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Cheer Club
The holiday season is here and so is the Plymouth-Canton Observer Cheer Club. Please join us by bringing donations of new toys and canned or boxed food to our office at 794 S. Main in Plymouth, during business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. The items will be collected until Friday, Dec. 10, when we'll turn them over to the good folks at the Plymouth Salvation Army. They'll distribute the donations to needy people in Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Belleville. When you bring your donations to the office, we'll ask you to leave your name and hometown, so we can recognize your generosity in the paper. Of course, you're perfectly able to remain anonymous if you prefer. For more information, give us a call at (734) 459-2700. Happy holidays, and please keep our Cheer Club in mind!

Coats donated
The Canton Police Department recently donated about 60 used winter coats, previously used by officers, to the Salvation Army in Plymouth. The coats were made available because the Canton police recently switched uniforms from their traditional navy blue that were standard issue for many years to all black. Canton Police Sgt. Todd Mutchler delivered the coats, all of which are in good condition, to the Salvation Army last week.

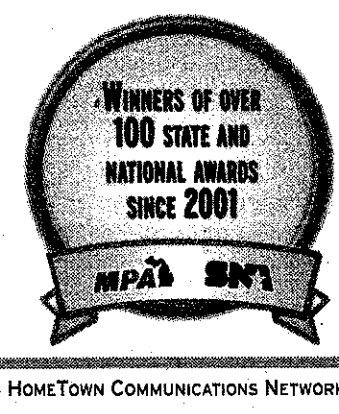
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Conviction lands Hill work-release

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

Harry Hill Jr., former president of the Canton Community Junior Baseball/Softball Association, was sentenced to five years probation Tuesday after being convicted of embezzling funds in excess of \$20,000 from the association, a potential 10-year felony.

He'll serve one year in Wayne County jail on a work release program, meaning that he'll be

free to work during the day but must spend the rest of the time in lockup. That sentence begins Nov. 30.

Other terms of the sentence, imposed by Wayne County Third Circuit Judge Brian Sullivan, mandate that Hill must pay fines and court costs, no longer gamble, no longer be in a position of trust and no longer maintain a checkbook for other persons or with other persons excluding his wife.

A restitution hearing will be

set, probably in December, to determine how much money Hill actually owes the league.

Hill, who is accused of embezzling about \$169,000 from the league and using the money for gambling in Detroit area casinos, was convicted in October in a second trial. The first, a four-day trial in September, ended in a hung jury.

In imposing the sentence, Sullivan told Hill that he deserved to go to prison.

"But if I send you to prison, you're going to lose your job and then you won't be able to pay back the money you owe the league," Sullivan said.

Hill briefly addressed the court and asked the judge to show leniency.

The three-month long police investigation began in November 2003, when Canton police received a tip that Hill might have been taking money meant for the baseball/softball association.

He was accused of writing checks to himself out of association funds and using the money for gambling. In the September circuit court trial, representatives of Greektown Casino and Casino Windsor testified that records showed Hill had lost money in their casinos in 2003.

After the September trial ended in a deadlocked jury, Hill was convicted in October after a three-day trial. That jury deliberated less than an hour before coming back with a guilty verdict.

Hair to help

Local girl donates hair for sick children

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER



Kristine Lentz shows off the hair she is donating to Locks of Love. The Tonda Elementary student had more than 11 inches cut off.

Kristine Lentz's first haircut in three years was a doozy.

Sitting in an old barber's chair in Redford Friday, the Canton 10-year-old sat by silently and watched as more than 11 inches of her beautiful brown locks were shorn off and carefully placed into a plastic bag.

It's not that Kristine necessarily wanted to see her hair cut off. She actually likes her hair just fine.

But she made the decision three years ago that she wanted to donate her hair to an organization called Locks for Love, a Florida-based nonprofit that aids financially disadvantaged children with medical hair loss. Since its inception in 1997, the group has provided custom-fitted hair prosthetics to more than 1,000 children, mostly suffering from an auto-immune condition called alopecia areata, which has no known cure.

To make these special hairpieces, which must be hand-assembled, the group uses human hair, and relies on hair donations nearly as much as it does on the monetary kind. These donated locks arrive by the thousands in little plastic bags, with the vast majority coming from children.

This is why Kristine found herself at Cardinal's Barber Shop in Redford last week.

The Tonda Elementary student learned about Locks of Love three years ago from a classmate, who talked about it during show-and-tell. Impressed, Kristine went home and decided to get her own hair cut, so she could send it to the group.

But it wasn't just a hastily made decision. She had added inspiration. Both of her grandmothers have died of cancer, and she saw

this as a way make a difference.

So you can imagine how disappointed she must have been when she learned several weeks later that the hair she sent was too short for the group to use. What she sent in was seven inches long, but Locks of Love needs a minimum of 10 inches because of the way the



Kristine Lentz, 10, watches as stylist Sam Jasmund cuts more than 11 inches of her hair on Friday.

Local fans sit ringside for 'basket brawl'

Women were 'captains' for Palace fight night

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Gayle Weast of Plymouth and Patti Cappuccitti of Canton Township are fanatical Detroit Pistons fans. Enough so that Weast (who has season tickets), Cappuccitti and a couple of other friends attend nearly 25 games a year at The Palace of Auburn Hills to cheer on their favorite team.

The four have become quite popular at The Palace, rooting on the Pistons while wearing jerseys and buttons and slapping ThunderStix to make noise.

In fact, Weast, Cappuccitti and their friend, Bobbie Krajca of Bloomfield Township, were honorary captains at Friday night's game against the Indiana Pacers, meeting at center court with Pistons players Ben Wallace and Chauncey Billups and the Pacers' Jermaine O'Neal and Austin Croshere before tipoff.

Usually, before the game, the referees remind the team captains about good sportsmanship.

"I guess we didn't do a very good job," said Weast, whose group was treated to seats four rows behind the Pistons' bench.

With just 45 seconds left in the game, and the Pistons down by 15 points, a melee began as a confrontation on the court resulted in Pacers' players charging into the stands and fighting with fans in what is being called a "basket brawl."

"We sat just one section over (from the fighting), so we were pretty close to it," Weast, 62, said. "Television couldn't show the drama as much as watching it in person."

"We grabbed our purses and coats, but I told the girls not to head toward the floor because that's where it will probably end up," she said, "which it did."

At 4-feet-10-and-a-half-inches, Cappuccitti, 57, had a hard time seeing what was happening when fans stood up as Indiana's Ron Artest and Stephen Jackson raced into the stands to fight fans.

"I looked at the monitor and saw they were in the stands and I said 'Oh, my God!'" said Cappuccitti. "You could see the people rushing to the floor and the police came. It was unbelievable, but I didn't feel scared."

Workers ante up, provide turkeys for the needy

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano visited the Tri-City Christian Center in Canton on Monday, one of several stops throughout the county where he delivered turkeys to help needy families for Thanksgiving.

The county's 5,000-member workforce donated several thousand dollars, enough to purchase



Steve Darr (left), of Tri-City Christian Center, explains the operations of the food pantry program to Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano.

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CRAFT FAIR

Tri-City Christian in Canton will hold its annual Holiday Craft Fair on Dec. 4. More than 75 crafters will be selling their wares. Refreshments and a bake sale will also be highlights. Tri-City is located at 3855 Sheldon Rd., just north of Michigan Ave. There is a \$1 admission. For more information, call (734) 397-0819.

USED SPORTING GOODS

Canton Leisure Services will sponsor its annual used sports equipment sale on Dec. 4 at the Canton Softball Center's

Diamonds restaurant. The public is invited to bring in gently used equipment and sell it. Employees staff the sale, so there is no need to be present at the sale. If you wish to sell items, bring them in on Dec. 3 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. to be priced and tagged for the sale. You set the price. Canton Leisure Services will keep 15 percent of the profits from all items sold during the sale. The sale will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call (734) 394-5460.

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DCFU Financial Mortgage Loan Officer Wendy Hewitt, for the second year in a row, holds the title of being the only credit union mortgage specialist in the nation to earn a top spot on "Mortgage Originator Magazine's" list of top producers.

Hewitt works in DCFU Financial's branch in Canton, which opened in 2004.

Hewitt closed a record of 1,047 mortgage loans last year. This ranked her 32nd nationwide among more than 1,000 loan originators who reported their sales to the national

Tree of Life attracts shoppers

Angela Hospice's annual Tree of Life opened Nov. 22 at Laurel Park Place in Livonia, marking the 17th year for this fund-raiser, which supports Angela Hospice's programs serving terminally ill children and adults.

The Tree of Life is a familiar site to many Laurel Park Place shoppers who have placed an angel ornament honoring their loved one on the tree, for a donation to Angela Hospice.

"The Tree of Life has become a holiday tradition for many mall shoppers and Angela Hospice supporters," said Sister Mary Giovanni, Angela Hospice President. "It is very moving for people when they see the ornaments for their loved ones lit up on the tree. This is a wonderful way to honor family and friends."

The popularity of the Tree of Life has grown through the past 17 years, with more and more shoppers taking the time to visit the tree each year. Angela Hospice's Development Manager Alice Barringer expects that trend to continue.

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she said, sitting in the chair and wondering what her Tonda classmates were going to think when she returned to the classroom on Monday.

Kristine's mother, Annette Lentz, witnessed the shearing of her daughter's hair, and couldn't believe how different she looked, going from long hair to a short bob.

"I am very proud of her, and was when she first decided to do it three years ago," Lentz said. "This is so great. She is so independent. She said she wants to do it one more time."

To make a hair donation to Locks of Love, hair must be at least 10 inches in length, bundled in a pony tail or braid, and placed in a plastic bag.

To learn more specific instructions, visit the group's Web site at www.locksoflove.org.

THANKSGIVING

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reporting a sharp decline in donations this year.

Tri-City's Steve Darr, who coordinates the Caring Connections program, said the turkeys were a true blessing, because Gleaners, which usually donates turkeys to Tri-City for Thanksgiving, recently notified the church that it wouldn't be able to do so this year. That sent Darr and other church organizers scrambling to find replacements at a low cost.

"We've been around begging grocery stores to help us, so

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Physical Therapy UPDATE

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THE LOWDOWN ON LOW BACK PAIN

It is estimated that 80% of Americans will have significant low back pain at some point in their lives. Lower back pain is second only to the common cold as the leading cause of lost workdays for adults under the age of 45. Common causes of low back pain include sprain and strain; wear and tear associated with age, osteoporosis, and fractures; or a protruding disc. Most low back pain can be treated with medication and activity modification, and most research indicates that light activity speeds healing and recovery. With this in mind, once the pain decreases, it may be helpful to consult with a physical therapist who can guide you through a rehabilitation program.

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Tears, cheers mark new citizens

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

They came from 53 countries, spent at least five years learning the customs, laws and language of the United States. And Friday morning, 251 people became Americans.

The new citizens and their family members and friends packed the gymnasium of Smith Middle School in Troy. Shaking off their jackets, still wet from the cold drizzle outside, they listened, cheered and even cried during the swearing-in ceremony.

"This is a really big day for us," said Connie Khoshi, of Warren. Her husband, Rafid, moved to the United States from Iraq seven years ago. They've been married for two years, and through the ceremony, the couple's 7-month-old daughter, Ciel, smiled and squirmed and tugged at her mother's blouse.

"When he was notified that he passed his (citizenship) test,

he felt like a weight had been lifted from his shoulders. He felt more like he had the right to be here as a citizen, rather than as someone who just has permission to work here," Khoshi said. "He knows it's important to have the rights and freedoms and responsibilities of being a citizen."

Just moments after taking her oath, Yan Jiang, of Canton, barely felt like a citizen, she said.

"I feel a little American, but I'm just starting to," she said. Jiang has lived in the United States since moving here from China in 1995.

"I wanted to be a citizen because this is just a great country. I gave it a lot of thought. It is a little hard to give up Chinese citizenship, but it's worth it," she said. "It's just a great country."

The ceremony gave American-born citizens a chance to think about their own heritage and what it means to be American, said



HEATHER ROUSSEAU

Thipaporn Dhitirojana from Thailand is happy to become a United States citizen during the swearing-in ceremony on Friday.

Judge Michael Martone of the 52nd District Court, who recalled the story of a man he swore in years ago.

"I've been waiting for this my whole life," the man told Martone, who asked where he was from, assuming the new citizen would tell him he had come from Eastern Europe or the Soviet Union. Instead, the man told him he was from Toronto. "It made me think about how important my own citizenship is," Martone said. "Before that, I always thought of myself as an Italian-American. That day, I became

an American of Italian descent."

It's not easy to be an American right now, especially during war time, Martone said.

"We ask you to stand shoulder to shoulder with us," he said, thanking them for making the sacrifice to become citizens in spite of difficulty.

Eastern District U.S. District Court Judge David Lawson also thanked the new citizens.

"You have traveled and studied and sacrificed to become Americans," he said. "You are what makes this nation a great nation."

2 plead guilty to income tax fraud

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A former Westland resident and her niece, formerly of Canton, have pleaded guilty to filing false tax returns totaling \$61,000.

Linda Jean Taylor, 45, and niece Dwayna Allen, 27, admitted their involvement in a tax-cheating scheme in which tax returns falsely listed dependents and bogus businesses, U.S. authorities said.

Taylor, now of Inkster, pleaded guilty to two counts of filing false and fictitious claims to the Internal Revenue Service. She also admitted her guilt in three counts of identity theft.

Allen, also now living in Inkster, pleaded guilty to three counts of aiding and abetting in the filing of false tax returns.

The women made their guilty pleas in front of U.S. District Judge Avern Cohn in Detroit, federal authorities announced last week.

On Monday, IRS criminal investigation spokesman Stephen Moore said federal authorities have recommended that Taylor receive 18-24 months in prison for her crimes and that Allen be given no more than a six-month term.

Their formal sentencings are pending.

According to court records, Taylor prepared 24 federal tax returns for 12 people that falsely listed dependents and non-existing businesses during 1999 and 2000. Allen was

accused of providing some of the information for the tax returns.

Taylor created fictitious cleaning services and child care businesses so that larger tax refunds could be obtained. Allen's former Canton address was used to receive refund checks.

When a check would come in, Allen would drive the taxpayer to a convenience store to cash it. Then, authorities said, she would collect a \$1,000 fee for Taylor's preparation of fraudulent claims.

Taylor also was accused, without permission, of using the names and Social Security numbers of three people who had the same name as hers. She was accused of using the information to file false tax returns and to receive fraudulent refunds.

Taylor admitted signing and cashing those checks and keeping almost \$7,000 in tax refunds for her own use, according to a joint statement from U.S. Attorney Craig S. Morford and IRS Acting Special Agent Sandi Carter.

"This investigation is an example of the havoc that an abusive return preparer can cause," Carter said. "When the IRS detects false returns, not only can the return preparer find themselves subject to criminal prosecutions, but the taxpayers can also be exposed to criminal actions, along with the responsibility to pay additional taxes with interest and penalties."

There's much for which to be thankful

Annual basket donations provide holiday happiness

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Some 200 needy families in the area are celebrating Thanksgiving with a traditional meal, and they've got the volunteers and generous donors who help the Plymouth Salvation Army to thank for it.

Volunteers spent most of Monday afternoon packing

some 200 boxes with the kinds of goodies traditionally served on Thanksgiving tables.

"We like to help as many people as we can, that's pretty much our mission," said Bill Moritz, the Salvation Army's outreach coordinator. "We couldn't possibly do it without the generosity of the community."

Each box contained canned

goods, turkey, veggies, potatoes and a pie and other assorted goodies.

Much of the canned goods came were raised in canned food drives conducted at Plymouth-Canton middle schools.

At Allen Elementary School, for instance, a pizza party was at stake for the winning class in a canned food drive, organized by the Allen Student Council.

Competition was fierce and ended up in a tie between Terri Kolakowski's fourth-grade class and the fifth-

graders in Gail Maloney's class.

"It's very satisfying when you see the children in our community care that much about helping," Moritz said. "That's a pretty good indication of what this community is like."

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Residents: Developer left condominium project high and dry

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

Residents of Creek Crossings, a small, 10-house site condominium project southwest of Haggerty and Cherry Hill roads, say they have been left ... well ... up a creek by the developer.

The problem, according to resident Randy Temple, is that the developer took off before the project was completed, leaving the street unfinished and a detention pond that is not being maintained.

"The developer took off and left us high and dry," he said. "There's a four-inch drop-off on everyone's driveway. The sidewalk is unfinished. I've fallen twice. My dad has fallen."

Temple questions why the developer was not required to post bond money with the township in order to cover the cost of finishing the street in case he defaulted on the project.

He claims the township has "washed their hands with us."

"If they're building in the township, why was there no money in escrow to make sure these roads were finished? Nobody from the township came out to make sure everything was completed," he said.

Township officials say the problem is more complicated than that.

Since the project was developed as a site condominium project rather than a subdivision, the road is private, meaning that it is not turned over to Wayne County once everything is complete.

The road, and the detention pond, become the responsibility of the homeowners association.

But Temple, who bought the ninth house in the development about four years ago, said the master deed called for a 10-house homeowners association, which they could not form until the 10th house was completed. Although the 10th

house was eventually built almost two years ago, the association was never formed.

"Ninety-nine point nine percent of what we want done is the roads," Temple said. "If somebody came though and fell, all 10 houses are liable. We can't get a snowplow down the road. They don't want to come down there. I'm at the point now I don't even want to live there."

TOWNSHIP'S HANDS TIED

Kris Sanders, Canton's neighborhood coordinator, says the township recognizes the problem, but their hands are pretty much tied due to the nature of the project.

She said she's been aware of the problem since at least November of 2000.

"I've talked with about half the homeowners," she said. "They didn't want to organize themselves to go after the developer. The court has done that through the condominium act with the state."

She said the township has also been looking for the developer, Mark Freedman, but without success.

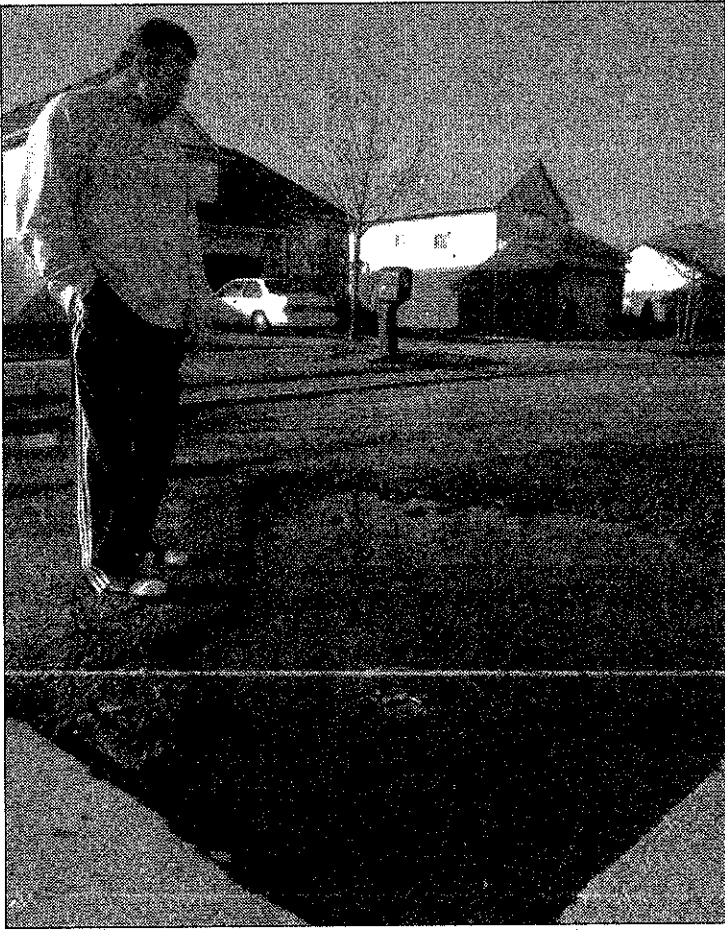
"Our attorney had a process server looking for him," she said. "But they couldn't find him."

As far as no bond money being put up by the developer, Sanders said that was not required at the time the project was started for private roads.

Charlie Mott, president of the homeowners advisory council, an organization of homeowners associations representatives, said because of situations like this, his group petitioned the township to require a bond for private road projects.

"Now they take money from the developer and hold it until a project is completed," he said.

"But in this case the township's hands are tied. There are certain things they can't do."



Randy Temple is unhappy about the state of the road and other issues in his Canton neighborhood near Haggerty and Cherry Hill.

DEVELOPER DISAPPEARED

Canton Engineer Tom Casari said the township has been attempting to help out the residents but there is only so much they can do.

"We have pursued the developer for the last couple of years," he said. "We haven't been able to find him and get him into court. We're doing all we can do legally on our end."

Casari said as far as the detention pond is concerned, it is the responsibility of the homeowners (or the homeowners association) to maintain.

"We've done some minor work to sort of help them out," he said. "We've sent crews out to keep things working properly. But it's theirs to maintain."

Casari said as far as the developer is concerned, all the township could do, if they could find him, is to cite him for ordinance violations.

"That's a \$500 fine," he said. "It hampers our ability to do anything."

Township Planner Jeff Goulet said the problem with the road was that originally there was not enough base put



Gayle Weast of Plymouth, Bobbie Krajca of Bloomfield Township and Patti Cappuccitti of Canton were honorary captains at the Pistons' game Friday, shaking hands with Pistons Chauncey Billups and Ben Wallace before the game.

PISTONS

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Weast, an astute fan, said the confrontation on the court between Ben Wallace and Ron Artest partially stemmed as a result of bad feelings from last year's playoffs. And, when Artest laid down on the scorer's table with his legs crossed, Weast thought the Pacers player was taunting the fans.

"And when the cup was thrown on him by the fan, it was quite frightening the way he came up in the stands," Weast said. "He was totally out of control. I wouldn't have wanted to be in his way."

"And, as soon as Jackson came into the stands, it went from bad to worse," she said.

"Obviously, the fan was wrong, but Artest had no business going into the crowd," added Cappuccitti.

"The guy who threw the cup was a season ticket holder, so he should have known Artest was a nut case."

If the trio had been in their regular seats for the game, they would have been sitting near the opponent's entrance, where fans were throwing beer and debris at the Pacers as they left the court.

"A very small percentage, maybe 200, of them are idiots," said Weast. "They're not real Pistons fans. If they have season's tickets, they should have them taken away."

"There seems to be a different crowd this year, a lot of younger guys who seem to be drinking a lot," added Weast. "And then we thought about it. There's no hockey this year, so maybe those fans are coming to the Pistons games."

However, Weast and Cappuccitti said they aren't afraid of going back to the Palace to watch another game.

"I have never felt unsafe there, and I can't say I felt totally unsafe when this was going on," said Weast.

"Maybe if security stays at the level of that during the playoffs, it will be enough."

Cappuccitti, who went skydiving this summer, said, "I don't get afraid that easily."

"But, what makes me sad," said Cappuccitti, "is that it's nice to be able to get near the floor to see the players and the fans can get autographs, and that might be stopped."

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Army kicks off kettle campaign

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Despite the loss of one of its biggest supporters, the Plymouth Salvation Army kicked off its annual Red Kettle campaign with lots of music and a healthy dose of optimism that overcame even the rain Mother Nature dumped on the ceremony Friday.

Canton's Target store, like Target stores all over the country, won't be a kettle location this year, eliminating some \$15,000 in kettle revenue collected there last year. Target's corporate officials decided this year to ban the Salvation Army from its storefront while enforcing corporate policy to prevent solicitation.

However, the new Michaels store in Canton and Parkside Gallery in Plymouth have stepped up to join some 25 kettle locations, leaving Kettle Campaign Coordinator Kelly Zmudzynski hopeful.

"You can't replace Target, because it was a favorite spot," she said. "I am optimistic the addition of Michaels, along with the tremendous support we get from everyone else, will allow us to meet our goal."

Last year's campaign drew some \$158,000, but Zmudzynski said she left her 2004 goal at \$140,000 in an effort to be conservative in the face of the loss of Target. The campaign also lost a popular Plymouth location when the Little Book Shoppe on the Park closed earlier this year, but Parkside Gallery owner



Maj. Kathy Hogg leads the crowd in a few holiday tunes during the Red Kettle Campaign kickoff Friday. Major Bill Hogg and Captain Curtis Windham add brass backup.

Kal Jabara immediately offered his store, at the high-traffic corner of Main and Ann Arbor Trail, to replace the bookstore.

In addition to the bell-ringers, there are two other ways for businesses to get involved in the campaign, which starts in earnest Monday and runs through Dec. 24:

■ Businesses can sponsor a kettle for a day for \$100. The donation buys them a sign on the kettle at the location of their choice and is "a great way to support the community," Zmudzynski said.

■ Put up a counter kettle. These smaller versions of the regular kettles are small enough to place on counter-tops near cash registers. Zmudzynski said businesses can call her when these kettles fill and she'll get them replaced.

The campaign's 25 locations in Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Belleville are manned largely by bell ringers, 97 percent of whom are volunteers. Kettle locations are manned from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

"There is absolutely no way I could do this without my volunteers," Zmudzynski said. "We are absolutely blessed to have the volunteers we have."



John M. Hale plays holiday tunes at the Plymouth Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign kickoff Friday.

There are still plenty of time slots available for volunteers to ring bells. To volunteer, or for more information about the campaign itself, call Zmudzynski at (734) 453-5464, Ext. 32.

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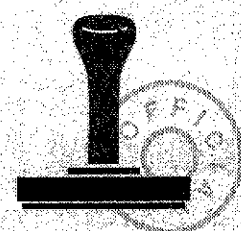
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Beatrice H. Conroy, 92, formerly of Birmingham died Nov. 20.

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Cecelia Josephine Grewe, 82, of Richmond, died Nov. 20.

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Emmet Jeremiah Killeen, 82, of Livonia died Nov. 16.

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Kenneth M. Lyday, 70, died Nov. 21.

R
Mary Perry Randall, 83, formerly of Redford Township died Nov. 22.
Armella Evelyn Richmond, 93, of Perry died Nov. 21.



For the Record appears in every edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's Sports section in Passages on page C9.

Randall W. Russell, 50, of Novi formerly of Redford died Nov. 18.

REUNIONS

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48170. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact person, and a telephone number.

Birmingham High School

A 50-year reunion is planned for Sept. 22-23, 2005, at Radisson Kingsley Inn, Bloomfield Hills. For more information contact Nancy Yarnell Schutte at (248) 646-0235 or nys1937@comcast.net.

Bishop Borgess

Class of 1984

A 20-year reunion is planned for Nov. 26, 2004. For more information, contact George Sullivan (734) 891-1176 or e-mail bbhs84@hotmail.com.

Bloomfield Hills Lahser

Class of 1984

A 20-year reunion is planned for 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, 2004, at Fox and Hounds at Woodward and Long Lake Road in Bloomfield Hills. For

more information contact Christian George at (248) 398-2840 or christian-george@comcast.net.

Brother Rice High School

Class of 1984

A 20-year reunion is planned for Friday, Nov. 26, 2004, at Birmingham Athletic Club. 7:30 p.m. Contacts: Mike Sarafa (248) 669-7238 or msarafa@aifdom.org; Bernadette Donohue Dailey (248) 334-2101 or donohue@oakland.edu; Paul Ryder (248) 645-9140 or recoryder@aol.com. Class of 1989

A 15-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Nov. 27, 2004, at Big Rock Chop House. 7:30 p.m. Contacts: Jill Randall (248) 709-2436; Steve Cosgrove (248) 872-8254 or scosgrove@twsmail.com. Class of 1994

A 10-year reunion is planned for Friday, Nov. 26, 2004, at Lucky's Irish Pub. 7:30 p.m. Contacts: Sarah Brenner, sbmadigan@sbcglobal.net; John Taggart (248) 737-0634 or jtaggart@argus-group.com; Mick Ide (248) 703-4188 or grizzly766@hotmail.com.

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Tuning up

Symphony brings music to the children

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

It only took a few bars of music before the hands began waving like flags.

Most everyone in the audience knew what Antoine Hackney was playing on his viola. It may have sounded classical, but it was unmistakably Nickelodeon's *Fairly Odd Parents*.

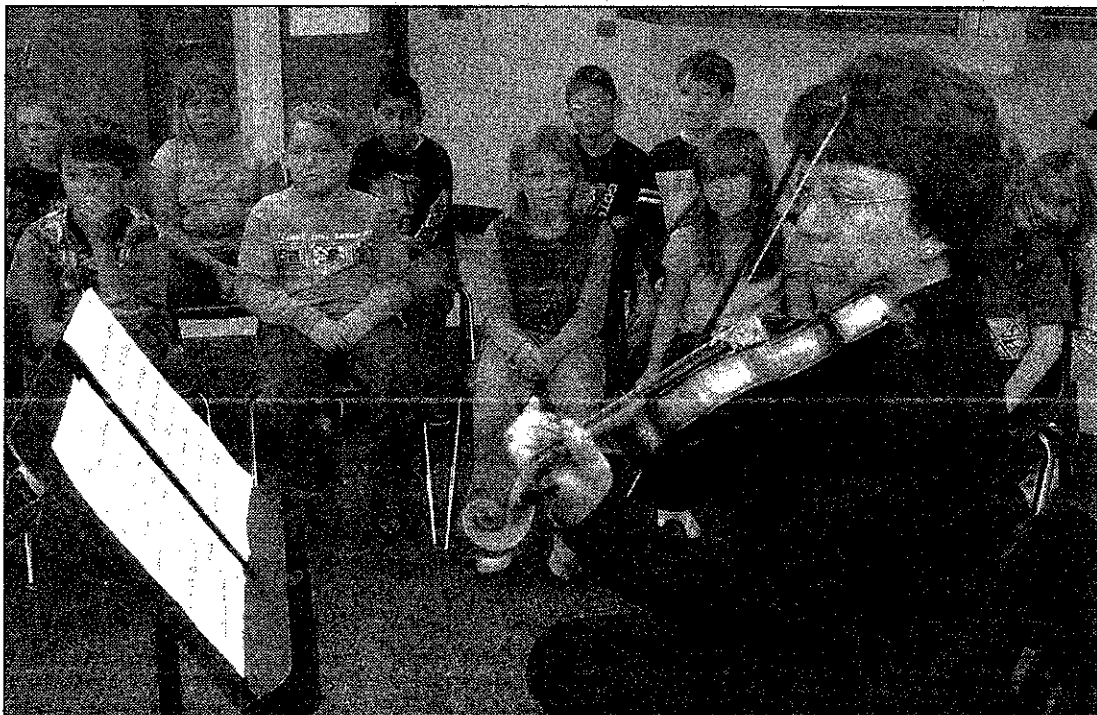
And just as many hands shot up in the air with his second piece, the theme for the *Powerpuff Girls*.

"Wow, you guys are smart," Hackney said. "The coolest thing about playing music is that you don't always have to play the music the teacher tells you to. You can play what you want."

Hackney was part of a quartet of string and woodwind players from the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra who performed at Schweitzer Elementary School Thursday, one of 20 appearances the group made in Wayne-Westland 17 elementary schools during the past 1 1/2 weeks.

Joining Hackney for the performances for third-graders were violinist Kathy Zuchniewicz, bassoonist Nina Flanigan and Susan Owen-Bissiri on the oboe.

While Zuchniewicz talked about the use of horse hair for the bow of her violin and led the group in a little of Mozart's *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik*,



Violinist Kathy Zuchniewicz demonstrates the sounds produced by drawing the horse hair bow over the strings.

Hackney was playing the *Star Wars* theme and telling students the violas "are right next to the cellos" in an orchestra.

When not talking about their instruments, they were answering the students' questions. Questions like how large is an orchestra - 12 to 150 musicians - the purpose of the pegs on violins and violas - to regulate the sound of the string - and how long they practice.

"Thirty minutes day you play a few notes, if you want to be awesome," said Hackney. "But to make lots and lost of money you have to practice a lot. I practice six hours a day."

"Lots of times, they ask how long we've played and what the black thing (chin rest) is on the violin," Zuchniewicz said. "Sometimes they ask why

the oboe player turns red."

PARTNERSHIP

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is collaborating with the Wayne-Westland Schools to bring the music enrichment program to elementary students. Organized by elementary music teacher Betsy Bartling and Cindy Swift, executive director of curriculum and staff development, it's being funded with several grants.

The program brings members of the orchestra to every elementary school in the district to talk about and demonstrate string, woodwind, brass and percussion instruments to third- and fourth-grade classes.

Members of the orchestra will visit the schools twice this year to talk to students about their instruments and how an orchestra works.

"There's a lot of connection to the academic program, it's not just a fun assembly," said Swift, who watched the per-

formance at each of the schools. "They've really made an effort to give information in age appropriate ways. They give it in a way that makes sense to the kids."

"Antoine is so much on their level."

The district's fourth-graders will get one musical visit during the winter months, then will join fifth-graders for a performance by the entire orchestra next year. They will work on their concert behavior and concert terms and read the book *Paddle to the Sea* by Clarence Holling. The Plymouth Symphony is "a champion of new music" and is working on a score for the book, Swift said.

"When they see the symphony and hear the music selection, it will go with the book," said Swift.

But for this visit, the quartet talked about their instruments and then played selections, demonstrating their sounds. Owen-Bissiri explained how she make the reeds for her instrument from cane that



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Schweitzer Elementary third-graders Donnique Harris (left) and James Johnson measure themselves with the bassoon played by Nina Flanigan of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra.

comes from the cane fields of France.

"Because it's a short instrument, it has a higher pitch," she said. "The oboe tunes up the orchestra, so all the instruments have the same pitch as the oboe."

A high woodwind, the oboe plays melodies in the orchestra, she said, demonstrating with a staccato piece from the *Nutcracker* and a marcato, the *Waltz of the Flowers*.

'LOWEST VOICE'

The bassoon, however, is the "bass member of the woodwinds," Flanigan told the students. It has the lowest voice and can play a low E flat, its lowest key that can sound like a boat. And unlike the oboe, the bassoon has a double reed.

"I can play something smooth up high or short notes by tonguing the notes," she added.

Teacher Carol Osterling was excited about seeing the reeds, telling the performers how her students made their own reeds and sounds.

"They took straw and cut it and learned to use their lips to

make sound," she said. "This is a wonderful experience that fits in with what the students have learned about pitch."

Youngsters also were treated to the sounds of Scott Joplin whose ragtime music was the foundation for jazz. The quartet played Joplin's *Maple Leaf Rag*, a catchy tune that had one student conducting the group from her seat.

"This has been a wonderful experience," said Zuchniewicz. "A lot of kids might not see a violin, if it were not for these programs. I've always wanted to try an organize a children's concert in the schools. We're very lucky to have the funding for this."

Swift had praise for the teachers who prepared the youngsters for the visit. She also hopes such visits will prick students' interest in instrumental music.

"Because we don't have instrumentals in the elementary, but we do have it in the middle school, we hope we can build on this and have more transition."

NOTICE OF HEARING ON SPECIAL ASSESSMENT IMPROVEMENT BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD

TO THE OWNERS OF THE FOLLOWING
DESCRIBED LANDS: North Pointe Subdivision, Charter
Township of Canton, Wayne County, Michigan

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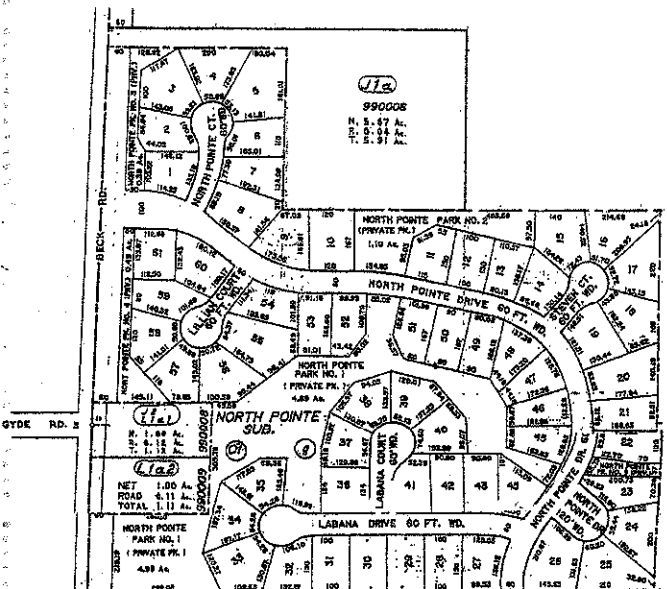
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TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the provisions of Act 188 of the Public Acts of Michigan 1954, as amended, the Township Board has tentatively declared its intention to proceed with the public improvements consisting of road repairs, sidewalk installation and sign installation in North Pointe Subdivision.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board has tentatively declared its intention to make such improvements and tentatively designated the above described premises as a special assessment district against which at least a part of the cost of said public improvements is to be assessed.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board has caused to be prepared plans showing the public improvements, the location thereof, and an estimate of the cost thereof which have been filed with the Township Clerk, Charter Township of Canton, Michigan, for public examination.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board will meet on **Tuesday, the 14th day of December 2004, at 7 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time, at the Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway, Chestnut Room, Canton, Michigan**, to hear objections to the public improvements, and to the special assessment district thereof.



Terry G. Bennett, Township Clerk
Charter Township of Canton

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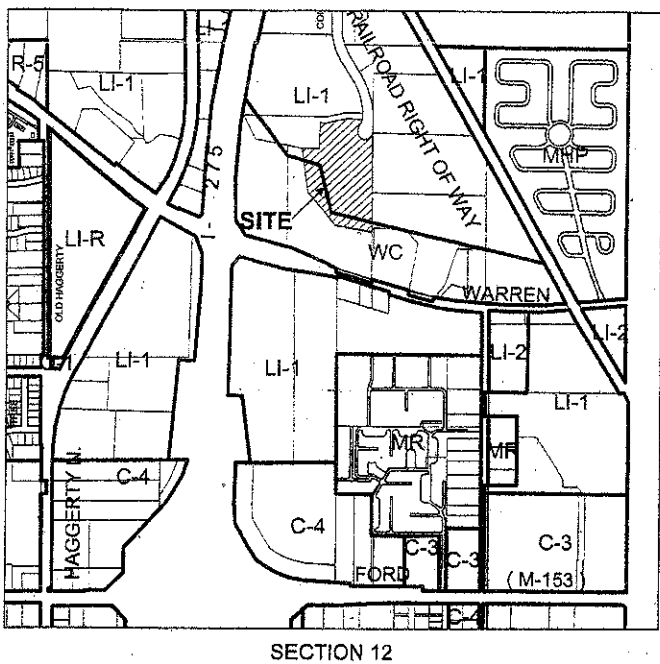
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, December 6, 2004 in the **Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m.** on the following proposed special land use request as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance:

MATERIAL SCIENCES CORPORATION SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A RESEARCH AND DESIGN CENTER AND TESTING LABORATORY AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 6.08D FOR PARCEL NO. 046 99 0008 732. Property is located south of Koppernick and east of I-275.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, December 2, 2004 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



Vic Gustafson, Chairman

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FY 2005 ACTION PLAN

Beginning November 25, 2004 and for 60 days thereafter, The Charter Township of Canton will take public comment and project suggestions for the FY 2005 CDBG (Community Development Block Grant Program). All projects must benefit low and moderate income residents. The anticipated FY 2005 CDBG allocation is \$434,000. For information, please contact Gerry Martin, Community Services Specialist, at 734-394-5194.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m., December 9th, 2004 for the following:

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Credit union repeats in spelling bee

How do you spell R-E-P-E-A-T?

For the second year in a row, Community Financial employees won the championship trophy from The Community Literacy Council's annual Spelling Bee competition.

This was the 14th year of the spelling bee competition, held recently at Yazaki's Learning Center in Canton. Community Financial has participated for the past five years.

Presenting the Bruce D. Berry Memorial Traveling Trophy to the credit union's 2004 Spelling Bee Champion Team were Carol Saunders, president of the Community Literacy Council and Suzanne Stichler, tutor coordinator. Community Financial's

Champion Spelling Bee Team "Spellbinders" included employees Kim Kerr, lending quality analyst and Sue Bellaire, technical training coordinator. They bested 11 other teams that participated in the competition that was sponsored by local businesses.

"The team approach truly mirrors how we work together at Community Financial on a daily basis," said Bellaire, who also served on last year's winning team.

More than \$4,000 was raised from the annual competition and will be used by the Community Literacy Council, Inc. to provide free tutoring to adults in western Wayne County who need help reading, writing and speaking English.



Accepting the 2004 Spelling Bee Champion trophy are (from left) Community Financial employees Kim Kerr and Sue Bellaire, standing with Community Literacy Council President Carol Saunders and Tutor Coordinator Suzanne Stichler.

Headquartered in Plymouth, Community Financial is a federally-chartered credit union whose membership is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, volunteers or attends school in the Michigan cities, townships or counties of

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For more information, visit the credit union web site at www.cfcu.org or call (734) 453-1200 or (877) 937-2328, toll free.

Kiwanis sponsors sweat suit drive

The Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Plymouth-Canton is once again holding its annual Sweat Suit Drive. This is the seventh year of the event, which supports First Step, the Western Wayne County Project on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

"We are pleased to once again sponsor this important program," said Dennis Heminger, chairman of the First Step Sweat Suit Drive. "Police will often confiscate clothing for use as evidence. This forces the victim to be discharged in nothing more than a hospital gown. The staff of First Step keep the sweat suits we collect in their cars, ready to give to victims when needed, filling an important physical, and emotional, need."

Donations of new sweat suits will be accepted throughout the months of December and January. All sizes and colors, including children's sizes are needed, since other members of a family may be affected by the assault.

"Since First Step services the entire Western-Wayne County area, we are looking for support from the entire

community" Heminger said.

Drop boxes have been set up throughout the Plymouth and Canton communities. In addition, the Kiwanis Club will accept cash donations in any amount, which will be used to purchase sweat suits. Checks can be sent to the Kiwanis Club at PO Box 6363, Plymouth, MI 48170. The following establishments have drop boxes in Canton:

■ Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Road (south of Heritage Drive)

■ Help-U-Sell Real Estate, 7242 N. Haggerty (between Warren and Joy roads)

■ Republic Bank, 5844 N. Sheldon Road

■ Kade's Hair Salon, 42013 Ford Road

These businesses have drop boxes in Plymouth:

■ Herriman & Associates, 41486 Wilcox Road

■ Papa Ramano's, 555 W. Ann Arbor Road

■ Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main

■ Child Time, 45678 Helm Street, Plymouth

For more information, contact Heminger at (734) 451-3500.

ROAD PROJECTS

The following is an update of various road construction projects currently taking place in the Canton community, as well as an update on locations of resurfacing road projects, utility extensions, sidewalk programs and traffic signals.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION

PROJECTS

■ **Saltz Road paving** (Canton Center to Ridge) - The new two miles of asphalt road will consist of a two-lane cross-section, one-lane in each direction. The portion from Canton Center to Beck has been paved and will be completed by mid-November. If weather permits, the section from Beck to Ridge Road will have at least one layer of asphalt constructed by mid-November. The remaining layers of asphalt, as well as ditches, and restoration will most likely be completed in spring 2005.

■ **Michigan Avenue** (Belleville to Denton) - The contractor is in the process of paving the outside lanes along with the commercial drives and approaches. Beck Road will likely remain closed until mid-November. Limited left turns will be allowed at the existing cross-overs. "Alternate Routes" are advised

until construction is completed in mid-December. Final restoration will occur in the spring of 2005.

■ **Cherry Hill Road and N. Ridge Road** - Permanent signage will be installed. The new posted speed limit will be 25 miles per hour between Denton and Ridge Road. Mast arms have been installed at the intersections of Cherry Hill Road and Denton Road, Cherry Hill Road and N. Ridge Road, and Cherry Hill Road and S. Ridge Road with traffic signals.

■ **Denton Road Extension** (North of Cherry Hill Road) - Construction for the future extension of Denton Road is completed except for signage. But the road is not open to traffic. Upon completion of Fire Station No. 3, which is under construction, the road will be opened to that location only. The road will extend north for approximately a half-mile and consist of a three lane cross-section to the overhead transmission lines owned by ITC (International Transmission Company) and then transition to a two lane road. This road will serve as the bypass through Cherry Hill Village for traffic heading north. A proposed "round-about" will be constructed in the summer of 2005 at the

intersection of Saltz Road, Ridge Road and the tie into this segment. DTE is currently installing underground electrical lines along the west side of Denton Road.

RESURFACING ROAD PROJECTS FOR 2004

(Wayne County to complete during construction season)

■ **Sheldon Road** - From Ford Road north for 0.27 miles.

■ **Ridge Road** - From the county line to Cherry Hill Road.

OTHER / MISCELLANEOUS

■ **Ford Road Corridor Study** - Final Draft Report presented at the last public hearing held on October 28, 2004. A nine month study was completed along Ford Road from the eastern township limits to Napier Road. The final copy will be posted on Canton's Web site upon acceptance from MDOT.

■ **Pilgrim Hills Subdivision** (Proposed Water & Sanitary Sewer) - Bids were opened on October 28, 2004 and are currently being reviewed to determine a recommendation to award contract. Anticipate awarding contract in late

November or early December. A night meeting will be scheduled upon award and selection of contractor (most likely in January/February 2005). A Special Assessment District (SAD) for paving Pilgrim Hills subdivision was denied by Township Board at the September 14, 2004 meeting.

■ Flodin Park -

Construction of a bridge over Fellows Creek, wetland/nature areas, trails, stream bank stabilization and educational signs is under way and should be complete by the end of this year.

Vegetation will be completed next spring.

For up-to-date project information and detour maps, visit www.waynecounty.com/wayneroads or for most projects, call 734/595-ROAD or call Canton Public Works at 734/394-5150. Residents may also check out Canton's web site at www.canton-mi.org.

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OUR VIEWS

When times are tough, we thank the helpers

With the war still raging in Iraq and U.S. troops still getting killed, with the economy in a wobbly mode at best, with jobs leaving Michigan at a staggering rate, it's time for our annual "What I'm Thankful For" editorial.

On the surface, that would appear to be a challenge. We talked to one secretary in a municipal office and asked her "What are you thankful for this year?" She thought for a minute and finally said, "I'm thankful to be here." After thinking about it a bit longer she added, "I'm happy to be healthy enough to have a job and be able to support myself."

That is a common sentiment among many people today. Just being healthy enough to have a job and keep afloat. But others aren't even that lucky. They're the ones who don't have jobs, who struggle to put food on the table, who have life-threatening illnesses, who can't begin to buy Christmas presents for their kids.

They appear to have little to be thankful for. That's where other people and organizations come in. And we're thankful for them.

The Salvation Army has already launched its annual Red Kettle fund-raising campaign in metro Detroit. And the Christian-based organization is already taking requests for the Christmas holidays.

In addition to that highly visible campaign, the Army also provides a variety of services for young people, the elderly and struggling families. At the Plymouth center alone, the organization assists about 600 families a year with various services. During the Christmas season, that number doubles.

And the Goodfellows organization has its "No Child Without a Christmas" campaign going strong. Each year, the Goodfellows provide food and Christmas presents for needy families in their local communities.

Last year in Canton, which is generally an affluent, growing suburb, The Goodfellows provided help to more than 500 families. This year, they already have more than 400 names on their list and the list continues to grow.

We're thankful for organizations like those. But other groups and individuals also deserve praise. When a 4-year-old Walled Lake girl who's been battling cancer for the last 15 months was contacted by the Make-A-Wish Foundation, she had a simple request: She wanted to be a princess for a day.

The foundation sought help from the Plymouth community to make the girl's wish come true. The community responded overwhelmingly. When the ceremony was held at St. John's Golf & Conference Center, the girl and her parents rode in a horse-drawn carriage behind Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty, Snow White and Belle (from *Beauty and the Beast*).

The Make-A-Wish people hoped to get 1,000 people to line the streets for her parade. But when the parade took place, about 4,000 people lined the route, some carrying signs, others dressed in costume.

We're thankful for all those people who made a child's simple wish come true.

On the surface, it might seem there's little to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. But that's just on the surface.

Give thanks, lend a hand

If you had the means to provide the food for your Thanksgiving Day dinner today, give thanks.

A lot of people in Oakland and Wayne counties are not as fortunate.

More and more families have turned to food banks for help this year, as the heads of the household have been laid off, had their hours cut or their jobs eliminated.

Requests for assistance with food are up 30 percent over last year, according to Gleaners Community Food Bank in Detroit, which distributes food to agencies in southeast Michigan.

Yet donations are not keeping pace with the increasing need.

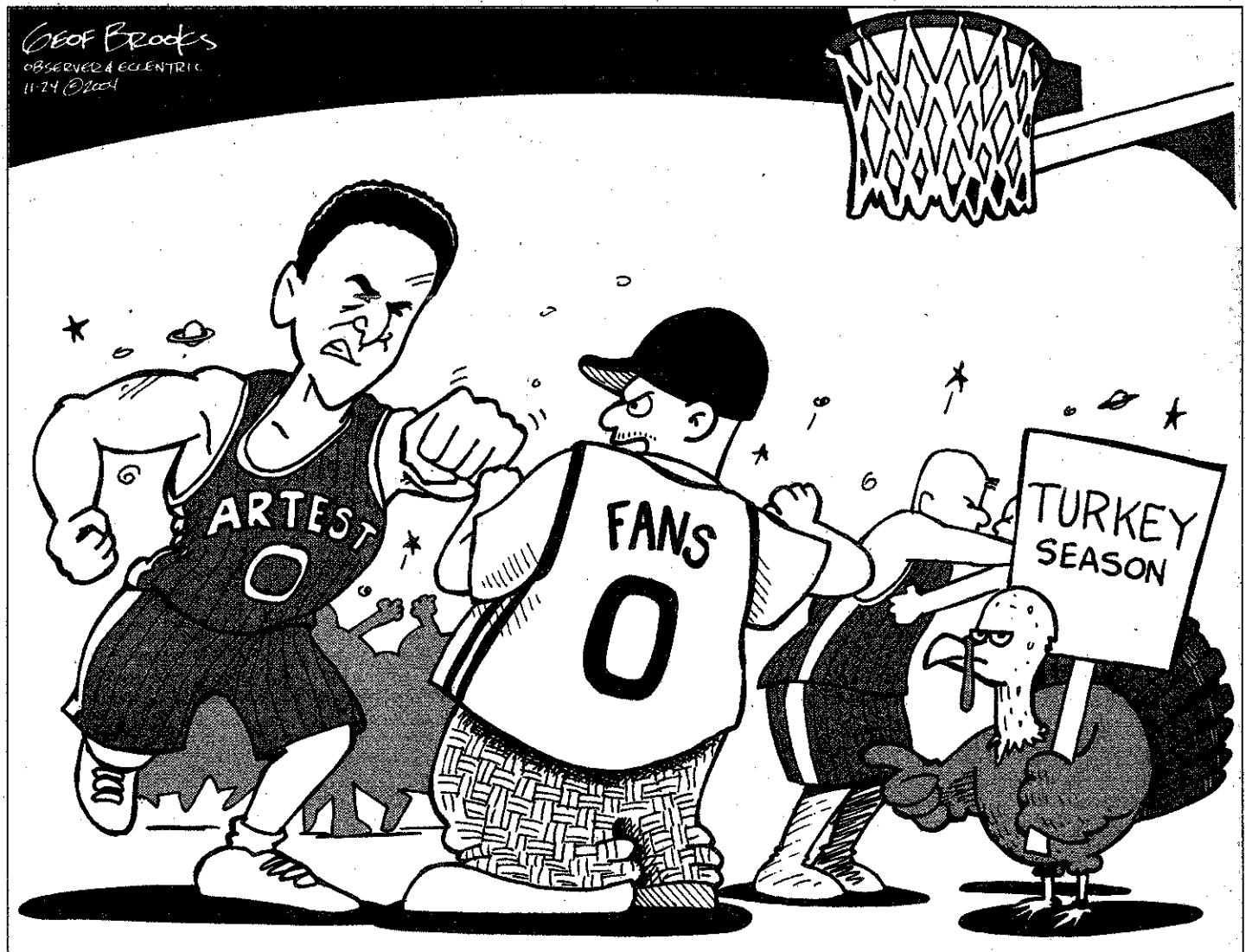
To help families not as blessed as your own, you can donate directly to Gleaners or to food banks or shelters in your area. Monetary donations are usually best because nonprofits can purchase the food at a discount and put the money toward what they need most.

Here is a partial listing of food banks and shelters in Oakland and Wayne counties that need help:

■ The Salvation Army, 16130 Northland Drive, Southfield, MI 48075. The Salvation Army operates 17 centers in metro Detroit and serves 6,000 meals a day.

■ Gleaners Community Food Bank, 2131 Beaufait, Detroit, MI 48207. Gleaners is about 5 million pounds short of the 25 million pounds of food needed this year to serve hungry families in southeast Michigan.

■ Redford Interfaith Relief, 15100 Aubrey, Redford, MI 48239. Redford Interfaith is assisting about 220 households per month, up about 50 more than a year ago.



LETTERS

Great sports stories

I am writing you to commend the new articles that Ed Wright has been publishing for your *Observer* newspaper for the past couple months.

I have been a Canton resident since 1988 and have always wondered why you never did "up close and personal" type stories about high school student-athletes. What a thrill for the young student-athletes and their parents! Also, it gives us readers in the community more of a sense of togetherness and being united in the uncertain times that we live.

Having coached in the community now for 15 years various sports (I actually coached against Ed and his son's soccer team when the boys and girls were combined about seven years ago), I have always heard of stories behind the athletes, yet no one took the time and interest to print them.

Some of the players whom I have coached went on to compete in college and they never had such an honor as seeing their stories printed up in their hometown local paper.

Please share with Ed my personal congratulations for his outstanding coverage of the local student-athletes "up close and personal" style.

Dick Williams
Canton

Salary cuts

Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Dr. Jim Ryan claims there is not much more he can cut out of the budget to meet Gov. Granholm's next executive order to reduce the district's foundation grant.

He does not want to cut transportation, athletics or increase class size. Duh.

Most sane people would expect athletics to be the first to get eliminated when it comes to cutting the school budget. After all, what is more important in the business of EDUCATION - playing sports or teachers, books, computers and decent class sizes?

Unfortunately, the minority of students who participate in sports have very vocal parents. Each time athletics is even considered for budget cuts, these parents protest for most of the night at the board meetings to get sports off the chopping block. And they always get their way.

If the members of the Board of Education really want to find some easy money to cut, they need to look at the inflated salaries of all the administrators in the district. It would be simple to cut \$30,000 from each administrator in the entire district. Most taxpayers feel the \$80,000-\$115,000 salary many are paid is outrageous. This includes administrators, principals, vice principals, coordinators, directors, etc.

No one deserves to receive that kind of income when it all comes from taxpayers. If they can't accept a cut they should try to make a living in the private sector. I am sure it is safe to say none of them could even come close to finding a similar position for the same salary they make off the backs of the taxpayer.

Pat Hennesy

Headlee was a friend

The American Heart Association lost a friend last week with the passing of Richard Headlee. While much has been documented about his professional life through his leadership of the Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Co. and his active political life including term limits, the Headlee Amendment and his unsuccessful run for governor, Dick was also a long-term heart transplant survivor.

After his transplant and move to Utah, he became active with the American Heart Association playing a role in the start of the Salt Lake City Heart Walk and becoming a spokesperson for some unique endowment initiatives in Michigan. Speaking at a 2003 American Heart Association board meeting in Detroit, Dick credited the medical community for research advancements and the newer anti-rejection drugs that allowed him to remain active to the point of playing tennis several times a week at the age of 73. He viewed the last 17 years since his transplant as a gift and treasured each one, reciting the exact number of days he'd been given to spend time with his family and meet his younger grandchildren.

His transplant came at a time when survival rates were hoped to be in the five- to 10-year range. In fact, it is difficult to find statistics on long-range survivors. At 17 years, he marveled at how another man's heart was still beating strong inside of him. As he noted last year, "How do you measure a gift like that?"

Thomas H. Ritter
past chairman
Metro Detroit Board of
Directors
American Heart Association

Longer lunch

I am a fifth-grade student at Bentley Elementary School. I am writing this letter to you because I think our lunch period is too short at our elementary school.

I feel this way because I am an extremely slow eater. I have to throw away most of my lunch because I don't have time to eat it. My mother gets mad because I eat a lot at home. She tells me to stop eating so much and packs me an even larger lunch so I won't eat so much at home. My little sister makes fun of me and calls me a pig. My problems would be solved if only I had a longer lunch period.

These are a few reasons why we need a longer lunch:

■ I will not be famished in the afternoon.

■ I can eat slowly and have time to digest my food.

■ If you have ever seen a little kid eat, you'd undoubtedly know that they eat really slowly. They especially need extra time.

When I buy lunch, I have to wait in a long line. By the time I get my food, lunchtime is already halfway over. Maybe if we had two lines we could get our food faster.

We also need a longer recess because:

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■ In class, we won't be so hyper because our energy will be used up.

■ At recess, we will talk more so we won't be so chatty in school.

We want the public to know we need a longer lunch period. I know the entire school would appreciate it.

Please print this letter. Thank you for reading our letters.

Alyssa Downs
Mrs. West's fifth-grade class

P.S. Maybe if we had a longer lunchtime, we wouldn't have to take one bite of an apple and throw the rest away.

Bentley lunch

I wanted to bring your attention to a matter that is of concern to me and my class.

We would like a longer lunch and recess; let me give you some reasons why.

Many children in the school eat slowly and need more time to eat. We often find ourselves leaving food because it is time to go outside for recess. Many times we have to make the decision to eat dessert first because there just isn't time to eat everything and when we buy ice cream we generally don't have time to finish it, which means throwing it away, a waste of money and good ice cream.

Our mothers want us to eat the healthy part of our lunch while we want dessert. Limited time to eat means we have to make a choice, we are children and it is not hard to guess which we are going to choose. A longer lunch time would mean we could eat both, making everyone happy.

One solution could be to give us longer to eat but less time to play. However, we need time to run and play and socialize with our friends. I believe the ideal solution would be to add 10 minutes to the lunch time and 10 minutes to recess. This way we would be able to eat enough food to satisfy us for the rest of the school day and be able to work off excess energy in the extra recess time, allowing us to focus for the rest of the day.

I hope you will support us in our efforts and thank you for your time in reading this letter.

Jordan Lewis
Mrs. West's fifth-grade students

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"We recognize that not every community can have every facility. If one community has facilities and services, and they can be utilized by other communities through partnerships, then let's do it. We need each other to survive."

- Ann Conklin, Canton leisure services director, on the possibility of sharing services with other municipalities

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Country not so divided on values

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens His will to make known ... So goes the traditional Thanksgiving hymn. It was my grandfather's favorite, and I'll be singing it in our church on Thanksgiving morning.

It's one of the nicest services of the year: A small congregation in an old downtown Episcopal church, quietly united in giving thanks for our abundant blessings. As I reflect on that service and on my fellow parishioners, my mind keeps going back to the strange and consequential election just past.

The exit polls and endless blather from the media have focused on the finding that a plurality of American voters put "moral values" at the top of their concerns and that most of them voted for President Bush. Combine that with the graphics showing so starkly the red states and the blue states, and it's easy to conclude that our nation is bitterly split between the godless and arrogant liberals and the hard-line and intolerant religious right.

Some of my fellow churchgoers voted for President Bush; some for Sen. John Kerry. But virtually all of them share a set of fundamental American values that go far beyond any partisan divide: God; family; right and wrong; patriotism; compassion; tolerance; responsibility.

The list goes on and on. And I'd guess many observant readers have noticed that the gap between the red and blue states doesn't seem to show up as dramatically in their daily life as it does on the TV screens. What's going on here?

Part of the problem is the media's knee-jerk urge to find the most sensational way to simplify the story, which usually comes at the cost of either detail or context. Part of it comes from the triumphalist rhetoric we are hearing these days from Christian evangelical organizations intent on putting forward their claims. And part of it comes from Democrats, now firmly tucked into the fetal position, whimpering about the election results as a wholesale rejection.

The data (cited in a valuable article in the respected weekly, *The Economist*) are more nuanced and much more interesting.

The share of the total vote from people who put moral values at the top of their concerns this year was 22 percent, just a few points more than those who cited the economy or those who felt terrorism was most important. Moreover, the 22 percent share is lower than it was in the two previous presidential elections; 35 percent put moral values on top in 2000 and 40 percent felt that way in 1996.

Certainly, evangelicals voted heavily for President Bush, but so too did Catholics (Bush had a 5 percent lead), Hispanic Catholics (he lost them, but his showing was up 11 percent from 2000) and regular churchgoers including mainline Protestants (favoring Bush by nearly two to one.)

The only exception: African-Americans, who voted, as they generally do, for the Democrat by nine to one. The conclusion is fairly obvious: President Bush's majority is not just a bunch of right-wing evangelical Christians, but it comes from a broad spectrum of people who hold to traditional values and who are religiously observant.

Much of the sensible political commentary since the election has made this point. For example, Brad Snavey, executive director of the Michigan Family Forum, wrote in *The Detroit News*: "One thing worked against John Kerry was people of deep faith and personal conviction don't necessarily expect their president to be their advocate, but they do expect him to understand why they feel so strongly about many moral issues. ... The majority in this country want a president who believes in right and wrong and who can speak with moral clarity without imposing his views on the country."

So does this mean that the country is deeply and irreversibly polarized between people who believe in right and wrong and those who do not? Most experts say no, that the country is in fact a complicated overlay of all kinds of differing interests and attitudes and that the enormous majority of Americans hold pretty straightforward traditional values.

Professor Wayne Baker, who teaches in the University of Michigan's business school and conducts national studies of values, echoes what psychologists and sociologists have known for a long time: People's core values are formed during early adulthood and tend to be very stable after that.

Baker told me that "Americans have clustered around traditional values for a very long time. The notion of a bitterly divided nation is a convenient fiction - quite possibly with a political purpose - but it simply doesn't comport to the facts."

A helpful way to illustrate this point was discovered by Jeff Culver, an information graphics expert, who tried to blend the red states and the blue states to show a "Purple America," a map that shows a gradient between the two groups.

Not surprisingly, it shows blue predominating on either coast with heavy red in the mountain West, but the Midwest and the South are slightly reddish purple.

"The United States is not as divided, geographical speaking, as it seems. Differences are still deep, but more so from one individual to the next than one region to the next. ... It's a real mistake for a party to write off a whole part of the country."

Quite so. Gov. Jennifer Granholm was quoted in *The New York Times* arguing that Democrats must have a message that is "strong and strongly pro-work, pro-responsibility, pro-child, pro-seniors. ... And not to be afraid of saying God. And not to be afraid of saying that this is a country based on faith."

My own conclusions? 1) While the religious right played a big part in this election, by no means does it hold a monopoly on Americans' moral values. 2) The country is much more united around stable traditional moral values than appears at first glance. 3) Any political party that either claims to be the only repository of moral values or is perceived as scorning them will certainly get into trouble.

Come, ye thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home: All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin. God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied: Come to God's own temple, come; raise the song of harvest home.

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@hometownlife.com.



Phil Power

Evidence shows students excel in single-sex classes

A question to mull over, as the skies gray and the temperatures dip, is whether boys and girls during those turbulent middle school years could benefit from single-sex education.

Michael Gurian, a social philosopher, family therapist, educator and author,

strongly urged schools to adopt such a course last month at presentations sponsored by Birmingham Bloomfield Families in Action.

"My question to the human community is why do they have to be co-educational during those years?" Gurian said.

Public education needs to heed the new brain research showing that

boys and girls learn differently, Gurian told over 500 parents, educators, counselors and health professionals in talks at both Cranbrook and Detroit Country Day.

"Separate sex options can solve many problems at all grade levels ... we believe that a huge portion - perhaps at least half - of middle school learning and discipline problems would be curtailed or removed if middle schools were single-sex institutions," he said.

In light of the new research, the U.S. Department of Education in 2002 eased its rules against single-sex classes in public schools, established under Title IX. At least 10 single-sex public schools were set to open this fall in five states. Although the numbers are increasing, only about 100 of the 91,000-plus public schools across the country offer them.

Small scale studies conclude that student grade-point averages for both sexes increase in seventh and eighth grades when genders are separated, according to the National Charter School Clearinghouse.

Gurian's own findings show that boys benefit more academically, girls in self-esteem.

"The research is clear that single-sex classes make a positive difference," said Roxanne Reschke, a local educational consultant who has been following single-sex education since the 1980s. As more data comes in, "it's going to have to be a treatment at least to be considered."

Of course, parochial and many private schools have always offered single-sex education

Kingswood Cranbrook is this area's prime example of fully separated classes in middle school and a mix of single-sex and coed classes in ninth and 10th grades.

"The environment of the classroom is much more relaxed," said Cranbrook

Middle School Principal Larry Ivens, comparing it to his 21 years in coed middle school education. "Neither gender is on stage during a time in their life when they're very self-conscious. They will take positive risks that they wouldn't take in a mixed environment."

"Kids feel more comfortable being themselves," echoed Kingswood Middle School Principal Fran Dagbovie, who also has taught both single-sex and coed classes over 30 years. "There are more options available to them. Girls can be more assertive. Boys can behave like boys."

"We oversexualize the kids in our culture. We love it that the girls aren't primping and don't wear makeup. There's a wider range of behavior that's open to them."

Kingswood Cranbrook sophomore Margaret Blanchard likes the separated classes so much she wrote a recent paper on the topic.

English and history classes should be maintained as single-gender throughout high school was her thesis.

"All students need a fair playing field so they can learn to the best of their neurological and psychological ability," Margaret wrote. "To keep pumping out new leaders into society we must allow them all the room for self-expression."

Same-sex classes aren't on the radar screen for either West Bloomfield or Bloomfield Hills Schools, both superintendents told me.

But in Birmingham, Berkshire Middle School offers two elective classes for eighth-grade girls and a full program of academics for low-achieving eighth-grade boys.

Teacher Karen Boyk is excited that now there is physical and physiological evidence confirming what she sees daily in the all-girls language arts and math classes she began eight years ago. "They just blossom," she said. "The boys curriculum, taught by teacher Allen Einstein, has been turning boys who were not successful around since it began in 2000."

"I think single-gender classes should be an alternative," Boyk said. "In my opinion, it's the wave of the future."

The Clarkston school district is looking to pilot such an alternative next fall in its newly configured middle school and junior high, according to Deputy Supt. David Reschke.

"It certainly seems like an idea to consider as public education seeks ways to make No Child Left Behind a reality."

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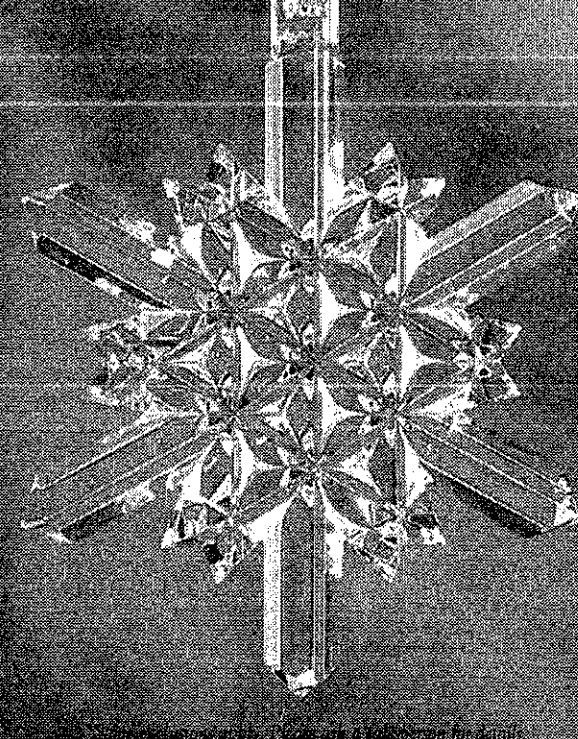


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County executive fills homeland security posts

Following the retirement of Anthony Shannon, director of Homeland Security and the resignation of the Deputy Director, Mark Snelson, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano has filled both positions, which are subject to Commission approval.

James P. Buford has been appointed the director of Homeland Security replacing Shannon. Buford is leaving the Wayne County Sheriff's department where he has served as a commander for the past five years. He has more than twenty years of experience with the department including Sheriff's representative for the annual Fermi exercise, Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management liaison since 1999, and Commander of Special Response team.

"Commander Buford has experience and resources in Homeland Security and Emergency Management, which brings tremendous value and skill to this most critical position," said Wayne County



Buford



Hammond

Executive Robert Ficano. "He is highly qualified to be the director of Homeland Security."

Mark Hammond is being promoted within the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Department. He will serve as Director Buford's deputy director. Hammond has been with Wayne County's Emergency Management Department for the past eight years.

"Mr. Hammond understands the operations of Emergency Management and he has had extensive training and work experience with emergency preparedness," said Ficano. "I am confident that he is qualified to be the Deputy Director and will assist Mr. Buford in leading us forward."

Lawmakers protest Canadian trash as security risk

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
STAFF WRITER

A letter to the Department of Homeland Security from three powerful Michigan lawmakers bemoaning the increased flow of garbage trucks from Canada into the state warns of a potential chink in the country's armor against terrorism.

Senators Carl Levin, D-Michigan, and Debbie Stabenow, D-Michigan, and Rep. John Dingell, D-15, warn that the approximately 415 Canadian trash trucks — almost twice last year's 180 a day — coming into Michigan every day constitutes a threat to homeland security.

"As you know, these trucks pose a unique homeland security risk, since by their very nature trucks full of garbage are extremely difficult for Customs

agents to inspect as compared to traditional cargo. Therefore, this dramatic increase in Canadian trash trucks is extremely disconcerting. The problem is accelerating at an alarming rate and these shipments must be addressed immediately," the three wrote in a letter to Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge.

Canton Township is home to a landfill. Township Supervisor Tom Yack said the company which runs it, Canton Waste Recycling, has made assurances less than one-tenth of one percent of the incoming waste is from Canada.

"I'm not for or against Canadian trash," he said. "(The controversy) is ridiculous. Think of all the trash that comes in from other communities, should every one of them have their own landfill?"

But, he contends, this is not about garbage, it's about making a lot of noise. Yack said arguments over Canadian trash are a political football both Democrats and Republicans pull out whenever they need a device to generate headlines. Considering everything else that's going on in the state right now, worrying about what comes over the Ambassador Bridge is pointless.

"There are much bigger fish to fry," Yack said. "Michigan is not keeping up with the recovery. Revenues are not keeping up with projections and Michigan is a donor state when it comes to roads."

Orion Township Supervisor Gerald Dywasuk has a Waste Management landfill in his community. While he's been reassured no Canadian trash has been dumped there, he

knows the township has to take the company at its word.

He doesn't think there should be any trash imported from the north, but there's nothing that can be done on the local level.

"I used to see huge trucks coming along I-69 with Canadian plates all the time," Dywasuk said. "The only way that's going to change is if the federal government steps in."

What he is sure of is that there aren't enough people checking what comes through the borders — trash and goods alike. Unless some kind of fee is imposed or taxes raised to cover the cost of hiring more inspectors the situation won't change.

"It's like the container ships coming over from Asia, we don't know what's in all of those," Dywasuk said.

Legislation changes how trucks are fined

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
STAFF WRITER

When Gov. Jennifer Granholm returns from her junket to Germany with County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, she will find a bill on her desk that could change the way construction traffic moves through the state.

House Bill 4358, which has passed the state house and senate, changes the rules communities use to assess and fine heavy trucks.

Washtenaw County state Rep. Gene DeRossett (R-52nd District) said the legislation would allow certain trucks traveling over main highways — aggregate haulers — to be a bit longer than they would now. The change accommodates changes in technology

and design already made by the industry.

"The industry has already made technological changes, moving the driver off the axle and extending the length of the truck's tongue," DeRossett said. "The extension means less chance of a rollover."

The primary thrust of the bill changes the way fines are doled out when a truck comes up heavy at a weigh station. Michigan is an "axle state," meaning the rules, and the fines for breaking the rules, for weight are judged by how many pounds each axle bears.

Under the current rules, judges will have the discretion to decide whether a truck is overloaded or misloaded, and therefore up to them to decide how much to fine a trucking company for violations.

The representative said aggregate haulers (gravel, for instance) are subject to fines if their cargo is misloaded. Even though the total weight of the vehicle is under the acceptable weight, a poor loading job can still generate a fine if there's too much weight on a single axle.

Under the proposed rule, if a truck is found to be misloaded the trucking company is given a \$200 fine per axle up to three axles. At the same time, if the misload is more than 4,000 pounds per axle it is immediately ruled an overload and a per-pound fine is imposed.

The new rules do not change the consequences for overloading a truck.

These fines can range from six cents per pound to as much as 20 cents per pound, depend-

ing on how far overweight the truck is. Therein, he said, lies the problem.

"Some communities target gravel trucks the same way they target drivers by ethnicity," DeRossett said. "They use the fines as revenue enhancement tools." He said no one likes gravel haulers; they're loud and slow, but that doesn't mean a community can target them for ticketing. Excessive overloading tickets can cost a company its insurance coverage.

The bill's passage, or failure to pass, most likely won't affect her constituents. She said her district is built out and the kinds of trucks the bill addresses will be moving through rural and developing communities. Also, she said the new law would be there to help with the exceptions that prove the rule.

Schoolcraft offers class in 3D video animation

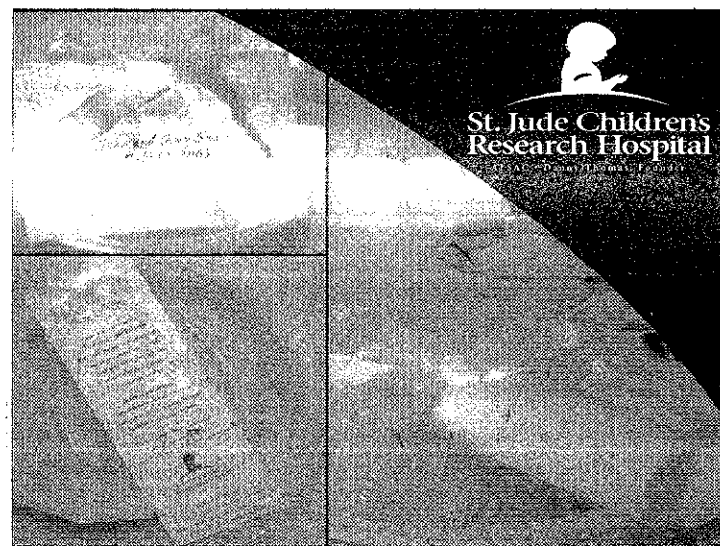
Get basic, hands-on experience using 3D animation software and learn to create your own animated video or film. Schoolcraft College is presenting a series of three workshops in December that will teach the basics of 3D computer animation, modeling, lighting and rendering.

The workshops are Saturday Dec. 4, 11 and 18 from 9 a.m. until noon in the VisTaTech Center on the Livonia campus. The fee for all three is \$43.

The only prerequisite is basic

experience using a computer. Although classes are geared toward FIRST robotics students, enrollment is open to anyone interested in learning about and using 3D animation software.

Randall Rockafellow, freelance 3D animator and instructor at the College for Creative Studies, will teach all three workshops. For more information, contact Continuing Education Services at 734-462-4448 or visit the Web site at www.schoolcraft.edu.



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Guardian Alarm technicians hold security cameras and equipment to be installed in the Vardon house in Oak Park for the ABC program *Extreme Makeover*. Keith King of Centerline (left), Richard Wiersma of Canton and Jeff Evans of Lincoln Park were members of the Guardian Alarm crew that worked on the house.

Southfield firm assists in home makeover

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Earlier this month, ABC's *Extreme Makeover* profiled to the nation the remodeling of a home of an Oak Park family.

The remodeling required special equipment for the family. Larry and Judy Vardon are both deaf. A son, Lance, is blind and autistic. Another son, Stefan, can hear and see and communicates with them and links them to the outside world.

Family members were concerned about Lance, who tended to sometimes wander away from the home. The remodeling would need to include technology to better secure the home. Fairway Construction of Southfield, the project manager, contacted Guardian Alarm of Southfield to develop an integrated system for the Vardons. Soon Guardian met with producers from the ABC show to discuss the design of the house.

"They were really excited," said Matt Fraiberg, assistant general manager of Guardian Alarm. "They had never seen a project like this."

The remodeling project required that the home be renovated within one week. That meant more than 100 workers and contractors were working inside or outside the home at various times.

The house was originally 900 square feet, and the Vardons "didn't want to be overwhelmed with technology," Fraiberg said.

Six cameras were installed at the home. One views the kitchen and living room area, another in Lance's room and another is located in the play room downstairs. Exterior cameras view the pool, side of the house and the front door.

What really assisted the Vardons, however, was the strobes. "We had to differentiate what kind of alarms to set off," Fraiberg explained. "The white one went off when a door or window opened, while the red strobe alerted them to a panic situation, such as smoke or a break-in."

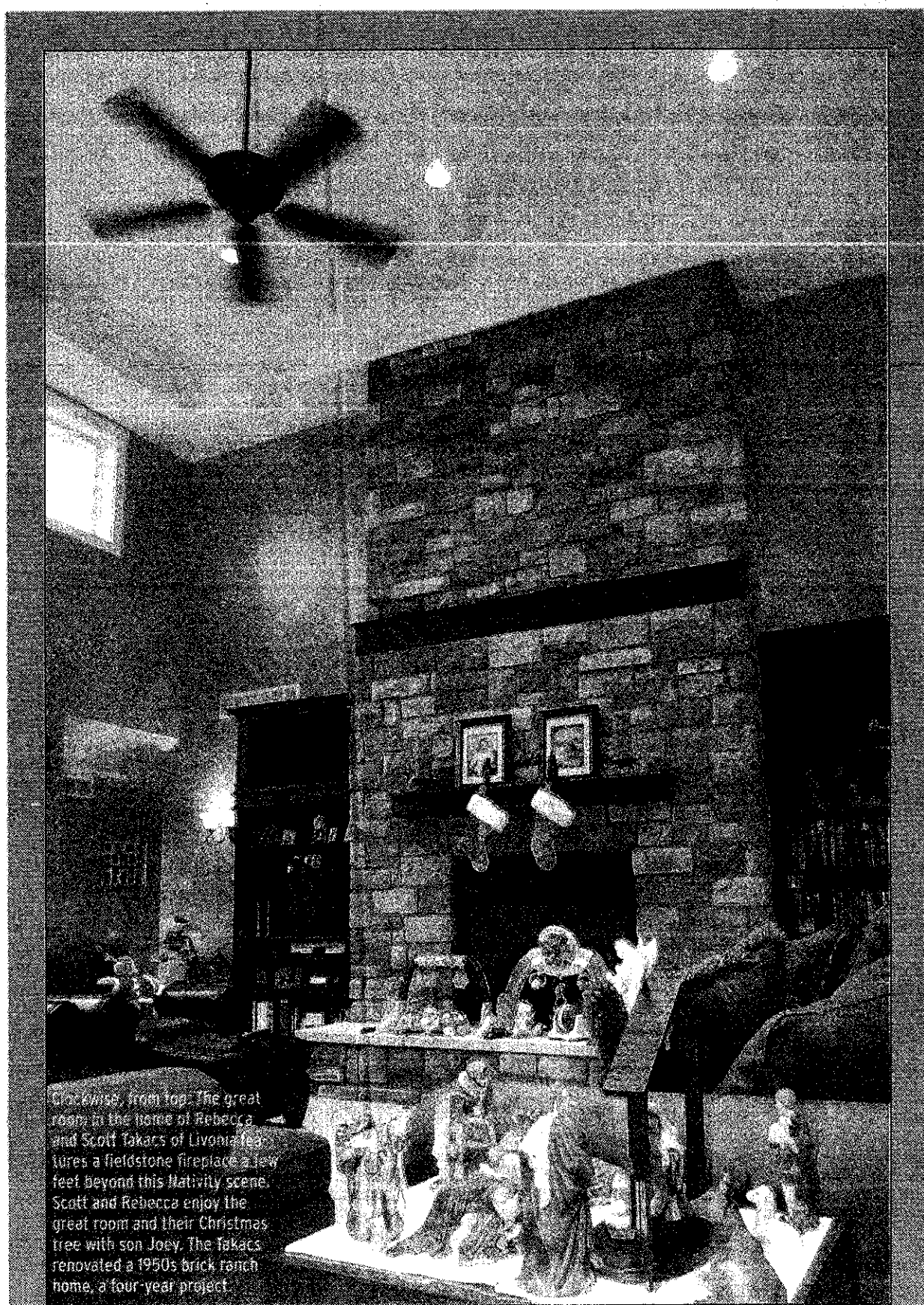
When those alerts activate, the Vardons only need to look at monitors in the kitchen, master bedroom and Judy's craft room to view the cameras. "They can switch cameras to see where Lance is at or they can look at all six cameras at once," Fraiberg said. "They can turn to the monitor in the room, and within seconds, they have (the situation) under control."

The Vardons didn't want to lock the craft room, but they wanted to ensure Lance didn't wander in there, either. Guardian installed an access system that requires a code to enter the room. (Anyone can exit the room by pushing open the door.)

Guardian's technology also extends to helping bedridden home patients in terms of security and well-being. A button and motion mats located near the bed notify family members and medical personnel when that person falls. Cameras also can keep watch over that person.

Guardian officials were thrilled to help with ABC's *Extreme Makeover* and the Vardon family.

"We showed them how to use everything," Fraiberg said. "They are always excited to see us. They are grateful. They are truly a deserving family."



Clockwise, from top: The great room in the home of Rebecca and Scott Takacs of Livonia features a fieldstone fireplace a few feet beyond this Nativity scene. Scott and Rebecca enjoy the great room and their Christmas tree with son Joey. The Takacs renovated a 1950s brick ranch home, a four-year project.

PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Santas

In Scott Takacs' words, "we ripped everything out." Five years ago this month Scott and Rebecca Takacs bought a 1950s brick ranch house on one acre in Livonia, then embarked on a four-year remodeling journey.

"We tore down everything, the brick, the plaster, the plumbing," Scott said. "There was nothing left."

They created the home that they wanted, adding a great room with an 18-foot-high ceiling, a three-car garage and two bedrooms. They expanded a kitchen and dining room area and rebuilt a master bedroom

and bathroom. Just in time for the addition of son Joey.

The Takacs' home will be one of seven homes in Livonia showcased on the 16th annual Friends of Greenmead Christmas Walk on Saturday, Dec. 4. (See related chart.) Proceeds from this event are designated to the restoration and preservation of Livonia's historic Greenmead.

"We try to find houses

PLEASE SEE TOUR, B3

Home tour raises funds for Greenmead

snowflakes

STORY BY KEN ABRAMCZYK | STAFF WRITER

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.



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With its sleek styling, contemporary color accents (purple or orange) and high-tech features, the Marina represents a far cry from the plain old goldfish bowl that most of us remember from carnivals and state fairs.

Aside from its upscale appearance, the Marina offers a

genuine aquarium setup that can provide a healthy environment for goldfish.

The turnkey tank includes an automated filter, flake food, a water conditioner, a silk plant and colorful gravel.

Available in two sizes, 1.77 gallons and 2.65 gallons, the Marina makes an ideal desktop aquarium for an office, dorm room or den.

It can also serve as a "starter tank" for children, introducing them to fish keeping.

Available at leading pet stores, the Marina Goldfish Starter Kit has a suggested retail price of \$30 to \$40. For more information, visit www.hagen.com.

Accents

Jewelry festival

Native West in Plymouth presents its 15th annual Jewelry Festival Thursday-Sunday, Dec. 2-5 featuring Native American jewelry from the Southwest.

A trunk show will feature an assortment of sterling silver with turquoise, opals, coral and gold. In-lay pieces with handcut stones are finished in one-of-a-kind designs. Hours are 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2 for the opening reception with food and refreshments, and 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3; 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 4; and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5. Free carriage rides will be offered noon-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4.

Native West is located at 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth. Call (734) 455-8838 for information.

Capable cabinetry

James and Morris Carey of AP Weekly Features write the following about new kitchen cabinets:

"Want to spruce up the kitchen with new cabinets? Today, lots of folks are taking on this do-it-yourself project. Home centers are stocking up on all sorts of cabinets and parts, making things easier for you.

"First, find the highest place on your floor; it's your starting point. Then, everything else needs to be 'shimmed up' to equal that height.

"Set corner cabinets first; then work out from there. Hang upper cabinets before lower ones.

"Never use regular wood screws for hanging, or your stuff will wind up on the kitchen floor. Use special construction screws instead."

Pet projects

Here are some gift suggestions for the little pet on your holiday list.

For your hamster, how about the Habitrail Space Station Waste Compartment or the Habitrail Playground?

The waste compartment is a private potty complete with scented litter and a rodent-sized scoop.

Designed with input from animal behaviorists to attract hamsters when nature calls, the new privy makes it easier to keep your hamster's Habitrail Space Station clean and fresh.

For more information, visit http://www.hagen.com/usa/small/product.cfm?CAT=61&SUBCAT=6107&PROD_ID=06619700020101.

The new Habitrail Playground from the Rolf C. Hagen Corp. lets hamsters stretch their legs, play and explore their surroundings, while giving their owners an unobstructed view of their pets having fun.

The pets can "work out" on the spin-around exercise wheel, then go to the unit's cozy loft for a comfortable place to curl up and sleep.

For more information, visit www.habitrail.com or www.hagen.com.

Your refrigerator tells me about you Fishy e-mail? Maybe you're being phished

The headline of a recent newspaper column said it all: "Your refrigerator could indicate just how stylish you really are."

After reading the column, I reflected on the 40 years of fixing these products and the thousands of homeowners I met along the way. I then thought about my own upbringing and how style may be measured back then, when we used a cave on the side of a hill with a big heavy wood door called "The Root Cellar."

We progressed to a wooden cabinet with two doors, one for placing the solid ice block into the upper compartment, and the other for preserving the food. In those days, you had to look out for traces of sawdust landing in a plate of leftovers. Our first electric refrigerator

used the refrigeration technology of ammonia. I remember my mother calling the fire department because she couldn't figure out where the awful smell was coming from. The refrigerator was hauled out of the house and we ended up getting a new one. (That's so long ago, I can't remember if they had warranties back then.)

The column indicated that if you had a certain refrigerator in your home it represented different traits in your character. For example, a side-by-side could brand you as the person who likes bells and whistles, icemakers and water dispensers.

I tend to think that homeowners purchase a side-by-side because they have finally reached the point where they can afford to buy it. They cost a lot more than a root cellar. In the early 1960s the big seller was the bottom-mount refrigerator and then the side-by-side was created.

I don't think the side-by-side has ever lost its newness in the marketplace. Sure, you lose

some freezer space because of the ice maker and dispenser assembly, but remember, your frozen goods in the freezer section are easy to move in and out. In my way of thinking, that's called easy storage.

I think the world of a side-by-side and I think it will be a long time coming before it's dethroned as the ultimate image maker.

I read where the top mount refrigerator indicates you are "loyal," grew up with this style and don't want to change. I think that's a bunch of bunk! You mean to tell me that you like stuffing the freezer section with frozen food and, in order to access something in the back, remove food and putting it on the kitchen counter? Most top mount owners will purchase a side-by-side when they have the room to do so.

Kitchen remodeling and new home builders make that choice for you automatically. It wasn't so many years ago you could open the page of a newspaper and there would be a big cut out of a huge side of beef. A butcher shop would sell you a

whole side and advertise the different prices per pound for different sections. Many homeowners would have these huge upright and chest freezers that could hold many hundreds of pounds of frozen food. It's a different world today, as consumers generally don't buy in such bulk.

Shopping habits have changed with the times for various reasons. There are more stores in the neighborhood, quicker movement of food within a home, more fear of power outages and more education by food experts. Food that is turned over in six months or less has more flavor and nutritional value than otherwise.

That author should not have tried to summarize someone's character based on what refrigerator they own. She should have simply stated how much smarter we have become.

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

Con artists have it so easy these days.

No more setting up elaborate schemes and fake-outs like the ones so entertainingly portrayed in movies like *The Sting*.



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

The Grifters, and the vastly underrated *Matchstick Men*. Now, they just click Send. It's called "phishing," an insidious scam designed to trick users into handing over their credit-card numbers and other personal information.

The culprits hijack a company brand and pose as a representative, offering to help you resolve a "problem" that has cropped up.

Here's an example:
From: support team
To: JoeUser@aol.com
Subject: Attention That Your Billing Informations Are Out of Order

Dear valued AOL member:

It has come to our attention that your billing informations are out of order. If you could please take 5-10 minutes out of your online experience and update your personal records so you will not run into any future problems with the online service.

At the end there's a handy link:
<https://www.Aol.com/billing>. Looks pretty legit, no?

Well, no. Although the message even includes an AOL logo, clues abound as to its fraudulence. One is the logo itself, which looks like a low-resolution copy.

Then there's the bad spelling. Big companies hire professional copywriters, so you're not likely to see "billing informations" in any official correspondence. Likewise, look for your name, not "valued customer" or something similarly imperson-

al. Finally, there's the link. Clicking it would likely take me to an official-looking Web site, where I'd be asked to provide all manner of personal information.

But I know better. In my e-mail program (Outlook Express), moving my mouse cursor over the link reveals the actual Web address that's embedded in it:
<http://64.23.5.7/Aol>.

That's bogus. AOL and other companies don't have numerical Web addresses. So before I even click the link, I've spotted plenty of red flags - any single one of which would be cause enough to trash the e-mail.

Unfortunately, not all phishing is that easy to spot. Take the recent stream of messages concerning my eBay account: Apparently someone has been using it to make phony bids, and would I mind clicking here to verify my personal information?

These messages looked indistinguishable from the real deal, even to my trained eye. The return address, the Web link, the small-print legalese at the bottom - all of it seemed genuine. So how did I know it wasn't? For starters, I know that AOL, Citibank, eBay, PayPal, and other institutions have expressly stated they will never ask for personal information in an e-mail.

I also know that phishing exists, so I'm naturally suspicious. Plus, I'd been using my eBay account regularly and knew everything was in order.

In other words, exercise common sense. When in doubt, call or e-mail the company's customer-service department, or login to your account manually, skipping the links in the e-mail. Don't make it any easier for the con artists.

Rick Broida writes about computers and technology for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Broida, the co-author of numerous books, including "How to Do Everything with Musicmatch" and "101 Killer Apps for Your Palm Handheld." He welcomes questions sent to rickbroida@excite.com.

Holiday Walk cites hall's 75 years

Meadow Brook Hall turns 75 years old this year and to celebrate its anniversary, organizers have returned to the celebrations of past years that have taken place within these magnificent rooms.

Guests will enjoy a variety of celebrations: a glimpse of a traditional New Year's Eve celebration, Alfred Wilson and Matilda Dodge Wilson's 25th anniversary party, Danny Dodge's Halloween festivities and much more.

Meadow Brook Hall's 2004 Holiday Walk offers a variety of events designed to capture the imagination of children and parents alike. Every Saturday and Sunday, children can enjoy holiday story time and visit Santa Claus in the ballroom. Other activities include writing letters to Santa, designing personalized ornaments and holiday cards.

Children will also learn about the "pickle" tradition and find the "pickle" ornament on 11 trees throughout the home. This Christmas Eve German tradition is to hide a pickle [ornament] deep in the branches of the family Christmas tree.

The parents hung the pickle last after all the other ornaments were in place. In the morning they knew the most observant child would receive an extra gift from St. Nicholas. The first adult who finds the pickle traditionally gets good luck for the whole year.

Open to the public, the Holiday Walk 2004 75 Years of Grandeur begins Friday, Nov. 26 and runs through Dec. 19 tours are offered daily, Monday through Sunday, from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. (The last admittance at 4 p.m.).

The cost is \$20 for adults, \$5 for children under 17 years accompanied by an adult and children under 2 are free.

A major fund-raising event for Meadow Brook Hall, all Holiday Walk proceeds are used for the preservation and interpretation of this significant historic property. For additional information on Meadow Brook Hall's Holiday Walk, please call (248) 370-3140 or visit www.meadowbrookhall.org.

Meadow Brook Hall is the fourth largest historic house museum in the United



LORRAINE LEIGH

Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester celebrates the hall's 75 years with a variety of celebrations showcasing typical parties for the family of Alfred Wilson and Matilda Dodge Wilson.

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that are a cross-section of the town and are located all over town," said Jan Bennett, organizer of the Greenmead Walk. "We try to get homes that are different."

RANCH DRESSING

The Takacs' house is unique in that their ranch conversion has spread by word-of-mouth in the neighborhood. "We have a lot of people who just randomly stop by to look at it," Scott said. "We thought it would be good idea to volunteer our home for the Christmas tour. We've gone on house tours for Greenmead and they are a lot of fun."

The Takacs always enjoyed driving through the neighborhood on Bell Creek Lane and liked the home sites and the large lots on that street. When they first purchased the home, it was smaller than their previous home. By the time they finished remodeling, it almost tripled the size of the house. "It now looks more like a Cape Cod house," Scott said.

The Takacs have worked to decorate their home for this year's home tour with a mix of old decorations and new ones.

The couple's 12-foot Christmas tree is decorated with blue ribbons and blue and white lights in the great room. The tree was purchased from Ray Hunter Florist in Southgate. "It took two cars to get (the tree) back," said Rebecca.

A manger scene given to them by Madie Takacs, Scott's grandmother, is tucked on a shelf of one of custom cabinets made by Scott. Two other manger scenes — one that Scott purchased years ago and one from Rebecca's mother, Betty Rodgers of Taylor — also will decorate the great room.

Each of the rooms have different themes.

A guest bedroom is the home's angel room with angels from Scott's grandmother. The Red room is another bedroom decked out in a nautical theme of lighthouse photos and light-houses, which originated from a trip to the Upper Peninsula and lighthouse visits.

Downstairs a Dickens Village is set up on a table. The couple, who met at and graduated from the University of Michigan, have created a maize-and-blue shrine downstairs, dedicated to their alma mater.

The kitchen displays Santa Claus, Christmas dolls and bears.

"Over the years we've collected lot of angels and Santas," Scott said. Rebecca adds: "People like to bring us Santas." On the table is a Christmas dish collection, all set for dinner, from Scott's mother, Patricia Nagy of Plymouth.

CHRISTMAS WALK

What: 16th Annual Friends of Greenmead Christmas Walk. Seven homes in Livonia, all decorated for the holidays, will be open for viewing. Visitors can enjoy the walk and help by contributing to the proceeds designated for the restoration and preservation of Livonia's historic Greenmead.

When: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4.

Where: The walk begins at the Hill House at Greenmead where hot chocolate and homemade cookies will be served. (Greenmead is located on the southwest corner of Newburgh and 8 Mile. Enter from Newburgh Road.) Unique Christmas items can be purchased at the Hill House gift shop.

Tickets: Advance tickets are \$9 per person, or \$10 the day of the event. Tickets are available from any of the Livonia libraries, the Civic Center Library Gift Shop, Greenmead and the Department of Community Resources located on the fifth floor of Livonia City Hall at 5 Mile and Farmington roads. Organizers suggest wearing shoes that slip on and off easily, as shoes must be removed before entering the homes.

For information, please call (734) 466-3540 or (734) 425-4855.

FAMILY TIES

Other homes are unique, too.

Debbie and Jim Arnett's four-bedroom colonial was selected by the Friends of Greenmead to be on the tour. "It's an honor, but it's also a lot of work," said Debbie with a laugh. "We like to decorate for the holidays."

The holidays carry remembrances of family members. Debbie puts up crocheted snowflakes from Debbie's grandmother, who died in 2003. Debbie also has decorations from her parents. "These things bring back memories," she said.

The Arnetts also have a Santa collection displayed in the living room, many of them given to them by friends and relatives in travels. "We've added a few things and as of last year, we've done more with the snowmen in the basement," Debbie said.

Arnett enjoys supporting

Greenmead and its historical significance to the area. "I think it's a treasure for Livonia," she said. "It's great for Livonia. It's a great experience for anyone to help Greenmead. Our family loves historical things. It's great to have it close by."

Another home in the Rosedale Park subdivision consists of 800 square feet, but it is now an "enchanted land," Bennett said. "It makes me think of the French cottages, with the quaint artifacts on the walls," Bennett said. "She opened up the closet and the shelves in it have special charms."

"We have several other elegant homes, which will be all set up for Christmas."

FUN FUND-RAISER

The walk is critical for raising funds for the Greenmead development and renovations. "The walk is the main fund-raiser each year," Bennett said. She expected that the Friends of Greenmead would give \$20,000 to Greenmead this month.

"Each year or any other year, it's significant," Bennett said. "At this time, with the city budget being so tight, it's nice to keep this going," she said.

She expected funds raised will help with the renovation of the Old Blue House. "People will buy tickets because some of it will go to Greenmead, but they're also coming to people's homes to look at their homes."

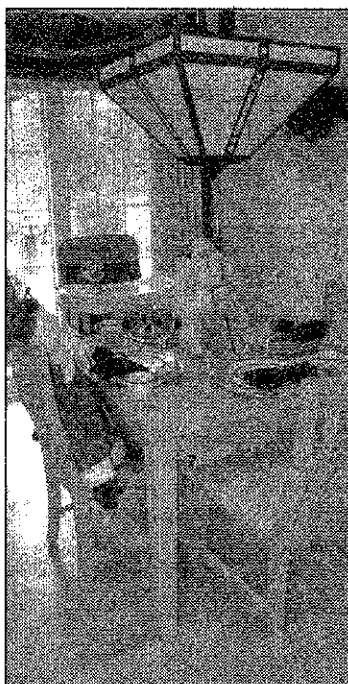
There's a home with a military room, devoted to a World War II veteran and a granddaughter who recently graduated from West Point.

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A guest bedroom is the Angel Room.



This dinette area is all set for the holidays.

HILL HOUSE

The Hill House, built in 1841, was purchased by the City of Livonia in 1977. The Greek Revival house serves as a museum and backdrop for community events. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Livonia landmark is an annual stop on the Friends of Greenmead Christmas Walk.

Every year local quester groups decorate the house for Christmas. In the parlor the stockings are hung high by the Sauk Trail Questers. They also decorated the bedroom with visions of a Christmas past. The Elmwood Station Questers decorated the dining room. The table is set with dishes decorated with illustrations and verses from the poem. A Christmas tree in the bay window is decorated with candies. Quakertown Questers have decorated the library with a festive look.

The sunroom decorated by longtime Greenmead volunteers Marian Lynch and Pauline Schweiger with an array of Santas and reindeers. The kitchen has been decorated by the Alexander Blue Questers and has a glow of old time charm and comfort.

The homemade cookies and cocoa are courtesy of the Friends for the Development of Greenmead.

Livonia Florist, 31110 Five Mile in Livonia, added a holiday arrangement to the trimmings of the Hill House this season.

Military, family members remembered on holiday home tour

Here are summaries of the other homes on the Friends of Greenmead Holiday Tour:

■ A home on Middleboro displays a candy cane walkway to the front door. A sled from the hostess' childhood, piled with gaily wrapped packages, welcomes visitors. The price tag is still intact, displaying \$5.95.

Animated figures adorn the living room, where you'll encounter the first of 10 or more Christmas trees. This seven-foot tree shows the hostess's love of purple and grapes, making for a striking and unusual holiday theme.

The den reflects a military tribute to all service women and men, who continually

serve, especially the hostess's late husband and her father who were both U.S. Marines. The family recently welcomed home a granddaughter and her husband, both graduates of West Point, after 15 months in Iraq. Of course, the tree is a blaze of red, white and blue with a reminder of Toys for Tots, especially at this time of year.

The dining room gives off a warm red glow, from the table settings to the candy cane tree.

Toyland has taken over the back porch. Teddy bears have found a new home — the tree. A collection of Campbell soup ornaments and toys are everywhere.

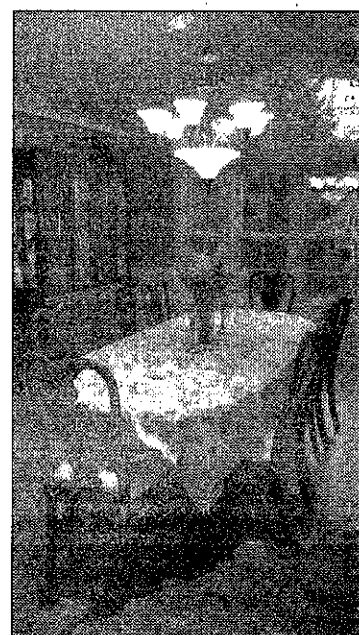
Of special interest is the

homeowner's extensive collection of Ron Lee clowns. They can be seen in several rooms throughout the home.

The downstairs rec room holds yet another special surprise with an impressive model train display. Merri-Craft Florist, 13955 Merri-Craft Rd. in Livonia, contributed to the holiday décor in this house.

■ The owner of an 800-square-foot cottage on Ingram in Old Rosedale Gardens moved all of her belongings from her former "Big House" on Arden Street and filled this little "doll house" with 36 years of Christmas treasures. The wide front porch has pillars

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HOME CALENDAR

Christmas in the Village
Eight residences will be featured in Christmas in the Village's Holiday Home Tour, 5-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, in Cherry Hill Village in Canton. Cherry Hill Village is at Cherry Hill and Ridge Road. Take Beck Road to Cherry Hill and travel west on Cherry Hill. This Victorian-inspired community has early 1900s-style architecture, with old-fashioned street lights, front porches on every house and white picket fences. Proceeds from the tour will benefit The Canton Community Foundation. Tickets are \$12 at the door, \$10 in advance at The Summit of Canton; Holiday Market on Lilley in Canton; Canton Community Foundation (inside the Human Service Building in Cherry Hill Village); Cherry Hill Market; Curtis Building Co.; Feather Your Nest on Ford (just west of Napier); Ribar Florist in Plymouth; Jinae's of Plymouth; and Changing Florist in Northville. Also in the Village, the new Village Theater will present Gift of the Magi by The Great Lakes Lyric Opera Co. Friday-Sunday, Nov. 26-28. Shows are 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$10. Free events begin at noon Saturday, Nov. 27, as Christmas in the Village

will also feature juried artisans displaying their wares, strolling performers, entertainment on the main stage, samplings of Victorian era foods provided by local restaurants, a petting zoo, Victorian games and a visit from Santa Claus. Saturday's events will conclude with a tree lighting ceremony at 5:30 p.m. in the village square.
Elf Shelf
The Troy Women's Association will present the 33rd annual Juried Elf Shelf Arts and Crafts Show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, at Troy High School, 4777 Northfield Parkway. Troy High School is south of Long Lake Road, between Crooks and Coolidge. Elf Shelf will feature more than 150 artisans. Proceeds benefit local charitable organizations. The \$2 donation at the door goes to local charities. For more information, call (248) 988-0426 or e-mail elfshelf_twa@yahoo.com. The Troy Women's Association promotes projects of civic betterment and individual development. It meets 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at the Troy Community Center, 3179 Livernois, north of Big Beaver.
Fridays at Cranbrook
Explore the cultural treasures of Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills in a special way Friday, Nov. 26.

Cranbrook House, 380 Lone Pine Road, is Detroit's oldest Manor House, an English Arts and Crafts-style masterpiece. It was built for George Gough Booth and Ellen Scripps Booth by architect Albert Kahn in 1908. The fourth Friday of each month, Cranbrook House will remain open to the public for tours until 9 p.m. Admission is free. A special program, Cut 'n' Mix Fridays: Art Talk and Jam, with popular Detroit techno musicians playing live in the galleries at the Cranbrook Art Museum, 39221 Woodward, will culminate Nov. 26 with the release party of the compilation CD. The CD will include music by all musicians participating in the Cut 'n' Mix series. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for students and seniors, and free for under age 12. For information on specific events, call the Cranbrook Art Museum at (248) 645-3323, or visit www.cranbrook.edu.
Franklin home tour
Notable homes in Franklin will be featured on the Candlelight Home Tour 4-8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$3 for children, and available at Franklin merchants including Yanke Design, Appletree Room, Escapades and Market Basket.

The tour is part of the Franklin Winter Festival - formerly Holly Day - 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Festival events will include ice carving, children's activities, face painting, visit with Santa, crafts, bake sale, school choirs, mimes, horse-drawn carriage rides (5-9 p.m.), Franklin's third annual Festival of Trees silent auction featuring trees and wreaths decorated and donated by villagers (4-8 p.m. in Franklin Community Church; admission is free), and Hanukkah candle lighting and tree lighting ceremony (6:30 p.m. in front of the Franklin library). Food, popcorn and other street activities will take place throughout the day. Schedules will be available in downtown Franklin stores on Franklin Road just south of 14 Mile.
Holiday garland
Learn how to shape, trim and decorate an artificial pine garland that will be beautiful on your dining room table, hutch, doorway or stairway railing in Holiday Garland with Ribbons, Berries and Pine, a class at The Community House in downtown Birmingham. The one-session class will meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. or 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, taught by Jacqueline Carney. The Community House is at 380 S. Bates.

You will also learn how to make a basic bow to use many ways during the holidays. Have fun creating your own distinctive garland by adding berries, cones, ribbons and trim. The fee is \$19. Materials cost, payable at the class, will range from \$35 to \$50, based on the size of the project and what you want to use. To register, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832, or visit www.communityhouse.com.
Home decor
Haberman Fabrics, 905 S. Main in Royal Oak, presents a variety of home decor classes for different skill levels. The schedule includes Creative Christmas Stocking, Sunday, Nov. 28, or Wednesday, Dec. 8 (fee is \$20); and Beginner Pillow, Mondays, Nov. 29 to Dec. 13 (\$60). Call (248) 541-0010, e-mail ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com or visit www.HabermanFabrics.com for registration and other information.
Holly Walk
Six Rochester area homes beautifully decorated for the holidays will be featured at the 2004 Holly Walk, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, presented by the Friends of the Rochester Hills Public Library. Tickets, advance only, are \$20 and benefit the library. To buy tickets by mail, send a self-addressed envelope

with a check payable to the Friends of the Rochester Hills Public Library to Holly Walk Tickets, Friends' Library Store, 500 Olde Towne Road, Rochester 48307, no later than Saturday, Dec. 4. Tickets are available at Bordine Nursery Garden Store, Dillman & Upton True Value Hardware, the Friends' Library Store, Heslop's at the Village of Rochester Hills, Sharon's Hallmark and Werner's Hallmark. Refreshments will be served at the dairy barn at Van Hoosen Farm. For information, call (248) 652-3549.
Potters market
The 29th annual Potters Market will take place Friday-Sunday, Dec. 3-5, at 876 Horace Brown Drive in Madison Heights, south of 13 Mile and west of John R. between Montpelier and Barrington. Hours open at 10 a.m. daily and continue to 8 p.m. Dec. 3, 6 p.m. Dec. 4 and 5 p.m. Dec. 6. The event, the largest pottery sale in the country, is presented by advanced ceramic students of Oakland Community College in Royal Oak. It will feature functional, decorative and whimsical jewelry, stoneware, porcelain and raku items by 130 potters. Admission is free. No strollers. For more information, call (248) 246-2686, e-mail crblosse@oaklandcc.edu, or visit thepottersmarket.com.

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Adorned with Christmas decorations. The home owner has bordered the dining room with a beautiful toile print wallpaper, named Rosedale. This closet houses the owner's dishes and stemware. Cardwell Florist, 32109 Plymouth in Livonia, provided the floral arrangement for this home. ■ At a home on Pembroke this family is happy to be celebrating their sixth Christmas there. Nestled in the quiet Woodbrooke subdivision, the home was built in 1986. Upon entering, a quilt custom made for the stairwell named Christmas Star hangs

overhead and is displayed year round. The living room is the Santa Room, displaying the collection that began a dozen years ago. Many additions to the collection have been gifts, and hold special memories. Several of the home's decorations are handmade by loving family members and friends, and include Santas, snowmen, pillows and the crocheted snowflakes in the windows. Two years ago, the homeowners made frames for the Christmas lights in the front windows. Lights are permanently attached and the frames are easily put up and taken down for storage. Nature's Floral Gifts, 37464 W. Five Mile in Livonia contributed to the holiday décor in this house. ■ Christmas is a very special

time of year for a home on Vanderhaven as the family celebrates the holidays in their newly constructed home with family and friends. Trees are trimmed in reds and greens, while festive mantels glimmer and gleam with glitter and gold. Weber's Floral Gifts, 28301 Five Mile in Livonia, added a holiday arrangement to the trimmings of the Hill House this season. ■ A Cape Cod style home on Ladywood greets visitors with candles burning in the front windows and a collection of old fashioned sleds on the front porch. This beautifully decorated home owned by an interior designer is filled with many antiques and treasures. The large Christmas tree located in the front room is decorated with baby's breath

and country ornaments. The antique dining room furniture is accentuated with holiday greens and a collection of Santas. The walls of the adjoining country kitchen are overflowing with collectibles. The walls of the garden room are hand painted and an antique children's table and set of chairs belonging to the owner's grandfather when he was a boy catches your eye. The Christmas tree is decorated with hand made storybook characters. Over 100 handmade country dolls hang on the walls of the den. A Christmas tree, decorated with red apples, sits on top of an antique table. Before leaving this beautifully decorated home, you will go upstairs to the bedrooms. You will be greeted by a burst of bold and bright colors. Each bedroom has its own Christmas tree, decorated to complement the unique colors in every room. The banister

leading you back down to the main floor is decorated with an abundance of greens, ribbon and tulle. Holiday accompaniments were provided by French's Flowers & Gifts, 33885 Five Mile Road in Livonia. ■ A custom home on Van Road, built in 1992, became the owners' third Livonia home since moving here in 1969. When you enter the two-story foyer, you will feel that, even though you have stepped indoors, that you are still outdoors, because the entire back of the house has floor to ceiling windows looking out over an abundance of beautiful trees. The great room's 9-foot Christmas tree is decorated in shades of pink, cream, gold and burgundy with a Victorian theme. The dining room table is set for a holiday luncheon with Royal Worcester Holly Ribbons china and Waterford

Kylemore crystal. Snowmen and Santa placemats on the kitchen table await the arrival of their six granddaughters for their annual Sunday night before Christmas supper, cookie baking and sleepover. Other decorations include a handmade Santa on the tea table, a Byers caroler collection near the fireplace, a Santa grouping on the stairway landing, and a den specifically decorated for the children. If you look up, almost anywhere in the house you will see velvet bows hanging from the ceiling. This has been a tradition for over 40 years. The mid-1800s secretary in the great room, the rocker in one of the guest rooms, and the hand made quilts on the twin beds, are all antiques passed down through the family. A festive holiday arrangement was provided by Vines Flower & Garden Shop, 30560 Grand River in Farmington Hills.



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Endangered Historic Places sought for list

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is accepting nominations for the 2005 America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places list.

Nominations are being accepted now to Jan. 19, 2005.

Each year, the National Trust issues this list to identify and raise awareness of historic sites at risk from neglect, deterioration, lack of maintenance, insufficient funds, inappropriate development or insensitive public policy.

Since 1988, the list has been one of the most successful tools in the fight to save America's irreplaceable architectural, cultural and natural heritage.

The 2005 list will be announced in May.

To ensure that the most threatened sites are chosen, the National Trust uses three primary criteria to determine the 11 finalists: significance, urgency and potential solutions.

For more information about the application process and to download the application, visit www.nationaltrust.org/11Most/nomination.html, or call (202) 588-6141.

Completed nominations must be postmarked by Jan. 19, 2005.

"Ever since 1988, our America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places list has been a powerful wake-up call, alerting people to treasures in trouble and galvanizing efforts to save them," said Richard Moe, president of the National Trust.

"The list has helped save some very significant pieces of our heritage, and we're enormously proud of that fact - but past successes are not enough. Important historic sites are still in danger, and we still must work hard to protect the places that tell America's story."

The list has brought national attention to more than 140 significant buildings, sites and landscapes.

At times, that attention has garnered public support to rescue a treasured landmark; at times, it has been an opening in a long battle to save an important piece of our history.

It has been so successful in educating the public that more than 20 states and many communities publish their own

lists of endangered historic places.

Among the many sites that have been listed are the tobacco barns of Southern Maryland, Vieux Carré in New Orleans, Ellis Island in New York Harbor, the Kennecott Copper Mines in Alaska, the Bethlehem Steel Plant in Pennsylvania, and the village of East Aurora, N.Y. Each represents preservation challenges facing thousands of communities.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is a private, nonprofit membership organization dedicated to protecting the irreplaceable.

Recipient of the National Humanities Medal, the Trust was founded in 1949 and provides leadership, education and advocacy to save America's diverse historic places and revitalize communities.

Its Washington, D.C., headquarters staff, six regional offices and 25 historic sites work with the Trust's 200,000 members and thousands of local community groups in all 50 states.

For more information, visit www.nationaltrust.org.

Pet peeves are irritating

Everyone has pet peeves. You know, those little things we deal with in life that aren't horrible, just irritating. Like when people start sentences with "You know."



About Animals

Dr. Brad Davis

My wife receives irritation from most of the things I do and say.

I have several of these irritations, many of which I have to deal with on an everyday basis. Some in the clinic, some outside.

Like when the person in front of me at the supermarket waits until the entire \$120 order is run through before even taking out their check book.

Have they had occasion where their order was free?

At the clinic, I get worn out trying to convince people to have their pet spayed or neutered.

Women tend to understand, as they have to deal with their reproductive tracts medically all the time.

Men often won't even hear of it. I can lay out all the reasons why neutering will help keep the pet healthier, all the problems it will prevent, but they often decline vehemently. I try to explain that the neuter is not retroactive to the owner, but they can't bear the thought of their little friend being "fixed."

Though this happens often enough that it becomes irksome, it's not every time. In fact, many men are comfortable enough in their own sexuality that they can do what's best for their pet.

It's the others that wear on my nerves.

Sometimes, I can drive to the

work I deal with a train.

The tracks near my house must be the finest in the area, as the trains not only go over them, but often stop to enjoy the feel against their wheels.

This turns the road into a long, thin parking lot.

It turns me into a Duke of Hazzard, thinking about jumping my car over the train in slow motion while shouting "Yee-ha!"

Once at the clinic, I'm amazed by the number of people who lecture their animals.

If a dog jumps up, pulls, or whatever else, people will shout their dog's name, then follow up with several sentences outlining how the dog should behave.

Remember, the dog hears their name, then Charlie Brown's teacher - "Fluffy, wa wa wa wa!"

If you want to correct your dog, you need to use a short correction word, such as "no."

This must be done *immediately* when the problem occurs, not a few seconds later. Then, when they stop, praise them.

Now they associate what they were doing with the bad thing, and associate your happy voice with not doing the bad thing.

Only use their name in praise...yelling their name will make them less likely to come when called, as it means they're in trouble.

My greatest pet peeve, telephone solicitors, can be controlled by the no-call list, but a few still sneak calls through. I try to get their name and number, then call them back to get my number removed from their list.

They're usually not happy to get my call, but I see it as returning the favor.

The new problem I have seen this year would be the rapid increase of people buying mixed breed dogs.

I've mentioned labradoodles before, as a number of new owners have asked me about their dog, and about when they can breed him or her.

They seem very taken aback when I point out it is not a breed, and as such, it can't be "bred."

Breeding means making the next generation of a full breed dog better - in conformation, appearance, and in health.

People who make mixed breed dogs are not breeders, but are anti-breeders, making more mixed breed puppies like those that die at shelters every day.

We don't need more. I hope this stops soon.

(Mixed breed dogs are great! If you want one, go to a shelter. A new friend and you will find each other there!)

Dr. Brad Davis is the Medical Director for the VCA of Garden City, 2085 Inkster Road, Garden City, MI 48135. Write him there with questions and comments. Listen to his nationally syndicated radio show Animal Talk, now heard on WDSO 1480 AM, or visit the Web site at www.Animaltalkradio.com. Send e-mail questions or comments with your e-mail address to Questions@animaltalkradio.com.

GARDEN CALENDAR

Holiday classes

Telly's Greenhouse and Garden Center, 3301 John R in Troy, will present classes in holiday decor.

Class fee is \$5. Pre-registration is required; call (248) 689-8735. Participants will receive a coupon good for \$5 off a \$50 purchase made within seven days of the class.

Judy Cornellier will help you assemble and decorate your own holiday door swag in Holiday Bow and Swag Demo, Saturday, Dec. 4 (10 a.m.), or Sunday, Dec. 5 (11 a.m. or 1 p.m.). Choose from decorations and fresh greens to create a stunning holiday door greeter. All materials will be available for purchase. Cornellier will also demonstrate bow making and offer dozens of beautiful ribbons for purchase. Materials extra.

In Holiday Greens Arranging, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, assemble and take home your own arrangement that will serve as a centerpiece for your holiday decor or a personalized gift. Bring in your own containers or choose one

of the wicker, ceramic or resin planters at Telly's to hold your creation. All materials will be available for purchase. Materials extra.

Farmington Garden Club

The Farmington Garden Club will have a holiday luncheon 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 6, at Longacre House, on the west side of Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile. The program will be Boughs, Berries and Bunches. Judy Cornellier, a member of the Herb Society of America and chairman of the Herb Garden at Cranbrook Gardens, will show designs to brighten up winter and the holidays. Call Jan Reid at (248) 471-2675 for reservations.

Troy Garden Club

The Troy Garden Club will meet noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, at Big Beaver United Methodist Church, 3753 John R, just south of Wattles in Troy. Vickie Hale and Ron Rudd will present Winter Sowing, an exciting way to keep those gardener's hands active during the "cold winter." Refreshments

will be served at noon. Guest donation \$3. For more information, call Rita at (248) 540-4249.

School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia, just west of Middlebelt in the Milo Shopping Plaza, and at Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, north of Square Lake Road and east of Telegraph. Register early. Seating is limited. Some classes have pre-requisites. For more information, call (248) 4-GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com. The schedule includes Computer-assisted Design, Mondays, Dec. 6-20, in Livonia (fee is \$132; class size limited to six).

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

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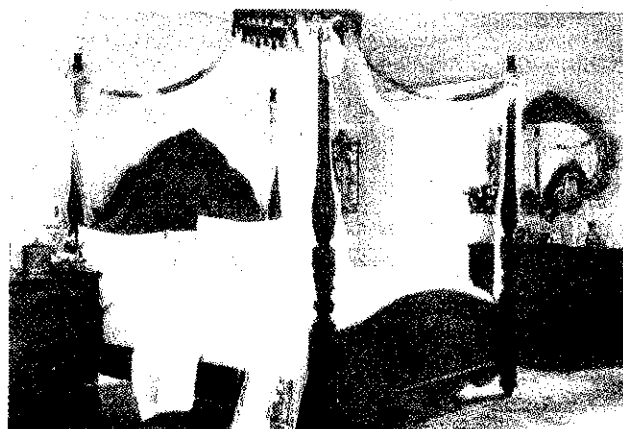
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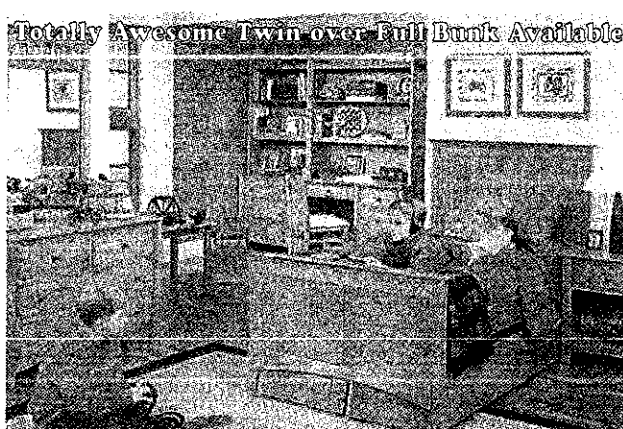


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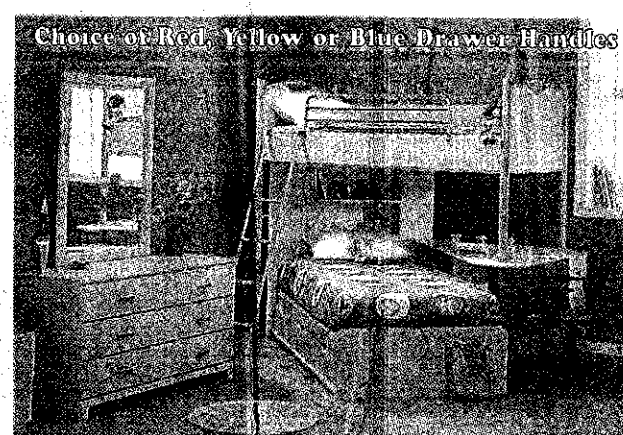
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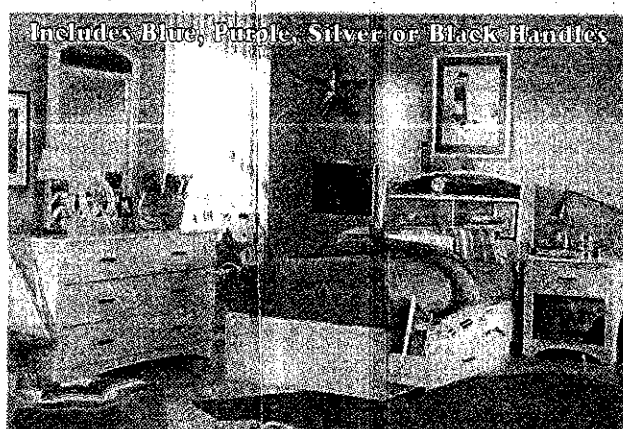
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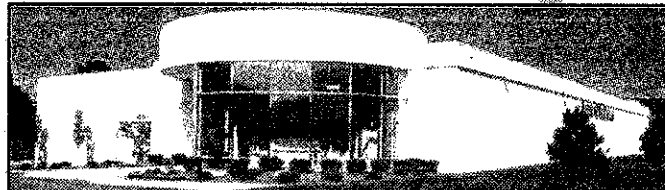
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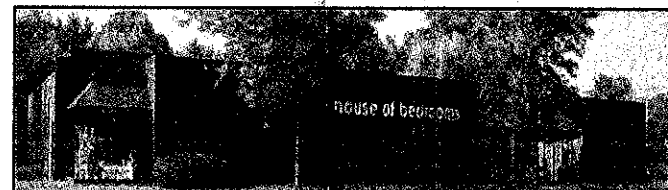
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Lenawee Christian too much for PCA, 48-35

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
CORRESPONDENT

They lost the game, but coach Harvey Jennings' Plymouth Christian Academy team won, too.

Lenawee Christian used balanced scoring and a tenacious defense Monday night to take a 48-35 victory from PCA in a Class D Regional 26 semifinal game of the state high school girls basketball tournament.

But hey, the winner drew the defending state Class D champion, Lansing Christian, Tuesday night for a berth in the quarterfinals. Lansing Christian, led by Tiffanie Shives (Michigan State), shredded Camden-Frontier, 69-22, in the other regional semifinal contest.

"We were last in our conference," Jennings said. "We won one conference game. But we had great seniors. For us to get this far...based on statistics, we should have gone out in the first round.

"But what we have to do is not define our season by this one game. We have to focus on the hard work that started back in August."

The Eagles ended 11-12, the same record the winning Cougars took into the game.

Lenawee Christian didn't put a single player in double figures but had nine players score and five getting six points or better. Freshman Abbie Forman had nine, Haley Cisco scored eight and the

trio of junior Brittany Wright, sophomore Katie Mullis and junior Elizabeth Davies had six apiece.

The Cougars scored the first eight points of the game and their zone defense kept the Eagles from penetrating or getting easy inside hoops. Lenawee Christian held a lead of 10-6 after the first quarter, 24-15 at halftime and 36-24 entering the fourth quarter.

PLEASE SEE TOO MUCH, C6

Rocked

Marian knocks Salem out of tourney, 49-35

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

When Birmingham Marian's fast-break is running on all cylinders, the Mustangs can turn defensive rebounds into offensive lay-ups in a heartbeat.

Case in point: Monday night when the Mustangs pushed the ball up the court and Salem out of the post-season with a 49-35 victory in the Class A regional semifinal played at West Bloomfield High School.

Marian will take its 20-4 record and sizzling transition game into tonight's regional final against the host Lakers, who dismantled Pontiac Northern, 62-47, in the other semi-final match-up.

Salem closed out its year with a 16-7 mark.

"I was disappointed in our team's effort at the district tournament," admitted Marian coach Mary Cicerone. "Before the game tonight, I asked them, 'What happened to my old team?' The effort was back tonight. We're at our best when we grab the rebound and go, and that's what we did."

As usual, the Mustangs' catalyst was senior guard Claire Aubrey, who scored a game-high 16 points, grabbed seven rebounds and dished out six assists.

"Claire is one of those players who always gives 110 percent," Cicerone said. "She's our best defender and she's a great leader."

Salem coach Fred Thomann

PLEASE SEE ROCKED, C7



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Salem's Ellen Canale tries to dribble past Birmingham Marian's Katherine Johnson during Monday night's 49-35 loss to the Mustangs in the Class A regional semi-final game played at West Bloomfield High School. Canale finished with six points.

Friendship is strong for Rock seniors

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The illustrious high school basketball careers of Salem seniors Ellen Canale, Alyssa Guerin and Kathryn Wheatley may have ended Monday night with the Rocks' 49-35 loss to Birmingham Marian in the regional semi-final game played at West Bloomfield High School.

'Alyssa is my right arm and Cat is my left arm. When I'm braiding my daughter's hair years from now, I'll think of them.'

Ellen Canale
Salem senior

But the friendship forged between the trio of hoop stars over the past several years will never diminish.

"These are my sisters for life," said Canale, describing the bond that has grown between the three since they all made the Rocks' varsity squad as sophomores in 2002.

"Alyssa is my right arm and Cat is my left arm. When I'm braiding my daughter's hair years from now, I'll think of them."

As the three players stood courtside just moments after possibly the most excruciating loss of their young lives, Guerin reflected on what a positive experience the past three months had been for her and her teammates. "I'm sad that we lost tonight, but when I look back on this season, I don't think I could have played with better teammates," she said. "Everybody on this team played hard all year."

"My senior year of basketball couldn't have gone any better," Wheatley agreed.

"Before the season started, we talked about winning the district and we did that. I'm very proud of everybody on this team and what we accomplished."

Counting summer-league and high-school action, the threesome has played in well over 100 games together during their successful careers.

When you throw in the hundreds of practices they've sweat through together, it's no wonder they feel like family to each other.

"Al and I have been playing together since seventh grade," Canale said. "We met Kathryn in high school and our friendships have grown ever since."

Wheatley and Guerin will be teammates again in the spring when they compete together for the Salem soccer team. But the trio's hoop days together are over.

Or are they?

"I'm sure we'll play a little one-on-one against one another in the future," Wheatley said, smiling.

Canton's Schmitt earns All-State status

Swimming in its own backyard, Ann Arbor Pioneer stroked to its fifth consecutive Division I state girls swimming/diving title last weekend at the University of Michigan.

The Pioneers accumulated 372 points, 167 more than second-place Farmington Mercy. Zeeland (202), Rochester Adams (170) and Okemos (121) rounded out the top five spots.

Canton finished in 18th place with 33 points while Salem (four points) tied for 36th with Battle Creek Central.

Chief freshman Allison Schmitt proved that she will be a force to be reckoned with on the state level for several years to come as she finished seventh in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:54.26.

Schmitt's effort earned Canton 12 points.

Schmitt also captured eighth place in the 500 freestyle with a clocking of 5:14.33 in the final. The eighth-place showing was good enough for 11 points for the Chiefs.

Schmitt's efforts in both events earned the ninth-grader All-State recognition.

"Allison really swam great," said Canton assistant coach Ed Weber.

"She had her personal-best time in the 200 and she was close to her best in the 500. Our relay team

'She had her personal-best time in the 200 and she was close to her best in the 500.'

Ed Weber
Canton assistant coach

performed well, too."

The Chiefs' 200 freestyle relay foursome of junior Izabela Paszkowska, sophomore Laura Landis, senior Susie Patrick and Schmitt just missed earning All-State honors when it finished 12th with a time of 1:42.21. The top 10 finishers in each event are consider All-State.

Salem's 200 medley relay quartet of junior Kelsey Lincoln, junior Kim Heaney, senior Ashley Aquinto and senior Amanda Newman finished 15th with a time of 1:54.61.

Other Western Lakes Activities Association schools also fared well at the state meet. Livonia Stevenson finished 10th with 91 points, Walled Lake Central was 29th (15 points), Walled Lake Western was 31st (14 points) and Westland John Glenn nabbed 32nd place (11 points).



Great shot

Canton resident Tony Vitale poses with the 12-point whitetail buck he shot Oct. 13 while bow hunting on land near Pinckney. The deer – which earned a mark of 142 on the official Pope & Young Club Scoring System – was one of the largest ever shot with a bow in Livingston County, according to Pope & Young.

Lightning strikes

The Plymouth Lightning '96 select soccer team recently finished 8-0-1 to win the WSSL U9 Girls Division II title.

"The team played really well," said Lightning coach Brianna Sleek. "I am very impressed with their individual skills and overall talents and team chemistry."

The Lightning's defense – which allowed just 14 goals all season – was led by co-captain Emma Barterian, Terra Crown and Maria Pulice. Madeline Szuba and Allison First shined as the team's goalies. Offensively, the team was paced by Alyssa Dillon, Kate Morris, Samantha Riga, Alexandra Burkhardt and Shannon Perry.

'Cat skaters win

Plymouth's boys hockey team was successful in its first-ever varsity game, ousting Pinckney, 5-3, on Saturday.

Nick Rososchacki led the way with a pair of goals. Ryan Stamm, John Knoeri and Jason O'Guinn had one apiece.

The winning goalie was Justin Desilets.

Gym time

The 2004 USAG Jingle Bell Rock Gymnastics Invitational and Fun Meet will be held Dec. 3-5 at St. Edith's Gymnasium in Livonia.

The meet, presented by Euro Stars Gymnastics, is expected to attract 700 gymnasts in addition to family and friends. Competition will be held for girls USAG Levels 5-10 and Fun Meet Levels 2-Pre 5.

The Vietnam veterans will present flags for the national anthem. St. Edith's is located at 15089 Newburgh Road. Call meet director Diana Genrich at (734) 737-9500.

MU's Zathey hailed

Madonna University women's soccer coach Mark Zathey, who guided the Crusaders to a 11-5-4 overall record and a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference title, was named 2004 WHAC Coach of the Year.

It was the conference's second honor for the fourth-year coach, a graduate of Livonia Bentley High School.

Three MU underclassmen also earned first-team All-WHAC recognition including junior co-captain Lacey Cattarino (Westland John Glenn), sophomore Kelly Japowicz and freshman Loren Tacconelli.

Japowicz, a forward, led the Crusaders this season with 11 goals and five assists, while Cattarino posted a team-high 11 assists. Tacconelli added six goals and four assists in her inaugural season.

Second-team All-WHAC selections from MU included freshman defenders Rachaelle Minto and Julie Turner, along with the Crusaders' lone senior, midfielder Danielle Strickland.

Whalers making move in division

After struggling early this season, the Plymouth Whalers are making a serious run at the top spot in the Ontario Hockey League's Western Division.

Sparked by solid goal-tending, the Whalers upended Sault Ste. Marie, 3-1, Saturday night at the Compuware Sports Arena before a sellout crowd of 3,904.

The victory improved the Whalers to 8-9-4-2 (22 points) and into sole possession of second place in the division. The Greyhounds slipped to 8-10-3-0.

Plymouth goal-tender Ryan Nie earned recognition as the game's second star after knocking away 30 Greyhound shots. On Friday night, Nie was the No. 1 star in the Whalers' 3-1 triumph over Erie.

Dan Collins, James Neal and John Vigilante all scored for the home team. Collins' goal was his team-leading ninth of the campaign. Jeff Carter scored the lone Greyhound goal.

Carter's power-play goal put Sault Ste. Marie ahead, 1-0, at the 10:31 mark of the second period. Collins tied the game 13:56 into the period before Neal tallied what proved to be the game-winner at the 11:13 mark of the third period.

Vigilante added an insurance with an empty-netter with 1:03 left in the game. It was the Dearborn native's third goal in as many games.

The sellout was the fourth of the season for the Whalers, who host the Windsor Spitfires tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Compuware Sports Arena.

CC skaters' goal to return to 'promised land'

BY TIM SMITH
STAFF WRITER

Consider Redford Catholic Central on a mission to return to hockey's promised land.

That's judging by the drive and purpose shown by the Shamrocks during Monday's practice at Compuware Sports Arena.

According to CC second-year head coach Todd Johnson, a mix of talent, savvy and a strong desire to win provide many reasons why he is feeling good about what the 2004-05 season might bring.

Johnson also likes that he has 16 players coming back from the 2003-04 squad that went 20-7-3, claiming the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League and Division 1 regional championships before falling short in the state title match. Monday, he put his squad through an uptempo workout and then talked optimistically about the season, which begins 7 p.m.

Friday at Compuware against Livonia Churchill.

"We won five straight state championships and set a state record," Johnson said. "Then we got to the (D1) state championship game last year and came up a little short. I think the senior class wants to pay respect to the seniors from last year, and get back to the title game."

Seniors taking part in that 3-2 title defeat to Marquette, and perhaps with something to prove, include forwards Harrison Niemann, Jason Lewarne, Chris New, Mike Oakleaf, Mychael Evans, John Horal, Brett Storm and Bryan Giosa and defensemen/captain Kevin Horal.

Add junior forwards such as Drew Kahle and Dan Barczuk to the mix and the Shamrocks have plenty of offensive firepower up front.

MAKING WAVES

The top four of Niemann,

Lewarne, Kahle and Barczuk lead a cast of 12 returning forwards who figure to be dangerous on opposing goaltenders. Like Monday's practice, it will be wave after wave of Shamrocks.

"I like the experience we have at forward," said Johnson, calling the position a strength of the team.

Kevin Horal and junior Tim Buttery anchor the Shamrocks' blueline. When not protecting the CC net, they will each spearhead power-play units, providing booming slap shots from the point.

"They're both pretty solid," said Johnson. "They're about as good on defense as we've had."

The rest of the Shamrocks' defenders are relatively inexperienced.

But Johnson sees a bright future. Among players expected to make a contribution include juniors Mike Maviglia, Adam McGee and sophomores Doug Raymond and Dominic Scala.

Senior defenseman Colin Ronayne also is new to the Shamrocks.

"Our defense is a little bit young and inexperienced," Johnson said.

"But I think they will come along fine."

But if the defense takes a while to get up to speed, they will have solid goaltenders backing them up.

Dividing netminding duties, at least during the first part of the season, will be junior Ross Tashjihan and sophomore Brian Hogan.

"Both are very athletic with solid backgrounds," the coach said.

Johnson is confident Tashjihan and Hogan can pick up where last year's tandem of John Garza and Andrew Godoshian left off.

"Our goaltending is pretty solid," he said. "That's a huge plus."

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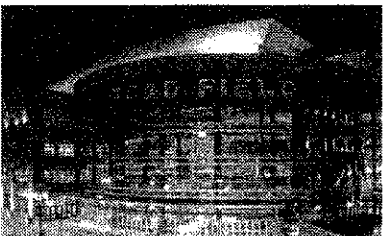
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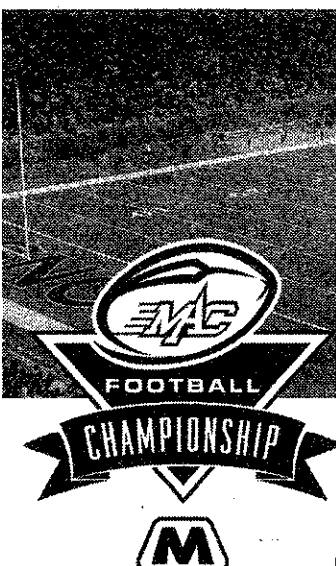
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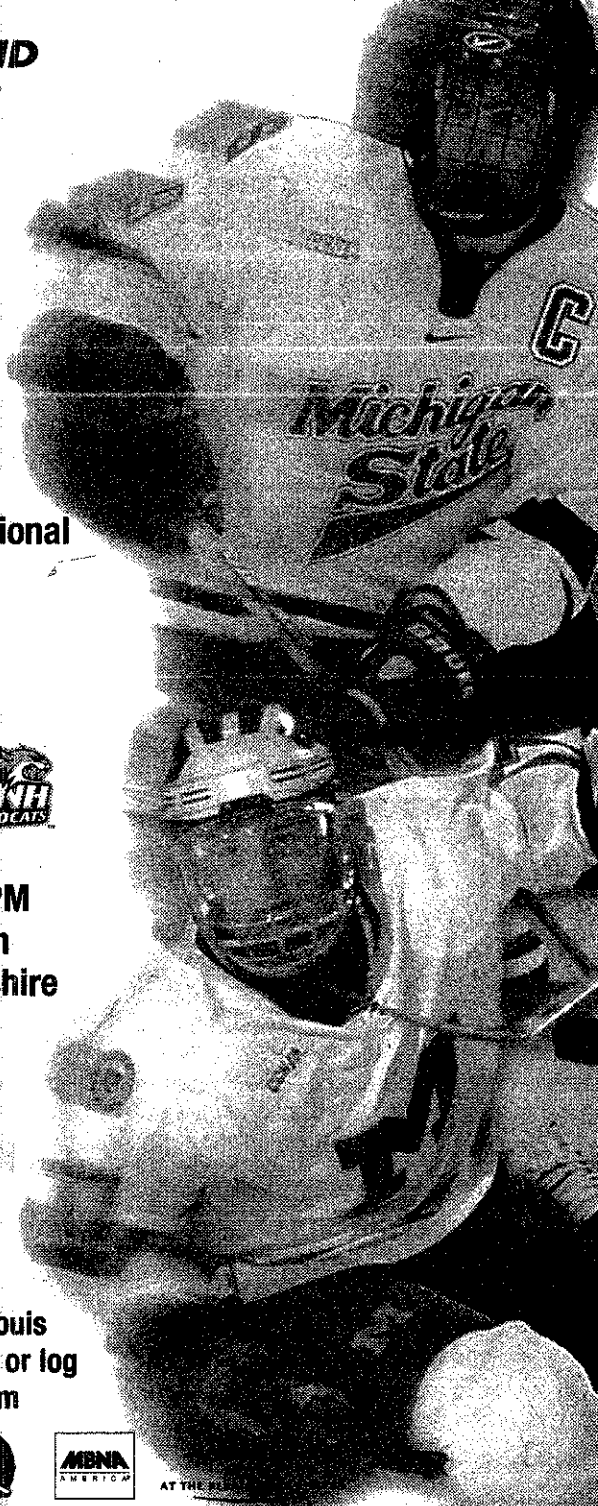
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SC men kickers sixth

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

A sixth-place finish in the National Junior College Athletic Association Division I men's soccer tournament couldn't dampen Schoolcraft coach Dominic Scicluna's spirit.

Two-time defending NJCAA champion Yavapai (Ariz.) won Sunday's consolation game in Tyler (Tex.) with a 2-1 win over the Ocelots, who finished the year with an 11-10 record. (Seven Schoolcraft wins this season were forfeited because of an ineligible player.)

Schoolcraft finished the match, played in standing water, with only nine players after goalkeeper Liam Curran and Justin Barnett (Salem) were both ejected for red cards in the first- and second-half, respectively.

"We outshot them, outplayed them and outthrustled them," Scicluna said. "It was an unbelievable display. We were all over them."

As he did in the Central District championship final and in a 5-4 first-round loss to eventual champion Mercer County CC (N.J.), Lew Tripp (Plymouth Christian) had to

move from his left-central midfield position into goal.

Yavapai's Todd Brown scored his school-record 34th goal of the season in the third minute of play on an assist from David Oberholtzer to give the Roughriders a 1-0 halftime lead.

Ten minutes into the second half, Yavapai took a 2-0 lead on Michael Randolph's goal set up by Daniel Pierce.

Schoolcraft's Runato Susjna then broke Yavapai keeper Robert Armstrong's shutout bid with eight minutes remaining on an assist from Rod Asllani.

The Ocelots were able to stay close because of their conditioning against 23-2 Yavapai.

"It was one of the most physically demanding seasons we've ever had, four-hour training sessions which take heavy dedication," Scicluna said. "We were the fittest team there and we also had the most creative movement of anybody. We also had the ability to bring people together."

Mercer County beat Georgia Perimeter for the title, 3-1, while San Jacinto College South (Tex.) upended Johnshon CC (Kan.) for third place, 3-2.



Quest for victories

The Canton Quest 94 Premier soccer team recently completed its 2004 fall season as the Division 1 champions of the WSSL Select soccer league. The Quest compiled a record of 8-0-0, outscoring their opponents, 44-7. Pictured (front row l-r) are Nicole Ineich, Kaitlyn Murphy, Megan McCormack, Mackenzie Rogers, Claire Huddas, Katelyn Watson, (second row l-r) Taryne Pagel, Robyn Mack, Victoria Pepper, Abby Livingston, Jessica Scott, Brienne Miller, Sarah Falvey, Kristina Klusek, (third row l-r) parent coach Steve McCormack and coach Jamie Scott.

Schoolcraft women 3rd at Nationals

The Schoolcraft College women's soccer team finished third in the 2004 NJCAA National Championship tournament that was held last weekend in at Paradise Valley Community College Phoenix, Ariz.

The Lady Ocelots, who finished 24-1, bounced back from a heart-breaking 2-0 loss to Monroe (N.Y.) Community College in Friday night's semifinal game to defeat Lewis & Clark (Ill.), 2-1, in a shootout in Sunday's third-place game.

The Trailblazers jumped ahead, 1-0, at the 15-minute mark of the first half before Natalie Thomas (Salem) tied the match with a header with 10 minutes to go in the game. She was assisted by Jessica Saba.

Schoolcraft's Nicole Saigh was voted to the All-Tournament team.

Monroe went on to win the title Sunday with a Young Harris (Ga.), 6-2, which meant that SC lost to the eventual national champion two consecutive years.

Madonna University spikers are still in the hunt

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

The Madonna University women's volleyball team didn't come away with the Region VIII title Saturday at Indiana Wesleyan, but that doesn't mean the Crusaders' season is over.

In fact, it's just beginning as MU earned an at-large berth in the 20-team NAIA Nationals, which begins Wednesday at Point Loma Nazarene (Calif.) in San Diego.

Despite being by Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference foe and nemesis Cornerstone in the Region VIII final in four games, 30-27, 32-30, 27-30, 30-26, the Crusaders will be making their seventh NAIA Nationals appearance since 1993 under coach Jerry Abraham.

MU will take a 40-3 record into the tournament and will be seeded eighth, grouped in Pool A with St.

Fresno Pacific, St. Mary (Neb.), Cedarville (Ohio) and Iowa Wesleyan.

MU and Cedarville tangle at 1:30 p.m. (PST) Wednesday in an opening-round match. Pool play continues Thursday with matches against Iowa Wesleyan (11:15 a.m. PST) and St. Mary (8:15 p.m. PST); followed by Friday against Fresno Pacific (11:15 a.m.).

The quarterfinals are set Friday night with the semifinals and finals on Saturday.

Abraham's biggest concern before the trip next week to San Diego is the health of his team.

In Saturday's Region VIII semifinal, a 30-25, 30-23, 30-24 win over Taylor (Ind.), starting libero Stephanie DeNardin collided with teammate Jacqui Gatt (Livonia Churchill) while going for a ball in the second game.

DeNardin, who leads the Crusaders in digs, had to leave with a separated shoulder.

The Crusaders also played for the second straight weekend without 6-foot middle hitter Heather Spooner, who has a high ankle sprain. Preseason All-America candidate Laura Lesko, 5-10 senior middle hitter, also missed the entire season with a stress fracture in her back.

But helping to pick up the slack in the Region VIII tourney were a pair of defensive specialists, 5-6 sophomore Becci Crane and 5-7 freshman Amy Szymanski (Livonia Ladywood).

"We had some critical injuries missing two key players, but we had other people come in and step it up," Abraham said. "Amy and Becci came in a did a great job. I'm proud of them. When you lose a player like Stephanie, it's like changing quarter

backs. We had to do some adjusting because we already had other kids playing other positions."

Cornerstone, which has won three of five meetings this season with Madonna, improved to 47-3 overall as Shannon Burmaster had a team-high 23 kills and 43 digs. Setter Holly PUNCHES finished with 51 assist-to-kills.

Natalja Tinina led MU with 27 kills, while Sharyse Bush and Caryn Inman added 20 and 17, respectively. Gatt had a team-high 31 digs, while Crane added 25. Setter Ashley Frost contributed 61 assists.

In the win over Taylor (33-9), Tinina collected 21 kills, while Bush added 15. Frost finished with 43 assists and Tera Morrill (Livonia Franklin) contributed a team-high 18 digs. Five Crusaders made the All-Region team including Tinina, Frost, Bush, Inman and Morrill.



Super Stars

The Plymouth/Canton Stars (Area 23) won a gold medal in the Michigan Special Olympics state soccer tournament held Oct. 9. The Stars, who are coached by Tim Johnson, finished the tournament with an undefeated record. Pictured (front row l-r) are Jordy Berlingieri, T.J. Johnson, Janie Vermeulen, Julie Trubowski, Mary Rossow (back row l-r), coach Tim Johnson, Scott Stoner, Julie Abraham and Brittany Jerden.

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Lions Turkey Day tradition being tested by other owners

The Detroit Lions Thanksgiving Day game has been a tradition around these parts for 70 years. It was 1934 when first Lions' owner G.A. Richards presented football on Thanksgiving. He even convinced the NBC Radio Network to carry the contest coast-to-coast. There was no television yet. Amazingly, football had survived all that time before the "hit" ABC show, "Desperate Housewives".

November 29, 1934 was the date of that first flying turkey trot. It was played at University of Detroit Stadium in front of an astonishing 26,000 fans. Yes, that was an



Mark
Wilson

However, there are those that want to take that from you. They want a piece of the holiday action.

Kansas City Chiefs' owner Lamar Hunt has been the ring-leader. He has said for years that it's unfair that only Detroit

astonishing number at the time and yes, there was once a University of Detroit Stadium.

The Chicago Bears beat the Lions in that first game, 19-16 and a tradition was born. These are those that come from you. The spirit of the holi-

and Dallas get to have home football games on Turkey Day. Hunt believes it should be spread around to every team beginning of course, with his beloved Chiefs. Maybe it's because Chiefs are Indians who were a part of the first Thanksgiving with the Pilgrims. He just wants to stick to the history books.

A more likely reason is money. Thanksgiving Day is a showcase to the world. Lamar Hunt and other owners want to profit just like Detroit and Dallas profit from it. Lions' owner William Clay Ford has been able to hold off the charge from those nasty heathens. Ford

once told me that something dating back 70 years should have a permanent stamp on it.

"It's our game and I don't want to see that change," Ford said. "Naturally, others want in but the only way that's going to happen is if we are scheduled to play them here."

In his infamous spirited laugh, Ford makes it clear he has battled this attempt to take Thanksgiving football away many times in his 41 years at the helm. The Lions' owner has immense clout in the NFL and sporting community. Doesn't hurt to have a car company either.

"Thanksgiving football in Detroit is synonymous with the

day itself now. As far as I am concerned, it's not going anywhere," repeated Ford.

The Lions ride a four game losing skid heading into the game. They are 4-and-6 but the tradition has never been about where the Lions are in the standings. If that was the case, Ford may have bought the team in 1963 without inheriting the Turkey Day tilt. The NFL loves its history and so far greed has not won out.

"I can't imagine Thanksgiving without the game in Detroit. Just wouldn't be the same," said Lions defensive tackle Kelvin Pritchett. This will be Pritchett's 10th turkey feast with the Lions. He

has provided a lot of "stuffing" throughout the years.

We would be lost without the traditional Thanksgiving Parade on Woodward and the football game at Ford Field. It's just so cool to have the Lions back downtown. What started in the city will remain in the city.

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Penn State's Vanderlinden well traveled as coach

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

The day following Penn State's season-ending 37-13 football win over Michigan State, linebackers coach Ron Vanderlinden was back in the office, 7:30 a.m. Sunday to map out his recruiting itinerary for the week.

By early Monday, the Livonia native was already on the road, driving through New Jersey and back into Philadelphia in search for new talent for the Nittany Lions, who finished 4-7 this season and failed to make a bowl.

"Recruiting is the name of the game," Vanderlinden said. "It's basically three weeks in December and three more



Vanderlinden

weeks in January. "It's a good change of pace from the 70 to 75 hours a week you put in during the season. I get to interact with high school coaches and meet new people. But it's also tough being away from home and family. It takes its toll."

Vanderlinden has always been around the game of football since his days in the Livonia Junior Football League and St. Michael's Grade School.

He played high school football at Dearborn Divine Child

under Bill McCartney and was All-MIAA center two years at Albion College where he earned a degree in Physical Education and Psychology.

"I played for 14 years of football," Vanderlinden said. "When I got out of school I figured I'd coach and teach and come back eventually and coach at DC."

Vanderlinden started his coaching career as a graduate assistant at Bowling Green (1978) before moving on to Michigan and Ball State. He was reunited with McCartney at Colorado where he spent nine years as a defensive assistant. He then joined Gary Barnett's staff as defensive coordinator where the

Wildcats earned a pair of Big Ten titles (1995-96).

Vanderlinden then served as head coach at Maryland (1997-2000) before returning to the Big Ten in 2001 to join coach Joe Paterno's staff as an assistant.

"I had a wonderful experience playing for Bill, sports was a way of separating myself, a way of getting some attention and getting noticed," Vanderlinden said. "When I got to Colorado there was no money in the program. They were way down and when I took the job there it was like minimum wage, but we were able to enjoy a lot of success."

"Coaching under Bill opened a lot of doors for me."



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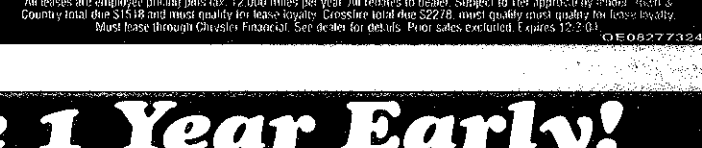


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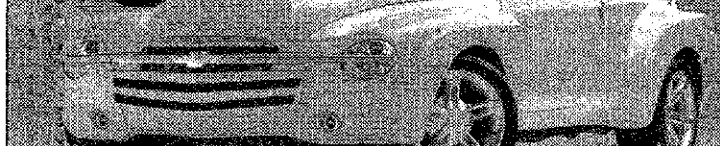
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Former SC star is on the rise

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Gary Johnson continues to take his game to another level as point-guard for the University of Central Florida men's basketball team.

The 6-foot-1 senior from Wayne Memorial High and Schoolcraft College was named Atlantic Sun Conference Player of the Week after leading the 3-0 Golden Knights to the BP Top of the World Classic title in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Johnson had 15 points, five rebounds and two assists in UCF's 62-58 win Sunday night over New Mexico State in the championship game. He added 11 points, six rebounds and five assists the previous night in a 55-52 semifinal victory over Utah State. (Junior forward Marcus Johnson, also of Schoolcraft, contributed seven points on 3-of-3 shooting from the floor in the win.)

UCF opened tourney play last Friday with a 74-63 triumph over host Alaska-

Fairbanks as Johnson scored eight points, snared four rebounds and added three assists.

For the tourney, Johnson averaged 11.3 points, 5.0 rebounds and 3.0 assists to earn tournament MVP honors. In two of UCF's three wins, he played turnover-free and was a perfect 6-of-6 from the foul line while shooting 39.3 percent from the field.

Johnson said he didn't mind lugging home the big MVP trophy despite the nearly 11-hour plane ride.

"We saw a lot, it was a good experience because I never thought I'd go to Alaska," said Johnson, only one of two starters back from last year's NCAA Tournament team. "It was cold, four degrees when we got off the plane. We visited North Pole (Alaska), rode snowmobiles and saw the (Alaskan) pipeline."

With UCF's top three scorers gone in Dexter Lyons, Robert Morentin and Josh Bodden, Johnson has assumed even

more of a leadership role than his junior season, when he averaged 7.7 points per game (while shooting 77 percent from the line).

"I'm a senior and this is my last time around and there's a lot riding for me," he said. "My main focus is just not scoring, just leading and making sure everybody is ready for the next game. When you try hard and lead, you're only going to get good results."

Last season Johnson helped the Golden Knights to a school-record 25 wins, including a near-upset of Pittsburgh in the first-round of the NCAAs.

"Last year we'd get up on teams by 20 points and then try and hold on," Johnson said. "but I can tell by the collection of guys we have and the way they have responded this year that even when they're down, they have the ability to come back."

"I'm excited about that because of the way they love the game."

TOO MUCH

FROM PAGE C1

Lauren Soblesky and junior Kelsie Tietjen scored 12 points each to lead Plymouth Christian. Sophomore Joi Jennings had nine, leaving two points for Holly Johnson.

"We were concerned about Joi Jennings coming into the game," coach Cheri Smith of Lenawee Christian said. "She showed us a lot of skill. She's a good shooter and does well with the penetration game."

"We started out man-to-man for a couple of minutes just to get a feel for how it would go, then we switched to a zone. We were concerned about their ability to press and run."

"Their defense was good," coach Jennings said.

"Combined with the fact we did not play our best basket-

ball. But sometimes it's like that. You want to put your best foot forward, but it doesn't happen."

The Eagles trailed by six, 19-13, on a rebound basket by Tietjen with 2:55 left in the first half. But Ashlee Hill's triple got the margin up to nine and that's what it was at the intermission.

Joi Jennings hit a triple to start the second half but Lenawee Christian scored six in a row and the margin was never under 10 points after that.

"The most difficult part of the season is that it's over. These are such great kids. You feel obliged to play them all, all the time. There was not one troublemaker on this team," coach Jennings said.

"A lot of credit for this season has to go to the seniors."

"There was a point in the season where we were losing

every game. Our seniors, by the way they carried themselves, the way they practiced, the way they conducted themselves on the court and on the bench — they showed everybody how to do it."

"That was how we were able to have a little winning streak heading into the districts."

"Our seniors gave up their minutes for underclassmen without a complaint. They didn't like it — I wouldn't have it any other way — but they didn't complain and didn't disrupt the team."

"They showed great leadership, great character."

"They did something else, too."

One by one, after filing out of the locker room at Whitmore Lake High School, they came up to give Jennings a hug and tell him how much they enjoyed the season.

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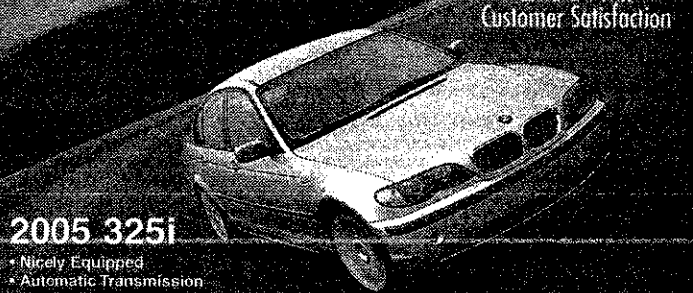
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said his team was done in by missed shots and rushed shots.

"I thought we had an opportunity early on, but we couldn't make our shots," Thomann said. "Then later in the game we'd shoot too soon, we'd miss, and it fueled their fast-break."

"We got to within five with the ball in the third quarter a couple of times. I thought we may have a chance if we could just make a shot and get it down to three, but it never happened."

Thomann told his Rocks to hold their heads high in his post-game speech to the team.

"I told them they should be very proud of what they've accomplished this season," Thomann said. "They won the (Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes) division, they won the districts and they made it to the regionals. I told them to keep their chins up because they played great."

Salem led 7-6 after the opening quarter as its trio of seniors - Ellen Canale, Alyssa Guerin and Kathryn Wheatley - combined for all the Rocks' points.

Whatever Cicerone told her team during the break between the first and second quarters worked as the Mustangs went on an 11-0 run to secure a lead they would never relinquish. Aubrey and fellow guard Katherine Johnson sparked the run by combining for 10 of the 11 points.

Salem received a jolt 29 seconds into the second quarter when Canale, its leading scorer this season, was whistled for her third foul. She sat out the rest of the half, which ended with Marian up 23-13.

Canale swished a triple to start the third quarter, but Marian's Katie Rashid countered with a



Salem's Alyssa Guerin drives through Marion's defense during Monday night's regional loss at West Bloomfield High School. Guerin finished with a team-high 12 points.

three of her own to put the Mustangs ahead 26-16.

Salem cut its deficit to 26-21 on a Guerin pull-up jumper from the lane with 4:15 left in the third quarter, but a three-point play by Aubrey pushed Marian's advantage back to nine.

The Mustangs led 31-22 after three quarters. They sealed the victory by outscoring the Rocks, 9-2, in the opening moments of the final quarter.

"We got beat by a very good basketball team," Thomann said. "Any team that can go 20-4 can go a long way in the tournament."

Aubrey was complemented offensively by Rashid, who had 12 points, and Johnson, who twined 10. Brigid Mulroy tallied seven points and a

team-high nine rebounds.

Guerin paced the Rocks with 14 points and six rebounds. Canale, who fouled out with 4:22 remaining in the game, was held to six points. Teresa Coppiellie scored eight and hauled down five rebounds.

Thomann said Canale's foul trouble damaged the Rocks' chances of advancing.

"When your vocal leader and arguably the best player on the team has to sit out most of the second quarter and play with four fouls for a lot of the second, it hurts," Thomann said. "But I thought the girls who came in off the bench played well."

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Birmingham Marion's Katie Emig attempts a shot as Salem's Teresa Coppiellie goes for the block during Monday night's regional semi-final game at West Bloomfield High School. The Mustangs won, 49-35.

Northern suffers painful blow in semis

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

West Bloomfield senior point guard Maria Martin suffered a painful blow to the mouth early in Monday night's regional semi-final game against Pontiac Northern.

But it was the Huskies who could have used the Novocain after Martin and her teammates laid a 62-47 hurting on Northern at the West Bloomfield High School gymnasium.

"I just had a tooth pulled, and I got hit in the same spot by the ball," said Martin, who scored six points, dished out 13 assists and played a spectacular floor game. "It was pretty painful, but when you get hurt in a big game like this, you just have to suck it up."

The victory vaults the 20-4 Lakers into tonight's 7 p.m. regional final against 20-4 Birmingham Marian, which knocked off Salem, 49-35.

"We're going to have to play well in every facet of the game to beat Marian," said West Bloomfield coach Larry Moore. "They are strong in every position."

Northern coach Leole Greer said the biggest difference in the game was the Lakers' superior height advantage.

"When their six-footers are going up against my five-footers, there isn't much doubt who's going to get the ball," said Greer, whose team was outrebounded 49-26. "I was happy with how we played. We didn't turn the ball over much (eight turnovers), we had a lot of steals (14), and we boxed out, but their size was too much to overcome."

Martin distributed the ball evenly among the Lakers' top offensive threats. Chelsea Seaborn led all scorers with 18. Randall Hurst had 17 and Nicole Clark netted 16. The 6-foot Hurst often ran the court like a 5-4 point guard. On more

than one occasion, she grabbed a rebound dribbled the length of the court, then threaded a pass to a cutting teammate.

"Randall's been doing that for us all year," Moore said. "So has Nicole Clark, especially rebounding, which is always the key to winning."

"I thought Pontiac Northern played well. They have some very quick guards and they play good defense."

The Huskies were led by senior guard Ashley Jackson, who scored 17. Jackson's back-court mate, freshman Raina Chambers, chipped in with eight.

Hurst and Clark won the battle of the boards for the Lakers, hauling down 18 and 14 rebounds, respectively. Seaborn had six caroms for the winners.

Kenesha Long and Bianca Williams both had a team-high six rebounds for Northern.

West Bloomfield never trailed and led 15-7 after one quarter thanks largely to Seaborn's seven points.

Northern hung tough early, scoring the first four points of the second quarter on a pull-up jumper from Jackson and a driving hook shot from Chambers.

However, the Lakers shifted their running game into the next gear and went on to outscore their under-sized foes 17-3 over the next five minutes to take a commanding 32-14 lead.

West Bloomfield led 52-30 after three quarters. The lead only dipped below 20 in the game's waning moments then Moore cleared his bench.

The Lakers hit 26-of-55 field goals (47 percent) and a sizzling 10-of-12 free throws (83 percent). Northern canned just 16-of-68 shots from the floor (23 percent) and 13-of-19 free throws (68 percent).

The Lakers won handily despite turning the ball over 21 times.

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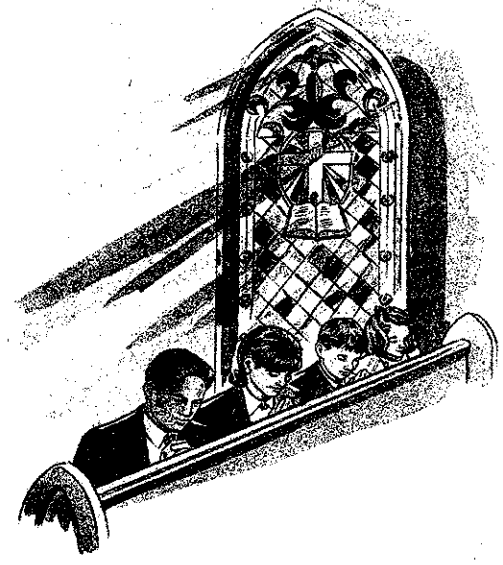
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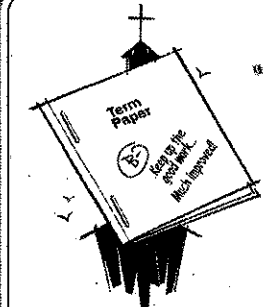
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It's Easy To Criticize...

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



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NOVEMBER

Men on Fire for God

A gospel concert 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, at Shriners Auditorium and Conference Center (formerly Southfield Center for the arts), 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. Cost is \$10 general admission, \$12 reserved seating. Call (313) 770-0650. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the International Gospel Music Hall of Fame.

Candlelight services

Of lessons and carols 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 28, at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-7400.

Global Gifts and Crafts Shop

Items created by crafts persons and artists, nearly all of whom are in the Third World, gifts come from worker cooperatives resulting from the work of our ABC missionaries and partner Baptist conventions, sale continues 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday through Dec. 18, includes a UNICEF Card Shop, at First Baptist Church, Birmingham. Two hours of free parking available in municipal lot adjacent to the building. Call (248) 644-0550 for more information.

Aerobic class

Trinity Church of the Brethren, 27350 W. Chicago at Inkster, is offering a Women's Low Impact Aerobic Class to the community every Monday and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. To participate in this cost-free, 30-minute class, wear comfortable exercise attire (floor mats optional). Join us as we exercise for JOY. For more information, call the church office (313) 937-1199.

Looking for classmates

St. Damian School is looking for former students to attend the first annual Alumni Mass and Reception 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 28. Catch up with your old classmates while touring the new church and gym. St. Damian celebrates 50 years in 2005. The Nov. 28 Mass kicks off the celebration. For more information or if you would like to volunteer to be part of the Alumni planning committee, send e-mail to alumni@stdamian.com.

Thanksgiving Praise Concert

Featuring Christian recording artist Jackie Bates 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill, Canton. No charge but a love offering will be taken. For more information, call (734) 981-0286 or visit the Web site www.JackieSing4Him.com.

Worship services

All are welcome to attend worship services at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia, 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. every Sunday. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

Community Bible study

Studying the Book of Proverbs, breakfast 7 a.m. or Bible study 8-9 a.m. at the American Table, Eight Mile, Farmington. Come when you can, leave when you must. For more information, call (248) 924-2779.

Lecture series

Began 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 11, and continues to Dec. 6, 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.

UPCOMING

Family story time

Join Nancy Spinelle for a special evening of Christmas storytelling 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, in the Activity Center at St. Aldan Parish, 17500 Farmington Road, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. No charge. Call (734) 425-5950.

Women's Advent Service

Women of all ages are welcome to attend the Women's Advent Service 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia. The service includes the reading of the Christmas story from the Bible, singing, communion, and an advent message. Afterward, all are welcome to attend a cookie and punch reception in the social hall. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

Christmas concert

The Farmington Muscalle presents a Christmas program featuring organist, Noriko Ernst, soprano, Sharon Cardecia with guest instrumentalists and the Muscalle Chorus 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 23815 Power Road, Farmington. The public is invited to enjoy an afternoon of music with refreshments served after the performance. For more information, call (248) 471-6017.

Living Nativity

7-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 3-4, come see the Christ child lying in a manger, meet His mother Mary and father Joseph, see live animals like, sheep, goats, and a donkey, and don't forget the shepherds, have a cup of cocoa and a homemade Christmas cookie, kids of all ages can make an ornament for their tree, over 200 hundred nativity will be on display, at Christ the Good Shepherd Church, 42690 Cherry Hill, West of Lilley, Canton. No charge. Call (734) 981-0286.

Kings Feast

The William Tyndale College music program presents an evening of Christmas traditions including a royal, catered feast and Renaissance theme with authentic period costumes, wandering minstrels, less-than royal Master of Revels, Royal Court Thespians, and musicians 6:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 3-4, at Kresge Chapel, 35700 West 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. Cost is \$30 and includes dinner. Families and groups welcome. For tickets, call Kim Swan at (800) 483-0707, ext. 450.

One Night in Bethlehem

Come wander the streets of old Bethlehem, hear the Christmas story as told by those who were there on that Holy Night 6-8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 3-4, holiday concert featuring the Rochester Conservatory Show Choir at 5 p.m. Saturday, tours run consecutively from 6-8 p.m. with a special presentation of Music of the Season in the chapel, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1610 Brewster, Rochester Hills. For more information, call (248) 980-8715 or Mindy Linderman at (248) 373-9905.

Advent celebration

Men's Advent Communion Breakfast Celebration 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, keynote speaker is Rev. Syngman Rhee, 212th moderator of the Presbyterian Church (USA), at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 17567 Hubbell at West Outer Drive, Detroit. Cost is \$7. Call (734) 425-3024 or Presbytery office at (866) 345-6550, ext. 220.

Bake sale

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, at St. Mary's Basilica, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. Church tours available.

Craft show

Featuring more than 80 crafters 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, at St. Thomas a Becket Church, 555 South Lillie at Cherry Hill, Canton. Bake sale and lunch available. Admission is \$2, under age 12 free. Call (734) 981-1333.

Holiday craft fair

Featuring more than 75 crafters 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, also bake sale and refreshments, at Tri-City Christian Church, 3855 Sheldon, north of Michigan Avenue. \$1 admission. For information, call (734) 397-0819.

Marian Advent Retreat

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, in the East Dining Room in the Residence Hall at Madonna University, 14221 Levan Road, Livonia. This year's theme is "Journey with Mary to Christmas" and Rev. Daniel Jones, professor, Sacred Heart Major Seminary, will lead the day's events. Activities include quiet reflection and prayer; three conferences; lunch; individual reconciliation; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; the mysteries of the rosary with meditation prepared and led by students; and Sunday Mass celebrated in the University Chapel at 4 p.m. The cost is \$15 and includes lunch and refreshments. For reservations or information, call (734) 432-5419. Advance reservations required.

Jesus' Birthday Party

A child centered worship 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, followed by a birthday celebration with cupcakes and punch, at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 620 Romeo Road, Rochester. Children bring an unwrapped gift for children at Methodist Children's Village or Rochester Neighborhood House. Call (248) 651-9361.

Goodwill to Men

A Christmas musical 7 p.m. Saturday,

Dec. 4, and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, explores the thought there are basically two kinds of people: those that need to love more and those that need more love, at Parkview Baptist Church, 9355 Stark, between Plymouth and Hines Drive, Livonia. No charge, a nursery will be provided. Call (734) 261-6180.

Cookie Walk

After 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services Sunday, Dec. 5, at Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville Road, Belleville. For more information, call (734) 699-3361.

Concert series

Begins with the Madonna University Choral singing French carols, the Christmas Motet by Poulenc, Magnificat by Charpentier and a holiday sing-a-long 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 South Sheldon, Plymouth. No charge but a free will offering will be accepted at the door. Tickets necessary because of limited seating. For reservations, call (734) 453-0190, ext. 16.

Choral concert

7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, featuring the Chancel Choir and soloists of Kirk in the Hills and the Detroit Chamber Winds and Strings, features Handel's Messiah and Gloria in excelsis Deo, a cantata by Johann Sebastian Bach, in the sanctuary at 1340 West Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$15, \$12 seniors, \$10 students, call (248) 626-2515, ext. 109, or at the door.

Birmingham-First Concert Series

Medieval and Renaissance vocal music with Vox, a professional a cappella ensemble 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 West Maple, between Cranbrook and Southfield roads. Meet the artists reception follows the program. Childcare provided for children through second grade. No charge but freewill offering is collected to benefit future events in the concert series.

Journey to Bethlehem

Live the story of the events leading to the birth of Christ 6-8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, and 4-6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. Tours begin every 20 minutes. Call (734) 421-1760.

Holiday bake sale

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 26212 West Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 537-3778.

Seasonal concert

Crown Him with Many Crowns describes the program featuring the Birmingham Concert band and Oakland Singers Encore 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 1800 West Maple, Birmingham. No charge but contributions to the concert band and its Music Scholarship Fund are appreciated.

Christmas concert

4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, featuring the Adult Festival Choir, the Jubellation Handbell Choir, the Confirmation Choir (Grades 7-8), the Laudate Choir (Grades 1-6), the Brass Ensemble and other instrumentalists performing Advent and Christmas music as well as enhancing the singing of your favorite Christmas Carols, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia. No charge but a free-will offering being taken. Open to the public. For more information, call (734) 522-6830.

Christmas Cantata

"Born is the King" features music by composer and artist Matt Bono 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, at Peace Lutheran Church, 17029 West 13 Mile, between Greenfield and Southfield roads, Southfield. Call (248) 642-7047.

Blood Drive

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29687 West 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. No appointment necessary. For more information, call (248) 476-8860.

ONGOING

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Trinity Episcopal Church

Sunday worship 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., Bible studies Sundays at 8:50 a.m. and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m., at the church 11575 Belleville Road, 4 miles south of Michigan Ave., Belleville. Call (734) 699-3361.

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.

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, at St. Andrew's Parish Center, 1400 Englewood, Rochester. For information, call (248) 652-9173 or (248) 652-3860.

Grief support programs

At Hope Lutheran Church, 3640 Madison at Carlyle, 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 Howe-Peterson Funeral Home (313) 561-6163.

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.

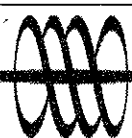
New contemporary service

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.



BEATRICE H. CONROY

Age 92, November 20, 2004, in North Carolina; former resident of Birmingham and 50-year member of Holy Name parish. Beloved wife of the late J.L. (Lou) Conroy. Dear mother of John L. Conroy, Jr. (Suzanne). Loving grandmother of Patrick Conroy (Debra), Meg Conroy, Maureen Schmidt (Tom), John L. Conroy, III, Christian Conroy and Corbet Conroy. Also survived by four great-grandchildren. Funeral Mass took place Wednesday, November 24 at Holy Name Church (Birmingham). Arrangements by A.J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 248-362-2519. Memorial services to be held at St. Louis High School or Christ Child Society. Offer condolences and view obituary at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



GEORGE ED "PAPPY" GARRITY

November 1, 2004, age 93. Memorial service Saturday 10:00am at the John N. Santeu and Son Funeral Home, 1139 Inkster Rd., (between Ford Rd. and Cherry Hill).

EMMET JEREMIAH KILLEEN

Age 82, Died November 16, 2004 in Lansing. Born July 20, 1922 in Detroit. Resident of Livonia. Beloved husband of Carmelita (nee Hoxey) for 54 years. Dear father of Judith (Dr. Paul) Zack, Maureen (Keith) Murray, Eileen (Mark) Klamerus. Grandfather of David and Steven Zack, Daniel Centers, Michael and Mark Klamerus. Survived by sisters Margaret Van Dusen, Geraldine (Robert) Schulte, Eileen (Laurence) O'Leary, Veronica (Dr. Charles) Pelzer; sister-in-law Dale Killeen; brother-in-law Ben Patterson; and numerous nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents Jeremiah and Loretta (nee Englar) Killeen, brother John Killeen, sister Rita Killeen, L.H.M., brother-in-law John Van Dusen and sister-in-law Dolores Patterson. WWII Navy veteran and member of Detroit Police Department for 26 years. Also employed by Providence Hospital, Southfield. Emmet's funeral mass was celebrated by Fr. Henry Rooden at St. Colette Catholic Church on Saturday, November 20. Military honors were provided by an honor guard of the United States Navy. Interment followed at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the IHM Retirement Fund, 610 W. Elm Street, Monroe, Michigan 48162.

KENNETH M. LYDAY

Age 70, November 21, 2004. Beloved husband of Donna. Dear father of Dennis (Mary), Karen (Robert) Estep and Jeff. Dearest son of Lillian Sigorski. Brother of Beverly Shelton and Debbie Watterson. Grandfather of Shannon (William) Seiler, Jeffery Lyday, Jr., Phillip (Jami) Ickes, Robert Lyday, Scott Lyday and Laura Lyday. Great-grandfather of Alexis Seiler. A funeral service was held Wednesday at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Livonia. Please visit the online guestbook at www.rgharris.com

ARMELLA EVELYN RICHMOND

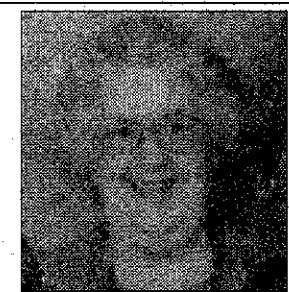
Age 93, passed away on Sunday, November 21, 2004. She was a resident of Perry, MI. Funeral services will be held at Watkins Brothers Funeral Home in Perry Michigan, on Wednesday at 11:00 AM, with Pastor Carol Floyd officiating. Family will receive friends 2-4 PM and 7-9 PM on Tuesday.

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MARY PERRY RANDALL

Age 83 of Holiday, FL and formerly of Redford Township went to be with the Lord on Monday, November 22, 2004. She was the beloved wife of Dale. Left to mourn her passing are her beloved children Gregory, Dan (Paula), and Terry (Denise). She leaves behind a brother, Richard Rich. She is survived by 10 cherished grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren. Mary was a member of the Eastern Star, and Daughters of American Revolution. She volunteered for many years with the American Red Cross. A private burial will take place in the town of her birth in Rockland, Maine.

HARRIET F. WAGENSCHUTZ

age 85 of Livonia, November 21, 2004. Beloved wife of the late Carl (Former City Treasurer of Livonia). Dear step-mother of Bob (Sandy); James; Katherine (Chuck) Hall; and the late Charles; and daughter in law Connie. Dear sister of Marge Smith; Mary Lou Graeber; Florence Bailey; Bob Graeber; and the late Warren and Walter Graeber. Arrangements by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

ROBERT E. WILLIAMS

Robert E. Williams of Plymouth Township died on November 20, He was 76. He was born on July 12, 1928 in Washington Court House, OH to the late Warren Williams and Cleora Sheridan. Mr. Williams has lived in Plymouth Township for 39 years. He was a plumber for Ford Motor Company for 27 years. He served in U.S. Army overseas in Korea from 1946-1949; and was a member of the American Legion Post 88 and the Masonic Lodge 186 in Northville. Survivors include his five children David (Sheila) Williams, Wayne (Jeanne) Williams, Becky Jones, Rhonda Hamilton, and Brian Williams; his sister Peggy Bolt; 12 grandchildren; and 2 great grandchildren. Services were held on Tuesday, November 23 at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. 122 West Dunlap, Northville with Pastor Jonathan Wilkes officiating. Mr. Williams final resting place is Washington Cemetery in Washington Court House, OH. Memorials may be made to Henry Ford Hospice, P.O. Box 02220, Detroit, MI 48202-0220 or to the American Cancer Society, 18505 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield, MI 48076.

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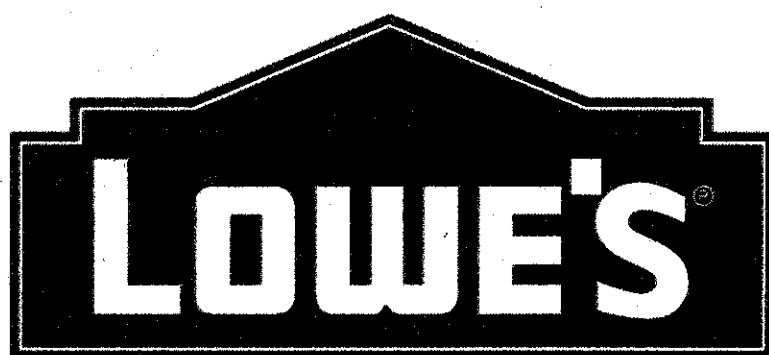
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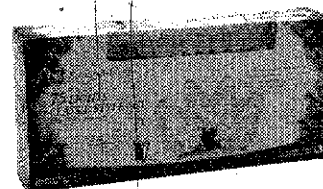
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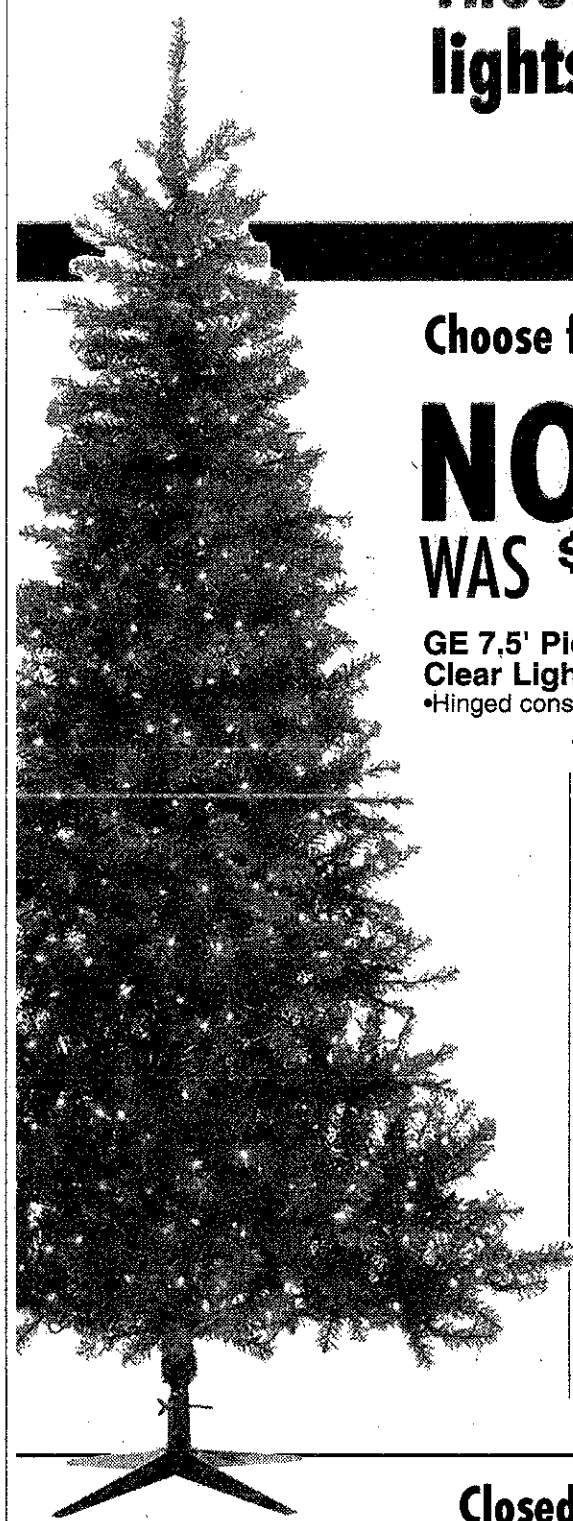


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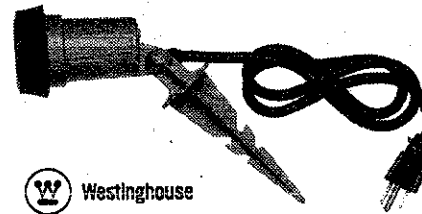
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Focus on Wine

Ray & Eleanor Heald

Reading enhances wine enjoyment

Tasting is the best way to learn about wines and establish your personal preferences.

But how do you know what to taste and how to derive meaning from it? Read.

Among the wine books we've reviewed this year, five are standouts. Gift yourself or a wine friend with any or all of the following.

■ **Vino Italiano Buying Guide** by Joseph Bastianich and David Lynch (Clarkson Potter publishers, \$13.95). The authors share a passion for Italy, its wines and cuisine. Bastianich is the son of renowned Italian chef Lidia Bastianich and a partner with chef Mario Batali in the restaurants Babbo, Esca and Lupa in New York City. Lynch is a well-known wine and food journalist who is now the wine director at Babbo.

Vino Italiano Buying Guide is one of surest ways to learn which are the exceptional producers and best vineyards in each region of Italy. If you're a fan of pocket guides and Italian wines, add this to your collection.

■ **The Winemaker's Dance** by Robert M. Jackson and

is now used as the template to bundle the concepts that lead to the special characteristics of a unique vineyard site and a wine from that

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WINE PICKS

Hockey fans take note: Are you missing pro hockey yet?

Renowned hockey legend Igor Larionov has a liquid hat trick for you!

In May 2004, Larionov, a 27-year hockey veteran, teamed with business partner Mike Davis and California vintner Dave Miner to blend his first proprietary wine Hattrick, made from the three primary Bordeaux varieties cabernet sauvignon, merlot and cabernet franc, grown in California's Napa Valley. With only 224 cases, it's nearly as rare as a hat trick, but it is available and worth your efforts to find a bottle or two.

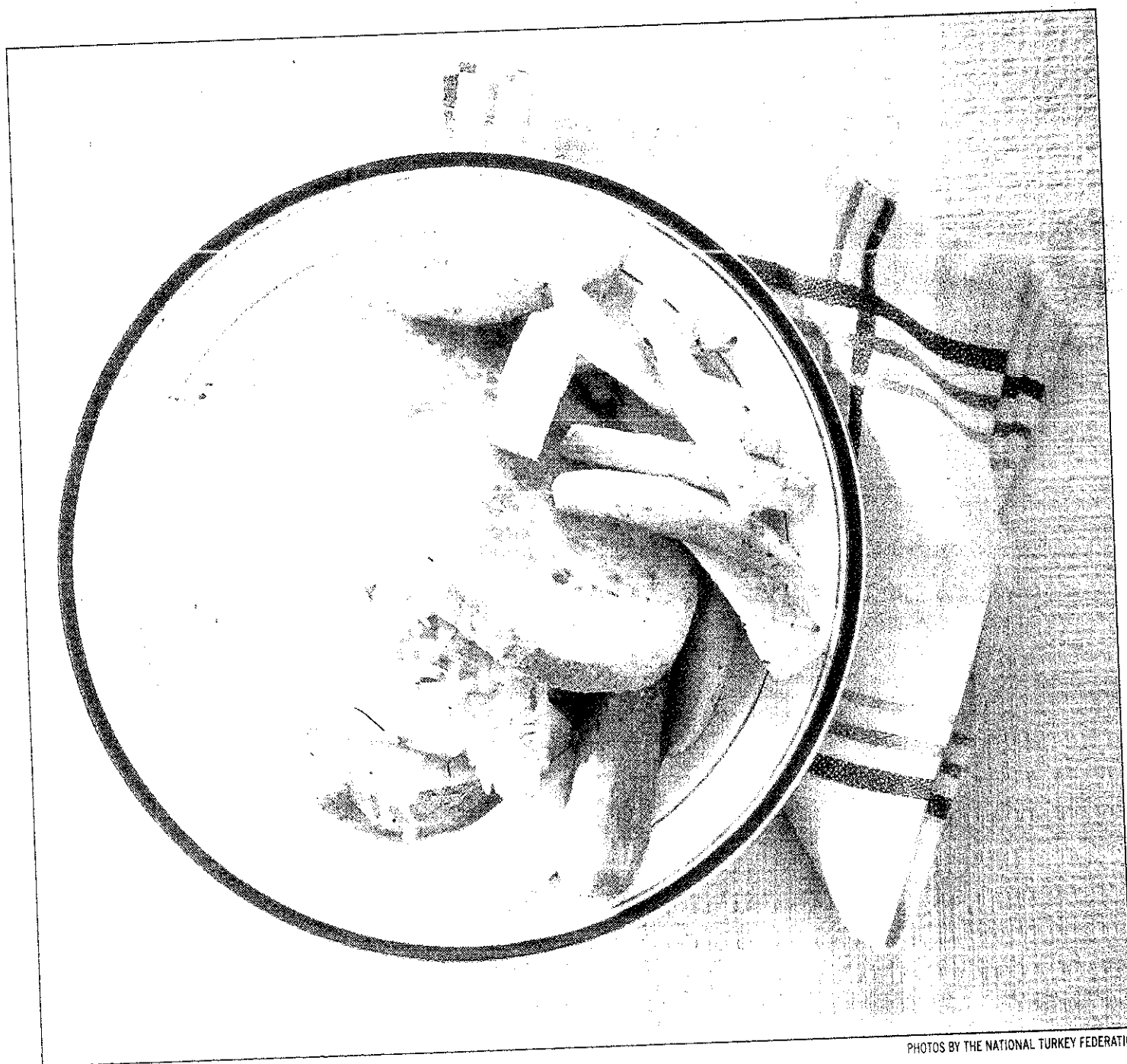
Here's a little trivia you can use when serving Hattrick.

In his career, how many hat tricks has Larionov had? Answer: four in the United States and 10 in Russia.

When will Larionov, who turns 44 in December, play his last hockey game? Answer: Dec. 13, 2004, in Moscow.

All wines mentioned are available in the Detroit area. If a retailer does not stock a specific wine, ask that it be ordered from the distributor.

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PHOTOS BY THE NATIONAL TURKEY FEDERATION

Create your own turkey reuben.

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Soon you'll eat that turkey, then take that nap. Then you'll look at leftovers. There's so much of the turkey left

that you'll know what to do with it. Here are some ideas. Turkey is a huge meat source. You can use it in many ways. Try a turkey sandwich with a little cranberry mustard with a few greens and veggies on a favorite bread. Or you'll just roll it up with a little cranberry sauce in a favorite wrap.

Turkey's mildness makes it a natural for almost any ethnic style of cooking. Make it Mexican with turkey tostadas, quesadillas or enchiladas. Italian with turkey tetrazzini or Indian in a favorite curry dish. Heck, you can probably go Thai and mix turkey in a stir-fry.

More leftover recipes including the turkey reuben can be found inside. **Taste, Page D5.**

Make yourself a salad. Dice the turkey into a mix of greens, almonds, walnuts or pine nuts and cranberry. Throw a whole grain bread, turkey and you have a one-dish meal. (See inside Taste for a related recipe.) Mix turkey with couscous and cucumbers or toss with pasta and a few vegetables.

Then there's the traditional turkey sandwich, but use a little variety this time. Cut the fat by removing that corned beef from that reuben and make it with turkey.

Try a few new combinations. Whole Food Stores also has a few suggestions you may want to try (the strata sounds interesting), or look for additional ideas from eat-turkey.com.



TURKEY POT PIE

11-pound package frozen vegetables for stew, cooked according to package directions
1 cup frozen peas, cooked according to package directions
2 cups cooked turkey, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
1 1/2-ounce jar non-fat turkey gravy
1 tablespoon dried parsley
1 teaspoon dried thyme
1 teaspoon dried rosemary, crushed
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1 refrigerated pie crust, room temperature

Drain any cooking liquid from stew vegetables and peas.

Add turkey cubes, gravy, herbs, salt and pepper to vegetables in oven-safe 2-quart cooking dish. Unfold pie crust dough and place on top of dish, trimming edges to approximately 1 inch larger than dish; secure dough edges to dish. Make several 1-inch slits on crust to allow steam to escape.

Bake in preheated 400° F oven for 25-30 minutes or until crust is brown and bubbly.

Nutritional facts: calories, 340; total fat, 15g; cholesterol, 36mg; sodium, 1161mg; total carbohydrate, 37g; protein, 12g.

Recipe by The National Turkey Federation.



TURKEY TOSTADAS

2 cups cooked turkey, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
1 package (1 1/2 ounces) taco seasoning mix
Water, as needed
4 6-inch corn tortillas
1/2 cup canned refried beans
1/2 cup pepper jack cheese, shredded
1/2 cup tomatoes, chopped
1/2 cup lettuce, shredded
2 tablespoons onion, chopped
1/2 cup taco sauce
1 cup sour cream
1 cup guacamole

In large skillet over medium heat, combine turkey and taco seasoning with measurement of water recommended on seasoning package. Bring mixture to a gentle boil; immediately reduce heat and simmer 5 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Arrange tortillas on large cookie sheet.

Bake in a preheated 375° F oven 5 to 7 minutes or until tortillas are crispy and lightly browned.

Spread each tortilla with one tablespoon beans. Top with 1/4 turkey mixture and cheese. Return to oven 2 to 3 minutes or until cheese is melted.

To serve, top with tomatoes, lettuce, onions and taco sauce. Serve with sour cream and guacamole. Makes four.

Nutritional information: calories, 470; total fat, 24g; saturated fat, 12g; cholesterol, 100mg; sodium, 1270mg; potassium, 869mg; total carbohydrate, 32g; dietary fiber, 5g, sugars, 4g; protein, 31g.

Recipe courtesy of The National Turkey Federation.

Turkey emergency? Here's help

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Toll-free telephone services and Web sites offer a variety of specialist answers to cooking and food-safety questions during holiday preparation times. Here are some of them:

■ U.S. Department of Agriculture Meat and Poultry Hotline: (888) 674-6854.

Food safety specialists answer calls about meat and poultry preparation and cooking questions, year-round 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. EST Monday-Friday, except Nov. 25, Thanksgiving Day, when hours will be 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. EST.

Recorded information is available 24 hours a day at the same number. Also available in Spanish.

On the Net: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov>

■ Butterball Turkey Talk-Line: (800) 288-8372.

Home economists and nutritionists answer holiday cooks' questions, in both English and Spanish, for callers in the United States and Canada. Callers can request a free pamphlet with safety and cooking tips and recipes.

Now to Friday, Nov. 19, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. EST weekdays.

Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 20-21 (weekend before Thanksgiving), 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST.

Monday-Wednesday, Nov. 22-24, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. EST.

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Friday-Saturday, Dec. 24-25 (Christmas Eve and Christmas Day), 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. EST.

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Automated assistance available outside the above hours and all year.

On the Net: <http://www.butterball.com>.

■ Foster Farms Turkey Helpline: (800) 255-7227.

Turkey cooking questions are answered and information given by live operators 24 hours a day now through Monday, Nov. 29 (including Thanksgiving Day).

After Nov. 29, the helpline is available 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. EST, Monday-Friday.

On the Net: <http://www.fosterfarms.com>.

■ Perdue consumer help line: (800) 473-7383.

Consumer-relations representatives answer cooking, storage and other questions about poultry products 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. EST weekdays year-round (except Sunday, Nov. 28, and Christmas Day). Free booklet offer with tips on safe handling of poultry.

Longer hours Thanksgiving week: Monday-Tuesday, Nov. 22-23, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. EST.

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On the Net: <http://www.perdue.com>.

PLEASE SEE **HELP, D5**

Bake whole wheat 'Sciscuits'

BY DANA JACOBI
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What happens when you cross a biscuit with a scone? Simple: a "sciscuit." And why would you want to make this fresh-from-the-oven breakfast treat from scratch? Easy: It's quick to make, super-healthy, and a great way to celebrate a holiday from the get-go.

Sure, you say. With a million other things to do, you want me to bake something that has to be done at the last minute – for breakfast?

I'm betting these sciscuits will entice you to try them, since only about 10 minutes is needed to whip them up. And the version below is a revamped, healthier but yummy reinvention that will help everyone in your household start the day – festive or ordinary – in cheerful spirits.

You can do it with these sciscuits because they are whole-wheat and low in fat. The combination puts them between a biscuit and a scone, and they are easy to split so you can use your favorite toppings.

If you have kids, instead of demanding they have cereal, put out peanut butter or a low-fat cream cheese as well as their favorite jam to encourage them to have this high fiber, nutrient-packed treat. And remember, offering freshly-baked treats is a savvy way to relieve the tension that sometimes builds up by afternoon in the pressure to get all the holiday cooking on track. And don't underestimate the power



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Bake a few whole wheat 'Sciscuits' for a healthy snack or breakfast.

of baking aromas and a warm afternoon snack to create a truce or a distraction during an ordinary-day argument or sulk.

WHOLE-WHEAT RAISIN SCISCUITS

- 1½ cups whole-wheat pastry flour
- 1½ cups unbleached white flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 3 tablespoons chilled butter, cut in small pieces
- ½ cup golden raisins
- ¼ cup sugar, plus 1 tablespoon, divided
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- ¾ cup whole milk

Preheat oven to 400° F. Coat a baking sheet with cooking spray, and set aside.

In a mixing bowl, combine both flours, baking powder and salt. Work in butter, starting with a fork, then using your fingers in a quick pinching/rubbing motion. Mix in raisins and ¼ cup of the sugar. Add egg and milk,

mixing with a fork until a soft dough forms. Turn dough out onto a work surface. Knead it briefly to work in loose bits of flour. Pat out dough until it is ½ inch thick. Use a biscuit cutter to cut out rounds. (Gather up excess dough with your hands and pat out again if you want to maximize the quantity.) With a metal spatula, transfer rounds to the prepared baking sheet. Sprinkle tops with remaining sugar.

Bake 20 minutes, or until sciscuits are lightly colored. Transfer them to a wire rack to cool. Serve these scones warm or at room temperature. If desired, reheat split scones, individually wrapped in foil, in a 350°F oven until hot. Makes 12-15 sciscuits, depending on the size of the biscuit cutter.

Per serving: 152 calories, 3 g. total fat (2 g. saturated fat), 28 g. carbohydrate, 4 g. protein, 2 g. dietary fiber, 155 mg. sodium.

Dana Jacobi is author of The Joy of

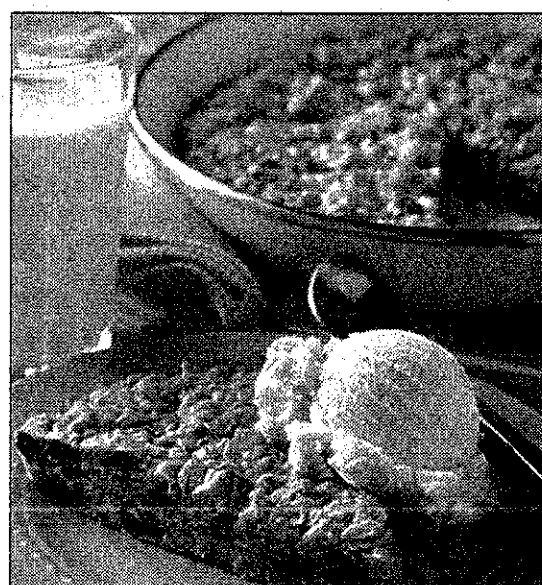
Give your favorite oatmeal cookie a makeover

(NAPS) – There's no better time than a blustery afternoon to enjoy a batch of oatmeal cookies warm from the oven. For an easy, fast and fun twist on the traditional chocolate chip-oatmeal cookie, try an oatmeal chipper skillet cookie.

Here's the trick to this cookie makeover: Instead of dropping the dough onto a cookie sheet, press it into a skillet. Use either quick or old fashioned oats. They're interchangeable for cookie baking.

Served right out of the skillet, the warm cookie-wedges make a terrific snack with a glass of milk, or top them with a scoop of vanilla ice cream for dessert.

For more great tasting, whole-grain oat recipes, order a free brochure, "Awesome Oats" by e-mailing ootoffer@aol.com or writing to Awesome Oats, P.O. Box 487, Chicago, IL 60690-0487.



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OATMEAL CHIPPER SKILLET COOKIE

- ½ cup (1 stick) butter, softened
- ½ cup firmly packed brown sugar
- ¾ cup granulated brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- ¾ cup all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1-½ cups oats (quick or old fashioned, uncooked)
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- Vanilla ice cream (optional)

Heat oven to 350°F. In large bowl, beat butter and sugars with electric mixer until creamy. Add egg and vanilla; beat well. Add combined flour,

For an easy, fast and fun twist on the traditional chocolate chip-oatmeal cookie, try an oatmeal chipper skillet cookie.

baking soda and salt; mix well. Stir in oats and chocolate chips; mix well. Press dough evenly into bottom of 10-inch nonstick ovenproof skillet. Bake 20 minutes or until top is lightly browned. (Do not overbake as cookie will continue to bake after it is removed from oven.) Cool about 10 minutes. Cut into 16 wedges. Serve with ice cream, if desired, 16 servings.

Nutritional information (1/16 of recipe): calories, 190; total fat, 9g; saturated fat, 5g; cholesterol, 25mg; sodium, 140mg; total carbohydrates, 26g; sugars, 15g; dietary fiber, 2g; protein 3g.

Stay slim this holiday season

PRNewswire – This may be the time of year dieters dread, but it is possible to enjoy the holidays and begin the New Year healthier and guilt-free, according to Certified Personal Fitness Trainer Brad Ritter.

Ritter, who also is a fitness model and motivational speaker, says healthy holidays begin with a commitment to indulge less. Ritter advises health-conscious revelers maintain their current weight by eating less at parties and at work, squeezing in physical activity and asking family and friends to support them in their quest for better health. See www.fitnessonthefly.com.

"With so much concern about obesity, 'moderation' is the watchword for this holiday season," Ritter says. He suggests setting a goal of main-

taining your current weight.

"Too often, we use the holidays as an excuse to overindulge, telling ourselves we'll lose the weight in January," he says. "If you commit to maintaining your weight, it becomes much easier to stay focused on moderating your eating and drinking."

Ritter offers these tips: Eat a healthy snack or meal before parties, which reduces the temptation to overeat.

Arrive after parties start when the food does not look as appetizing.

Avoid congregating near the food and bar.

Keep fruit and vegetables in supply, and store the goodies out of sight.

Along with extra calories, the holidays bring more stress for many people, making exercise especially important. "You

may not be able to exercise as much as you might like, but try to get some physical activity a few times each week," he suggests.

"Even brisk, 20-minute walks burn calories and relieve holiday anxiety."

With so much temptation during the holidays, it is important to ask family, friends and co-workers for support. "Don't be afraid to tell others of your commitment to improving your health," he says.

Studies show Americans gain as much as 10 pounds over the holidays.

Ritter says that often leads to a guilt-filled, holiday health hangover in January that can be avoided by making an effort to eat and drink moderately, and by making time to be active.

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Here are last-minute food safety tips Vegetarian recipe takes on chicken fried steak

Americans eat over 17 pounds of turkey per person a year so what makes the Thanksgiving turkey special? Maybe it's not about the turkey but about the friends and family that are gathered together!

A beautifully decorated table, a perfectly roasted turkey, all the wonderful side dishes, traditional desserts, all make the meal special. Save time to visit or chat with your guests. Here are some suggestions to make the turkey safe and perfect for your guests.

How many guests are you having?

Figure about one pound of turkey per person. If you purchase a pre-stuffed turkey, then allow 1-1/4 pounds per person. Check and make sure you have a roasting pan large enough for the turkey. (Some of the foil pans are OK, but are lightweight and flimsy so you'll need to handle with care).

To stuff or not to stuff? Remove the bag of giblets from the cavity of the bird. (It's a little disturbing to find paper-wrapped giblets still inside when you start to carve!) The turkey roasts faster unstuffed, so put the stuffing in a greased, covered casserole, put in oven for the last hour the turkey is roasting.

If you decide to stuff the bird, do it just before you put it in the oven. Make the dressing ahead but refrigerate separately, stuff the bird and put it in the oven. Figure about three-fourths cup of dressing per pound of bird. Don't overstuff the bird, it needs room to expand. The stuffing should be cooked to at least 165° F. to be safe.

Do I need a meat thermometer?



Home Economist

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ter?

Yes, to be safe use a meat thermometer. Nearly one-third of food poisoning cases at home is because of inadequate cooking. Use an oven safe thermometer. Place the thermometer in the thigh muscle not touching the bone. The turkey is done when the thigh reaches 180 to 185° F.; and 170 to 175° F. in the thickest part of the breast. Make sure the juices run clear and not pink.

Can I roast in a bag?

There are bags made especially for oven roasting a turkey. Put a tablespoon of flour in the bag to prevent it from bursting. Do not use ordinary brown grocery bags to roast a turkey. They are not sanitary, the glue and ink may give off unhealthy fumes. These bags are not food grade. Find a cooking bag that is safe for the oven.

Can I deep-fry my turkey?

If you choose to deep-fry the turkey, practice extreme safety. Keep the cooker away from other flammable materials. Keep the children away from the cooker, the oil can burn very badly.

Do this away from the house, make sure you do not tip the cooker over, and never leave the cooker with the oil unattended. Allow three to five minutes per pound and use a meat thermometer to check the temperature of the turkey. Best advice is to follow the

directions from the manufacturer of the turkey cooker.

No time to cook?

Order a precooked Thanksgiving turkey but make sure when you pick it up, that it is HOT. Don't just keep it warm, keep it hot! Set the oven high enough to keep the internal temperature of the turkey at 140° F. or above. Eat within two hours of its purchase. If dinner is later, remove the stuffing from the bird and refrigerate in shallow containers so it cools quickly.

What about leftovers and clean-up?

After dinner, refrigerate leftovers promptly. Remove meat from the bone and stuffing from the cavity. Store them all separately. Reheat leftovers to 165° F, bring gravy to a full rolling boil, and stir to make sure it is all heated. Use leftover cooked turkey within two to three days, stuffing and gravy within two days or freeze if you can't use it that soon.

Wash your hands frequently, before, during and after handling raw poultry or any food. Use paper towels when cleaning up the juices from the turkey.

They can be used and thrown away after the clean up so harmful bacteria can not spread. Make sure your meal is delicious and unforgettable. Handle the foods carefully and safely.

Thanksgiving should be a happy day and not a day for a "hospital run" because you have made someone ill with your food. Practice food safety on holidays and all days.

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BY J.M. HIRSCH
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CONCORD, N.H. (AP) – Children are fattening.

It took me just two months of fatherhood to figure that one out. And it already annoys me.

For mothers at least there is that whole pregnancy excuse, though it irritates me to note that my wife already has rock-eted back down to her pre-pregnancy 90-something pounds.

We fathers have no such crutch, and a sympathy belly seems less sympathetic once your wife's has disappeared.

So my son and his insatiable sleeplessness are entirely to blame. The sounds of the kitchen – the whirring of the mixer, the cadence of a knife on a chopping block, the hum of the dishwasher – seem to be some of few sounds that will quiet him.

Combine that with my foolhardy decision to take several months leave to bond with my joyful little bundle, and I now find myself carting around an extra bundle of my own to the tune of about 20 pounds. With so much time on my hands I have cooked and cooked and cooked. And while Parker sleeps, I eat and eat and eat.

First there were breads. What better time to perfect one's bread baking than when one is home for days on end? Then there were cakes and cookies, and curries and sautes, and pastas and pirogues, even a few Thanksgiving test runs.

And just as I was dredging the thought of returning to work and having to again fit into real pants (why get out of your PJ's when you never leave the house and constantly are spit up on?) I was warned it will get worse.

A friend cautioned that if I think it's easy to pack on the pounds now, just wait until the little one is eating solid food and it becomes my job to clean

his plate.

That's a fear I will deal with later. Perhaps by then I will have ventured outside long enough to have returned to the gym.

For now, I have committed myself to a lighter lifestyle, child be damned. I will get out and walk, pile my plate with whole grains and fresh vegetables, cut the fat. Heck, I'd even cut a few carbs.

As with all the best diets, that lasted about half a day.

Now I can shift the blame from my son to Angela Shelf Medearis, author of *The Ethnic Vegetarian* (Rodale, 2004, \$18.95), which focuses on foods with African-American and Caribbean influences.

When her book arrived for review, my first thought was to set it aside for, um, leaner times. Many of the recipes sound delicious, and deliciously fattening. A corn pudding with a cup of heavy cream would do me in.

Medearis offers plenty of recipes that don't push the scales quite so much, but frankly it was the likes of fruit and sweet potato fritters, Tanzanian baked bananas and a corn curry with three cans of coconut milk that had my eye.

I finally went over the edge when I saw her chicken-fried steak seitan. I had to try it, even if it was battered and fried. I've tried other versions of vegetarian chicken-fried "steak" and never was impressed.

Medearis' recipe calls for using cutlets of seitan, a meat substitute made from wheat gluten.

Large patties of seitan suitable for this recipe can be found in the frozen section of most natural foods grocers.

Unable to leave the house to get seitan cutlets (back to blaming the son) I substituted a similar meat-alternative patty. It worked well, and later tests with seitan proved just as good.

The result was phenomenal

– crunchy and spicy on the outside, tender on the inside. Even my wife, who generally avoids meat substitutes, agreed that the chicken-fried steaks were terrific.

Medearis suggests serving this dish with gravy and mashed potatoes. They also are excellent with a bit of ketchup or barbecue sauce for dipping.

And diets always can start tomorrow.

CHICKEN FRIED STEAK SEITAN

1 cup whole-wheat pastry flour
3 tablespoons arrowroot
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
1/2 teaspoon onion powder
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
1/4 teaspoon celery seeds
1 1/2 cups water
1/2 cup vegetable oil
2 pounds beef-flavored seitan, drained, patted dry and cut into 6 to 8 cutlets

Place the flour, arrowroot, salt, black pepper, cayenne pepper, thyme, onion powder, garlic powder and celery seeds in a large bowl. Add the water and mix; there may be some lumps. Refrigerate the batter 10 minutes.

Heat the oil in a large, deep skillet over a medium-high flame until hot but not smoking. Dredge a seitan cutlet through the batter and shake off any excess.

Working in batches, place cutlets in the oil and fry 3 to 4 minutes.

Turn each cutlet over and fry another 3 or 4 minutes, or until golden brown on both sides. Use a slotted spoon to remove the cutlets from the oil. Place cutlets on a plate lined with paper towels to drain.

Makes 6 to 8 servings.
Recipe from Angela Shelf Medearis' *The Ethnic Vegetarian* (Rodale, 2004, \$18.95.)

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Show some savvy with your veggies

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Italians eat vegetables as readily as we eat fat-laden chips, super-sweet desserts and soft drinks full of empty calories. What's more, they actually enjoy them.

Using fabulously easy Italian dishes might help everyone at home to eat more veggies. Here are a few tips for doing it in ways that may win over even a "veggie hater."

First, combine vegetables with other ingredients that do please. If you have a meat-and-potatoes stick-in-the-mud, feed them meat loaf. Just don't call attention to the fact that you have mixed a package of chopped spinach into the ground beef or turkey. This is one of my favorite tricks, using defrosted frozen spinach, squeezed dry and sautéed briefly with chopped onions and garlic. My neighbor's 10 year-old son, first presented with this meatloaf, declared, "I don't like spinach, but it's okay in this."

For picky vegetable-eaters, of any age, who like pasta, sauté a shredded zucchini or tiny broccoli florets in olive oil, then add a jar of prepared pasta sauce. This works especially well if you use a chunky sauce containing mushrooms or a meat sauce.

Pasta dishes are a great way, in general, to help people eat more vegetables. Start by using a vegetable-filled lasagna (the frozen kind is fine), adding extra, vegetable-spiked sauce over it. This way, it's too hard to pick out the vegetables. Worst case, remember that



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Enjoy whole wheat linguine with cauliflower.

even if they eat around the veggies, tomato sauce counts as a vegetable.

If disliking vegetables is more a matter of taste than of principle, try this quick puttanesca sauce. No anchovies here, but olives, capers and garlic, plus chunky tomatoes, give it such robust flavor that the cauliflower I add usually goes unnoticed.

This sauce is excellent over whole-wheat pasta, either linguini or penne, which adds extra nutrients and health protection to a meal.

WHOLE WHEAT LINGUINE WITH CAULIFLOWER PUTTANESCA SAUCE

2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
2 garlic cloves, chopped
1 can (28-ounces) plum tomatoes
2 cups small cauliflower florets
2 tablespoons chopped black Kalamata olives
1 tablespoon capers in vinegar, rinsed and drained (optional)
Ground black pepper
1/2 pound whole-wheat linguini

Heat oil in a deep saucepan. Stir in garlic, and cook 30 seconds. Add tomatoes, with their liquid, using a wooden spoon to break them up. Add cauliflower and olives (and capers, if using). Cook for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. Season sauce to taste with pepper.

While the sauce cooks, boil a large pot of water, and cook pasta according to package directions. Drain it in a colander, and divide pasta among 4 wide, shallow bowls. Top it with the sauce, and serve.

Makes 4 servings. (about 5 cups)

Note: To reduce their sodium content, use capers preserved in vinegar, which contain less sodium than those in salt. Soak them in water for 10 minutes, then rinse and drain them before using.

Per serving: 336 calories, 8 g. total fat (1 g. saturated fat), 57 g. carbohydrate, 13 g. protein, 11 g. dietary fiber, 363 mg. sodium.

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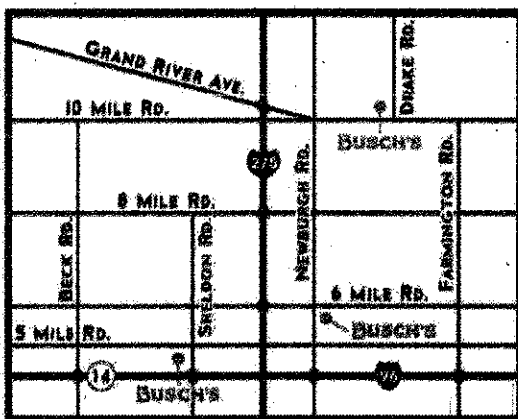
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It's easy to make the perfect pizza

BY J.M. HIRSCH
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CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — It seemed like such a great idea at the time, and for that I blame those cursed home improvement shows.

I also blame the Italians, who so wooed me with their tasty wood-oven pizza during a vacation several years ago that I became obsessed with re-creating the experience at home.

When I proposed gutting the kitchen to make way for a fancy (and pricey) indoor wood-cooking oven, my wife proposed not. She instead found a book with plans for a do-it-yourself on-the-cheap outdoor pizza oven.

Building Barbecues and Outdoor Kitchens (Sunset Books, 2001, \$14.95) says that its "simple adobe oven can be constructed in a matter of days (elsewhere it says two or fewer) and is great for cooking pizzas, roasts, vegetables and crusty loaves of bread."

Right. So I was just a week-end project away from perfect pizza.

Before construction could begin, there was the issue of where to put the oven. That's when the project grew.

The only logical place in our yard was behind a large and unused carport. And if we did that, why not build a deck under the carport, call it an outdoor dining room, and furnish it with a massive table with seating for dozens? The home improvement shows do it all the time.

THREE STEPS

Step 1: The deck. It was to be a simple 25-by-30-foot platform, roughly the footprint of the carport. But simplicity doesn't come cheap. Contractors wanted thousands and thousands of dollars to build it. How hard could it be?

So I harassed help from a friend. His day job: food photography. His deck-building experience: his own, unfinished for two years.

An afternoon project, he assured me. Six hours at the most. Right. A month later I had my simple platform deck.

Step 2: Furnishings. No wimpy table would do for a deck this size, so I spent a week designing, ruining, redesigning and finally building my own. Four 4-by-8-foot sheets of plywood, dozens of tiles and foot-long bolts later, I had plenty of seating.

Step 3: The oven. With the rest of the furnishings left to my wife, I enlisted my parents as laborers for the oven construction. We were now nearly a month and a half into the two-day project.

THE OVEN

Sunset's design calls for building a base of concrete blocks topped with heat-resistant firebricks. Wire and half a cardboard barrel are used to form a dome over this base. The dome and base then are covered with about a foot of cement mixed with adobe

clay. The oven cooks by heat retention, not direct flame. Start a fire, let it burn down, scoop out the ashes, add food, close door and cook using heat that has built up in the oven's thick clay-cement walls. I had my doubts.

The materials checklist was basic and a trip to the home-renovation superstore provided everything but the adobe. Web sites by others who have built this oven suggest digging the adobe from your back yard.

That's fine in the Southwest, but New England? Would granite work?

Sunset's book offers little guidance for finding sources of adobe clay. Three weeks and countless telephone calls later, I had one. For \$4 per load and four loads, I had a huge heap of mud in my driveway.

Nearing the three-month mark, we began what should have been the second day of the project.

Making the form for the dome from the cardboard barrel and wire was easy. Making the cement-adobe mud to be packed over it was not.

The book says that the adobe clay and cement should be mixed in a 3-1 ratio. A hoe and wheelbarrow seemed insufficient for the quantity we needed, so we rented an industrial cement mixer.

This would have worked well if the clay didn't turn into a solid mass once water hit it, gumming up the bottom of the mixer and refusing to, well, mix in any way with any thing.

In the end, a combination of hand and electric mixing was the laborious winner.

Three and a half months later, the construction was complete. Pizza time? Not quite. The oven had to be carefully covered in wet towels and plastic tarps and allowed to dry for one week.

Two weeks later it was mostly dry and time for the initial firing, which finishes the drying and burns away the cardboard barrel form. Then a coat of exterior-grade latex paint to waterproof the oven.

More than four months after the two-day project began, I had a pizza oven. But would it cook? The residual-heat approach left me concerned. I was convinced that without an active flame it wouldn't stay hot long enough to cook.

The result?

Nothing short of oh-my-god! It not only cooked, it cooked fast. A 12-inch pizza loaded with cheese and toppings baked up perfectly — brown crust crispy outside, tender and chewy inside, cheese sizzled — in just 3 minutes. What sort of heat was I dealing with to cook a raw pizza so quickly? Turns out something around 750 degrees Fahrenheit.

Lessons learned?

This wasn't an easy project; I doubt many people could complete it in two days. And if I was to build another there are a few things I would do differently.

But was it worth it?

Absolutely. The pizza is fantastic, and the oven is fun to use.

PERFECT PIZZA

Of course, the perfect pizza oven needs the perfect pizza. Toppings are too individual to dictate, but a good crust and sauce are essential. While store-bought dough is fine in a pinch, freshly made is best.

There certainly are more involved recipes, but the folks at *Cook's Illustrated* magazine have an easy-to-make winner in their recent book, *Baking Illustrated* (America's Test Kitchen, 2004, \$35).

PIZZA DOUGH

(Preparation: 2 hours)
¾ cup warm water (about 110 degrees Fahrenheit)
1 envelope (about 2¼ teaspoons) instant yeast
1½ cups water, room temperature
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
4 cups bread flour (22 ounces), plus more for dusting work surfaces and hands
1½ teaspoons salt
Olive oil or cooking spray for oiling a bowl

Combine the warm water and yeast in a 2-cup measuring cup. Let stand until the yeast dissolves and swells, about 5 minutes. Add the room-temperature water and oil and stir to combine.

Process the flour and salt in a food processor, pulsing to combine. Continue pulsing while pouring the liquid ingredients (holding back a few tablespoons) through the feed tube.

If the dough doesn't readily form a ball, add the remaining liquid and continue to pulse until a ball forms. Process until the dough is smooth and elastic, about an additional 30 seconds.

The dough will be a bit tacky, so use a rubber spatula to transfer it to a lightly floured work surface. Knead by hand for a few strokes to form a smooth, round ball. Place the dough in a deep bowl that has been lightly oiled.

Cover the bowl with plastic wrap and let rise until doubled in size, about 1½ to 2 hours. Press the dough to deflate and shape.

Makes dough for 3 medium pizzas.

(Recipe from *Baking Illustrated*.)

The absolute best sauce I have ever encountered is an adaptation of a crushed tomato sauce in Peter Reinhart's *American Pie: My Search for the Perfect Pizza* (Ten Speed Press, 2003, \$24.95).

This is almost as easy as opening a jar, and tastes much better.

TANGY TOMATO SAUCE

(Preparation: 5 minutes)
28-ounce can crushed tomatoes
¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1 teaspoon dried basil
1 teaspoon dried oregano
2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
1 teaspoon salt

Combine all ingredients in a bowl and mix.
Makes 4 cups.

WINE

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particular place.

Without doubt, California's Napa Valley has a unique terroir and geologist authors Swinchatt and Howell take the reader on a journey that began millions of years ago when the clash of continental plates created the Napa Valley. Their driving tours through the valley today illustrate the landscapes, wineries and influences that make wines from the region taste the way they do.

■ *North American Pinot Noir* by John Winthrop Haeger (University of California Press, \$34.95). The author's fascination with the heartbreak red grape from France's Burgundy region and how it has achieved world-class status in North America is well-documented in

an easy and engaging read.

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■ *The Wines of Bordeaux: Vintages and Tasting Notes 1952-2003* by Clive Coates (University of California Press, \$60). Having visited and written about French vineyards for more than 35 years, Master of Wine Clive Coates is the world's foremost expert on the wines of Bordeaux. Whether you're a novice or a collector, a buyer of top wines from the grandest estates or seeking to learn more about the modest properties in the Bordeaux satellite regions of Cotes de Bourg or Entre-Deux-Mers, Coates is your

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LEFTOVER TURKEY RECIPES

TURKEY REUBEN SANDWICH

1/2 cup unsalted butter, softened
8 slices rye bread
1/2 cup sweet honey mustard
8 slices Swiss cheese
1 pound cooked turkey breast, sliced thin
1/2 cup sauerkraut, well drained
4 whole dill pickles

Spread butter on one side of each bread slice. Spread the other side of each slice of bread with sweet honey mustard.

Top four of the bread slices (mustard side up) with 1 slice cheese, 4-ounces sliced turkey and 2 tablespoons well-drained sauerkraut. Place remaining cheese and bread slices atop each sandwich.

Heat a large skillet over medium high heat. Grill sandwiches until browned, then turn and grill until heated through and cheese is melted.

Serve with pickles.

Nutrition Facts: calories, 620; total fat, 33g; saturated fat, 16g; cholesterol, 115mg; sodium, 1880mg; potassium, 425mg; total carbohydrate, 48g; dietary fiber, 4g; sugars, 16g; protein, 35g. Recipe from The National Turkey Federation.

From the turkey to the mashed potatoes, leftovers are a staple of every holiday meal. Whole Foods Market team members have several ideas for turning Thanksgiving leftovers into new recipes.

SONOMA TURKEY SALAD

Dressing:
1/2 cup mayonnaise
2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
1 tablespoon honey
2 teaspoons poppy seeds
salt and white pepper, to taste

Salad:
2 cups turkey, diced
1/2 cup celery, diced
1/2 cup pecans, lightly toasted
1/2 cup grapes, cut in half

To prepare dressing, whisk ingredients in a small bowl until thoroughly combined and set aside. To prepare salad, toss turkey, celery, pecans and grapes together. Pour dressing over salad and mix thoroughly. Taste and adjust seasonings.

This salad can be served on a bed of lettuce or stuffed into an avocado half. Serves six.

Recipe courtesy of R. Adam Smith, a Whole Foods Market chef in Emeryville, Calif.

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND STRATA

2 cups leftover bread stuffing
2 cups cubed bread (any type will do, leftover dinner rolls are a great option)
1/2 cup whole milk
3 large eggs
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
1 tablespoon hot sauce (optional)
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
1/2 tablespoon butter
2 cups white or assorted mushrooms, quartered or diced
1 white or yellow onion, chopped
1/2 cup green onions, thinly sliced

Squash those turkey leftovers

A good, healthful way to use leftover turkey is the base for a casserole. With a whole grain, you can make a flavorful and rich-textured but healthful one-dish meal.

You might start with barley – a grain that's been popular since the Stone Age. A single cup of this easy-to-prepare grain contains eight grams of fiber – the same amount of fiber found in seven cups of white rice. Barley also is rich in protein, potassium, calcium, iron and B vitamins.

Barley's nutty flavor goes well with onions, mushrooms, or peas. Butternut squash also is a good complement. This large, pear-shaped winter squash has sweet, orange flesh. With onion, green pepper and sage, you'll be glad you had turkey leftovers.

BARLEY, TURKEY AND BUTTERNUT SQUASH CASSEROLE

Cooking spray
2 small butternut squash
2 teaspoons olive oil
1 green bell pepper, seeded and diced
1/2 cup minced onion
1 teaspoon dried sage
Freshly ground black pepper, to taste
2 cups fat-free, reduced sodium chicken broth

1-2 cups cooked leftover turkey, diced
6 ounces cheddar cheese, shredded (or use your favorite melting cheese here)
1 large apple, cored, diced
1 cup leftover cranberry sauce (optional)

To prepare, butter a 9-by-12-by-2-inch baking dish. Combine the leftover bread stuffing and the cubed bread in a large bowl. Place half of the mixture at the bottom of the baking pan and set aside. Whisk together the milk, eggs, mustard, hot sauce, salt and pepper and set aside.

Heat the butter in a pan and sauté the mushrooms and onions quickly on a high heat. Combine the mushroom and onion mixture with half of the green onions, leftover turkey, cheddar cheese and diced apples. Arrange this mixture evenly on the stuffing and bread mixture in the baking dish. Place the remaining stuffing and bread mixture on top. Slowly pour the liquid mixture into the baking dish making sure to distribute evenly. Sprinkle the remaining green onions on top for garnish. Press down on the bread cubes, if necessary, to ensure that all bread is coated with the liquid. Refrigerate several hours or overnight.

When ready to bake, preheat the oven to 350° F. Bake uncovered for approximately 60 minutes or until the top is golden and an inserted knife comes out clean. Remove from oven and let stand for 10 minutes before serving. If desired, additional shredded cheddar cheese can be sprinkled on top about 10 minutes before finished. Top the strata with cranberry sauce and enjoy. Serves four to six.

Recipe Courtesy of Michele DiPietro in Rockville, Md.

THE GOBBLER WRAP

2 tablespoons leftover cranberry relish
1 flour tortilla
2 lettuce leaves
6 ounces leftover stuffing
6 ounces leftover turkey
2 tablespoons turkey gravy

To prepare the wrap, spread cranberry relish on top portion of tortilla. Place lettuce then spread stuffing, turkey and gravy on tortilla. Roll and cut in half. Serve with hot chocolate or apple cider. Makes one wrap.

Recipe courtesy of Richard D'Addario, a Whole Foods Market chef in Edgewater, N.J.

TURKEY SWEET POTATO CURRY

1 pound leftover turkey, diced
2 tablespoons fresh ginger, minced
2 tablespoons fresh garlic, minced
2 teaspoons crushed red pepper
2 tomatoes, diced
2 tablespoons curry powder
2 tablespoons garam masala (an Indian spice blend)
1 cup nonfat yogurt
1/2 bunch cilantro, chopped
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 small Spanish onion, diced
1 pound leftover sweet potatoes, diced
3 tablespoons brown sugar
2 tablespoons half and half (optional)

1/2 cup quick-cooking barley*
1/2 pound cooked turkey breast, cubed or diced
1/2 cup crumbled feta cheese

Preheat oven to 350° F. Coat a 4-quart baking dish with cooking spray.

In a large pot of rapidly boiling water, boil squash halves 5 minutes or until not quite tender. Drain. When cool enough to handle, scoop flesh from each half and dice. Set aside.

In a large saucepan, heat oil over medium heat. Add green pepper, onion and diced squash. Sauté 3 minutes. Add sage and pepper and stir to coat. Add broth and bring to a boil. Add barley and return to boil.

Reduce heat to low, cover and cook 10 minutes, until barley is tender and liquid is absorbed. Mix in diced turkey.

Transfer mixture to prepared baking dish and top with feta cheese. Bake, uncovered, 30 minutes, or until cheese is golden. Makes 6 servings.

*Most supermarkets and health food stores carry quick-cooking barley.

Per serving: 275 calories, 5 g. total fat (2 g. saturated fat), 42 g. carbohydrate, 18 g. protein, 10 g. dietary fiber, 368 mg. sodium.

Recipe from the American Institute for Cancer Research.

To prepare, marinate the turkey overnight in a mixture of ginger through cilantro and place in refrigerator. Remove the turkey and marinade from the refrigerator. Heat oil in large skillet or saucepan over medium heat and sauté onions in oil until translucent. Add turkey, marinade, sweet potatoes, brown sugar, and half and half (if desired). Toss to heat through. Present in large serving bowl with lightly toasted pita bread. Serves four to six.

Recipe courtesy of Susan Hall, a Whole Foods Market chef in Plantation, Fla.

CRISPY MASHED POTATO AND SCALLION CAKES

1/2 cup leftover mashed potatoes
1/2 cup shredded Parmesan cheese
1/2 cup bread crumbs
1 egg
2 scallions, trimmed and minced
Chopped fresh parsley, to taste
3 tablespoons flour
1/2 cup canola oil

These cakes are a great way to use mashed potatoes and add flare to any meal. They can also be made larger and flatter and topped with grilled leftover turkey and gravy.

To prepare the potato cakes, mix mashed potatoes with shredded Parmesan. Add half of the bread crumbs, egg, scallions and parsley to the potato mixture. Stir to mix well and set aside. Form the potato mixture into four-inch cakes about one inch thick. Mix the remaining bread crumbs and flour together. Coat both sides of potato cakes with bread crumb and flour mixture evenly. Heat oil in a large nonstick or cast iron skillet over medium-high heat. Sauté the potato cakes in the preheated oil four-five minutes per side, until light brown and crispy. Drain the potato cakes and pat with a paper towel to remove excess oil. Serve warm with applesauce. Makes six-eight cakes.

Recipe courtesy of Mischa Conner, a Whole Foods Market chef in Chicago.

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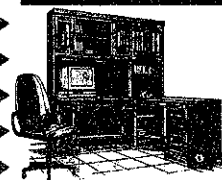
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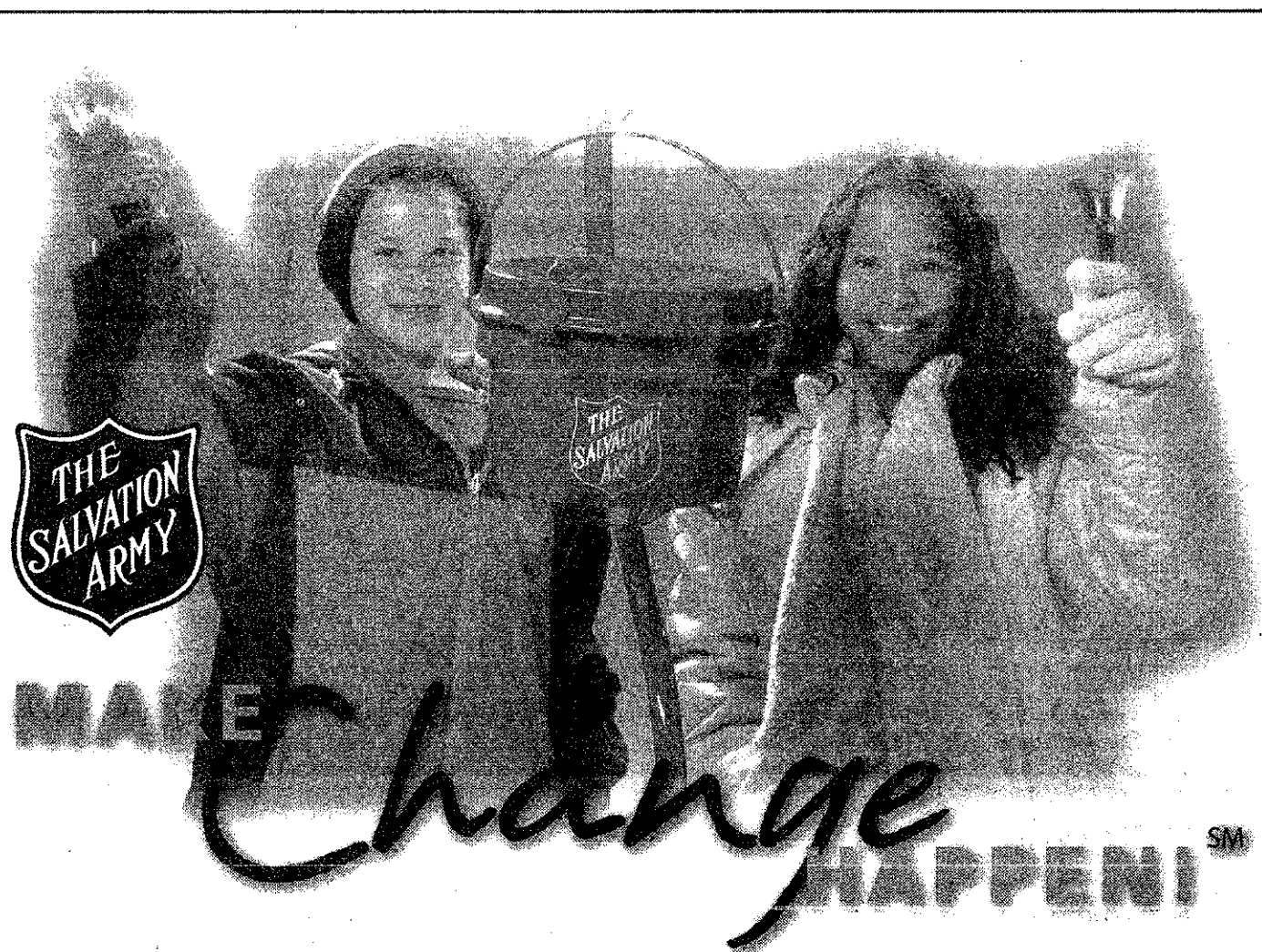
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Pears are the pick of the season

(NAPS) – With the prevalence of obesity and weight issues a major health concern, people are encouraged to eat healthier meals.

Low-carb and other restricted diets don't give the balance of fiber, vitamins and minerals found in food plans that encourage healthy fruits and vegetables.

With that in mind, and to champion the importance of the dietary benefits of fresh produce, Weight Watchers launched the Pick of the Season, a public health initiative spotlighting one specific fruit or vegetable each season with nutrition information and delectable recipes. As part of Weight Watchers seasonal cornucopia of recipes featuring a select fruit or vegetable, this season's "pick" is the pear.

In addition to its health benefits, pears are a great-tasting food that can be baked, sautéed, poached or eaten fresh out of hand. Here's an Acorn Squash and Pear Soup that reflects the food values inherent to the Weight Watchers philosophy that eating should be satisfying as well as

healthful. For additional recipes, visit WeightWatchers.com.

ACORN SQUASH & PEAR SOUP

- 1 medium acorn squash, baked and seeded
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 garlic clove, chopped
- 2 cups vegetable broth
- 1 large ripe pear, pared, cored, and cut into chunks
- Salt and pepper to taste

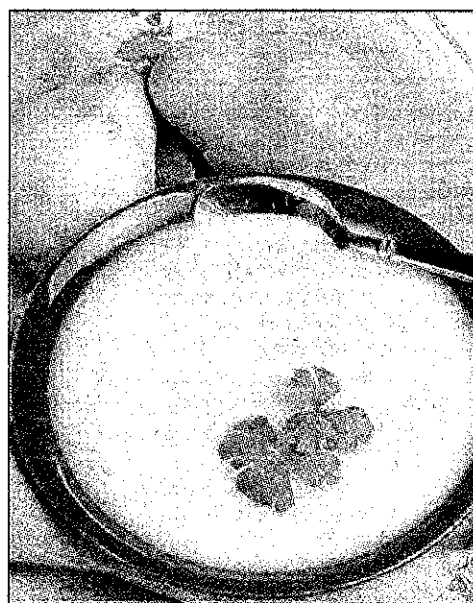
Scoop squash pulp into bowl; discard skin.

In a 2-quart saucepan sprayed with non-stick cooking spray, cook onion and garlic over medium heat, stirring constantly, until soft, about 5 minutes. Add broth, pear, and squash pulp; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer until pear is soft, 5-10 minutes.

Cool soup slightly.* Transfer in small batches to blender; process until smooth.

Return to saucepan; reheat. Serve hot.

Per serving: 97 calories; 0 g fat; 4 g fiber. Makes 4 servings.



NAPS

Pears are not only packed with essential nutrients and natural sugars, they taste great.

Soup should be cooled slightly and blended in small batches to avoid overflowing. Recipe courtesy of Maria Walls, senior nutritionist with Weight Watchers.

Lime mini tarts fine for dessert

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Go ahead, have dessert. A sweet treat can be the perfect way to end a meal, especially if it's light and refreshing as a miniature lime tart can be.

This recipe comes from *Family Circle: Eat What You Love & Lose* (Regan Books).

Author Peggy Katalinich suggests using store-bought mini phyllo pastry shells (found in the freezer section of your local grocery store), which also makes this an easy dessert to whip – or, more accurately, whisk – up.

The total preparation and cooking time is about 20 minutes, then the tarts need to be refrigerated for at least two hours but can be refrigerated up to six hours before serving.

- 3 packages (21 ounces each) mini phyllo pastry shells (15 pre-baked shells per package, 45 shells total)
- 1 firm, ripe mango, peeled, pitted, sliced and cut into 1-by-1/2-inch pieces
- 1 cup sliced strawberries

In a heavy-bottom, medium-sized saucepan, whisk together eggs, sugar, ginger and lime juice. Cook over medium heat, whisking constantly, just until boiling and mixture is thickened, about 6 minutes. (Mixture should register 160 degrees on an instant-read thermometer.)

Transfer to a medium-sized bowl; stir in lime rind.

Cover surface with plastic wrap; refrigerate 2 hours or until chilled.

Once chilled, spoon 1-1/2 teaspoons of lime curd into each phyllo shell; top with a piece of mango and a strawberry slice.

Serve immediately or refrigerate up to 4 hours.

Garnish with additional grated lime rind, if desired.

Nutrition information per mini tart: 45 cal., 1 g fat (0 g saturated), 1 g pro., 7 g carbo., 0 g fiber, 14 mg sodium, 14 mg chol.

TASTE CALENDAR

Please submit items at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk, Taste editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, 48009 or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.hometownlife.com.

Holiday Gifts from the Kitchen

This children's class is designed to teach your child (ages 5-10) how to make delicious and meaningful gifts for those they love. Your child will create "Super Secret Recipe" brownie mix, sweet and spicy barbecue sauce, succulent spice-rub and sweet treats for snacking. The kids will sample food and leave with recipes. In addition they will also leave with three truly delicious gifts that they made in class. Gifts ready to be given to

someone they love just in time for the holidays. Class is 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, Dec. 4 in the Christian Life Center of the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, 1589 West Maple Road. Log on to www.chefgirl-productions.com for information or contact the First United Methodist Church at (248) 646-6407, ext. 3148 to register. There is a \$20 registration fee. This class is open to the public.

Cooking at Schoolcraft

Enjoy continuing education classes taught by culinary arts instructors at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Marcus Haight, certified executive chef and Schoolcraft instructor, will teach his Five Star Restaurant Revue 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11. Cost is \$139. December classes include: Wild Game

with Certified Master Chef Jeff Gabriel, 5:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1 (\$105); Soups & Stews, 9-1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4 (\$89), and Holiday Gift Baskets with certified master pastry chef Joe Decker, 6-9 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 8 (\$109). For more information on these and other culinary arts continuing education classes visit www.schoolcraft.edu under Continuing Education Schedule or call (734) 462-4448.

Cookies with Santa

Children will create a dozen cookies and meet Old Saint Nick himself for a

special treat at Shield's Restaurant and Pizzeria in Troy at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 11. Shield's will provide pre-baked cookies and all the do-dads. The cost for the event is \$7, which includes a beverage for children, a visit with Santa, Polaroid photo and small gift. Parents can reserve a spot for their children in advance by visiting Shield's, 1476 Maple Road, at the corner of Maple and Crooks in Troy or by calling (248) 637-3131. Walk-ins are welcome but space is limited and will be given to those who sign up in advance.

LIME MINI TARTS

- Lime curd filling:
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- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 cup fresh lime juice
- 1 tablespoon grated lime rind
- Tart shells and garnish:

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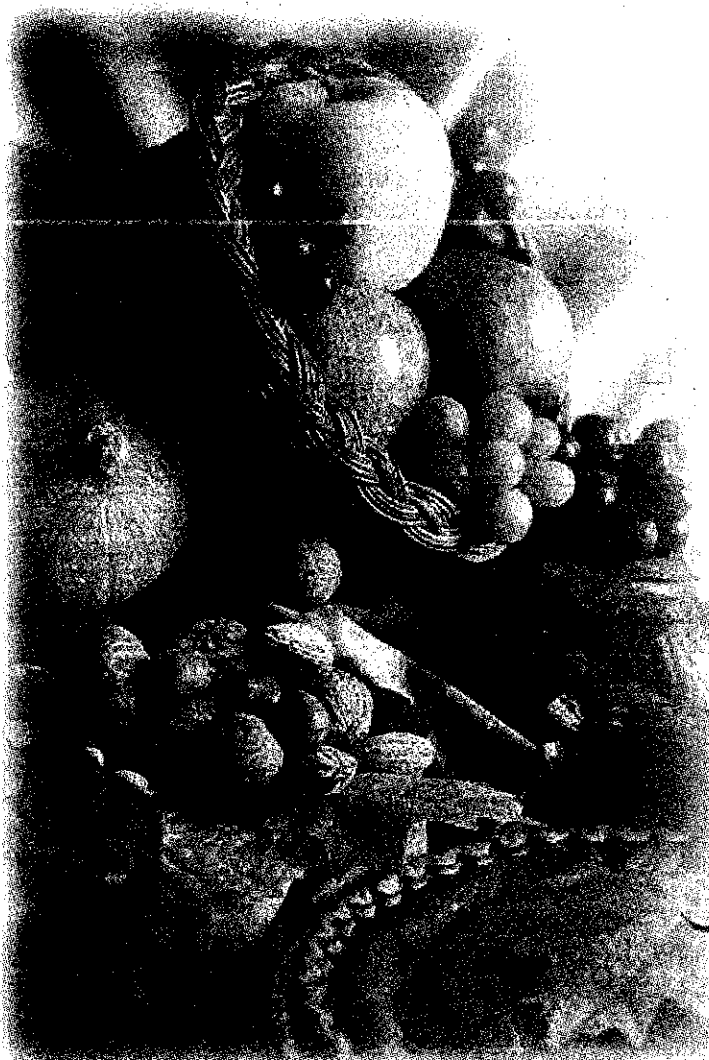
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BY KEELY SCHRAMM
STAFF WRITER

Thinking about families celebrating their first Thanksgiving in new homes makes area Realtors and developers thankful. After all, people buying homes are their bread and butter. But they're not just in it for the money.

Charlie Jackson, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Northville, is thankful that "we are in the wonderful state of Michigan where earnest, hardworking people create a need for new condos and housing, and become lifelong friends along with creating a customer base for us."

Mary Lou Flatter, a Realtor with Prudential Cranbrook, Realtors in Bloomfield Hills, is thankful for her colleagues and loyal customers.

This may shake out to be the best year

ever at Snyder, Kinney, Bennett and Keating in Birmingham.

"I'm thankful to interact with quality people in southeastern Michigan's most sought-after communities," said M. Michael Cotter, associate broker principal. "I feel lucky that we've been around 73 years and have maintained a successful place in the market. When you say thanks, it makes you remember to be thankful. It's a huge joy to have someone walk into a house and say 'You know, this one feels right.'"

Darlene Larsen is happy the election is over and the phones are ringing again at Prudential Cranbrook, Realtors in Bloomfield Hills. "It was slow. Now we can get back to work."

Larsen is also grateful for the 30 years she's worked at Prudential Cranbrook as a Realtor. "This business has given me a good life," she said. "I

raised by two sons alone, educated them, and gifted them with equity for the houses they live in."

Glenn Champion, sales manager of

Weir, Manuel, Snyder & Ranke in Plymouth, is thankful interest rates have remained at historical lows. "It's been driving the real estate market through an economic downturn that we seem to be creeping out of, finally," he said. "I'm thankful for creative financing that's helping a lot of buyers. There's 100 percent financing to prompt more people. It seems more people are able to buy a house."

STRONG ECONOMY

Jim Bagley, president of Pulte Homes of Michigan, is thankful for low interest rates and the strong economy. "We've attracted a lot of new buyers by expanding our product line. We offer everything from homes in the low \$100,000s to \$800,000," he said. "It's been a great year, and we expect the same in 2005."

Rosemary Firestone, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100 in Novi, is really "grateful for her many wonderful sellers and buyers who are wonderful to work for and with and get me great referrals which are helping me build my business," she said. "This has been a harder year for sellers because it's been such a strong buyer's market, but the sellers have been trying their best to be very patient and the listings are starting to move even though it's

the end of the year," said Firestone.

Rachel Mukh, a Realtor at Century 21 Today in Farmington Hills, helps families relocating to Michigan find new homes. "I don't sell houses," she said. "I help them find what they're looking for, homes to be with their families, it's very rewarding."

She recently helped a family who moved here from Ohio after the father took a job at a growing automotive supply company in Troy. "I think we live in a great state and have to be optimistic," she said.

Joseph M. LoChirco, president of LoChirco Custom Homes in Rochester, recently broke ground on a three-story, \$5-million condominium and retail project in downtown Rochester.

"It has been a great year for LoChirco Custom Homes," he said. "I grew up in Rochester, and love the area. The Walnut Street condo/retail project is a dream come true. I feel thankful we were able to break ground on a high quality project that will increase residential street traffic and add excitement to downtown Rochester."

GIVE THANKS

David Jacobson of Jacobson Brothers Real Estate in Birmingham, is "thankful for being able to provide both renters and buyers a safe and pleasant environment, and for having established a solid reputation in residential real estate in the Detroit metropolitan area." He's also thankful for his employees.

"Talon Development Group has a lot to be thankful for as we wrap up 2004," said Michael V. Polsinelli, president and CEO of the Bloomfield Hills-based company. "We broke ground on the Maywood Pointe Condominium Project on Woodward Avenue in Pleasant Ridge. This proved to be the ideal project for people looking to buy in the thriving Royal Oak market as we only have a few units left to sell. We are also appreciative of the opportunity to develop a distinctive brownstone condominium project in Plymouth Township. Plymouth Village brings residents to the bustling Ann Arbor Road corridor and offers luxurious living at affordable prices. We are thankful for the assistance we received from city officials in Pleasant Ridge and Plymouth Township, the successful relationship we have with our real estate team, and to the buyers who loved our projects. We look forward to 2005 as we hope it will bring as much prosperity as we have experienced this year."

Mortgage
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Renters can be inflation savvy

Why rent a home when you can own one? Mortgage interest rates remain excellent and there is an abundance of homes on the market. In fact, if you are currently renting and your lease expires in the next few months, you should review your home financing options right now.

GOOD REASON

There may be a good reason for you to rent year after year, but there is one huge reason not to rent for that long - inflation. To know inflation is to love inflation - if you can get it working for you instead of against you.

Your inflation-savvy landlord owns property that will continue to gain value every year. If her operating expenses for your property squeeze her profit margin too much, she will tell you that you need to pay her higher rent. Your choices are then to pay more or to move out.

How can inflation compel you to own instead of rent? Well, in 1970 a U.S. postage stamp was 6 cents, a gallon of gas was about half a dollar, and a simple three-bedroom ranch put you back \$30,000. Today, you can mail the letter for 37 cents, tank up for 30 bucks, and that same home costs about \$150,000.

Using the same historical inflation rate ratios, in 2038 you will pay \$2.28 per stamp, \$1,800 to fill up, and a cool \$750,000 for that cute starter home. Look, don't yell at me, it's just math.

Unless your landlord agrees to "freeze" your current rent payment for the next 30 years, your decision is not whether or not to buy a home, it is how soon should you buy. At today's rates, your \$1,000 per month rent payment should get you a mortgage of \$110,000 to \$145,000, depending on your credit, down payment, and loan type.

Mortgage lenders today have many innovative loan programs - bruised credit, small down payment, no income validation - to help renters realize their dream of home ownership. Create wealth for yourself, not for your landlord. If you are renting, contact a mortgage lender today. You may be pleasantly surprised.

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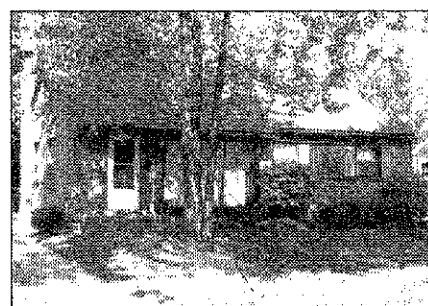
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1617 Bennington \$158,000
1661 Bennington \$148,000
2221 Berwick \$184,000
47961 Candace \$348,000
44617 Cranbrook \$198,000
2068 Crowdale \$482,000
44668 Danbury \$339,000
1544 Dunston \$312,000
1491 Emerald Pines \$85,000
47230 Fairlawn \$297,000
45194 Forest Trail \$205,000
45434 Fountain View \$365,000
870 Glenulline \$225,000
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2279 Hogan \$250,000
45113 Horseshoe \$179,000
45189 Horseshoe \$191,000
48416 Manhattan \$505,000
41250 Maplewood \$182,000
1658 Marlowe \$210,000
680 Pheasant Woods \$353,000
493 Pinehurst \$411,000
48571 River Way \$430,000
3347 Riverside \$258,000
2040 Roundtable \$183,000
45181 Seabrook \$355,000
42773 Starlite \$185,000
1768 Tradition \$510,000
1707 Tremont \$345,000
1534 W Lakeview \$170,000

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32143 Cambridge

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31768 Chester \$115,000

31742 Elmwood \$169,000

28631 Florence \$159,000

29118 James \$117,000

32422 Manor Park \$287,000

29067 Marquette \$143,000

Livonia

14402 Adams \$199,000

39362 Allen \$255,000

38182 Ann Arbor \$95,000

15345 Bainbridge \$169,000

28617 Bayberry Park \$223,000

9910 Blackburn \$201,000

31705 Bretton \$190,000

28249 Clarita \$265,000

28300 Clarita \$238,000

18293 Deering \$121,000

20122 Edgewood \$368,000

11742 Farmington \$170,000

16862 Farmington \$177,000

16697 Golfview \$328,000

18300 Grimm \$212,000

14490 Hubbard \$280,000

18289 Irving \$143,000

18852 Milburn \$175,000

28229 N Clements \$164,000

14252 Riverside \$190,000

14947 Riverside \$260,000

14108 Stonehouse \$228,000

Plymouth

550 Ann \$285,000

725 Arthur \$238,000

9121 Hackberry \$226,000

42275 Mill Race \$144,000

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42153 Old Pond \$153,000

17111 Priscilla \$266,000

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18720 Dalby \$130,000

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15488 Leona \$135,000

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16152 Ryland \$197,000

9331 Salem \$126,000

11407 San Jose \$185,000

13998 Sarasota \$133,000

19761 Seminole \$102,000

17749 Sumner \$135,000

17125 Wakenden \$109,000

18676 Woodworth \$145,000

Redford

Westland

1790 Abbott \$251,000

35240 Bakewell \$100,000

6345 Balmoral \$163,000

30556 Bradford \$139,000

39291 Cambridge \$143,000

35707 Castlewood \$138,000

33230 Cowan \$165,000

36756 Dartmouth \$186,000

7415 Deering \$106,000

37623 Ford \$125,000

31603 Glen \$146,000

34615 Glen \$172,000

33346 Hunter \$117,000

7392 Kubis \$181,000

30529 Ledgecliff \$156,000

7685 Louise \$173,000

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Share the warmth

The Realtors of Century 21 Town & Country - Commerce are conducting their second annual Share the Warmth coat drive. Donations of new or clean, gently used coats and outerwear are being accepted 9

a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday at 2760 Union Lake Road in Commerce Township. "Last year we collected 1,100 coats and our goal for this year is to collect at least 1,200 coats," said Suzanne Shew, event chairperson. "We are in need of all types of coats, jackets and outerwear in all sizes." The donated items will be distributed to the Baldwin Church & Center and Grace Center of Hope in Pontiac and also Open Door Outreach and Leggett Elementary School in Waterford Township. The coat drive will continue through Dec. 31. For more information, call Suzanne Shew at (248) 366-1627.

Commercial Real Estate Women-Detroit
Holiday celebration 3-6 p.m. Wednesday,

Dec. 1, Forest Lake Country Club, 1401 Club Drive, Bloomfield Hills. Includes hot and cold hors d'oeuvres and champagne. Contact Megan Cottrell at (888) 866-CREW or megan@crewnetwork.org. Prepayment and pre-registration required. Commercial Real Estate Women - Detroit, founded in 1986, is one of the largest local chapters of the CREW Network, a professional organization of more than 5,700 commercial real estate women in the U.S. and Canada. CREW-Detroit promotes networking and professional opportunities among its members, including a monthly program. For additional information, see www.crewdetroit.org.

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CANTON'S FAIRWAYS WEST. Pulte Baybrook II with an inviting floor plan. 2 story foyer, formal areas, gourmet kitchen, family room w/fireplace, central vac, full basement, master w/vaulted ceiling and an oversized garage. 4 beds, 2.5 baths. \$399,900 (538BE)

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LOADED W/DESIGNER TOUCHES. This Pulte Princeton is beautifully decorated w/neutral décor and superbly cared for. Just move in and enjoy 4 spacious bedrooms, formal living & dining, family rm. w/fireplace and woodland views. \$363,000 (633FI)

AFFORDABLE BUNGALOW. Maintenance free brick home with 4 bedrooms - one in the finished basement with a kitchenette. Updated eat in kitchen, covered front porch, fenced yard and a one car garage. A lot of house for not a lot of money! \$89,900 (532GO)

FABULOUS FIND. Darling 3 bedroom ranch with a huge living room, big corner lot, 2 car garage and fresh paint and carpeting. Nice sized floor plan at over 1200 square feet. A great opportunity for first time buyers! \$137,000 (815HA)

BE IN BY CHRISTMAS! Affordable 3 bedroom ranch with hardwood under the carpeting, spacious dining room with bay window, kitchen includes appliances, 2 car garage, and an extra large fenced corner lot. What more could you ask for? \$134,900 (901KJ)

AMOST AN ACRE! Just minutes from downtown Belleville lies this broadfront ranch with a huge covered entry, attractive dimensional shingles, new furnace and HWH, family rm. w/corner brick fireplace, deck and fresh paint. \$229,890 (732MA)

A TRUE BEAUTY. Simply gorgeous and ready to move into ranch with hardwood floors, newer air, furnace and roof, finished basement w/rec room and study, fenced yard and 2.5 car garage. \$132,900 (821OC)

PEACEFUL SETTING. Situated in a nice neighborhood, the comfy 3brdm. Ranch is walking distance to downtown W. Dearborn. Hardwood floors, beautifully remodeled kit. w/appliances, many updates, clean & light decor. \$146,900 (259PA)

CANTON'S FINEST. Pulte Belmont with premium elevation in the heart of Central Park. Dual staircases, exquisite landscaping, elegant formal areas, soaring ceilings, finished basement, gourmet kitchen, and a 3 car garage! \$489,900 (496CE)

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POOL, HOT TUB & SAUNA. Are just some of the amenities available in this home situated on almost an acre. Updated kitchen and baths, circular drive, and a large floor plan with 4 beds and 2 full baths. \$209,500 (457RE)

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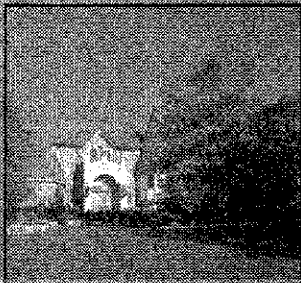
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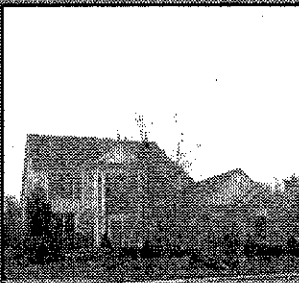
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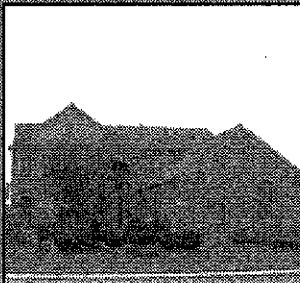
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**CANTON** \$230,000

Incredible Value! Kitchen Completely Updated W/new Oak Cabinets. New Floor, New Dishwasher, Formal Dining Rm W/crown Molding, Formal Living Rm, Family Rm W/natural Frpl, Lower Level W/hobby Rm, New Hot Water Htr. (OEN15WED) 248-347-3050

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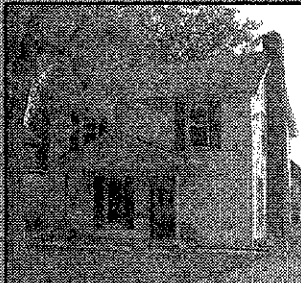
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**GREEN OAK** \$309,900

Lovely 4 brdm, 2.5 bath, Cape Cod! Finished bsmnt w/wet bar, 2 car garage. 2 story great room w/fireplace. French door to den tray ceiling and jetted tub in metr br. Fabulous 16X40, fiberglass inground pool. Must see (OESLY87EAG) 248-437-4500

**GREEN OAK** \$289,900

2000 ft deeded lake access just a few steps from the beach. 2 story, 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath with 2 car detached garage. Beautifully decorated and landscaped. (OESLY79GRO) 248-437-4500

**GREEN OAK** \$259,900

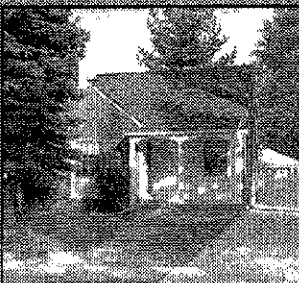
A great opportunity to own a lake front view & privileges w/o having to pay lakefront taxes(greenbelt). Home remolded 1990. Upper 16X24 deck off master bedroom overlooks 677 acre lake. Stone FP & Pego flooring in LR. (OESLY74GRO) 248-437-4500

**GREEN OAK** \$139,900

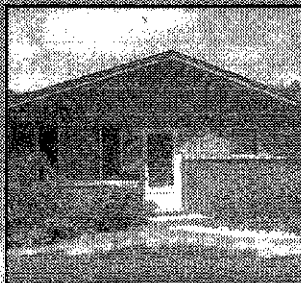
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3 Bdrm, 1 Bath Brick Ranch W/ Vinyl Trim On Large 75' Wide Lot. Lg Eat-in Kitchen. Hrdwd Firs & Wet Plaster Walls T/O. Full Bsmnt. Attached 1.5 Car Garage W/Auto DO & Brzway (Could Be Converted To Make A Cozy FR.) (OEL05MER) 734-591-0333

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Excellent 3 Bed, 1.5 Bath Brick Ranch On A Blvd Str In N. Livonia. Updated Kit Cabinets Appls stay, Wood Firs T/O. Updates Incl: Furn, C/A & Wndws. Fin Bsmnt w G/B Win, Copper Plumb & 1/2 Bath. 2 Car Gar. Home Warr. (OEL64ANT) 734-591-0333

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**NOVI** \$329,900

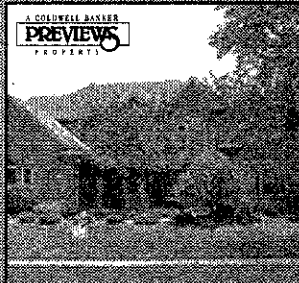
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**PLYMOUTH** \$579,000

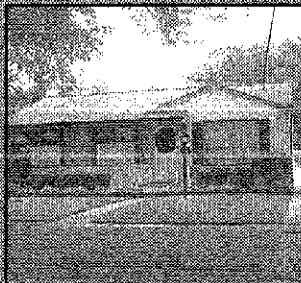
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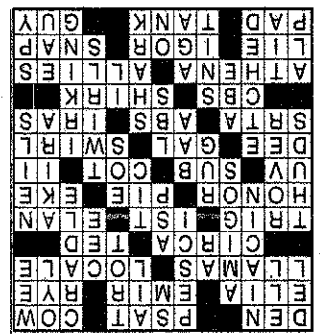
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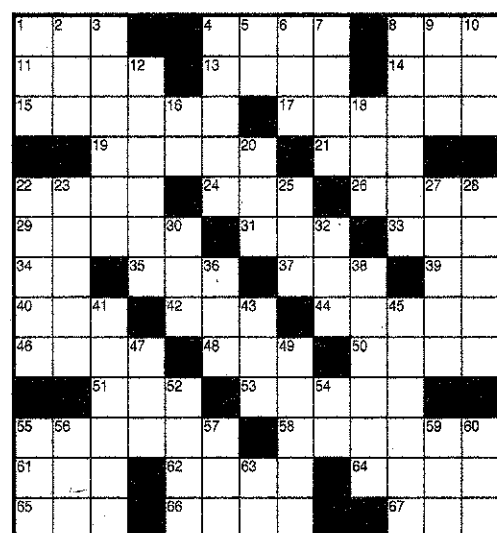
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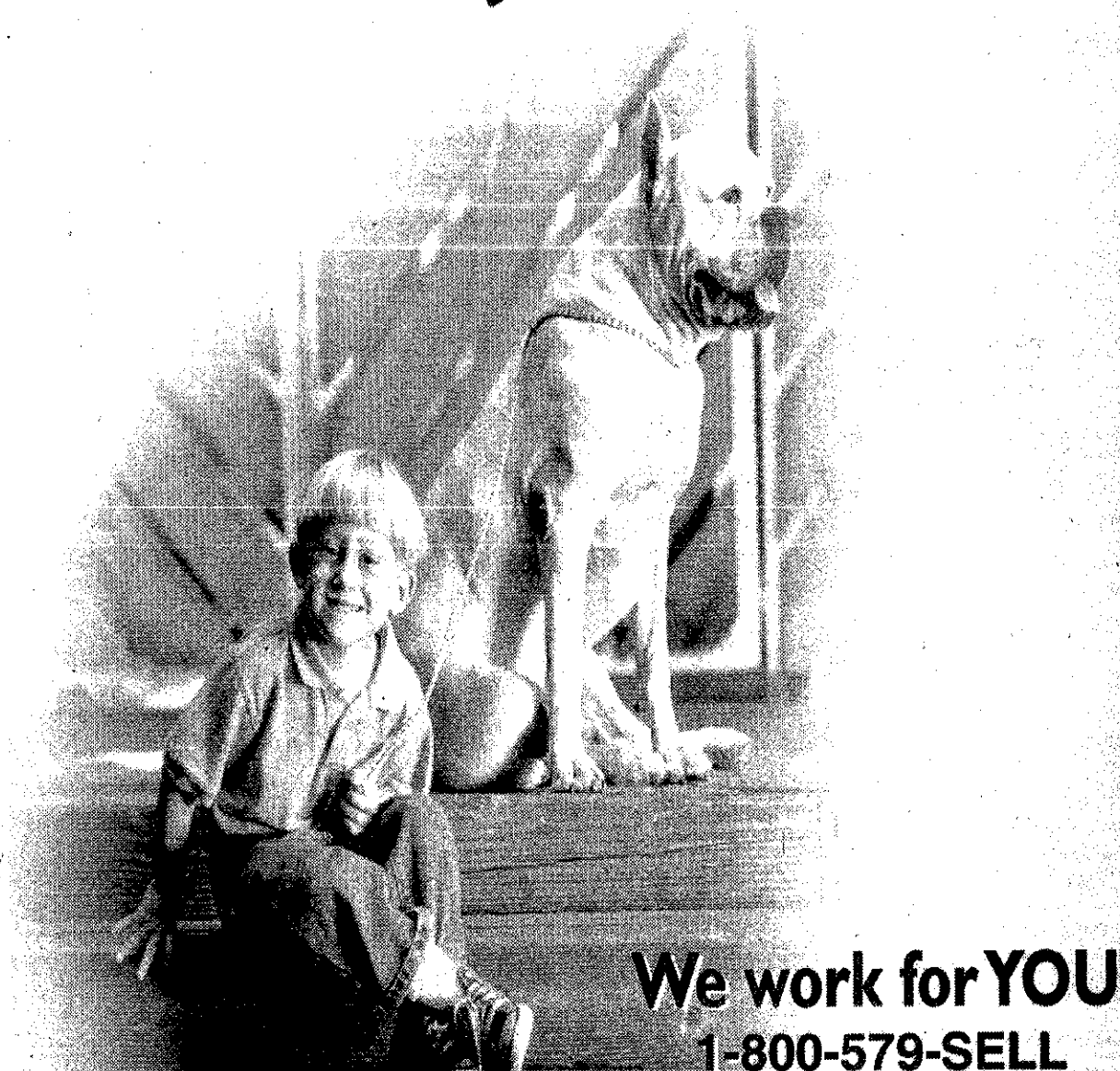
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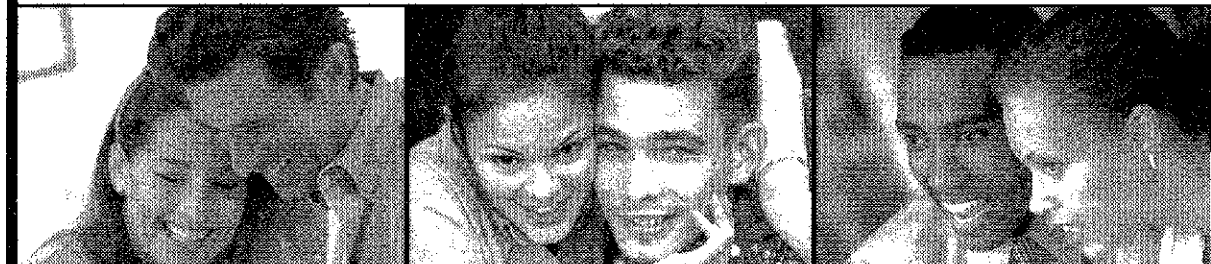
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SWPF, 44, tall, N/S, attractive, down-to-earth, enjoys boating, the outdoors, dining out. Seeking WPM, 28-55, N/S, similar, for possible LTR. **✆48946**

YOU WILL LIKE ME!
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LOVE A RUNNER
SBF, 12, Cancer, seeks a man who is into running, enjoys the outdoors, and is a great guy. **✆401064**

TAKE A CHANCE ON ME
Attractive, educated SBF, 38, small business owner, mother, 5'3", full-figured, light brown complexion, reddish brown hair, seeks honest, sincere, trustworthy, secure, educated SPM, for friendship/relationship. **✆860933**

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SBPF, 29, 5'3", 190lbs, no children, never married, very attractive, easygoing, laid-back, loves travel, looking for sincere, open-minded, laid-back male who has his stuff together. **✆229890**

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SBF, tall, medium build, N/S, who enjoys music, traveling, comedy shows, seeks man, 45-55, N/kids, N/S, outgoing, affectionate, stable, for LTR. **✆444748**

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A clean, well-cared for home. Newer construction w/popular split ranch floor plan w/3 bedrooms. Prof. fin. LL, natural decor, newer Berber carpet, freshly painted, vinyl windows less than a year. Oak kit. cabs.
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WYANDOTTE Spacious Starter Home
Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 1.5 car garage w/opener, updated kit., windows, roof, elec., plumb., roof & siding. Formal dining room w/in kitchen, basement w/full bath, large lot, all appliances & freshly painted.
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LIVONIA Most Wanted List
This hot new listing is located in the heart of Livonia and has just what you're looking for. Great floor plan w/large LR. Updated kitchen, FR/DR, fin. bsmt. w/lav., deck, fenced yard. Att. 2 car garage and its move-in ready.
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BRIGHTON Magnificent Home
Custom built Cape Cod w/2 story entry, ceramic flooring, custom lighting. First floor master w/jetted tub. Dual staircase, oversized 3.5 car heated garage w/hot and cold water. A must see.
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FARMINGTON HILLS Home for All Seasons
3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, extra shower stall, C/A, large eat-in kitchen, fireplace in family room, nice door/wall to patio, oversized 2 car gar. shed for extra storage, newer windows, electrical panel & bath fixtures.
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DETROIT Great First Home
Nicely updated 2 bedroom, 1 bath brick ranch. Newer 2003 roof, kitchen with newer oak cabinets & vinyl floor. 1.5 car garage. Security system. Fenced yard.
(E40MON) 734-455-5600 \$84,900



PLYMOUTH A Real Charmer
Custom built, all brick contemporary, "big lot in little Plymouth". Very clean & well taken care of. Has built in double ovens, newer roof & HWH. Unique floor plan in this 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath home.
(E90ANN) 734-455-5600 \$209,900



PLYMOUTH Walk to Downtown
Desirable Pinewood Village condo. Newer Berber carpet & freshly painted. Nice oak kitchen cabinets. Why rent? Neutral decor. All appliances stay. Occupancy is negotiable.
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NOVI Sharp 3BR, 1.5BA Condo
Newer vinyl siding, ceramic baths & newer carpet. Novi schools. Swimming pool, tennis courts, clubhouse. All appliances included. Immediate occupancy. Assessment to be paid by sellers.
(E85BAS) 248-349-5600 \$135,000



NOVI Rare Find in Novi
Updated 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch w/family room, living room & den. Private 2 tier deck, hardwood flrs. under carpet. Fin. bsmt., master bath updated w/ceramic tile, newer vinyl windows & flooring in kitchen.
(E05MEA) 734-455-5600 \$234,900



SOUTHFIELD Check Out This One
Almost new condo w/neutral walls & carpet, access from park-setting with vaulted ceilings, 2 skylights, great room & 21x13 loft area. Kitchen w/white cabinets & all appliances, & attached garage w/opener.
(E50STO) 734-455-5600 \$147,000



PLYMOUTH Spacious Ranch
Great neighborhood presents 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 fireplaces, tiled family room, hot tub, updated w/o. All appliances, 2 car att. garage, nicely finished basement, hardwood flrs., paver patio, sprinklers, attic fan.
(E48CED) 734-455-5600 \$229,900



LIVONIA Buyer Friendly
3BR, 1.5BA brick ranch. Updated kit. w/all appl. LR/DR combo. Hardwood floors. Nice size rooms, partially fin. bsmt. Great backyard w/cedar deck, 2 car gar. and Stevenson High School. All this could be yours to enjoy.
(E367NOR) 248-349-5600 \$178,000



FARMINGTON HILLS Remodeled Home
Come enjoy this updated 4BR, 2BA home. large master w/WIC & full bath. FFL. Beautiful LR, FR w/wood stove, large deck & 2 car garage. Kitchen appliances stay, large pantry. Fenced yard. Roof new '02, carpet '03. Updated.
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WESTLAND Remodeled Brick Ranch
Remodeled kitchen & bath, refinished hardwood floors, newer roof, windows, cement, plumbing & electrical service all offered in this 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath home with 2 car garage & fin. basement w/possible office.
(E51BIR) 734-455-5600 \$139,900



PITTSFIELD Exceptional Condo
1st floor end unit with a balcony overlooking commons area. Open flowing floor plan with lots of windows. White Merlot cabinets compliment a great kitchen. Detached garage.
(E99MIL) 734-455-5600 \$159,900



DETROIT Warrendale Bungalow
Cute, freshly painted brick home with 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, hardwood floors, cove ceiling, newer windows, roof & finished basement & fenced yard.
(E10BRA) 734-455-5600 \$89,900



LIVONIA Eye Catching
3BR, 2.5BA maintenance free brick ranch. Landscaped to perfection w/large 2-tiered private deck, neutral decor, oak kit., Redstone FR in FR, large bay in LR, mammoth bath, FFL, C/A, sprinklers, fin. 2 car att. gar.
(E13MUN) 248-349-5600 \$259,900



NORTHVILLE Established Colony Estates
Terrific residence situated under towering trees. Features charm & comfort from the roomy BR's through fireplace FR to the custom built area in LL and all in between. This is truly a must see.
(E46WIN) 248-349-5600 \$339,900



REDFORD Won't Last Long
Beautiful 3 bed, 2 bath home w/brick exterior, newer furnace, C/A, kitchen flooring, windows, 6 panel doors & front porch.
(E28GAR) 734-455-5600 \$124,900



MILFORD New Construction
Price drops on this lovely 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial with 2 car attached garage, basement, studio ceiling in family room & vaulted ceiling in master bedroom.
(E63TUR) 734-455-5600 \$284,900



WESTLAND This One Has It All!
2 unit, 1.5 bath lowhouse. Most BR's have access to full bath & lg. WIC. Kit. w/wood laminate flrs. wood cats., & appls. Dining area has doorwall to deck, triple in LR, att. gar. & bsmt.
(E64PHE) 734-455-5600 \$164,900



LIVONIA Opportunity Knocking
This brick ranch can't be beat. Spacious & open floor plan w/large kitchen. Large LR, 1.5 baths or 1st floor Great basement w/wire room & add'l BR possible. Appliances. One year home warr. & quick occupancy.
(E72MER) 248-349-5600 \$162,500




DEARBORN Brick Colonial
Updated and shining all over. 3BR, 1.5BA home w/windows, floors, paint and carpet in 2004. 4 room & formal dining room. Near Ford Head. and shopping. Well built and updated.
(E16WES) 248-349-5600 \$179,900



WYANDOTTE Updated w/Plenty of Charm
Newer Pergo flooring in kitchen & living room, 2 car garage, partially finished basement, spacious eat-in kitchen with appliances. All this in this 3 bedroom, 2 bath bungalow.
(E63ORC) 734-455-5600 \$131,000



WESTLAND Move Right In
Livonia Schools, 2 bedroom, 2 full ceramic bath condo backing to tranquil pond. All appliances, fireplace in living room, newer windows & doorwall. Walking trails, private pool & clubhouse.
(E95WOO) 734-455-5600 \$83,900



CANTON Sharp Brick Ranch
3BR, 2BA home w/cathedral ceilings. Master suite w/walk-in closet, separate bath & doorwall to deck. Partially finished basement, att. garage, first floor laundry & numerous updates.
(E67RID) 248-349-5600 \$219,900



NOVI Check Out This Beauty
4BR, 3.5BA Colonial w/prof. landscaping, 2 tier wrap around deck. Fin. W/O can be teenage or in-law qtrs. has BR/playroom or sep. office, full bath, large FR or rec area, white Bay Island kit. w/Corian counters, hwdw. flrs.
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SOUTH LYON Stunning Walkout Colonial
Premium elevation w/stunning views of wooded nature preserve from each of 3 stories. 4BR, 2.5BA Colonial features a 2-story entrance w/hardwood flrs., massive kit., bay in LR, FR in FR. Enjoy luxurious master suite
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BELLEVILLE Country in the City
3 BR brick/vinyl ranch w/1.5 baths, 2.5 c gar. w/opener, elec. & heat. Newer windows, roof, vinyl siding. Eat-in kit. w/all appls. stay huge lot approx. 91x205. Circ. drive, neutral, decor, open concept & 1 yr warranty.
(E24ECO) 734-455-5600 \$149,000



LINCOLN PARK Affordable Starter
3 bedroom brick front ranch, C/A, full basement, newer windows & vinyl heater, 1 car garage, fenced yard, appliances stay, newer carpet, freshly painted. Move in condition. Must see!
(E21IRE) 734-455-5600 \$114,900



SOUTHFIELD Craftsman Style Cape Cod
Unique & charming 3BR, 2BA Cape Cod on wooded approx. 1 acre lot. Country living in the city w/easy access to expressways and shopping. Home has lots of detailed woodwork, kit. fireplace & fin. basement.
(E61EVE) 248-349-5600 \$228,000



WAYNE Updates Galore - Must See
Numerous updates in this charming 3BR bungalow incl: kit., BA, carpet, windows, HWH, driveway, paint & more. Fin. bsmt., 2 car garage. Close to comm. center. Across from park, imm. occupancy. Not a day-by.
(E60JOH) 248-349-5600 \$135,000



NOVI Sunsets on Walled Lake
View of Walled Lake from wrap around porch. Open floor plan, neutral decor & some hardwood 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths. Stove & refrigerator. Home warranty. Lake privileges.
(E20SLA) 248-349-5600 \$229,000



GARDEN CITY New Community
Very nice detached condo ranch w/2 full baths, fireplace, daylight windows in basement, 2 car attached garage, spacious floor plan, dining room, kit. w/snack bar. Pleasure to show! Builder pays tax!
(E26BIR) 734-455-5600 \$184,900



LIVONIA A Real Doll House
Hrdwd. flrs. in LR & BRs, kitchen updated w/cabinets & Pergo floor. Wall-to-wall windows, elec. panel, newer vinyl siding & a new roof '04 - partially finished basement, 2 c gar. & Florida rm. All in this 3 bedroom bungalow.
(E16JOY) 734-455-5600 \$152,000



WIXOM Amazing Home and Lot
4BR, 3BA home on approx. 5 acre wooded lot. Home boasts huge country kit. w/hearth area, 2-story GR, 1st flr. MBR, FFL, screened-in porch, prof. landscaped, brick paver walkways, sprinklers, one year home warr.
(E64HED) 248-349-5600 \$399,900



REDFORD This is a Charmer
2BR ranch w/lots of updates. Home boasts updated kitchen, newer windows, roof, furnace and HWH. Home is well-maintained w/neutral decor. Kitchen has white cabinets. Nice yard and over-sized 2 car garage.
(E47FIV) 248-349-5600 \$82,000



SOUTHFIELD Your Search is Over
This incredible 4BR, 2.5BA Cranbrook Village Colonial is one of the larger models in sub. Offers a newer white kitchen with oak floors, FR w/FFL, tread site in sub & more.
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GROSSE ILE Wonderful Colonial
Large 4 BR, 2.5 bath home w/wooded lot offers metr. suite w/Jacuzzi tub and vaulted ceiling, formal living room, dining room, fam. room w/fireplace, first floor laundry, fin. bsmt., 2 c att. gar, sprinklers & brick patio.
(E82BAL) 734-455-5600 \$339,900



REDFORD Country Pleasure
Great 3 bedroom brick ranch on approx. 48 acre lot. C/A, newer vinyl windows, updated kitchen, full basement, hardwood floors, neutral decor, 2 car garage w/opener. Move in condition. Must see!
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SOUTH LYON Colonial Acres Condo
Walkout ranch w/large family room & patio. Extra sink/vanity in master dressing area. Bright kitchen w/skylight. Clean and neutral. All appliances stay. Great pond view.
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PLYMOUTH Tudor Estate on 10+ Acres
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NOVI Autumn Park Colonial
Amazing 4BR, 3.5BA home on premium wooded lot in one of finest subs. Two-story FR, 4 season sunroom. Extra deep bsmt. w/daylight windows, brick paver patio, kitchen w/maple cabs., formal DR, 2nd flr. laundry.
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CANTON Don't Miss This One!
New paint in this lovely 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial condo. Kitchen has light cabinets, pantry & breakfast bar. Spacious rooms, dining room overlooking common area, large basement & carport.
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CANTON Meadowbrook Colonial
Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home w/2 car att. garage, full basement, step up master suite, hardwood floors, family room w/fireplace, bay windows, vaulted ceilings, professionally landscaped lot.
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NORTHVILLE Best Kept Secret in Town
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GARDEN CITY Country in the City
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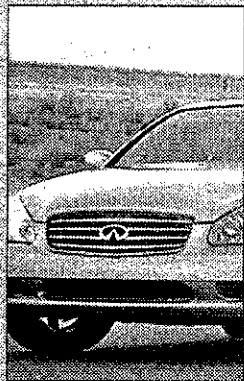
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BY DALE BUSS

As Ford Motor Co. has sought to overhaul its new-product lineup this year, the company has gone in two divergent – but equally crucial – directions simultaneously. On the excitement end, Ford has introduced the racing-stance GT and soon will introduce a new version of the venerable Mustang, an all-new execution that promises to be the best manifestation of this nameplate in many years.

On the other hand, Ford also is using this season of lineup transformation to strengthen itself in basic, dependable, value-oriented vehicles the likes of which it has always provided, such as the Taurus and Sable sedans. In this case, for 2005 Ford has introduced two new mid-level entries, the Five Hundred sedan and the Freestyle sport-utility vehicles, companions based on a single mechanical platform.

In each case, Ford has hit the mark, offering transportation that performs, provides interior comfort, and looks good, all for reasonable sticker prices. They're the kind of vehicles that will carry Ford a long way toward stability in the highly competitive automotive marketplace.

A 2005 Freestyle served as the platform for a family weekend trip to Chicago recently, and it performed ably in all areas. Because it's based on a car platform, Freestyle displayed the best characteristics of a car-like vehicle, including easy ingress and egress, responsive handling, and very respectable highway mileage. And yet it presented the roominess for passengers and cargo that is crucial even for short trips. In accomplishing all of that, Freestyle established itself, for me anyway, as a true contender for best new executive of a "crossover" vehicle.

In Freestyle, Ford has combined a space consciousness with friendliness toward people and their needs that produces a very friendly totality. Three rows of seats provide either six- or seven-adult capacity, although the third-seat space is a little snug. Still, even with all three rows of seats deployed, there was enough room in the cargo well



2005 Ford Five Hundred

2005 Ford Freestyle



for several pieces of luggage and other accouterments for four people for the weekend.

Each version of Freestyle depends on a new 3.0-liter, V6 engine that is rated at 203 horsepower. All are equipped with a continuously variable transmission, or CVT, that helps the modest-sized powerplant make the most of its available resources.

Freestyle comes in three trim levels, starting with the \$25,000 SE level that I drove. Yet even SE comes with features that you wouldn't always expect to find in a base model, including a six-way power driver's seat, cruise control, tilt steering wheel, four-wheel disc brakes with ABS and traction control, as well as air conditioning, power windows, outside mirrors and central locking, and AM/FM/CD stereo. Even all-wheel drive is optional on the SE version, for \$1,700.

The Five Hundred is Ford's bid to take back a trail-blazing position in the sedan market, which it last staked out in 1986 when it introduced "jellybean" styling to the world via the Taurus and Sable – and made them the best-selling cars in the country for many years. Toyota Camry and Honda Accord have stolen the lead in subsequent years.

The Five Hundred makes a credible stab at restoring some of Ford's past glory in this segment. Styling is crisp if not spectacular, featuring big wheels and sharply creased fenders, although some people believe it too closely resembles the Volkswagen Passat. The Five Hundred is built more like a crossover SUV than a sedan, with tall fenders, a high roofline (61 inches, five inches higher than

Taurus) and an elevated position for drivers. In fact, the interior is probably the Five Hundred's best feature, providing ample headroom and backseat legroom, lots of windows and simple, understandable controls for the driver.

The Five Hundred's styling and stance, in those ways, are redolent of Chrysler's hot-selling new 300C sedan, although the latter is much more boldly styled. Camry is nearly a foot shorter, three inches lower and 650 pounds lighter than the Five Hundred.

The same continuously variable transmission that smoothes the path for Freestyle also is present in the Five Hundred, keeping the engine speed within a narrow range instead of distinctly shifting from gear to gear. Nevertheless, the car's acceleration proved barely adequate for some routine situations, perhaps indicating that Ford compromised a bit too much to achieve fuel-economy levels of 21 miles in the city and 29 miles on the highway, about matching the best of its competition.

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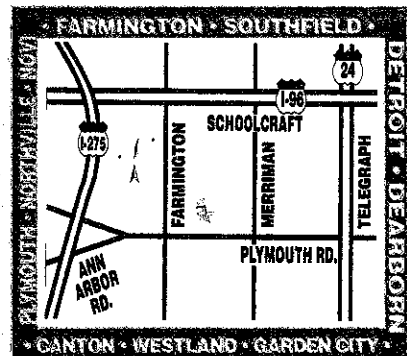


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