartners (older 4, 5 and 6 year olds). The next preschool session starts Oct. 26. The studio, which offers classes for all ages, preschool through adult, is in the shopping center west of the airport, 8691 N. Lilley; call (734) 453-3710 for more information.

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# Unfinished business

'Work in progress' helps marchers finish 4th

BY DIANE HANSON  
CORRESPONDENT

A spectacular display of marching and musical prowess filled the Silverdome Saturday as 27 top high school marching bands from seven states as far away as Kansas and Kentucky, strutted their stuff at the Bands of America Regional Championships.

Among them was the award-winning Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching Band, capturing the fourth-place trophy in spite of a yet-unfinished show.

"I'm really proud of their performances," said Brad Green, P-CEP assistant director. "They really stepped it up this week, worked very hard and pushed to a new level of learning. And it paid off this evening. Even the solos that were put into the show this morning were performed very well."

Canton senior and alto saxophone player Audrey Steffka agreed. "I thought it was a very strong show," she said. "And we've kicked it into high gear. It feels so good to know we're all pulling it together and working really hard, especially these last couple of weeks."

Green added that most of the two-and-a-half minutes of remaining music and drill should be in place within the next few weeks, "but the whole show continues to evolve and won't be completely finished until the final performance."

Preliminary competition continued from early morning throughout the afternoon on Saturday when place and cap-



PHOTOS BY DIANE HANSON

Clarinetists Liz Mundy (left), Lauren Nick, Alyssa Dickey and Angela Ayoub concentrate on music and marching at the regional championships Sept. 25.



Drum major Elizabeth Schellhase signals the judges her band is ready to perform at the Bands of America Regional Championships in the Silverdome Saturday.

tion awards were given. Plymouth-Canton captured the Class AAA third-place trophy after the preliminaries. The top 10 scoring bands then competed in the evening show where the 187 P-CEPs took fourth with their dynamic production of "The Train Man Cometh," a show portraying the force and

power of a locomotive through music and movement.

"Our show is amazing this year," said Salem junior Al Moran, who plays the tenor sax. "It's so much fun to perform and I can't wait until we get the rest of it done. It's going to be awesome. It's really going to rock."

Plymouth junior Jordan Krueger thinks every year is better than the last.

"I thought last year's show was very innovative," he said. "But this year's show is already great, even in the development stages. It will be much better by the end of the year."

That's just what P-CEP Director Marc Whitlock is counting on, but he was very pleased with the Saturday performances. "I think our prelim performance was the best of the year to date," he said. "There were more mistakes made in the nighttime finals performance but, as a staff, we were fine with that. They were great mistakes to make because they were taking chances as performers. It is a juggling of responsibilities between playing and marching

and that intangible showmanship and emotional involvement in the show.

"The first show was technically better, but it was also safer," he continued. "The finals show was a little riskier as they tried new things. There is a difference between going through the motions and performing so as not to make mistakes and taking chances by putting your heart and soul into the performance."

Salem junior Jenna Olessey, one of three drum majors this year, knows exactly what Whitlock is talking about.

"We put a lot of emotion into that show," she said. "And we made mistakes. But the mistakes we made tonight are ones we know we can fix."

The P-CEP marchers will be performing at the Salem homecoming football game on Oct. 1, followed by the Great Lakes Americana invitational on Oct. 9. This year's local extravaganza, featuring 28 bands from across the state, will be held at the P-CEP stadium and is being co-hosted by the P-CEP and the Livonia Franklin music boosters.

# Bond in Van Buren defeated by voters

Voters in the Van Buren school district rejected a bond issue for a new Belleville High School and for building and technology upgrades Tuesday. The unofficial vote was 4,593 against to 2,226 in favor districtwide.

The Van Buren district had about 300 Canton students enrolled last year.

The \$150 million bond issue would have replaced the 78-year-old Belleville High School with a new one at Van Born Road and Belleville Road. Belleville High has been added on to eight times.

The bond would have given the district the new high school, a new middle school and upgrade other buildings and technology.

"I'm extremely disappointed that the voters did not see fit to invest in the future or in the youth of this community," said Gail Anderson, a Belleville High School English teacher who has been with the district

since 1985.

Anderson, a Van Buren Township resident, has two children who are Belleville High graduates. She said that some in the community voted in self-interest and "don't value investing in education. People at the high school were disappointed by the results and believe the children deserve better."

The request was for 4.54 mills and that would have added about \$225 a year in taxes for a home market-valued at \$100,000. A home valued at \$225,000 would pay \$397 a year more in school taxes. The millage would have been levied for 30 years, but the rate could have declined.

Anderson said Supt. Peter Lazaroff was at a 6:45 a.m. staff meeting Wednesday, determined to go on.

"He's lost the battle, but he hasn't lost the war," she added.

By Julie Brown and Doug Johnson

# School grounds employee remembered as avid biker

Tim Dupek, 26, an avid rider of all kinds of motorbikes and a grounds and maintenance man with the Plymouth-Canton schools, died Friday, Sept. 24 in an off-road dirt bike accident in Grayling. He was born in Farmington Hills and lived with his family in Taylor.

His wife, Amy Dupek, said he would have this message for his family and friends:

"Keep on riding."

"He would want them to hear that," she said. She said he owned all kinds of motorbikes, and that he "very much enjoyed dirt biking and his Harley-Davidson. He was a man of many hobbies."

Services for Mr. Dupek, who had worked for the district for five years, were held at

Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth Wednesday morning.

He is survived by his wife, Amy, and their three children: Chase, Bryce and Evan. He is also survived by his father, Leon Dupek of Westland, his mother Lynn (Joey) Rea of Westland; his mother-in-law, Nancy Hill of Wayne; his father-in-law, Allen Wilson (Angela) of Taylor; a brother Kurtis of Westland; a sister, Taylor Rea of Westland; two brothers-in-law, Owen Hill and David Wilson; three sisters-in-law, Molly Wilson, Brittany Hill and Diana Wilson.

The family asked that memorials be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

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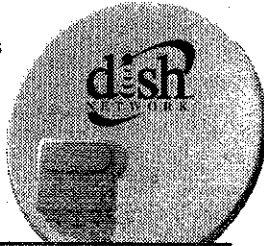
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Bentley Elementary celebrates 10th birthday

Bentley Elementary will celebrate its 10th anniversary as a Plymouth-Canton school with an open house Friday, Oct. 8 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.  
School superintendent James Ryan will welcome staff, students and parents at a 7 p.m. program. A computer slide show will highlight the school's staff and students from past years, and then students

will sing four songs, two of them specific to Bentley.  
Bentley opened in August 1994 and was named for the former principal of old Plymouth High School (now Central Middle) Carvel M. Bentley.  
Bentley is known for its February diversity festival honoring Canton residents' different ethnic backgrounds.

CHV Cold Stone Creamery seeking job applicants

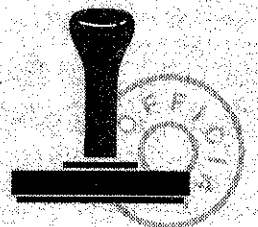
The new Cold Stone Creamery in Canton at Cherry Hill Village is seeking high school and college students to fill part-time jobs.  
Applications for work can be picked up in the yellow village store building on the south side of Cherry Hill Road at Ridge Road even though the store won't be open for a few days.  
You can also find applica-

tions for jobs at www.coldstonecreamery.com; click on creamery, then on jobs center, then find the Canton store.  
Cold Stone Creamery has an outlet in downtown Plymouth and operates more than 700 stores nationwide. The company expects to open the CHV store by the end of this month; the exact date depends on the contractor's schedule.

FOR THE RECORD

DEATHS

J  
Bill Jones, 69, of Redford.  
K  
Marie Christine "Chris" Keven (Sanquist), 67, of Clarkston, died Sept. 24.  
Marion King, 73, of Birmingham, died Sept. 24.  
L  
Gordon J. Libby, 71, of Westland, died Sept. 23.  
M  
Richard Glenn "Rick" McKibben, of Clarkston, died Sept. 27.  
W  
Caroline Werstine, died Sept. 24.



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Sue L. Wilder, 56, of Ann Arbor, died Sept. 24.

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# Metro Airport to host worldwide gathering of officials

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

Airport officials from around the globe will descend upon Detroit Metro Airport next week for the annual Airport Cities Conference.

The international conference is aimed at airport executives and economic developers as well as real estate and business professionals.

The conference, scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, will showcase the Wayne County-owned airport, which officials hope will someday rank as one of the world's best examples of an airport city, or "aerotropolis." The phrase was coined by John Kasarda, who is acting as the chairman for this year's conference.

Kasarda, who is a professor of management at the University of North Carolina's Kenan-Flagler Business School, defines an airport city as not only an airport itself, but also all the airport-driven commercial development surrounding the facility. That includes all the hotels, restaurants, retail outlets and other businesses that spring up because of the airport.

As a result, he said the airport city has become a destination unto itself.

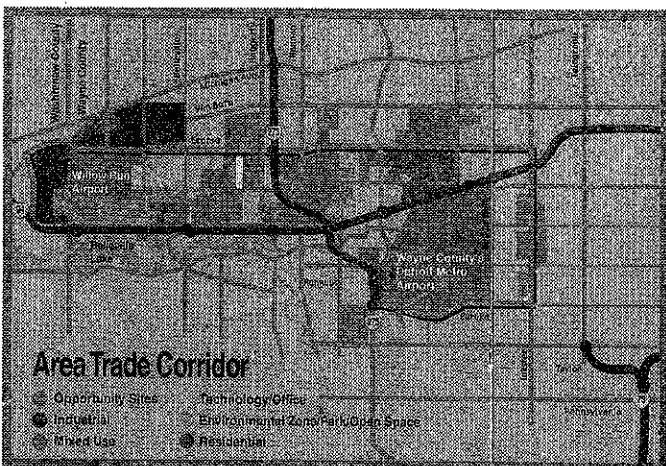
"Airports aren't just airports anymore. They have become multifunctional enterprises that drive commercial development both on the airport property and the area many, many miles around them. The airport used to be there to serve the city. Now the airport is a city," said Kasarda, who has been consulting Wayne County on airport development since Ed McNamara served as county executive.

In many ways, Metro Airport and its surrounding environs, which also includes the Wayne County-owned Willow Run Airport, is already an airport city, according to Kasarda. With more than 30 million passengers walking through



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Detroit Metropolitan Airport officials hope the new McNamara Terminal, which will be the site of next week's Airport Cities Conference, will help the airport compete with the top airports in the world.



This map from a Wayne County brochure shows the potential development sites between the two airports, forming what is called an 'aerotropolis.'

the door each year and 17,000 employees working onsite, Metro Airport, the 10th busiest airport in North America, would rank as one of the state's largest cities at any given time.

It also plays a huge part in driving the region's economy. Wayne County officials estimate its economic impact is about \$5.1 billion annually,

which amounts to \$14 million every day.

However, Kasarda says airport officials can learn much from the other participants at the upcoming Airport Cities Conference, which is truly an international event. Officials representing airports as far away as India, China, the United Arab Emirates, and

Germany, and as close as Atlanta and St. Paul/Minneapolis, will make presentations about their efforts in creating airport cities.

Kasarda says the conference, which took place in the United Arab Emirates last year, is the place where the leading airports come together to discuss ideas and projects.

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, who attended the conference two years ago when it was in Pittsburgh, said this is a great opportunity to develop strategies, because of all the untapped possibilities surrounding Metro Airport. There is approximately 25,000 acres of available vacant land between Metro and Willow Run airports, which can be developed and incorporated into the airport city.

If it is done right, Ficano said it could be the anchor for the burgeoning I-94 corridor between Detroit and Ann Arbor. "Wayne County is unique in that we have all this vacant

land around our two airports. Most metropolitan airports are in city centers with very little available land," Ficano said. "The question we have to ask ourselves is how can we start to utilize that vacant land in a way to position ourselves in a global market. We're hoping to find some answers at this conference."

A glimpse of how this area might develop is the Pinnacle Project, a state of the art business community Wayne County officials have planned for the area south of the airport. Although the project has been in the planning stages for several years and has hit a few snags along the way, Dave Tyler, assistant director of Wayne County's economic development department, expects the first phase of the project to begin next summer. He said it will cover between 150 to 250 acres, and will include both light manufacturing and high-tech facilities.

"The intent is to create a project that can compete globally. We're moving full steam ahead," he said.

Michael Conway, spokesman for Metro Airport, said the key to making the area the global destination Ficano and Tyler are hoping for is to make sure all the vacant land isn't developed haphazardly.

"We need to take advantage of the opportunities available. We don't need more strip malls, motels or gas stations," Conway said. "Thoughtfully planned development that is compatible with, and takes advantage of, the tremendous lift provided by a major international airport could not just create jobs, but careers for generations to come."

There are still opportunities to attend the two-day Airport Cities Conference, which begins Oct. 5 and takes place at Metro Airport's McNamara Terminal.

For more information about registration, contact Tyler at (313) 224-0752 or visit the Web site [www.airportcities.info](http://www.airportcities.info).

## Attendees will come from near and far

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

Representatives from nearly a dozen airports from as far as India, China, the United Arab Emirates, Greece, South Africa and Malaysia will participate in the two-day International Airport Cities Conference to be hosted next week by The Wayne County Airport Authority.

There will also be a number of domestic airports making presentations at the conference, including Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport and the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport.

According to Dave Tyler, assistant director of the Wayne County Economic Development Department, each of the participants are considered international gateway airports and examples of an airport city, in the sense that they have generated a variety of development and economic activity, making them destinations unto themselves.

"It's a great cross-section of airports that have already successfully become airport cities," Tyler said.

Some of the highlights include:

■ Representatives from Malaysia's Kuala Lumpur International Airport will discuss some of the features of the 25,000-acre airport, which include a golf course, a Formula One race track, an environmental park with recreational facilities and a 450-room, five-star hotel.

■ Mario Diaz of Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson Airport will discuss how it has become the world's busiest passenger airport.

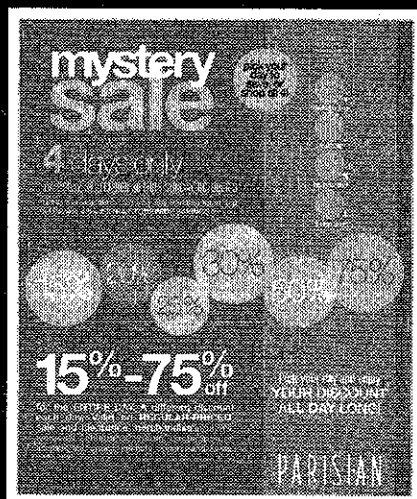
■ Representatives of India's Bangalore International Airport will discuss how the airport has spurred growth in the "Silicon Valley of India."

■ Li Peiying, general manager of China's Beijing Capital Airport, will discuss efforts to make the airport ready for the 2008 Summer Olympics. When the \$12 billion project is completed, the airport will include China's first free trade zone.

Other speakers including Mulugetta Birru, executive director, Greater Wayne County Economic Development Corp, and Ken Rogers, executive director, Automation Alley, will discuss the catalyst for regional development and keeping Michigan globally competitive.

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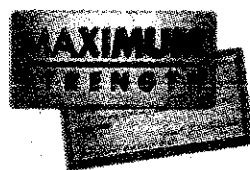
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# CHV folk festival set for Saturday

BY DOUG JOHNSON  
STAFF WRITER

Matt Watroba, host of radio's "Folk Like Us," will bring together several Michigan musicians for a three-hour all-folk music festival Saturday night, Oct. 2 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

Scheduled to appear with Watroba are Jeremy Kittel, a Scottish fiddle champion and a recent University of Michigan grad; Joel Mabus, master singer and instrumentalist; The Raisin Pickers from near-by Manchester; and The Chenille Sisters.

Watroba, who taught English at P-CEP for 12 years until he left in 2002, said the show offers a lot of music for one ticket price (\$15).

"These are all talented folks. It will be a good evening full of

music," Watroba said. "We will be playing original, all-American music. We are all friends. There should be a lot of spontaneity."

The Chenille Sisters will also offer a children's concert Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m.; tickets for the kids' show are \$8. Curtain for the evening show is 7 p.m. Tickets for both shows are \$20.

Watroba was awarded "Best Overall Folk Performer" by the Detroit Music Awards for 2000, and his credits include the Ann Arbor Folk Festival, the Detroit 300 celebration, The Ark, the Spirit of the Woods Festival, the New Jersey Folk Weekend, Louisville's Kentucky Music Weekend, and hundreds of school and community presentations throughout the Great Lakes. He has shared the stage with some of

our greatest performers, including Pete Seeger, Tom Paxton, Ramblin' Jack Elliott, Arlo Guthrie, Shawn Colvin, Christine Lavin, Peter Yarrow, and Richard Thompson.

Watroba's radio show, which was mostly a labor of love for him, was dropped recently by WDET public radio after an 18-year run, but he hopes to return to the airwaves on another station. His third and latest CD is "Jukebox Folk" and includes songs from Roger Miller, Ernest Tubbs, Hank Williams and Bob Wills.

Kittel is winner of the U.S. National Scottish Fiddle Championship.

Mabus defies pigeonholing but he picks a mountain banjo, plays an Irish melody on the guitar, or brings out a fiddle for an old Carter Family tune.

The Raisin Pickers are

named for the Raisin River that winds its way through Manchester and points west, and their string band play list includes old-time, bluegrass and swing songs.

The Chenille Sisters will get the kids to join right in at the matinee, and then they will be part of the evening finale with a blend of obscure covers and classics.

Tickets are available at the Summit or at the Village Theater ticket office two hours before the performance.

The folk fest coincides with the first day of the Canton Fine Arts Exhibition 2004 in the lobby of the theater. The art show will run until Oct. 22.

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## STUDENT

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analysis of e-mails before forwarding the case to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office," Mutchler said. "We had information he sent some e-mails suggesting he was going to do this. It supposedly wasn't a specific threat, just one made to scare his friends."

The e-mail reportedly contained the names of four people the student wanted to scare with the pistol. Mutchler said possible charges could include possession of a dangerous weapon and threatening communication by e-mail.

LaVictor said he was able to confirm the information Monday morning, and the student was sent home with his parents during second hour.

He said there were no indications the boy was bullied or threatened by classmates.

LaVictor said he addressed

students the first thing Tuesday morning.

"I told them we had a student that made a very serious error in judgment, and we're handling the situation according to state law," he said. "I also said I was disappointed that other students were aware of it, and no one bothered to tell an adult. I told them there's a difference between narking and doing something to protect people."

LaVictor said he pointed out the situation at Chippewa Valley High School in Clinton Township, where a teenaged girl told her father about e-mails she received threatening violence at the school. The police were notified, which could have prevented a Columbine-style shooting rampage.

LaVictor noted that after the incident was made public, several teachers posted in the anonymous tip line telephone number, where specific or potential school violence threats can be reported.

"We spend a lot of time working with students to let them know that if they know of things, they've got to trust an adult — parents, teachers, administrators, counselors — if there's something we need to know about," LaVictor said.

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## MILLAGE

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winter tax bill of \$885.

The extra revenue generated by the increase in the charter millage — which Supervisor Tom Yack estimated at about \$1.1 million a year — would be earmarked exclusively for road and intersection improvements.

Since Canton as a township does receive money from the state for road improvements, it has to rely on Wayne County and the Michigan Department of Transportation for those projects. But MDOT handles only state roads, such as Ford and Michigan Avenue, and the county concentrates on so-called primary roads.

That leaves intersections such as Sheldon and Palmer without much chance of getting repaired in a timely manner.

"Our job is to try to figure out how to get the repairs accomplished," Yack said. "By reducing the millage for police and fire and increasing the charter millage, it gives us the flexibility to do this ourselves."

He said in addition to the general need for intersection improvements, there are safety factors involved.

"Public Safety will help us out with accident data and traffic counts," he said. "The condition of the roads also affects their response time."

He said now that the board has approved the new rates, a committee will be formed to study intersections in the township and identify those that need improvement.

The committee will consist of two township engineers, a board member, a representative of Wayne County and from one to three Canton residents.

Tim Faas, township municipal services director, will oversee the formation of the committee.

"This group will come up with criteria and look at what needs to be done at each intersection," Yack said. "Tim says he'd like to get a list to the board by January or February. Depending on what's involved in engineering, I'd like to believe by the summer of 2005 we'll begin to see improvements."

The township has identified 31 intersections to be repaired and Yack said officials think all 31 could be completed in about six years. The intersections do not include those on roads controlled by MDOT.

"We have a good relationship with MDOT," he said, "and we know those intersections will eventually get taken care of."

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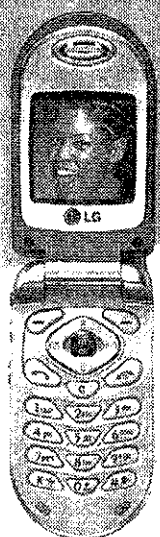
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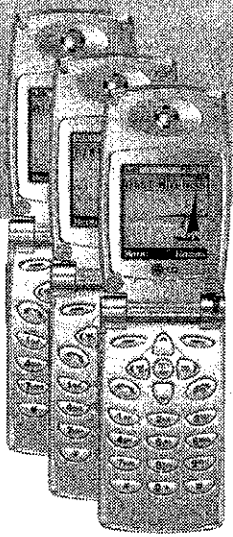
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## SCHOOLS

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Walton of Canton, who voted at Miller Elementary. "I want to see our community continue to prosper, and without good schools, we won't be able to."

Paul Farrell of Canton voted in favor of both proposals, but the elementary school was an issue that caused him to pause.

"I grew up in Livonia and saw them over-build tremendously and then tear down school buildings," he said. "I was hesitant, but there were so many other good things that I voted in favor of it."

"Somebody helped my kids by paying for good schools, and I'm more than willing to foot my share of the bill for the next generation," Farrell said.

The two proposals won in all 18 voting precincts, and in the all-important absentee ballots. Nearly 12.5 percent of the district's 75,000 registered voters in five communities cast votes.

One of the youngest volunteers was 14-year-old Robert Matar, a sophomore at Plymouth High, who helped as part of a class service project.

"It makes me feel great to have helped get this passed," Matar said. "Salem and Canton (high schools) don't have any air conditioning, and I'm just sweating in those classes."

Here's a partial list of what Plymouth-Canton school officials hope to do with the \$109 million in bond money approved by voters Tuesday, in addition to building a new middle school in Canton:

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

■ Allen — Classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Bentley — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Bird — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Eriksson — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, mechanical system upgrades, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Farrand — Classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Fiegel — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, win-

dow replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting, new P.A. system.

■ Field — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace mechanical system upgrades, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Gallimore — Classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Hoben — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, new classroom doors, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Hulsing — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, mechanical system upgrades, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting, new P.A. system.

■ Isbister — Classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting, new P.A. system.

■ Miller — Roof replacement, complete remodeling of classrooms, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and

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ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting, new P.A. system.

■ Smith — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Tonda — Partial roof replacement, classroom upgrades, mechanical system upgrades, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Tanger — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting, new P.A. system.

## MIDDLE SCHOOLS

■ Central — Partial roof replacement, exterior masonry upgrades, mechanical system upgrades.

■ East — Partial roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, science room remodeling, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Pioneer — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, science room remodeling, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ West — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, science room remodeling, plumbing system upgrades, replace heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

## HIGH SCHOOLS

■ Canton — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, science lab remodeling, plumbing system upgrades, partial replacement of

heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting, new P.A. system.

■ Salem — Roof replacement, classroom upgrades, window replacement, science lab remodeling, plumbing system upgrades, partial replacement of heating and ventilating system, replace fire alarm and emergency lighting.

■ Starkweather — Classroom upgrades, mechanical system upgrades, new exterior lighting.

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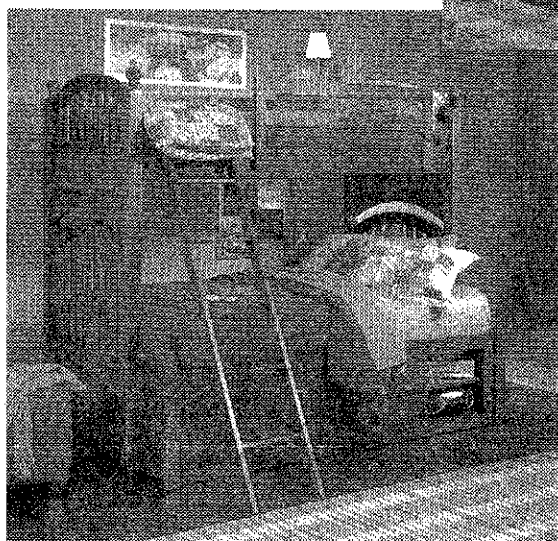
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# District must use bond wisely

Once the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education decided to conduct a special election to approach voters for a renewal of non-homestead millage and a \$109 million bond to upgrade district buildings, administrators hit the road, hoping to convince voters to approve both issues.

District officials, primarily Superintendent Jim Ryan, made every PTO, civic group and municipal meeting possible, reportedly more than 50 presentations in the last month, trying to show why the district needed the money.

Apparently, the whirlwind road show worked, because voters Tuesday overwhelmingly passed both questions on the ballot. The 18-mill non-homestead renewal passed by better than a 3-1 margin, while the bond question passed with 70 percent of the vote.

Some of the needs are obvious: a new elementary school to support growth in Canton; roof replacements for four of the district's five middle schools and two of its three high schools; classroom upgrades nearly everywhere and work on the air conditioning in nearly every school.

Every building in the district older than three years old is going to get some much-needed work, thanks to the voters. Ryan and his administration must make sure every dollar counts in a district struggling to make ends meet.

And they've got to do it with a keen eye still cast on the budget. Ryan and the board must make sure there's a plan in place to open the new elementary school in a fashion the district can afford. Student-teacher ratios and programming should not suffer in the district's zeal to make these improvements or build a new building.

In their zeal to get a new building built, and to get the improvements made to the schools, district officials must also keep an eye on the operating budget. Opening a new school if they don't have the resources to run it will only exacerbate what is already a tenuous financial situation.

There's no question the district needs another elementary school, particularly in Canton. The voters now have entrusted district officials with the money to build one, with the unspoken caveat that those same officials do it right.

It's a trust the administration and school board must now fully embrace and protect.

# Sharing services key to surviving fiscal crisis

There has been much debate in the past few years concerning Proposal A's impact on the quality of public education and whether the time has come to "tweak" the groundbreaking legislation which dramatically changed the state's tax structure.

But lost in the escalating argument is how municipal governments have been impacted by Proposal A, which severely limited growth in property taxes in exchange for a 50-percent increase in the state sales tax.

Simply put, our cities, townships and villages are running out of money, and the services we have come to expect in terms of recreation programs, streetlights and police and fire protection are at risk.

Talk with just about any municipal finance director and they will tell you that sooner or later, many towns will find themselves bankrupt. Unless taxes are raised, the argument goes, we will not be able to count on timely trash collection, attractive parks and thriving municipal libraries.

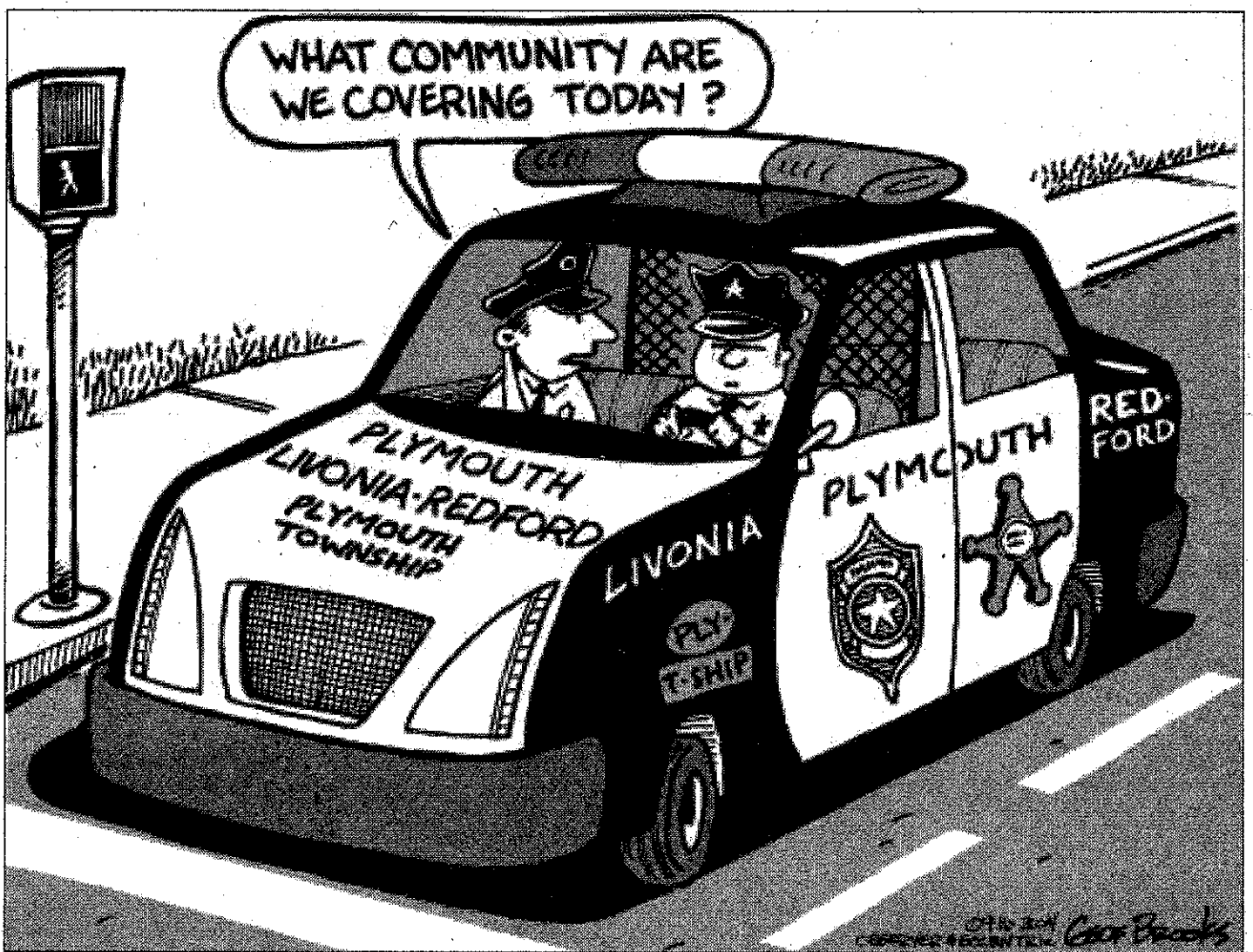
But there is another option, one that strikes at the heart of Michigan's love affair with home rule: It is time for governmental entities to embrace fully the concept of shared services, with perhaps a few of them even going out of existence.

Already, our newer and growing communities are taking advantage of regionalizing some government services.

The city of Plymouth and Plymouth Township share police and fire dispatch services and operate a single fire department. The cities of Rochester and Rochester Hills, along with Oakland Township, share a library and a senior citizen center.

But the ongoing financial crisis should be the impetus for older, more established communities to do the same. But it will take political will for the likes of Clarkston and Lathrup Village to abandon their own police departments and allow larger, neighboring departments to provide the service in a more fiscally prudent manner.

Michigan residents long have cherished their local hometown school districts and governments. But the time has come to seriously ask the question: Can we continue to afford them?



## LETTERS

### Get ready for election

Election Day may seem far away, but if you're going to participate in our democracy, you need to get prepared.

The League of Women Voters of Michigan urges voters to take five minutes now to make Election Day as easy as possible. We recommend voters check their voter registration before Oct. 4, the deadline to register.

Voters can confirm their registration by accessing [www.sospublius.org](http://www.sospublius.org) or by calling their local clerk. On the Web site, enter your name to see your polling location, a sample ballot and how your voting machines operate. More importantly, if your name is not on the list or if you have moved but not changed your registration address, you have time to correct this.

If you register to vote by mail, plan to vote in person the first time you vote. After that you may be eligible to vote by absentee ballot.

Michigan's statewide voter registration system is the model for other states. However, that will not mean a perfect election day for every voter. Knowing your polling location, that you're properly registered and being familiar with voting equipment and your ballot will save you time Nov. 2.

Remember, democracy is not a spectator sport.

**Paula Bowman**

President, League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County

### Taxing situation

I'd like to take the opportunity to formally introduce myself. I was the frustrated Canton resident who arrived at the Canton Township 24 Drop Box at 5:04 p.m. yesterday (Sept. 14). I'm sorry I interrupted you — you were very busy taping over the mail slot with your signed notice informing all who read that 2004 Canton Summer Tax payments were considered officially late as of 5 p.m. and that subsequent payments should include a 1 percent penalty payment.

I would also like to take this opportunity to express my complete and utter astonishment and disappointment that you personally chose to refuse to accept my summer tax payment in full. You are an elected official of our excellent community. One would presume your job empowers you to use your best judgment regarding each and every member of the community that elected you. You might have considered accepting my payment, albeit four minutes late, in the interest of good community spirit. Instead, you refused, and proceeded to chastise me for not paying earlier.

For the record, this is not the reaction I expect from my representatives in government. I understand that your term expires this year. I sincerely hope that you are not running for treasurer again. If you are, know that neither I nor my wife will be voting for you. Moreover, I will on every occasion share with my Canton friends and neighbors the details of our encounter. I'm hopeful they will

also reconsider their choice for township treasurer.

I am sending an electronic copy of this to Mr. Yack and to the local newspaper. I will also follow up with hard copies of this correspondence to all parties. Enclosed within the letter addressed to the treasurer's office, you will find my tax statement, payment in full, and an additional check made payable to you for the 1 percent penalty assessment.

I would welcome any/all responses. An angry Canton resident.

**Michael Zelek**

Canton

### My kids paying federal debt

I'm doing more than just voting for John Kerry this campaign, so I can look my kids in the eye when they grow up. The \$600 I received in the mail from the IRS doesn't make me any happier about the record federal debt run-up that the republican administration's own agencies tell me is mainly due to tax cuts that primarily benefited those with the top incomes.

And the Reaganomics-style job growth that was promised certainly isn't happening. It's been too long now to blame Clinton, dot-coms, or Sept. 11.

I'm not fooled by easy, vague statements that our economy is on the mend or that freedom is on the way in Iraq. I don't get my "news" from the Fox network. John Kerry has said he'll attack the federal deficit, work to get us out of Iraq, and change the tax incentives to help us keep jobs in the U.S. rather than outsource them, and that's worth working for.

I'd be proud if my boys chose to join our armed forces, but I couldn't bear it if they had to fight a war that was started and poorly run by a misguided administration. I'll take a man who's seen any action in Vietnam over one who'd seen plenty of "action" in Alabama anytime.

And unlike Dick Cheney, John Edwards isn't on retainer from mercenary-providing Halliburton.

I want to be able to look my kids in the eye and tell them that I did everything I could to prevent them from having to pay for the excesses, bad judgments, and plain corruption of this administration. I'm working for change.

**Chuck Green**

Canton

### Oppose issues, not people

Letters I have written and submitted for publication have appeared in the *Observer & Eccentric*. The editing has been minimal and most letters reaching print have been published in their entirety. This writer should be pleased and I am.

One reservation I have is that after denizens in Livonia, Redford, Garden City, Canton, Westland, and Plymouth have written letters attacking the person, pejorating and using the ad hominem, eschewing any attempt at questioning

and debating specific issues of government and economy, the papers have shelved my responses. My letters in response to those who favor the name-calling mode "to get even" have been written without returning the ad hominem. They have been written without calling attention to poor grammar, without identifying the writers' inability to use action words in the plural when the subjects are plural in number. I have not called attention to poor sentence construction, the use of superfluous prepositions, or difficulties with punctuation.

If one has an objection to my opinion that the "minimum wage" will always mean greater unemployment, let him say so and try to prove it. In addition to the suggestion that the federal government has no business mandating the working conditions including salaries and wages of private organizations, the government minimum wage legislation will always cause unemployment and the destruction of business organizations. If a businessman is not making a profit nor suffering a loss, he is a marginal producer. A profit makes the producer, the owner, supra marginal; experiencing a loss, a sub-marginal producer. Enter the government minimum wage. The marginal producer now experiences expenses which exceed his income and he must eventually close the doors. Other workers earning higher wages at the company also lose their jobs when the sub-marginal producer capitulates.

Debate the issue. Forget the name calling. My record is clear. Let the publishers confirm that I have yet to initiate a letter using the ad hominem in reference to a Wayne County letter writer's endeavor at prose. Not once. I do at times find difficulty supporting the actions of the Ku Klux Klan, the behavior of Adolf Hitler, the decision of the ACLU to support decisions of academics that favor man-boy relationships.

Write your contradictions. Express an opposing view on an economic issue. Forget the words that only demean the writer.

**Nell Goodbred**

Livonia

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**"The state has to either raise revenues or reduce programs and services because it looks like there's a billion-dollar problem every year."**

— Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack on the governor's plan to collect taxes early

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# State spending continues to outrun revenue stream

There are three things to be said about the budget Michigan's lawmakers just adopted for the fiscal year that starts tomorrow (Oct. 1):

First, remember the old saw: "Don't tax him. Don't tax me. Tax that fellow behind the tree." That is still the most accurate portrait of how the governor and the Legislature conspired to balance the budget. Forget any responsibility to make hard and politically risky decisions. Instead, all parties chose narrowly based tax increases designed to avoid widespread protests.

Consider these approaches, as expressed in the fiscal 2005 budget:

■ Don't fool with the Single Business Tax, which is at heart a tax on payroll, hurts job growth and hits just about every business in Michigan. Although it has long been due for an overhaul or repeal, our lawmakers opted instead to raise taxes on Detroit casinos by 33 percent, thereby costing only 350 jobs.

■ Identify vices and tax 'em, mostly on the grounds that the vice-ridden don't make up a highly motivated voting bloc. So increase cigarette taxes by 60 percent (gets you \$313 million, assuming most smokers don't quit or live near the Ohio border). And let the Liquor Control Commission bump its profit on the sale of booze from 65 percent to 74 percent (gets you \$32 million from margins I wish I had in my business!).

■ Give new meaning to the phrase "niche taxes" (here, that should be pronounced "nick") by boosting various licensing fees: driver licenses, court filings, state park entrance fees and (what won't they think of next?) nursery stock validations. Total take: around \$225 million.

Second, a big part of the reason the state has had problems paying its bills in recent years is the direct result of the tax-cut orthodoxy that started with the Republicans and has now infected the Democrats.

The state's general fund, which supports most discretionary spending, will open fiscal year 2005 with an estimated \$800 million less in the pot than in 2001. And the total state budget of \$36.3 billion is \$2.8 billion less than in fiscal 2002. What's not so immediately evident is the concrete effect of the thousands of little slashes in state services that are the consequence of reduced budgets. Fewer probation officers. Worse roads. Less tourism advertising. More troubled kids running loose.

The last of five annual income tax cuts

shoved through by former Gov. John Engler took effect July 1, saving the average taxpayer the whopping sum of 50 cents a week. In the 2000 fiscal year, the Michigan personal income tax produced \$7.6 billion. In the 2005 budget year, the income tax will provide around \$6.03 billion.

The difference — \$1.6 billion — is just a bit more than total state aid to all our public colleges and universities. Of course, when college students and their families complain about getting hit with bigger tuition bills as a result of reduced state support for their school, the political class finds it's convenient to blame college administrators and board members for failing to keep costs under control.

As I remember it, the discussion in Lansing when Gov. Engler proposed cutting the income tax went like this: a) Taxes in general are bad and the income tax is the worst of all; b) Cutting taxes is good, especially when the economy is flush and the politicians can boast of both cutting taxes and spending more; c) If you're a Democrat, recite point "b" several times before each meal and swallow hard. Nobody ever thought to point out loud that flush times never last, that there would be a dramatic drop in employment, wages would fall and the stock market would tank.

Third, even after all the amazing gyrations undertaken by the governor and the Legislature to plug three successive billion-dollar-plus shortfalls in the state budget, they're pretty much out of potential new gimmicks.

Witness the flap about accelerated county property tax collections that looked like a tax increase, but really wasn't. At stake was \$185 million in revenue sharing that cities, counties and townships depend on for much of what they do. The stubborn fact remains that the state's financial situation is still one of chronic structural deficit. Spending for schools, colleges and universities, health care, local government, police and prisons continues to outrun the tax revenue needed to pay for it all.

And no one in government seemingly has the courage to say the obvious: We get what we pay for. Instead, anti-tax orthodoxy recites bromides about "waste in government" and "inefficient bureaucrats."

Common sense says something else. Continuing on the present road will gradually make our pleasant peninsula into a kind of Mississippi, with bad schools, low-paying jobs and colder weather.

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.



Phil Power

# Loss of any newspaper never a good thing for local community

Colleen Pobur certainly hasn't shed any tears, and it's unlikely you'd get much more than smiles from Ed Ochal, both frequent targets of *Your Community Crier*, the local tabloid newspaper which published its final issue last month.

That's understandable, considering the frequency — and severity — of the attacks on both. Still, it's never a good thing when a community loses a newspaper, for whatever reason. Newspapers are a bastion of free speech, an interactive voice that allows readers to have a hand in shaping their community.

Maria Marron, professor/chair of the journalism department at Central Michigan University, said the loss of a newspaper tends to silence that voice.

"It limits the diversity of voices," Marron said of the loss of a newspaper. "The newspaper is supposed to be the voice of the people, and the more limitations on the number of newspapers, the more limitations on the voices."

For the last several years, Plymouth has been crowded with newspapers, with the *Observer*, the *Crier*, the *Journal* and both *The Detroit News* and *Detroit Free Press* maintaining a presence. All but the *Journal* had actual office space in town.

That's a lot of healthy competition that generally proves to be good for the reader. Some studies show that, when a newspaper folds, overall newspaper readership in that community falls because, for whatever reason, surviving newspapers fail to pick up readers.

It's too soon to know what effect the loss of the *Crier* will have in that regard. But, in the eyes of many, its demise was well-earned and, for the most part, self-inflicted.

That's certainly the view of Pobur, the former city commissioner who served two terms as mayor pro tem. Pobur, who used to work at Metro Airport during Ed McNamara's time as county executive, was targeted in the paper's waning years by new owner Tom Prose and former editor Bill Joyner.

"I think it's certainly good for the community it's going away," Pobur said. "I don't think they ever had the community's best interests at heart. It was unfortunate they chose to spend so much time targeting individuals who didn't need it rather than focusing on all that is good in Plymouth."

Therein lies the rub when you start talk-

ing about newspapers being good for a community. Prose swept in and swiped the *Crier* out from under former publisher Ed Wendover, who was trying to broker a bankruptcy deal at the time.

After accusing Wendover of using the *Crier* as a bully pulpit, Prose and Joyner promised, in a front page letter to their readers, a kinder, gentler *Crier*. That never materialized, as the *Crier* then went on a manhunt against anyone with whom they disagreed. The paper was used as a Freedom of Information Act foil for Prose's \$100 million lawsuit against the city, and as a machine supporting candidates it wanted on the city commission, including a doomed candidacy by Prose himself.

Ironically, Pobur — one of the paper's most ardent supporters when Wendover owned it — became one of its harshest critics under the weight of constant attacks, including a story that claimed the government had raided Pobur's Plymouth home during the federal investigation of McNamara, a story Pobur said the *Crier* fabricated.

"Given the fact they printed absolute lies about me, I'm glad they're going away," Pobur said. "No one else can get caught in that trap that if you don't do what they say, they attack you."

The demise of *Your Community Crier*, while hailed by some of its former targets as a great thing in the community, really is more of a shame than anything else. The once-proud newspaper forged a niche of its own in its heyday as a media outlet that did more than just the usual news.

That's the kind of niche that disappears, some scholars believe, when a newspaper folds.

"It's ... the contention of recent scholars, the more you have monopolization of the media, the more conservative media you've got, and the more likely it is that dissent is going to be quelled," Marron said.

That's not really a problem in Plymouth, what with four newspapers still publishing in town. However, none of them publishes in quite the same way the *Crier* did at the height of its popularity. Unfortunately, its primary purpose the last several years was to assail those with whom its ownership didn't agree.

That, too, is a shame, because it proved over the years it could be so much better than that. For itself, and for the community.

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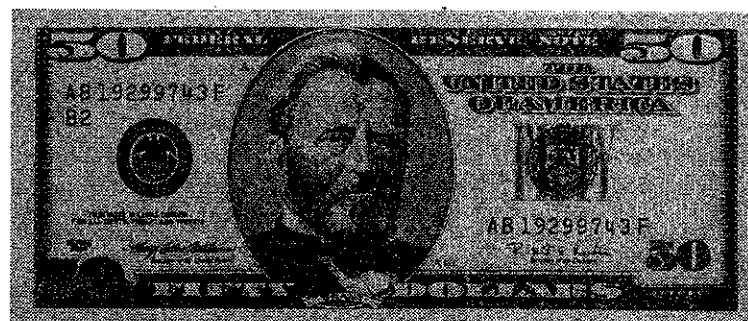
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JAKE COSTELLO

Textiles will be a large part of the show and sale, scheduled Sept. 22 through Oct. 3 in Royal Oak.

## Japanese antiques show classic beauty

BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

It's called *wabi sabi*, and collector Jake Costello of Kyoto, Japan, defines it as a guiding principle of "subtle beauty; a union of material, design, craftsmanship and a natural, worn beauty that comes from everyday use."

*Wabi sabi* can be seen in the Japanese antiques featured in a two-week show and sale in Royal Oak presented by Costello, a Birmingham native, and his wife, Yuko Abo.

"There's a story behind every piece," said Costello, who has been a resident of Kyoto and a collector for almost 25 years.

He has a business, Kodo Japanese Antiques, in Kyoto.

With their craftsmanship and intricate designs and patterns, the antiques speak of the tradition of long apprenticeships and skills passed on for generations.

A skilled craftsman with at least 10 years experience might spend six to 12 months on one piece, Costello said.

The event continues through Sunday, Oct. 3. It features pieces from the Edo (1600 to 1867), Meiji (1868 to 1912) and Taisho (1912-26) periods.

This is the fourth annual show and sale. It is in a new location this year - at the former site of Jeffrey's Antique Mall at 404 E. Fourth in Royal Oak.

The new site is more centralized and has more space than the previous location in Troy, Costello said. It also enables the event to have longer hours.

"This gives people who are working (during the day) more of a chance to get to us," Costello said.

The show and sale is an opportunity for people to learn about antiques as well as buy them. It presents items that are difficult to find and rarely seen in the Midwest.

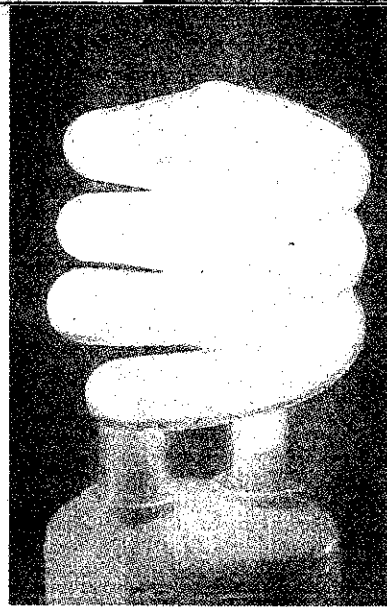
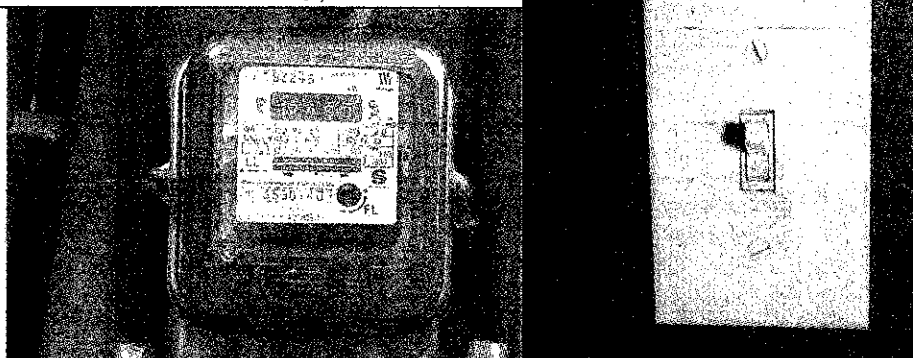
"The variety has expanded considerably," said Costello,

PLEASE SEE **ANTIQUES, B6**



STORY BY KEN ABRAMCZYK | STAFF WRITER

## Building a



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Tips help save on bills, aid environment

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Here are a few other reference materials and Web sites to help consumers:

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For a directory of energy efficient (and green) building materials and professionals, go to [www.warmtraining.org](http://www.warmtraining.org) and click on the Green Building Resource Directory.

Two magazines, as varied in their coverage as any two can be, touted the same lead topic on their covers this summer. *Business Week* and *National Geographic* each examined the issues of global warming.

Scientists generally believe that the combustion of fossil fuels and other human activities are the primary reason for the increased concentration for carbon dioxide. Now mainstream publications are taking notice at how critical the problem is.

Nearly 98 percent of U.S. carbon dioxide emissions come from fossil fuels burned to run cars and trucks, heat homes and businesses and power factories.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency estimates that approximately 6.6 tons of greenhouse gases are emitted

per person every year. Emissions per person have increased about 3.4 percent between 1990 and 1997, with about 82 percent of those emissions from burning fossil fuels to generate electricity and power our cars.

### CHANGE FOR THE BETTER

Obviously humans cannot immediately curtail their economic and daily activities to remove the detrimental impact to the environment that has already occurred, but they can make small changes to improve their own environmental impact.

That's the hope of Debra Rowe, professor of environmental systems and behavioral sciences at Oakland

PLEASE SEE **ENERGY, B4**



Debra Rowe's home in Farmington Hills has several windows with southern exposure. They're shaded by trees in the summer, but the rest of the year they receive full sunlight, a perfect arrangement for solar heating.

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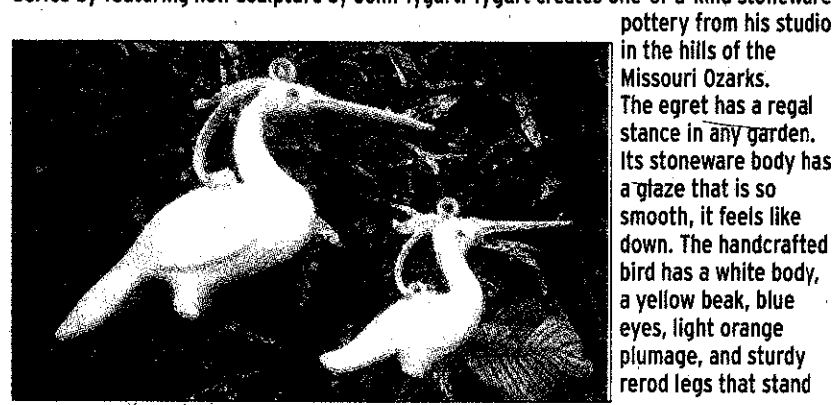
## MARKET PLACE

### Submissions

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.

### Creatures great and small

Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, continues its American Artist Series by featuring new sculpture by John Tygart. Tygart creates one-of-a-kind stoneware pottery from his studio in the hills of the Missouri Ozarks.

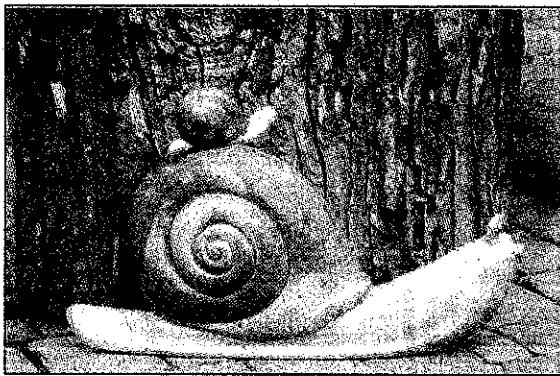


The egret has a regal stance in any garden. Its stoneware body has a glaze that is so smooth, it feels like down. The handcrafted bird has a white body, a yellow beak, blue eyes, light orange plumage, and sturdy rood legs that stand

on a metal 10-by-10-inch base.

Prices are \$189 for a small egret (30 inches tall and 14 inches wide) and \$229 for a large egret (37 inches tall and 20 inches wide). The snail is so fun, you won't want to chase it out of your garden. Larger than life - 20 inches tall, 12 inches long and 5-1/2 inches wide - it carries an adorable baby snail on its back. The snail's caramel-colored glaze will stand out beautifully against the green in your garden. The price is \$129.

Visit Goldner Walsh to see the entire American Artist Series collection. For more information, call (248) 332-6430.



## Accents

### Fabulous Furniture

Readers can catch up on all the latest trends in Fabulous Furniture, a four-week series of special At Home sections devoted specifically to furniture throughout the home starting next Thursday.

Fabulous Furniture will highlight the latest trends in home furnishings, starting Thursday, Oct. 7, with Living Rooms and Home Offices. Kitchens and Baths will be featured Oct. 14, Dining Rooms and Great Rooms Oct. 21 and Bedrooms and Home Accessories Oct. 28.

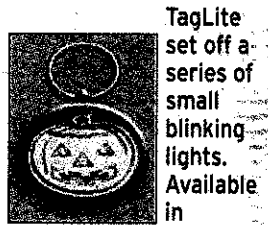
Columnists Joe Gagnon, Marty Figley, Dr. Brad Davis and Diana Koenig will not appear in the section in October, but will return to their regular schedule in November. Rick Broida's Tech Savvy appears next week with a column on wireless home offices, then he also will return next month.

### Pet light available

Celebrating Halloween has become more popular in recent years, not only among people, but for pets, too.

The MiracleBeam I.D. TagLite can help kids and their pets trick-or-treat together in safety.

The TagLite fits on a cat or dog collar like any other I.D. tag. Whenever the pet moves, a motion detector inside the



TagLite set off a series of small blinking lights. Available in Pumpkin, Spider and Skull designs, the I.D. TagLite is water-resistant. For those times when a pet wants to step out of the Halloween limelight, the I.D. TagLite can be switched to an off position to become a non-illuminated dog tag.

I.D. TagLites come with long-lasting and replaceable batteries. They have a suggested retail price of \$6.99 to \$8.99. For more information, contact MiracleBeam Products, Inc., at (818) 890-4303, or visit [www.miraclebeam.com](http://www.miraclebeam.com).

### Color those walls

The kids are back to school ... and the holidays are fast approaching. Why not give a room in your home an upgrade?

A Watercolor Walls kit will turn an average painter into a professional faux painter. The Colorwash kits offer the do-it-yourself homeowner a simple and fun method of color washing interior walls.

There are 11 lively color options ranging from Curry Wash, Double Latte, Sage Was Here, Paprika to Cloudy Blue. The price for a kit is \$30 and each kit covers a 10-by-12-foot room. The Watercolor Walls kits are available at SJ Home Designs in Southfield.

SJ Home Designs is located in the Applegate Shopping Center on Northwestern Highway and Inkster Road in Southfield. For information, call (248) 354-8490.



## Goodwill Antiques Show sets Young Collectors' Night

The Goodwill Antiques Show is offering something new this year.

The event, which will take place Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 13-14, in the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion at Oakland University in Rochester, will present more than 50 antiques exhibitors from across the nation, who will show Americana, English, French and Oriental decoratives, folk art, fine art, silver, pewter, toys, glass, china, pottery and jewelry (see related item).

The "new" element will be a Young Collectors' Night. The Young Collectors' Night, 6-9 p.m. Nov. 13, will feature live music by Rick and Dayna, light hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar.

Co-chairpersons of the show, Dee Chandler and Sue Schoonover, both Orchard Lake residents, say they have observed young people beginning to collect antiques and believe this new event would give them an opportunity in a social setting with their peers to talk to dealers one-on-one

and learn more.

"We have seen that many young people start out using one or two small antique items as accessories in their homes and apartments, or inherit a favorite family heirloom, like their great-aunt's armoire or some silverware," Chandler said.

"These can spark a real interest in antiques."

The show will also feature a cafe with lunches catered by Forté Belanger Catering, a pantry with canned goods, a boutique with gift items made by volunteers and local artists, and a silent auction.

A favorite feature, the Goodwill Booth, will return, with collectibles, jewelry and furniture restored by volunteers.

Bids on special donated items may be made at the silent auction.

The silent auction will begin during the gala preview party Friday, Nov. 12, and conclude the afternoon of Nov. 14.

### GOODWILL ANTIQUES SHOW

**What:** A show featuring selections from more than 50 antiques exhibitors from across the nation, presented by the Junior Group of Goodwill Industries. Proceeds benefit Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit.

**When:** Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 13-14. A black-tie optional gala preview party will take place 7-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, with music, cocktails and a strolling supper. Gala tickets range from \$80 to \$200 and may be ordered by calling the Junior Group at (248) 375-1493.

Young Collectors' Night will be 6-9 p.m. Nov. 13, with live music, hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

**Where:** In the Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion at Oakland University, off Adams between Avon Road and Walton Boulevard in Rochester.

**Hours:** 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Nov. 13, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 14.

**Admission:** \$10 (general admission). General admission tickets may be bought at the door or through Junior Group members. Parking is free. A shuttle service will be available. **Information:** Call (248) 375-1493 or visit [www.goodwilldetroit.com](http://www.goodwilldetroit.com).

The preview party will also offer music, cocktails, and a strolling supper by Forté Belanger Catering.

Partygoers will have the first opportunity to select items from the dealers' booths and the Goodwill Booth.

Now in its 57th year, the Goodwill Antiques Show is one of the oldest continuously operating charitable events in the country.

The Junior Group of Goodwill Industries is presenting the show. "The Goodwill Antiques Show is a 'must-do' event each year," Schoonover said.

"Many of those who will be here this year have been coming for decades, because they can count on the quality and variety of our dealers and enjoy the Goodwill Booth. We are delighted to be reaching out to the younger collectors as well."

Proceeds benefit Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit, which provides job training, educational programs and employment opportunities to men and women with special needs and disabilities in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

## Manage your household's money

**I never have enough money to manage my household the way I desire. Providing money for my children's activities, clothes and whims is important to me. I realize I need a balance which means telling them "no" sometimes, but I really believe I have enough. I just can't seem to make it last.**



**Domestic Planner**

Diana Koenig

There are no cookie-cutter budget solutions. Establishing a successful budget requires effort on your part to find out what works for your household.

Money, like time, slips quickly through our fingers. You need to not only plan a workable budget but faithfully adhere to it.

Begin by making two lists; income and expenses. List income from all sources as accurately as possible. This is relatively easy for those on a fixed income, or those who receive a regular, predictable salary.

Other households depend on commissions, seasonal work, or agricultural work that depends on the weather and other unpredictable conditions. If you fall into this last category, budgeting is more difficult but not impossible. You simply need to look back six months or a year to determine a workable budget.

After determining your income, list all your expenses. Start by listing each fixed expense including house payment or rent, car payment, and insurance. Estimate variable expenses such as food, gifts, and car repairs. Although every list of expenses will be different, many of the categories will be common to almost every household.

A typical list would include; housing, car payments, loans, utilities, phone, insurance (car, life, house, health), taxes (if self-employed), medical, food, gasoline, gifts, entertainment, children's allowances, car repairs, house repairs, business expenses, clothing, charities, education, sports activities (dance, baseball, soccer, etc.), postage, disposable items (cleaning supplies, toiletries, paper products), retirement or/and savings and miscellaneous.

Add all your income in one column and your expenses in another column. Are the two figures the same? If the income number is higher than the number listed under expenses, your system will succeed. However, if the opposite is true, you are headed for financial failure. You will need to cut expenses and/or increase your income.

Cutting expenses may mean changing your spending habits. Review your needs and see where you can cut back. Food is one area you may be able to make an adjustment. Bargain shop all the grocery stores in your area, taking advantage of the sale items each store offers. Plan your meals according to what is on sale instead of what you feel like eating.

Cut back on the money designated for entertainment. There are many fun things that are free or inexpensive.

When you finally balance the income and expenses columns, determine which system you will use to manage the household budget going forward.

Weekly or monthly, divide your available money into marked envelopes (for food, gifts, etc.). Use the money in the food envelope, for example, to buy groceries. Face your spending so that you do not end up with an empty envelope and an empty cupboard before the end of the week or month.

Open two checking accounts. Designate one checking account to pay bills, such as house, utilities or car payments. The other account would be for flexible expenses such as food, clothes or entertainment.

Use one checking account. Save each receipt and tally the amount spent on a master sheet listing each expense. Put receipts in the envelopes that you have clearly marked with date and contents.

Not only will this give you a clear and accurate picture of what you are spending, it will give you a jump start on taxes each year.

**Today's Refrigerator Bulletin:** "Time spent planning a budget is worth the investment!"

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## Canton celebrates Christmas in the Village

The Victorian-inspired Cherry Hill Village in Canton will come alive the weekend of Thanksgiving as the Christmas season officially kicks off with a unique holiday event that will be reminiscent of Christmases dating back to the early 1900s.

Cherry Hill Village has captured the imagination of the community with its early 1900s style architecture and its inviting 'village' feel complete with old-fashioned street lights, front porches on every house, and white picket fences, according to Jami Jenkins, chairperson for Christmas in the Village.

"Christmas in the Village will

allow you to use your imagination as you are swept back in time to the early 1900s and will invite you experience Christmas the way our families just a few generations ago may have experienced the holiday season," Jenkins said.

Christmas in the Village was created through the partnership of the Cherry Hill Village neighborhood and The Canton Community Foundation. It will offer a variety of activities for all ages including a Victorian Christmas Home Tour, juried artisans displaying their wares, strolling performers, entertainment on the main stage, a tree lighting ceremony, a petting zoo, Victorian games from yesteryear, and a visit from Santa Claus.

The newly opened Village Theater will display selected works of art and will feature "Gift of the Magi" for your entertainment pleasure.

The weekend events kick off on Friday evening, Nov. 26, with the Home Tour from 5-9 pm. Tickets will be available for \$10 at Cherry Hill Village Market, Holiday Market and other select locations starting Oct. 1.

Saturday's free events will begin at noon and will end with a tree lighting ceremony in the village square that evening at 5:30 pm. The weekend events will conclude on Sunday, Nov. 28 with "Gift of the Magi" performances at the Village Performing Arts Center.

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About Animals

Dr. Brad Davis

voila, no more mosquitoes! What struck me about the interview was the tag line, which salesmen use at the end to cement your purchase. This would be something like, "not only are these pants comfortable, but they

also magically make money appear in the pockets!" The speaker then emphasized that the product was all natural. I would bet that most people would find that a great thing. I'm not disagreeing. There is nothing at all wrong with being natural!

But there's nothing particularly great about it either. "Natural" has become a catch phrase used throughout all of medicine and food. Our guest would like people to get his product because they feel it works, but he knows the fact that it's all natural makes people like it even more.

My argument would be, not everything that's natural is good. Mosquitoes are natural. That doesn't make their bites

good. Viruses are natural, yet we try to protect ourselves and our pets. While we're at it, most cancer, cobra venom, and even death itself is natural. None of these make most people's lists of favorite things. Of course, sunshine, beaches and life are all natural, also. I'm not saying natural is bad.

Consumers have learned that natural equals good, and all other facts about medications or foods take a back seat. I once offered prescription strength pain medication to a lady whose older dog had horrible arthritis, trying to make him more comfortable and extend his life, hopefully for a long time.

While the drug works nicely and should be very safe when monitored, she declined the offer, seeking instead food supplements that were natural.

A short time later we were euthanizing the dog, but still avoiding the non-natural medication. In order to avoid a non-natural product, the animal went through unnecessary arthritic discomfort and probably a shortened life span.

Another product description that seems to have this affect on pet owners would be lamb. People consistently tell me about how they only feed their pets lamb, because they know it's the best food.

I remember a TV commercial from a few years ago,

which showed a man talking about what he would feed his new dog. He said he spoke to the breeder, the vet, and couple of other people, then he saw that this food had lamb as a main ingredient.

He then smugly says, "I think we've found our dog food."

What?

They share no reason why the lamb makes such a great ingredient. (Perhaps it's because it makes dogs feel like they are eating in Greektown, and they get so excited hoping their owner will yell, "Opa!")

Lamb got its great reputation years ago, when vets would use it as an alternative diet for allergy patients.

Changing to lamb protein from chicken or beef would help keep the body from food allergies. Bodies don't respond to what they haven't seen.

Seeing this trend, more food companies used lamb in a number of pet foods. Pets nowadays get exposed to it as an ingredient a number of times earlier in life, so lamb now makes a very weak alternative diet.

It still can be part of a great food! Quality pet food companies make several great lamb diets. Still, just because the diet has the word "lamb" in it, doesn't mean it has to be great. Like being natural, it's pretty cool, but not an end all.

A few weeks ago, a lady was in at my clinic, reading the

labels of the food. She pointed out some of the longer chemical words didn't sound like essential fatty acids to her, and she wouldn't use the product, because it was inferior.

The food was a prescription formula of Hill's Science Diet, the top quality food for decades. She was buying a diet off the Internet, based on information she read on the Web site.

Her cat had just had a urinary blockage for the second time. This is caused by the animal's metabolism reacting to the diet. This situation, along with being life threatening, causes incredible pain. The need to serve a natural food outweighed her cat's need for the special diet.

Hopefully everything will turn out OK.

Keep natural as part of your decision process, but don't make it the most important part of the decision. Talk to your vet about what would be best, not just what sounds the best.

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# Rosemaling techniques shared at workshop

A master teacher in the traditional Norwegian art of rosemaling will demonstrate her craft in two free, public workshops at the 75th anniversary celebration of the Sons of Norway's Nordkap Lodge.

Rosemaler Juel Krueger will share her skills in two hour-long workshops at 1 and 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at the VisTaTech Center of Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road in Livonia. The workshops will be sponsored by Nordkap Lodge of the Sons of Norway as part of a Norwegian festival celebrating the lodge's 75th anniversary.

Krueger has taught traditional Telemark-style Norwegian rosemaling at the Fox Valley Technical College in Waupaca, Wisc., for 24 years.

The art of rosemaling, which translates as flower painting, began as something for Norwegian men to do during the long, cold winters in the land of the midnight sun. They would decorate their homes, furniture, and various wooden art objects with their colorful, flowery painted designs.

There are as many different styles of rosemaling as there are regions of Norway. Krueger's specialty is the Telemark style from the Telemark region of Norway. She notes that the asymmetrical Telemark style is the most free flowing and offers the most freedom for the artist. Krueger tells her students that one of the unique aspects of rosemaling is that every stroke is either a "C" or an "S," and anyone who learns that can learn rosemaling.

Krueger studied fine arts at Layton School of Art in Milwaukee. She worked as a professional silkscreen artist before taking up rosemaling. She has studied with renowned rosemaling teachers from Norway at Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum in Decorah, Iowa. Three visits to Norway to study the traditional styles of rosemaling in museums and churches have included the areas of Hallingdal, Gudbrandsdal, Valdres,



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Louise Giles of Huntington Woods holds a rosemaled tray created by the artist, Juel Krueger of Wisconsin. Krueger's work will be on display and for sale at the festival.

Telemark, Romsdal, and Voss. Krueger has accepted commissions to decorate numerous objects, including immigrant trunks, furniture, and countless smaller, traditional wooden pieces. A number of her smaller rosemaled works will be offered for sale following her workshops at the Norwegian festival in Livonia.

Other workshops and classes scheduled for the festival from 1 to 5 p.m. include genealogical research, the traditional Norwegian Hardanger fiddle, Norwegian folk costumes, and travel along Norway's picturesque coast. Participants will also be able to view displays on Norway's cultural heritage and browse an extensive collection of used books for sale on Norwegian subjects, a number of them printed in the Norwegian language.

The books will be offered for \$1 each, with proceeds benefiting the lodge's scholarship fund.

Following the festival, the anniversary celebration will conclude with a gala Norwegian-style dinner in the Waterman Wing of the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College.

Tickets to the dinner are available at \$35.

For more information, call (248) 398-5976.

# Learn how to remove invasive species

Are plants you didn't plant invading your backyard? Do those plants keep growing and expanding further and further into your gardens and lawn? How can you protect your property from these invasive plant species?

Learn about plant removal, herbicides and weed control.

The answers to these questions and many others will be presented at the Bennett Arboretum Invasive Species Removal Workshop sponsored by Wayne County Parks and Wayne County Department of Environment 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, Oct. 9 at the Bennett Arboretum in

Northville (on Edward Hines Drive between Six and Seven Mile, across the street from Cass Benton Picnic Area.)

The workshop will feature presentation topics that include:

- Identification of common invasive species
- Removal techniques for common invasive species
- Hands-on training in Invasive Species Removal
- The benefits of riparian buffers and native plants
- The safe herbicides to use to reduce invasive species

Invasive species are a problem within southeastern Michigan.

Non-native plants are species that have been intentionally or unintentionally introduced by human activity into a region in which they did not evolve.

Many non-native species are well known and economically important in agriculture and horticulture, and usually have few impacts on natural communities.

Invasive non-native plants, however, escape cultivation and become agricultural pests, infest lawns as weeds, displace native plant

species, reduce wildlife habitat, and alter ecosystem processes.

Participants in the workshop will learn how to identify and remove common invasive plants through a hands-on invasive species removal training session in Bennett Arboretum.

This workshop is the first step of a larger project that will restore the Bennett Arboretum in the Wayne County Park System.

To reserve a place and an information folder, telephone the Department of Environment at (734) 326-3936 weekdays.

## GARDEN CALENDAR

### Roses

The Metropolitan Rose Society's will have a slide show about "The Year in the Rose Garden" at 7:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1 at the Royal Oak Senior/Community Center, 3500 Marais, east of Crooks and North of 13 Mile Road. Admission is free and the public is invited. Call (248) 689-9529.

### Flower show

The Livonia Garden Club is co-spon-

soring a standard flower show with the Livonia Historical Commission at Hill House Museum, on the grounds of Livonia's Greenmead Historical Village, 20501 Newburgh at Eight Mile. The event, A Time to Remember, will take place 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, and 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, call (734) 953-3318 or (248) 486-9676.

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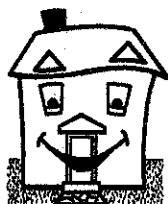
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## ENERGY

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Community College and senior fellow of University Leaders for a Sustainable Future.

Not only does making your home more energy-efficient help the environment, it also helps the pocketbook.

Energy-efficient homes cost between 3 and 8 percent more to build than energy-wasting homes, so mortgages are slightly higher (\$14 to 110 per month net), Rowe said.

"Mortgages are a little bit higher, but utilities cost so much less, the homeowner has more money in their pocket from the first month they move in. Now you have a home that makes money for the homeowner, and the builder makes more money, too," Rowe said.

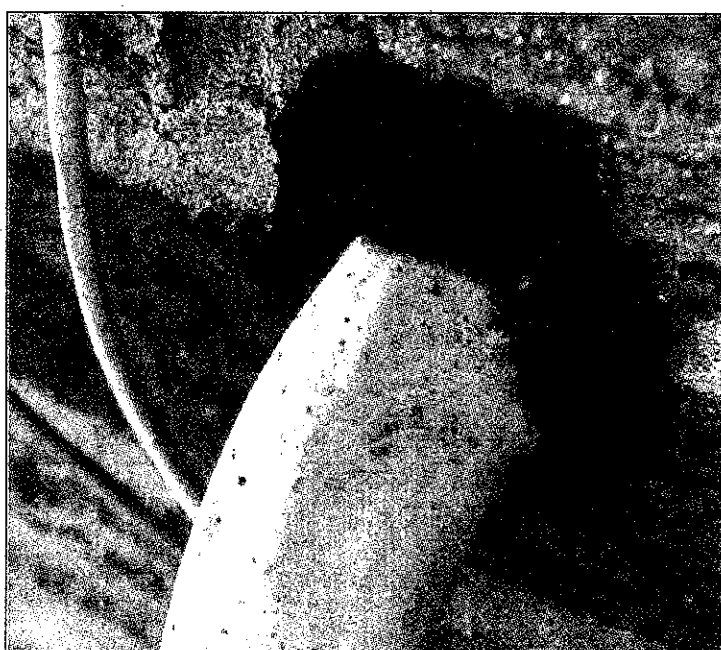
"Many builders say they can't afford it. Well, they can't afford not to."

Energy-efficient mortgages are also available (See related chart for Web site.)

Homeowners can take immediate action in their houses by checking caulk and weather stripping.

"You can check it by hanging a piece of Saran Wrap on a pencil," Rowe said.

"You're the energy detective. Check the edges of the windows and doors and wherever a pipe exits the house."



In a typical home all of the cracks, seams and holes might add up to a 3-by-3-foot hole. Caulk them to prevent cold air infiltration.

According to Urban Options, a nonprofit community agency that provides energy and environmental information and services, sealing off cold air infiltration can reduce heating and cooling bills by up to 20 percent.

Approximately 20 percent of energy is lost along the top of the foundation wall where it meets with the floor joists, a prime location for air leaks. More than 50 percent of heating and cooling bills are made up of air leaks, Rowe said.

Typical house air exchanges are once an hour, Rowe said.

"Add up all the air leaks and

you get a hole equal to 3 feet by 3 feet," Rowe said.

"Caulking and the weather stripping are really important."

Changing the light bulbs is the second most important energy saving tip Rowe has for homeowners.

Compact fluorescent bulbs will pay for themselves in less than one year.

"They cut my electrical bill in half," Rowe said. Compact fluorescent bulbs range from \$4-15 a piece, but you get that back in less than one year, Rowe said: "They last nine times longer."

When you spend more on a utility bill, much of that money



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Insulated drapes that are sealed with velcro at the sides and go all the way to the floor help keep air circulating in a room from cooling off.

leaves the local economy and goes to foreign companies, Rowe said. With more money available from energy savings, that has a multiplier effect of economic activity three to eight times the energy savings spent locally.

"You get more money in your pocket, you're reducing pollution and you're doing something good for the community and the planet," she said.

### BUILDING SMART

If homeowners are building and remodeling, they should try to install south facing glass on the south side of the house. At Rowe's home in Farmington Hills, three upstairs windows plus two oversized doorwalls on the first floor have south facing glass.

"Every square foot (of the window) is a solar collector," Rowe said.

Consumers use fossil fuels, shipped from thousands of miles away, while there are more than 100,000 BTUs per square feet net energy from the sun available right at home we could be using, Rowe said, noting the added costs of transportation to the fossil fuel pollution when south facing glass is not used.

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## Visit homes powered by renewable energy Oct. 2

The American Solar Energy Society's National Solar Tour 2004 offers a first-hand look at the successful uses of renewable energy in private homes, government buildings and businesses.

The tour is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 2, at various sites throughout Michigan.

Tour participants will visit buildings incorporating solar applications such as solar hot water heating, passive solar design, solar heating assist wind and solar photovoltaic electricity. The Metro Detroit Solar Tour showcases solar power and other green building applications.

Sites cover a wide range of models, from the green renovation of a single-family home and commercial applications at Oakland University to WARM's Green Building Demonstration center and the manufacturing plant of Uni-Solar, one of the nation's leading solar producers.

The tour is self-directed. Pick the sites that you are interested in attending and visit between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Oct. 2. If you'd rather get some orientation first, stop by WARM Training Center and

staff there can help direct you to the other sites.

The following sites are on the tour:

■ **This Green Home**, 142 Larchlea, Birmingham: This house is a planned attempt at addressing the integrated design concept of housing. This project included strategies that are typically not used in residential housing. By using stack cooling ventilation, the size of the cooling system required was reduced.

By incorporating a two-story solarium, the heat of the sun creates a natural convective current of air, drawn in from windows low in the building envelope and exhausting it high through clerestory awning windows. At the same time, the materials are selected not only for their environmental benefits, but to increase thermal mass and capture heat from the sun in the winter, and radiate this heat into the home at night.

Other features include a ground source (Geo-thermal) heating and cooling system, insulation manufactured from soy bean oils, locally mined or manufactured materials, and locally owned financing

sources.

■ **The Upland Hills Ecological Awareness Center**, 2375 Indian Lake Road in Oxford: Designed and built in the late 1970s, this facility is a model of renewable energy and ecological design principles at work.

Integrating sun, wind, earth and stones, the building is energy-efficient. The center offers programs and workshops on a wide variety of subjects ranging from energy conservation and renewable energy to holistic health and indigenous wisdom. For more information, visit [www.uheac.org](http://www.uheac.org)

■ **Oakland University's Rochester Campus**, 4000 Meadowbrook Drive in Rochester: This 10-kilowatt photovoltaic demonstration project is a great example of the Uni-Solar "solar shingle" material, built right into the roof of a new student apartment complex. See OU's Web site for more details: [www.oakland.edu/energy/](http://www.oakland.edu/energy/)

■ **WARM Training Center**, 4835 Michigan Ave. in Detroit: The WARM Training Center is a nonprofit organization that has been working in

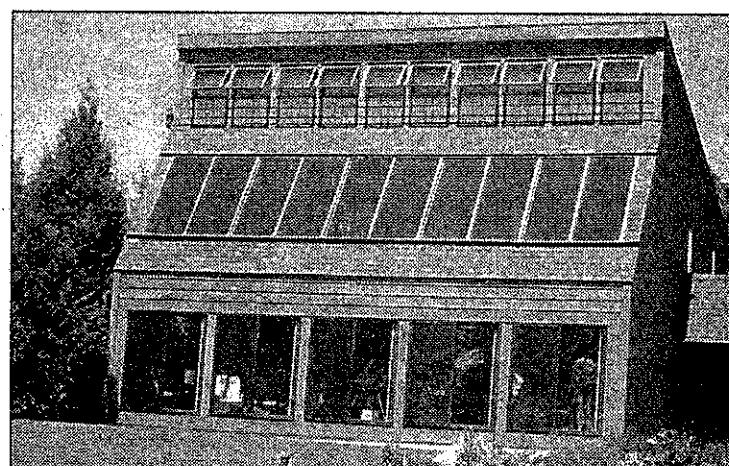
the Detroit area on issues related to affordable housing for more than 20 years.

WARM promotes the development of healthy, affordable housing. The Green Building Demonstration Center offers solar and wind demos and examples of a wide variety of green building materials, both on display and built into the offices, and a public resource room as part of the SE Michigan Solar Tour. For more information, visit [www.warm-training.org](http://www.warm-training.org).

■ **Uni-Solar, Lapeer Road North in Auburn Hills**: A company with years of experience in photovoltaics, UNISOLAR is a wholly-owned subsidiary of U.S. technology leader, Energy Conversion Devices, which holds 350 U.S. patents and 800 foreign patents.

The 30 mega-watt thin-film manufacturing facility was designed and built in Auburn Hills by ECD.

It was commissioned in 2002 and is currently producing six times the output of the previous United Solar plant in Troy. United Solar Ovonic manufactures and markets the Uni-Solar brand photovoltaic



DEBRA ROWE

Bob and Sandy Laetz's home near Traverse City was designed to capture and hold heat from the sun, which supplies about 85 percent of the couple's home heating needs.

panels around the world both as photovoltaic panels and as complete, pre-engineered, system solutions for a variety of applications. For more information, visit [www.uni-solar.com](http://www.uni-solar.com).

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For more information on the tour, visit <http://www.glaea.org/events/solarBuildingTour2004/annArbor.html>

## Follow this home energy checklist

Here's a simple checklist to give you an idea of the things you can learn about in the Consumer Guide to Home Energy Savings, published by the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy:

Turn down the temperature of your water heater to the warm setting, which will set it to 120°F.

Check if your water heater has an insulating blanket. An insulating blanket will pay for itself in one year or less, according to the council.

If you have one of those "silent guzzlers," a waterbed, make your bed. The covers will insulate it, and save up to one-third of the energy it uses.

Use energy-saving settings on refrigerators, dishwashers, washing machines and clothes dryers. Replace your incandescent lights with compact fluorescents. These new lamps can save three-quarters of the electricity used by incandescents. The best targets are 60- to 100-watt bulbs used several hours a day. Measure the clearance in the fixtures to make sure they will accommodate compact fluorescents, which are slightly bigger than incandescents.

Check the age and condition of your major appliances, especially the refrigerator. You may want to replace it with a more energy-efficient model before it dies. Clean or replace furnace, air-conditioner and heat-pump filters. Other long-term projects include:

Visit the hardware store. Buy a water-heater blanket, low-flow showerheads, faucet aerators and compact fluorescents, as needed. If you can't find compact fluorescents locally, check out ENERGYguide or Energy Federation Incorporated.

Rope caulk very leaky windows. Assess your heating and cooling systems. Determine if replacements are justified, or whether you should retrofit them to make them work more efficiently to provide the same comfort (or better) for less energy.

company or state energy office) for more expert advice on your home as a whole.

### THIS YEAR

Insulate. If your walls aren't insulated, have an insulation contractor blow cellulose into the walls. Add attic insulation,

if necessary.

Replace inefficient appliances. Even if the appliance has a few useful years left, replacing it with a top-efficiency model is generally a good investment.

Upgrade leaky windows with energy-efficient models or to boost their efficiency with

weatherstripping and storm windows.

Reduce your air conditioning costs by planting shade trees and shrubs around your house — especially on the west side.

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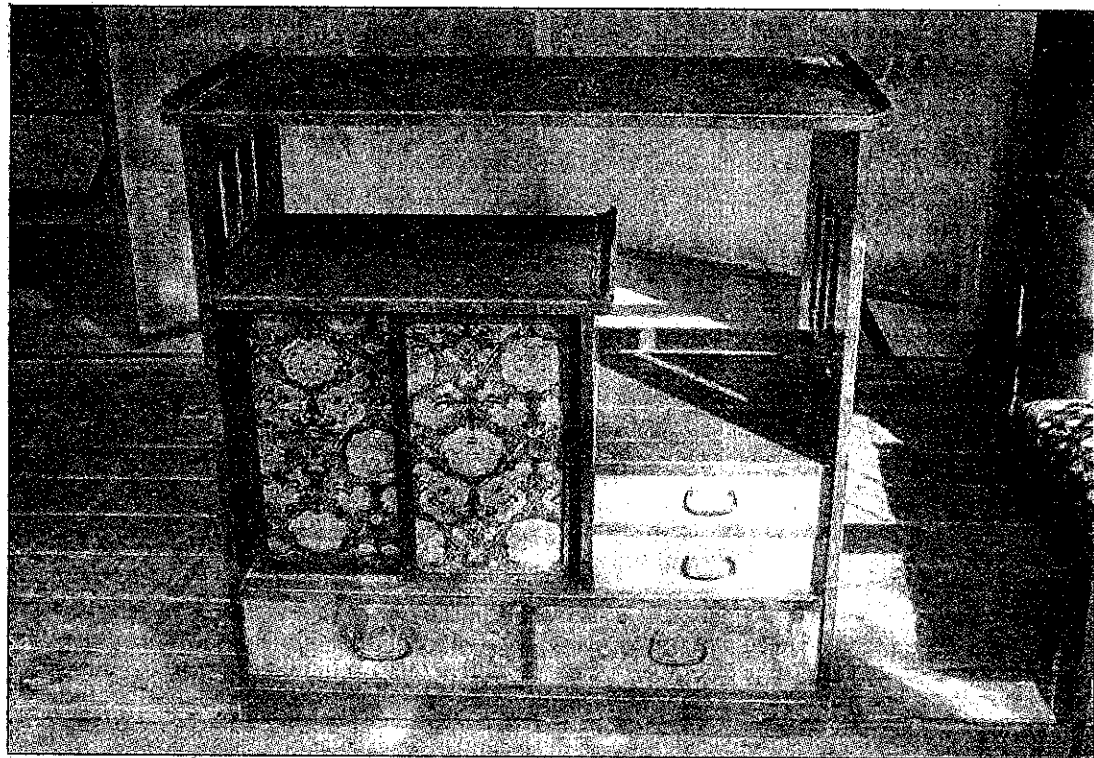
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Jake Costello, a native of Birmingham who has an antiques business in Kyoto, Japan, presents an annual Japanese antiques show and sale in Oakland County. This year's event will feature more furniture.

## ANTIQUES

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who graduated from the University of Michigan.

### FEATURED PIECES

There is more furniture this year, with such traditional pieces as a kitchen chest from 1850, a *cho-tansu* (a chest on chest with glass fronts) and a *choba-tansu* (a merchant's ledger chest).

A small dressing table with a bronze mirror on a stand, and chests made of paulownia wood are featured.

When a girl was born in a family, her father would plant a paulownia seedling. Wood from the grown tree would be used to make furniture when she got married.

Tiles that Costello calls

"incredible" are also in the show.

These tiles, dating from the 1800s, feature figures of the devil. They would be placed on the northeast corner of a temple to ward off bad spirits. It was believed that evil spirits came from the northeast, Costello said.

Also featured are *shigaraki* items from a famous pottery area outside Kyoto that has special clay. Objects made from this pottery for the traditional tea ceremony were considered to exemplify *wabi sabi*, Costello said.

Among the other objects are folk and decorative art, dolls and religious figures, flower baskets and vases, scrolls, textiles - including kimonos and obis (sashes) - lacquerware, and items for the garden.

"We've collected items with an eye not only for beauty and artistic value, but for their functional uses in Western

homes and gardens," Costello said.

"We're excited about the creative possibilities for new uses for these age-old items and their popularity in Western interior design, particularly the trend toward achieving the calming influence of Zen-like spaces."

Japanese items are perfect for lofts and other places with high ceilings, he said.

A 3-foot tall ceramic jar with a dish on top for soy sauce would make a wonderful lamp, Costello said.

Prices range from \$15 to \$5,000 for a rare *choba-tansu*, circa 1700, with a secret money drawer.

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## Showcase to open with birdhouse auction

BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

With a wing and a flair, artists are offering a special feature for this year's Orchestrations for the Home, a design showcase to benefit the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Birdhouses designed by 13 artists - and containing a mystery item from a store - will be auctioned at the gala opening 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at Michigan Design Center in Troy.

"We were trying to decide on something that would add a little more fun and energy," said Birmingham interior designer Joseph Keenan, who is in charge of the birdhouse project. Keenan is one of the birdhouse designers. The others are Anne Higgins, Caelan George, Carmen Leonard, Jeff Dawkins, Randie Federman, Paul Feiten, Kevin McMannamon, Michelle Mio, Jill Schumacher, Amy Fonville, Rosemary Rariden and Clarinda Ray.

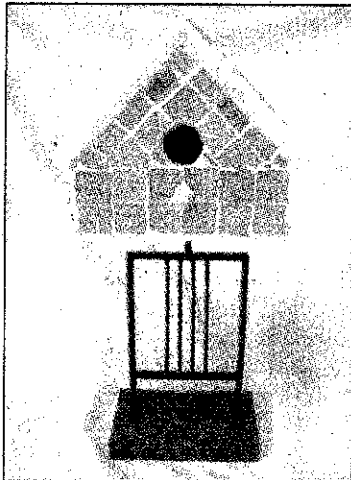
The designers were given a basic wooden birdhouse. They could design their own if they chose. One participant is working with a carpenter to create a birdhouse, Keenan said.

The structures can go inside or outside.

"It's more fun than anything else, as opposed to a mailbox, which would be functional," Keenan said.

Besides the birdhouse auction, the gala opening will also feature a cocktail reception and strolling supper catered by Opus One, and performances by DSO Brass and Chamber groups throughout the evening.

Gala tickets are \$350 (benefactor) and \$150 (patron) per person. For tickets, call the DSO Volunteer Council Office at (313) 576-5154.



JOSEPH KEENAN

This birdhouse, by Joseph Keenan, is covered in glass tile from Virginia Tile and has a metal stand and wood base. He titled it: *Birds That Live In Glass Houses Shouldn't Throw Seed*.

The gala will present an advance look at the showcase, which will include more than 40 vignettes or special room settings by acclaimed local interior designers.

Orchestrations for the Home will take place Saturday-Monday, Nov. 6-8, at MDC (see related item). MDC is at 1700 Stutz, north off Maple (15 Mile) between Crooks and Coolidge.

The event is a special opportunity for the public to visit MDC, which is usually open to the interior design trade only. Showrooms of primary sources for designer furniture and fabrics for the home will be open for viewing.

Orchestrations for the Home will also feature daily seminars that are included in the admission price.

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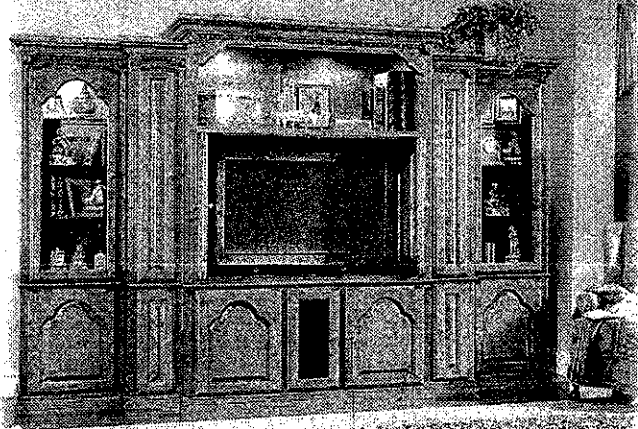
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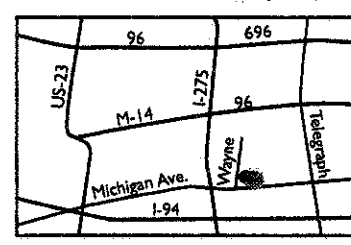
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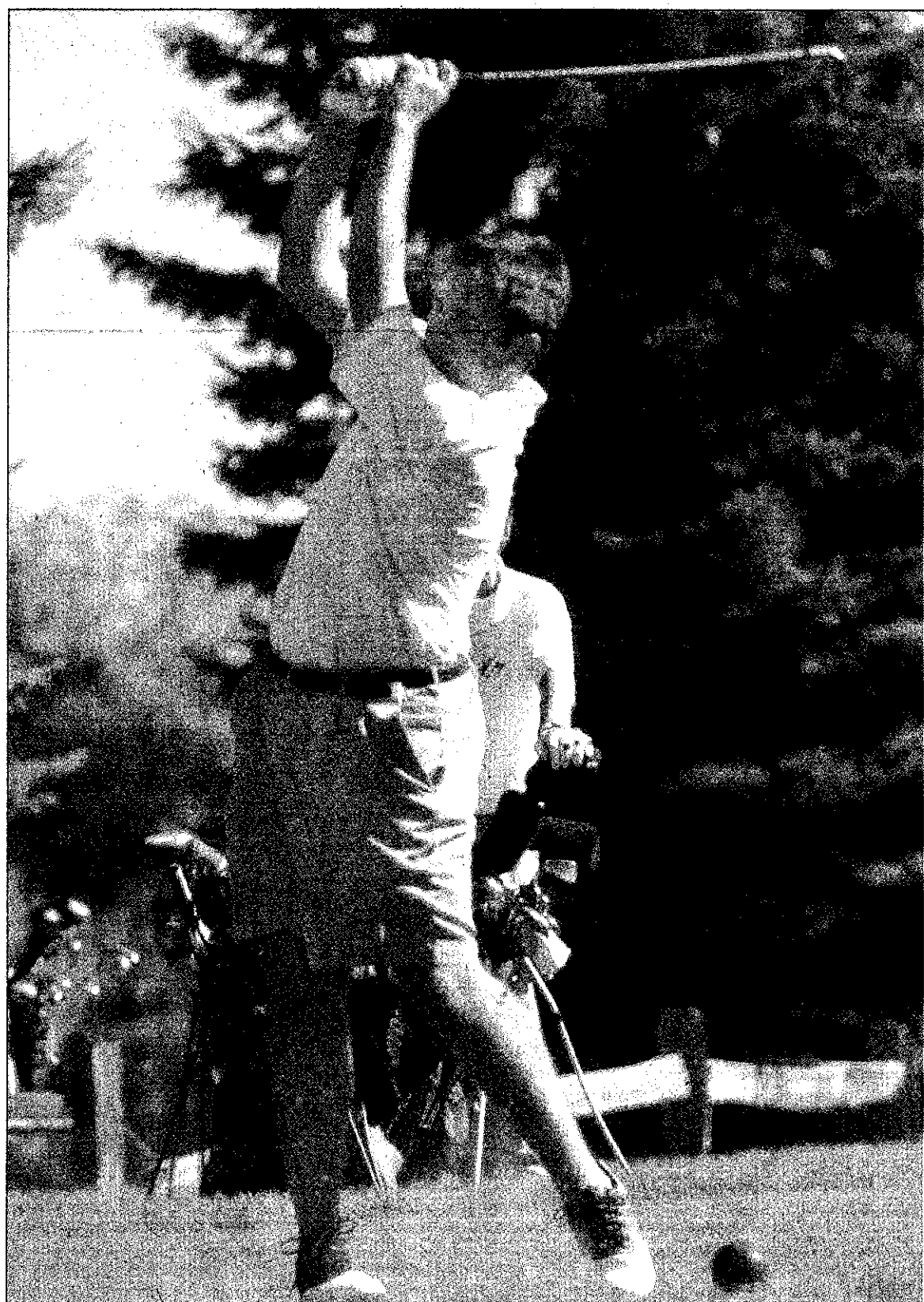
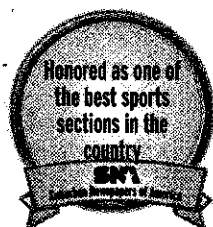
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Canton's Dominic Gallo carded a solid round of 40 in the Chiefs' 158-172 victory over cross-campus rival Plymouth Monday afternoon at Hilltop Golf Course.

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## Par-fect timing

### Lineup change key to Canton Golfers' victory

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

If Canton golfer Derek Trosper had first-match jitters Monday afternoon, he hid them well.

Trosper, seeing his first varsity action of the season, fired a team-low 39, matching teammate Corey Bujega, to lead the Chiefs to a 158-172 victory over cross-campus opponent Plymouth at Hilltop Golf Course.

The Chiefs' fourth consecutive win boosted their overall and Western Lakes Activities Association records to 5-4. The Wildcats dropped to 4-5.

"I decided to insert Derek into the lineup yesterday to see what he could do," Canton coach Tom Alles said. "He's just a sophomore, but he really played well. Corey

has also been really coming on, particularly in our recent four-match winning streak.

For more photos of the match, see Page C7.

"With Derek and Corey shooting 39 and our other two guys shooting 40, that

is the kind of consistency we've been looking for. I'm pleased with how we've been playing lately, especially at Hilltop, where we've been more consistent than we have been on the road."

Wildcats coach Chris Moore said his team may suffered a little from a case of pre-match butterflies.

"This was a big match against our rival at the Park, so I think the nerves may have got to them a little today," Moore said. "Matt Talbot played well. Being a captain, he wanted to set the tone today against Canton, and he did."

Talbot earned medalist honors with 3-over 38.

"Matt had a great round," Alles added. "Plymouth will have a good nucleus next year with him. They've improved a lot since last year."

Scoring for Canton along with Trosper and Bugeja were Dominic Gallo and Matt Haar, who both carded a round of 40. Sean Van Loozen (43) and Brandon Eggesfield (45) also played for the Chiefs' varsity squad.

Plymouth's other scores were considerably higher after Talbot's 38. Ryan Hoeman (43), Jimmy Vlcek (45) and Jeff Selasky (46) rounded out the Wildcats' lineup.

"The greens are tough over at Hilltop, so we didn't putt very well," Moore said.

Canton's Patrick Gallagher turned in a notable round for the Chiefs' junior varsity squad, firing 1-over 36.

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## Sidelines

### MU golfers 6th

The Madonna University men's golf team finished tied for sixth in Friday's Ken Venturi Classic held at Zollner Golf Course at Tri-State University in Angola, Ind. Host Tri-State won the 13-school tourney with 5-under 283 followed by Davenport, 291; Siena Heights, 292; University of Indianapolis, 296; Spring Arbor, 299; Madonna, Cornerstone and Taylor (Ind.), 306 each (18-over); Ancilla and Ind., 312 each; Olivet College, 317; and Olivet Nazarene and Indiana Wesleyan, 332 each. Tri-State's Justin Howard was medalist with a 33-34-67 (5-under).

Justin Goyt led Madonna with 2-over 74 (tied for 14) followed by Jason Rammiller and Aaron Cheesman (Salem), 5-over 77 each.

### Lions go 1-2

The Canton Lions junior football league team captured one of three games Sunday against the Garden City Chargers.

The varsity squad fell to 0-3 after suffering a hard-fought 6-0 loss.

The junior varsity fell to the Chargers, 24-7. Jacob Morris, Drew Daubenmeyer and Mohamed Ali Sanneh played well for the JV Lions offense. The defense was paced by Jake Peterson, Andrew Tidwell and Eric Haase.

Canton's freshman team improved its record to 3-0 with a 34-13 win over GC. All the Lions' points came in the first half.

Braden Price scored four TDs and Brandon Cogdon returned an interception for a touchdown. The Lions were bolstered on both sides of the ball by the play of Josh Peterson, Jordan Ciciotti and Michael Boes.

### Party for Jerry

A celebration honoring Madonna University women's volleyball coach Jerry Abraham, who was recently inducted into the school's Hall of Fame and will be enshrined in the NAIA National Hall of Fame this December in San Diego, Calif., will start at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at Coaches Corner, located at Seven Mile and Farmington roads. Alumni, former players and associates of Abraham from both Madonna University and Redford Bishop Borgess High School are urged to attend.

### PCA golfers win

The Plymouth Christian Academy boys golf team swept a pair of matches over the past week.

On Monday, the Eagles downed Ann Arbor Rudolf Steiner, 166-211. PCA's Adam Catallo earned medalist honors with 37. Also scoring for the Eagles were Ross Gerulis (41), Jordan Brown (43), Jordan Johnston (45) and Mitchel Geracz (45).

On Friday, Sept. 24, the Eagles ousted Oakland Christian. The meet was knotted at 345-all, but the Eagles won with the tie-breaker. Jordan Brown and Jesse Predhomme both fired 87 for the winners.

## Chiefs hang tough with Northville

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

For the first 60 minutes of Monday night's Canton-Northville boys soccer game, it was difficult to tell which team was unbeaten and ranked No. 1 in Division 1 and which team wasn't.

The game was tied 0-0 and neither team dominated play.

But over the final 20 minutes, the No. 1-rated Mustangs raised their game and leveled the Chiefs, 3-0, to improve their record to 14-0-1 (5-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association). Canton fell to 8-4-3 (4-1).

"It was anybody's game the first 60 minutes," Canton coach George Tomasso said. "But they capitalized on two set pieces and scored. After they scored their second goal, we had to go for broke, and they scored again."

Northville coach Henry Klimes said his team gets extra pumped up when the Chiefs come to town.

"It's like a playoff game whenever we play Canton," Klimes said. "Whoever wins this game usually goes into the conference championship game, so it's always huge."

"I thought we had some great opportunities in the first half, but we didn't capitalize. I'm sure Canton was happy with the 0-0 halftime score because it turned it into a 40-minute match."

Canton goalie Steve Mischung was brilliant in the first half, making three solid saves during a three-minute span 10 minutes into the game, and stuffing the Mustangs' Mike Cornelius on a breakaway at the 21:06 mark.

Northville keeper Steve Besk countered with his own stellar play two minutes later when he stopped Canton's Brad Marsh on the door step.

The Mustangs broke the ice with

PLEASE SEE CHIEFS, C6

## Sub-par records stir painful memories

### GRID PICKS

While compiling the list of games for this week's installment of Grid Picks, I got an unsettling feeling in my stomach as I jotted down the records of Willow Run (1-4), Livonia Franklin (0-5), Wayne Memorial (1-4), Lutheran Westland (1-4) and a few others.

You see, the unspectacular records brought back vivid memories of my own unspectacular high school playing career at Lansing Harry Hill

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While addressing his players after another humbling loss in which three of our top players suffered concussions, our

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## Making a splash

### Salem swimmer's hard work pays huge dividends

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

What does someone who swims up to three hours a day, six days a week, 51 weeks a year do on her annual one-week summer vacation?

"I stay as far away from swimming pools as possible," joked Salem junior standout Kelsey Lincoln, who is quickly establishing herself as one of the most accomplished female swimmers in the school's history. "If our family is on vacation and someone says 'Let's go swimming in the hotel pool,' I tell them 'No thanks, I've had enough for a while.'"

Lincoln's swimming prowess was developed the old-fashioned way — she has earned it with endless hours of grueling laps, both for the Plymouth/Canton Cruisers during the summer months and at Salem in the fall.

Lincoln qualified for the Division 1 state meet as a freshman and sophomore — she finished 13th in the individual medley as a 10th-grader — and has already beat the state cut in two events for this year's state meet.

"Kelsey is a great team person who has a lot of ability," Salem coach Chuck Olson said. "She's very dedicated to swimming and understands the sacrifices that have to be made to become one of the state's best swimmers. There are a couple school records she has the potential to break before she graduates next year."

PLEASE SEE LINCOLN, C3



JIM JAGDELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Only a junior, Salem's Kelsey Lincoln has already established herself as one of the school's best swimmers. She also carries a 4.0 grade-point average.



# Late '3' ices victory for Canton Agape

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Ice was applied to Canton Agape point guard Danielle Henry's sprained ankle during halftime of Tuesday night's game against Plymouth Christian Academy.

Henry then went out and iced a 49-45 victory for the Wolverines by hitting a clutch three-point shot with 1:40 left in the game.

With the score knotted at 45-45, Henry's rainbow three from three feet behind the top of the key found nothing but net to give the Wolves a lead they would never relinquish.

It was the junior's ninth three-point shot of the night, but first to find the mark.

She added a single free throw with 36 seconds left to seal the deal.

"I always tell the kids that if they have a good shot, take it," Agape coach Chuck Henry said. "The adrenaline was flowing for Danielle on that three and she picked a good time to make one."

The thrilling win improved the Wolverines' record to 5-3 overall and 1-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. PCA slipped to 4-5 (0-2).

"Agape has a very good, gutsy team," PCA coach Harvey Jennings said. "They play the game the right way, too. Even though we lost, all of our players played and they should feel good about themselves."

While Danielle Henry provided the ice for Agape, Wolverine post player A.J. Creps delivered the fire around the basket, scoring 21 points while hauling down 21 rebounds.

"A.J. is the heart and soul of this team," Chuck Henry said. "She turned in a big-time performance in a big game for us tonight. She's not real tall, but she's strong and determined."

Agape's back-court combo of Lindsay Gant and Henry complemented Creps on the offensive end with 10 and eight points, respectively.

Wolverine sophomore Katie

## PREP BASKETBALL

Lambert scored just three points, but they came on a key triple that tied the game at 43-43 with 3:40 left.

Sophomore point guard Joi Jennings paced the Eagles with 21 points. Lauren Soblesky chipped in with 11 points and four steals.

"It's nearly impossible to totally stop Joi for a couple of reasons," Chuck Henry said. "First of all, she is very talented and quick. Combine that with the fact that she is the point guard and handles the ball a lot, and there is only so much you can do. I think we did the best we could have done tonight against her."

Agape outrebounded PCA, 43-36, thanks to the efforts of Creps and Brianna Chrenko, who had eight boards.

Kelsie Tietjen and Lauren Beckett both corralled eight caroms for the Eagles.

"I was really impressed with Lauren tonight," Jennings said. "She was a little passive at the beginning of the season, but she has really become much more aggressive."

After trailing 15-8 after one quarter, the Wolverines stormed back to take a 24-19 halftime advantage.

The momentum shifted back to PCA's side in the third quarter, which ended with the Eagles up, 35-31.

PCA grabbed a 43-37 with 4:52 remaining on a Soblesky free throw, but Agape proceeded to go on a 12-2 run to finish the game.

**CANTON 49, W.L. Central 35:** Canton girls basketball coach Bob Blohm has been searching for balance all season.

He finally found it Tuesday night at Walled Lake Central.

Four players scored at least nine points each in the Chiefs' convincing Western Lakes Activities Association cross-over victory over the Vikings. Canton is now 4-4 overall and 2-0 in the WLAA. Central fell

**'Even though we lost, all of our players played and they should feel good about themselves.'**

Harvey Jennings  
PCA coach

to 3-5 (1-1).

"We had more balance tonight than we've had all season," Blohm emphasized. "Our ball movement and passing were better than ever tonight, too."

Senior post player Katie Cezat led all scorers with 16 points. She also pulled down a team-high 10 boards. Also shining for the Chiefs were Becci Houdek (nine points and eight assists), Molly Conlon (nine points and five rebounds), Lisa Ealy (eight points and eight rebounds), and Leslie Olech (six rebounds).

"Central had a taller team, but we outrebounded them by quite a bit," Blohm said.

Even though Canton jumped out to a 14-7 first-quarter lead and 30-13 halftime advantage, Blohm admitted he was not entirely comfortable.

"Central has the kind of team that can score a lot in a hurry, so I knew it wasn't over," he said. "They outscored us 10-7 in the third quarter, but I thought we played a solid eight minutes."

The Chiefs return to action tonight when they host Livonia Franklin. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m.

**SALEM 64, CHURCHILL 36:** In a WLAA game Tuesday, the host Rocks (5-3, 1-1) pulled away in the second half to down Livonia Churchill (2-6, 0-2).

Ellen Canale led the way for Salem with a game-high 25 points, including three 3-pointers.

Becky Ward and Alyssa Guerin each contributed eight

points.

"I thought our guard play was very good tonight," stressed Salem coach Fred Thomann. "They played a zone, man and they tried to pressure us, but the girls worked through it and played a solid game."

"Ellen Canale had a nice game. She hit three threes and got some points off of steals." Becky Ward and Alyssa Guerin both twined eight while Teresa Coppellie netted seven for the Rocks.

Salem made 17-of-29 free throws, while Churchill was 7-of-10.

Sophomore guard Stephanie Bradshaw led the Chargers with 14 points, connecting on three triples. Sophomore Liz Buttery also had a pair of triples to finish with eight points.

"We gave them only six free throw attempts the first half, but the third quarter we gave them easy baskets, free throws and layups," said Churchill coach Rod Windle, whose team was outscored 20-7 after trailing 27-20 at intermission. "We worked hard, but it was a frustrating second half for us."

Salem travels to Westland John Glenn Thursday night to take on the Rockets. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m.

**PLYMOUTH 50, JOHN GLENN 37:** Junior forward Colleen Flaherty and junior center Jeanine Moise each tallied 17 points Tuesday, propelling the host Wildcats (4-3, 2-0) past Westland John Glenn (2-6, 0-2) in a Western Lakes encounter.

Flaherty hit five 3-pointers, while Moise snared a game-high 22 rebounds.

Junior center Kim Olech contributed 11 points and 15 rebounds in the win.

Guard Jourdan Tanap scored 13 for the Rockets, who trailed 29-22 at halftime and 43-32 after three quarters.

The Wildcats return to the court Thursday when they travel to Walled Lake Northern. The game will tip off at 7 p.m.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Oct. 1  
Livonia Churchill at Salem, 7 p.m.  
Belleville at Allen Park, 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 2  
Canton at Plymouth, 1 p.m.

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Sept. 30  
Plymouth at Walled Lake Northern, 7 p.m.  
Salem at Westland John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
Livonia Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m.  
Oakland Christian at PCA, 7:30 p.m.  
Inkster at Belleville, 7 p.m.  
Friday, Oct. 1  
Agape at Bloomfield Hills Reeper, 8 p.m.

### BOYS SOCCER

Thursday, Sept. 30  
PCA at Oakland Christian, 4:30 p.m.  
Friday, Oct. 1  
Southgate Anderson at Plymouth, 5:30 p.m.  
Agape at Zoe Christian, 4:30 p.m.

### BOYS GOLF

Friday, Oct. 1  
W.L. Central at Plymouth, 3 p.m.  
Canton at Salem, 3 p.m.

### BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday, Sept. 30  
WLAA Western Division Jamboree at Richardson County Park, 4:50 p.m.  
WLAA Lakes Division Meet at Cass Benton Park, 4:50 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 2  
Plymouth and Salem at Divine Child Invite at Dearborn H.S., 9:30 a.m.  
Canton at Haslett Invite, 9:30 a.m.

### GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday, Sept. 30  
Plymouth and Canton at WLAA Western Division Meet, 4:15 p.m.  
Salem at WLAA Lakes Division Meet at Richardson County Park, 4:15 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 2

Plymouth, Salem and Canton at Haslett Invitational, TBA  
Thursday, Sept. 30  
Plymouth at Northville, 7 p.m.  
Salem at W.L. Northern, 7 p.m.  
Livonia Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m.  
Carson at Belleville, 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 2  
Rock-Maurer Relays at Salem, noon

### MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Thursday, Sept. 30  
Madonna vs. Cumberland (Ky.) at Lindsey Wilson College (Ky.), 8 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 2  
Schoolcraft at Cuyahoga (Ohio), TBA.  
Madonna at Lindsey Wilson (Ky.), 8 p.m.  
Sunday, Oct. 3  
Schoolcraft at Cuyahoga (Ohio), TBA.

### WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Saturday, Oct. 2  
Madonna vs. Cornerstone at Livonia's Greenmead Field, noon.  
(Ocelot Invitational at Schoolcraft)  
Schoolcraft vs. Loyola (Ill.) Club, 11 a.m.  
MSU Club vs. Cincinnati St., 1:30 p.m.  
Sunday, Oct. 3  
(Ocelot Invitational at Schoolcraft)  
Schoolcraft vs. MSU Club, 11 a.m.  
Cincinnati St. vs. Loyola (Ill.) Club, 1:30 p.m.

### WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Sept. 30  
St. Clair at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.  
Friday-Saturday, Oct. 1-2  
Madonna Classic Tournament, TBA.

### ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Oct. 1  
Whalers at London Knights, 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday, Oct. 2  
Whalers vs. Guelph Storm at Compware Arena, 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday, Oct. 3  
Whalers at Windsor Spitfires, 6 p.m.  
TBA - time to be announced.

# Salem netters earn bragging rights, 8-0

The Salem girls tennis team earned a year's worth of bragging rights at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park when it defeated Canton, 8-0, Monday afternoon. The Rocks defeated Plymouth earlier in the year.

The victory improved Salem's Western Lakes Activities Association dual-meet record to 7-3-1. The WLAA league meet is Saturday at Livonia Stevenson.

**Salem 8, Canton 0**  
**Monday, Sept. 27 at Canton H.S.**  
**No. 1 singles:** Alex Ware (S) d.

Chelsea Darouie, 2-6, 6-0, 6-1; **No. 2:** Maranon Swasey (S) d. Katie Bedard, 6-1, 6-4; **No. 3:** Sarah Jose (S) d. Emily Hoernschemeyer, 6-1, 6-2; **No. 4:** Mo Bohr (S) d. Ashley Madau, 6-0, 6-2.

**No. 1 doubles:** Katie Girsakis and Tracy Lytle (S) d. Laura McKendry and Nicole Burdiss, 6-2, 6-1; **No. 2:** Michelle Cilia and Erica Shy (S) d. Heidi Phillips and Natalie Slupek, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5; **No. 3:** Stacey Ward and Shobha Narasimhan (S) d. Sheela Ramesh and Jennifer Martin, 6-3, 6-4; **No. 4:** Laura Burton and Teresa Purruganan (S) d. Liz Schaurte and Lauren Reed, 4-6, 6-4, 7-6(1).

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## GIRLS SWIM RESULTS

WAYNE INVITATIONAL  
Sept. 24-25 at Wayne Memorial

**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Livonia Ladywood, 360 points; 2. Westland John Glenn, 297; 3. Plymouth, 228; 4. Wayne, 189; 5. Taylor, 98; 6. Garden City, 56; 7. Dearborn Heights Annapolis, 11.

## FINAL RESULTS

**200-yard medley relay:** 1. Ladywood (Katharine Johnston, Mandy Nameth, Megan Hodges, Rachel Enoch), 2:06.45; 2. Wayne, 2:09.81; 3. John Glenn, 2:10.37; 4. Taylor, 2:23.95; 5. Garden City, 2:43.89; 6. Plymouth, disqualified.

**200 freestyle:** 1. Jill Peterson (WJG), 2:00.49; 2. Elaine Lafayette (P), 2:07.19; 3. Kelley Hodges (LL), 2:08.0; 4. Katie Sweeney (WM), 2:08.55; 5. Whitney Sonak (WJG), 2:17.76; 6. Katie MacDonald (LL), 2:21.04.

**200 individual medley:** 1. M. Hodges (LL), 2:29.18; 2. Sarah Palczynski (P), 2:33.62; 3. Enoch (LL), 2:37.15; 4. Heather Ennis (WJG), 2:39.71; 5. Chelsea Randies (WM), 2:44.1; 6. Brittany Hazlett (WJG), 2:45.0.

**50 freestyle:** 1. Jaclyn Burgess (WJG), 27.53; 2. Nameth (LL), 27.69; 3. Alyssa Liakos (P), 28.37; 4. Ashley Laws (WM), 28.38; 5. Emily Rozanski (LL), 28.5; 6. Lauren Taylor (LL), 29.44.

**Diving:** 1. Heather Miller (T), 321.95 points; 2. Bryn Giottey (WJG), 263.40; 3. Holly Campbell (LL), 257.45; 4. Andrea Fleming (P), 239.85; 5. Mikayla Armbruster (LL), 220.20; 6. Laws (WM), 201.70.

**100 butterfly:** 1. Peterson (WJG), 1:04.76; 2. K. Hodges (LL), 1:05.57; 3. Nameth (LL), 1:09.79; 4.

Randies (WM), 1:11.42; 5. Jessica McHugh (WJG), 1:11.04; 6. MacDonald (LL), 1:12.88.

**100 freestyle:** 1. Johnston (LL), 58.15; 2. Burgess (WJG), 59.81; 3. Rozanski (LL), 1:02.67; 4. Sonak (WJG), 1:02.96; 5. Taylor (LL), 1:03.65; 6. Jamie Schirmer (WJG), 1:04.54.

**500 freestyle:** 1. Elaine Lafayette (P), 5:41.86; 2. Sweeney (WM), 5:47.34; 3. M. Hodges (LL), 5:48.29; 4. Stacey Britt (WJG), 5:58.6; 5. Samantha Santeiu (LL), 5:59.95; 6. Ennis (WJG), 6:06.42.

**200 freestyle relay:** 1. John Glenn (Sonak, Burgess, Natasha Falkiewicz, Peterson), 1:49.89; 2. Plymouth, 1:52.01; 3. Ladywood, 1:52.16; 4. Wayne, 1:52.51; 5. Taylor, 2:14.75; 6. Garden City, 2:19.21.

**100 backstroke:** 1. Johnston (LL), 1:08.06; 2. Olivia LaFortune (WM), 1:12.13; 3. Falkiewicz (WJG), 1:12.28; 4. Santeiu (LL), 1:13.88; 5. Stephanie Goulet (P), 1:14.41; 6. Jamie Freeman (P), 1:16.75.

**100 breaststroke:** 1. Britt (WJG), 1:17.72; 2. Sarah Palczynski (P), 1:18.59; 3. Darga (LL), 1:20.19; 4. Cailey Ryckman (LL), 1:22.56; 5. Heather Thompson (WM), 1:24.66; 6. McHugh (WJG), 1:29.24.

**400 freestyle relay:** 1. Ladywood (MacDonald, Enoch, Johnston, K. Hodges), 4:02.0; 2. John Glenn, 4:02.83; 3. Plymouth, 4:13.36; 4. Wayne, 4:23.79; 5. Taylor, 4:44.18; 6. Garden City, 5:14.89.

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Thursday, Sept. 23 at W.L. Northern H.S.  
**200-yard medley relay:** 1. Plymouth (Elaine Lafayette, Sarah Palczynski, Stephanie Goulet,

Alyssa Liakos), 2:08.16; 2. WLN, 2:20.51; 3. Plymouth, 2:22.69.

**200 freestyle:** 1. Dana Halse (WLN), 2:15.56; 2. Maricet Eggenberger (P), 2:17.62; 3. Caitlyn Kolesar (P), 2:18.54.

**200 IM:** 1. Sarah Palczynski (P), 2:36.25; 2. Lauren Bell (WLN), 3. Lavrissa Gulich (WLN).

**50 freestyle:** 1. Kate Rinkevich (WLN), 27.70; 2. Alyssa Liakos (P), 28.20; 3. Emily Clanton (P), 29.14.

**Diving:** 1. Chelsea Smith (WLN), 162.30; 2. Andrea Fleming (P), 159.35; 3. Laura Rowe (P), 131.35.

**100 butterfly:** 1. Elaine Lafayette (P), 1:08.51; 2. Kate Rinkevich (WLN), 1:10.34; 3. Stephanie Goulet (P), 1:13.09.

**100 freestyle:** 1. Dana Halse (WLN), 1:02.92; 2. Emily Clanton (P), 1:04.30; 3. Alyssa Liakos (P), 1:06.28; 2. Catalina Oprican (P), 6:17.89; 3. Caitlyn Kolesar (P), 6:22.64.

**200 freestyle relay:** 1. WLN (Kate Rinkevich, Erin Storch, Allison Przytulski, Dana Halse), 1:56.19; 2. Plymouth, 1:56.33; 3. Plymouth, 2:03.40.

**100 backstroke:** 1. Elaine Lafayette (P), 1:08.30; 2. Stephanie Goulet (P), 1:15.17; 3. Beth Reynolds (P), 1:22.70.

**100 breaststroke:** 1. Sarah Palczynski (P), 1:19.21; 2. Heather Mengel (WLN), 1:25.24; 3. Lavrissa Gulich (WLN).

**400 freestyle relay:** 1. WLN (Dana Halse, Allison Przytulski, Hailee Dine, Kate Rinkevich), 4:16.00; 2. Plymouth, 4:18.47; 3. Plymouth, 4:28.56.

Vraniak (21:11), Chelsea Baldwin (21:15), Monica Przebienda (21:19), Kaity Friske (21:28), Sarah Kosteva (21:36) and Julie Brown (22:59).

Plymouth girls 9th at CC  
The Plymouth girls cross-country team finished ninth at Saturday's Redford Catholic Central girls cross-country meet held at Cass Benton Park.

The Wildcats finished with 225 points, 156 more than first-place St. Clair. Running for the Wildcats were: Hayley Kennedy (27th, 23:00), Pam Bhullar (41st, 23:28), Tiffany Burns (43rd, 23:33) and Nicole McLaughlin (52nd, 24:43).

## GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Also running for the Rocks were Rachel Gizicki (31st, 20:29), Allison Janda (35th, 20:41), Danielle Malone (40th, 20:55) and Amanda Kassem (44th, 21:25).

The Rocks "B" team finished third with 77 points in the Monroe Jefferson Invitational, which was held at Sterling State Park. Livonia Churchill won the event with 37 points, followed by Woodhaven (50).

Running for the Rocks were Nicole Widak (21:02), Allie

## BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

18:26), Christina Chagas (26th, 18:39), John Zaccane (51st, 19:33), Jeff Movsesian (61st, 19:57) and Alex Noble (72nd, 20:25).

A split squad from Salem finished 16th in Division I with 481 points. Milford won with 36 points.

Running for Salem were Joe Rothert (88th, 19:35), Andrew Cassidy (90th, 19:47), Justin Kane (99th, 20:11), Val Gui (100th, 20:15), Matt Korovesis

(104th, 21:01), Craig Cowling (106th, 21:12) and Yair Leventhal (107th, 21:30).

## Salem 6th at Jackson

A split squad of Salem harriers finished sixth at the Jackson Invitational Saturday, earning 160 points. Traverse City West won the event with 115 points.

Running for Salem were Dan Kapadia (8th, 16:37), Scott Fysh (30th, 17:07), Jimmy Walsh (32nd, 17:12), Adam Kosteva (33rd, 17:13), John Israel (57th, 17:54), Erik Dondzila (86th, 18:51) and Cameron Loftus (87th, 18:53).

## Inexperienced Whalers show potential in split

It was a given going into the 2004-05 season that the Plymouth Whalers were young.

Based on the results of last weekend's opening games, the Whalers will be competitive as well.

Plymouth split its first two games, losing 2-1 at Sarnia on Friday, before skating past Saginaw, 5-1, Saturday night at Compuware Arena.

"Our average age is just under 18, so we're a real young team compared to some others around the Ontario Hockey League," said Plymouth coach Mike Vellucci. "Just because you're young doesn't mean you're not going to be good. I think we have a lot of skill with our young guys. The skill is what's going to make us a better team."

Sarnia goalie Ryan Munce was the difference in Friday's loss. Munce stopped 38 of 39 shots and was voted the game's first star.

Saturday's home-opener featured the Whalers' line of Vaclav Meidl, Dan Collins and James Neal, who recorded a

combined three goals and five assists.

"We spend a lot of time together, as friends, off the ice," said Collins. "In the morning, we go out on the ice together for an hour and get things going that way."

With the game tied at 1-1 mid-way through the second period, John Vigilante scored a power play goal at 8:12 to give Plymouth the lead for good. Vigilante was assisted by Neal and veteran Jonas Fiedler.

Neal scored 3:05 later to make it 3-1, and Collins added a goal late in the period to give Plymouth a 4-1 advantage.

"The coaches were telling me to go to the net all during the game," said Collins, reflecting on his goal that was assisted by Meidl.

"So that's what I did and Meidl put it right on my stick. All I had to do was tap it in."

With the graduation of Ryan Ramsey and Canton native James Wisniewski, and an injury to last year's leading scorer John Mitchell, Collins, Neal Meidl, Andrew Fournier,

John Armstrong and Cory Tanaka are expected to contribute right away, Vellucci said.

"You're talking about guys who played with us at 17- and 18-years-old," cautioned Vellucci, referring to Neal and Fournier. "Collins and Meidl are both a year older and they need to come ready to play every night and score for us. Fournier and Neal played their 10 and nine games for us last year and did well for us. The grind of the long season is going to take hold of those guys and they have to learn to be consistent."

It's going to be tough. We're looking on young guys to prove it's going to be a long haul here and we need to just get better as time goes on. When the playoffs get here, we want to be able to make an impact."

Plymouth returns to the ice Friday night at London before hosting Guelph on Saturday night at Compuware Arena. The opening face-off both nights is slated for 7:30 p.m.

## Salem runners set school records at Jackson Invitational

The Salem girls cross-country team divided into two split squads and competed in two invitational Saturday.

The Rocks "A" team finished third with 118 points at the Jackson Invitational, which was held at Ella Sharp Park. Clarkston won the event with 58 points followed by runner-up Saline (62).

Hannah Cavicchio finished seventh overall with a time of 19:19, just ahead of teammate Lauren Kane, who crossed the line in eighth in 19:23. More importantly, both girls broke the Salem cross-country school record.

## Wildcat harriers third; Salem 16th at CC Invite

Plymouth ran to a third-place finish in Division II of the Redford Catholic Central Cross Country Invitational Saturday at Cass Benton Park.

The Wildcats finished with 121 points, 77 more than first-place St. Clair and 35 more than runner-up Oxford.

The first Plymouth runner to cross the finish line was Anthony Scaparo, who earned sixth in 17:31.

Pat Slavens also turned in a top-20 effort, finishing in 14th place in 17:59.

Also running for Plymouth were Justin Magill (24th,

## LINCOLN

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Lincoln's passion for the sport was born during her toddler years as she watched her older sister, Shelby, compete for a competitive club team.

"When Kelsey was 5, she went to one of Shelby's club meets and she told me she was going to be on the team," Lincoln's mother, Pam, recalled. "I told her the coach wouldn't let her join the team because she could only swim with a Styrofoam bubble on her back. Well, Kelsey took off the bubble, dove into the deepest part of the pool and swam a lap. The coach saw her and said, 'She's on the team.'"

Summer is no vacation for Lincoln, who arrives at the swim club six days a week at 7

a.m. and doesn't leave until she completes at least one hour of pushups, situps and other out-of-pool exercises, and trains in the pool for up to five hours.

"There are days when it's hard to get myself out of bed," she said. "But I never skip a practice because I know there are people who look up to me. The most important thing is to think positively when I'm training, because it can get difficult."

The highlight of Lincoln's high school career came last year in the Rocks' dual meet battle with Western Lakes Activities Association rival Northville.

"We were losing going into the final event (400 freestyle relay), but if we won it, we'd win the meet," she remembered. "When I dove into the pool (as the anchor swimmer), we were behind, but I dropped two seconds off my

best time and we ended up winning the event and the meet. It was a great feeling."

Lincoln has excelled in the classroom as well as in the pool at Salem. She currently carries a 4.0 grade-point average.

"I actually do better in school during swimming season," she said. "When I'm swimming, I know I have to manage my time better, so I come home and do my homework right after practice. When I don't have practice, sometimes I'll put my homework off until 9 o'clock."

Lincoln's long-term goals include attending Michigan State University and earning a doctorate degree in marine biology.

"I love the water," she said, explaining her career ambitions. "I can't get enough of it." Except on vacation.

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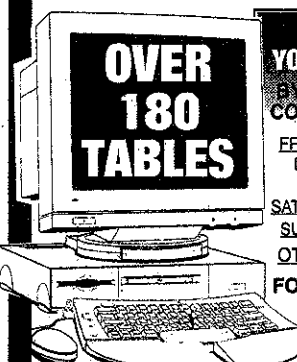
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# Lions need this rest ... thankful for upcoming bye week

It's becoming the oldest joke in football. Guy walks into a bar and asks his buddy who the Lions are playing this week. The other guy says, it's the bye week (no game). "The bye week?," says the first guy. "Yeah, the bye week," says the buddy. "Uh, OK the bye week," repeats the first guy. "Gimme the bye week to beat the Lions by three."

You can add your own rimshot. The bye week was created by the NFL a number of years ago for a variety of reasons. For the Lions, it's a chance to heal up and take a break after their 2-1 start. Kevin Jones and Corey Schlesinger were the two biggest injuries from the loss to the Eagles last Sunday. Dré Bly, Dominic Raiola and André Goodman need the week off to make sure they are ready to go when the Lions resume play



Mark Wilson

against Atlanta a week from Sunday. "It's a really good time for us. As much as we wouldn't mind taking a bye week a little later in the season, maybe this will rejuvenate us heading to the toughest stretch on our schedule," Lions coach Steve Mariucci said. The Lions will play five of their next seven games on the road. In fact, they will play just two more home contests before the traditional Thanksgiving Day game against the powerful Indianapolis Colts. With just one road win in the last 25 tries, the bye week also allows the Lions an extra few days of preparation for the Falcons. Atlanta quarterback Michael

Vick could be every bit as tough as Donovan McNabb was last week for Philadelphia. "We just might need the added time to figure that guy out," Lions cornerback Fernando Bryant said. It doesn't mean that the bye week is only used for medical and game prep purposes. Some guys will go off for five days and do their own things. Bly had plans to go to Miami, but he nixed it because his knee injury and the array of hurricanes convinced him to look for something else. "I know where some of the players go during the bye week, but it's their own time. I only tell them to go have a good time, but don't get too lazy or start eating too much," Mariucci said. "Most importantly, don't get into trouble," he added in a fatherly-like tone.

As for the head coach himself? Surely this is a chance to hang out at home with wife Gayle and the kids. Maybe even reacquaint himself with the idea that he actually has children. "NFL coaches get so focused from July to January and maybe beyond with playoffs, that we really rely on our wives to carry the family half the year," said the father to Adam, Tyler, Stephen and Brielle. "You really want to know what I am going to do? I'm heading to California since two of my kids are in school there and I want to make sure they are still behaving," Mariucci said. "The bye week is a chance for some much needed R and R. We've been going full tilt since late July and whenever you can have a week off in the league, you take it."

That came from Schlesinger, who

has missed just one game since joining the Lions back in 1995. "You know if I am walking, I am playing," the 10th-year ironman from Nebraska said. The Lions have a lot of work to do. That was made obvious by the bruising the Eagles stuck on Detroit last weekend. So it's a good thing gambling on games isn't allowed in Michigan. Sure hate to see people laying money on the bye week. Even the Lions can't lose that one.

Mark Wilson is host of the *Steve Mariucci Show* Mondays on WKRR-FM (97.1). A 25-year veteran of TV and radio sports casting, Wilson's been a radio talk show host at WKRR 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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# Observerland gridders make their mark in college

BY ED WRIGHT  
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Fueled by a passion to continue their gridiron careers, and gifted with the talent to excel at an elevated level, several Observerland-area football players are performing this year in collegiate stadiums across the state.

For a select few, the venues are 100,000-seat Big Ten arenas; for most, the size of the stadiums more closely resembles their high school's facilities.

But considering that less than one in 20 high school football players compete in college, the fact they're still com-

peting at all is a pride-building accomplishment.

Following is a capsule of several local players who have made the leap to college football.

## Big Ten

**Michigan State University** - Livonia native and Redford Catholic Central graduate Ryan Danescu is a back-up freshman center for the Spartans.

**University of Michigan** - Canton native and CC graduate Dan Moore is a sophomore reserve inside linebacker for the Wolverines. Former Salem graduate David Hull is a back-up defensive tackle.

## Mid-American Conference

**Eastern Michigan University** - Canton graduate Jerry Gaines and Belleville alum Kevin Harrison, both seniors, start for the Eagles' defensive contingent. Gaines returned a fumble 82 yards for a TD in EMU's opening game win over Buffalo. Harrison is one of the squad's top tacklers (23 in three games).

Brian Czeklewicz (John Glenn), David

Thomas (CC), Tyler Jones (Belleville), Darren Matthews (Redford Thurston), Greg Egbuogo (Belleville) and Travis McKinney (Canton) are also on the Eagles' roster.

## Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Association

**Saginaw Valley State University** - Salem graduate Scott Hewitt is a sophomore defensive back for SVSU.

**Ferris State University** - Livonia Stevenson sophomore Allen Feigel is a starting guard for the Bulldogs. DeLano Boles (Wayne Memorial), Jeff Hollandsworth (Stevenson), Rob Lukofsky (Livonia Franklin) and Dan Boulter (Redford St. Agatha) also suit up for FSU.

**Hillsdale College** - Stevenson graduate Dan Wilson has been one of Hillsdale's top runners in the early going, rushing for 213 yards on 32 attempts (6.5 yards per carry). He also has a 78-yard TD to his credit.

**Wayne State University** - Belleville's Jerrell Burrus is a key member of the Warriors' defense and special-teams units. He has returned six punts for 43 yards and racked up 12 tackles from his cornerback position. Jason

LeDuc, a Redford Union alum, anchors WSU's defensive line along with Canton grad Chris Smilo. Former Stevenson standout John Rehberg has started all three games at tight end and hauled in four passes for 36 yards.

## Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association

**Adrian College** - Brian Bradley (Salem), Matthew Patterson (Wayne Memorial), Michael Kerul (Salem), Matthew Parker (Franklin) and Christian Young (Wayne Memorial) are all members of the Adrian gridiron team.

**Albion College** - CC graduate Craig Nabozny is one of the Britons' top receivers with 12 catches for 92 yards and a TD. Pete Shaw (Livonia Clarenceville), Ryan Edwards (Canton), Kevin Overallis (Divine Child) and Josh Silvernail (Clarenceville) also toil for the Britons.

**Alma College** - Stevenson grad Mike Pilon is a senior offensive lineman for Alma.

**Olivet College** - Franklin grad Ryan Hayes is a key performer for Olivet's defense, having racked up six tackles and one sack through three games.



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Plymouth's Jimmy Vlcek tees off on the first hole of Monday match against Canton. Vlcek finished with a 45.

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Canton's Matt Haar shot a five-over 40 Monday at Hilltop Golf Course.

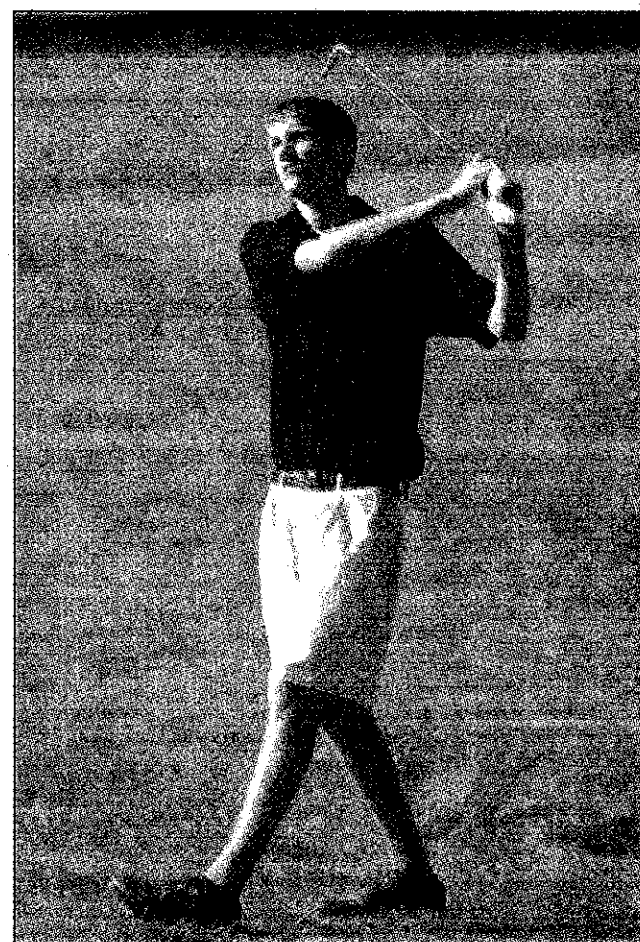
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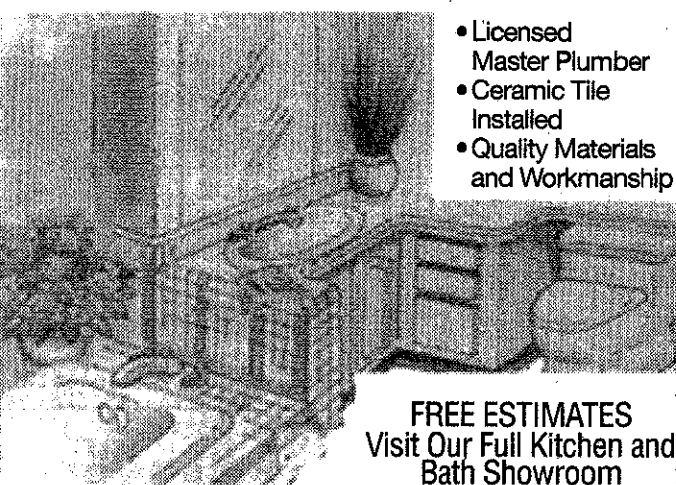


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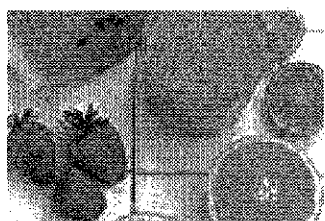
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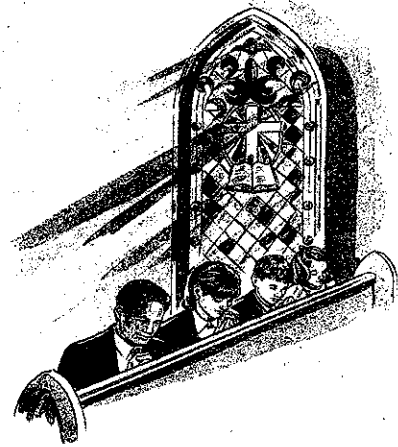
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Sunday Worship: 8:00 & 11:00 a.m.  
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Kurt E. Lambart, Pastor  
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734-453-0970  
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Sunday School 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. Evening Testimony Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
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Monday-Saturday 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
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Sunday Worship - 11:00 A.M.  
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NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN: 455-3196

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## CHURCH OF CHRIST

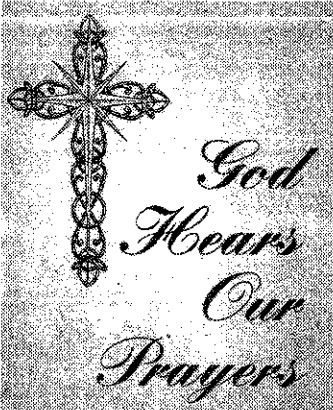
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Livonia  
Corner of Plymouth  
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We are pleased to welcome Dr. Thom  
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Praise God by singing in a choir, playing handbells,  
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Help us produce a new CD by rehearsing with us for just  
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## It's Easy To Criticize...

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

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



If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar, fax it to (734) 591-7279 or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150. The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

## SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

### Singers needed

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church is calling singers to assist in producing a new CD of sacred music. You need to be available for six rehearsals beginning 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, in the church, 9601 Hubbard at West Chicago, Livonia. Sopranos especially needed but all voices welcome. Call Paula Clinard at (734) 422-0494.

### Rummage/bake sale

Pre-sale 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30 (admission \$2). Big Sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 2, at Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, between Wayne and Newburgh roads, Livonia. Anyone who would like to donate items for the bake sale can deliver them to the church 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 30 to Oct. 1. Call (734) 422-0149.

### Labyrinth walk

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, Dec. 18 and March 19, at First United Methodist Church, 33112 Grand River, Farmington. Call (248) 474-6573. Directions for walking the labyrinth are provided by the church. Many use this tool for prayer, meditation and introspection. Guidelines and information can be found in advance at [www.farmingtonfumc.org](http://www.farmingtonfumc.org).

### Fall Fun Festival

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, activities for the entire family, petting farm 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., moonwalk, story reading, face and pumpkin painting, food, in Faith Bible Church, 34541 Five Mile, west of Farmington Road, Livonia. No charge. Call (734) 464-7990.

### Journey in Song

Birmingham Temple's Vivace Music Series presents soprano Jennifer Larson singing selections ranging from baroque to modern, including Mark Gottlieb's When Autumn Never Ends 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, 28611 W. 12 Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. Tickets are \$21, \$18 students/seniors. Call (248) 788-9338 or (248) 661-1348.

### Aging lecture

Following the 11 a.m. service Sunday, Oct. 3, featuring Dr. Hatfield, a neuropsychologist speaking on the cycle of aging, at Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City. A light lunch will be served. For information, call (734) 427-3660.

### Sermon series

Continues 10:30 a.m. Sundays to Oct. 24, at Farmington Hills Church of God, 25717 Power, Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 477-9144. Series focuses on Parenting Challenges.

### Special Lutheran services

Focusing on Lutheran history, 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 3, and Lutheran worship Oct. 10, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1450 McKinstry, Detroit. Call (734) 671-9013.

### Forty Days of Purpose

Begins with 11 a.m. worship Sunday, Oct. 3 and continues 11 a.m. Sundays through Nov. 21 with small groups meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday, at Faith Bible Church, 34541 Five Mile, west of Farmington Road, Livonia. Call (734) 464-7990.

### Guest missionary

Alan Butterworth, the newest missionary with the Apple of His Eye Mission Society, speaks at the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services on Sunday, Oct. 3, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 3003 Hannan, Wayne. He will also lead the Bible class. The Society was founded in 1996 to boldly proclaim the Gospel to Jewish people. Call (734) 728-1950. Support group Provides spiritual, social and educational support for divorced and separated Catholic men and women 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month. Oct. 6 a speaker talks about "Just Who Do You Think You are?" at St. Andrew's Parish Center, 1400 Englewood, Rochester. For information, call (248) 652-9173 or (248) 652-3860.

### Christian concert

CrossChords performs a Christian rock concert of faith and inspiration 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, at St. John Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill Road off

of Grand River, between Drake and Farmington road, Farmington Hills. Youth sponsored coffee house follows the concert. Tickets are \$5 in advance, \$6 at door, \$4 advance for groups of 15 or more (groups must be advance ticket sales only. Call the church office at (248) 474-0584 or send check made payable to St. John Lutheran Church and mail by Sept. 30 to CrossChords Concert Tickets, PO Box 531895, Livonia, MI 48153-1895. Be sure to include the number of tickets, a self-addressed stamped envelope for mailing, and a phone number in case there are any questions regarding your order.

### Focus Hope Walk

Registration begins 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, at Focus: HOPE's Resource Center, 1355 Oakman Boulevard, at LaSalle, Detroit. Register in advance by calling (313) 494-5500, or through the Web at [www.focushope.edu](http://www.focushope.edu). Proceeds benefit Focus: HOPE programs.

### Christian Motorcyclists Association

Hosts A Biker Sunday/Family Day featuring vendors, children's events, free chili, and a motorcycle show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, at R.O.C. Church on Beck Road between Five and Six Mile roads. All are welcome and we encourage families to attend. For more information, call (734) 404-0270.

### Lecture series

Begins 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 11, and continues to Dec. 6, Oct. 11 is an introduction to living the faith in the modern world, balancing between work, home and church, at The Basilica of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church, 18200, Livonia. Open to anyone interested in learning more about the Orthodox Christian faith. Call (734) 422-0010.

### Grief support group

Begins Monday, Oct. 11 for five weeks, at Light & Life Free Methodist Church, Westland. The Connections grief support group is free and available to any child who has experience the death of a loved one. For more information or to register, call Community Hospice at (734) 522-4244.

### Parish Leadership Conference

Tuesday October 12, at St. Scholastica Parish 17320 Rosemont (W. Outer Drive at Southfield Road), Detroit. You can become an Archdiocesan Certified Lector or Eucharistic Minister by attending our workshops. Topics include Parish Council Leadership, Effective Stewardship, Worship, Pastoral Ministry, Spiritual Development and so much more. \$20.00 per person and you may choose two workshops, complementary meal for all attendees. Call (313) 531-0140.

### Rummage sale

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 West 11 Mile, west of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 476-8860.

### Garage sale

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, \$2 bag sale after 4 p.m., at SS Simon and Jude Church, 32500 Palmer, Westland. Call (734) 722-1343.

### Contemporary service

New informal service in a casual environment 6 p.m. Sunday, at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt, south of Ford. Fellowship hour after services including 10 a.m. traditional. Call (734) 421-7620.

### 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, 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/wwwme](http://www.rc.net/detroit/wwwme). Craft fair 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, also bake sale featuring a variety of goods, at St. Aidan Activity Center, 17500 Farmington Road, two blocks north of Six Mile, Livonia. \$1 admission buys a chance to win a raffle prize. Hot lunch available.

### New pastor

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church is pleased to announce that Pastor Dana Runestad will begin to lead worship services on Sunday, Oct. 17, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church located on the north side of Six Mile Road, between Middlebelt and Merriman, Livonia. Call (734) 420-9191.

### Blind drive

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 17, at Nardin Park United Methodist

Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. No appointment necessary. For more information, call (248) 476-8860.

### Harvest festival

Begins with crafts, baked goods and white elephant items being sold at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 19, turkey luncheon follows at noon, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 13542 Mercedes, south of Schoolcraft, east of Inkster, Redford. \$8 for luncheon. Tickets available until Oct. 17. Call (313) 538-2660.

### Notre Dame Glee Club

The University of Notre Dame Glee Club perform the final stop on its Fall concert tour 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at Our Lady of Good Counsel parish located at the northwest corner of Beck and North Territorial roads, Plymouth Township. The 70-voice Glee Club has established itself as one of the outstanding collegiate male choruses in the U.S. renowned for musical excellence. Repertoire includes plain-song, Renaissance polyphony, Romantic and contemporary choral works, along with spirituals, folk songs, and the always popular Notre Dame school songs. Tickets \$10, \$5 students, children age 12 and under free. Available at the door or by calling Brian Broderick at (734) 416-9865 or Fred Gade at (248) 644-4241.

### 50th Anniversary Dinner

5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at St. Hilary of Redford, 23901 Elmira, one block east of Telegraph, one block south of Plymouth. By reservation only. No tickets sold at door. Tickets \$8, \$4 under age 12. Call (313) 533-5698 or (313) 533-8239.

### Fall Boutique

Saturday, Oct. 23, at St. Robert Bellarmine (St. Jude Circle), West Chicago and Inkster roads, Redford. Table rental is \$25. Call Nancy at (313) 937-1741 or Joan at (313) 937-1670.

### Crafters needed

For annual craft bazaar 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, 26431 West Chicago, between Inkster and Beech Daly, Redford. For an application, call (313) 937-2880 and leave a message.

### Pumpkin Patch

Noon to 8 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, huge variety of sizes, shapes and prices, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, between Merriman and Middlebelt, Livonia. Proceeds help support the many and varied programs at St. Matthew's. Call (734) 422-6038.

### Fishing

For friends and faith, an evening offering something for everyone, preschool through adult, begins with an optional dinner 5:45-6:30 p.m., program runs 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays through Nov. 24, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, between Merriman and Middlebelt, Livonia. Nominal charge. Call (734) 422-6038.

### Orthodoxy 101

Explore issues of faith and morals in a course entitled "Orthodoxy 101." It meets weekly 7 p.m. Wednesdays at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile Road, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia. The course is open to the public, and there is no cost involved. The Rev. Michael Matsko will be the instructor and will lead the discussion. Please invite your friends and as Philip told Nathaniel, "Come and see." If you have any additional questions, call Beth at (248) 348-8631.

### Crack the code

Continues through Thursday, Sept. 30, Crack The Da Vinci Code, in the Activity Center at St. Aidan Parish, 17500 Farmington Road, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. For information, call (734) 425-5950.

### Divorce Recovery Workshop

A workshop for those going through divorce, contemplating divorce, or divorced for any length of time to help heal and grow continues to Sept. 30, at First Presbyterian Church Northville. New facilitators and some new speakers. For more information, call (248) 349-0911 or visit [www.single-place.org](http://www.single-place.org).

## UPCOMING

### Crafters needed

For Christmas Craft Show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, at St. Sabina School in Dearborn Heights. For information, call Pam at (313) 537-5340 or send e-mail to [gpkostecki@aol.com](mailto:gpkostecki@aol.com).

## ONGOING

### Grief support programs

At Hope Lutheran Church, 3640 Madison at Carlisle, Dearborn. Families are encouraged to attend together as age-specific groups are offered within one convenient location. All are welcome. Six week series for ages 13-17 began 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21. Adult six week series began 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21. To register, call Howepeterson Funeral Home (313) 561-6163.

### Bible lecture series

"Is There Hope in the Apocalypse?" Bible prophecy lecture series began 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.

### Grief workshop

Began Sept. 22 and continues 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, between Merriman and Middlebelt, Livonia. Call (734) 422-6038.

### Bible studies

Birmingham Bible Institute began its fall semester Sept. 21 with classes on 12 Tuesday evenings through Dec. 7, 22-courses will be taught, at Grace Baptist Church, 280 East Lincoln, Birmingham. Students receive certificates for courses successfully completed. For information, call (248) 646-2000.

### Forty Days

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Livonia joins a worldwide network of thousands of churches with its 40 Days of Purpose Campaign that began Sept. 25, at Five Mile and Inkster roads in Livonia. Inspired by remarkable stories of spiritual renewal and growth, an estimated 13,000 churches from 60 denominations have experienced the purpose-driven phenomena inspired by a California pastor Rick Warren's best-selling book. Following its 40 Days of Purpose Campaign two years ago, Saddleback Church baptized 671 new believers, added almost 1,200 new members, and increased average attendance by 2,000. During the 40 Days of Purpose Campaign at St. Paul's, the truths about God's five purposes for people - worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and evangelism - will be communicated with an all-church simulcast seminar 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, a weekly message by the pastor, a personal or family daily devotional reading, a weekly Scripture verse that everyone memorizes, a weekly small group or Sunday school lesson, and a daily e-mail of encouragement. All are welcome to join St. Paul's in this six-week study. For information, call (734) 422-1470.

### Forty Days

Woodside Bible Church will explore the answer to that question by sponsoring small group studies of Rick Warren's book "The Purpose Driven Life" began Saturday, September 25,

at 3193 Rochester Road, Troy. For 40 days, attendees will read a short chapter from the book each day. At the weekly small group meeting, a video from Rick Warren will be viewed which discusses what will be read in the book that week, and then a moderated discussion period will follow. The study will include a copy of the book and the accompanying study guide which will be provided at no cost to the study group attendees as a gift from Woodside Bible Church. These small groups will be held at different days and times throughout the week. Space and supplies are limited, early registration is requested. Any questions or registration information can be directed to Keith Wissman of Woodside Bible Church at [Woodside400P@aol.com](mailto:Woodside400P@aol.com), or call (248) 854-2376. Send name(s), mailing address, e-mail, telephone numbers, both daytime and evening, and preferred days and times for your study group.

### Forty Days

Began 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 26701 Joy, between Beech Daly and Inkster roads, Dearborn Heights. This will be followed by weekly Sunday worship services beginning 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, and home-based book discussions. Call (313) 274-3820.

### New contemporary service

Began 9 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, new contemporary service will be held the last Sunday of the month, at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia. A group of church members present a short drama on a theme relevant to the season, a church event, or current newsworthy situation. Sept. 26 drama is a look into the problem of being overloaded with requests for our time and abilities. For more information, call (734) 422-0494.

### 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, that began Thursday, Sept. 16, 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.

### 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, began 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.

### Grief support programs

At Hope Lutheran Church, 3640 Madison at Carlisle, Dearborn. Families are encouraged to attend together as age-specific groups are offered within one convenient location. All are welcome. Six week series for ages 13-17 began 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21. Adult six week series began 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21. To register, call Howepeterson Funeral Home (313) 561-6163.

### Prayer group

Join us 7 p.m. Thursdays for music, singing, prayer, and friendship, at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Come to the back of the church, enter entrance #2. For more information, call Grace at (734) 464-1896, Shirley (734) 464-3656, or Geri (734) 464-8906.

### Stronger Women

Walking group, jogging, aerobic exercise, crafts, speakers, coffee social, fun and fellowship continues 9:30-11:30 a.m. Thursdays through 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.

### Women of the Word

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study, Women of the Word, studies the Book of Luke, entitled Grace Under Pressure 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays, 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.

### Worship schedule

Resumed regular Sunday worship schedule beginning Sept. 12, 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) 626-7906.

### New modern-style worship

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church (14175 Farmington Rd., Livonia. Just north of I-96) began a new MODERN-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. 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.

### New service times

9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. began Sept. 12 for the fall and winter months, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 476-8860.

## MARION KING

Of Birmingham, died September 24, 2004, age 73. Wife of Barry. Mother of Cathy Broad (Matt), Chris (Pat), Mark and the late Tim. Grandmother of Ben and Sarah Broad. Sister to Gwen Clark and Liz Kerr. Services to be held privately, Memorial Tributes Tim King Fund, 1509 Yorkshire, Birmingham, MI 48009. Arrangements by A.J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home. 248-362-2500. Obituary at [www.DesmondFuneralHome.com](http://www.DesmondFuneralHome.com)

## HERBERT L CAMPBELL

Age 87 of Plymouth died September 28, 2004. Beloved husband of Dottie. Dear father of Jack (Linda) Comer and the late Herbert L. Dear brother of Floyd, Eugene, Dale and the late Lloyd, Rosetta Richards and Dorothy Ann Ridley. Dear grandfather of Robin Comer and Brian Comer. He was a 56 year member of Calvary Baptist Church in Canton, Michigan. Served in the US Army during World War II. Retired in 1975 from Ford Motor Company, Northville Valve Plant after 35 years of service. Funeral service Friday 11 AM at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth (btwn Sheldon and Beck.) Visitation Thursday 3 - 9 PM. Interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, West. Memorial contributions to the Odyssey Hospice would be appreciated by the family.

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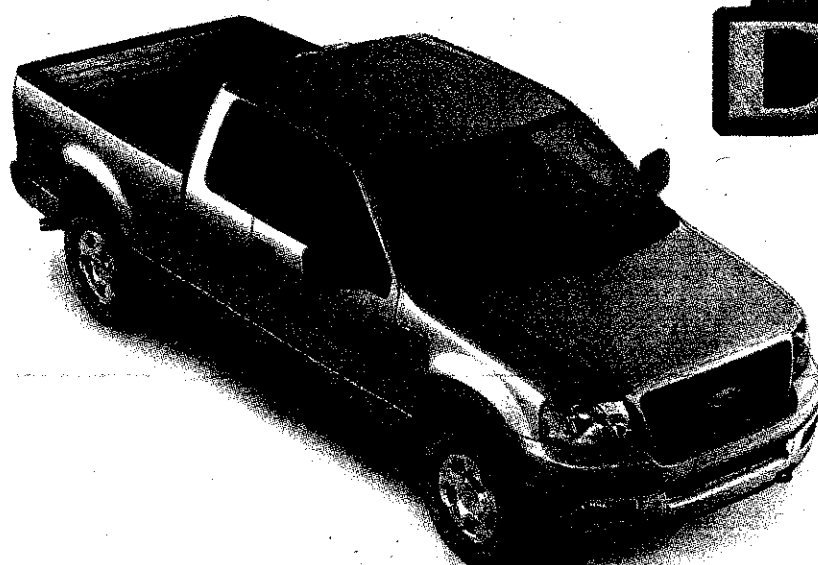


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## Hartford Court touts site-driven wines

More than any other grape variety, pinot noir represents the most exciting potential for exceptional wine.

Yet, it recurrently disappoints. Pinotphiles know



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this and apparently accept it, as an old nursery rhyme adaptation plays in their heads - when good, it's very, very good, but when it's bad, it's horrid.

So it is with some trepidation as confessed pinotphiles, that we try pinot noir from a new producer, and then if we're impressed, we seek it out in succeeding vintages, with the hope of discovering consistency. We did that with the pinots from Hartford Court, then visited with winemaker Mike Sullivan at the winery to learn the secrets of producing consistently great pinot noir. "Since 1999, we've concentrated on purchasing and developing properties in the Sonoma Coast appellation of Sonoma County," Sullivan said. "This enabled us to establish what Burgundians would call a Grand Cru tier of wines from single vineyards."

### VINEYARD STYLES

"From the winery's founding, the idea has been that the highest potential quality, character and personality of an individual vineyard, should be expressed in the wine," Sullivan said. "In other words, our object is site-driven wines."

Pinot noir's adaptation to specific growing regions and sites is best experienced in a comparative tasting of the following Hartford Court pinots: 2001 Velvet Sisters Vineyard Anderson Valley, 2000 Sevens Bench Vineyard Carneros, 2001 Marin and 2001 Dutton-Sanchietti Vineyard Russian River Valley. All are \$50 per bottle and bear not only unique tastes but interesting history.

Since the late 1800s in California, local residents of Mendocino County's Anderson Valley have spoken an English dialect known as Boontling. In Boontling lore, the Velvet Sisters were local legendary ladies, known for plush velvet dresses that they purchased on a trip to British Columbia.

Grapes for this pinot noir come from a small block in Savoy Vineyard which has been christened Velvet Sisters, not only to acknowledge local lore, but the wine's bright fruit and sensuous texture, derived from the interplay of two pinot noir clones.

"Clones play a big role in the Sevens Bench Pinot," Sullivan said. "Dijon Clones predominate in a high-density planting. With this wine, I find that the plush watermelon rind and strawberry fruit, showcase the typicity of the Carneros region."

The Mt. Eden clonal selection of pinot noir, planted on a very cold hill-top site west of the town of

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# slice it



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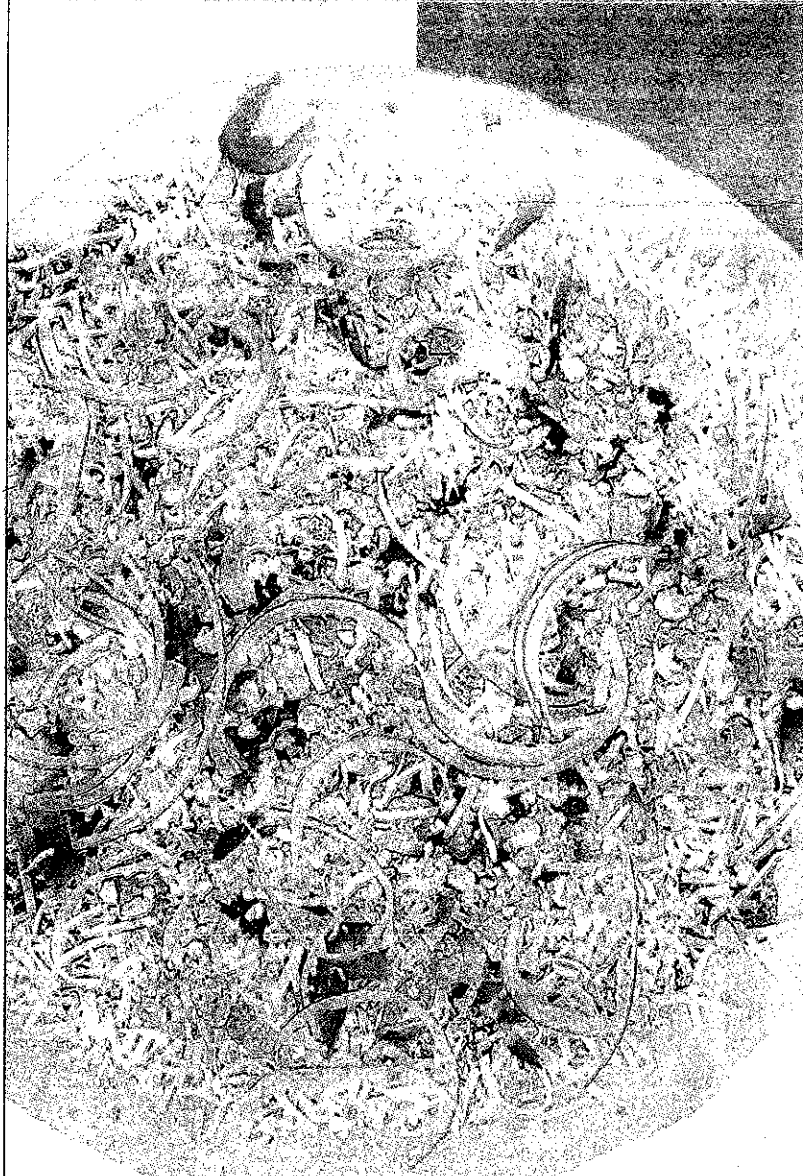
## Creations slice up the fun for families

Pizza! Say the word 10 times and you're liable to hit the phone or rush out to the car in search of a slice.

Or how about a whole pie replete with gooey cheese, greasy meat or some of the new, healthier versions that come complete with a cornucopia of vitamin-filled vegetables?

The good news for those among us (and we are legion) who like to gorge on the readily available concoction traditionally made of stretched dough, tomato sauce, cheese and whatever you can think of to lay on top, is that since 1987, October has been designated National Pizza Month. Although that month pales next to Super Bowl-saturated January in terms of most pizza eaten, the designation does make some sense. After all,

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## Pizza makers find niche in competitive market

BY MIKE MURPHY  
CORRESPONDENT

Anyone who's traveled across the country in search of the perfect slice knows that locality makes a difference when it comes to pizza.

Chicago has made its mark with a thick, deep dish creation available here at pizzerias like Pizzapopolis. It's literally a cheese and tomato sauce pie that might draw complaints from New Yorkers, who are normally accustomed to the double wide, flatter-than-a-pancake slice.

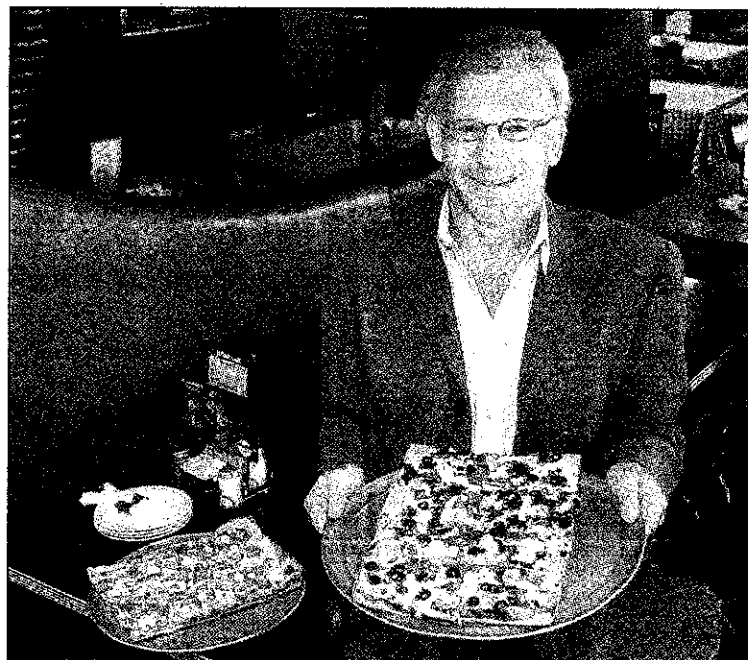
Scores of competitors who've come and gone over the years have widened the parameters of the best pizza debate in Detroit, but the signature Detroit slice is still dished up at places like Buddy's Pizza, Shield's Restaurant Bar and Loui's.

Like the Coney island and the glass of Vernor's, the thick, square-pan pizza produced at these venerable Detroit establishments bears a Motor City imprimatur no less indelible than the stamp on Ford, General Motors and Chrysler.

Although Loui's in Hazel Park can be considered the offspring of Buddy's, the recipes of these three in Detroit's pizza world have stood the test of time and fueled friendly arguments for decades.

Original Buddy's owner Gus Guerra operated the original Buddy's site at McNichols and Conant in the 1930s as a blind pig before he began serving Sicilian-style pizza in 1946. Ownership of the restaurant changed hands in 1953 and again in 1970 when Shirlee and

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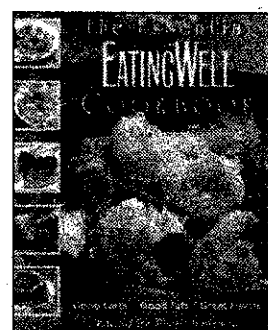


Robert Jacobs, owner of Buddy's Pizza in Farmington Hills, holds one of the restaurant's renowned pizzas.

## Side dish

### Taste great flavors

The staff at EatingWell magazine has created a new cookbook: The Essential EatingWell Cookbook: Good Carbs, Good Fats, Great Flavors, edited by Patsy Jamieson (The Countryman Press,



\$29.95).

Featuring more than 350 delicious, yet simple recipes, the book is expected to appeal to a variety of popular diet regimens, including low-carb, low-fat, and three-phase diets like South Beach. (A Healthy-Weight Loss Index shows which recipes are appropriate for which diets.) It provides clear, step-by-step instructions, easy-to-find healthful ingredients, nutrition analysis (including carb numbers), along with a common-sense approach to nutrition-conscious, full-flavor cooking and eating well.

Drawing on EatingWell magazine's recipe resources and Jamieson's knowledge and experience, The Essential EatingWell Cookbook gives clear guidelines and information on what to eat while dieting and when the diet is over. The Essential EatingWell Cookbook shows you how to successfully incorporate good carbs, good fats and great flavors into everyday eating so you don't feel deprived. Each recipe has been thoroughly tested in EatingWell's test kitchen. The book includes such tasty and balanced delights as Chicken Sauté with Mango Sauce, Updated Mac and Cheese, South Pacific Shrimp, Grilled Pork Chops with Rhubarb Chutney, Honey-Mustard Roast Chicken, Broccoli with Caramelized Onions and Pine Nuts, Grilled Tofu and Vegetable Kebabs, and Chocolate-Hazelnut Cake.

### Specialty line

Academia Barilla features Italian food, arts and culture in Parma, Italy. Its goal is to preserve, develop and celebrate the art of Italian cuisine and gastronomy.

Academia Barilla Balsamic Vinegar features a fragrant flavor mix, which hasn't changed much in its processing since the 11th century. Grapes are simmered in copper cauldrons until their juice achieves a syrupy consistency. The aging process entails numerous transfers to ever smaller barrels made of oak, cherry, chestnut, juniper and other precious woods.

Balsamic Vinegar of Modena is aged for three years and boasts a rich, fruity aroma, well-balanced woody flavor and a texture thicker than comparably aged vinegars on the market.

The vinegar is available at Papa Joe's Gourmet Market in Birmingham.



# Mexistrone mixes in a melting pot of flavors

BY DANA JACOBI  
CORRESPONDENT

Culturally, the United States is more a mixed salad than a melting pot. In most communities, different ethnic groups live side by side more often than they blend. The kitchen seems to be the main exception, where ingredients and even dishes from one culture are constantly being adopted or adapted by another.

Linguini with edamame and Mexistrone soup are two prime examples of melting pot cooking that I have recently enjoyed. They show how combining ingredients from two culinary traditions, and using a "foreign" technique, can produce delicious results.

What could be simpler than whole-wheat pasta tossed with the bright green, sweet soybeans nearly everyone has fallen in love with. I recently enjoyed this dish at a Japanese friend's house. For her, using whole wheat spaghetti in place of buckwheat-based soba noodles was an adventure into another culture. So was sautéing the beans in olive oil, along with garlic and arugula. An Italian-American neighbor taught her to do this in exchange for a lesson on making miso soup.

For Mexistrone, the story is pure Americana. I first saw this meatless soup in a book that is a collection of contest-winning recipes called *Red, White and Blue Ribbon 2004*. Created by Elaine Sweet of Dallas, Texas, the soup combines Tex-Mex ingredients - corn, pinto beans, and jalapeños - with the usual Italian contingent of tomatoes, zucchini and carrots. But it was loaded with sodium from bouillon cubes and clam juice, cooked for eight hours in a crock-pot and was topped with cornmeal dumplings.

Spying a healthier winner in this soup, I slashed the sodium



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This Mexistrone soup combines Tex-Mex ingredients - corn, pinto beans, and jalapeños - with the usual Italian contingent of tomatoes, zucchini and carrots.

by using spicy tomato juice for the liquid, cut the time from cutting board to table to a swift 20 minutes and dropped the dumplings.

Instead, for a crisp and instant finishing flourish, I top my Mexistrone with a handful of crushed corn chips.

- MEXISTRONE SOUP**
- 1 tablespoon canola oil
  - 1 medium onion, diced
  - 1 carrot, sliced
  - 1 large garlic clove, finely chopped
  - 1 small zucchini, halved lengthwise and sliced
  - 1 cup free yellow corn (no slat added), frozen or canned, rinsed and drained
  - 1 cup black beans, rinsed and drained
  - 1 cup pinto beans, rinsed and drained
  - 1 can (14.5 ounces) stewed tomatoes with jalapeños\*
  - 2 teaspoons dried oregano
  - 1 teaspoon dried basil
  - 1½ cups spicy tomato juice
  - Freshly ground black pepper

1 cup corn chips, lightly crushed, optional, for garnish

Heat the oil in a medium Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Sauté onion and carrot 3 minutes. Add garlic and squash. Cook, stirring, 2 minutes.

Add corn, black and pinto beans, stewed tomatoes with their liquid, oregano and basil. Pour in juice, and ½ cup water. Bring mixture to a boil and simmer 5 minutes. Season to taste with pepper and serve with corn chips, if using. Soup can be made ahead and refrigerated for up to 2 days. Makes 6 servings

\*As a substitute for stewed tomatoes with jalapeños, sauté a finely chopped fresh jalapeño pepper with the vegetables.

Per serving: 167 calories, 3 g. total fat (less than 1 g. saturated fat), 29 g. carbohydrate, 7 g. protein, 8 g. dietary fiber, 610 mg. sodium.

Dana Jacobi is author of *The Joy of Soy*, and recipe creator for the American Institute for Cancer Research's Stopping Cancer Before It Starts.

# Follow these tailgating tips

(NAPS) A football game isn't a football game, according to many fans, without the traditional tailgate party. Here are some tips on getting the most fun out of it:

- Plan your menu and do prep work a day or two before the game. Keep the menu simple and pack prepared food in disposable containers.
- Make a list of the items you want to take along so you can check off items as you pack. You can pack everything but food the night before. Remember such items as a small first-aid kit, trash bags, water, and damp towels in sandwich bags to clean hands and face.
- Fly a flag on a very high pole so friends can find you.
- Food should be ready an hour and half before the game starts. This gives you plenty of time to eat, clean up and extinguish fires.

- Like at a campsite, it's important that you leave the area clean. Dedicated tailgaters always respect their surroundings and leave them clean. Begin thinking about food and friends for the next game.

Things you won't want to forget include jumper cables, toilet paper, plastic trash bags for cleanup, extra ice, first-aid kit, and cups, plates and napkins.

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Ergonomic plates and cups are available in stores now.

## WINE

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Nicassio in California's Marin County, produces only one and a half tons per acre in good years. "Until recently," Sullivan continued, "Marin County was considered too cold to successfully ripen pinot noir. But with modern viticultural methods at this 3.5-acre site, we reap the rewards of grapes with unique characters." This wine comes across as a strawberry-raspberry fruit bomb with underpinnings of smoked bacon and unexpected chocolate hints. It satisfies as a wine of moderate intensity with lively, expressive fruit.

The most powerful Pinot Noir produced under the Hartford Court label is 2001 Dutton Ranch, Sanchietti Vineyard, Green Valley (\$50). Thin hillside soils, chilled quickly by the cold nights, are warmed by early morning sun. Weak soils, rather than cold temperatures, keep yields to around two tons per acre. The wine has more evident structur-

## WINE PICKS

Top **CABERNET SAUVIGNON** from our recent taste-off: Picks of the pack: 2001 Napanook Cabernet Sauvignon, \$39, and 2000 Arrowood, \$45.

**Best bangs for the buck:** 2001 Gallo of Sonoma Cabernet Sauvignon, \$13, and 2001 Sebastiani Sonoma County Cabernet Sauvignon, \$17. Challengers at the top: 2000 Kunde Drummond Vineyard, \$45; 1999 Geyser Peak Block Collection Valera Vineyard, \$36; 2000 Chateau Souverain Winemaker's Reserve, \$35; 2001 Rutherford Hill, \$32; and 2001 Sebastiani Secolo (84 percent cabernet sauvignon), \$30, an inaugural release.

**Unique blend:** 2000 Treana Red (a blend of cabernet sauvignon, syrah and merlot from Paso Robles), \$32.

**Wallet friendly:** 2002 2 Brothers Big Tattoo Red, Chile, \$8; 2003 Lindemans Bin 45, \$8; and 2001 Camelot, \$7.

al tannins than any of the other Hartford Court pinots. Its split personality between feminine aromas and masculine palate creates a captivating profile.

Additionally, if you like chardonnay, the following from Hartford Court are absolutely delicious: 2002 Three Jacks Vineyard Russian River Valley Chardonnay, \$29; 2002 Stone

Cote Vineyard Sonoma Coast Chardonnay, \$29, and 2001 Laura's Sonoma Coast Chardonnay, \$50.

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# Make a 'cool' lunch for school, work

Estimates show that over 80 million Americans carry a lunch daily. The challenge is to create a lunch that is healthful, going to be eaten, not messy and easy to fix.

Lunch in a brown bag, a lunch box or a fancy designer lunch tote loses its appeal when it consists of a dry sandwich, a bruised apple, cookie crumbs and warm milk.

Why carry a lunch? Many lunch packers are concerned about health and nutrition; they may be picky eaters, have special diets or they are fitness fans who exercise at noon. They lack time to go out to eat lunch, and a packed lunch is more convenient and generally more economical.

Children want lunches packed because they don't like the food served at school or they want to eat fast so they can play. Remember they want



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a "cool" lunch that others envy and not something that is made fun of.

## PACKING LUNCH

The first rule is to get the child/children into the kitchen to help pack their lunch. Give them lots of good choices and let them make their own sandwich the night before. Set up a special lunch drawer that has plastic spoons and forks, napkins and plastic containers. Have a special shelf in the refrigerator for lunch fixings.

Tips for packing lunches:

■ Stay away from foods that are messy, get mushy or have a strong smell.

■ Make lunches the night before and store them in the refrigerator.

■ Keep servings small.

■ Freeze drinks or yogurt.

They will thaw by noon and will help keep food around them cold. However, as they thaw they may begin to sweat so make sure they don't make the entire lunch wet and soggy.

■ Some children have lost teeth, which makes eating some hard food impossible. Lightly steam vegetables and chill them so they are softer and easier to eat.

■ Choose softer fruits for those "loose teeth" eaters. Bananas, cut up melon, grapes and berries or canned fruits or applesauce are all good choices.

■ Don't make soggy sand-

wiches. Spread the bread slices with mustard, mayo or butter all the way to the edges of the bread to seal them so they won't get soggy. Starting with frozen bread also helps prevent a soggy mess, or pack the sandwich ingredients separately so they can make it when they are ready to eat.

Remember food safety.

Perishable foods must be kept cold until lunchtime so purchase some ice (gel) packs that can be frozen and packed with the lunch. An ice source should be packed with perishable food in any type of lunch bag or box. Some food such as fruits, vegetables, hard cheeses, chips, bread, crackers, peanut butter, jelly, mustard and pickles do not need a cold source. After lunch is over, discard all used food packaging. Encourage children to eat their sandwich at noon instead of waiting

until recess or on the bus ride home. If they want to save something for afternoon, suggest it be the fruit or vegetable.

Here are "Cool" Lunch Ideas: Cold pizza; lunchmeat wrapped around pickles, celery or a lettuce leaf; fruit or cheese kabobs (mixed varieties); veggies with a dip (ranch or thousand island dressings or hummus); soft tortilla with any kind of filling or packed separate so they can roll their own; pack a mega salad; lettuce or cooked pasta, add lots of cheese, vegetables and chopped cooked egg.

Use different types of breads, such as pita, bagel, English muffin, hamburger bun or use a hot dog bun for a reuben sandwich, serve them salsa and chips (small bags) or pretzels. Add pudding or canned fruit containers.

If you put an orange into a

lunch bag, peel it, most children do not want to waste time doing that task. Make your own trail mix with nuts, sunflower seeds, dry cereal, and dried fruits. Add a little bag of popcorn.

For a little something sweet, add a mini-muffin or vanilla cookie, a cereal bar, or a box of raisins.

Add a mini-chocolate bar occasionally as a treat, with a written note that says, "Something special for someone special" or "I love you" or "Have a good day."

Whether it's off to school or to work with a lunch bag make it interesting, fun and nutritious so they or you can hardly wait for lunchtime.

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## CALENDAR

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### Weight Watchers

Weight Watchers corporate chef Tim Cakra 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 in Livonia. The center is open to the public. Readers may call (888) 3.FLORINE for further information.

### Make Cider

Bring up to one bushel of washed apples and containers to make and take your own apple cider, using a hand-powered cider press at the Stony Creek Metropark Nature Center near Rochester on the following Sundays in October: Oct. 3, 17, 24 and 31. Fee is \$3. Call the Nature Center at (586) 781-4621 to reserve a time.

### Cooking classes

Sign up for Cuisine du Jour hands-on culinary training with Chef Keith Famie, the instructor for a Southeastern Asian Epicurean Journey 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 21. You can see a Wolf product presentation (a free class) 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12, Nov. 9 or Dec. 14 at Trevarrow, 1295 N. Opdyke, in Auburn Hills. For more information, visit [www.trevarrowinc.com](http://www.trevarrowinc.com) or call (800) 482-1948.

### 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 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.

### Cooking at Schoolcraft

Enjoy continuing education classes taught by culinary arts instructors at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Certified Master Pastry Chef Joe Decker will teach a class on Swiss Chocolates 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6. Class costs \$98. Brian Polcyn, certified executive chef, Schoolcraft instructor and owner of Five Lakes Grill in Milford, will teach a class on Sausage & Smoked Meat 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13. Cost is \$139. Marcus Haight, certified executive chef and Schoolcraft instructor, will teach his Five Star Restaurant Revue 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23. Cost is \$139. Bruce Konowalow, director of culinary arts at Schoolcraft, will teach a hands-on class on Stewing & Braising 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30. Cost is \$109. Certified Master Chef Jeff Gabriel will teach Wok Stir Fry: Hands-On 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9. For more information on these and other culinary arts continuing education classes visit [www.schoolcraft.edu](http://www.schoolcraft.edu) under Continuing Education Schedule or call (734) 462-4448.

### Cider Saturday and Sunday

Use a cider press to make your own apple cider Saturday, Oct. 9, and Sunday, Oct. 10, at Indian Springs Metropark near Clarkston. Bring up to one bushel of washed apples, three clean one-gallon containers and cups. Pre-registration required, call for an appointment. Fee is \$3 per family or group. For more information or registration, contact the Indian Springs Nature Center at 1 (800) 477-3192 or (248) 625-7280.

### Tastefest

Low Carb Depot, 32622 W. Seven Mile in Livonia, is sponsoring a Low Carb Tastefest 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16. Come and sample a variety of low carb versions of pizza, pasta, ice cream, snacks, soups, cookies and muffins, candy and beverages. Diabetics and people who have difficulty with gluten products are invited to check out the available products. There will be product giveaways, recipes and special discounts, and registration for the Low Carb support group. Bring a friend and qualify for the Referral Rewards Program. For information, call (248) 476-3064.

## Try churros, onions with these sausage rolls

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CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — Vegetarians can't help but feel a little left out at the state fair.

Granted, one doesn't frequent the fair expecting healthy fare. Still, it's easy to suffer a few pangs as those around you inhale hot dogs and cheeseburgers and french fries and Italian sausages cradled in buns slathered with onions and peppers.

And don't even talk about the desserts, though the funnel cakes and fried dough and ice cream and soda floats and cotton candy and fudge and candy apples and sugar-coated pretzels all sound mighty fine.

No question, fairs are for fun, and food with philosophy (as some have come to call vegetarian options) isn't likely to appear alongside those luscious items any time soon. But it doesn't mean vegetarians can't have fair food, too.

We just have to have our fairs at home.

Coming up with fair-worthy food for vegetarian sensibilities was easier than I expected, in part because there now are some quite excellent soy sausages on the market.

Though I initially hesitated to use a prepared product, I wanted to keep the fun in fair food. It's bad enough vegetarians have to prepare their own; we at least shouldn't have to work hard doing it.

The rest was equally easy. To add a virtually invisible healthfulness to the whole affair, I opted for whole-wheat sausage buns from the grocer. The onions and peppers required the only real work, if sauteing a few vegetables counts as work.

To give my sausage roll more oomph, I tossed a bit of Cheddar cheese in with the onions and peppers during the final minute of cooking. I also

slathered the bun with a spicy whole-grain mustard.

When sauteing the onions and peppers, I went heavy on the oil in an effort to replicate the sometimes greasy goodness of the real dish. The amount of oil could be cut in half for those seeking a lighter approach.

For the fries, I went back to an old standby — oven fries. It's hard to beat these "fries" for taste and ease of preparation. Cut potatoes into thin rounds or long sticks, coat with olive oil, season, then bake until crisp.

To give the fries a bit more flavor, I added paprika and cumin to the mix.

The easiest technique for making oven fries calls for the most utilitarian of kitchen tools — a large zip-lock plastic bag.

Cut the potatoes as desired. Place the potatoes, oil, salt, pepper and any additional seasonings in the plastic bag, seal and shake until everything is coated. Empty the bag right on the baking sheet.

I liked the idea of fried dough for dessert, but couldn't bring myself to throw what amounts to pancake batter in a cauldron of oil. Let's add some class — not to mention a bit of flavor.

For that I turned to a treat I was taught by my high-school Spanish teacher — churros. These small blobs of fried dough are crispier than most American fried dough and have more flavor, thanks to cinnamon.

### SOY SAUSAGE ROLLS WITH ONIONS AND PEPPERS

4 tablespoons olive oil  
1 large yellow onion, cut into thin slices  
1 large green bell pepper, seeded and cut into thin slices

4 large soy sausages  
¾ cup shredded Cheddar cheese (or soy alternative)  
4 whole-wheat sausage or hot dog buns  
Mustard

Heat a large heavy skillet over a medium-high flame. Add the oil and heat for 30 seconds. Add the onion and pepper slices and saute until limp, about 5 minutes.

Push the onions and peppers to one side of the skillet. Add the soy sausages and cook until browned on the outside and heated through, according to package directions.

During the final minute of cooking, top the onions and peppers with cheese.

Split each bun down the center and spread mustard over the length of them. Place a layer of onions and peppers evenly over each, then top with a sausage. Serve immediately. Makes 4 servings.

### OVEN FRIES

2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil  
2 teaspoons paprika  
1 teaspoon cumin  
½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper  
4 large potatoes, cut into thin rounds or long sticks  
Kosher or coarse sea salt

Preheat oven to 425° F. Lightly oil a baking sheet with olive oil.

In a large plastic bag, combine paprika, cumin and pepper; shake bag lightly to combine these ingredients.

Add the potatoes, close the bag and shake to coat. Spread the potatoes on the baking sheet. Season lightly with salt and bake 40 minutes, turning once, until

browned and crisp. Salt to taste, if needed.

Makes 4 servings.

### CHURROS

1 cup sugar, plus 2 teaspoons  
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon  
1 teaspoon coarse kosher salt  
1 cup whole milk  
¼ cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter  
1 cup all-purpose flour  
4 large eggs  
3 cups canola oil (for frying)

In a small bowl, whisk together 1 cup sugar, cinnamon and ¼ teaspoon salt. Set aside.

Combine the milk, butter and remaining sugar and salt in a heavy medium saucepan. Bring to a boil, stirring until the sugar dissolves and the butter melts. Reduce heat to medium-low.

Add the flour and stir vigorously with a wooden spoon until a shiny dough mass forms, about 1 minute.

Transfer the dough to large bowl. Cool for 5 minutes.

Using an electric mixer, beat in the eggs, one at a time. Continue beating until a smooth, shiny, sticky paste forms.

Heat the oil in large, heavy skillet over medium flame to 350° F.

Working in batches, spoon batter into a pastry or plastic bag fitted with large star piping tip. Pipe the batter into hot oil in three ½- to 4-inch-long ribbons.

Fry the churros until brown and cooked through the center, about 2 minutes per side. Transfer to paper towels to drain excess oil.

Cool 5 minutes, then toss in cinnamon sugar to coat. Serve warm. Makes 6 servings.

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# Kosher salt company awards scholarships for winning recipes

Three chefs-in-training won the Diamond Crystal Kosher Salt Search For The Seasoned Chef Recipe Contest and were awarded scholarships for their culinary education. Cargill Salt, maker of Diamond Crystal Kosher Salt, invited student chefs to submit their best original recipes for

appetizers, soups and entrees. Recipes were required to include Diamond Crystal Kosher Salt and have no more than 10 ingredients. "Each of the Search For The Seasoned Chef winners places a high value on the quality of salt used to create such wonderful dishes," says Ramona

Bennett, marketing manager for Cargill Salt. "In addition to using kosher salt to bring out their recipes' natural flavors and textures, the winners demonstrated the incredible functionality of one of the world's oldest food additives by using it in a creative new way." Shawn Snyder of Aloha, Ore., was named the grand prize winner and will receive a \$2,000 scholarship for his entrée recipe Chili-Spiced Ribs with Honey Glaze. In addition, Snyder will be featured with his recipe in a paid advertisement in Chef Educator Today magazine and will receive a case of Diamond Crystal Kosher Salt.

Marcel Vigneron of Hyde Park, N.Y., won in the appetizers category for Beer-Cured Gravlax Ravioli Stuffed with Avocado Mousse, and Phyllis Kendall of Phoenix, Ariz., won in the soups category for Puree of Roasted Vegetable and Chicken Soup. Each of the two category winners will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and a case of Diamond Crystal Kosher Salt.

Snyder's chili-spiced ribs entrée combines Diamond Crystal Kosher Salt and ground ancho chilies in a spice dry rub to create a flavorful base for pork ribs. A honey glaze, which also incorporates

kosher salt, adds just the right amount of sweetness to balance the spices.

"Salt is the number-one ingredient in cooking, and its importance can't be understated," says Snyder, who spent 20 years working in the telecom industry before coming back to cooking, his first passion. He will apply his scholarship to the Western Culinary Institute in Portland, Ore.

Vigneron's gravlax ravioli appetizer recipe combines kosher salt with peeled and shredded horseradish, raw beets, sugar and pepper to serve as an encrusting and brining agent for fresh salmon filets. Combined with the avocado mousse, it makes for not only a beautiful and easy appetizer, but a winning sensory combination as well.

According to Vigneron, the food industry challenges him to stay creative because culinary arts are demanding of all five senses: smelling, touching, tasting, seeing and hearing. He plans to further his culinary studies in California's Napa Valley.

Kendall's savory soup recipe uses roasted vegetables to impart a rustic, hearty flavor. Kendall said she will continue to pursue hotel banquet management studies at The Art Institute of Phoenix.

## CHILI-SPICED RIBS WITH HONEY GLAZE AND POBLANO-JACK MASHED POTATOES

A spicy dry rub made from ground ancho chilies creates the flavorful base for these ribs. The honey glaze adds just the right amount of sweetness to balance the spice.

- 1/4 cup ancho chilies, toasted, seeded and ground in a spice grinder
- 1/4 cup paprika
- 1/4 cup ground cumin
- 3 tablespoons kosher salt
- 1-1/2 tablespoons packed brown sugar
- 2 racks pork baby back ribs (about 3 pounds)
- Honey Glaze (below)

In medium bowl, stir together chilies, paprika, cumin, kosher salt and brown sugar. Pat mixture on both sides of ribs and place in a single layer in resealable plastic bag. Refrigerate at least one hour or overnight.

Place drip pan on one side of grill. Heat coals or gas grill for indirect, medium-low heat (300° F). Place ribs on grill rack over drip pan. Cover and grill 1-1/2 to 2 hours, turning ribs occasionally, until pork is tender and no longer pink when cut near bone.

Cut each rack into four pieces. Serve with honey glaze.

Makes eight servings.

Conventional Method: Heat oven to 300° F. Place ribs, meaty side up, on rack of broiler pan. Bake uncovered 1-1/2 to 2 hours or until pork is tender and no longer pink when cut near bone.

## HONEY GLAZE

- 1/2 cup fresh lime juice
- 1/2 cup chopped garlic
- 4 jalapeno peppers, seeded, stemmed and chopped
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 2 tablespoons Tabasco sauce
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 cup honey

Place lime juice, garlic, jalapenos, cumin, Tabasco sauce and kosher salt in bowl of food processor. Blend until pureed. Pour puree into medium saucepan/ stir in honey. Cook over low heat 10 to 15 minutes, stirring frequently, until hot.

Nutritional information, one serving: calories, 470; (calories from fat, 220); fat, 25g (saturated 9g); cholesterol, 90mg; sodium, 1990mg; carbohydrates, 44g (dietary fiber, 2g); protein, 21g

## POBLANO-JACK MASHED POTATOES

- 2 pounds new red potatoes, unpeeled and cut into quarters
- 1 poblano chili
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/4 to 1 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese

Place potatoes in three-quart saucepan; cover with water. Add two teaspoons kosher salt to cooking water, if desired. Heat to boiling. Cover and simmer 15 to 20 minutes or until potatoes are tender; drain.

Meanwhile, roast chili over gas flame, turning occasionally, until blackened. Place chili in small plastic bag and close tightly. Let stand 10 to 15 minutes. Remove blackened skin, stem and seeds from chili. Chop chili; set aside.

Mash potatoes and butter with potato masher, leaving some lumps. Add enough cream during mashing to make potatoes light and fluffy. Stir in chopped chili, shredded cheese, kosher salt and pepper.

Makes eight servings.

Nutritional information, one serving: calories, 190; (calories from fat, 140); fat, 15g (saturated, 10g); cholesterol, 50mg; sodium, 300mg; carbohydrates, 8g (dietary fiber 3g); protein 6g.

Poblano-Jack Mashed Potatoes make the perfect accompaniment for the ribs. Add classic coleslaw, a slice of watermelon, and a glass of iced tea or frosty margarita for an ideal casual dinner.

Ancho chilies are the dried version of poblano chilies. Look for dried anchos that are three to four inches long and reddish-brown in color. Toast them in a heavy saucepan a couple of minutes until aromatic. Cool slightly. Wearing rubber gloves, remove stem and seeds. Grind in a spice grinder, food processor, or mortar and pestle.

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## Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings - September 21, 2004

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, September 21, 2004 at 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the pledge of allegiance. **Roll Call** Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack, Zarbo Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Conklin, Director Santomauro, Tom Casari, Engineering, Jeff Goulet, Planning, John Weyer, Building, John Spencer, Finance **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett, seconded by McLaughlin to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously **STUDY SESSION Item 1. FY 2005 Budget Review.** Director Minghine stated that on September 16, 2004 the Michigan Senate passed a bill that will increase 1/3 the summer tax bill, which will be taken from the winter tax bill. The bill has now been sent to the Michigan House of Representatives for passage. The finance director will be monitoring the situation. Director Minghine stated that this budget was precipitated on the current revenue sharing. Clerk Bennett stated that this may impact the shift of Police and Fire Millage to improve the intersections as planned. **MUNICIPAL SERVICES Administration:** Tom Casari stated that there is a reduction in salaries due to the transferring out of a couple of employees and the addition of 2 new employees with revenue off sets. Also contracted services was reduced due to the GIS person that was contracted out and we have a full-time GIS person on staff currently. Capital outlay for equipment is reduced due to the vehicle replacement schedule, 11 of the 34 planned vehicle replacements will actually be purchased in 2005. The capital outlay for computers has been budgeted for this year. Clerk Bennett inquired if the increase in staff is actually for an one (1) Engineer I, one (1) Utility Inspector and one (1) Clerk Typist Mr. Casari stated that it is actually one (1) Engineer I and II and a Clerk Typist. These tasks are currently performed by a consultant. Engineering is taking on additional responsibilities by performing private project inspection in-house, and the current position cannot perform these duties. Treasurer Kirchgatter inquired about the need for a clerk typist II as opposed to a clerk typist III. Mr. Casari stated that with the kind of related work and additional responsibilities there will be a significant increase in clerical responsibilities and fits within the Clerk III job description. Director Durack stated that the largest increase to this budget is fringe benefits, due to rising health care cost. Director Minghine stated that the need for new computers and software is an ongoing capital outlay, due to the replacement schedule along with new technology, 4 years is the maximum replacement cycle. Trustee Kirchgatter inquired if the new employees will get new computers. Director Minghine stated that no new computers for new staff are budgeted for; however there could be a possibility they could be back to approve new computers to keep up with technology. **Public Works:** Mr. Casari stated that Right-of-Way Maintenance budget cut in half, due to sidewalk reduction. Much of last years sidewalk repair was recouped through resident payments. The Metro Act Right-of-Way Restoration increase offset with revenue. Mr. Casari stated that the Wayne County Road Maintenance increased 50% based on last years cost. This is to maintain primary roads, not maintained by Wayne County, with salt and snow removal. Trustee Zarbo inquired about the Road Manager System. Mr. Casari stated that the Township is responsible for Summit Boulevard from Canton Center to the entrance into the first subdivision of Pheasant Run, maintaining snow removal, maintenance, repair and landscaping. Trustee Zarbo inquired about the Street Lighting with DTE. Mr. Casari stated that the Township is responsible for the installation and operating cost for those street lights requested by the Township from a safety standpoint. Trustee Burdziak inquired about the compost contract increase. Director Durack stated that the cost has increased approximately 3%, plus the anticipation of approximately 500 new homes. Mr. Casari stated the Storm Water Drain Budget has a significant increase due to salary items with the creation, however there is revenue to cover cost. Trustee Zarbo inquired about the salary rates for the two (2) labors, grade 5, that had two different pay rates. John Spencer stated that it takes 4 years to get to the top of the grade scale, one is new and at bottom of pay grade the other is at the top of pay grade. Mr. Casari stated sanitation budget increased approximately 10% due to the application of chloride to gravel roads. Trustee McLaughlin inquired if the Township is reimbursed for weed cutting. Mr. Casari stated that the majority of residents pay, and if not, it is transferred to tax levies. **Fleet Maintenance:** No significant changes. **Building:** John Weyer stated that there are 4 significant changes in the budget for Building. Fuel cost for fleet, Home Improvement Expo, with 10% increase of exhibitors, capital outlay - equipment, for much needed file

cabinets and capital outlay - computers for replacements. **Planning Commission:** Jeff Goulet stated that the Planning budget is status quo. **Planning Services:** Jeff Goulet stated that there is a reduction in contracted services and shifting cost around. Also, they are deferring one vehicle purchase. **Tree Program:** Last year the Tree Program sent out 750 vouchers after January 1, 2004 and issued within 10 days, with 450 returned for payment. \$20,000 of the 2005 budget will be used to plant trees within subdivisions and also berm areas that were hit hard by the Ash Borer. \$100,000 will be made available to residents for 2005 vouchers for the replacement of one tree per address, servicing 500 residents. Director Minghine stated that he would recommend setting the millage rate on September 28, 2004 and adopting the budget and depending on the decision coming down from the State, we have the option of amending the budget. **ADMINISTRATION GENERAL FUND Supervisor** - There will be no half-time person hired in the Supervisor's office and fringe benefits will be adjusted. **Assessor** - No questions asked. **Township Board** - Treasurer Kirchgatter inquired if Project Arts would be kept a line item. Clerk Bennett stated that Project Arts has been moved to the Cultural Commission. Trustee Zarbo inquired the about the increase in audits. Director Minghine stated that GASB 34 and Enron has created a lot more questions to satisfy the auditors. **Public Improvement Fund** - Clerk Bennett inquired where the money from land sales would be placed. John Spencer stated it is put in the Public Improvement Fund. **Clerk** - Clerk Bennett stated that "consolidated elections" was a nine bill package signed into law by the Governor on January 8, 2004. Beginning January 1, 2005 the new laws will effect a wide variety of broad and sweeping changes in the Michigan election system. There will be four dates each calendar year, fourth Tuesday in February, first Tuesday after the first Monday in May, August and November to conduct all federal, state, county, city, township village and school elections. In Canton's case all school district, intermediate, community college elections will be administered by Canton Township and Wayne County. School districts, Intermediate Districts and Community colleges are required to reimburse any expense incurred by the county and township when conducting a special or regular on behalf of the district. If the district hold the election in conjunction with another election held by the county or township the above list is only responsible for the added costs attributed to the conduct of the election. Clerk Bennett stated the "Help America Vote Act", HAVA is requiring that the County Clerk make a county wide selection on election voting equipment. If the clerk continues to postpone a decision on election equipment replacement there will be a need to rent tabulators to cover our expanding precincts. **Treasurer** - Treasurer Kirchgatter stated that the only increases is in printing, publishing and postage for tax bills. **General Government** - Trustee Zarbo stated that insurance has taken a 2% decrease, however the Township has an 8-10% increase. Director Minghine stated that it takes longer for the public sector to benefit from the trickle-down, also the Township needs a reserves on deposit to settle future lawsuits. **Finance and Budget** - Director Minghine stated that in the Finance and Budget Department Budget, the car allowance should be \$4,800 not \$5,000 as reported. Treasurer Kirchgatter inquired if these was a duplicate in maintenance and repair of equipment for the Genicom printer, Director Minghine stated that finance was paying 100% on the Genicom printers, in 2005 Water Billing will be paying 100%. Clerk Bennett stated that since three departments are potentially purchasing shredders in 2005, it is suggested that they bid out together to get a better price. **Information Technology** - Director Minghine stated that a second web designer was removed, however the furniture for this position was not and needs to remove \$4,500. **Water Billing** - Treasurer Kirchgatter inquired why Water Billing needed Fed Ex if the data file was sent electronically from the radio readers. John Spencer stated that the stubs are sent Fed Ex and they compare the stubs to the data file. John Spencer stated that the Water Billing has contracted out the bills to allow staff for resident phone calls and scheduling for water repair crews. **Human Resource** - Director Durack stated in Administrative Services, Human Resources the current half time position will be made full time. The wages are budgeted for in 2005, however will bring on board for the remainder of this year. Trustee Zarbo inquired about the Nextel phone for Julie Olesko, Human Resource Specialist. Director Durack stated that she does not get paid extra for possessing this phone, Monday thru Friday, 24 hours on call, it is for random drug testing. **Communications** - Director Durack stated that the communications specialist is paid from the Cable Fund. Mike Ager has two (2) chairs that are in need of replacement. Contracted services increase due to the HVAC Maintenance service contract. **Social Services** - Director Durack stated that a new van (replacement) is needed. **Facilities**

**Maintenance** - Director Durack stated that due to doubling the square feet of the administration building, a new Maintenance Tech IV is needed. Director Durack stated that due to the new contract with SBC there is a reduction in the telephone service. **Historic District** - Treasurer Kirchgatter inquired how old the roof is on the Travis-Bartlett House. Trustee McLaughlin stated it has been on the house since 1988 or 1989. McLaughlin indicated there were lots of problems with the roof and the Commission is considering going into dimensional shingles. **Cable TV** - Trustee Zarbo inquired about the huge suing in 2004 to 2005. Director Minghine stated that a large appropriation from the General Fund for the new board renovations and cable. **Leisure Services** - Total operating is \$12,193,920. The average household in the Canton Community invest \$147.58 in tax dollars for the operation of the Leisure Services Department. **Administration** - An increase in salary reflected the full year's salary of the Executive Assistant. **Golf Course Operations** - Trustee Zarbo indicated that the director might possibly show trends from year to year. **Parks Division** - Marketing increase due to the Discover brochure and \$50,000 in advertising and flyers. **Senior Citizen Program** - Treasurer Kirchgatter inquired as to the pay for a Trip Escort. Director Conklin stated that the escort gets paid for going on the trip, the trip cost paid for and food. **Performing Arts Center** - Director Conklin stated that the Center has 105 booked performances since the opening. Trustee Zarbo stated that the cleaning supplies indicates bleach as a product used and there is not an MSDS sheet available. Clerk Bennett stated that there is digital reader boards that fit in windows that might be an excellent way to advertise the upcoming or current performances. All Board members felt that the general public just driving by needed a way to find out the current schedule at the Theater. Treasurer Kirchgatter inquired about the Nextel Phones. Director Conklin stated that there were actually 2-way radios and were a one-time expenditure with replacement within one or two years. **Community Center Division** - Trustee Burdziak wanted to know what KNOT is. Director Conklin stated that it was the in place for advertising on-line, basically a one-stop shopping guide. **Public Safety Police Department** - Director Santomauro stated that this year the new category "Public Safety - Schools" has been added to the police budget. This expenditure is for cross walk utilities (fiber optic signals, school crossing signs) and crossing guards in the amount of \$85,500. Money from the Liquor Control Commission comes back to the community for enforcement. Director Santomauro stated that the Chaplain position is being evaluated after 15 years. Public Safety is looking into a Chaplain with a parish. Director Santomauro stated that Public Safety is not a jail, it is considered a lock-up. Trustee Zarbo inquired about the garage work that is needed and could this have been done during the new construction. Director Santomauro stated that the garage is at the range and is need of a new roof and equipment will be stored there. The care of animals is for boarding and pickups. Since Public Safety isn't dealing with Westland, the cost is down. Trustee McLaughlin inquired about the in-car cameras. At the present time, Public Safety is using two (2) different companies. ID Control and Decatur Gemini Plus. Director Santomauro stated that due to the different operational procedures it would be better and less confusing to the users to standardize the units to one brand of camera. The ID Control systems are constantly being taken out of service for adjustments and repairs. This at times causes several marked units to be out of service at the same time. Clerk Bennett inquired about response times. Director Santomauro stated that the response time is calculated by the time the call comes in to the first units arrival. **Fire Department** - Director Santomauro stated that there is a 15% reduction in the Fire Budget due to vehicle replacement schedule. Clerk Bennett stated that in 2006-2007 vehicle replacement will be hit hard. Director Santomauro stated that the average life of a fire engine is 20 years, however if taken care of, could last 25 years. Director Santomauro stated the conference and seminars-line item in the Emergency Management Fund is new and it includes training for the new emergency management planner position. Director Santomauro stated that the \$10,000 is for the final phase of maintenance. **Adjourn** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo at 10:38 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The next Board of Trustee meeting will be on September 28, 2004 at Summit on The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway.

Thomas J. Yack - Supervisor

Terry G. Bennett - Clerk

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# Tired of cheese & pepperoni? Chili cooks heat up Plymouth

## Try something different

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### BUFFALO CHICKEN PIZZA

¾ cup prepared pizza sauce  
2 tablespoons Tabasco sauce  
1 prepared pizza dough, 14-inch  
½ cup blue cheese, crumbled  
1½ cups mozzarella cheese, shredded  
½ cup celery, sliced  
¾ cup cooked chicken breast, diced

Combine the pizza sauce and pepper sauce. Reserve until needed.

Place the dough on an oiled pizza screen. Dock the dough well. Top with the reserved sauce, leaving a 1-inch border around the edge. Spread the blue cheese and mozzarella over the sauce, and top with the celery and chicken.

Bake at 450° F for 7 minutes. Allow to cool slightly. Cut into 8

slices. Makes one 14-inch pizza. Recipe courtesy of McIlhenny Co.

### SAUSAGE AND SAGE PIZZA

12-inch pizza crust  
3 sweet or hot Italian sausages  
1 cup mozzarella cheese  
5 tablespoons Romano cheese  
1 tablespoon fresh sage, chopped  
Juice of ½ lemon

Crumble sausage meat into small pieces. Sauté 3-5 minutes to draw out excess fat. Drain.

Sprinkle mozzarella evenly over pizza crust. Distribute sausage meat evenly over crust. Sprinkle Romano cheese, then sage, evenly over meat.

Bake pizza at 425° F until nicely browned, about 10 minutes.

Before serving, squeeze lemon juice over top of pizza.

Recipe courtesy of

www.pizzatoday.com, magazine for the National Association of Pizza Operators

### AVOCADO AND CANADIAN BACON PIZZA

112-inch pizza crust  
1 tablespoon olive oil  
½ teaspoon dried basil  
3 ounces Canadian bacon, cut into ¼-inch dice  
1 avocado, cut into chunks  
8 ounces tomato, thinly sliced  
3 ounces Monterey Jack cheese, shredded  
Salt, to taste

Brush dough with olive oil and sprinkle with basil. Overlap tomato slices, then scatter bacon and avocado over tomato. Lightly sprinkle with salt. Sprinkle cheese over pizza. Bake at 500° F until lightly browned, about 10 minutes.

Recipe courtesy of the California Avocado Commission

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Whether you enjoy the heat from motorcycles or the heat from chili, downtown Plymouth will be a hotbed of activity on Sunday, Oct. 10.

That's when the fires and stoves will be stoked and heated for the ninth annual Great Lakes Regional Chili and Salsa Cookoff in Kellogg Park.

The day also includes a Ride-In Motorcycle Bike Show where more than 3,000 bikes are expected to line the streets at this event sponsored by Motor City Harley Davidson of Farmington Hills.

There are 15 different classes to compete from and even the Ugliest bike will win a prize. All events take place in Kellogg Park and the surrounding area from 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

Chili chairperson Annette Horn expects about 60 cooks will participate in the cookoff.

Many of them compete in all three competitions of red chili, green chili and salsa.

"It's a little crazy out there, but hey, they want to compete and they want to win all three," Horn said.

For the motorcycle show, bike registration is scheduled from 10:30 a.m.-noon, \$10 per entry. Trophies will be awarded. Entertainment will be provided by Bobby Lewis and the Cracker Jack Band.

Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded with the first place chili and salsa winners

advancing to compete in the World Chili and Salsa Championships in 2005. Competition samples begin at 3 p.m., \$1 per sample.

"We seem to be getting more and more calls about it every year from people who attended the event last year and can't wait for the next one," Horn said.

Best of all, the cookoff doesn't take much time for visitors to enjoy, Horn said. "It's short, it doesn't go into the evening and you're in and out."

Local restaurants will be serving their own chili with a Restaurant Chili Challenge. At \$3 a bowl, guests can taste the local chilis and vote for a favorite.

Restaurant winners will receive a trophy. Restaurant chili will be ready at 11 a.m. and served all day.

Patrons can choose from Doyle's Tavern, Great American Grill, E.G. Nicks, Comparis on the Park, Sean O'Callaghan's, Plymouth Crossing, Herman's Old Time Grill, Dartmoor and Ginger's Coffee Connection. Doyle's won last year's restaurant competition.

All of the net proceeds from this event support local children's charities.

Last year's proceeds benefited handicapped children in the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association and Habitat for Humanity in western Wayne County.

This year's charities help Bridgepoint to assist Detroit

Public School's elementary school children and Habitat for Humanity in western Wayne County.

Chili cooks who want to participate still have time to contact Horn to sign up, as the deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 5.

"Chili itself is one of the most competitive foods," Horn said. "Friends get together, and they have their own cookoff. Chili appears to be controversial in that everyone thinks their chili is the best, so you have to see who makes the best. And even if you don't win, you're always going to think that yours is the best no matter who wins."

Every chef has an ego, especially when it comes to chili, Horn believes.

"And you come to the competition, taste the chili and you say, 'I can make it better than that,'" Horn said.

Horn should know good chili. She just won the district salsa competition Sept. 11 in Brighton and the North Central region for red chili on Sept. 18 in Taylor. She will compete in the International Chili Society World Championships in Las Vegas on Oct. 23 for salsa and Oct. 24 for red chili.

Cooks who win the Great Lakes Regional Cookoff in Plymouth Oct. 10 will compete in the 2005 World Championships.

For more information, contact the chili chairperson, Annette Horn, at Native West in Plymouth at (734) 455-8838.

## MARKET

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Billy Jacobs purchased Buddy's. Their son, Robert, continues to operate Buddy's, which over the years has blossomed into nine locations throughout the metro Detroit area. Buddy's has also broadened the scope of its pizza menu to include choices like whole wheat crust and a Greek pizza with feta cheese.

Jacobs said the recipe for the classic Buddy's pizza, with its buried pepperoni, unique blend of cheese, sauce and crunchy crust, has remained the same throughout the fabled restaurant's history.

"We're not everybody's favorite, but we win a lot of awards," said Jacobs, whose classic pizza creation most recently landed on the Food Channel's list of the top five pizzas in the country.

Jacobs said the quality and

the consistency of Buddy's pizza keep the Detroit-area delicacy in the spotlight, and that he has no plans to venture out of the area in the future.

"My philosophy has been small as opposed to large," said Jacobs, who orders the classic mushroom and pepperoni pizza, the Greek pizza or the gourmet vegetarian pizza when he dines at Buddy's.

"That's what I've chosen. We do a really good job at it and we give families a reason to come to Buddy's," Jacobs said.

Shield's opened as a bar in 1937 at the corner of Davison and Shields Street. Like Buddy's, Shield's got on the ground floor of the postwar pizza craze when it began serving square deep-dish pies in 1946.

Brothers Paul and Peter Andoni bought Shield's in 1997, and while the original Shield's location has shut its doors, the brothers still operate locations in Southfield, Troy and Dearborn and recently

opened their first full-service franchise restaurant in Warren.

Peter Andoni said it's extremely challenging to stay on top of the pizza business in the Detroit area, which he said is the most fiercely competitive market in the country.

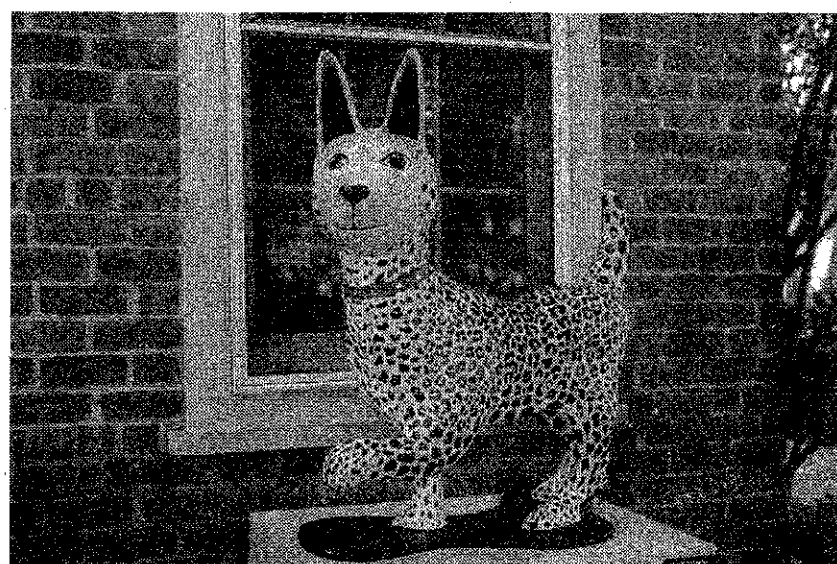
"We try to stay in our own niche," Andoni said. "We're not in the market of selling pizza for five dollars. We can't do that. Our cost is more than five dollars when you factor in labor."

Like Buddy's, Shield's has expanded its menu over the years to include many different pizzas. Every other year, Shield's hosts a pizza contest that allows amateur chefs to bring their recipes to a wider audience. Past winners include a taco pizza, a Philly cheese and steak pizza and a chicken parmesan pizza, which won a place on the Shield's menu.

"There's really no limit to what you can do," Andoni said.

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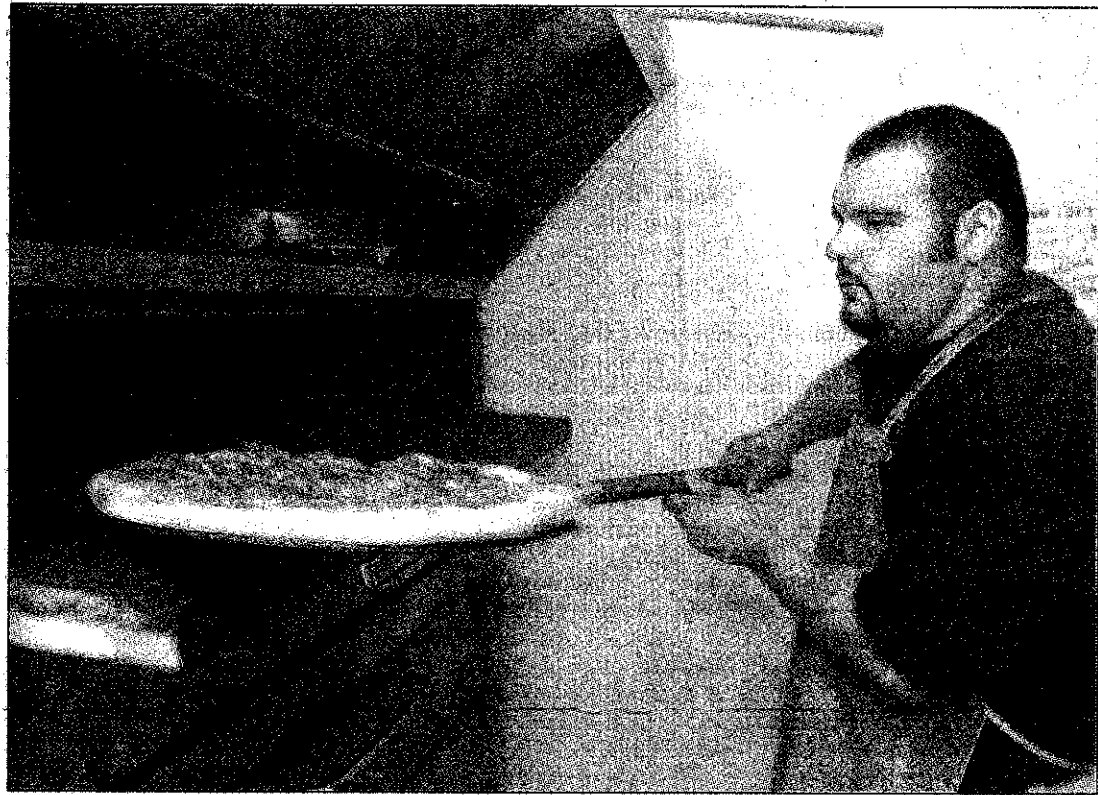
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Frank Chimento Jr. pulls a hot pizza out of the oven.

## PIZZA

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October is football and soccer season, and hockey is just getting started. And what soccer, football or hockey parent feels like putting on the apron and assembling a three-course meal on practice and game days?

The short answer for anyone contemplating a nearly instant meal plan is pizza, the incredible edible that runs neck-and-neck with the burger as the country's favorite form of fast food. According to U.S. economic and census data, Americans eat an average of about 25 pounds of pizza a year.

### ORIGINS OF FLAT BREAD

Where the tasty commodity originated from remains somewhat of a mystery, but most pizza researchers have traced the food's origins all the way back to the ancient Greeks, who purportedly ate a flat, baked bread with toppings.

But back in the heyday of the Roman Empire, Italians made pizza their own.

And while it is certain that pizzas were tossed, topped and baked in this country by Italian immigrants as early as the 19th century, pizza's popularity exploded in the United States after soldiers, who developed a taste for cheese and pepperoni while they were stationed in Italy during World War II, returned home.

Ever since, questions like "Who wants pizza?" and "Mind if I take that last slice?" have coexisted in the American vernacular along with negotiations over toppings between family members and friends.

The "garbage can" pizza, saddled with so many toppings that the use of two hands or a knife and fork became necessary, came into being and that's probably when the heavily uttered phrase "no anchovies, please" entered the lexicon.

Perhaps the best thing about pizza is that nearly anyone can make it and that the process of building a pizza pie can be as fun as eating it.

This writer's collection of fond memories include regular visits to the Italian bakery with Mom, buying the goods and trying to make that fat ball of dough stretch to all corners of the baking pan.

The easy parts were spreading the tomato sauce with the bottom of a spoon, then sprinkling delicious mozzarella cheese, pepperoni and mushrooms on top. Every item was taste-tested before the heavy pan was popped into the oven, but that was no different than the treatment batter and frosting got with homemade baked goods.

### FAMILY FUN

The tradition of families

making pizzas together lives on. It really hasn't changed too much over the years except that pizza-loving taste buds have turned on to more and more options in all aspects of pizza making.

Anything goes now in the world of pizza. Who's to stop you if your cheese preference is not mozzarella, or if you don't like tomato sauce? Chefs are also using whole wheat dough and experimenting with cheese-based crusts or no crust at all for the growing low-carb set.

In the Detroit area, where professional pizza kings like Mike Ilitch and Tom Monaghan have risen to the higher echelons of society, commandeered Detroit's sports franchises and built virtual empires from their piping-hot platters, there are plenty of templates to work from.

And while professional pizza makers who claim to operate in the most competitive pizza market in the country aren't about to entirely divulge the secrets to their success, they are more than generous with tips for those who want to try it out at home.

Motor City institutions like Shield's and Buddy's use brick cheese instead of mozzarella to produce that gooey melted cheese that almost slides across the tongue. They use a high-gluten flour to make the thicker crust.

"The dough is critical," said Buddy's vice president of operations Wesley Pikula. "We make what is considered a lean dough, without oil or sugar."

### SIMPLE AND DELICIOUS

Pikula, who came to Buddy's 29 years ago as a dishwasher and worked his way up the ranks of pizza maker and manager before taking up his administrative position, said that he tends toward simplicity when he makes a pizza at home. He also bakes his pizzas on his grill, a practice that's becoming more and more popular with the aid of readily available pizza stones.

Pikula said that using a pizza stone gives a pizza a hearth-baked flavor without the need of baking at pizza-oven temperatures, which range from 800 to 900° F.

Pikula grills tomatoes, smashes them and seasons the sauce with salt, pepper, basil and oregano. He tops it off with a blend of parmesan, mozzarella and Romano cheese, and leaves it at that.

"I like it neat," said Pikula. "Not too heavy on the cheese."

Going overboard with the toppings is something many pizza makers advise against. Pikula feels more than two or three toppings steal away the flavor of a pizza.

Shield's owner Peter Andoni said letting the dough rise is crucial to making a pizza Shield's style. Dough should sit at room temperature for about

30 minutes before it's shaped and stretched.

"If you don't allow it to rise you get a thin crust," Andoni said. "Some people like that."

Andoni added that doctoring tomato sauce with a touch of sugar or cream sherry can produce delightfully delicious effects.

Just as vegetable toppings have gone well beyond green pepper and onions (broccoli and fresh tomato are on the rise), the traditional pizza meats are expanding.

"Chicken as a topping is taking over as a meat, and a lot more people watching carbs want thin, crispy crusts," said Papa Romano's pizza chef John Murphy, who advises home pizza makers to make sure dough is stretched consistently across the pizza pan.

"Pizza in a pan can be more watery," Murphy said. "Drier dough is better for spinning."

Once past the dough and sauce foundation, a pizza maker can go just about anywhere.

### JUST YOUR IMAGINATION

With a menu that boasts pizzas topped with everything from asparagus and artichokes to seafood and sour cream, Amici's in Berkeley may be the most experimental pizzeria in the area.

Amici's chef David Zehel said he tests the waters even more when he makes a pizza at home. "I'm more of an 'improv' guy," Zehel said. "At home, I'm very experimental. It's up to your own imagination."

Oven temperatures recommended by pizza professionals range from 375 to 450° F. But after a few pizzas, do-it-yourselfers usually get a handle on their oven's potency.

The popularity of home pizza making is evident by the amount of ready-made pizza dough that area Italian grocers and bakers sell on a regular basis. The dough can be used for pizza as well as calzones and bread sticks.

"We probably go through about 150 doughs a week," said Frank Chimento, owner of Chimento's in Livonia. "It's a family activity, and kids have a hand in it and can make their own creation."

Another pizza month favorite available at Italian specialty shops like Chimento's and the Cantoro Italian Market and Bakery in Livonia is the par-baked or half-baked pizza. Just set the oven at about 400° F, pop one in for about 15 minutes and dig in.

But in doing so, you might be depriving yourself of one of the more creative cooking processes around. "The dough is a canvas and you can paint it any way you want," Pikula said. "Pizza allows you to do that. That's why it's such a great food."

Mike Murphy is a freelance writer who grew up in Livonia and writes feature stories for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

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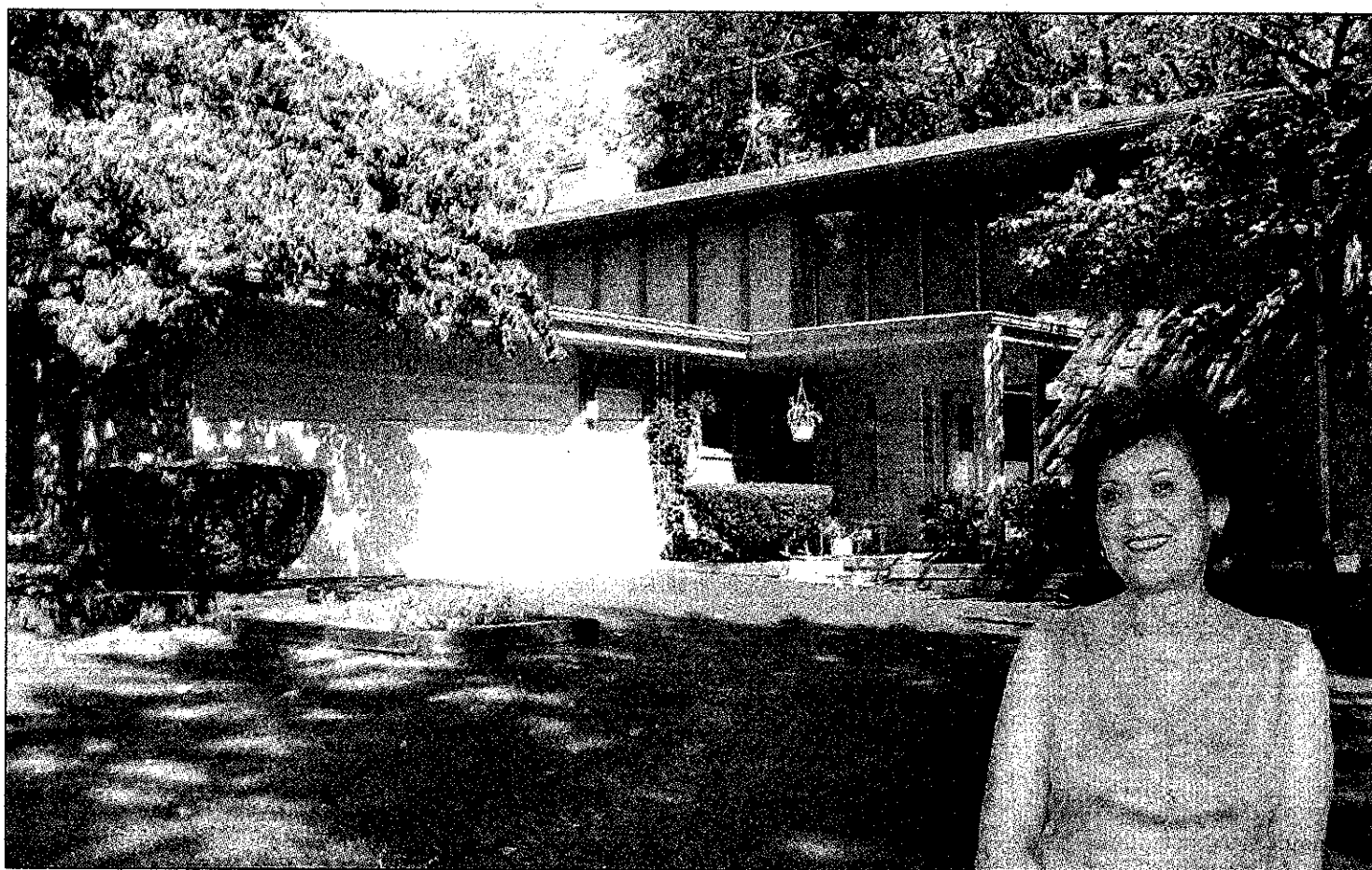
## Proposal A impacts property transfers

Would you briefly describe the passage of Proposal A in March of 1994, and how it impacted the property assessment taxation system?

One major change created by Proposal A was the "assessment cap." The language in Proposal A stated that, starting in 1995, the taxable assessment can be increased only by the inflation rate multiplier or 5 percent (whichever is less). However, other laws still require that the state equalized value is to be 50 percent of the current market value. As a result, there are three different "values" recorded for each property; the state equalized value, the cap value, and the taxable value. Your property taxes are calculated on the taxable value. Starting in 1995, the assessor was required to estimate the market value of each property and record 50 percent of that as a state equalized value. In addition, the assessor was also required to multiply individually each 1994 assessment by the (Current Price Index) C.P.I. to calculate each individual capped value. The lessor of the two was the 1995 taxable value for that property. Physical change to the property can result in other additions or losses. This "capping" process will continue annually until the ownership is transferred. When a transfer of ownership occurs, the next year's taxable value will be based on the state equalized value that has been calculated annually.

I hired a contractor to do some work for me in regard to completion of a home and he walked off the job. Do I have a claim against him on a warranty theory?

Yes, in a recent case out of Texas, the court on similar facts indicated that the homeowner has a right to pursue the contractor based on the theory of implied warranty of good and workmanlike performance which is not limited to only work that contains defects. In effect, nonfeasance as well as malfeasance can constitute a breach of the warranty; that is, a contractor's failure to complete the work required on the contract also breaches the warranty. You should consult with an attorney. 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@meisner-associates.com.



Realtor Gloria Holzman enjoys helping her clients let go of the past and move forward when they decide to sell their homes. Her client is selling this contemporary home in Bloomfield that and her husband 'lovingly' built in 1968.

## Stay, sell: Looking at options for seniors

BY KEELY SCHRAMM  
STAFF WRITER

Making the decision to sell the home you raised your children in, and spent most of your life, is not an easy one. You're surrounded by memories, have friends nearby, know where everything's at in the grocery store, have privacy and good neighbors who rake your leaves and shovel the walk.

"The only reason many seniors sell their homes is because the home has become a burden," said real estate consultant Emil Coolidge of Farmington Hills. "They can't keep up with the cooking and cleaning. But that's a bad reason to sell. They feel there's no other option, but there is, a reverse mortgage."

A senior himself, Coolidge is an affiliate member of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors and has been associated with the mortgage industry since 1950. He's the marketing coordinator for First Financial Mortgage Corp. in Northville, and works to help seniors to stay in their homes by presenting educational programs about real estate.

Coolidge said a senior's two biggest fears are going to a nursing home and becoming a burden to children.

### REVERSE MORTGAGE

With a reverse mortgage seniors 62 and older can borrow against the equity in their home and receive monthly tax-free payments from the lender. There is no repayment requirement as long as the homeowner stays in the home.

"The amount of the loan depends on three things," said Coolidge. "Your age, you'll get more if you're older, the value of your home, and the current interest rate." There are no income or credit requirements for a reverse mortgage.

If money is a problem, a reverse mortgage can give seniors the resources they need to pay bills, and even hire someone to help them clean, maintain their home and yard, and cook a few meals. There are different types of reverse mortgages. Some are fixed annuities, some offer the flexibility of a home equity line. Check with a home lending expert to find the reverse mortgage that best suits your needs.

But sometimes seniors decide to put their homes up for sale. The bedrooms are on the second floor and climbing stairs is difficult, the garden is too big to take care of, and it's heartbreaking to see it taken over by weeds. That's when Gloria Holzman, a Realtor with Max Brook Realty on Maple in downtown Birmingham, steps in.

### REASONS SENIORS MOVE

■ Neighborhood has deteriorated and safety is a concern.

■ To be near children (70 percent of those 65 and older live within one hour of a child).

■ Avoid stairs in a home.

■ Home is too large or costly to maintain.

■ Home may not meet present needs, physical or otherwise.

■ Assets are tied up in the home and cash is needed.

■ Don't drive and available transportation is not adequate.

■ Retired and looking for new lifestyle. From www.seniorresource.com

### MOVING FORWARD

"I love helping people, and get a charge out of getting people excited about the future and making change something positive," she said.

Holzman is in her 60s, but not ready to retire. "I always loved change when I was younger," she said. "But not now. It's hard to change when you're older because you're set in your ways."

Some of her clients are women who don't want anything to change, but are forced to because of poor health.

"A friend of mine had a series of heart problems and strokes. She asked me to sell her house in Southfield so she could move to the East Coast and be closer to her children," said Holzman. "She had such a love for her home, an emotional tie. She lived in the house 37 years and raised four kids there. Her husband was a physician. He passed away about five years ago."

The house was beautiful - there was a gorgeous bathroom and master suite. Holzman's friend was a gourmet cook and updated the kitchen. The walls were lined with books, each one as precious as a diamond.

"It was a house full of all of the interests she and her family shared," said Holzman. "The walls were yellow and the carpet a plush royal blue. Everything was custom. We put it on the market in November, but

it wasn't selling."

Holzman had to gently convince her friend that what she thought was beautiful might not appeal to a prospective buyer. "We painted the walls off white, and took down the wallpaper, then the house sold."

People sentimentalize about their homes, especially when they've been in them a long time. "A Realtor is more than just a salesperson," said Holzman. "We have to ascertain what the market will bear and break it gently to the customer. We have to be able to relate to their needs, yet encourage the letting go of their past. It's a very delicate operation."

### TRANSITIONS

To help her friend make the transition, Holzman encouraged her to get a place on a lower level so she could have a little garden. "Take some of your plants," I told her, so your memories will stay with you."

She also encourages people to find new homes for their treasures. "You need to find a way to make them feel that they are giving something to a worthy cause. My friend's books went to the universities where her kids had gone and a hospital library. If people can't have it, they want someone to use their things and value them."

Still, it's hard to let go. Another client is selling her four-bedroom, two-and-a-half bath home in Bloomfield. The contemporary home, in the Meadow Lake subdivision, is beautifully landscaped, has two patios, a family room and study.

"She and her husband lovingly built the house in 1968," said Holzman. "It's on a 1/2-acre lot. They built a balcony that overlooks the garden so they could look at the flowers together. He was a biologist and a poet. Every corner of the house is special to her."

Some people find that the house outgrows them. It's just way too big. The kids are grown and moved away.

"People still want their own space, but they just want something smaller and easier to manage," said Holzman. "It's a scaling down of your lifestyle."

Even though change is difficult, and the transition can be filled with tears, there are happy endings. Holzman's friend is happily settled in an assisted living community near her children. "She called today to tell me that she made a seven no trump bid in her bridge game," said Holzman. "She's made new friends and wants me to visit to see her garden."

The couple who sold their big house to move into a condo couldn't be happier.

"It's very gratifying when you make a sale," said Holzman. "When people are happy, it makes you happy."

## Mortgage Bits

Timothy Phillips



## Appraisal can help move sale, save money

Most mortgage lenders require a property appraisal before approving funds for a mortgage transaction. They require a valid, unbiased property appraisal to ensure their investment is intact.

Though it's the buyers (or borrowers) who normally pay for them, the appraisals are for the lenders' benefit. Lenders place importance on a property's appraised value because it helps them manage the risks associated with loaning money against the property. It's less risky to make a \$100,000 loan against a \$150,000 property than against a \$100,000 property.

Professional real estate appraisers help establish accurate values for homes, condominiums, rental units, and businesses. They are disinterested third parties that are not a party to the transaction, and they are normally licensed to do business with the states in which they do business.

Ray Bischoff, a full-time appraiser with Andrew Appraisal Associates in South Lyon, says there's a huge value in establishing a proper value for a property. Bischoff explains, "an appraiser's educated, non-emotional input can help transactions move more quickly toward a sale because they help ensure the property is properly priced. [We] help balance out sellers - who typically add "nostalgic value" to their homes - with buyers who are typically looking to discount their offer price with every little imperfection."

Bischoff adds that it is especially imperative for FSBO sellers - those choosing to sell their homes by themselves instead of using a Realtor - to get an appraisal in advance of marketing their homes. In many cases, the same appraisal can be used by any buyers seeking to buy the subject property, thus streamlining the sales transaction.

On the flip side, homebuyers who may be purchasing a property on a land contract will want to hire a residential appraiser in advance of signing a contract to prevent overpaying for their new home. Land contracts offer no formal checks and balances and sellers usually feel their homes are worth much more than their true market value. Judicious use of a licensed appraisal, in such cases, may save an unaware buyer tens of thousands of dollars.

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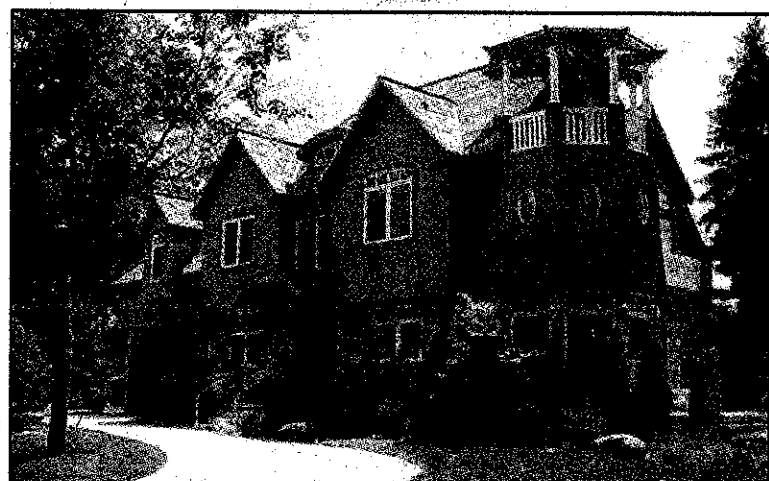
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## All Fund Mortgage

Learn how to get a home loan even with FICO scores as low as 500. There are several different ways to get financing when you have questionable credit. Free seminar 7 p.m. today at 6755 Merriman Rd. Suite 104, Garden City. Call (734) 522-7391 to reserve a seat. Ask for Mr. Waling.

## Home buyer seminars

■ **Great Lakes GMAC Real Estate** is sponsoring a free home buyers seminar, 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 2 at 5767 W. Maple Road, Suite 300, west of Orchard Lake Road, in West Bloomfield. Call to reserve your seat. 248-538-2222.

■ **Standard Federal Bank** will hold a free home buying seminar on how to select and finance a home 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 2 at the Women's Inspirational Network, 21500 Greenfield, Oak Park. Upon completion of the seminar, participants will receive certificates entitling them to apply for a mortgage loan under Standard Federal's Community Home Buyer's Program. The program is designed to make home ownership more affordable for people with low to moderate income. To register, or for more information, call (800) 643-9600, Ext. 22532.

## 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.

## Investment seminar

Presented by Great Lakes GMAC Real Estate 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12 at 5767 W. Maple Road, Suite 300, in West Bloomfield. Guest speakers include nationally renowned Nicholas & Co. No charge, call (248) 538-2222 or (248) 293-0000 to reserve your seat.

## Basement remodeling seminar

Presented by Livonia Community Education with Oakland Builder's Institute 6-10 p.m. Monday & Wednesday, Oct. 4 and Oct. 6 at Holmes School, 10200 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Learn how to make better use of the space in your basement. Topics include planning, meeting building codes, insurance, permits, estimating materials, and home construction basics. The instructor will also discuss working with subcontractors and finishing techniques. Cost \$106 plus \$12 for textbook. Preregister by calling (734) 744-2602, or visit www.buildersinstitute.com

## For Sale by Owner Class

Presented by Matt Kenkel, associate broker, ERA/Alliance Realty, Farmington Hills, 7-9:15 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6 at Andover High School in Bloomfield Hills. Cost \$30 per person, call (248) 433-0885 for reservations.

## Preparing your home for sale

Three-part mini-workshop presented by Diane Howard, owner of Stage with Style in Plymouth, is designed to promote "the art of preparing a home for sale." To register, go to Schoolcraft College Community Education - www.schoolcraft.edu. The cost is \$139. Class meets 6-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11 and Nov. 18, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20. The class will be offered by Plymouth-Canton Community Education - www.pccs.k12.mi.us, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Oct. 6-7; 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9. The cost is \$149.

## Real Estate classes at Schoolcraft College

These classes will be offered this fall at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. For more information, or to register, visit www.schoolcraft.edu or call (734) 462-4448. **Real Estate Continuing Education**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 25, \$60 in advance, \$65 at the door, **Real Estate Continuing Education**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, \$60 in advance, \$65 at the door.

## Tools of the Trade

Detroit Tigers Hall of Fame Broadcaster Ernie Harwell will be the keynote speaker at the 2004 Tools of the Trade Expo. The fourth annual real estate trade show presented by Realcomp II Ltd., is 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 14 at the Royalty House in Warren. Admission and lunch are free for licensed Michigan Realtors, but registration is required. To register online, visit www.realcomp.com and click the Tools Registration link under Hot Topics, or call (248) 553-3430.

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## Real Estate One

Conducts career seminars on real estate appraising and sales at its office, 32961 Middlebelt, southwest corner of 14 Mile, at noon Wednesdays. Seminars last approximately one hour. Call Steve Leibhan, sales manager, at (248) 851-4100, Ext. 405, for more information.

## Senior communities host weekend open house

*Alternatives For Seniors*, a free senior housing guide, is hosting an open house Saturday and Sunday at 115 senior communities throughout the metro Detroit and surrounding areas. The event will allow families to informally tour communities, whether in the pre-planning stages, or ready to move soon.

During the open house weekend, each community will offer tours, refreshments, door prizes, and answers to common questions such as:

■ What's the difference between retirement and assisted living?

■ Is an assisted living center or a retirement community the best way to go?

■ What if I move to a retirement community and at a later date need personal assistance?

■ Are there communities that specialize in Alzheimer's/dementia care?

■ Will Medicare cover all nursing center expenses?

■ Will long-term care insurance cover all assisted living expenses?

■ Is there an entrance fee for a retirement community?

## Mortgage rates decrease

BY JEANNINE AVERSA  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mortgage rates around the country dropped this week, with 30-year mortgages sinking to their lowest level in five months.

Freddie Mac, in its weekly survey released Thursday, Sept. 23, reported that rates on 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages declined to 5.70 percent. That was down from 5.75 percent the previous week and marked the

best showing since rates on 30-year mortgages averaged 5.52 percent at the beginning of April.

Rates on 30-year mortgages hit a high this year of 6.34 percent the week of May 13. Rates have slowly drifted downward as economic activity cooled in the late spring and early summer and inflation fears receded.

For 15-year, fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rates decreased this week to 5.10 percent from 5.13 percent last week. Rates on one-year adjustable rate mortgages dipped to 4 percent.

Mortgage rates have remained restrained even as the Federal Reserve has raised a key short-term interest rate.

## MOVERS AND SHAKERS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other news within the real estate, construction, architecture and mortgage communities.

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## Real Estate One

Real Estate One appointed Mark Jeffers as its new president of Real Estate One Franchising. Jeffers, a resident of Plymouth, will provide overall

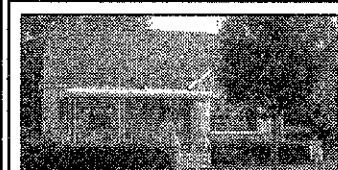
administrative management of the company's franchise offices, franchisee relationships, fiscal oversight, franchise marketing and advertising, and franchise network growth. He will continue to serve as vice president of Business Development, a role he has had since 2003, overseeing the Corporate Licensing and the Internet Leads departments. He joined Real Estate One in 2001

and acted as vice president of Marketing/Franchising from 2002 to 2003. Real

Estate One is the largest real estate company in Michigan, and 12th largest provider of real estate services in the nation, consisting of more than 1,900 agents doing in excess of \$3.4 billion in sales annually. The Real Estate One family includes John Adams Mortgage Company, Capital Title Insurance Agency, Insurance One and Relocation America, as well as Max Brook Realtors and Johnstone & Johnstone Realtors of Grosse Pointe.

## Village Green Companies

Announced that Michael Cleary has joined the company as chief financial officer. Cleary joins Village Green after a 16-year career with The Taubman Company of Bloomfield Hills, where he most recently served as vice president of Lease Flow and director of Finance. Cleary will be responsible for overseeing Village Green's financial relationships, maintaining existing or developing new sources for debt and equity, handling the company's overall cash position and assisting Village Green's development team with proforma analysis on new developments and endeavors. He will work with the company's internal accounting, asset management and property management teams. Cleary will also sit on Village Green's Board of Directors. Village Green Companies, headquartered in Farmington Hills, is one of the nation's largest privately held developers and managers of luxury apartment communities.



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SPARKLING LIVONIA BRICK RANCH! Totally updt 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath ranch in popular Castle Gardens! Unique 1st flr Indry w/skylight. New kit, carpet in LR & FR. Updated 6 panel drs, newer furn, HW/H, C/A, roof. Fin bsmt w/glass blk w/in, 2 car att'd gar & fenced yrd. \$229,900 (P96SLJ)

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**CANTON** \$235,000

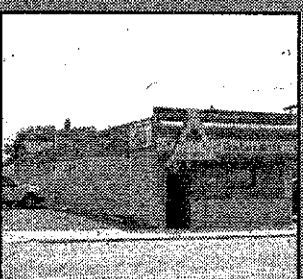
The search is over! Updates Galore! Brick paver walkway, h/wd frs, custom moldings t/o, updated kitchen w/ceramic tile, formal living rm, dining rm w/built-in shelves, private mstr bath, family rm w/lp &amp; recessed lighting. (OEN22DUR) 888-870-9123

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Cape Cod, 4br, 2 Full, 2 Half Bths, Grt Rm, Sloping Cng, Fp, 2 Story Foyer, h/wd Frs, Bridge Ovkr Grt Rm, Mbr W/cathed Cng, Jetted Tub, Bay Wndws, Finished Bsmt, Wet Bar, Deck, cntrl Air, sprinklers, recent Ex Paint (OEN53HEA) 888-870-9123

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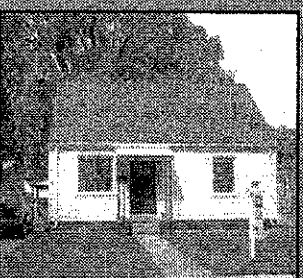
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Ranch Condo W/professionally Finished Lower Level Walkout. Very Desirable Hillside Estates Hasn't Had A Walkout For Sale For Over A Year. Don't Miss Out, Approximately 2800 Square Ft. Neutral Decor, Lots Of Closets. (OEN62MEA) 888-870-9123

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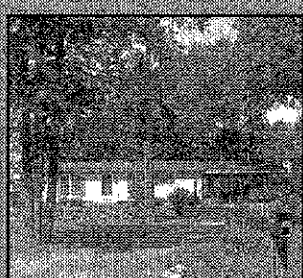
Spacious 3 Bdrm, 1.5 Bath Tri-level On Large Park-like Lot. Newer Kit W/cabets Galore &amp; Walk-in Pantry, Formal DR, 2 New Window A/c Units &amp; New Privacy Fence. New Septic Field. Newer Vinyl Thermal Windows T/O. (OEL48EDM) 888-870-9105

**GARDEN CITY** \$119,800

Reduced!! This Beautifully Updated Bungalow Will Take Your Breath Away! New Carpet, new Wndws, new Roof, huge Master Suite W/vic. Beautiful, Updated Kitchen. 3 bedrooms abd 2 car garage! Agents, Notice Commission (OEL19HEL) 888-870-9105

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**HANDY** \$165,000

Three bedroom manufactured home on 1.5 acres with abundant floral gardens. Mature trees, updated oak kitchen cupboards, newer carpet/floors. Doorwall to deck. 2 car attached carport, 1.5 garage. (OESLY37NIC) 888-870-9131

**HARTLAND** \$475,000

Wow! Your own dock with beach on Long Lake! Custom contemporary home with professionally finished walk-out. 5 bedrooms, 3 bath and a motivated seller. Priced to sell. (OESLY41LON) 888-870-9131

**KEEGO HARBOR** \$134,900

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**LIVONIA** \$289,900

Gorgeous, 3 Bdrm, 2.5 Bath Brick Colonial In "Windridge Village". LR W/natural Fp &amp; Formal Dining Area, Island Kit W/all Appl &amp; Doorwall. FR W/stone Fp, 1st Fl Laundry W/oak Cabinets, Full Bsmt, 2 Car Att Garage. (OEL36MYR) 888-870-9105

**LIVONIA** \$250,000

Great family home in great neighborhood! Original owner, tons of expensive updates have been done. Newer roof, windows, new driveway &amp; walk. Neutral t/o. Cozy FR w/lp leads to wonderful sunrm. (OEN34BEA) 888-870-9123

**LIVONIA** \$210,000

Clean &amp; Sharp 3 Bdrm, 2 Full Bath Brick Bungalow In "Rosedale Gardens". LR w/hwd Floor &amp; Nat'l Fp. Kit W/oak Cabinets. FR W/cathedral Ceiling &amp; Gas Log Fp. Fin Bsmt w/full bath. Vinyl windows. Copper plumbing. (OEL29BER) 888-870-9105

**LIVONIA** \$186,900

Classic brick ranch, 3 bedrooms, 1.5 bath, many updates which include: spacious oak kitchen w/ceramic tile, beautifully refinished hardwoods floors, roof, furnace and central air. 2.5 car garage. (OESLY75HIL) 888-870-9131

**LIVONIA** \$168,000

Value Plus! Seller Has Dropped Price By Over 25k Because He Wants Home Sold Now! Note Sq Ft, Great Opportunity For Instant Equity! One Year Membership To New Livonia Rec Cntr W/accept Offer. First floor laundry. (OEN85CAV) 888-870-9123

**LIVONIA** \$149,900

Excellent 3 Bdrm Brick &amp; Alum Trim Bungalow W/enclosed Porch. Nice Kit W/all Appls. Updates Inc: Newer Roof Shingles, Cop Plum, Vinyl Windows, Bath, Newer Furnace, C/A, HWT, Garage Door w/ Auto DO. Part fin bsmt. (OEL78CAV) 888-870-9105

**LYONS** \$249,900

Quiet cul-de-sac location on 1/2 acre lot. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial with partly finished walkout. Gas fireplace. Updated windows thruout. Home warranty, too. Hurry! This won't last. (OESLY73LAM) 888-870-9131

**NOVI** \$334,900

Lovely Dunbarton Pines-NOVI w/Northville schools. Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath w/updates. Like new flooring, carpet, H2O, furnace &amp; more. Large lot w/new landscaping &amp; deck. (OEP99STE) 888-870-9127

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Saratoga Circle 3 BR detach condo in pristine condition. Like new w/over \$21,000 in extras. Cherry kitchen cabinets w/oak floors. Enjoy privacy of your very own screened in porch. Beautiful home- won't last! (OEP69EME) 888-870-9127

**NOVI** \$144,900

Super privacy facing woods. Stand alone carriage ranch All in neutral tones. Updates incl. some windows, furnace, A/C, Hwn &amp; garage door. Huge LR opens to DR-cathedral ceiling great open fir plan. (OEN28GLE) 888-870-9123

**PLEASANT RIDGE** \$284,900

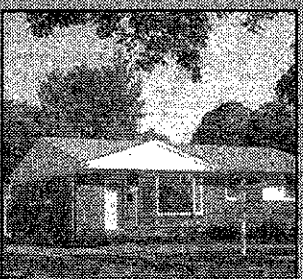
Sharp Pleasant Ridge Colonial W/premium Fieldstone Elevation! Vintage Character T/O! New Roof Tear-off (01), New Furnace &amp; Ca (02), Fenced Backyard, Sprinklers, New Garage Door &amp; Opener (01). (OEN11MAY) 888-870-9123

**PLYMOUTH** \$414,900

Spectacular Ridgewood Hills Colonial! New kitchen. Cathedral ceiling in huge family room w/gas fireplace. Beautiful finished basement. Newer Pella windows. Newer room, furnace, H2O heater &amp; deck. Private wooded yard (OEP55PIN) 888-870-9127

**PLYMOUTH** \$339,000

Like new! Beautiful detached condo in perfect condition! Attached 2-car garage, full basement, nice deck w/retractable awning overlooks the woods. 2 bedrooms &amp; 2 baths. (OEP93PIN) 888-870-9127

**PLYMOUTH** \$229,000

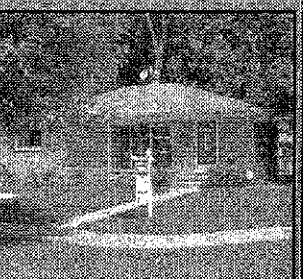
Wonderful location! Charming kiddie park-just down the street. Fresh paint t/o. All h/wd frs just polyurethane'd, newer win, elec updated, new kit cntr &amp; sink, new vanity in 1st fl ba. Close to elementary school. (OEP50BYR) 888-870-9127 8852765

**PLYMOUTH** \$223,900

The Meadows' upper unit ranch w/elec access &amp; undgrnd heated gar. Amenities include: ceramic entry &amp; baths, welcoming rm, 2 bay wndws, balcony off GR, all app. Lush landscp &amp; canopy entrance. Walk to town. (OEP35DEE) 888-870-9127

**PLYMOUTH** \$160,000

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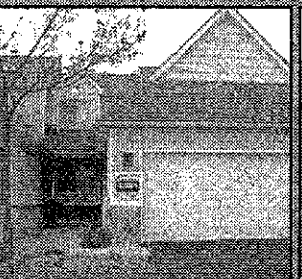
Private 2.15 Acre Setting. Custom built 4BR, 2.1BA Cape Cod. Gourmet kit &amp; nook w/hwd floors &amp; sitting rm. Lux 1st flr master ste w/fashion bath. Covered porch 3/4 way around house. 3 car gar w/latic storage rm. (OEP69GEN) 888-870-9127

**SALEM** \$327,000

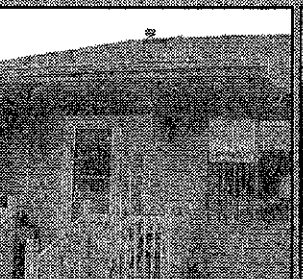
Charming farm house on 3.38 acres! 3 bedroom, 2 bath and 4 car garage w/lot. 2468 sq. ft. with newer kitchen w/oak cabinets and island, 2 bay windows, 1st floor laundry. Circular drive and gazebo. (OESLY717MI) 888-870-9131

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**SOUTH LYON** \$119,900

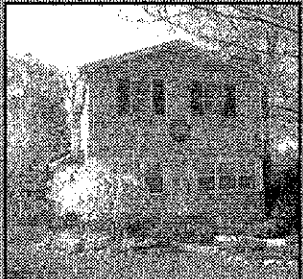
Immaculant! Like new 56 yrs + co-op. First floor laundry. Open floor plan w/finished basement. Clubhouse with pool. Many activities. Close to town. (OESLY41ARL) 888-870-9131

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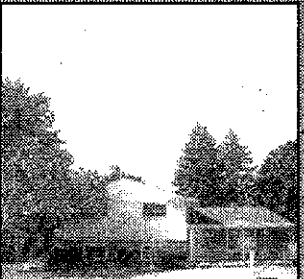
Premium location backing and sliding to trees! Lovely oak island kitchen w/hardwood floors, central air, first floor laundry, fireplace in great room. All appliances stay. (OESLY52HIG) 888-870-9131

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**WESTLAND** \$179,900

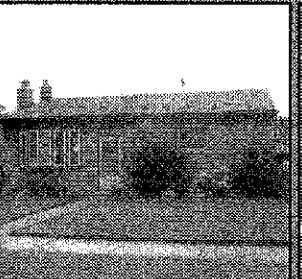
It's Gorgeous Inside! Beautifully Updated 4 Bdrm, 2 Ba Colonial, Livonia Schools. Updates include: Furnace, C/a, Windows, Carpet, Landscaping, Entry Doors, Lrg Bedrooms W/wic Oak Kit W/hwd Frs, Lg Storage Shed. (OEL13JOY) 888-870-9105

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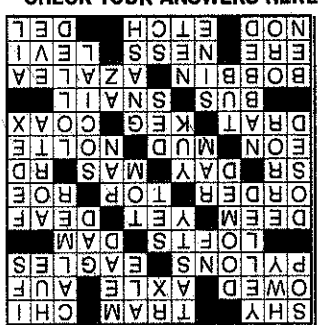
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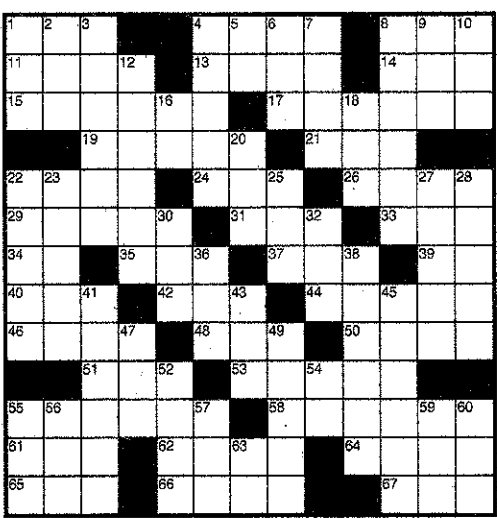
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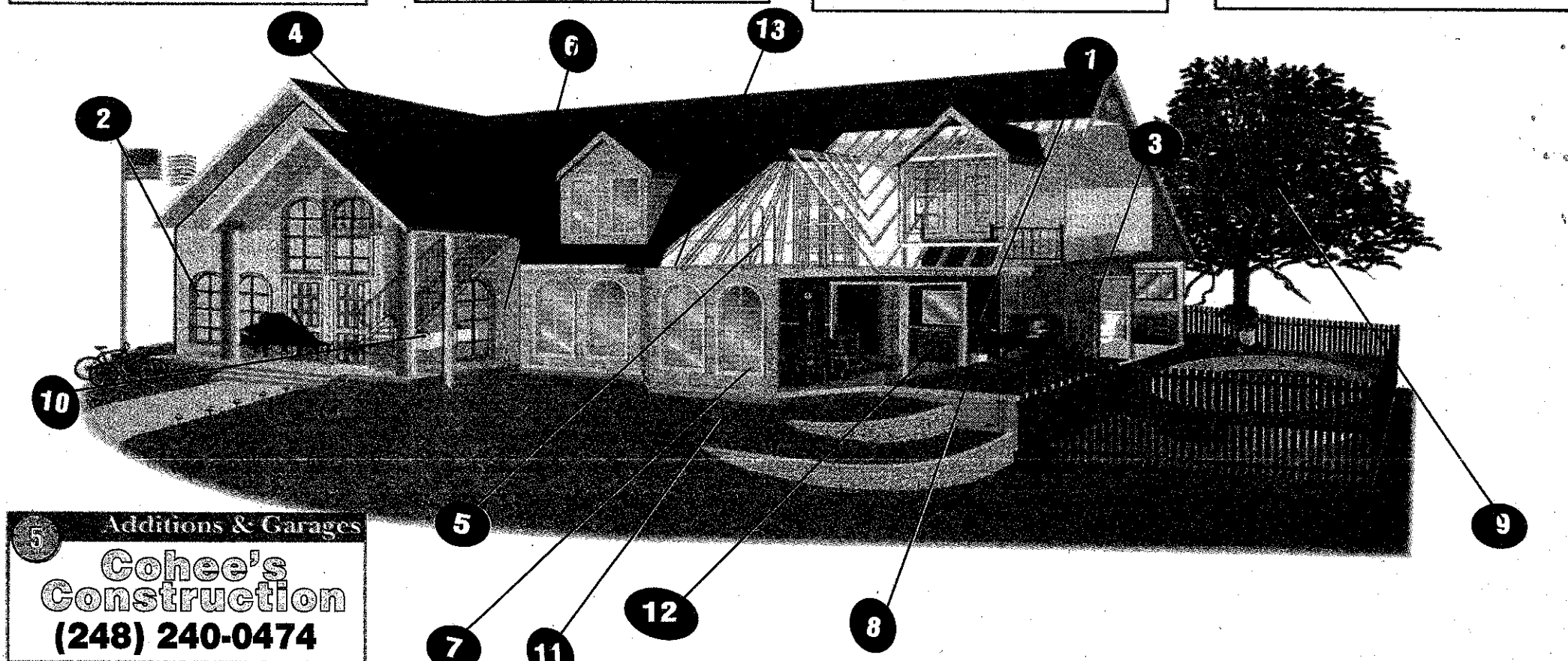


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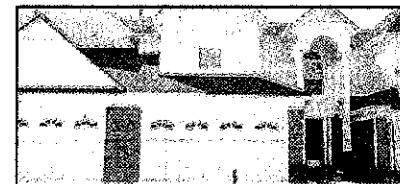

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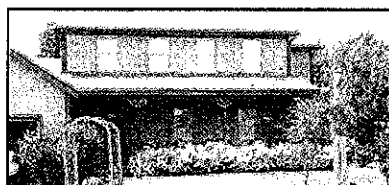
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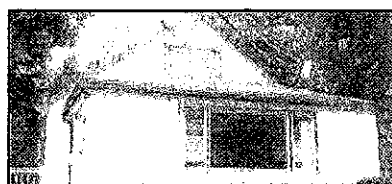
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Location, location, location! 1 bedroom, 1 bath sharp condo w/private entrance. Doorwall in living room to patio w/wooded view. Storage shed off of patio. Carpet '02, furnace '04, FFL, carport & parking close to entry.  
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Beautiful 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath brick colonial w/2 car garage, full basement, living room w/frp, formal dining room, breakfast nook overlooking the family room + C/A, many appliances & newer doors.  
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**NORTHVILLE Mind-Boggling Condo**  
Absolutely stunning 2 BR, 2.5 BA condo. Upgraded flooring T/O. Delightful kit w/workst nook, formal DR, LR w/frp, 1g MBR w/walk-in closet. FFL, wood deck, C/A, fin rec rm & heated 2 car gar.  
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**NORTHVILLE Downtown Northville**  
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Excellent location in Plymouth. This 2 bedroom condo has newer carpet, kitchen cabs, dining room flooring & windows in living room. Large private basement & more.  
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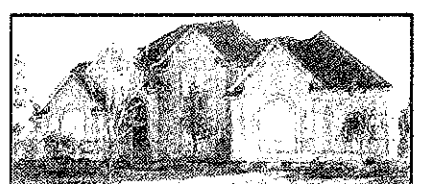
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Move in condition 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial. Enjoy your fenced yard w/a 2 tiered deck, hardwood floors in LR & DR. Newer furnace, C/A, carpet & updated kit & bath. Fireplace in FR, bsmt & 2 car att gar.  
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**DETROIT Great 1st Home**  
Nicely updated 4 bedroom - bath brick ranch. Newer 2003 roof, kitchen w/newer oak cabs & vinyl floor. 1.5 car garage. Security system. Fenced yard.  
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**CANTON Wow, What Hasn't Been Done**  
In this 2 BR, 1.5 BA and unit condo? New doors/moldings, ceramic floors in foyer, both baths, kitchen, to all newer appliances plus washer & dryer, newer windows & roof. Across from golf course.  
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**NOVI Elegant Custom Cape Cod**  
A grand entry greets you w/traveling fireplace, circular staircase, cherry cabs & granite T/O. Stainless steel appliances, impressive finished W/O LL w/full kitchen. No expense was spared. A definite must see.  
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**CANTON Edenbrooke Estates**  
Wonderful 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial w/2 car attached garage, partially finished basement, newer roof & vinyl windows, C/A, privacy fence & deck. Updated oak kitchen w/island.  
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**PLYMOUTH Lake Pointe Colonial**  
A classic 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, family room w/fireplace + finished rec room all offered on an extra large lot w/mature trees, 3 season room, neutral decor, kitchen has light oak cabs. How & short occupancy.  
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**NORTHVILLE Incredible Value**  
Waterfront estate in Stonewater sub. Largest sq. ftg by Mocer. Upgrades: marble, granite cust. cherry cabs, 2-story enclosed porch, spiral staircase, MBR w/3-way frp, sitting rm + BA, finished LL w/kit, bath & BR.  
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**CANTON Ranch End Unit**  
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**DEARBORN Welcome Home**  
Custom brick ranch offers 3 BR, 1.5 BA w/open floor plan & freshly painted. Updated oak kitchen, newer carpet, newer roof & windows. Great house & location. Walk to schools, parks, Divine Child. A must see.  
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**REDFORD Great Opportunity**  
Updated 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, hardwood floors, remodeled bath, newer windows, siding, HW/H, furnace '98, circuits '97. Formal dining room, C/A, 2 car garage, cedar closet in finished basement & S. Redford schools.  
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Spotless 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial w/2.5 car attached garage, full basement, great room w/fireplace, jacuzzi, master suite, hardwood floors, professionally landscaped, kitchen apps & much more.  
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**INKSTER Perfect Starter Home**  
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**REDFORD Sweet Starter Home**  
Offers newer siding on house & garage, steel entry doors. Hardwood floors throughout, newer roof & replacement windows, newer cabinets.  
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**LODI TWP. Country Club Living**  
Spacious 4 bedroom, 4.5 bath cape cod sitting on the 5th green, offers full basement, 3 car attached garage, lg ste w/cathedral ceiling & elegant bath + 1st floor master suite w/jacuzzi & double shower.  
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**LIVONIA Absolutely Charming**  
Best describes this 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial. Brick paver walkway to meticulously maintained home. Lush landscaping in a park-like setting. Many upgrades. Newer Andersen windows & vinyl shutters. Hurry!  
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**LIVONIA Dream Home**  
Absolutely stunning 4 BR, 2.5 BA home nestled on treed master gardeners landscaped lot backing to commons. Interior right out of BH & G magazine with gourmet kitchen w/granite counters. LR, DR, FR w/fieldstone FP.  
(E55PAR) 248-349-5600 \$329,900



**LIVONIA Move Right In & Enjoy!**  
All the big ticket items are done. This 3 bedroom ranch features bay window, remodeled kitchen, updated baths, new '04 tear-off roof, newer furnace, A/C, FR w/fireplace, 2 car garage & basement. Super location.  
(E48SCH) 248-349-5600 \$214,900



**SUMMIT Newer Home Built In 1999**  
Sitting on approx. 4 acres w/2 car garage, family room w/fireplace & walkout to deck, large kitchen w/island & all appliances, master bedroom w/WIC & master bath.  
(E00WEA) 734-455-5600 \$199,900



**RIVER ROUGE Move Right In!**  
Possible 4th bedroom in the brick bungalow w/2 car garage, basement, hardwood floors under carpet, fireplace in living room, some newer windows, newer furnace + basement & 2 car garage.  
(E36FLO) 734-455-5600 \$119,900\*



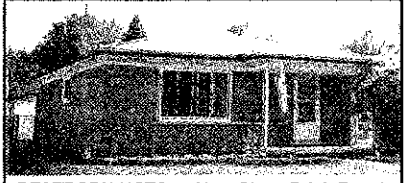
**CANTON Terrific Colonial**  
4 BR, 2.5 BA w/formal LR & DR w/privacy drs & bright windows. FR w/gas or natural frp. Eat-in kit w/doorwall to breezeway. FFL. Fenced & landscaped rear yard w/whshed & lg deck. Master BA, remodeled w/jetted tub.  
(E00MET) 248-349-5600 \$249,700



**NOVI Walled Lake Privileges**  
2 bedroom ranch remodeled in 2001. 2 full baths, newer vinyl windows, roof, furnace, hot water heater, carpeting, steel entry door. Newer white kitchen cabs. Appliances stay. Come take a look at the possibilities.  
(E9PEN) 248-349-5600 \$189,900



**LINDEN 3 Bedroom Ranch**  
On approximately 3 acres. Detached garage, sunroom & large deck. Finished W/O w/wet bar. Central air, newer roof & water heater. Large laundry room w/lots of storage. All appliances stay. Won't last long.  
(E62SEY) 248-349-5600 \$179,900



**DEARBORN HGTS. Very Clean Brick Ranch**  
Very well cared for w/new windows & remodeled bath '03, updated kitchen w/Pergo floor, painted throughout, glass block windows, refinished hardwood floors, large lot w/newer landscaping & more.  
(E49POW) 734-455-5600 \$139,900



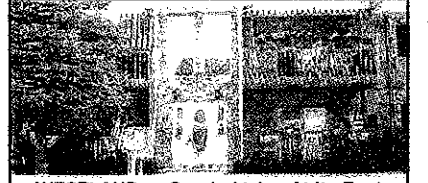
**WESTLAND Country In The City**  
2 lots gives you almost 1 acre of gorgeous landscaping & your own wooded park. 1st floor master bedroom, 2nd and 3rd bedroom on 2nd floor, newer roof, windows & siding. Large full, clean basement. Spotless.  
(E60VAN) 734-455-5600 \$125,900



**REDFORD Newer Brick/Vinyl Ranch**  
3 bedroom, 2 bath partially finished basement, C/A, large above-ground pool, deck, privacy fence, walk-in closet in MBR. Newer siding, windows, 2 car gar w/opener & insulated door. 150 amp electrical service.  
(E00MIN) 248-349-5600 \$178,900



**HARTLAND Breathtaking Setting**  
Updated 5 bedroom, 2 bath home w/a W/O LL. Master suite w/sitting area & French doors leading to a deck. Updated kitchen & bath. Newer molding & trim, solid wood doors & freshly painted. A must see.  
(E29PIN) 248-349-5600 \$299,900



**WESTLAND Condo Living At Its Best**  
2 bedroom, 2 bath upper unit w/skylights! Ceramic baths, master w/walk-in closet. Open floor plan. Utility room. All appliances included. Home protection plan. Beautiful view of pond convenient carport. Quick occup.  
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