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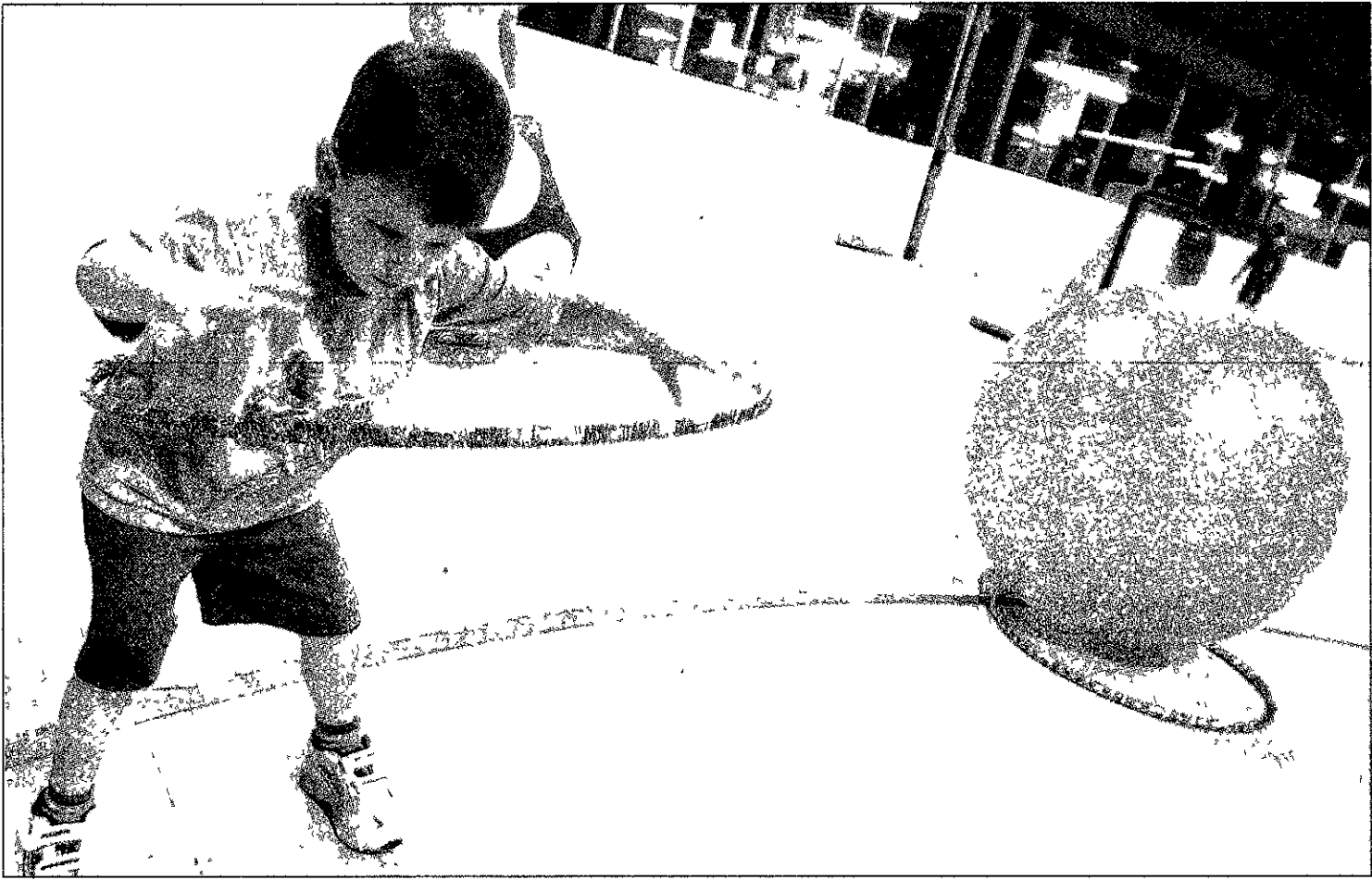
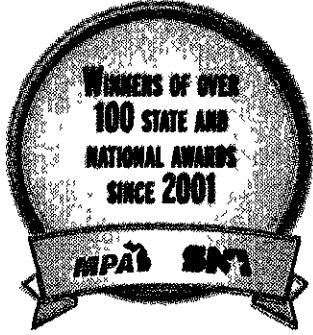
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**Daylight Saving Time**

Don't forget to turn your clock forward one hour Sunday morning, also don't forget to change the batteries in your smoke detectors.



TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

It's all in the hips

Five-year-old Griffin Sanford works out at the Hula Hoop station during a relay race at the all-sports camp held this week at High Velocity Sports in Canton. Participants in the camp competed in everything from potato-sack races to dodge ball. See story on page B1.

Wyandotte man acquires Sheldon Place at auction

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

Sheldon Place has stood empty since August 2001, when 52 residents were evacuated from the senior citizen housing project at Ford and Sheldon. Last week, the building was sold to the highest bidder, Stan Miciura of Wyandotte.

The building was evacuated when leaks and cracks appeared, tipping the building's owners to look for structural faults.

At the time, the building was just three

years old, and cost \$3.4 million to build. Miciura purchased it for \$770,000 at a HUD public auction in Detroit last Thursday.

The building, which sits on a little more than an acre, must be demolished or repaired within 12 months, according to HUD.

Demolition costs have been estimated by HUD at \$400,000, but there has been no estimate regarding what it would cost to make the necessary structural repairs. In order to bid, interested parties were

required to have \$50,000 in earnest money and a letter of credit verifying they have access to \$100,000 to ensure that the building will be demolished on time. A year ago, a court hearing officer ordered the building's owner, National Church Residences of Ohio, to either fix or demolish the building, setting a deadline for Aug. 1, 2004.

At press time Wednesday, Miciura was not available for comment.

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Older homes may be forced to install costly sump pumps

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

Anthony Cauchi has never had a problem with flooding in the basement of his Windsor Park home. But he's one of 10,000 Canton residents who could be shelling out some \$3,500 to install a sump pump in his basement. But he's not the only one who'll have to dig into his pockets. The township itself may be on the hook for \$45 million in sewer system improvements during the next eight years.

"We don't have any option not to make these improvements," Municipal Services Director Tim Faas said Monday at a Canton Township Board of Trustees study meeting.

Township officials hope that the sewer improvements will delay or eliminate the need for property owners in Canton's older neighborhoods to install sump pumps. Subdivisions constructed after 1985 will not be affected, as they have a storm water detention pond system instead of footing drains to hold excess rain water until the sanitary sewer system can accommodate it.

The sump pump program would temporarily divert storm water away from Canton's sanitary sewer system during system blockages or rain storms.

The proposal is part of a plan that has been in the making for more than two years, according to Faas. The study came after 2002, when the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) banned the issuance of sanitary system extension permits along the Cherry Hill Road trunk sewer. That same year, the MDEQ ratcheted up requirements for local sewer systems. The

PLEASE SEE PUMPS, A5

Local businesses go green thanks to MSU

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

For Michigan State University sports fans, green and white apparel will be worn with pride this weekend as both the men's and women's basketball teams are playing in the NCAA Final Four.

For business owners, the green means the sound of cash registers ringing as they hope the run will continue through the championship games.

"It's been standing room only," said Ellis King, general manager of Bailey's Pub N'Grille in Canton Township. "We've got 32 televisions, and at least half of them are on Michigan State games."

"Normally we do well during the tournament, and it really helped on Easter weekend, when it's generally slow," he said. "We're going to put together a Michigan State pep rally before the games, and have some MSU giveaways."

In Plymouth, John Doyle said his Doyle's Tavern also received a boost on Easter weekend.

"The last couple of games we had a really big turnout of State fans," said Doyle. "I think Saturday is going to be good, and we'll have a pretty good turnout. We'll probably do some beer specials."

At the Wolverine & Spartan Shop in Canton, general manager Tim Howell said much of the 25-percent increase in sales the past couple of weeks is attributable to the Spartan side of the store.

"We're catching a little bit of the wave of March Madness," said Howell. "The hats and Final Four T-shirts are the biggest sellers."

However, Howell points out that Michigan State basketball fans are used to success, so the novelty of the Spartans in the Final Four has worn off a bit.

"(Coach) Tom Izzo has raised the bar over the last 10 years and fans are happy," Howell said. "But, it's not an extra special accomplishment. If they win the national championship, that's when we expect the (sales) explosion to happen."

Doyle said when it comes to playoff time, fans like to celebrate and cheer on their hometown teams.

"It always helps when the Red Wings and Pistons are in the playoffs," he said. "It hurts not having the Wings playing, especially during the week. Hopefully, the Pistons will make a run like last year. That would help us out a lot."

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'How much is your life worth?'

Shot three times, local man trying to put his life back together

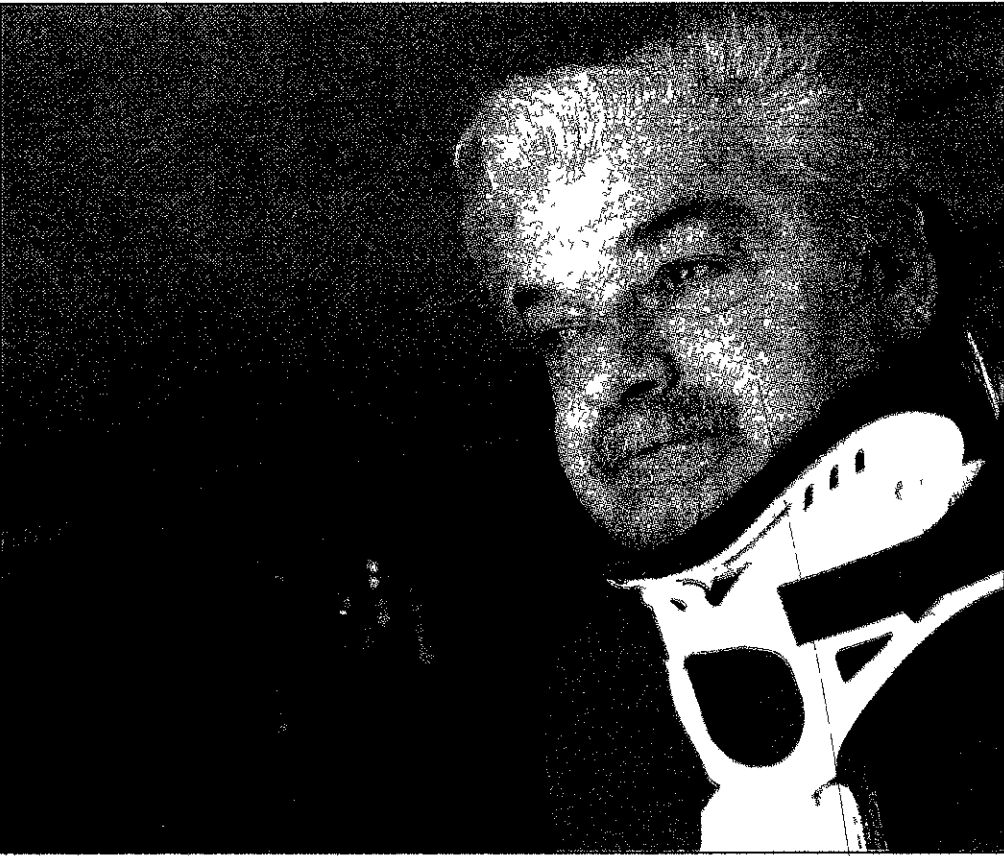
BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

The morning of Feb. 8 started out just like any other day for Billy Dickey. The Canton handyman headed to Detroit with his son, Billy Dickey Jr., where they had spent a couple months fixing up a home on Abington Street on the city's west side. Little did he know the events of that day would change his life forever.

Around 3 p.m., a man walked into the house, while the father and son were working, and inquired how much the home was being rented for. According to Detroit police reports, when Dickey told the man the house was not yet ready to be rented, the Detroit resident allegedly pulled out a small-caliber handgun and asked a question Dickey will never forget.

"How much is your life worth?"

Dickey, 52, who lives in a mobile home in Sherwood Village on Old Michigan Avenue near Haggerty, and his son handed over to



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Billy Dickey of Canton has been forced to wear a neck brace since he was shot three times during a Feb. 8 robbery in Detroit.

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## Give blood

Canton Township and the Canton Public Library are hosting a Red Cross blood drive 1-7 p.m. Monday, April 4, in the Community Room at the library, which is located at 1200 S. Canton Center.

The Oakwood Healthcare Center in Canton will also be hosting a Red Cross blood drive on April 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The public is welcome to donate blood during these hours. If you have questions regarding your eligibility to donate or directions, call (313) 494-2779.

## Riparian management workshop

Canton will host the riparian corridor management workshop on April 6 at Summit on the Park. The workshop will explain how to protect and preserve local rivers and streams through proper lawn care, including fertilizing and watering techniques.

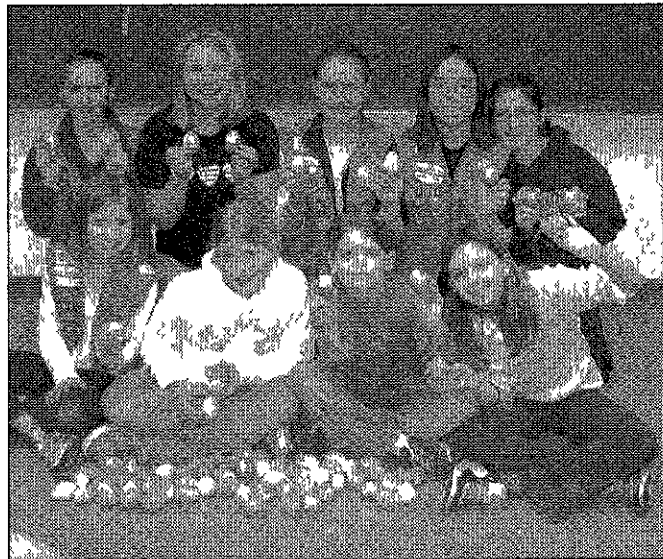
Workshop goers will learn about buffers and native plantings and how they improve habitat for wildlife and improve water quality.

To register for the event, call Jeannette Plummer at (734) 326-3936.

## Child safety seat inspections

To help educate Canton residents on the proper use and installation of child safety seats, AAA Michigan is offering a free child safety seat inspection at its Canton branch location, at 2017 Canton Center Road. The free inspection will take place from 9 a.m. to noon on Friday, April 8.

According to a study conducted by the National



## Easter eggs to go

As part of their ongoing dedication to local public service efforts, Tonda Elementary School Junior Girl Scout Troop 864 prepared Easter tray favors for Canton's Senior Meals On Wheels Program. This annual activity gave the fifth-grade scouts an opportunity to learn more about their community and the people in it. Pictured are (from left) back row: Ally Krause, Laura Seely, Jamie Emens, Clare Dougherty and Megan Brewer. In the front row, from left, are Stacey Jedebe, Emily Engle, Alicia Ashton and Paige Osler.

Highway Traffic Safety Administration, nearly 73 percent of all child restraints are improperly used.

Reservations for the free event are recommended. To schedule an inspection, call (734) 844-0146. Those without reservations will be given the first available opening.

## Pompon tryouts

The Canton Chieftette pompon team will be holding tryouts for the 2005-2006 squad during the week of week Of April 11. There will be a mandatory parent/student meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 11 at the Canton High School cafeteria. Tryout packets can be picked up in the Canton High general office.

## The Wizard of Oz

Join Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tinman, Cowardly Lion and Toto as they travel the universe of Dorothy's imagination over the rainbow in the wonderful land of Oz. The production, put on by Canton Youth Theater, will feature all the songs, dances and characters audiences have loved for generations. This production features 70 local kids and one lovable dog.

Performances at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill are scheduled for 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on April 7 and April 8, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on April 9, and 2:30 p.m. on April 10. School field trip shows offered to groups of 20 or more and senior citizens on April 7 and 8 at 10 a.m. will be followed by question and answer period with the actors, musicians and production staff.

## Youth orchestra auditions

The Celebration Youth Orchestra (CYO) will be holding auditions for the 2005-

2006 school year on Friday and Saturday, May 6 and 7, 2005. Auditions will take place at Evola Music, which is located at 7170 North Haggerty Road in Canton. Auditions are open to string students ages 9 and up with at least one year of instruction, and wind, brass, and percussion students ages 12 and up with at least three years of instruction.

Students may live anywhere in Southeastern Michigan. Auditions must be scheduled in advance. Students are asked to prepare one scale in any key and a piece of their choice. Percussionists will be provided with a snare drum, but will need to bring their own sticks.

The CYO is the youth orchestra supported by the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. In fall 2005 the CYO will have two ensembles, the Celebration Sinfonia for string, wind, brass, and percussion students and the Celebration Strings. The CYO is dedicated to challenging and inspiring students through high level ensemble training and the performance of standard and new repertoire.

To schedule an audition or for more information please contact the Plymouth Symphony office at (734) 451-2112 or by e-mail at CelebrationYO@aol.com.

## Bookmark contest

The Children's Library at the Canton Public Library is sponsoring a bookmark contest for kids grade K-5 to celebrate National Library Week.

One winner from each grade will receive a prize and 100 copies of each winning bookmark will be distributed at the library. Entries will be judged on three criteria: originality, design and how well they depict the theme "Celebrate Reading and Libraries."

The contest is open to children who live in Canton. Entry forms are available in the Children's Library and all entries must be received by Monday, April 4. Only one entry per child. Winners will be announced on Tuesday, April 12.

## Identity theft seminar

The Canton Police Department is hosting an identity theft and fraud prevention seminar April 23 at Summit on the Park. Sgt. Scott Hilden will be on hand to discuss how residents can prevent identity theft from occurring.

The seminar is being offered at no cost to Canton residents and businesses. To make a reservation, contact the community relations office at (734) 394-5325, or e-mail shilden@canton-mi.org.

## Studio jazz

A jazz club: a table of friends, a cold drink, cool music - the perfect antidote for work week stresses. You can find it right here in Canton, Friday, April 1, when Studio Jazz at the Village Theater features The Tony Ruda Jazz Ensemble, in the intimate atmosphere of the Biltmore Studio. Singer Pamela Ransford, of Plymouth, will join the group for a sultry evening of favorite jazz standards, from 7-9 p.m.

The ensemble includes veteran jazz drummer, Bill Higgins; Ann Arbor's Pat Smith on acoustic bass; Nick Palise on sax; and Tony Ruda, of Canton, on piano. Their smooth and recognizable jazz, blues, and pops favorites will take you a step back in time. Don't miss your chance to gather your friends and let these bluesy melodies carry you into the weekend. Tickets are \$10, and are on sale now at Summit on the Park. A cash bar will be available.

Tickets may be purchased at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Monday through Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Village Theater ticket office, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Rd., will also be open two hours prior to each performance. For ticket information, please call (734) 394-5460 or visit www.canton-mi.org.

## Avoid identity theft

On Thursday, April 7, at 7 p.m. Johnny May, a certified protection professional, will discuss how to protect yourself from one of the fastest growing crimes - identity theft. This leading authority on identity theft shares his expert advice and offers insight to safeguard your credit, money, and good name. Author of *Johnny May's Guide to Preventing Identity Theft*, he has appeared on dozens of TV shows including NBC Nightly News and A&E's Open Book. May has also been

featured in *Consumer's Digest* and the Robb Report. Register in person at the library or by calling (734) 397-0999.

## NMU dean's list

Northern Michigan University announces the Dean's List for the fall 2004 semester. The following students from Plymouth-Canton area qualified with a grade point average of 3.25 to 3.99: Joe D. Kowal of Canton; Nicole F. Lang of Canton; Benjamin J. Wielechowski of Canton; Kathleen A. Nicastri of Plymouth; Conner James Hill of Plymouth; Russell P. Markwood of Plymouth; Andrew M. McCully of Plymouth; and Sarah J. Slawski of Plymouth.

## Entertainment and a meal

Canton's Village Theater at Cherry Hill, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, announced that dining is now available on-site for theater patrons. For selected performances, it is bringing some of our best local restaurants to the theater's own Biltmore Studio.

■ Saturday, April 9, at 5:30 p.m. - Wizard of Oz: Carrabba's Italian Grill - \$20 per person

■ Sunday, April 24, at 4:30 p.m. - Bye Bye Birdie: Rose's Restaurant - \$20 per person

■ Saturday, April 30, at 6:30 p.m. - Bye Bye Birdie: Rose's Restaurant - \$20 per person

■ Friday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m. - Mrs. Shakespeare: Plymouth Crossing - \$20 per person

■ Saturday, May 14, 7-8 p.m. - Canton Community Band: Hot Hors d'oeuvres - \$8 per person

Enjoy a performance, a meal and meet new people. Open seating is limited so reserve your seat early. Tickets for performances must be purchased separately. For information on menus or to purchase dinner and performance tickets please contact Summit on the Park staff at (734) 394-5460.

## McCotter office hours

Staff from U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter's district office in Livonia will host office hours for constituents of Canton Township from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on April 7 at the Canton Public Library. Rep. McCotter and his staff are able to provide assistance with issues involving the federal government, including Social Security, Medicare, military and veterans affairs, small business concerns, student loan repayments, along with a variety of other issues.

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**Physical Therapy UPDATE**  
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**BANDING TOGETHER**

While strength training is recommended for overall fitness and is requested for rehabilitation from an injury, not everyone likes the idea of lifting weights. Older individuals, in particular, are often just as intimidated by barbells/dumbbells as they are of weight machines. For years, physical therapists have overcome the reluctance to use weights by employing simple elastic exercise bands. The main advantage of the bands is that they are easy to use, portable and versatile. Studies show that they are effective in building strength, and they can also be used in stretching routines to improve range of motion. They come in different colors, indicating the level of resistance. As patients become stronger, they move on to a more resistant band.

P.S. Physical therapists most often prescribe the use of elastic exercise bands for muscle and tendon injuries, such as sprained ankle, shoulder pain and various knee, elbow and back injuries.

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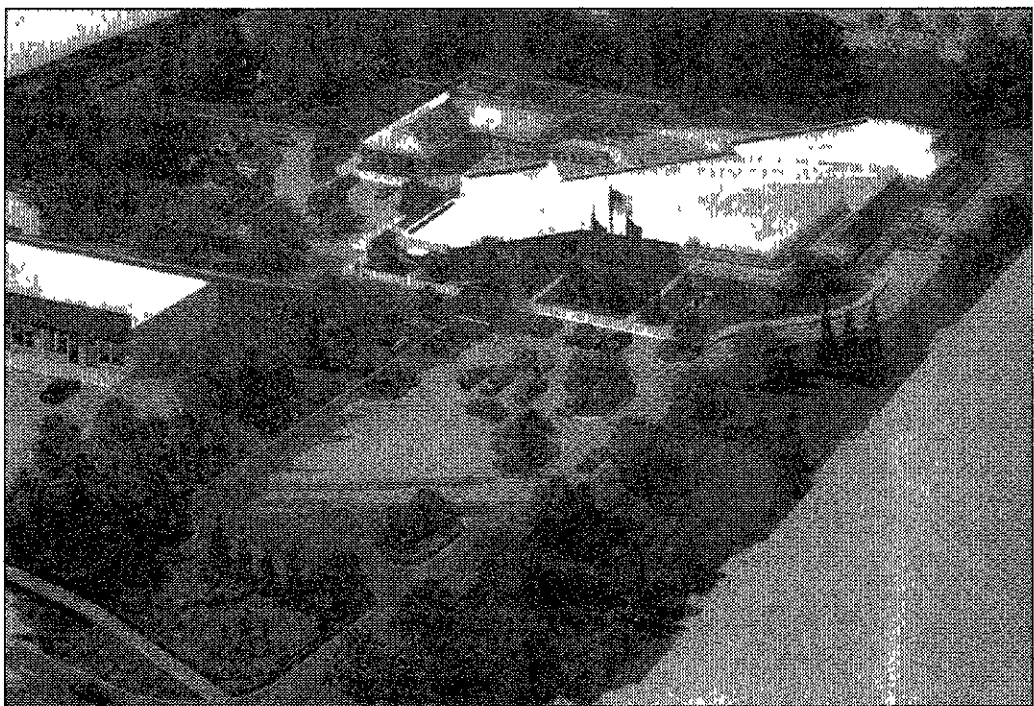
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An artist's rendition shows the expansion of the Michigan Humane Society shelter in Westland.

# Expansion of animal shelter nears completion

BY JULIE BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

When the work's done on renovating and expanding the Michigan Humane Society's Westland facility, the site will serve even more animals.

"We're really excited to get it done," said Cal Morgan, executive director of the MHS, which operates shelters in Westland, Rochester Hills and Detroit. "That's big news for us."

Morgan spoke Thursday, March 24, at the Westland Rotary Club, updating members on the \$6.5 million project at the Westland site, at Marquette and Newburgh. The facility is about 90 percent done, he said, and will expand to some 40,000 square feet.

It will include a state-of-the-art animal hospital, along with space for shelter and training. Some 25,000 animals are taken in yearly at the Westland site and Morgan expects that to grow.

**'Our goal is to place 100 percent of all adoptable animals by the year 2010.'**

Marta Dikken  
capital campaign administrator

"Word will get around," said Morgan, a black Lab owner who shared pet stories with Rotarians during the lunch time.

"We're so pleased to be a part of this community," he added, noting the great cooperation of city of Westland officials. "It's so appropriate to talk to Westland community leaders."

He noted the MHS was founded in 1877 "to protect women, children and horses."

In the 1930s, it began looking after companion animals. These days, there are five cruelty investigators who work with local police on animal cruelty complaints.

Morgan, who's been on the job four years, talked about dogfights, problems with exotic pets and strays. Many tend to look at animals as disposable.

"It's not just in Detroit, it's in the suburbs as well," he said.

The MHS emphasizes spaying and neutering to cut down on animal overpopulation. Animals are available for adoption, another MHS goal.

"Our goal is to place 100 percent of all adoptable animals by the year 2010," said Marta Dikken, capital campaign administrator, who spoke earlier that week to the Plymouth A.M. Rotary.

The society will host an open house 1-5 p.m. Sunday, May 22, at the renovated Westland facility. It's open to the public.

"It's a result of people giving," Morgan said, adding that business and individual contributions are vital as the MHS receives no government funds.

# Community Foundation gives out record number of grants

From anti-bullying programs in the Plymouth and Canton schools to senior safety education, the Canton Community Foundation is granting more than \$40,000 to community projects. The checks add up to the foundation's largest-ever grant cycle.

"We feel this year we had an especially wide range of requests," said Foundation President Joan Noricks, of the grant requests for the money which is distributed through the foundation as part of the state of Michigan's class action lawsuit against tobacco companies.

Grants will help fund several programs for young people including a school district-wide anti-drug program field trip for all Plymouth and Canton fourth and fifth graders, who will visit St. Joseph Mercy's Health

Exploration Station, a healthy dating program for teenagers, an anti-bullying resource center, and a middle-school aggression management program.

The libraries in Plymouth and Canto will also benefit, and the foundation approved a \$4,000 grant to help implement reading incentive programs in the two communities. Other grants include:

■ \$4,000 for production and costuming at Canton High School's DuBois Theater

■ \$2,500 to help support the Celebration Youth Orchestra

■ \$4,500 for United Health Services Inc., to help fund a program to evaluate living conditions for local seniors, and to provide supplies and services where applicable.

"It's exciting that we are able to meet so many needs right

here in our community," Noricks said. "This is the most amount of money we've ever been able to grant in one funding cycle. You start adding it all up and pretty soon, there's \$40,000 going back into our community."

Besides the most recent grants, the foundation will award 33 scholarships to Canton and Plymouth students this spring. The scholarships total more than \$30,000. In all, the foundation distributed more than \$90,000 into the community last year.

"Every year we are able to give a little more in terms of grant money as our endowment grows," Noricks said. "It is great to see money from residents go back to support other residents."

By Carol Marshall

# Class offers citizens training to be local weather spotters

**'Skywarn spotters are a key component of our communities emergency management activities, and annual training is an important step to assure their readiness in an emergency.'**

Bill Forbush  
Fire Chief

"Skywarn spotters are a key component of our communities emergency management activities, and annual training is an important step to assure their readiness in an emergency," said Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director Bill Forbush.

The Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) program fields about 50 volunteer amateur ham radio operators during storms to act as the local eyes of the Weather Service.

"Public service, and particularly emergency communication, is one of the cornerstones of amateur radio," ACES Officer Dan Hancock said.

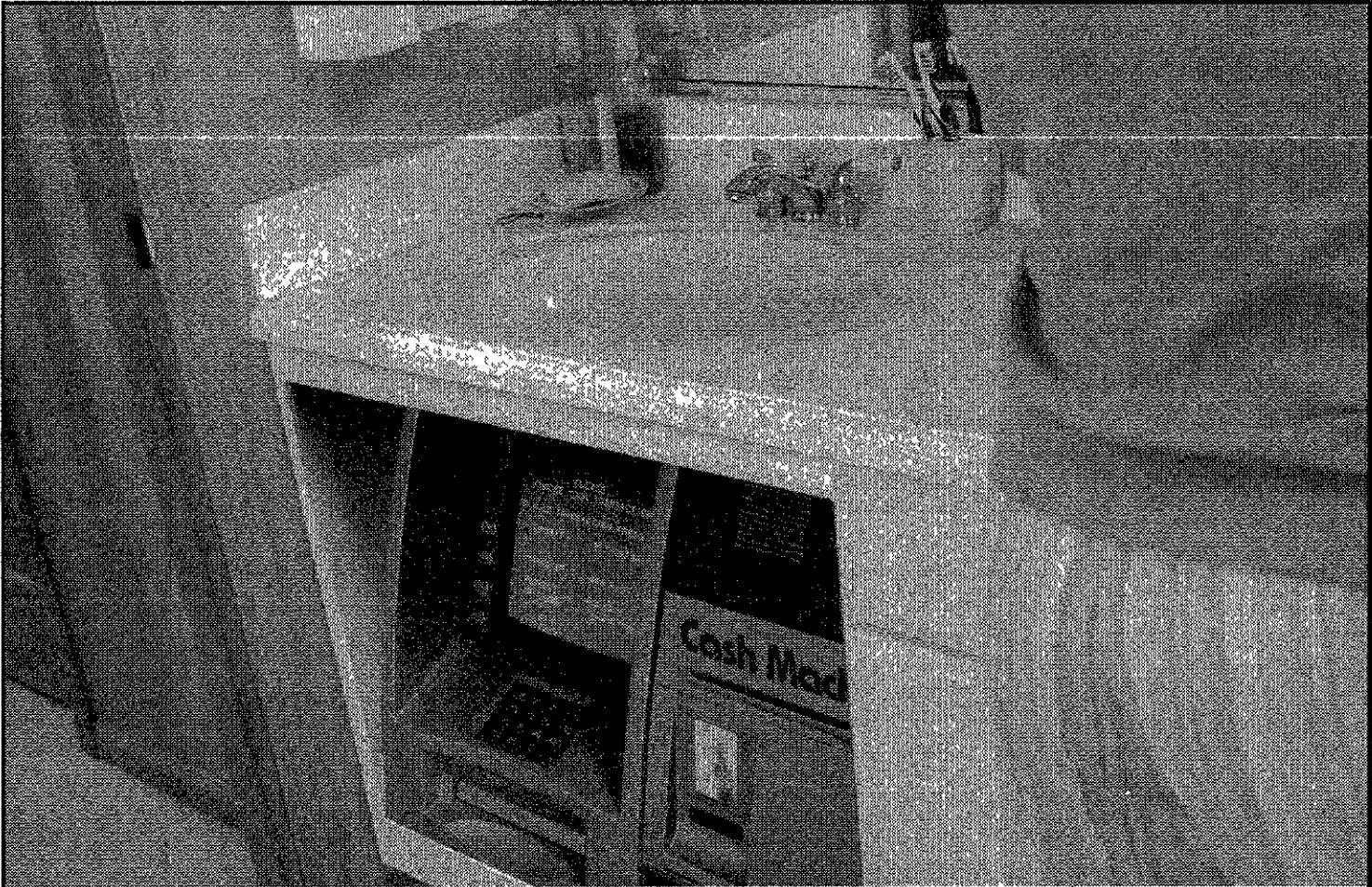
The volunteers are trained and equipped to provide supplemental communications support to agencies like the National Weather Service, county and local emergency management authorities and public safety officials when needed, Hancock added.

The Skywarn training class is open to the public and is offered free of charge. To register, contact Diane at (734) 793-1782 or by e-mail fire@gardencitymi.org.

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Jodi Kozloff and daughter Danielle applaud the Grey Seal Puppets production of 'A Tangle of Tales.'

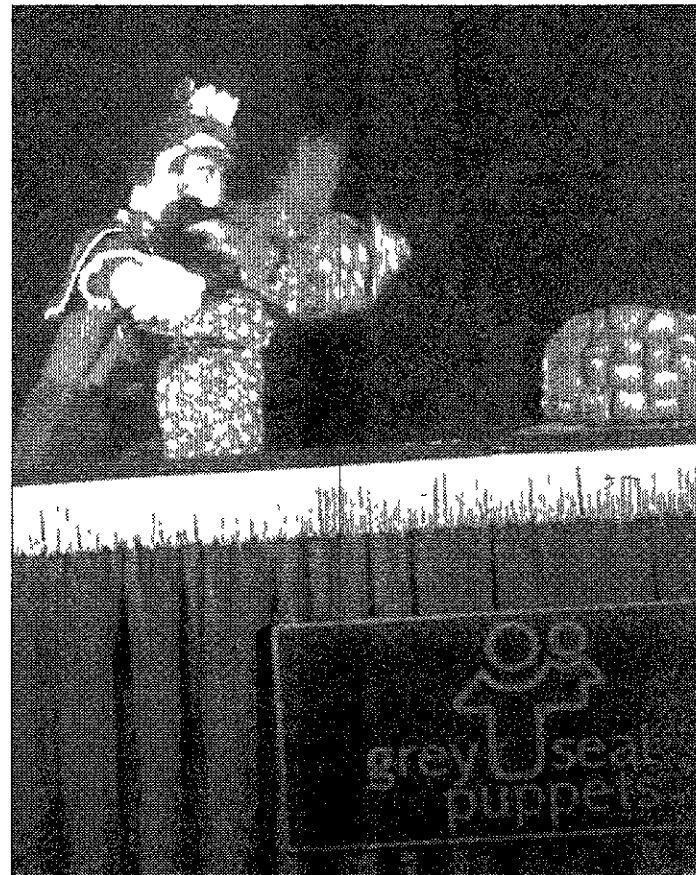
## Grey Seal Puppets visit Village Theater

The puppets traveled a long way to make the theater full of youngsters smile. Charlotte, N.C.-based Grey Seal Puppets presented *A Tangle of Tales* at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill March 26.

The company's repertoire includes mainly fairy tales, and *A Tangle of Tales* was a mix of three favorite folk stories from around the world: "The Frog Prince" from Germany, "Three Billy Goats Gruff" from Scandinavia and "The Three Little Pigs" from England.

Each story was told in a different style using a variety of puppets including hand- and rod-control.

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## DICKEY

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the man all the money they had on them, which amounted to about \$41, according to police reports. The man then went through their wallets, and took note of their addresses.

"He told us he would kill us about four times. He said if we called the police or 9-1-1 he would come find us and kill us," Dickey recalled.

According to police reports, the gunman also told Dickey to give him the keys to his work van that was parked in the driveway, and Dickey obliged, thinking the old van wasn't worth dying for. The man left the house, jumped in the van and was about to make his getaway. That's when Dickey's 25-year-old son turned to him and said, "This isn't right, dad." He grabbed a hammer and went running out the door. Dickey Jr. ran up to the van as the man was backing out of the driveway, smashed the driver's side window out, and began to tussle with him.

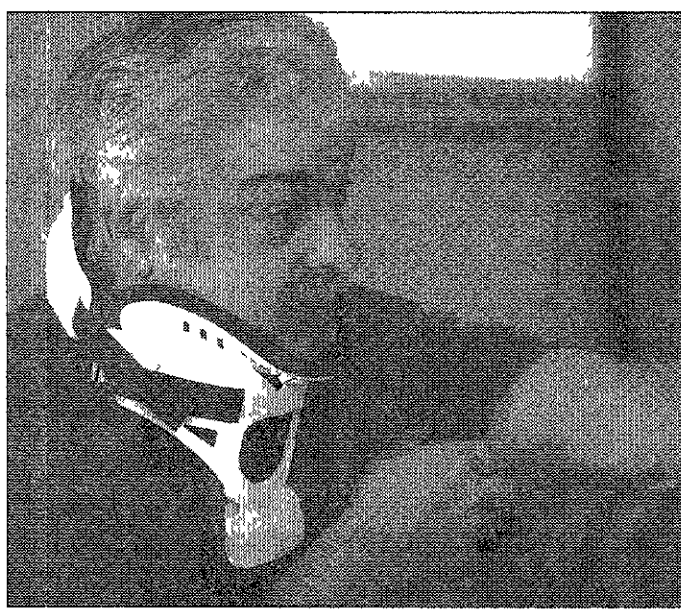
### SHOT GRAZES

As the elder Dickey came out of the house, he heard a shot emanate from inside the van, and saw blood "fly up off" his son's head. The shot only grazed the side of his head, and he continued to struggle with the gunman. Dickey also joined in the struggle, and says the driver dragged both of them down the street.

A second shot went off, and this time Dickey Jr. fell to the ground. Thinking the worst about his son, the elder Dickey was able to pull open the door, and the man fired off the gun several more times. Dickey was struck in the back of the neck and twice in the left arm, but he still struggled with the gunman. His son, who was grazed on the other side of his head, regained consciousness and again joined the battle to subdue the man, who was out of the van at this point.

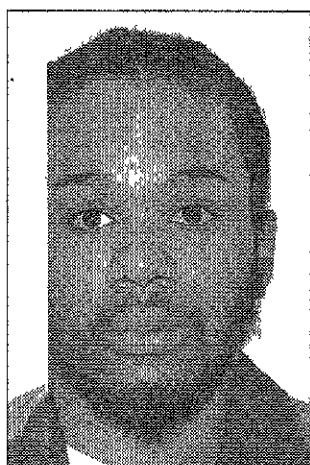
"I'm amazed at how much I remember. People were just standing around watching. Finally a woman held up a cell phone and said she had called 9-1-1. Her husband, who is my hero, came down and helped us hold him down until the cops got there," Dickey said.

Dickey, who grew up in Plymouth, said he remembers sitting in the street, blood shooting out of the two bullet holes in his arm, thinking he was going to bleed to death. He used two of his fingers to plug



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Billy Dickey points to a bullet hole in his arm.



Detrresident Terrance Haynes was charged with numerous felonies associated with the attack on Billy Dickey's son. This photo was taken in 2002.

the is in his arm.

### THE TERM MATH

Said Detroit police officers and arrested Terrence Nathaniel Haynes, 27, was charged with numerous felonies, including two counts of armed robbery, carrying two counts of assault with intent to murder, two counts of felonious assault, home invasion, and possession of a firearm. He was booked into Wayne County Circuit Court and will go on trial in 2006.

Ailingly Billy Dickey Jr., who lives in Dearborn Heights, wallowed with only scratches on his head.

Dickey Sr. was transported to a trauma center at Sinai Grace Hospital in Detroit. Surges removed the bullet from his neck, but decided to leave bullets in his arm. One bullet is lodged dangerously close to a vein leading to his hand. Doctors told him not to work for one year because they are worried the arm may move around

and cut off the circulation, which would result in the loss of use of his hand.

Unfortunately, Dickey does not have health insurance. His hospital bill for two days amounted to \$34,000, an astronomical amount for a man who has been told not to work for a year. And he hasn't yet received other doctor bills. In addition, he needs to see a neurological surgeon because the bullet in his neck struck a vertebrae. Doctors have also told him he is suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder.

"I have pain in my head all the time, and it shoots down my arm and leg. The doctors told me the pain is due to nerve damage," Dickey said. "I can't see a neurosurgeon until I have the money or the insurance."

Dickey is not eligible for worker's compensation, because he was subcontracting the work at the Detroit home. He also can't get welfare because he lives alone. He has applied for Medicaid, but it could take months to find out if he is eligible. He has also applied for aid through the Michigan Crime Victims Compensation Fund to help pay his medical bills. He is still waiting for an answer.

In the meantime, Dickey sits at home and is unable to pay his bills, which are stacking up at an alarming rate. His electricity and gas may be turned off any day.

"DTE calls me everyday wanting me to pay my electric bill. And I tell them every day I was the victim of a crime and can't pay. I don't know what is going to happen," Dickey said.

### HELP FROM FRIENDS

Several of Dickey's friends are trying to raise money for him to help him with his

predicament. Richard Fournier, a Redford resident who shares a grandson with Dickey, has even contemplated starting up an organization to help other crime victims like Dickey.

"Not only do we want to be able to raise money for victims like Billy, we want to be a resource for them to get help. Billy didn't know where to turn. There are organizations out there that can help. You just have to know where to find them," Fournier said.

Another friend, Livonia resident Ronald Dickey (no relation), wants to spearhead a gun buy back program in Detroit to help get guns off the street so they can't be used.

"I want to get some money together through gun manufacturers and dealers so we can get all the dopeheads and drug dealers to trade their guns in. We could give them \$300 per gun, which would be a real incentive. I promise you, it will eliminate a lot of guns off the street. If you can give them a fair price, they will bring the guns to you," Ronald Dickey said. "I grew up in Detroit, and ran those streets for a long time. I did drugs. I know how these people think."

Fournier has established an emergency relief fund for Dickey through the Comerica bank branch office in Redford. People interested in helping Dickey can contribute to The Billy Carl Dickey Fund by sending donations to P.O. Box 51293, Livonia, MI 48151. For more information, call (313) 255-9890.

Although the actual shooting is now a memory, Dickey thinks it has altered the rest of his life. He said the physical struggle with Haynes was nothing compared to the fight he is having to get help. He did nothing wrong, except be in the wrong place at the wrong time — something that could happen to anybody.

"Basically I'm a good person. I've never harmed anybody in my entire life. I just don't understand how the system works. Why can't I get help?"

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## PUMPS

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standard had been that systems must be able to accommodate rainfall from 10-year storms, in which rain falls at the rate of one inch per hour for one hour.

The new standard is for 25-year storms, in which an inch an hour falls for 24 hours. Most communities, if not all, fall short of that standard, Faas said, and Canton studied its capacity at the local and regional levels, and at the Western Townships Utility Authority (WTUA) wastewater treatment site.

At the same time the MDEQ changed its requirements, developers in Canton were asking if the township's sewer system could support additional development, particularly dense residential building. Further, the state passed a sewer backup law, Public Act 222, which redefines liability as it applies to sewer backups.

"Lack of capacity is considered a defect under state law," Faas said.

Only twice in the last 10 years has Canton's local sanitary sewer system been overwhelmed by rainfall. At those

times, WTUA discharged treated sewerage into the Rouge River rather than run the risk of sewer backups, which would have resulted in raw sewage backups into basements.

The sewer improvement plans may mean long and painful disruptions to traffic and residents during the four years it will take to build the supplemental sewer lines, Faas said.

Faas presented two plans. The least disruptive plan calls for the installation of 22,480 feet of 42-inch sewer line along Morton Taylor, Denton, Geddes, Haggerty and part of Cherry Hill roads. The project will cost approximately \$18 million; Faas predicted that 75 percent would be paid by the township and 25 percent would be paid by developers.

Canton has \$500,000 in its 2005 budget for capital improvements, and can begin design work immediately, Faas said. Permits would be issued next year and construction could begin late in 2006.

There will also be an additional \$27.5 million in costs to improve the regional system and add capacity at WTUA's treatment facility, Faas said.

The financial impact should be more clear in six to eight weeks, Faas added.

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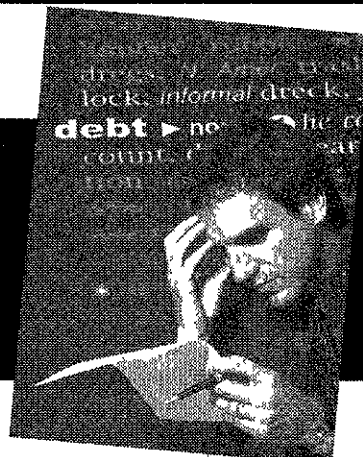
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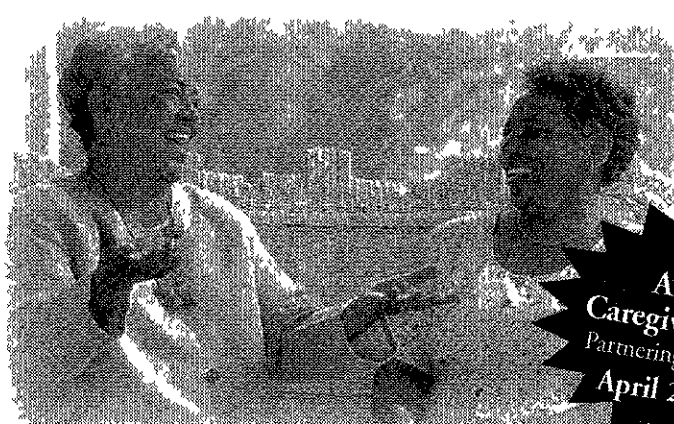
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# Wake up and smell the coffee

## Canton couple puts heart and soul into Brand New Day Espresso

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

Beth Johnson sat at a small table at the back of the coffee shop, her fingers poised over the keyboard on her laptop. It was time to give her novel editing a break, and order another decaf.

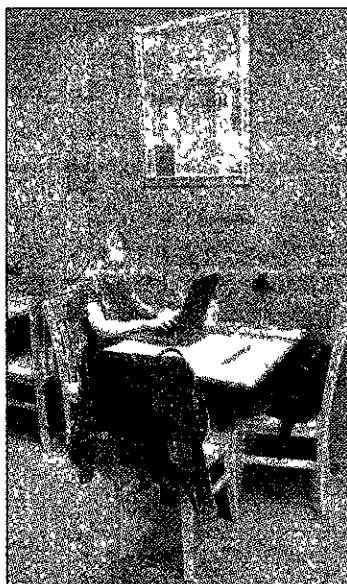
Until recently, Johnson had to drive to Plymouth to enjoy her Tuesday writing sessions, when her mother comes to her house to care for her two children and gives the hopeful novelist a few hours away from the house. But at the end of February when Chris and Andrea Mocerri opened their new coffee shop, Brand New Day Espresso, Johnson started going to the shop, just a two-minute drive from her house.

"I've been waiting for something like this in Canton for a while," Johnson said. "It's really nice, and it's so close to home."

Brand New Day has been a dream of the Moceris, of Canton, for some time. But getting there wasn't necessarily easy.

A couple of years ago, Chris Mocerri went to his office at a local manufacturing company where he was a vice president, and got a rude awakening in the form of a pink slip and an escort out of the building. He knew it was time to wake up and smell the coffee. He did just that, literally.

After taking some time to figure out what to do next, the



Canton resident Beth Johnson takes advantage of the calm atmosphere at Brand New Day to work on her novel.

Moceris remembered the lyrics to Sting's song, "A Brand New Day."

"The song goes, 'Turn the clock to zero, honey. I'll sell the stock, we'll spend all the money. We're starting up a brand new day,'" Andrea Mocerri said. "We had always said that's what we would do if anything happened to Chris' job, and that's exactly what we did. We put our heart and soul and everything into this."

The couple decided to open a business together and the coffee shop was a natural choice.

"We were sitting in the family room one evening, drinking coffee like we always do, and it came to us," said Chris Mocerri. "It had to be a coffee shop."

The couple had considered buying a national franchise, but after some investigating they thought, "We can do this on our own." They hired a consultant to help them come up with a business plan. They took some intensive barista training to perfect their coffee brewing skills. They combed local shops to choose furniture and decorative accents to per-



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Chris and Andrea Mocerri of Canton recently opened Brand New Day Espresso on Cherry Hill, just west of Lilley.

sonalize the shop. It took exactly a year from the day they decided to start the business until the day Brand New Day opened its doors on Cherry Hill, just west of Lilley.

The result is a reflection of the couple's sense of style and love of coffee. And it's a reflection of the Moceris' transition from the high-stress corporate world to the laid-back warmth of their new venture and professional life together. The shop is cozy, with board games like chess and Battleship, wireless Internet access and three stations for laptop users who prefer to be hard-wired.

"This is really nice. We get to meet really nice people, and I love talking to the people that come in here. It's the mom in me," Andrea Mocerri said. "It's nice to be out of that corporate life. Before, Chris had his world in the corporate world, but now we have our world. This belongs to both of us."

Something they both felt very strongly about is quality. They order their coffee beans from Portland, Ore. They get

their pastries from Seattle, Boston and Grand Rapids, Mich. They buy produce daily from Holiday Market, just across the street.

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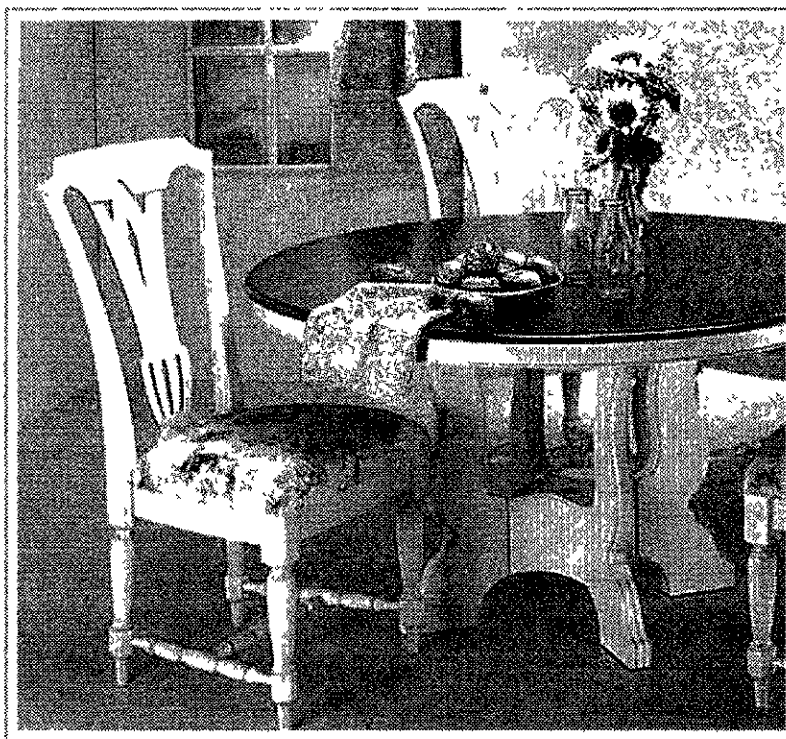
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OUR VIEWS

## State should pay for inspections

Plymouth-Canton school district officials have worked hard the last few years to improve the quality of their bus fleet.

Now, with Gov. Jennifer Granholm scrambling to save money everywhere, that reputation may be put to the test.

The governor wants to eliminate Michigan State Police inspections of local school buses, saving the state \$1.3 million in the process. That's all well and good, except that it helps ease the state's financial woes while putting the safety of our children at risk.

In Plymouth-Canton alone, some 10,000 students use transportation. District officials made sure the buses were increasingly safe, adding a couple of new mechanics when director of transportation Mel Latnie was hired four years ago.

Plymouth-Canton's bus fleet received nine red flags — denoting problems severe enough to keep buses off the road — in each of the 2001-02 and 2002-03 school years, mainly because of old buses that had hundreds of thousands of miles on them.

As a bus replacement program was put in place, the red flags went down. There were only two the following year, and four last year, in a fleet of 130 buses. Last week, even as the governor was talking about eliminating the program, MSP inspectors were combing the Plymouth-Canton bus fleet. In the first 80 vehicles, only one red flag had been found.

District officials point out Plymouth-Canton drivers do pre-checks every day, but agree the MSP inspections provide a "great checks and balance." Not only do they provide the inspection, they teach drivers and mechanics what to look for, making the daily checks that much more thorough.

Eliminating the MSP inspections would force the district to privatize the inspections, a costly process for cash-poor districts, or leave the daily checks as the primary inspection mechanism. Either way, a district struggling to provide basic instruction would be hard-pressed to pay for those inspections.

Latnie points out the district can't afford another unfunded mandate, and we agree shifting the cost to individual districts would be an unfair tax shift.

We trust Plymouth-Canton officials will find a way to keep the children safe, if it comes to that. We just don't think Granholm should let it come to that.

## Granholm right to honor commitment

We're happy that Gov. Jennifer Granholm has decided to honor a promise made by her predecessor and award graduating seniors this year and next who qualified for up to \$500 in scholarships while in middle school.

After all the political name-calling, it is the right thing to do. A commitment made on paper to citizens of the state by one governor must be honored, even by a governor of the other party. We are concerned that state record keeping is so poor that it took the governor a week to discover that parents had been informed that their children would receive a \$500 scholarship. But all's well that ends well.

Though not a large amount of money, especially at a time of escalating college tuition and fees, \$500 can be an important part of a student's total financing package. Students are also eligible for the \$2,500 Merit Award if they score well on their 11th-grade MEAP tests.

At a time when the governor is encouraging more students to receive postsecondary education, she should have looked somewhere else to save money in the state's troubled budget (the cost is estimated at \$9 million).

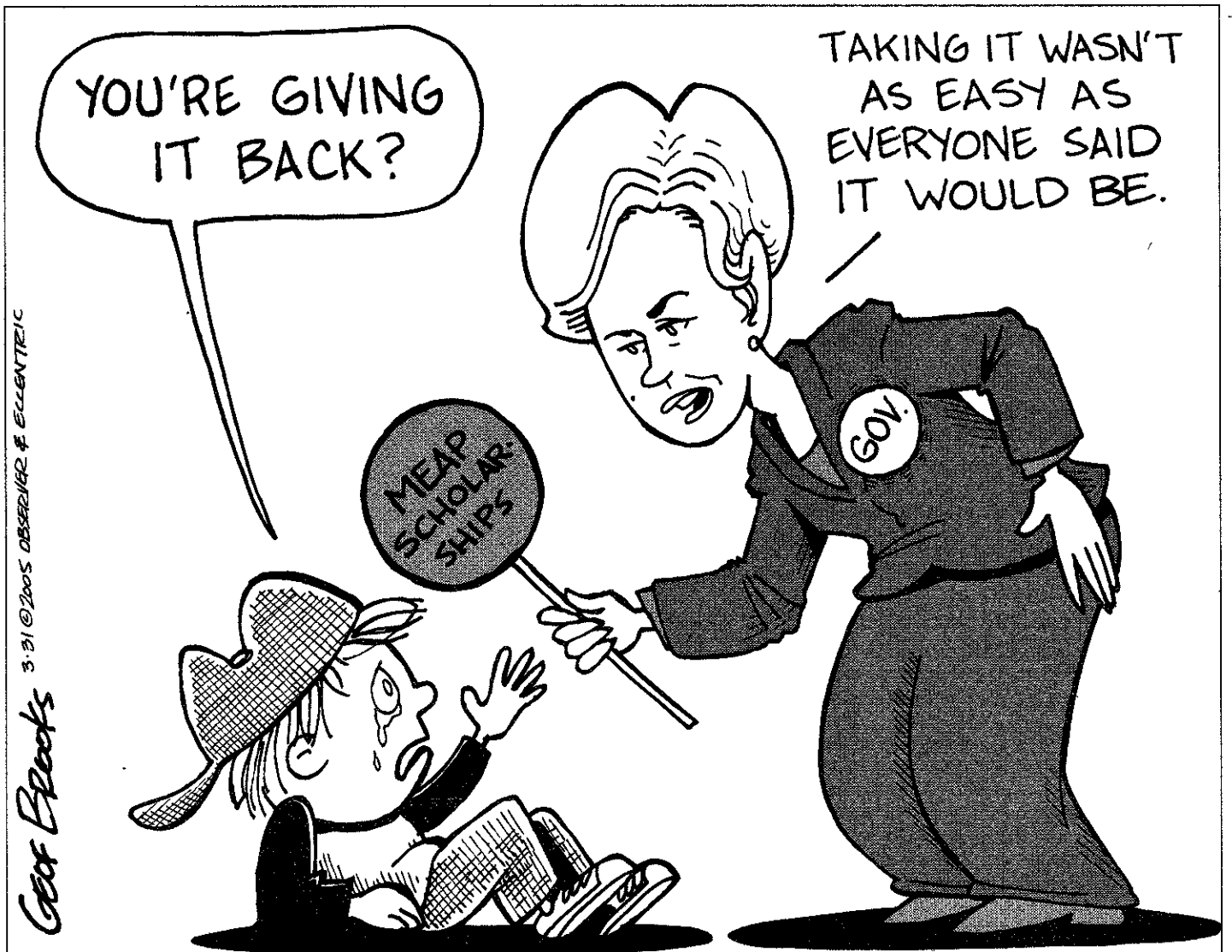
Granholm has said that education at all levels is the state's top priority. She's made a serious effort to push postsecondary education, a position bolstered by the findings of the Cherry Commission, a panel appointed by the governor and chaired by Lt. Gov. John Cherry.

The commission concluded that Michigan must increase the number of residents who receive postsecondary education to remain competitive with other states in attracting high-tech businesses.

It was inconsistent for the governor to take away money from students that would support that basic conclusion of the Cherry Commission.

But Granholm's plan to change the awarding of the Merit Scholarship is a move in the right direction and consistent with support for serious students. Granholm proposes replacing the \$2,500 Merit Scholarship awarded upon graduation with a \$4,000 grant for students who have completed two years at a university, college or community college.

We agree with the governor that this will encourage students to complete their education and we encourage the Legislature to seriously consider the idea.



### More peace and harmony

I concur with Doug Tomayko's "Peace and harmony" letter to the editor (March 17). I could not have said it better myself. I have lived in Canton for 15 years and strongly feel that our township government has consistently made choices for the benefit of our whole community. Our public services, leisure services, arts, etc. are all outstanding.

It is painful to watch the mistakes of an inexperienced trustee. Mr. Caccamo, you would be well-served to watch and learn from all the experience on the board. I personally would not dream of being so outspoken on issues I still could not possibly know enough about ... this comes with experience.

I hear you making comments that are just not accurate: "The Plymouth Township taxes are less" legend being a good example. Thank goodness Tom Yack finally put this inaccuracy to rest. This is the kind of thing you learn over time.

Relax. Take the time to look at *all* the information instead of reacting to rumors.

You talk about the people who voted for you, but I can't help wondering how many of the people who voted for you realize that you had almost *no* involvement with the Big Boy issue, other than to pose for pictures.

I don't know about the rest of the voters, but I know I prefer my elected officials to demonstrate their dedication to the community, not just talk about it. Actions speak volumes and since we both are members of the same community organization, I have had the opportunity to see how much, or how little, of yourself you have actually committed to your community. Showing up five hours late at an event than the rest of us and trying to take over hardily is the mark of a leader despite the number of initials after your name.

Could you become a good trustee? Absolutely. Will it take a lot of listening and learning? Absolutely. Will you demonstrate your commitment to your community? I hope so. Just remember that the board meetings are broadcast and recorded so your community will be watching.

Vivien C. Pierson  
Canton

### Where's the money?

An article appeared on March 24 in the *Canton Observer* about Anthony "The Mighty" Minghine, financial director of the Charter Township of Canton, "co-hosting" a television show.

This TV show will be beamed to about 35,000 households covered under the local cable television charter agreement between Northville Township, city of Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township, each of which pays a 5 percent franchise fee on each bill.

The franchise fee is a tax. It is collected by the cable company and turned over to local municipality by law.

*Around Town* will start airing on government access cable stations April 1. Minghine is spending public funds on his own television program that will launch on Channel 12, which is the municipal access channel for the local area.

The show appears to cross many lines. Minghine has stated, "We'll highlight businesses and events, and anything that's cool and neat in town."

It covers more than events. They will visit Canton businesses and already visited three — Four Seasons Internet Cafe, Jungle Java and Rose's restaurant. Those three got free television coverage — on Channel 12. Where's your coverage?

When the cable agreement was signed by the local municipalities, Canton ended up with most of the cash after promising the others to air the videos of town meetings for the other municipalities (Northville and Plymouth) and the Canton-Plymouth School District.

The Canton studio is wired for it. This year Canton will skim \$750,000 in franchise fees and will spend only \$300,000 on cable programming. The rest of the money has been dumped into the general fund where it may disappear.

Minghine said, "Most of what I do is pretty boring and no one would want to watch that."

I don't agree. I believe the things that The Mighty Minghine is doing with our money are very interesting. I would like to learn more about them.

Alfred Brock  
Canton

### Special treatment for IKEA

Am I the only person not happy with IKEA coming to Canton? How is it the DDA is allowing such a garish looking two-story building into our community? Everyone else had to conform to certain roof lines and colors, but not IKEA. What's the deal?

Beverly Bazzell  
Canton

### 'Priceless' hockey

Hockey for me can best be summed up by the old MasterCard commercial involving a father who takes his son (donning an old style Edmonton Oilers jersey) to a frozen pond where many others are enjoying the game. "Priceless!"

Over the last few years I have been very disappointed with professional hockey. Disappointed by the type of play; the purchasing of players; the owners overvaluing players and the free acceptance of players who continually give less than 100 percent accepting lucrative contracts, all while I can no longer afford to take even one of my children to a Red Wings game.

Since it has been a while since I made it down to the "Joe" it was quite a treat recently for my family and me to get the opportunity to watch my 6-year-old son and his mini-mite teammates play a league championship game on the Joe Louis ice.

The game started off very well for the visiting and extremely talented Canton Wings who were able to control the first half of the game 4-0, but with little time left in the game our Plymouth-Great White Sharks had fought back, against all odds and knotted the score at four. So two teams composed of 28 6-year-olds, who had listened with eager ears to their coaches all year, who had sweated through 7 a.m. practices, who had climbed many mountains and performed many drills, were now going to play an overtime championship game where, about 25 years ago Gordie Howe and Wayne Gretzky made their only All-Star game appearance against each other.

Needless to say, a single overtime would not be enough to end this night. It would take a second overtime and an unbelievable goal by the tournament's Most Valuable Player and Great White Shark Ryan Radwan before this memorable night could come to a close.

These players, from both teams, made their parents proud, their coaches proud and all those who grew up in love with this game proud. They performed with grace and guts. They were aggressive but classy, and in the end they played to have fun.

The 300-400 people who fought AutoRama traffic and a closed Jeffries Freeway to come watch these kids play could not have been witness to a better brand of hockey. It was, as the commercial states, "Priceless."

Darrin H. Silvester  
Great White Shark assistant coach

### Diligence and professionalism

Recently, the *Canton Observer* included an article describing the results of an investigation involving a car accident, which occurred earlier this year. This investigation entailed the tedious process of notifying owners and inspecting all Toyota Camrys in the area. I own one of those Camrys. Because of my experience, I want to commend the diligence and professionalism demonstrated by the Canton Police Department.

Jane Sauchak  
Canton

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— Paul Michalsen, Plymouth Township resident, on hearing Gov. Jennifer Granholm would like to eliminate annual state school bus inspections

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# State government continues to bleed our great universities

Here we go again: Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the Legislature agreed last week on mid-year spending cuts to erase a \$380 million deficit in the state budget. State universities took a \$25 million hit, supposedly offset by a deal that gives higher education first dibs if tax revenue comes in above projections. (Don't hold your breath.)

Sound familiar? It should. It's been the same sad story for years. State support for higher education was once considered something society was just supposed to do; something that, in addition, benefited not only students and their families but the citizens and the economy of the entire state. Now, however, it has evolved, or degenerated, into a system of private user fees, accompanied by a gradual deterioration of what used to be one of Michigan's most wonderful assets.

Thirty years ago, state appropriations covered roughly 75 percent of the operating revenues of Michigan public universities. Today the proportions are nearly reversed, with tuition and fees accounting for a bit more than 60 percent. Think about this: Michigan now spends more on warehousing felons in our prison system than in educating our young people at college.

Talk about misplaced priorities! Unless, of course, we want to be known more for the size of our prisons than the quality of our work force.

Frankly, for a state whose economic base in brawn-based manufacturing is evaporating before our eyes, the policies we are following are nuts. And this trend is a road sign on the route to economic disaster.

If we are to have a future, the health of our great universities is paramount. If we are going to maintain our historic base in auto-related manufacturing, it will be only by keeping research, engineering and upper management functions in Michigan — precisely those activities that require university degrees. It is perfectly clear that the agile manufacturing techniques of the future will require a college-educated work force.

And if we have any hope of generating a diversified economy — life sciences, homeland security, information technology, whatever — we must attract highly educated entrepreneurs who can translate the discoveries of university research labs into the reality of high-tech startup companies.

But you don't get there by inflicting on your best schools the slow death of a thousand cuts. Michigan for years has had a state budget that is chronically and structurally unbalanced by more than \$1 billion each year. This has been aggravated further by the bad economy of the past few years.

What to do? The obvious remedy is to conclusively address the core of the problem, the structural budget deficit. My own preference would be

to radically reduce business taxes and at the same time broaden the state sales tax to include services and at the same time reduce the rate.

A general sales tax pegged at 5 percent, for example, would nearly wipe out the structural deficit, while also aligning our tax system with the increased service base of our economy.

Frankly, I doubt if the occupants of our political system have either the guts or the farsightedness to adopt such a step.

Instead, the politicians have been relying for years on a policy that can only be described as remorseless incrementalism, in which the Legislature and governor make numerous little cuts, year after year, throughout the entire state budget. The result? Overall priorities are seldom respected and the most important things in our state's future — our great universities, for example — are subject to death by slow bleeding.

They are doing that, of course, because they think it is the best course politically for them. Intellectually, the only way you can rationally justify such an approach is to argue that Michigan is merely experiencing a cyclical decline in our economy, and everything will turn around if we just hold out for a while longer. That argument made sense in 1955.

Sadly, there is no evidence that it is true in 2005. Our real economic problems are deeper, caused by fundamental changes in technology and overall economic conditions, not mere oscillations in the business cycle.

All this has produced the worst of all possible outcomes for our state universities. Simultaneously, they face budget cuts year after year; they are prohibited from managing their income by arbitrary caps placed on tuition increases; and they are asked by the Cherry Commission and others to double their output of graduates during the next decade.

As my old philosophy professor used to say, these are "mutually exclusive and jointly exhaustive." As for the future — readers might remember the old story about the frog in the pot of cold water on the stove. You put a frog in the pot and you slowly turn up the heat, a degree or two at a time. Supposedly, the frog will sit quietly until, yep, he's poached.

Based on the way we are going, the combined effect of our present policies will leave our signature universities well and truly poached. As the governor and Legislature consider this, they might also investigate how much it will cost to repair our universities once we discover our goose is, well, cooked. What is clear is that the costs, and the grief, will be far higher than doing the right thing now would be.

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



Phil Power

# Schoolyard habitats provide invaluable learning experience

The schoolyard habitat program taking place at several Plymouth-Canton elementary schools is one of those projects that just makes perfect sense on so many levels. You almost have to wonder why it isn't something practiced at all schools, not just in this district, but schools everywhere.

Not only are these projects good for the environment, because they restore native vegetation in our neighborhoods, but they can also be powerful educational tools, and a way to strengthen community ties all at the same time. And to top it off, there is very little cost to the district.

Four Plymouth-Canton Schools elementary schools (Allen, Bentley, Farrand and Hoben) will share \$8,000 in grants to develop schoolyard habitats that feature plants indigenous to this area, including many that have been decimated by the development of so many strip malls and subdivisions. These plants also attract a wide variety of insects, birds and other wildlife, creating an incredible hands-on, interactive classroom that can pique the interest of even the most detached student.

One of the driving forces behind the schoolyard habitat program is Rick Plecha, a fifth-grade teacher at Field Elementary. He spearheaded the wildlife habitat project along Truesdell Creek behind Canton's Field Elementary into what he calls one of the district's crown jewels. Plecha said most of the schoolyards in the district aren't eco-friendly. The grants, which were provided by Visteon and the Plymouth Community United Way, should help change that, he said.

"In terms of the environment, we'll take a school that traditionally is unidiverse, with only grass and a few trees, and introduce plants that are indigenous and encourage insect and bird interaction," Plecha said. "It increases the diversity of animals at the school site."

Because of the rapid pace of development, our schools offer some of the last areas of open space in our neighborhoods. So it is important to maintain some natural vegetation. In the case of the Field Elementary project along Truesdell Creek, the restored native vegetation actually helps improve the water quality of the Rouge River tributary, because the plants help prevent erosion.

Just as important, these habitat projects also provide our children with a unique educational opportunity. The hands-on learning allows the students to get their hands dirty, and get beyond the theories and lecturing of the traditional classroom. Students who often snooze through a lecture are excited to get outside and participate in something they can touch and feel, and help shape with their own hands.

Seeing the value of having interested students, many teachers in the district are incorporating the habitat projects into their earth science curriculums, which really connects students with the subject they are learning about.

The schoolyard habitats are also true community projects, because they not only involve teachers and students, but also local volunteers, such as garden club members and parents, as well as the businesses that have contributed funding for the projects. This does a great deal with cementing ties between the district and the larger community, particularly with people who don't have children in the schools.

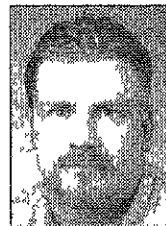
In addition to arithmetic, science and writing, our public schools are supposed to teach our children how to be productive members of the community. These schoolyard projects do just that, because they get the students to take ownership of a positive feature in the community. In fact, one teacher at Allen uses the schoolyard ecosystem to teach her emotionally impaired students important life lessons. She believes the hands-on learning helps their self-esteem because they see all their hard work come to fruition as the habitats take bloom and come to life.

Ultimately, these projects also teach our children that they have a stake in maintaining a healthy environment, something that benefits us all. The individual decisions we make at home — what kind of fertilizers we put on our lawns, how we dispose of household hazardous substances, etc. — impact the water quality of our streams and the air we breathe.

Older generations didn't necessarily understand this impact. We must teach our children to respect the environment, or past failures will only continue.

April 22 is Earth Day, which is in its 35th year. In addition to being innovative learning tools, these schoolyard habitats are a perfect way to celebrate the milestone.

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# Hendrix brings mayoral campaign to suburbs

**BY HUGH GALLAGHER**  
STAFF WRITER

Freman Hendrix brought his campaign for mayor of Detroit to the suburbs Monday, saying Detroit can't solve its problems on its own and needs a leader who brings "experience, integrity and reality" to the position.

Hendrix, 54, chief of staff and deputy mayor for former Mayor Dennis Archer, met with HomeTown Communications editors in Livonia.

Hendrix is running against incumbent first-term Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick and Detroit City Councilwoman Sharon McPhail.

"The image of the city affects the entire region. What happens in the city affects you," Hendrix said.

Using Archer as his model, Hendrix said his former boss was "an inspiration" to thousands of people.

"He brought money and confidence to a city that we didn't

have before," Hendrix said.

Archer reached out to other parts of the state, Hendrix said, and it paid off by humanizing the city's mayor and the city itself.

"It starts to change the discussion and how their (out-state) politicians campaign when it comes to the city of Detroit," Hendrix said.

This bridge building makes it harder for the opposition to rail against the city of Detroit, he said.

In his campaign Web site, [www.fremanhendrix.com](http://www.fremanhendrix.com), Hendrix acknowledges that despite some pleasant residential areas such as the Boston Edison neighborhood, the image of the city is one of crime, deterioration and neglect. But, he said, some suburbs are beginning to experience their own similar problems.

"As the suburbs grow more brown and more black, the close suburbs are aging. The Southfields, Royal Oaks, Redfords and Dearborns have

more in common with the city. It's aging vs. development," he said.

Detroit and its near suburbs need to work together to slow urban sprawl. Hendrix said a key component is the development of a regional mass transit system.

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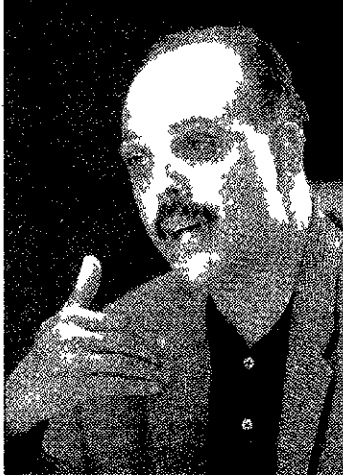
"Transportation has been the bane of our region. I won't even talk about Toronto, Washington or New York. But we are at the bottom of every major urban area," he said.

"The politics of race, party, suburbs vs. city. Everyone bears some of the blame."

Hendrix said he supports development of light rail lines and said he is interested in Ferndale's plan to begin its own mile of rail. He said he would be willing to match them "mile for mile."

But crime, not transportation, is Hendrix's "No. 1 issue for obvious reasons."

"If we can't have a safe city people won't come to live and



work here," he said.

He was critical of Kilpatrick for increasing staffing at the precincts at the expense of cutting specialty units dealing with gangs and drugs, which Hendrix said were more effective in dealing with the most serious crime problems.

On his Web site, Hendrix advocates a closer working relationship between the police department and neighborhood

organizations. He also advocates a "zero tolerance" program similar to those in Boston, New York and Los Angeles.

The Web site says, "The principle behind 'zero tolerance' ... is the idea that by cracking down on the minor crimes, you can prevent the major ones."

In addition to crime, the city's other major problem is a pending financial crisis.

Hendrix said the city faces the real threat of bankruptcy. He said the threat of going into receivership might be a lever for dealing with the city's unions in next year's negotiations.

Hendrix supports a return to "zero-based" budgeting rather than across the board budget cuts. He also advocates sharply reducing the number of city departments and reducing the number of management positions.

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He said Archer's demeanor

was helpful in attracting investment to the city. He said he would also seek more "private-public" partnerships with business and private foundations. He said Archer had a full-time foundation liaison and he will also.

Hendrix acknowledges that he has less name recognition than Kilpatrick or McPhail, who has previously run countywide for prosecutor and county executive. But, he said, he wants to be the "grown-up" in the campaign.

"I don't know if there's a candidate who brings the experience I can bring to the job," he said. "Kwame came to office with a steep learning curve and it's evident in the way the city is being run."

Hendrix said he's had a lot of success as a campaign manager, having managed Archer's campaigns and Bill Clinton's Michigan campaign.

## Dinner pairs high-end wines with three-star dishes

**BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN**  
STAFF WRITER

Bruce Konowalow expects La Balade Bodelaise, the April 2 fund-raising dinner for students in the Brigade program at Schoolcraft College, to be an educational as well as sensual experience. Guests will not only be treated to a six-course dinner, but savor Bordeaux wines from the 1980s. Certified Executive Chef Marcus Haight and post-graduate students from the Brigade program are preparing dishes from two- and three-star French restaurants to complement the 61-different bottles of wine.

Elie Boudt, owner of Elie Wine Company in Royal Oak,

along with a few of his friends, is donating the wine. Elie Wine specializes in French wines and is one of the largest purveyors of French wines in the country. Boudt will be at the dinner to speak "to what Bordeaux means and what the 1980s means to Bordeaux."

Not only will the dinner provide an education in Bordeaux wines but the money raised will allow Brigade students to go to Paris to learn firsthand about two- and three-star restaurants and the way food is prepared in France.

Tickets prices for the April 2 dinner at the American Harvest Restaurant at Schoolcraft College vary between \$150 and \$250 depending on the wines served. To order tickets, call (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5507.

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Compacts with figurals are some of Trayce Fenton's favorite collections.

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## Making it personal

### Collector enjoys wide variety of antiques

BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

The delight is in the details – the tiny figures on compacts, the delicate beadwork on purses, the intricate patterns on boxes.

Collections bring pleasure to Bloomfield resident Trayce Fenton. To her, collecting is a way of life as well as a business.

"I've been a collector for years. It's a sort of passion of mine," Fenton said.

"Basically it's just what your eye goes to. There are so many things to collect, it's really a personal thing, it's what you have a passion for. Then when you go on the hunt, it's exciting."

Her early interest in antiques led her to become an antiques dealer. Formerly an employee at Cowboy Trader in Birmingham, she is now a dealer at Crimson Rose Antiques in Birmingham.

Fenton is also a committee member for The Community House Antiques and Garden Show, taking place next month at The Community House in Birmingham (see related item on page 3).

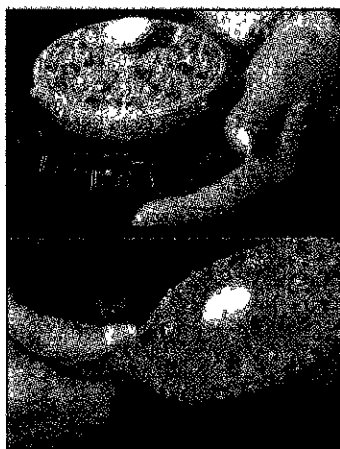
"I've always had an appreciation for collecting," she said.

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Architectural elements in the Fenton home make distinctive shelves for such items as celluloid boxes.

Trayce Fenton, here with family pet Cisco, has always appreciated collecting. Below, from left, purses with delicate beadwork are Fenton's favorites, other antiques feature fascinating details, and cowboy boots also are part of the collectibles.



## Antiques offer lifelong adventure to expert

BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

With elements that include detective work, history lessons and suspense, exploring the field of antiques is always an adventure.

And it has been a lifelong adventure for *Antiques Roadshow* appraiser Leslie Keno, who hosts *Find!* on PBS with his twin brother, Leigh.



Leslie Keno

Leslie Keno will visit the area next month for events connected with The Community House Antiques and Garden Show (see related item).

"The great thing about antiquing and the antiques field is all of us are always learning," he said in a phone

interview recently. "Certainly the more pieces you look at in flea markets, antique shows, auction houses ... the better."

"We can't always pick up pieces in museums; it's just really important to get out. It's important to do research, in the library, on the Internet. Try to specialize ... and research that area as much as possible."

At a brunch Friday, April 15, at

the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham, Keno will speak on *Hidden Treasures: Masterpieces of American Furniture*.

His talk will feature discussions of discoveries from the 2000 book *Hidden Treasures: Searching for Masterpieces of American Furniture*, which the Keno brothers wrote with Joan Barzilai Freund.

PLEASE SEE EXPERT, B3

## Download some of the best software money can't buy

Some of the most useful and inventive software on the planet can be yours for the price of a download.

Let's start with OpenOffice.org, which is the name of both the product and the Web site. This professional-grade office suite rivals Microsoft Office, which costs considerably more than nothing.

Version 2.0, currently in beta, includes a word processor, spreadsheet, database, presentation manager and drawing program.

Don't want to deal with the hassles of incompatible files? No problem – OpenOffice.org can create, open, edit, and save Word, Excel, and PowerPoint documents. Plus, it's available for multiple platforms, including Windows, Macintosh, and Linux.



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This is an outstanding solution for college students, home offices, and pretty much anyone who wants Microsoft Office-caliber functionality without the sticker shock.

### REMOTE ACCESS

Speaking of insanely practical software, if you travel with a notebook and often find yourself wishing you had access to files on your home or office PC, you need MyWebEx PC (www.mywebexpc.com).

Also ideal for telecommuting,

this awesome freebie provides total access to a remote PC. It's not just for transferring files, although it can do that – it's for actually taking control of a remote system, enabling you to work as though you were actually sitting in front of it.

I had originally been using the popular GoToMyPC for the same purpose, but it costs a whopping \$240 per year. Sayonara!

Meanwhile, I've recently started experimenting with podcasting, which is kind of like an audio version of blogging (see last week's column).

If you want to see what all the fuss is about, start with iPodder (www.ipodder.org), a program that automatically downloads new podcasts as they become available. My favorite: the weekly 'cast from Ronald D. Moore, creator of the new *Battlestar*

Galactica TV series (phenomenal sci-fi, by the way).

Want to create your own podcasts? All you need is a microphone, your computer, and Audacity (audacity.sourceforge.net) – a freeware audio recorder and editor. This amazing tool also enables you to turn vinyl records, cassette tapes, and other analog sources into digital audio files.

### CHAT SERVICES

Finally, we come to a program that solves the problem of multiple instant-messaging programs. Trillian (www.ceruleanstudios.com) lets you chat with AIM, ICQ, MSN, Yahoo Messenger, and IRC users, all from within a single program.

It's remarkably full-featured for a freebie, but it's also a hair

on the complicated side – especially when it comes to setting up your accounts.

Even so, it's a must-have for anyone who relies on multiple chat services.

**Rick's Product Pick of the Week:** I wrote about Napster To Go (www.napster.com) a few weeks ago, and the more I use it, the more I like it. Its Internet radio stations and pre-built playlists are alone worth downloading the 14-day free trial.

Rick Broida writes about computers and technology for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Broida, of Commerce Township, is 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 rick.broida@gmail.com.

## Accents

### Sense of humor

Southeast Oakland County Water Authority master composter volunteers will present free, one-hour workshops, *Secrets of the Soil - With a Sense of Humor*, Saturday, April 2, at four English Gardens stores.

The workshops are part of English Gardens' Garden Party event.

Topics to be covered include secrets of the soil, soil testing, making compost the easy way, using compost to protect water quality, and earth-friendly fertilizers.

Times are 10 a.m. at English Gardens in West Bloomfield and Royal Oak/Troy, and 1 p.m. at English Gardens in Dearborn Heights and Clinton Township.

Advance registration is requested. Call SOCWA weekdays at (248) 288-5150.

In addition, master composters will be on hand 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the West Bloomfield and Royal Oak/Troy stores to assist with soil testing. Soil test kits will be available for purchase and hands-on instruction provided.

For English Gardens locations, call (800) 335-GROW or visit [www.englishgardens.com](http://www.englishgardens.com).

### Clarification

Part of a tip about hanging pictures from Morris and James Carey was deleted from the March 17 *At Home* section.

The complete item should have read:

Before you hang anything, turn it over and put stick-on rubber bumpers on each corner or a bead of silicone caulk. Be sure to let it dry first. You can even roll up masking tape, inside out, and put it on each corner. Then hang it and line it up. It'll help keep your frame straight and level; you won't have to adjust it every time someone slams a door.

### Organic growing

As metropolitan areas continue to expand, urban sprawl has quickly overtaken the natural landscape. Gardeners in those areas need to learn to work in constrictive environments.

Organic farming innovator Jay North has written a book, *The Windowsill Organic Gardener: Organic Growing for the Urban Gardener*, to help apartment dwellers cultivate their vegetables. In the book North shows city dwellers how to grow their own favorite vegetables, herbs and edible flowers in windowsill boxes and inside their own home. This organic process is done without gardening hydroponically and free of high intensity lights.

*The Windowsill Organic Gardener: Organic Growing for the Urban Gardener* is for anyone who appreciates fresh, healthy, organic vegetables.

Gardeners can order *The Windowsill Organic Gardener: Organic Growing for the Urban Gardener* by visiting North's web site: [www.GoingOrganic.com](http://www.GoingOrganic.com).



## GARDEN CALENDAR

## Metropolitan Rose Society

The Metropolitan Rose Society will meet 7:15 p.m. Friday, April 1, at the Royal Oak Senior/Community Center, 3500 Marais, east of Crooks and north of 13 Mile Road. Tom Taylor, noted rose judge and consulting rosarian, will speak on Everything You Wanted to Know About Pruning Your Roses. Admission is free. The public may attend. For more information, call (248) 689-9529.

## Farmington Garden Club

The Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon Monday, April 4, at Longacre House, on the west side of Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile. Composting experts Jane and Allan Geisler will speak on Organic Gardening, showing slides and discussing gardens in which only organic products are used. Guests are welcome.

## Livonia Garden Club

The Livonia Garden Club will meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, at the Livonia Senior Center, Five Mile at Farmington Road. Carole Czechowski will demonstrate how to develop and maintain topiaries. Visitors are welcome.

## Beverly Hills Garden Club

The Beverly Hills Garden Club will meet Tuesday, April 5, at the Beverly Hills Village Office, 18500 W 13 Mile. Ann Cline will present the 1 p.m. program, Iris. Guests are welcome.

## Perennials

Learn start-up tips for the gardener who is new to perennial flowers in Perennial Tips, a class scheduled Wednesday, April 6, at The Community House in Birmingham. Fee is \$22. To register and for more information, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit [www.community-house.com](http://www.community-house.com). In the class, you will receive information on plant selection, planting and care that will save you time and money and make your garden look more like a catalog picture, sooner. Instructor Julia Dingle has been an advanced master gardener since 1995, and an instructor with the Michigan School of Gardening since 1999. She is a principal of The Classic Garden, a

custom design, installation and maintenance service.

## Downriver Rose Society

The Downriver Rose Society will meet 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 6, at the Brownstown Community Center, 2311 Telegraph in Brownstown, south of Sibley and north of West Road. Admission is free. The public may attend. For more information, call Mike at (877) 860-5364 or Nancy at (734) 461-1230.

George Hartley, former district director of the American Rose Society, will speak on Roses One-on-one: A Guide for Beginners. In his talk, Hartley will review all the basics of rose growing - from selecting, bed preparation, care and how to handle problems - and share colorful slides of his favorite rose varieties. Hartley has grown roses for decades and is a well-known exhibitor, speaker and writer.

## Roses West

Roses West will meet 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 7, at the Novi Community Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile. The program will be Growing Roses One-on-one by George Hartley.

## Garden design

Learn how to select and arrange plants for individual beds or small areas within a landscape, and see basic methods for putting the design on paper, in Garden Design, a class meeting five Saturdays, beginning April 9, at The Community House in Birmingham. Fee is \$168. The class has pre-requisite sites.

To register and for more information, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit [www.community-house.com](http://www.community-house.com).

Instructor Pam Palechek owns and operates Petal Pushers, and has been designing and maintaining commercial and residential gardens and landscapes for 20 years. She has been a senior instructor with the Michigan School of Gardening since its inception.

## Great Gardens

Goldner Walsh Nursery continues its Cabin Fever Lecture Series with Great Gardens of America, 7 p.m. Friday, April 15, a benefit for the Belle Isle Conservatory.

Speaker Julia Janiak, Goldner Walsh's garden center manager and buyer, will take you on an exciting travelogue of her favorite gardens seen on her buying trips across America. Cost is \$12.50 per person. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Call (248) 332-6430 for more information or to make a reservation. Goldner Walsh is at 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac. The evening will include a slide presentation of public and private gardens she has visited in Napa Valley, Florida, Colorado, Washington, D.C., Texas, New York, Oregon, Georgia, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wyoming. Learn how the gardens have inspired Janiak as a gardener and garden center buyer. Refreshments will be served.

## School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes for different levels at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia, just west of Middlebelt, 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](http://www.michigangardening.com). The schedule includes Ins and Outs of Plants, Mondays, April 4-18, in Livonia (fee is \$102); Weeds, Tuesday, April 5, in Livonia or Thursday, April 14, in Pontiac (\$42); Pruning Trees and Shrubs - three sessions beginning Wednesday, April 6, in Livonia (\$102); Solving Common Pest and Disease Problems, four sessions beginning Wednesday, April 6, in Pontiac (\$137); Choosing and Using Annuals and Perennials, five sessions beginning Thursday, April 7, in Pontiac (\$168); Designing the Outdoor Living Room, Saturday, April 9, in Pontiac (\$42); and Garden Maintenance Workshop, four sessions beginning Tuesday, April 12, in Livonia (\$137).

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

## Euthanasia is an emotional issue for cat owners

No other animal causes such diverse feelings as cats.

When someone dislikes dogs, they say, "I don't like dogs." When someone dislikes cats, they say, "I hate cats!"

I think cats are pretty cool. They're individuals, much like people, and control their emotions better than dogs.

I would still say I'm a dog person, but I can understand why cats now outnumber dogs as pets in the United States.

Cats can have their problems. They can be destructive, or foul areas of the home with their urine. People can get to the end of their rope with their cat in an awful hurry.

At the end of that rope is often euthanasia.

The most common cause of death of cats in this country annually is euthanasia for behavioral problems, especially bathroom behavior in inappropriate spots.

When I speak to a cat lover about the concerns of behavioral problems, it often seems almost like a joke. One of those "it only happens to the other guy" things.

When I mention how often the inappropriate behavior leads to euthanasia, they will look appalled. What kind of monster would ever do that to an innocent creature?

That's where they're wrong.

Most people who reach that decision have tried and tried to correct things. Perhaps they made mistakes early, but usually they have made real attempts to make things right.

After you've spent a lot of time and money trying to stop the behavior, when the new couch becomes a litter box, frustration makes you realize something needs to be done.

Euthanasias for health issues can be difficult, with people weeping from the intense pain of their loss.

When a cat which has soiled the house gets put down, a combination of grief and guilt hurts owners so badly they often can't come in, sending a spouse or friend with the animal, often



About Animals

Dr. Brad Davis

calling later for reassurance they did the right thing.

The best way to deal with this problem would be to avoid it completely, to keep this behavior from ever becoming an issue.

When you first get a cat or kitten, make sure he or she has access to litter boxes. Yes, that was plural.

The rule of thumb would be that you should have one more litter box than you have cats (for example, three cats means four litter boxes). Clean them every day to every other day. Think about the cool new self-cleaning boxes if your time disappears like mine does.

Cats usually housebreak easily, but keeping the kitten in the room with the litter when you leave certainly can help.

Where should the boxes be placed? I once heard of a college president looking over a new area of campus, with new buildings separated by a grassy field and the planners were asking him where to place the walkways.

He told them not to. Wait a year, and come back.

When they did, he looked over the grassy area and pointed at the wear patterns the students had created.

"That is where you put the walkways," he said.

I recommend placing three or four litter boxes in places you wouldn't mind having them. There will be one or two the cat won't use, which can be removed. Litter boxes don't cost a whole lot, especially the uncovered litter boxes, which they seem to like more, anyway.

When you first see abnormalities, call the vet and have the cat's urine tested. Cats and urinary tract problems go together like Sharpeis and wrinkles. Eliminate health concerns before altering behavior.

Once you've established the behavior problems, use a

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black light to locate the urine, as it will often fluoresce (glow) under black light. Use a good, enzymatic cleaner to get the smell out (not vinegar or ammonia!).

Once you've rid yourself of the smells, try putting small amounts of the cat's food or treats on the affected area. Just as you would never rent an apartment where the toilet is in the kitchen, cats don't want to use the bathroom where they eat.

Doing these simple things usually makes a vast difference. For some cats this won't work. Remember, cat logic and human logic are not the same.

If these steps don't work, call your vet, and ask about behaviorists. A number of vets and trainers have special interests in cat behavior, and might be able to help out, either simply with more little tricks, or sometimes even using drug therapy.

Remember, though, cats do not have abnormal urinary behavior out of spite. While stress might initiate the problem, they don't urinate around the house looking for vengeance. They don't see the problem with wetting around the house.

And that is the problem.

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## Good alarm system gives peace of mind

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY  
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Nathan asks: "I am shopping for a burglar alarm system and am looking for a little insight. I would appreciate

any help that you could offer."

Don't be "alarmed," but there is no such thing as an absolutely burglar-proof alarm system.

However, a good alarm system will help deter or at least detect most burglars, and will give you peace of mind.

According to the National Burglar and Fire Alarm Association, the best alarm system protects the entire perimeter of a home (that is, every door and window where entry may be made) and areas inside where valuables are kept.

Most reputable alarm companies will install and maintain a local alarm system that will ring a bell or sound a siren or buzzer on the premises.

Many firms also provide central reporting alarms that silently signal the alarm company's headquarters to dis-

patch police or perhaps alarm company agents.

Some companies will offer direct alarm connection to the local police or fire department, if permitted by local law.

The basic home-protection system is a simple closed-circuit loop system consisting of contacts on doors and windows.

There is also a choice of additional interior protection using pressure mats, photo-electric beams, ultrasonic, infrared and microwave systems and other motion or space-detection devices.

Most residential systems are designed to ring a bell or illuminate the area to scare off an intruder.

Remember: Never sign a contract that doesn't specifically detail the points of protection and doesn't itemize the equipment to be installed.

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CALENDAR

Home show

EXPO Design Center will unveil its new products that best embody true Mediterranean style by transforming each store into a sleek Mediterranean hideaway for a Home Show. The show will take place during regular EXPO store hours Friday-Sunday, April 1-3. The event is free and will feature a giveaway and cooking demonstrations. EXPO Design Centers are at 686 E. Big Beaver Road in Troy (phone (248) 689-3346), 7200 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 865-7590), and 45160 Utica Park Boulevard in Utica (phone (586) 726-1500). From exquisite mosaic tile to stunning stone fountains, the best of the Mediterranean is represented in the products. For an authentic Mediterranean experience, consumers will be able to attend cooking demonstrations sponsored by GE Appliances, where they can sample and learn how to cook cuisine of the exotic region. Consumers will have the chance to win an eight-day trip for two to Rome so that they can have a Mediterranean experience of their own. In addition, each store will give away one 18-by-18-inch mosaic tile Le Grazie mural from the Canova Collection by Bisazza.

**Home decor**  
Haberman Fabrics, 905 S. Main in Royal Oak, offers home decor classes for different sewing skill levels.

Call (248) 541-0010, e-mail ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com or visit www.HabermanFabrics.com. In Beginner Pillow (three Tuesdays beginning April 5), beginning sewers will learn the basics while making two beautiful decorative square or rectangular pillows, using bias-cut, fabric-covered cord and inserted trims. Fee is \$60. The class will include learning how to use a rotary cutter, cutting bias and using a zipper foot to cover cord. Many of the techniques will apply to future home decorating classes. In Traditional Slipcover (six Thursdays beginning April 7), learn to make a fitted slipcover for a side chair or simple armchair. Bring your chair to the first class; it will stay in the classroom until the last session. Fee is \$120.

**Modernism preview**  
The gala preview of the Michigan Modernism Exhibition will benefit ArtServe Michigan and the Detroit Area Art Deco Society. The preview will take place 7-10 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen, between 10 and 11 Mile Road. Tickets are \$65 in advance, \$75 at the door, \$150 Patron. Tickets are available at www.art-servemichigan.org/moderne, and at Artspace (phone (248) 258-1540) and David Klein Gallery (phone (248) 433-3700) in Birmingham. Decades in Plymouth (phone (734) 354-0142),

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15th Annual Community House Antiques and Garden Show set for April

■ **What:** More than 40 booths will showcase English furniture and porcelain, heirloom linens, American silver and early glass collections, vintage clothing, designer tablescapes, antique garden accessories, outdoor garden displays and more.

The Antiques and Garden Show Cafe will offer sandwiches, salads and soups, as well as coffees and desserts.

■ **When:** Friday-Sunday, April 15-17.

■ **Hours:** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 15-16, noon to 5 p.m. April 17. The cafe will be open 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 15-

16, noon to 3 p.m. April 17.

■ **Where:** The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, south of Maple (15 Mile) and east of Southfield Road.

■ **Admission:** \$10.

■ **Brunch:** Leslie Keno, America's favorite antiques expert, host of PBS' *Find!* and appraiser for *Antiques Roadshow*, will be the guest speaker at the Antiques and Garden Show Brunch 9:30 a.m. April 15 at the Townsend Hotel, 100 Townsend in Birmingham. Keno's presentation is entitled Hidden Treasures: Masterpieces of American

Furniture. Reservations are \$65 and include admission to the show.

■ **Preview:** A Preview Party, with special guest Leslie Keno, will take place 6-9 p.m. Thursday, April 14, at The Community House. The evening will include a strolling supper and the first opportunity to view and buy antiques.

Patron tickets are \$125 with admission at 6 p.m.; Friend tickets are \$65 with admission at 7 p.m.

■ **Information:** Call (248) 594-6403, or visit www.communityhouse.com.

COLLECTOR

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Fenton's advice to customers is to put their antiques out in view rather than keep them out of sight.

"Use 'em, display 'em," she said.

PERFECT SETTING

At the Fenton residence, she practices what she preaches.

The house, built in 1929, makes the perfect setting for antiques. Almost every room offers a stage where various collections are placed to ideal effect.

A wall of built-in shelves in the living room holds frames and covered glass jars, many of them featuring filigree designs and accented with semiprecious stones.

Some contemporary frames with a vintage look stand comfortably among their antique counterparts.

Vases are among an assortment of silver in a nearby cabinet.

In a hallway, a cabinet contains elegant perfume bottles, and enameled compacts from the 1920s from France and England with a variety of designs.

"I like the figurals the best of these," Fenton said.

She has a collection of glove

and other celluloid boxes from the early 1900s. The boxes are like larger versions of the compacts with their decorated lids.

Fenton's real passion are the handbags that line many a shelf and form artistic arrangements on many a wall. She has at least 100 purses, she says.

"My eye goes to the Victorian."

These small purses, covered with Venetian beads, feature scenes - including an actual castle in Czechoslovakia - or designs - including carpet-like patterns.

**OTHER COLLECTIONS**

There are brass boxes, some of them standing on one side on shelves so their lids can be seen. These include one from Austria from the early 1900s, with a little bird that chirps and turns.

Among other collections are hatpins, standing like tiny bouquets; and rocks, including fool's gold and petrified wood.

Some of Fenton's collections - such as pottery, rugs and cowboy boots - reflect the Southwest, where she used to live. The "Southwestern room" features cowboy gloves on a wall and Skookum Indian dolls.

"I really appreciate the look of antiques. It's my job to make sure we have enough

room for it all," said Fenton's husband, Randy, smiling.

Randy bought Trayce a seven-piece antique set that includes a frame, brush, comb, nail file and clothes brush. The set was a wedding gift to the original owners, who never used them.

The Fentons have lived at their home for 15 years.

"We kept the flavor of the older home," Trayce said. "We wanted to keep the character."

Architectural elements, such as an old mantel and a column capital, make distinctive shelves. Randy installed antique gates from a bank between rooms, and old doors to enclose a place to keep photo albums.

**NEW FEATURES**

This year's antiques show, the 15th annual, will have new features, including outdoor garden vignettes and designer tablescapes.

"We are thrilled to present many exciting additions to the 15th Annual Antiques and Garden Show," said Jackie Sefferman, chair of the show.

"Our goal was to create a fresh look for a long-standing quality show, and this year's show, under new management, offers plenty of new choices for novice and experienced collectors."

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EXPERT

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"There's a great story about a lady who found a games table at a flea market for \$25," said Keno, who will also be special guest at a preview party Thursday, April 14, at The Community House in Birmingham.

Keno is senior vice president, senior specialist and director of business development, American furniture and decorative arts, Sotheby's in New York.

He has been involved in records set during his 25 years in the department.

Keno was responsible for the 1987 sale of the Gen. John Cadwalader Chippendale carved mahogany armchair (\$2.75 million, a world record at the time for furniture) and the 1996 auction of the Meyer collection (\$11.3 million, a world auction record for any single-owner collection of American furniture).

He unearthed in Paris a silver-mounted mahogany secre-

tary from the early 18th century signed by Newport cabinet-maker Christopher Townsend. The secretary sold in 1999 for \$8.25 million, the highest price for a piece of furniture ever sold by Sotheby's.

**STARTING EARLY**

Leslie and Leigh have been engrossed in antiques since they were youngsters, declaring "We are antiques dealers" in their personal diary when they were 12.

"Growing up we had great parents who were very supportive," Leslie said. "We were going to flea markets in our parents' arms."

The boys grew up on property that contained pieces from the 19th century.

"That was our playground. (For a) treasure hunt, we would go to flea market and garage sales out looking for antiques."

"We always appreciated the early things that show craftsmanship. Pewter, stoneware, earthenware, ironware."

Both studied art history at college. Leigh has owned Leigh Keno American Antiques in Manhattan for the

last 18 years.

Leslie's apartment and Leigh's townhouse - both in Manhattan - are furnished with a mix of modern upholstered pieces and antiques.

Leslie collects 17th century Dutch Old Masters paintings and wants to start collecting 20th century modern design.

*Find!* involves visiting homes around the country ("from the attic to the basement," Keno said) to find treasures. It also features interior designer Alexa Hampton.

Specialists in restoration, reproductions and other fields explain more about objects, and viewers learn how to use certain items in their home and put them in the best location.

"It's very exciting, it's a lot of fun," Keno said.

His advice includes "Buy what you love."

And encourage children to have respect for antiques but not to be afraid of them.

"If you say too much 'Don't touch this, it's an antique,' the child will grow up almost phobic," Keno said.

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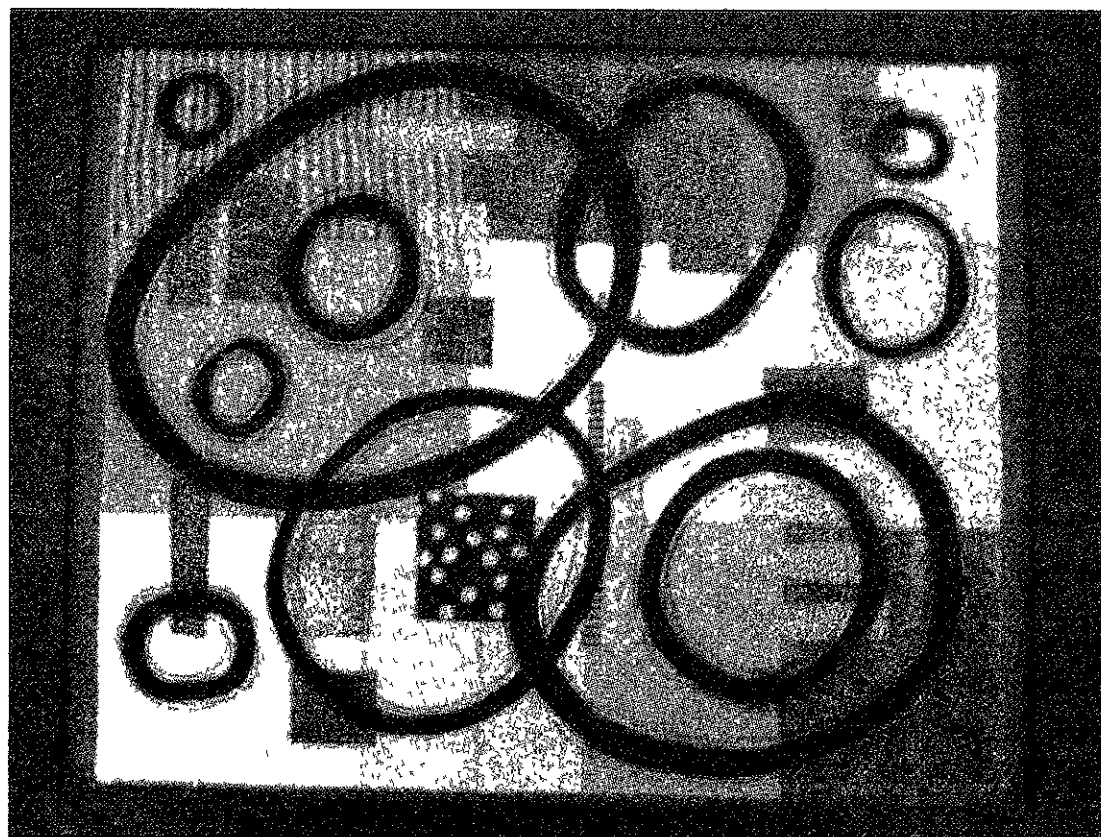
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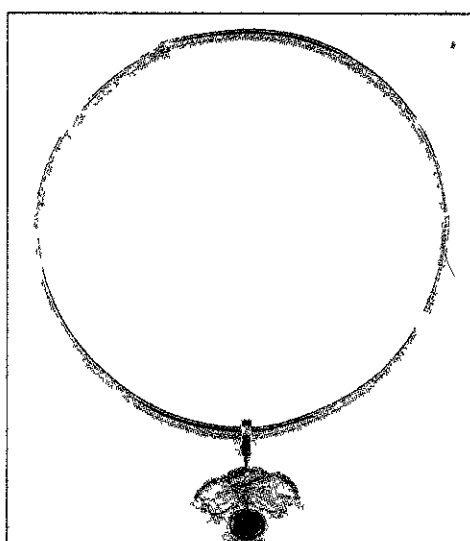
Just like spring, the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center's Gallery Shop has a fresh, new look. A wide variety of unusual, artistic gifts from which to choose is always in store, at 1516 S. Cranbrook Road in Birmingham.

Two examples are shown here: a framed, mixed media, fiber art work, Round & Round #2, by Lora Disser of Rochester; and a 12-karat gold necklace by Charlotte Quinn of Auburn Hills, which can be bought separately or with, perhaps, a 14-karat gold, blue topaz and an aqua flower pendant. Disser's art work is \$85. Quinn's gold necklace is \$96; the 14-karat gold, blue topaz with aqua flower pendant is \$720.

Drop by and discover such items as colorful block silk scarves by Carol Harris that are full of trendy spring colors and are reversible in black for a more formal look; a soft green and black, geometric designed, ceramic dish by Jo Ann Aquino; and new tile, Bleeding Heart, by Motawi Tileworks of Ann Arbor. BBAC members who are in the Friend and above categories receive a 10 percent discount.

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# Relaxed outdoor living area takes thought, planning

BY DAVID BRADLEY  
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

With decks changing from mere slabs to veritable multi-level outdoor living spaces, the idea of nailing a few boards together and declaring the job done just won't cut it anymore.

How you plan a really great deck retreat isn't far removed from the protracted process interior designers might go through for kitchen or bath makeovers.

It's the norm nowadays to pull out all the stops in deck creation, according to one deck builder. That means accounting for entertaining, relaxation, privacy or simply enjoying the view.

"People expect their deck to be a lot of things and do a lot of things," said Tim Meisch, owner of Custom Cedar Decks in Mill Creek, Wash.

As homeowners tack on more and more uses and activities, deck sizes swell well beyond a 300- to 400-square-foot average, says Meisch.

Homeowners can follow these steps to plot the deck of their dreams:

■ Subdivide the deck into zones with one activity per zone. Decide how much space to assign each activity such as grilling, dining, conversation area or outdoor spa tub.

■ Consider a multi-level approach. If space allows, further subdivide the deck into levels. This defines the zones and offers visual variety.

■ Vary the direction of boards from zone to zone. A change in direction provides more visual stimulus and further differentiates the zones.

■ Use decking material that gives the impression the deck is an extension of inside rooms.

Western red cedar is still favored by homeowners who want an all-natural look and character not found in man-

made substitutes.

■ Consider traffic flow and wind direction.

Locate the grill close to the kitchen door to minimize foot-steps. If possible, keep the grill downwind from seating areas.

Create enough space for guests to move freely without squeezing through small spaces.

■ Plan for sun and shade. Cedar arbors or pergolas built over the deck offer a shield from harsh sun yet blend nicely with the surroundings. So do trees, shrubs and discreet fences.

One of the more frequent requests Meisch hears is to inlay octagonal cedar patterns beneath tables and dining areas.

"It's so unique that people mistake it for a decorative rug," said Meisch.

And although cedar weathers naturally, you can stain the inlay or surrounding boards for added effect.

Often underutilized is the potential for built-in bench seating along peripheral deck areas. You won't need as much deck furniture and you'll be able to accommodate a surprising number of guests.

Meisch has seen non-wood decking enter the market, but he makes a case for western red cedar as a decking preference for many homeowners who want the good looks of the real thing.

He sees cedar as a superior "transition material" between a deck and surrounding environment.

Cedar is naturally lower maintenance and dimensionally stable (which means it won't twist).

A selling point for Meisch's customers: Non-wood substitutes have yet to capture the warmth and beauty of cedar.

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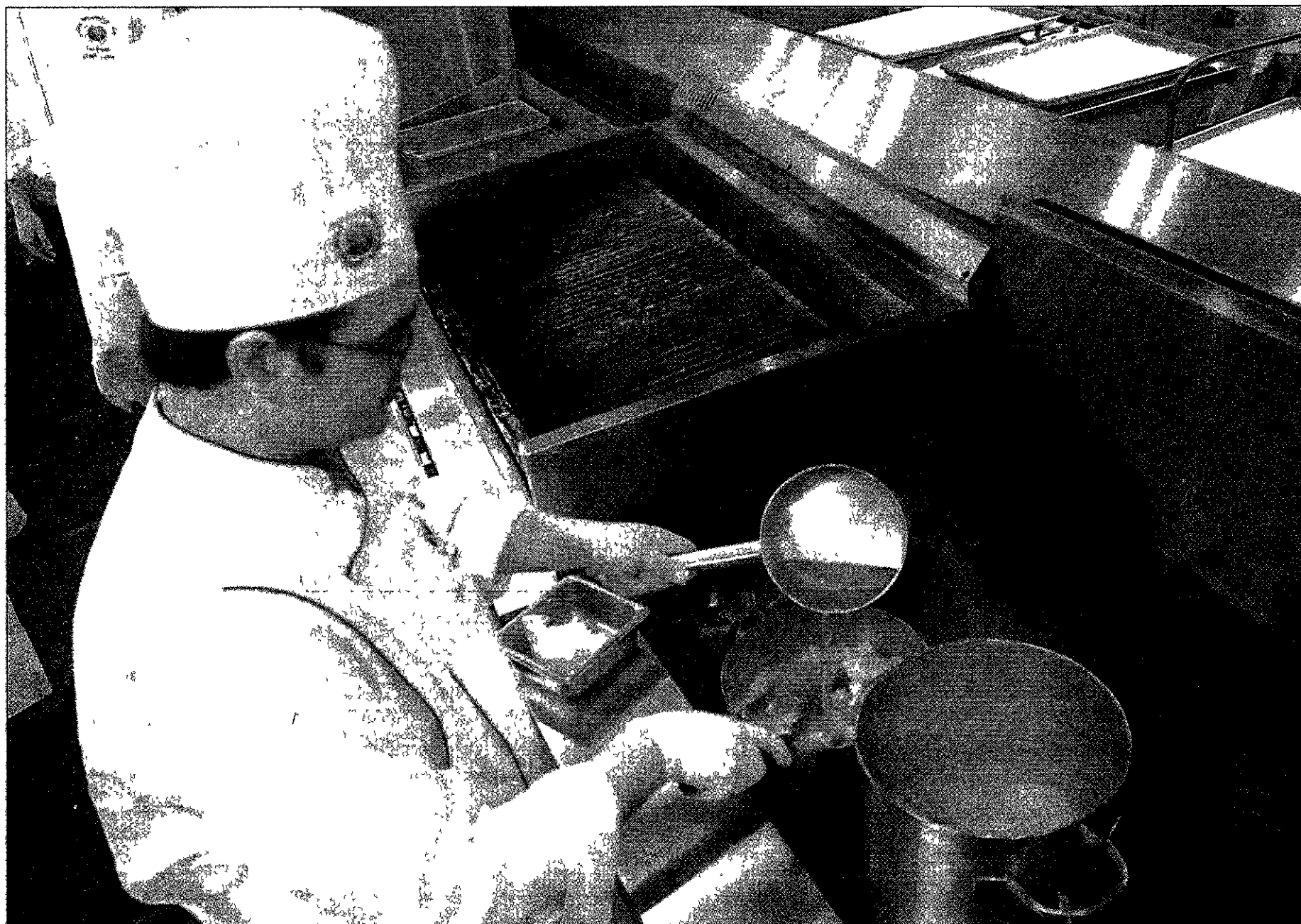
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Brigade student Jordan Hoffman works on that evening's dinner at the American Harvest Restaurant at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. The Brigade program provides advanced culinary training for postgraduate students.

## Side dish

### Slice for Life

Buddy's Pizza and the Capuchin Soup Kitchen will host the 29th Annual Slice for Life on Monday, April 11, at metro Detroit Buddy's locations.

Money raised from the event will help the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. Dine-in customers can obtain all-you-can-eat-cheese and two-topping pizza and salad, while carry-out customers can get four-square cheese and two-topping pizza or an individual size antipasto, Greek or garden salad. Buddy's own Lovely the Clown and friends from 2clowns.com will create balloon sculptures during evening hours at the various dine-in locations.

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Sugaring takes place when the weather brings cold, freezing temperatures at night and warm, sunny temperatures during the day. This is when the sap flows from the trees, the beginning of the process of making syrup.

More information is available on the Web at [www.vermontmaple.org](http://www.vermontmaple.org).

## The French Brigade



Marcus Haight, certified executive chef and Brigade instructor, talks with Brigade student Scott Carey in the kitchen of the American Harvest Restaurant at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. The restaurant features dinners created by the Brigade's postgraduate culinary arts students who are instructed by Haight and lunches by Schoolcraft's culinary arts students.

### Dinner to raise funds for students' trip

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Marcus Haight hopes to help give students in the Brigade program at Schoolcraft College something he always wanted as a young chef.

A trip to France.

That's why Haight, certified executive chef and Brigade instructor in the Culinary Arts Department at Schoolcraft College, and the seven Brigade students will be creating a six-course dinner to accompany some of the finest wines of the Bordeaux region of France at La Balade Bordelaise at Schoolcraft College April 2. (See related item.) Profits from the event will fund the students' trip to Paris.

Bruce Konowalow, director of culinary arts program at Schoolcraft College, said the event grew out of need to get money to send the stu-

dents to Europe.

"We were looking for a way to raise some funds," Konowalow said. "One of our students worked for a wine vendor, Elie Boudt (of Elie Wine Company in Royal Oak), and he asked him if he was interested in helping in some way. Elie met with chef Marcus and between the two of them, that (fund-raising dinner) is what came out."

Haight wanted the students to Paris to get familiar with the city, so they can be comfortable with moving there and working there once they complete Schoolcraft's Brigade program. "I wanted them to go to France for a week and see the passion they have there for the food, wine and service and how it's part of every facet of their lives," Haight said. "I wanted them to go into that culture, the bistros and brasseries, the three-

PLEASE SEE **BRIGADE, B7**

## VisTa Gala returns to Schoolcraft

Guests at the Schoolcraft College Foundation's VisTa Gala fund-raiser will stroll through the Culinary Arts Department's state-of-the-art kitchens, while sampling gourmet cuisine and interacting with student chefs and their certified executive and master chef instructors.

The event, in the VisTaTech Center, includes: cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at 6:30 p.m., plated salad and welcome at 7:30 p.m. followed

by a strolling dinner through the American Harvest Restaurant and the production, charcuterie, bake shop, pastry and demonstration kitchens. A dessert buffet follows at 9:30 p.m. and a live auction for *Have Your Own Restaurant ... At Least for One Night*. The highest bidder wins a dinner for 50 in the American Harvest Restaurant, prepared by the instructor-chefs and their students.

Every ticket holder automatically is entered in the drawing for dinner and Jaguar gift packages. The Matt Michaels Trio will provide music for dancing.

The award-winning Schoolcraft culinary arts students, under the supervision of their chef-instructors, will prepare a meal with an international flair. The dishes will include an

PLEASE SEE **GALA, B6**

## Why we like chardonnay

Some chardonnay styles have aromas of tropical fruit, often dominated by fresh pineapple.

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with the balance fermented in stainless steel tanks to preserve fruity aromas and true chardonnay characters.

When food and wine zealot chef John Ash, culinary director for Fetzer Vineyards and spokesperson for Brown-Forman Beverages Worldwide, likes a wine especially well (like he does the 2003 Fetzer Valley Oaks Chardonnay), his culinary creative genius goes wild and he creates a new recipe.

Such is the case with one of

chef John Ash's latest soups, perfect for spring, especially in the Midwest when fresh sweet corn becomes available from Florida and the area's best seafood purveyors have Dungeness crab or other fresh, sweet shellfish.

Ash said that his healthy recipe calls for crab but you could use whatever sweet shellfish is available, such as lobster or shrimp. "If you want to go whole hog," he

PLEASE SEE **HEALDS, B7**



# Welcome spring with spinach and eggs

From the American Institute for Cancer Research

Eggs are ancient symbols for spring and for rebirth.

Many people began avoiding eggs when their high cholesterol content became a health concern. For healthy adults, the American Heart Association recommends a limit of three or four egg yolks a week, provided your daily intake of cholesterol is below 300 milligrams. So you can enjoy eggs in moderation.

Eggs are classified for market according to USDA standards for size and quality. So an egg graded AA is deemed of higher quality than one that gets a B. Most recipes call for large eggs. The color of the egg's shell - white or brown - depends on the breed of hen that laid it. Color has no bearing on taste or nutritive value.

Egg whites are an excellent

source of protein and riboflavin. Egg yolks contain all of the egg's fat and are a good source of protein, iron, vitamins A and D, choline and phosphorus.

Eggs must always be refrigerated. When stored at room temperature, they lose more quality in one day than in a week in the refrigerator. Eggs should be kept in the carton in which they came; putting them in the refrigerator's egg container exposes them to odors and damage. Eggs used within a week will have the best flavor and cooking quality. But they can be refrigerated for up to a month, if the shells are intact. Tomato egg nests with spinach bruschetta are a nice way to celebrate the arrival of spring.

## TOMATO EGG NESTS WITH SPINACH BRUSCHETTA

4 medium vine tomatoes at room temperature

- 4 large eggs at room temperature
- 2-3 teaspoons extra virgin olive oil
- 2 garlic cloves, finely minced
- 1 bunch flat-leaf spinach, stemmed, washed and dried
- 4 thick slices whole-wheat bread, grilled or toasted
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Set baking rack in center of oven. Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Slice tops off tomatoes. Scoop out soft flesh and seeds, turning each tomato into a cup-like shell. Break 1 egg into small cup. Slide it into one tomato shell. Set shell in a casserole dish (that has a cover) large enough to hold 4 tomato shells. Repeat with remaining eggs. Sprinkle eggs with salt and pepper. Cover casserole.

Bake until egg whites are soft; set all the way through, (not

runny), about 20 to 30 minutes. Meanwhile, heat oil in large skillet over medium-high heat. Sauté garlic 1 minute, taking care not to let it color. Add spinach all at once. Stir with wooden spoon until leaves are coated with oil and wilted. Cook, stirring occasionally, until tender, about 4 minutes. Turn spinach onto cutting board and chop coarsely.

To serve, spread a quarter of spinach over each slice of bread. Place one slice on each of 4 plates. Using tongs or large spoons, set a baked tomato on each spinach-topped bread slice. Serve immediately.

Makes 4 servings.

Per serving: 254 calories, 10 g. total fat (2 g. saturated fat), 30 g. carbohydrate, 13 g. protein, 5 g. dietary fiber, 300 mg. sodium.

Recipe courtesy of the American Institute for Cancer Research.

# Enjoy angel food or sponge cake

Angel food cakes or sponge cakes taste heavenly and they are well worth the baking effort.

These cakes are loved for the sponge-like delicate texture and versatility. Use a simple garnish with these delicate cakes, such as fresh or frozen fruits, a "light" flavorful sauce, a dollop of whipped cream or a light dusting of powdered sugar. They are a perfect ending to a meal.

This time of year you may be lucky enough to find eggs on sale so angel food and sponge cakes can be inexpensive and an elegant dessert. These cakes are not difficult to make but measure ingredients carefully and follow a recipe to get the perfect cake.

## SEPARATE EGGS

Eggs should be at least three days old.

Have egg whites at room temperature. Since eggs vary in size, most of the angel food cake recipes call for "cups" of egg white.

Separate the yolk and white very carefully, having just a little yolk will hinder the balance of the whites.

Use cream of tartar. It helps stabilize the foam and adds to the whiteness of the cake.

Beat the sugar in well. Use a finely granulated sugar.

Cake flour will make a high rising angel food cake, which mixes in easier and makes a fine texture, while unbleached all-purpose doesn't allow the cake to rise quite as high.

If you fold the remaining sugar and flour into the batter, do it carefully so you don't break down the trapped air.

Don't grease the pan unless making a roll. (Grease the bottom of the jellyroll pan so that the cake is easy to remove to cool and roll). Grease in a tube pan eliminates the egg batter "climbing" the sides of the pan. The cake will not be light, airy or as high.

Get all the air pockets out of the batter before baking. Use a silver knife to cut through the batter to remove the air bubbles.

Always invert the tube pan to cool. This helps keep the airiness so the cake doesn't settle.

Try not to cut an angel food cake with a cake knife, it makes



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a mess. Use a cake divider or forks to pry the cake apart.

There is no fat in an angel food cake, but there are calories so watch how much you eat. Flavored angel food cakes can be made by adding cocoa, cinnamon, nutmeg, or cloves to the batter. Add spices to the frosting to create something new and interesting.

## SPONGE CAKE TIPS

A sponge cake uses all the egg but in a different order.

Use room temperature separated egg yolks and beat until light and foamy.

Gradually add the finely granulated sugar to the egg yolks and beat until they become a pale lemony color and thick in texture. Five to seven minutes is a good length of time to get the thickness you want.

Use an electric beater for both cakes to get better results.

The egg whites are beaten separately until stiff but not dry and then folded carefully into the batter. Work quickly, but carefully so that the air that has been incorporated will not be lost.

Don't grease the pan. Sponge cake is also generally made in a tube pan.

Add citrus flavors or a coffee flavoring to the batter for an interesting cake.

There is also a Hot Water Sponge Cake, and a Sunshine Cake. Find good recipes and follow them exactly.

Another piece of advice is, as my grandmother always said, "make these types of cakes on a sunny day with low humidity" and the cake will be lighter and fluffier. If all this sounds too difficult, buy a box mix.

Actually, these are not difficult cakes to make. Once you make an angel food or sponge cake from "scratch," you will never go back to that boxed mix!

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## CALENDAR

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Enjoy continuing education classes taught by culinary arts instructors in the demonstration kitchens in the VistaTech Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

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## GALA

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assortment of hot and cold appetizers, hot entrees, breads, pastries and desserts.

"The event's 'profits' are dedicated to culinary arts to fund different events and help the culinary teams," said Bruce Konowalow, director of Schoolcraft's Culinary Arts Department.

"It's a great event," Konowalow said. "It introduces our guests to the Schoolcraft Foundation."

The VisTa Gala menu includes escargot in a fennel cream sauce with spring vegetables with glazed white asparagus and puff pastry crisps; baked oyster soufflé; potato pancakes with smoked salmon caviar, baby watercress and crème fraîche; salmon en croute with a shrimp and tarragon lobster foam; roasted lamb chops with mustard and herbs crust; yellow miso glazed duck breast on spring vegetables with spicy ponzu vinaigrette; lamb epigram with a ragout of fiddle head ferns, morel mushrooms, and fava beans; pan-seared Moroccan chicken on warm curried couscous; an assortment of breads and pastries. Also Brian Polcyn, certified

## 'It's a great event. It introduces our guests to the Schoolcraft Foundation'

Bruce Konowalow, director Schoolcraft Culinary Arts Department

executive chef, Schoolcraft instructor and owner of Five Lakes Grill in Milford, will create a smoked beef tenderloin.

Last year's event raised \$3,500 for the culinary department and monies for the foundation from the 180 tickets sold. Konowalow hopes 250-275 tickets can be sold.

The Schoolcraft College Foundation was founded in 1966 to remove the financial barriers that prevent individuals from pursuing higher education. The funding priorities of the foundation are grounded in the core values of Schoolcraft College, specifically the belief that higher education should be accessible to the greatest number of people.

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## BRIGADE

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star and two-star restaurants and see the difference in the level of intensity."

For the upcoming wine dinner fund-raiser, Haight wanted to create French dishes similar to the Parisian restaurants the Brigade students will visit. "I had to look at dishes that could stand up to full-bodied wines," Haight said. "The menu should stand up to it and not detract from it."

The menu will feature celery root ravioli with oyster and portabella mushroom filling, roasted grouper, roasted breast of squab, grilled veal medallions and classic apple tart tatin. Diners at each table will sample six distinct Bordeaux wines.

## BUILDING BRIGADE

The Brigade program is a postgraduate program, directed by Haight, and provides advanced training in all aspects of restaurant operations. It is named after the chef's training program developed by Auguste Escoffier in the late 1800s.

Each student works five weeks at a station for a total of nine stations over the 45 weeks of the class. "Brigade gives them a little more time in each station," Haight said. "Over a five-week period you'll get five different menus."

For example, a chef working the soup station creates 35 different sauces and 20 different soups. By the end of the fourth day on the soup station, they'll have mastered the menu in terms of timing of ingredients and preparation, Haight said.

"(The Brigade student) will build on the core of the program with soup and sauces," Haight said. "When all that's clear, they develop into really strong cooks." "You can see - and it's blatantly obvious by the fourth or fifth rotation - the confidence, knife skills, organization, and the cooking abilities that they are gaining," Haight said. "You can see everyone jump up on the skill level."

Haight is trying to arrange for two of the seven Brigade students - Jordan Hoffman and Scott Carey - to work one day at Taillevent, a three-star restaurant in Paris.

The students will visit France during the 30th week

## La Balade Bordelaise

**What:** La Balade Bordelaise, a fund-raising dinner featuring some of the finest wines from the Bordeaux region of France. A six-course dinner will be prepared by certified executive chef Marcus Haight and postgraduate students in the college's Brigade program

**Where:** VisiTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads in Livonia

**When:** Saturday, April 2

**Tickets:** Prices per person will vary between \$150 and \$350, depending on wines at each table. (The \$350 table is sold out.) Diners may purchase a specific number of tickets or an entire table. There will be no refunds for the dinner, and a portion of the ticket price is tax-deductible. To order tickets, call Kathryn at (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5507. Ticket requests will be filled in the order in which they are received. The dinner, held in the American Harvest Restaurant, will accommodate 100 guests.

**Other details:** The wines have been collected through the efforts of S. Elie Boudt of Elie Wine Company in Royal Oak. Vineyards represented include Château Gruaud Larose, Château Beychevelle, Château Léoville Barton, Château Palmer and Château Figeac. (All wines were produced between 1980 and 1990, and are at the peak of their complexity and richness. Many are unavailable except from private collections.) Diners at each table will sample six distinct Bordeaux wines.

## VisiTa Gala

**What:** Second annual VisiTa Gala. Chefs at Schoolcraft's Culinary Arts Department will prepare foods as guests stroll through the instructional kitchens inside the VisiTech Center. Proceeds benefit Schoolcraft's Culinary Arts program.

**Where:** VisiTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads in Livonia

**When:** 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23

**Tickets:** \$150 per person, a portion of that is a charitable contribution to benefit students in the culinary arts program.

**Details:** The black-tie-optional evening is sponsored by Jaguar of Novi and concludes with a live auction of a dinner for 50 in the college's American Harvest Restaurant

of Brigade's 45-week course, the week of April 30-May 9.

Freeman, a cook II at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn, said Brigade "gives you the proper tools and helps build a foundation in the industry."

"It gives you a familiarity of what you will run into," Freeman said. Freeman started the program in pastries, and by the fifth week, he said he had a "high comfort level" in preparing meringues, sponges and classical French pastries. Freeman credits Haight's experience as a certified executive chef and certified executive pastry chef. The program is also more intense in areas of plate presentation, sauces and the finer details of the proper techniques, such as "crisping" a fish. In fact, the repetition of the techniques helps the chefs so much so that "I don't even realize I'm doing it differently," Hoffman said.

## SOUP'S ON

Hoffman, originally from Adrian but now living in Livonia, worked on soups the week of this interview. "Soups are a very integral part of every restaurant. It's the one thing

that's sometimes overlooked," Hoffman said. "It comes early in the meal and it should pop on the palate. It should not be neglected."

"France is the mother of all cuisine. Paris is a melting pot of all regional styles, and they've created an amalgamation of a national cuisine from the bistro to the brasserie, and from the Michelin three-star.

"It's a lot of restaurants doing the right thing every time. They are committed to the earth and food with so much passion. To experience food the way Parisians would is an experience in and of itself."

Scott Carey of Lakeland is a sous chef at Barton Hills Country Club where Mike Trombley, who today is certified executive chef at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth Township, told him of the Brigade program.

"I'm seeing what to do with the soups and what gives them more flavor, and how to utilize everything," Carey said. "Things turn out a lot better." The week of the interview for this story Carey had worked on asparagus soup, potato and sorrel, ginger and carrot and

New England clam chowder.

Haight gives them pointers on wine reduction and how to incorporate that into the soup, timing and techniques on soup varieties, Carey said.

Carey expects France will "enlighten" him. "I like to travel, and I like to see different cultures. It's just awesome, to be able to see everything there," Carey said.

Konowalow hopes the dinner will help raise \$15,000.

"Students will have to put up their plane fare which is about \$700 per student, and what we're trying to do is raise the balance of money for their food and other transportation, or about \$2,500 per student."

"This trip is written into the program, so every group will be participating in it."

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## PUREE OF CARROT SOUP WITH GINGER AND APPLE CIDER

Soup:  
2 tablespoons butter  
2 onions, diced  
1 leek, whites  
4 celery stalks, sliced  
1/4 cup ginger, grated

1 quart white wine

1/4 cup apple cider reduction (see below)  
2-1/2 quarts carrots, peeled and sliced  
2-1/2 quarts chicken stock  
2 potatoes, diced  
1 quart cream  
1/3 cup rice wine vinegar

Apple Cider Reduction:  
6 cups apple cider

Apple cider reduction: Reduce to 3/4 cup or sauce consistency. Use some in stage three and the rest to garnish the top of the soup. Set aside.

Melt butter and sweat together slowly the onion, leek whites, celery and ginger. Reduce au sec (or until nearly dry) the white wine. Reduce apple cider. Cook till tender the carrots, chicken stock, potatoes, one quart cream, rice wine vinegar and apple cider reduction. Puree and fine strain.

Recipe courtesy of Marcus Haight, certified executive chef and Brigade instructor at Schoolcraft College.

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said, "you could, of course, garnish with a squiggle of crème fraîche or caviar."

## JOHN ASH'S CORN SOUP WITH CRAB

2 tablespoons butter  
1-1/2 cups chopped onion (1 medium)  
1 cup chopped carrots  
1/4 cup chopped celery  
2 teaspoons chopped garlic  
3-1/2 cups corn kernels (cut from 6 medium ears)  
1 whole star anise or bay leaf  
Big pinch of saffron threads  
5 cups defatted chicken stock  
Salt and freshly-ground pepper  
1/2 pound fresh Dungeness or lump crabmeat, picked over  
2 tablespoons finely chopped chives

In a deep saucepan or soup pot, heat the butter over moderate heat. Add the onion, carrots, celery and garlic and cook till soft but not brown, about 5 minutes stirring occasionally. Add the corn, star anise and saffron and continue to cook and stir for

another 5 minutes.

Add the stock and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to a simmer and cook for 10 minutes. Discard the star anise or bay leaf and puree in a blender being careful to do so at lower speed and with blender jar only half filled (hot liquids expand dramatically so be careful). You'll need to do this in batches.

Strain the soup through a medium mesh strainer, pushing down on the solids and return to the pan. Season with salt and pepper and reheated. Ladle into warm soup bowls, top with the crab and chives and serve. Serves 4 to 6.

Choose the 2003 Fetzer Valley Oaks Chardonnay to pair with the soup or any crisper style from those suggested in Wine Picks (see related item). When lobster is substituted for crab, chardonnays with a buttery finish or those with a little more bottle age, such as a 2001 vintage, paired well with the corn soup.

The Healds are contributing editors for the internationally-respected Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine, spirits, and restaurants for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com.

## WINE PICKS

Here are food friendly

## Chardonnays:

2001 Oakville Ranch (\$30)  
2002 Clos du Bois Calcaire (\$20)  
2002 Ferrari-Carano, Alexander Valley (\$26)  
2002 Ferrari-Carano Carneros Reserve (\$36)  
2002 Gallo of Sonoma Laguna Ranch (\$22)  
2002 Napa Cellars (\$20) (big, buttery finish)  
2003 Benziger Carneros (\$16)  
2003 Beringer Founders' Estate (\$12)  
2003 Bonterra (\$15) (from organically-farmed grapes)  
2003 Dutton Goldfield Dutton Ranch \$30 (yummy)  
2003 Fetzer Five Rivers Ranch (\$13)  
2002 Franciscan Cuvee Sauvage (\$33 or \$19.50 at Costco) (intriguing)

2003 Frank Family, Napa Valley (\$29)

2003 Jekel Gravelstone (\$11)

2003 Kendall-Jackson Grand Reserve (\$20)

2003 Kunde Sonoma Valley (\$16)

2003 Marcelina Carneros (\$24) (crisp, clean finish)

2003 Stag's Leap Wine Cellars (\$29)

Wallet pleaser chardonnays:

2002 Glass Mountain, \$8; 2004 Lindemans Bin 65, \$8; 2003

Veramonte, Chile, \$9; 2003 Hess Select, \$10; and 2003 Meridian Santa Barbara

County, \$10 (good buy but an aperitif style rather than food friendly).

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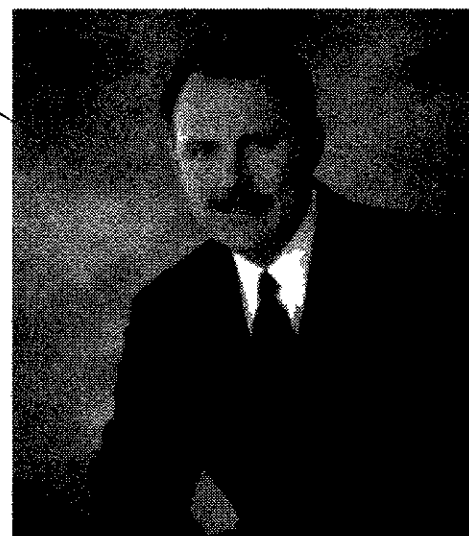
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# Soup revises classic pot roast

Slow Cooker Pot Roast Soup, chock full of tender beef and vegetables in a savory broth, is a delicious twist on the classic pot roast. It's made with beef chuck shoulder pot roast – which is cut into 12 large chunks to create two “mini” pot roasts per serving. Easy too, just put everything in the slow cooker and let the beef cook, unattended, to fork-tenderness. Depending upon your preference, this recipe can also be prepared conventionally on the stovetop or in just minutes with fully-cooked beef pot roast.

Another delicious soup that is short on prep time but long on flavor is Quick Asian Beef, Vegetable & Noodle Soup. Pairing pantry staples such as ramen noodles, beef broth, soy sauce and frozen stir-fried vegetables with lean beef round tip steak strips, this flavorful dish goes from chopping block to soup bowl in less than half an hour. And, remember these quick-cooking steak slices should be added to the soup at last minute, then immediately remove the soup from the heat so as to not overcook the beef.

One serving of either of these delicious soups is an excellent source of protein, niacin, vitamin B6, vitamin B12, iron, selenium, and zinc, and a good source of fiber.

### SLOW COOKER POT ROAST SOUP

- 1 boneless beef chuck shoulder pot roast (2-1/2 pounds)
- 2 cups chopped onions
- 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes with green peppers and onions, undrained
- 1 cup frozen hash brown potatoes (cubes)
- 1 cup ready-to-serve beef broth
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme leaves, crushed
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 2 cups broccoli slaw
- 1/2 cup frozen peas

Cut beef pot roast into 12 equal pieces. Place in 4-1/2 to 5-1/2-quart slow cooker. Add onions, tomatoes, potatoes, broth, garlic, thyme, salt and pepper. Cover and cook on High five to six hours, or on Low eight to nine hours, or until beef is fork-tender. (No stirring is necessary during cooking.) Stir in broccoli slaw; continue cooking,



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Pairing pantry staples such as ramen noodles, beef broth and soy sauce with lean beef round tip steak strips, quick Asian beef, vegetable and noodle soup goes from chopping block to soup bowl in less than half an hour.

covered, 30 minutes or until broccoli slaw is crisp-tender. Turn off slow cooker. Stir in peas; let stand, covered, five minutes. Makes six servings.

**Variations:**  
Conventional Range-Top Variation: Increase ready-to-serve beef broth to one can (13-3/4 to 14-1/2 ounces). Cut beef pot roast into 12 equal pieces. Place in stockpot. Add onions, tomatoes, broth, garlic, thyme, salt and pepper; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover tightly and simmer 2-1/2 to 3 hours or until pot roast is fork-tender. Stir in broccoli slaw and potatoes; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; continue simmering, uncovered, five minutes or until potatoes are tender and broccoli slaw is crisp-tender. Remove from heat. Stir in peas; let stand five minutes.

**Fully-Cooked Pot Roast (Range-Top) Variation:** Substitute two packages (17 ounces each) refrigerated fully-cooked boneless beef pot roast with gravy or au jus for beef chuck shoulder pot roast. Remove beef pot roast from containers; reserve 1/2 cup gravy or au jus. Place reserved gravy or au jus, onions, potatoes, broth, garlic, 1/2 to 1 teaspoon thyme, salt and pepper in stockpot; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 8 to 10 minutes or until potatoes are just tender.

Meanwhile, trim fat from beef pot roast; cut into 12 equal pieces. Stir in beef pieces, tomatoes and broccoli slaw; bring to a

boil. Reduce heat; continue simmering, covered, 13 to 15 minutes or until broccoli slaw is crisp-tender and beef is heated through. (Stir in small amount of water to achieve desired soup consistency, if necessary.) Remove from heat. Stir in peas; let stand five minutes.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 298 calories; 8 g fat (2 g saturated fat); 4 g monounsaturated fat); 100 mg cholesterol; 686 mg sodium; 20 g carbohydrate; 3.6 g fiber; 35 g protein; 4.3 mg niacin; 0.5 mg vitamin B6; 3.2 mcg vitamin B12; 5.3 mg iron; 33.3 mcg selenium; 8.7 mg zinc.

Recipe courtesy of the Cattlemen's Beef Board and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

### QUICK ASIAN BEEF, VEGETABLE & NOODLE SOUP

- 1-1/2 pounds boneless beef round tip steaks, cut 1/4 to 1/8 inch thick
- 2 packages (3 ounces each) Oriental-flavored instant ramen noodles, broken up
- 3 cans (13-3/4 to 14-1/2 ounces each) ready-to-serve beef broth
- 3 cups water
- 2 tablespoons rice vinegar
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh ginger
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1 package (16 ounces) frozen stir-fry vegetable mixture

Stack beef steaks; cut lengthwise in half, then crosswise into 1-inch wide strips. Set aside. Remove seasoning packets from ramen noodles; set aside. Combine broth, water, vinegar, soy sauce, ginger, garlic and vegetables in stockpot; bring to a boil. Stir in noodles; bring to a boil. Cook and stir three minutes. Stir in steak slices and contents of seasoning packets. Immediately remove from heat. Let stand, covered, five minutes. Makes six servings.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 350 calories; 11 g fat (4 g saturated fat); 4 g monounsaturated fat); 69 mg cholesterol; 1468 mg sodium; 31 g carbohydrate; 3.4 g fiber; 31 g protein; 4.8 mg niacin; 0.4 mg vitamin B6; 2.5 mcg vitamin B12; 4.8 mg iron; 31.7 mcg selenium; 6.2 mg zinc.

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# Change your soup routine with veal

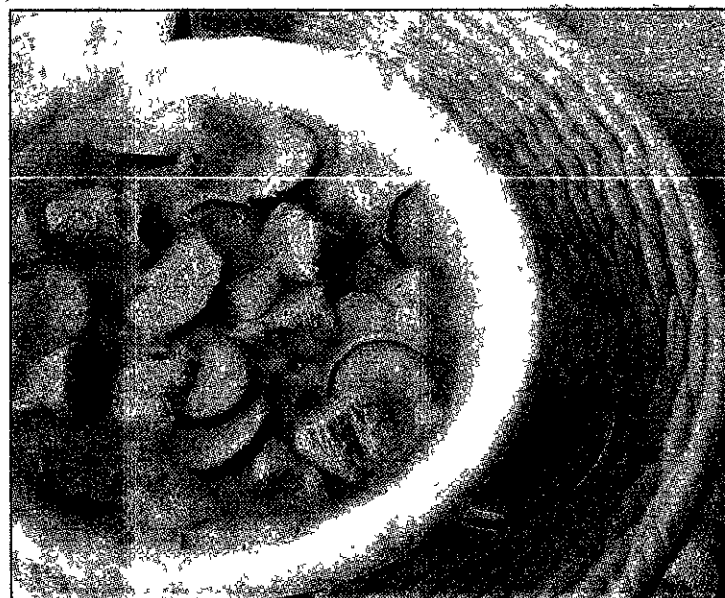
Soups are favored fare, and homemade soups are simply the best.

For a change of pace, simmer a soup starring veal. The delicate flavor of the veal seasoned with garlic and marjoram, paired with potatoes, corn and zucchini, is delicious.

To make this simple soup, first brown the pieces of veal on all sides. Browning adds extra rich flavor. Next comes the broth and seasonings. Then let the soup simmer gently, covered, without peeking. (Your work is done until it's time for the vegetables.)

When the veal has simmered about 45 minutes, add the vegetables beginning with the potatoes and corn. This way, the vegetables don't overcook, yet the veal will be fork-tender.

Eat smart and eat well with colorful Veal and Vegetable Soup. For additional veal recipes and cooking tips, visit [www.veal.org](http://www.veal.org). And, to make serving veal at home even easier, have the veal delivered to your door when you shop online at [www.vealstore.com](http://www.vealstore.com).



CATTLEMEN'S BEEF BOARD AND THE NATIONAL CATTLEMEN'S BEEF ASSOCIATION

### Veal teams up with zucchini, corn and potatoes in this Veal and Vegetable Soup.

- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3-1/2 cups water
- 1 can (13-1/4 to 14-1/4 ounces) ready-to-serve beef broth
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh marjoram or 1-1/2 teaspoons dried marjoram leaves, crushed
- 1/4 teaspoon coarse grind black pepper
- 1/2 pound red potatoes, cut into 1-inch cubes (about 1-1/2 cups)
- 1-1/2 cups fresh corn kernels or frozen whole kernel corn
- 1 small zucchini, cut lengthwise in half, then cut crosswise into 1/2-inch slices

In Dutch oven, heat two teaspoons oil over medium heat until hot. Add veal and garlic, 1/2 at a time, and brown evenly, stirring occasionally; add remaining oil as needed. Return all veal to

pan; season with salt.

Add water, broth, marjoram and pepper to pan; bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low; cover tightly and simmer 45 minutes.

Add potatoes and corn; continue simmering, covered, 15 minutes or until veal and vegetables are tender. Add zucchini; simmer, covered, five minutes or until zucchini is crisp-tender. Makes six servings.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 264 calories; 9 g fat (2 g saturated fat); 4 g monounsaturated fat); 104 mg cholesterol; 583 mg sodium; 14 g carbohydrate; 2.0 g fiber; 31 g protein; 8.7 mg niacin; 0.4 mg vitamin B6; 1.5 mcg vitamin B12; 1.8 mg iron; 12.1 mcg selenium; 4.9 mg zinc.

Recipe courtesy of the Cattlemen's Beef Board and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

### VEAL AND VEGETABLE SOUP

- 2 pounds veal for stew, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 3 teaspoons olive oil

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## Who needs Florida?



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Floor hockey was one of the many different activities offered to participants in the High Velocity Sports all-sports camp this week. The camp averaged 30 attendees per day.



Eight-year-old Michael Hoover fights for possession of the ball with 9-year-old Derek Ebeling Monday afternoon during a drill at a spring-break soccer camp held at High Velocity Sports in Canton.

## Sports camps keeps kids busy during break

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Spring Break '05 is no day at the beach for several area youngsters who are participating in two camps at Canton's High Velocity Sports this week.

It's even better. While thousands of metropolitan Detroit residents flocked to southern states for surf, sun and warmer temperatures, many who stayed have found that the all-sports camp and soccer camp offered by HVS provide as much fun and activity for kids between the ages of 5 and 12 as a trip to the sunshine states.

"The kids are having a blast," said HVS spokesperson Elaine Mavridis. "We change the activities every 40 minutes, so there's no time for them to get bored. The kids play a variety of sports, including soccer, flag football and kick ball. We also offer several backyard games like dodge ball and relay races. We even had a potato-sack race. We try to mix it up and offer a wide variety of activities."

"What we've found this year and last year when we started this camp is that a lot of kids will sign up for only the first day, but they like it so much they end up coming back for the entire week."

An average of 30 kids per day have attended the all-sports camp this week, Mavridis said, while the two-hour soccer camp has attracted around 20 youngsters daily.

"This is the first year we've offered the soccer camp," she said. "Kids that play on teams that are involved in the Canton Soccer Club get to work with trainers on a regular basis, but that isn't the case with recreation teams. One nice thing about this camp is that it allows all the kids an opportunity to use the Canton Soccer Club trainers, so they can learn a lot about the sport in a week's time."

The soccer camp, which is also offered during the summer, was designed to help recreational players hone their dribbling, shooting, passing and defensive skills before the upcoming outdoor season starts.

The all-sports camp, which is also an HVS summer offering, was set up in half-day segments for kids between the ages of 5 and 8 and in full-day segments for youths between the ages of 8 and 12.

"Our instructor-to-kid ratio is 1-to-10, so all of the kids get a lot of attention," Mavridis said.

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## Unhittable!

15-year-old P-CEP transfer student is armed with 120-mph fastball

Tomorrow, April 1, will be a ground-breaking — no, make that ground-shaking — day for high school baseball in this area.

That is the day the most amazing feat by a high school-aged athlete I've ever witnessed will be showcased for all to see.

Let me explain.

One afternoon last week, I received a phone call from a man with a distinctive southern accent. He explained how he and his family had just moved to the Plymouth-Canton area from rural Kentucky due to a job change.

He picked up a copy of the *Observer* at a convenience store, flipped to the sports section, saw my name and

phone number and decided to give me a call.

"I wanted to give one of the local sports guys the scoop of a lifetime, before the national media got a hold of it," the man said.

He then went on to explain how his 15-year-old son had a special athletic

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## Agape is led by lefty mound staff this season

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

First-year Canton Agape Christian baseball coach Scott Lewald is hoping some of the school's success in basketball this past winter rubs off on his youthful squad.

"We're young, but we have a lot of good athletes," Lewald said. "Our basketball team won the conference championship, and we have quite a few basketball players on the baseball team, so I'm looking forward to having a great season. Our goal is to win the conference (Michigan Independent Athletic Conference) and do well in the district tournament."

The Wolverines' pitching staff has

### BASEBALL PREVIEW

something few schools can boast of: a pair of talented southpaws. Juniors Kyle Miller and Ryan Barber, both lefties, will eat up a lot of innings on the mound along with two freshmen — Jared Miller (the younger brother of Kyle) and Brandon Pierson.

The catching duties will be handled by senior Gabe Molnar, one of the basketball players Lewald was referring to. The rest of the infield will consist of a combination of the Miller brothers, Barber (when he's not pitching), sophomore Jack Anleitner, Junior Matt Molnar and freshman Daniel Walker.

Junior Matt Holmes will patrol center field for Agape and senior Nick Seely has an early hold on the starting left-field spot. Also battling for a first-string position are freshman Tyler Conlin and eighth-graders Josh Kraus and Reid Barber, Ryan's younger sibling.

"Overall, I think defense will be one of our strengths," Lewald predicted. "We have some quick, sure handed infielders and outfielders, so we should be solid defensively."

The Wolverines open the season April 5 against Calvary.

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## Whalers reeling after 5-0 setback

The Plymouth Whalers' 2005 Ontario Hockey League post-season prognosis deteriorated from bad to worse Tuesday night following a 5-0 setback at Owen Sound.

The Attack, who have won the first three games of the series, can sweep into the second round with a victory in tonight's game four at Compuware Sports Arena. The opening face-off is slated for 7:30 p.m.

Owen Sound goalie Mike Brown notched his second shutout of the series and Brad Richardson tallied three goals and an assist to lead the Attack.

The Attack secured a 2-0 advantage after the first period and never looked back as Brown turned away all 18 Whaler shots. Patrick Jarrett lit the lamp first for the winners when he took a pass from Richardson and rifled it past Plymouth goalie Ryan Nie at the 10:28 mark. Richardson's first goal of the contest at 15:12 of the opening period doubled the Attack's cushion.

Igor Gongalsky scored with just over three minutes remaining in the second period to make it 3-0. Two minutes later, Richardson added an insurance goal to increase the hosts' lead to 4-0. He was assisted by Trevor Koverko and Bobby Ryan.

Richardson capped his hat trick when he beat Justin Garay with just over five minutes left in the game.

Nie stopped 24 shots during the first two periods. Gary, who played the entire third period in net for the Whalers, turned away four Attack shots.

Owen Sound converted 2-of-6 power-play chances while the Whalers were unsuccessful on their only two man-advantage situations.

The Attack outshot the Whalers, 33-18. The game was played before a crowd of 2,759 at the Harry Lumley Bayshore Community Centre in Owen Sound.



Plymouth Whaler Steve Ward (26) and his teammates dropped a 5-0 decision to Owen Sound Tuesday night in game three of the Ontario Hockey League quarterfinal series. The victory gave the Attack a commanding 3-0 series lead heading into tonight's fourth game at the Compuware Sports Arena.

## Sidelines

### Cruisers cruise

The Plymouth-Canton Cruisers swimming team recently wrapped up a successful short-course season with an award-winning effort at the 12-and-under and 13-and-over state meets.

The 12-and-under team finished 10th overall thanks to first-place showings from Lauren Seroka (50-yard freestyle, 200 freestyle, 500 freestyle and 200 individual medley), Kali Aloisi (50 breaststroke) and the 200 freestyle relay team of Seroka, Aloisi, Abby Aumiller and Abby Madison.

The Cruisers 10-and-under girls team tied for first in the state.

The club's 13-and-over team finished sixth overall. The boys finished third while the girls placed fourth. The seventh-place finish was the highest-ever for a Cruisers team.

Jill Peterson (100 breaststroke) and Matt Jurcak (100 freestyle) both turned in gold-medal efforts for the 13-and-over squad.

Close to 60 teams competed in each of the meets. The 12-and-under event was held in Rockford while the 13-and-over took place at Eastern Michigan University.

The Cruisers' roster consists 37 swimmers — 16 on the younger team and 21 on the older team.

### Netball, anyone?

A group of Northville women are looking for individuals from western Wayne County who may be interested in playing "netball," a game that is popular in Great Britain, Australia and South Africa.

The rules of netball are similar to basketball.

If you are over the age of 15 and interested in participating in a netball club, call (248) 344-2828.

### SC soccer recruits

Ten high school seniors recently signed National Letters of Intent to play for the Schoolcraft College women's soccer team in 2005. The signees are: Chelsey Wagner (Ann Arbor



Pioneer), Shari Trandell (Sterling Heights Stevenson), Tammie Edmunds (Utica Eisenhower), Lauren DeRoo (Waterford Kettering), Jenna Cataldi (Algonac), Stacey Potrykus (Farmington Harrison), Maeve Wilkie (Dearborn) and Mary Jo Yokum (home-schooled).

Additionally, Lisa Rowley (Vincent Massey, Canada) has verbally committed to play for the Ocelots and Andrea Cella will return next season after being redshirted in 2004.

Coach Bill Tolsted's Ocelots finished second in the nation last season.



# WRIGHT

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gift that would blow me away.

"My boy," the man said, "can throw a baseball 120 miles per hour. Not only that, but his control is so good, he can knock a Pepsi can off a tree stump from 60 feet away — blind-folded."

*Yeah, right, and I'm going to win the 2005 Pulitzer Prize, I thought to myself.*

The hardest-throwing major league pitcher can barely break the 100-miles-per-hour barrier. How was a 15-year-old kid going to bring it 20 miles per hour faster than that?

## MEDICAL MARVEL

The man went on to explain how a series of X-rays and MRI's revealed that the boy had an extra tendon in his shoulder that — doctors presumed — was the primary reason why he was able to hurl baseballs at such incredible speeds.

"You want to know something else that's kind of cool?" the man asked. "The muscles

in my son's arm are extremely loose, very elastic, which means he can throw all day. He never gets sore. Never gets tired."

As I thought about the implications of the man's statements, he invited me to watch his son throw a few pitches at a local elementary school.

"If you don't want to check it out, I have four or five other sports writers around here I can call," he said.

"I'll meet you there in a half-hour," I told him, as I grabbed my pen and notepad.

## WHAT IF?

As I drove to the school, my doubts about the man's story grew faster than the boy's supposed unhittable fastball. The man had probably just purchased a malfunctioning radar gun, I reasoned.

But what if a 15-year-old could really throw that hard with pinpoint control without tiring? His high school team could make room in its trophy case for a state championship trophy tomorrow.

Toward the end of the phone

call, the man explained that he had held his son out of organized baseball up until now because he didn't want him to be exposed to the media crush that would surely follow.

"I finally decided to let him give it a shot after all these years," the man added. "I think he can handle it now. He's pretty mature for his age. He'll start at one of the local high schools on Monday, and we'll both go in and talk to the baseball coach that afternoon."

"What school will your son be attending?" I asked, with great anticipation.

"We'll reveal that at the press conference we've put together for April 1," he said. "We'll also let everyone see him pitch that day."

## SEEING IS BELIEVING

When I pulled into the school parking lot, I saw them right away. The man was holding a catcher's mitt with a small pillow strapped to it in his left hand. In his right hand he clenched a JUGS radar gun.

The boy looked like a typical high school sophomore.

I'll never forget the sound the ball made as it spun towards the catcher's mitt. It was similar to the whistling, sizzling sound fireworks make as they head towards the sky on the Fourth of July.

He wasn't excessively tall or muscular, which I found somewhat surprising, considering he could throw a baseball through a wall...or so his dad said.

"I've already broken my hand three times catching for him," the man said, explaining the need for the pillow.

He then handed me the radar gun, assumed a catcher's stance behind home plate on the muddy elementary school field, then nodded to the boy, who stood at least 60 feet

away.

What I saw next made me swallow my gum.

The boy wound up slowly then unleashed a pitch that can only be described as, well, a blur. I'll never forget the sound the ball made as it spun towards the catcher's mitt. It was similar to the whistling, sizzling sound fireworks make as they head towards the sky on the Fourth of July.

"What's the gun say?" the man asked.

"One twenty two," I replied. "Unbelievable."

## PURE HEAT

As the boy threw four or five more pitches — all strikes, all unhittably hard — it struck me: High school baseball players had about as much chance of hitting this kid's pitches as the coyote has of catching the roadrunner — zero.

Barring injury, this kid was about to take the high school baseball world by storm for the next three years. After that, who knew?

In order to ensure a competitive balance, they'd have to move the pitcher's mound back to 90 feet when he pitched in the majors.

As he threw the catcher's mitt into the trunk of his car, the man thanked me for coming and invited me to the April 1 press conference.

"Oh, there's one more thing I almost forgot to men-

tion," the man shouted across the parking lot. "My son has a twin brother. He can't throw worth a lick, but you should see him kick a soccer ball! It's another one of those extra tendon things, only it's in his leg. Is high school soccer big around these parts?"

## IMPORTANT FOOTNOTE

Twenty years ago this week, I read a story written by George Plimpton that appeared in *Sports Illustrated*. The article featured a pitcher the New York Mets had signed who was going to revolutionize the game of baseball with his unhittable 150-mph fastball. At the end of the article — which appeared in the April 1, 1985 issue — Plimpton admitted that the pitcher was fictional, not real.

That article was not only one of the best April Fool's Day jokes I've ever heard of, but it was also the inspiration for this column.

In case you haven't figured it out already, there is not a 15-year-old pitcher out there with a 122-mph fastball about to wreak havoc on the local high school baseball scene. The above story is a piece of April Fool's Day fiction, just like the *SI* article I read 20 years earlier.

Happy April Fool's Day — one day early.

Ed Wright is the Plymouth-Canton sports editor.



## CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will accept sealed bids until 2:00 p.m., April 21, 2005. The bid opening will be at 2:00 p.m., April 21, 2005 for the following:

### Garage Door and Door Operator Replacement Plymouth City Hall 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan

Specifications and bid documents are available at the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, during normal business hours. You may also download a copy of the documentation from the City's web site at: <http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us>.

For additional information call the City of Plymouth Building Department at (734) 453-1234 ext. 232.

The City of Plymouth reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and to waive any irregularities.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC  
City Clerk, City of Plymouth

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## PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a *Bid for the First Phase of the New Elementary School at Cherry Hill*. Bid documents are available by contacting Doug Underwood of the District's Construction Management Team of McCarthy & Smith at (248) 427-8400. A pre-bid meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 5th, 2005 at 11:00 a.m. at the PCCS E.J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. A full list of bid divisions being covered can be obtained by phoning Dan Phillips, PCCS Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due to the PCCS E.J. McClendon Educational Center, utilizing envelopes received by McCarthy & Smith, Inc. on or before 1:30 p.m., Thursday, April 14, 2005 where they will be read publicly. The bidder shall disclose any familial relationship as required by the State of Michigan on the proposal pricing form. This form must also be signed and notarized in order for the bid to be accepted. For additional information, phone Dan Phillips. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

JOANNE LAMAR, Secretary  
Board of Education  
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools

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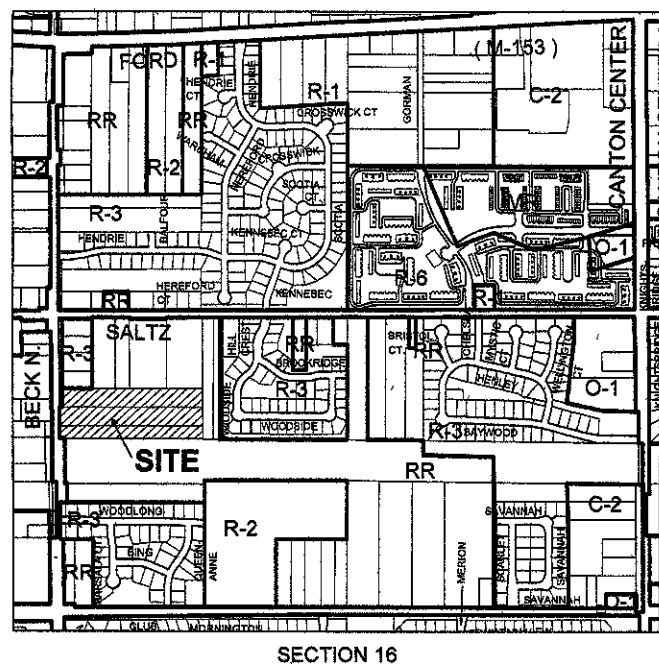
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## PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 4, 2005 in the *First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m.* on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

**RIVIERA REZONING** - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 063 99 0006 701, 063 99 0007 000 AND 063 99 0008 000 FROM RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO R-3, SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located east of Beck between Cherry Hill and Saltz Roads:



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, March 31, 2005, in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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## PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a *Bid for the Temporary Moving & Storage of Furniture for Allen, Bird, and Smith Elementary Schools*. Bidding documents are available by contacting Doug Underwood of the District's Construction Management Team of McCarthy & Smith at (248) 427-8400. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 5th, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. at Smith Elementary School, 1298 McKinley Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. Sealed bids are due to the PCCS E. J. McClendon Educational Center, RE: "Moving Bids", 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170 on or before 1:30 p.m., Thursday, April 14, 2005 where they will be read publicly. The bidder shall disclose any familial relationship as required by the State of Michigan on the proposal pricing form. This form must also be signed and notarized in order for the bid to be accepted. For additional information, phone Dan Phillips, Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416-2746. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education  
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools  
JOANNE LAMAR, Secretary

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## CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD CANTON, MI 48188

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at Public Auction on Tuesday, April 5, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. Auction will be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Road. The vehicles will be sold as is. Starting bid is for towing and storage.

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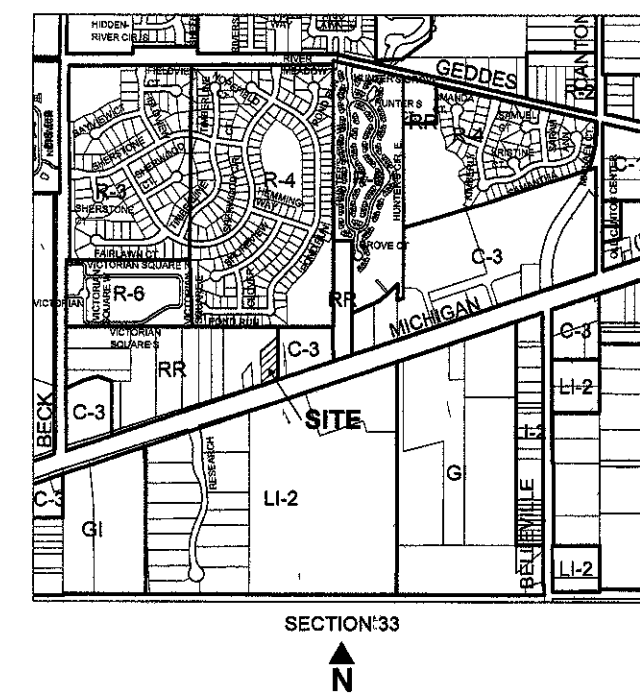
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**BEYDOUN REZONING** - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 131 99 0011 000 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL. Property is located north of Michigan Avenue and west of Canton Center Road.



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Vic Gustafson, Chairman

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## LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTORS

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS WAYNE AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the regular school election of the school district will be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2005.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2005, IS MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2005. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2005, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION.

To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office of your county, city or township clerk's office. Persons planning to register with the respective county, city or township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerk's office are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the State of Michigan

Linda J. Langmesser, CMC, Clerk  
City of Plymouth

## ADDENDUM

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Regular Biennial election of Schoolcraft Community College, Michigan, will be held in conjunction with the Regular School Election.

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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA APRIL 6, 2005

### "SPECIAL ZBA MEETING REGARDING IKEA"

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, April 6, 2005 AT 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD, CANTON, MI 48188. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Vicki Welty and Steven Johnson.

Acceptance of Agenda

- Bryan Amann of Brashear, Tangora, Gallagher, Creighton & Amann, 355 N. Canton Center, Canton, MI 48187 representing IKEA Property, Inc., 496 W. Germantown Pike, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462, for property located at 41660 Ford Road, appealing Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article 1, Section 102-9, 9. flag requirements, Article II, Section 102-35, 1, a, wall sign square footage requirements, Article II, Section 102-35, 4, a, e, ground sign requirements, Article II, Section 102-31, 12, height requirements, Article II, Section 102-31, 18, ground sign footage requirements to another ground sign. Zone C-3.

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# PCS lacrosse team opens season today

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

It would have been nice if the Plymouth-Canton-Salem boys' lacrosse team could have eased into its first official Michigan High School Athletic Association varsity season.

Unfortunately, there will be nothing easy about the Warriors' 2005 schedule, which features games against many of the most accomplished teams in the state.

"We were put into the same division as (Redford) Catholic Central, Ann Arbor Pioneer, Novi, Orchard Lake St. Mary's and Northville, all of which have strong programs," said PCS coach Mike Costello, whose team compiled an impressive 16-5 record in 2004. "One goal we have is to improve over the course of the season. The coaches have circled certain games on our schedule that we think we should win, or at least be competitive in. Then there are some other games in which we'll have a hard time competing."

"Talent wins out. Against the best teams, we're going to have to make every possession count."

The Warriors excelled as a club team the past two seasons, advancing to the Class C state title game.

"We have a dozen or so players returning from last year's varsity team and we have a lot of good junior-varsity players coming up, too," Costello said.

PCS, which will wear the colors of all three P-CEP high schools, will be captained by senior Cam Schambre and juniors Mitch French and Chris Sorensen. Schambre and senior Tim Schroeter are two of the Warriors' most talented defensive players. Sorensen is the starting goalie and French will provide some offensive surge from his mid-field position.

The Warriors' offensive attack will be spearheaded by attackmen Nick Cate, Jared Ruark and Mike Bahrou. Other key contributors include junior mid-fielder John Groat, sophomores Jeff Phillips (defenseman) and Austin Gubert, and freshman Ryan Gubert.

"We scrimmaged Country Day last week and that showed us that we still have a lot of work to do," Costello said. "I think our defense and goal-tending will be our strength, at least early in the season. I know the boys are extremely fired up for the first official varsity season. Everyone has been working hard during the off-season to get ready."

The Warriors open the season this afternoon at 3 p.m. against Ypsilanti. Their normal home field will be the P-CEP junior varsity football field, which is located just south of Plymouth High School, however, due to problems with the field, today's opener has been moved to Pioneer Middle School, which is located on Ann Arbor Rd., just west of Sheldon.

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# Attack power play dooms Whalers in game 2

BY RYAN DOHERTY  
CORRESPONDENT

The Plymouth Whalers surrendered five power-play goals to the Owen Sound Attack Saturday night at the Compuware Sports Arena, en route to a 6-1 loss in game two of their best-of-seven Ontario Hockey League Western Conference quarterfinal series.

The Whalers were whistled for 14 penalties in game two, and now find themselves down two-games-to-none to Owen Sound, a team that dominated the regular season series (3-0-1-0).

The Attack were called for their fair share of penalties also — 10 to be exact — but the Whalers failed to convert on any of their four power-play chances, while the Attack went five-for-10 with the man advantage. Many of the Attack power-play goals came after the midway point of the third period when the Whalers received six penalties in a seven-minute span. The Attack

scored three power-play goals during that time frame, much to the displeasure of coach Mike Vellucci.

"In my opinion, the referee quit the game at that point," said Vellucci. "Tonight's loss wasn't from a lack of effort, because we were prepared and played well. They had a hot goaltender and converted on the power play."

The Whalers found themselves down a goal just 50 seconds into the game. Plymouth defenseman Mike Knight was in the box for cross-checking, when Owen Sound's Patrick Jarrett (two goals, one assist) scored on a one-timer, beating the Whalers' Ryan Nie to the glove side.

Trailing 1-0, the Whalers continued to try and find some way to get a shot past the Attack's Mike Brown. Plymouth had several good scoring chances in the first, but Brown was there time after time, making one great save after another to keep the Whalers off the board in the

opening period. The Whalers outshot Owen Sound, 14-11, in the first, but Brown stood his ground. He shut out the Whalers in game one, and held them scoreless in game two until the last minute of the second period.

As the middle period got underway, the intensity and physical play started to pick up. The Whalers began to finish their checks, which seemed to fuel their offensive play and give them some momentum. Plymouth defenseman Mike Letizia's shot from the left point was tipped past Brown by center John Mitchell at the 9:42 mark, but the puck rang off of the far goal post and slid into the corner. Two minutes later, the Attack's Paul Bissonnette scored on the power play with a wrist shot from just inside the right blue line. The shot appeared to catch Nie off guard as it sailed over his glove hand into the top right corner.

The Attack added another power-play goal at the 15:53 mark, as Jarrett made a nice

move around the Plymouth defense, and slid the puck between Nie's pads, giving Owen Sound a 3-0 lead.

"We had the momentum and then they scored those two quick goals and that was a turning point in the game," Vellucci said.

Mitchell scored the Whalers' first goal of the playoffs with 55 seconds left in the period on a nice individual effort in front of the Owen Sound net. He deked Brown out of position, and snapped a wrist shot into the roof of the net, making it 3-1.

We needed that goal bad," said Mitchell. "That goal sparked our team heading into the third (period), but we got into some penalty trouble and couldn't recover."

Vellucci finished by saying: "We played good clean physical hockey tonight, but we didn't play dirty."

So far in the series the Whalers have had 10 power plays, compared to Owen Sound's 16.



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# PCA softball team will rely on youth

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

If the Plymouth Christian Academy softball team is going to come close to matching last year's impressive 13-8 record, several young players will have to make a solid first impression.

"We lost five key players from last year's team — including our top pitcher, catcher and the entire right side of the infield — so this will definitely be a rebuilding year for us," said PCA coach Dan Hammar. "We have 10 girls who haven't played a lot of organized softball, which will allow me to do a lot of teaching this year. I'm looking forward to this season."

Junior Justine Caine will be counted on to provide most of the mound work for the Eagles.

"Justine pitched in one or two games last year, but overall she doesn't have a lot of pitching experience," Hammar said.

Hammar's second pitching option is senior Liza Terkoski, who will open the season as the starting

shortstop. Terkoski will also serve as a co-captain along with Caine.

Freshman Kristy Carnavale will handle the catching duties for Hammar. The rest of the starting infield will be filled out by junior first baseman Rachel Wiard, sophomore second baseman Brooke Harris and senior third baseman Amy Anderson.

"Brooke started in the outfield for us last year," Hammar said. "She's probably the quickest girl on the team and should be one of our leading hitters. She'll bat somewhere near the top of the order. Amy is a third-year player who is very good defensively."

Patrolling the outfield for the Eagles will be a combination of senior Carissa Elenbaas, juniors Melissa Wroblewski and Liz Roberts, sophomore Stephanie White and freshman Bethany Constance.

The Eagles open their season April 4 at Lutheran Westland.

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# Agape softball team filled with talented freshmen

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Canton Agape Christian's softball team may be young, but it's not necessarily inexperienced.

"We have quite a few freshmen who will be starting, but most of them started last year as eighth-graders, so they do have experience," said first-year coach Bobby Stockman. "One of our returners is our top

pitcher, so I'm definitely optimistic. I think we'll have as good a shot as any of the other three teams to win the district."

The Wolverines will be led this season by senior pitcher Julie Schultz, who was one of the top producers on last year's 2-12 squad. Schultz will team up with starting catcher Katie Lambert to give the Wolverines one of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division's top batteries.

Rounding out Agape's infield will be freshman first baseman Valeta Martin, senior second baseman Jordan Owens, freshman shortstop Caroline Jungquist and senior third baseman Brittany Pierson, a co-captain and returning starter.

"Caroline is an excellent defensive shortstop," Stockman said. "She's only a freshman, but she started there last year. She has great range and a strong arm." Junior Lindsay Gant will

cover a lot of ground as the Wolverines' starting center fielder, and she will serve as the other co-captain. She'll be flanked by starting freshman left fielder Kayleigh Lemon, who also started in 2004.

"Right field is still up in the air," Stockman said.

The Wolverines will open the season April 8 at home against Plymouth Christian Academy.

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## Agape cheerleaders shine

The Canton Agape Christian varsity cheerleading squad finished fourth in Class D at the Michigan Cheerleading Coaches Association State Championship competition held March 12-13 at Saginaw Valley State University in University Center. Teams from across Michigan competed in the two-day meet.

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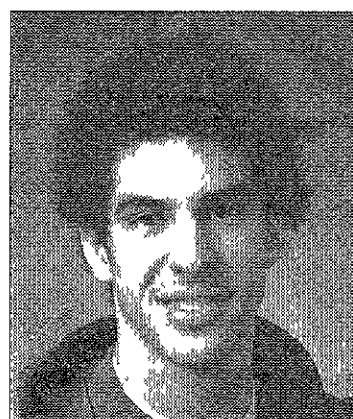
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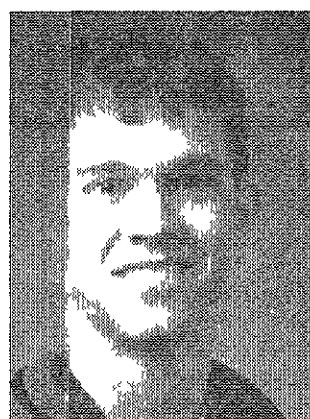
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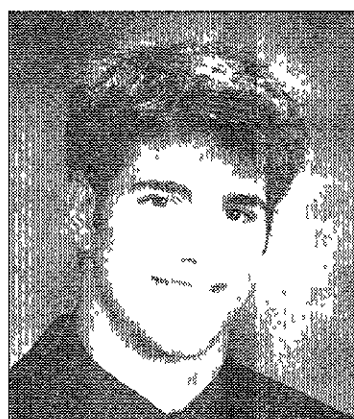




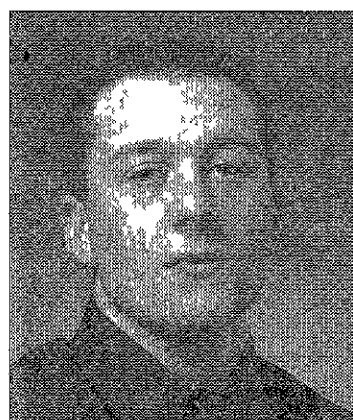
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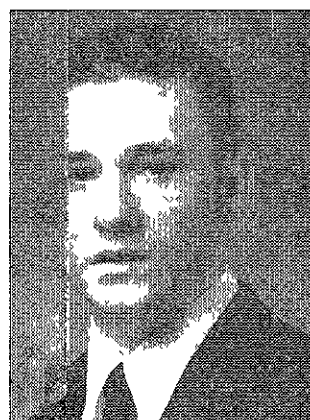
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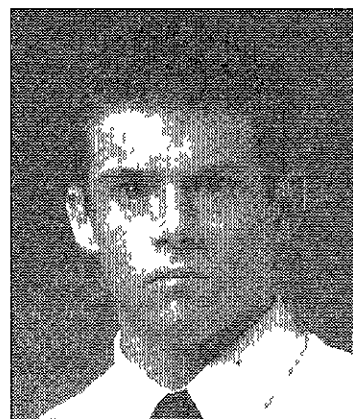
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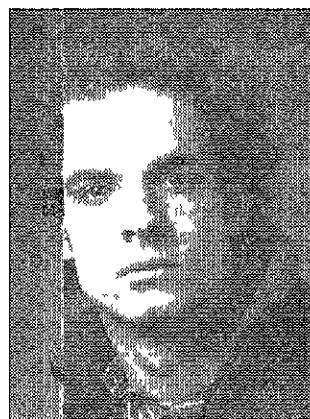
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**Todd Johnson**  
coach, Redford Catholic Central

## CC's Johnso able to pick up where mentr St. John left off

BY TIM SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

When Todd Johnson started as an assistant coach with the Redford Catholic Central varsity hockey team, he was given the opportunity to make some mistakes by then-head coach Gordon St. John.

That approach helped Johnson grow into an excellent coach and motivator in his own right.

"Gord, he gave me autonomy when I was an assistant to make mistakes," said Johnson, 35. "I'm eternally grateful for that."

Johnson learned well enough from his mentor to coach the Shamrocks to a 24-3-3 record and their seventh Division 1 state championship in eight years. He also was named 2004-05 Observerland Coach of the Year.

"I'm probably more of a tactician (and) I don't think I yell anywhere near as much as I used to," he said with a laugh.

It didn't hurt the second-year CC head coach to have a stable of talented players, of which six made the Observerland first or second team.

"We talked all year about how there was a very good chance we'd have a good won-lost record with so many experienced players back," said Johnson, who played hockey and golf at CC in his senior year, 1986-87.

But in order to bring the championship back to CC after

'We four kids we truly believe championships and team successes are just a part of our program. (The) as big a part of our program as moving these guys to junior hockey and college hockey.'

Todd Johnson

on an absence, Johnson emphasized the importance of paying attention to detail and doing things the right way — and not get hung up so much on the record or individual stats.

"I pushed them to do little things in practice, little things off the ice, to remind them it isn't going to be easy come playtime," he said. "For the most part, they bought into that."

King when and how to adjust their opponent and the situation of a particular game, CC took matters in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League and then really clicked during postseason. The Sharks went 6-0, sweeping past opponents in the D-1 stationals and finishing up with victories over Brighton, Clarn and East Kentwood.

"Guys accepting roles is a huge part of any championship team," Johnson said. "And these guys did that great."

Johnson, meanwhile, made sure to note that the 2004-05 team's success owed a lot to the contributions of assistant coaches St. John, Mike Porter and Jim McGroom and managers Mike Giordano and Evan Ambrose.

He added that although the team strives to excel and win championships, it's only one aspect of the CC hockey program.

"We tell our kids we truly believe championships and team successes are just a part of our program," Johnson said. "(They're) as big a part of our program as moving these guys on to junior hockey and college hockey. You can't do that just throwing pucks on the ice and saying, 'let's go.'"

High school hockey is just a part of Johnson's busy life. He resides in Grosse Ile with his wife Amy and two children (son Evan, 3; daughter Emma, 1). After earning a marketing degree from Eastern Michigan University, he went on to become a salesman with APAC Paper & Packaging Corp. in Allen Park.

Also after college, Johnson returned to his high school alma mater in 1995 to join St. John's coaching staff. Following five years as an assistant and three as co-coach, he took over head coaching duties before the 2003-04 season.

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## ALL-AREA TEAMS

### FIRST TEAM

**Ross Tashjian, Jr. G, Redford CC:** Another Shamrock named to the Michigan High School Hockey Coaches Association All State and Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League first teams, he sparkled in tandem with sophomore Bryan Hogan.

Tashjian (12-12, 150, 920) finished off his season in fine fashion with a 4-0 shutout of East Kentwood in the Division 1 state championship game at Compuware. For the season, he registered three shutouts and shared a fourth with Hogan.

Coach Johnson said there was a 10 game stretch where Tashjian posted a save percentage of .940 which is unheard of in any high level of hockey.

Quickness, poise and strong desire to win were some of the reasons for that kind of streak and for his overall outstanding season.

"He's very athletic, extremely competitive," said Johnson about Tashjian, who was named CC's Rookie of the Year.

**Tim Buttry, Jr. Def., Redford CC:** Whatever situation the Shamrocks were faced with during their championship season, they could count on the 5-11, 175-pound Buttry. He set the power play and penalty kill with his steady play, which coach Todd Johnson likened to that of Detroit Red Wings star Nicklas Lidstrom.

Buttry scored three goals and 26 assists, and was selected First-Team All State by the MHSCHA and MIHL, along with being named CC's "Best Defenseman" by his teammates.

"Our opponents sure understand and respect Timmy Buttry," Johnson said. "Because you can't beat him one-on-one."

An example of that came in the Division 1 state final against East Kentwood when Buttry took the puck through the neutral zone and over the blue line before setting up a clutch goal.

**Kevin Horal, Sr. Def., Redford CC:** The captain of the D-1 state champions scored a huge game-winning goal in January against Orchard Lake St. Mary's that coach Johnson said gave the Shamrocks "a ton of confidence."

That seemed to jump-start an incredible run for CC which finished 24-3-3. Horal (three goals, 21 assists) delivered his physical presence and tape-to-tape passes on the breakout in addition to solid leadership. Those aspects of his overall game were reasons he earned selection to the MHSCHA All-State and MIHL first teams as well as selection as CC's best defensive player.

But Horal also contributed mightily on offense.

"His ability to move the puck up the ice on breakouts was key to getting our skilled forwards in motion," said Johnson, adding that Horal hopes to earn a walk on spot with Michigan State next year.

**Harrison Niemann, Sr. F, Redford CC:** An offensive machine who will play in the talented United States Hockey League (Major, Jr. League) next season, Niemann led the Shamrocks with 16 goals and 36 assists. He was one of four CC players to make the MHSCHA All State and MIHL first teams.

He's a perfect guy for a coach, said coach Johnson, because he's big, strong, physical, skilled, unselfish in passing the puck and he's got a great shot.

Niemann displayed that over and over during the regular season and playoffs, where he set a postseason school record for points with 15 — including nine goals. His one-timer in the first minute of the third period

against Farmington Unified in the D1 regional final helped the Shamrocks squeak out a victory.

Johnson said Niemann has the potential to become a "top-two-line player for any CCHA school."

**Justin Stadler, Sr. F, Liv. Churchill:** The senior earned first-team All-State honors in Division I and also was named to the All Western Lakes Activities Association squad.

In 24 games, Stadler had 19 goals and 25 assists for 44 points with a plus-17 rating. He also scored five game-winning goals and was Churchill's MVP.

Justin was a threat to score every shift. Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni said "To put those kind of numbers with the amount of attention he got from our opponents is a great testament to his ability."

**Shawn Anderson, Jr. F, Liv. Stevenson:** The junior center earned All-Western Lakes scoring honors tying with a league-high 33 points in 24 games. Anderson had a total of 24 goals and 22 assists for 46 points.

"Shawn was probably the best all-around player I saw all year," Stevenson coach Mike Humitz said. "And he's probably the best I've had at Stevenson because he can handle the one-on-one situation, is a great athlete, and comes to play every night."

Whenever he plays well, we win."

### SECOND TEAM

**Mike Kondratek, Sr. Def., Canton:** Kondratek's first season of high school hockey was a successful one as the multi-talented senior defenseman compiled 19 goals and 27 assists in 22 games. Canton was a much stronger team when he was on the ice, which is proven by his incredible plus-53 plus/minus rating.

Mike was probably one of the best players in the entire state this past season, said Canton coach Mike Behn. "He was one of the top '87's last year when he played for Honeybaked team but he wanted to concentrate more on academics this year so he decided to play high school hockey. Our team definitely benefited from that decision."

**Mychaels Evans, Sr. F, Redford CC:** It's the perfect analogy to call Evans the Kris Draper of CC, said coach Johnson. Evans (14 goals, 19 assists) made things happen with speed and relentless forechecking, creating offense while also excelling in penalty killing and power-play duties.

He was rewarded by being selected to the MHSCHA All-State and MIHL first teams.

The season reflected the growth Evans has made during his three-year career with the Shamrocks.

"He's one of those kids that started as a sophomore and dressed for only three games," Johnson said. "He dreamed about making a contribution and worked himself into an All-Stater."

Evans is planning on playing next season in the Eastern Jr. A League, based in Vermont.

**Robert Lippe, Sr. F, Redford Unified:** The four-year varsity player scored 15 goals and tallied 23 assists to lead his team to the first Mega Red championship in four years.

"He has exceptional all-around skills," said Redford Unified first-year coach Larry Singer. "He sees the ice well. He's just very receptive to coaching."

For his efforts, Lippe earned a spot on the All Mega conference team and was named the team MVP, a testament to his leadership, work ethic and play on the ice.

According to Singer, it says a lot when the guys you lead tell you you're their MVP.

### 2004-05 ALL-OBSERVER BOYS HOCKEY TEAMS (selected by the sports staff)

#### FIRST TEAM

G - Ross Tashjian, Jr., Redford CC  
D - Tim Buttry, Jr., Redford CC  
D - Kevin Horal, Sr., Redford CC  
F - Harrison Niemann, Sr., Redford CC  
F - Justin Stadler, Sr., Liv. Churchill  
F - Shawn Anderson, Jr., Liv. Stevenson

#### SECOND TEAM

D - Mike Kondratek, Sr., Canton  
F - Mychaels Evans, Sr., Redford CC  
F - Justin Stadler, Sr., Redford Unified  
F - Jason Lewarne, Sr., Redford CC  
F - Justin Tonti, Sr., Liv. Churchill  
F - Dan Kozlowski, Jr., Liv. Franklin

#### THIRD TEAM

G - Scott Lewan, Soph., Liv. Churchill  
D - Craigen Bauldry, Sr., Salem  
D - Phil Wendeker, Jr., Liv. Churchill  
F - Dan Barczuk, Jr., Redford CC  
F - Marcus Vornan, Soph., Liv. Stevenson  
F - Reece McCabe, Sr., Canton

#### FOURTH TEAM

G - Bryan Hogan, Soph., Redford CC  
G - Justin Desilets, Soph., Plymouth  
G - Kit Pruchnik, Sr., Liv. Stevenson  
D - Adam Sillkin, Sr., Salem  
F - Eddy Brown, Sr., Redford Unified  
F - Mike Oakleaf, Sr., Redford CC

#### COACH OF THE YEAR

Todd Johnson, Redford CC

#### HONORABLE MENTION

Catholic Central: Chris New, Colin Ronayne, Wade Laveer, Adam McGee, Redford Unified: Brandon Baily, Tom Anderson, Nick Fischback, Chris Donahue, Nick Kinney, Churchill: Brandon Mishowski, Mike Fierk, Joe Gessler, Franklin: Bert Smith, Alex Chisholm, Garrett Radford, D.J. Tracy, Stevenson: Erik Anderson, Dan Lamonica, Jason Mfsud, Canton: Garrett Hyman, Tony Hyiko, Pat Davison, Kevin Tollison, Salem: Brandon DeMars, Tommy Cooper, David Carey, Plymouth: Ryan Stamm, Brandon Winowiecki

**Jason Lewarne, Sr. F, Redford CC:** He thrived for the Shamrocks after being moved early in the season from center to left wing and tallied 19 goals and 19 assists.

His contributions impressed enough for him to be selected to the MHSCHA All-State first team and MIHL second team.

Lewarne, who will play next year in the USHL, is a "tremendous left wing with great offensive skills, awesome hands and a pro-caliber wrist shot," said coach Johnson.

Another plus is his ability to "abuse guys one-on-one" with his stick handling, said Johnson, noting a play he made against a Clarkson defenseman in the D-1 state semifinal that led to an important goal.

**Justin Tonti, Sr. F, Livonia Churchill:** The third year senior who scored nine goals and added 21 assists in 24 games earned first-team Division I All-State and All-Lakes Division honors.

Tonti also had a plus-18 rating.

"Justin had a great senior year," Mazzoni said. "He's a solid, two-way player. He took every face-off and was a great leader."

**Dan Kozlowski, Jr. F, Livonia Franklin:** In 23 games, the junior center scored 23 goals and added 15 assists with a plus-13 rating.

The All-WLAA pick and Division II honorable mention All-Stater also sported a 26.8 percent scoring average.

"Dan was a true asset to the team, a real leader," Franklin coach Terry Jobbitt said. "As good as he played this year, we look for even greater things from him next year."



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# PCA sluggers set '05 goals high for season

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Christian Academy baseball coach Kurt Johnston would like to see his team make a little history this season.

"No Plymouth Christian team has ever won a regional in any sport, so that's something I'd like to try to accomplish this season," Johnston said.

Johnston's goal is not far-fetched considering the Eagles are returning several key play-

ers from last year's Class D district-championship squad.

The top returnee could be senior pitcher/shortstop Andrew Shoemaker, who led the Eagles in mound victories in 2004.

"Andrew is a workhorse on the mound," Johnston said. "He's not just a pitcher though. He's an all-around great baseball player. I call him 'Mr. Baseball.'"

Sharing the majority of the hurling duties with Shoemaker will be seniors Eric Immerfall and Stephen Sumner. Sumner

will rotate with Shoemaker at shortstop and Immerfall is slotted to play first base.

"Last year was Stephen's first year of baseball since the eighth grade and he really played well," Johnston said. "He throws in the high 70's right now, but I think we'll see him hitting the 80's before too long."

Providing the target for the talented pitching staff will be senior catcher Aaron Ciborowski, who is equipped with a potent bat and arm.

"Aaron is one of our best hitters, and he's a threat to throw just about anybody out who tries to steal against him," Johnston said. "He hit two grand slams last year, one when we came back to beat Plymouth, 13-11."

First-year senior Bob Unis will open the season as the Eagles' starting second baseman. The starting third-base job was still up for grabs, according to Johnston.

The starting outfield is set. Senior Jordan Johnston —

Kurt's son — will start in left-footed senior Nathar Bixler will patrol center as sophomore Matt Saagman earned the right to start int. Other key contributors include seniors Jesse Predhomme, Jordan Stothers, Jared Stcs, Alex Haney and Adam Ca; juniors T.J. Miller and Kei Baruta; sophomores Trevell and Devyn Govan; and freshmen Trevor Zinn and Mit Geracz.

"Southfield Christian we

the team to beat in the conference," Johnston said, referring to the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title chase. "They won the league and the regional last year. Allen Park Inter-City Baptist will also be strong."

Ron Sumner and Keith Saagman fill out the coaching staff for the Eagles, who open their season Monday at Lutheran Westland.

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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS-MARCH 22, 2005

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, March 22, 2005, at 1150 Canton Center S. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Bennett, Caccamo, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Durack, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin, Director Faas **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Board Study Minutes of March 1, 2005. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Board Minutes of March 8, 2005. Kirchgatter made a motion, supported by LaJoy to amend the March 8, 2005 Board Minutes due to causing confusion, removing all text after February 22, 2005 and dollars. Motion carried unanimously. **Payment of Bills** Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Caccamo to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. **Expenditure Recap for March 22, 2005** General Fund 101 \$361,158.89, Fire Fund 206 75,057.05, Police Fund 207 140,236.17, Summit Operating 208 50,471.41, Street Lighting 219 18,511.39, Cable TV Fund 230 1,905.35, Public Improvement 245 195.00, E-911 Utility 261 321.02, Auto Forfeiture(wwa) 267 1,074.00, Federal Grants Fund 274 1,182.00, Auto Theft Grant 289 1,220.95, Downtown Dev. Auth. 294 8,131.83, Cap Proj-Summit Const 402 31,464.13, Golf Fund 584 26,320.77, Water & Sewer Fund 592 658,683.94, Trust & Agency Fund 701 6,024.00, Post Employ. Benefits 736 36,332.39, **Total - All Funds 1,418,290.39**

### CONSENT CALENDAR:

**Item 1. ADOPTION OF ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION POLICY. (TREASURER)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the Automated Clearing House Policy and the Resolution to Authorize Electronic Transactions as required by Michigan Statute. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 2. APPROVING INVESTMENT AGENCIES. (TREASURER)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin that the Canton Township Treasurer or her designees be authorized to utilize the investment services of Bank One/Chase/J.P. Morgan Securities, Comerica Bank, Standard Federal, TCF Bank, Huntington Bank, Smith Barney, UBS, Key Victory, Community Bank of Dearborn, MBIA Class, National City Bank, Fifth Third Bank/Fifth Third Securities, Flagstar Bank, Republic Bank, Multibanks Securities, Ambassador Capital Management, Cambridge Investment Group, Best Bank/Guaranty Bank, The Private Bank/Bank of Bloomfield Hills, Merrill Lynch and Citicorp's Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 3. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR OAKWOOD HEALTHCARE'S AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and placement of signs on April 1, 2005 and removal on April 5, 2005 for Oakwood Healthcare's American Red Cross Blood Drive held on Tuesday, April 5, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 4. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR H.E.A.R.T.'S (HEART-TRANSPLANT EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE RELIEF TEAM) CLASSIC CAR SHOW. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and placement of signs with removal at the end of the day for H.E.A.R.T.'s Classic Car Show on June 26, 2005, in the Wal-Mart/Sam's Club parking lot. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 5. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR CHRISTMAS IN ACTION. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and placement of signs on April 23, 2005 for the Christmas in Action Work Day, Saturday April 30, 2005, with the removal of signs on Saturday, May 7, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 6. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS FOR AAA MICHIGAN'S RACE DAY. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status for AAA Michigan's "Race Day", June 22, 2005, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 2017 Canton Center. Motion carried unanimously.

### GENERAL CALENDAR:

**Item 1. CONSIDER SITE PLAN FOR CHERRY HILL VILLAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adopt the resolution for site plan approval for the Cherry Hill Elementary School. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan Approval for the Cherry Hill Elementary School** WHEREAS, the Project Sponsors, Plymouth Canton community Schools, have requested site plan approval for a new elementary school to be located on the northeast corner of Cherry Hill and Denton Road (Tax EDP #: 067-99-0011-702); and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the proposed site plan to be CONSISTENT with the development objectives of the Township and recommended APPROVAL of the site plan; and, WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed site plan and determines the proposal to be CONSISTENT with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the site plan for the proposed elementary school on parcel no. 067-99-0011-702, subject to compliance with any conditions contained herein and all other regulations of the Township.

**Item 2. CONSIDER SINGH REZONING. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for rezoning of Singh Development. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Rezoning Request of Singh Development** WHEREAS, the petitioner has requested approximately 6.577 acres of land located east of Canton Center Road between Palmer and Geddes Roads be rezoned from R-1, Single-Family Residential to R-6, Single-Family Attached Residential District; and, WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan; and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the request; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the petitioner to rezone property identified by property tax EDP # 107-99-0003-002 and the westerly 870 feet of tax EDP # 107-99-0003-001, from R-1, Single Family Residential to R-6, Single-Family Attached Residential District.

**Item 3. CONSIDER PULTE HOMES REZONING. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for Pulte Homes Rezoning. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Rezoning Request of Pulte Homes Rezoning** WHEREAS, the petitioner has requested approximately 139 acres of land located south of Denton Road between Denton and Barr Roads be rezoned from RA, Rural Agriculture, RR, Rural Residential, R-1, Single-Family Residential R-2, Single-Family Residential Districts to R-2 and R-3, Single-Family Residential Districts; and, WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan; and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the request; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the petitioner to rezone property identified by I move to recommend approval of the request to rezone tax EDP #s 121-99-0012-

000 and 121-99-0013-000 from RR, Rural Residential; tax EDP # 121-99-0024-002 from RA, Rural Agriculture; and tax EDP #s 121-99-0025-000, 121-99-0026-000, 121-99-0027-000, 121-99-0028-000, 121-99-0029-000, 121-99-0030-000, 121-99-0031-000, and 121-99-0032-000 from R-1, Single-Family Residential; to R-2, Single-Family Residential District and approval of the request to rezone tax EDP #s 121-99-0014-000, 121-99-0015-001, 121-99-0015-002, and 124-99-0002-000 from RR, Rural Residential; and tax EDP #s 121-99-0038-000 and 124-99-0001-000 from RA, Rural Agricultural; to R-3, Single-Family Residential District.

**Item 4. CONSIDER SPECIAL LAND USE FOR CAR WASH AND DRIVE-THROUGH RESTAURANT. (MELODY'S GOURMET MARKET) (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for special land use for a Car Wash and Drive-Through Restaurant (Melody's Gourmet Market.) Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Special Land Use for a Car Wash and Drive-Through Restaurant (Melody's Gourmet Market)** WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor has requested special land use approval for a car wash and drive-through restaurant located north of Michigan Avenue and west of Haggerty Road (Tax EDP #s 137-99-0001-000 and 137-99-0002-001); and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the proposed special land uses to be CONSISTENT with the development objectives of the Township and recommended APPROVAL; and, WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed request for special land use approval and determines the proposal to be CONSISTENT with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the special land use approval for a car wash and drive-through restaurant located north of Michigan Avenue and west of Haggerty Road on tax EDP #s 137-99-0001-000 and 137-99-0002-001; and subject to all other regulations of the Township.

**Item 5. CONSIDER REQUEST TO PAY INVOICE FOR PRIVATE ROAD INSPECTION SERVICES AT THE RIVER'S EDGE OF CHERRY HILL VILLAGE FROM EXISTING ESCROW ACCOUNT. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize payment of the Inspection Services Company, Inc. invoice in the amount of \$18,888.75 from account number 592-000-288-0000 for the services performed in inspecting the road construction in the Cherry Hill Village - River's Edge development. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 6. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF WATERCAD 7.0 RELATED SERVICE AND TRAINING. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the purchase of Haested Methods for the purchase of WaterCAD Version 7.0, WaterCAD service subscription, SewerCAD service subscription, and training for two individuals on WaterCAD for an amount not to exceed \$10,000 (Water and Sewer Fund, account number 592-441-977-2580) Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 7. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT VEHICLES FOR THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the purchase of One (1) 2005 GMC 2500 Savanna Cargo Van at \$14,944.00 (water and sewer capital outlay account #592-000-142-0000); and One (1) 2005 Chevrolet Trailblazer at \$21,401.85 (water and sewer capital outlay account #592-000-142-0000); and Two (2) 2005 GMC 4X2-2500 pick-ups at \$16,585.00 (water and sewer capital outlay account #592-000-142-0000) each from Red Holman GMC, under the Oakland County Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, all to be funded from the water and sewer fund; and further, move to approve the purchase of One (1) 2005 Ford Explorer at \$21,576.50 (general fund capital outlay account #101-371-977-0000) from Signature Ford, under the Macomb County Cooperative Purchasing Program, to be funded from the general fund. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 8. REQUEST TO EXTEND THE WEED CUTTING CONTRACT FOR M.S.T. & L. INC. FOR THE 2005 WEED CUTTING PROGRAM. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to award the 2005 Weed Cutting Program to M.S.T. & L., Inc. in the amount of \$47.94 per acre/lot (Contractual Services - Weed Cutting, 101-821-823-0000.) Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 9. AUTHORIZE AWARD OF BID FOR THE SPRING 2005 SHELDON AND LILLEY ROADS TREE PLANTING PROGRAM. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the award of bid for tree planting and watering for the Spring 2005 Lilley and Sheldon Road Tree Planting to Arbor Green Landscaping for a total of \$98,310.00 plus a contingency for tree and stump removal of \$10,000 for a total purchase order of \$108,310.00 (account no. 101-285-970-0000.) Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 10. CONSIDER AWARDING ENGINEERING SERVICES TO NORTHWEST CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR THE 2005 SIDEWALK GAP PROGRAM. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the engineering design consulting services for the 2005 Sidewalk Gap Program to Northwest Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$17,786 plus a 10% design contingency for a not-to-exceed amount of \$19,565 (ROW Engineering Maintenance, account # 101-441-803-0000.) Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 11. REQUEST TO AMEND INTERIOR ENVIRONMENTS' FURNITURE PURCHASE ORDER. (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve increasing the Purchase Order previously issued to Interior Environments LLC, 26911 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield, Michigan, 48034 by \$26,000 (Administration and Public Safety construction/renovation project # 402-302-975-0000) for the purchase of additional furnishings, parts to rebuild two cubicles and finish installation of the track filing.) Roll call vote: Ayes: Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo Nays: Caccamo Motion carried.

**Item 12. CREATE AND FILL NETWORK TECHNICIAN POSITION. (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the creation and filling of Network Technician position in Information Technology Services Division. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 13. APPROVE ZERO LEASE AGREEMENT FOR TEAM VEHICLE. (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution for zero lease agreement for team vehicle. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLVED**, that the Charter Township of Canton is hereby authorized to lease from Blackwell Ford, a 2005 Ford Explorer VIN 1FMZU73K26ZA49393 for a two year period commencing on March 31, 2005. **RESOLVED FURTHER**, that Thomas J. Yack, the Supervisor and Terry G. Bennett, the Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton, whose authorized signatures are set forth below, be and are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute and deliver to Blackwell Ford such contracts, leases and other documents as may be requested by Blackwell Ford in connection with such lease of said vehicle. **RESOLVED FURTHER**, that Blackwell Ford is authorized to act upon this resolution until written notice of its revocation is delivered to Blackwell Ford at its principal place of business in Plymouth, Michigan. I, Terry G. Bennett, Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of resolutions of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of said Board of Trustees duly and regularly held on the twenty second day of March, 2005. I further certify that said resolutions are still in full force and effect and have not been amended or revoked, and that the specimen signature appearing above is the signature of the officer of this corporation authorized to sign purchase contracts or leases for and on behalf of this corporation. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton and affixed the corporate seal this 23rd day of March, 2005.

**Item 14. BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR EQUIPMENT FOR ESCAPE SYSTEM - FIRE. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following Budget amendment to create a new

Police Capital Line item for emergency purchase of a Yates Kevlar Belts for Fire Escape System & R Products Company, 158 Wallace Ave., Downingtown, PA, 1930r an amount of \$4688.46. Motion carried unanimously. **Issue Revenues:** Fund Balance Appropriation #206-000-6900 \$4689, **Increase Appropriations:** Capital Outlay-Equipment #336-977-0000 \$4689

**Item 15. PURCHASE OF 2PONTIAC BONNEVILLE SE FOR DETECTIVE BUREAU. (B)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of 2005 Pontiac Bonneville SE through the Oakland County Program for an amount of \$20,114.00 (2005 Police Capital Outlay account 207-301-977-0000.) Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 16. EMERGENCY CHASE OF A HIGH VOLUME, HIGH QUALITY COPIER RECORDS BUREAU. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following Budget amendment to create a Police Capital Line item for the emergency purchase of a Min DiAlta, Di650 copier from National Business Machines, 35744 Fed., Westland, MI 48185 for \$9,500.00. Motion carried unanimously. **Increase Revenues:** Fund Balance Appropriation #207-000-699) \$9500.00, **Increase Appropriations:** Capital Outlay-Equipment #301-977-0000 \$9500.00

**Item 17. PURCHASE OF INTEROPERABILITY SYSTEM. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of the Interoperability Communication Unit for installation to our current dispatch system through the Michigan Contract with Motorola in the amount of \$51,400.00 (account #101-860-977-0000, Homeland Security Grant Fund.) Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 18. POLICE MOTOCLE INSTRUCTOR TRAINING FOR OFC. MARINELLI. (B)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve travel training expenses for Officer J. Marinelli to attend Police Motorcycle Instructor Training in Memphis, Tennessee through Northwa University Traffic Institute, total cost \$4,210.20 (acct no. 207-952-0000, Police Training Account.) Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 19. CANTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES BY-LAWS, 5.1 (REVISION) AND 5.1.1 (ACTION). (SUPERVISOR)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Caccamo to table the Canton Board of Trustees revise Rule 5.1 by replacing the word "day" to "Wednesday" and add Rule 5.1.1. All materials to be rebuted (paper copies) and shown electronically by Canton Board members to their other board members shall be submitted to the Supervisory office for inclusion into the Board packet by noon on Thursday preceding the next regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 20. SUPPORT OF CANTON TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS FOR EDUCATIONAL CHOICE. (OD CACCAMO)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Caccamo to approve the resolution for educational choice. Motion denied. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON** WHEREAS, the portions of Canton Township located in Van Buren and Wayne-Westland School Districts are not currently being provided with schools that adhere to the stated goal of the Michigan Department of Education of integrating schools with the communities in which they serve, and WHEREAS, the residents of the portions of Canton Township have sought to have their properties transferred to the Plymouth Canton Community School District, and WHEREAS, the residents have petitioned to move out of Van Buren Township Schools and into Plymouth Canton Community School and the Canton Township Board of Trustees believes that having Canton children attend schools that are located in and integrated into the community in which they live and play will foster a more cohesive community and make Canton a better place to live, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Canton Board of Trustees, on the Van Buren School District to develop and implement a plan to construct an elementary school in the Canton portion of the district. Furthermore, the Canton Board of Trustees calls on the Buren and Wayne-Westland School Districts to both develop a plan to improve the integration of their district with the Canton community consistent with the Michigan Department of Education's goal of fostering a partnership between the schools and the communities that they serve. Included in these plans should be strong consideration of the Canton community in any new high school or middle school buildings. To the extent the respective school districts develop concrete, well thought out plans to serve the residents of Canton, Canton Township Board of Trustees will support the districts in the same manner and with the same vigor that it has supported the Plymouth Canton Community School District in similar endeavors in the past. If either the Van Buren School District or Wayne-Westland School District fails to take these actions within two years, the Canton Township Board of Trustees embraces and supports the efforts of Canton residents to seek entry into the Plymouth Canton Community School District. Motion by LaJoy, seconded by Caccamo to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON** WHEREAS, the portions of Canton Township located in the Vauren and Wayne-Westland School Districts are not currently being provided with schools that adhere to the stated goal of the Michigan Department of Education of integrating schools with the communities in which they serve, and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Board of Trustees believes that having Canton children at schools that are located in and integrated with the community which they live and play will foster a more cohesive community and make Canton a better place to live, **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Canton Board of Trustees will work with Cantesidents and Van Buren Schools to better serve the residents of Canton by improving communications with Canton residents; that the Canton Board of Trustees working in partnership with Van Buren Schools to locate a school either in or closer to Canton portion of the district; and develop plans to improve the integration of their district with the Canton Community consistent with Michigan Department of Education stated goal of fostering a partnership between the school and the community they serve. To the extent this partnership is successful, the Canton Board of Trustees will support the district in the same manner and with the same vigor that has supported the Plymouth Canton Community School District in the past.

**Item 21. AWARD BID FOR PRINTING SPRING/SUMMER DISCOVER BROCHURE. (B)** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award the bid for printing of the Summer/Spring 2005 Discover program guide to S & Graphic Solutions, P.O. Box 871296, Canton, MI 48187 in the amount of \$12,865 to be paid from account #s 208-757-900-0000, 101-691-9000, 101-672-900-0000, 211-756-900-0000, 101-755-900-0000 and 1-750-900-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 22. ADDENDUM TO OFFER TO PURCHASE MICHIGAN AVE. - CANTON CENTER/PROPERTY 6.72 ACRES - TAX IDENTIFICATION #71-134-0014-0000. (CLERK)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the addendum to the Offer to Purchase Real Estate, existing of approximately 6.72 acres, located at Michigan Avenue - Canton Center Road, Tax Identification # 71-134-99-0014-000. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett to table this item for further questions. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item 23. CHANGE ORDER FOR BUILDING SECURITY SYSTEM. (ACSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve change orders for the Building Security System contract with Advanced Satellite Communications for \$9,095.85 (Account #402-302-975-0000, Building Construction.) Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN:** Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 11:45 p.m. —

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor  
TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

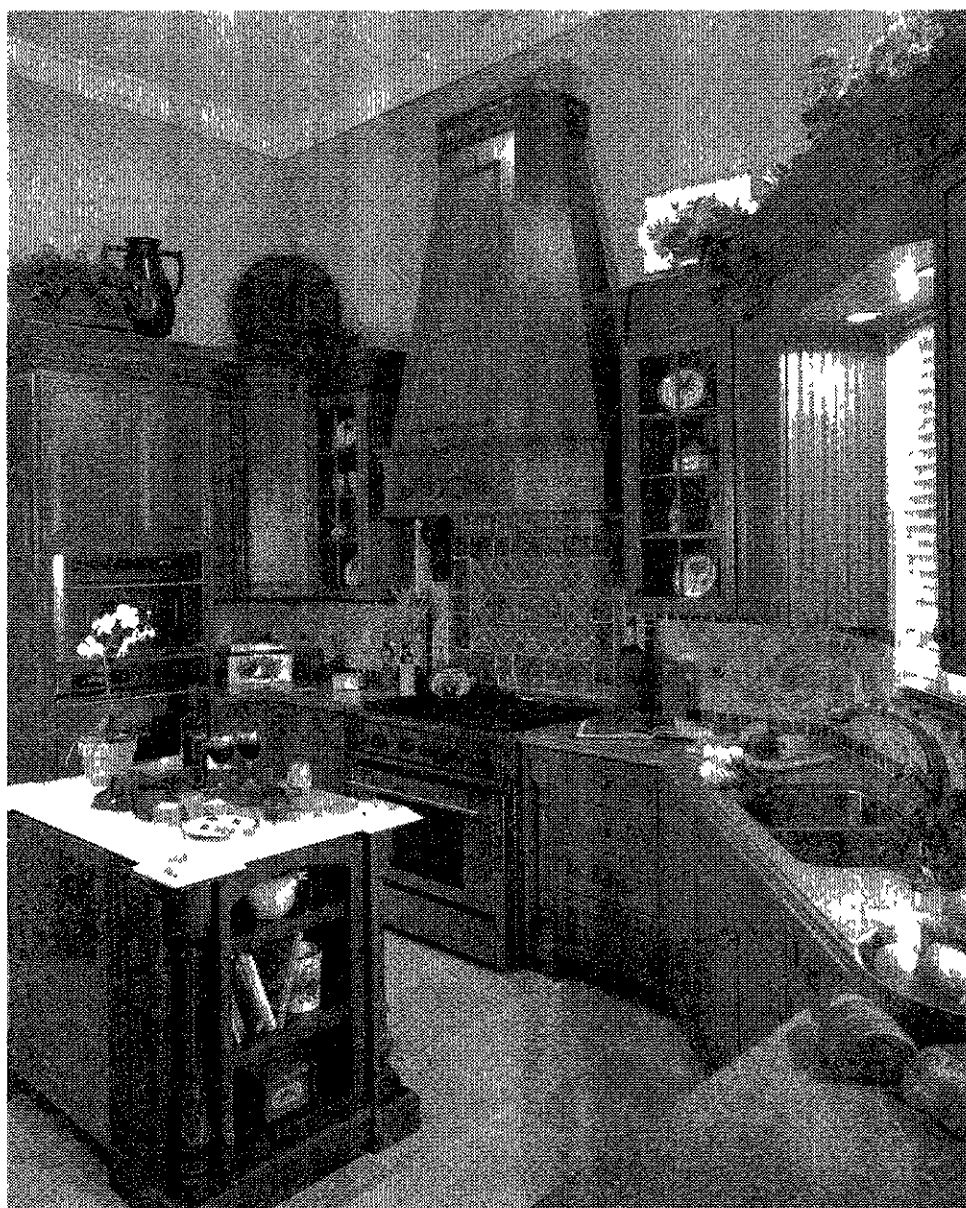
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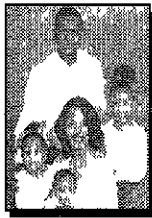


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# Controversial priests chronicle 'Tumultuous Times' in the Catholic church

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

Francisco Radecki had always wanted to be a priest since he was a young boy growing up in Toledo. Many of his relatives had chosen the religious life, and he and his twin brother, Dominic, were ready to do the same.

"Everything started changing when I was in the fifth or sixth grade," he said. "It's so radically different because you're taught one thing and then told everything you were taught is wrong. It made a real impression on me when I was small."

What changed in the Roman Catholic church followed Vatican II, the church council called in 1962 by Pope John XXIII. The council ushered in a number of changes including an ecumenical approach to other religions; changes in the Mass, including using the vernacular language instead of Latin; allowing Saturday Mass to meet the Sunday obligation; the renaming of some Sacraments; and other changes.

Rather than stay in the established Catholic Church, Radecki and his brother instead became followers of the traditional Catholic movement. They attended a seminary together in Idaho and were ordained in 1988 as members of the Congregation of Mary Immaculate Queen. Radecki, pastor of St. Joseph Church in Wayne, answers to a bishop in Omaha, Neb., not Cardinal Adam Maida in Detroit. The nearest affiliated churches are in Grand Rapids and Akron, Ohio, though Radecki said there are other "traditional-style" churches in the Detroit area where Mass is still said in Latin.

Recently Radecki and his brother released a book that outlines the traditional Catholic criticisms of Vatican II and the popes since Pius XII, whom they consider anti-popes. The new book, *Tumultuous Times: Twenty General Councils of the Catholic Church & Vatican II and Its Aftermath* follows an

earlier book critical of the council, *What Has Happened to the Catholic Church*.

Radecki admits that his positions are controversial, but he said he and his brother have done extensive research to support their point of view. The book draws from scholarly works as well as the popular press, but Radecki concedes to having a definite point of view.

"Basically councils would defend the Catholic faith and define Catholic doctrine, and Vatican II just started a whole new theology," he said. "Ecumenism, the idea that there's truth in all religion, that the Catholic church isn't the true church any longer. The radical departure from the Mass, changing the offertory and consecration and communion. Those were things that were never touched from the time of Christ."

## QUESTIONS PAPAL LEGITIMACY

*Tumultuous Times* begins with a history of the previous church councils from the Council of Nicaea in 325 to the first Vatican Council in 1869. The book gives the history of the councils, the particular concerns that brought the church leaders together and the heresies that the councils acted against. The second half of the book deals with the political and religious arguments of Vatican II from the conservative perspective of traditional Catholics.

Radecki said he and other traditional Catholics accept the authority of a "legitimate" pope, but he does not accept the popes from John XXIII on as legitimate.

"You can't be a Communist and a pope or a Mason and

the pope at the same time. We believe they are anti-popes," he said.

He said he accepts the principle of papal infallibility but only if the pope is "legitimate." He said the changes created by Vatican II are contrary to earlier church teachings and any pope who supports those changes isn't a legitimate pope.

His book also asserts that John XXIII and John Paul II had socialist leanings that were contrary to the teachings of the church.

In the book, the Radeckis write, "John XXIII's *Mater et Magistra* (a papal encyclical) represents a striking departure from Catholic social principles. In this encyclical, they sought to further the general welfare through socialism rather than by the kingship of Christ."

Radecki acknowledged that

the Soviet Union collapsed during John Paul II's reign, but he said the pope hasn't done enough to condemn Communism, even on a visit to Cuba.

Radecki is also skeptical about the drive toward ecumenical relations with other religions.

"The church is really ecumenical in that it accepts people from all places and all races for all time," he said. "But the idea of ecumenism today is equating the Hindu gods with 35 million manifestations of their god and Islam's Allah. It's not the same as the trinity we worship. That's a major difference."

He was especially critical of John Paul II for worshipping with Hindus, Buddhists and others.

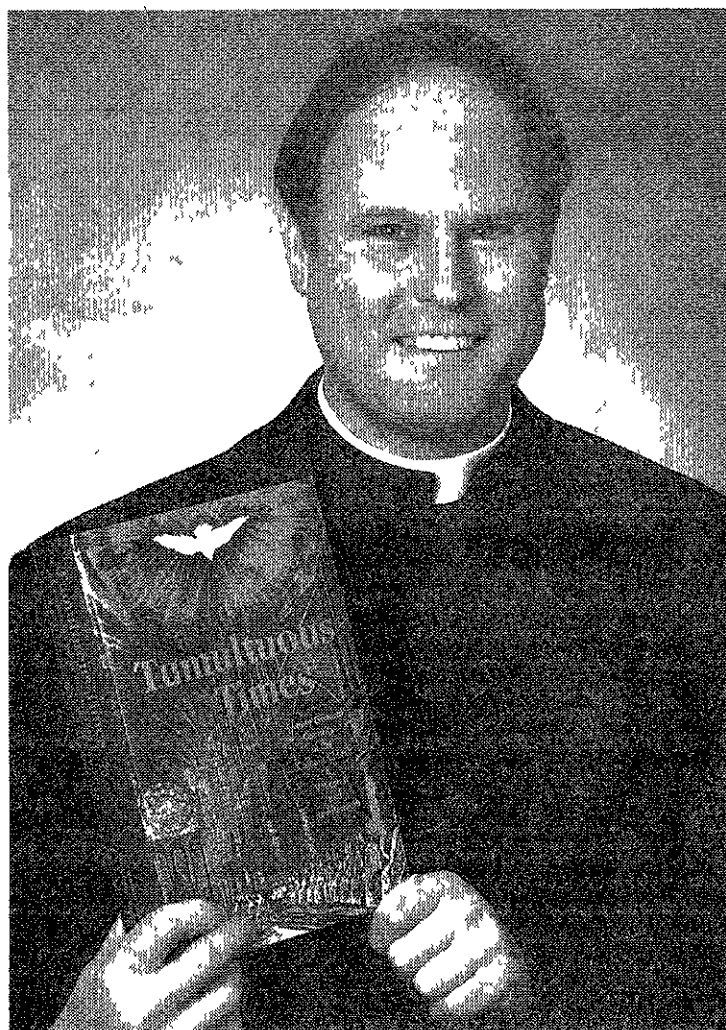
Radecki's church in Wayne was started in 1989. Radecki,

who has been pastor for 11 years, said the church has about 130 families. They attend a traditional Tridentine Latin Mass and observe the church sacraments in a way identical to the form in practice in the 1950s.

The Detroit archdiocese office declined to comment on the Radeckis' book. The Sacred Heart Seminary also did not respond to an inquiry about the book.

For more information on *Tumultuous Times* or to order a copy, go online to [www.stjosephsmedia.com](http://www.stjosephsmedia.com). For information on the Congregation of Mary Immaculate Queen, go online to [www.cmri.org](http://www.cmri.org). The book is also available at Barnes & Noble and amazon.com.

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The Rev. Francisco Radecki



## EDITH ELLEN ATON

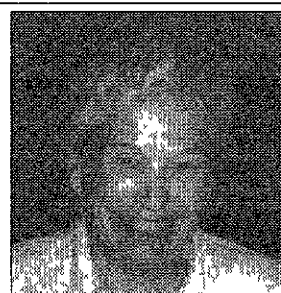
Age 83, of Plymouth, passed away March 22, 2005, at Angela Hospice, after a long battle with rheumatoid arthritis. She was married to the late John W. Aton for 57 years. She is survived by her children, Larry Aton of Rock Hill, SC, Johnny Aton of Detroit, Sherry Aton, and Rhonda Aton, both of Plymouth; one brother, William (Bonnie) Owen of Gore, OK; six grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, and her beloved dog, Dirty Face. She is preceded in death by her parents, Emmett Owen and Rosie Shaw, her brother, Thomas Owen, her sisters, Mildred Collier and Beaton Hargrove, two infant daughters, Shirley Sue and Martha Roseann, two grandsons, Randy and Scotty Aton, and her daughter-in-law, Shirley Aton. Edith was born in Dorina, MO, and grew up in Hickman, KY. She resided in Plymouth most of her adult life. She was a homemaker, mother, and honorary grandmother to many of the children she babysat over the years. She was a member of the Plymouth Church of God, enjoyed working with the Ladies Auxiliary, and especially enjoyed working the fundraising chicken dinners with her friends. She was a devoted Detroit Tiger baseball fan, and she loved to crochet and embroider. Most of all, she loved her family and friends. She will be greatly missed. Services were held at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Friday, March 25, 2005, with The Rev. George Aton officiating. Interment at Riverside Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice, Livonia.

## FLORENCE C. "BEE" GALINET

Mrs. Florence C. "Bee" Galinet, age 83, passed away Saturday evening, March 26, 2005 at a local hospital. She was born on January 24, 1922 in Pontiac, MI to Russell and Mildred (Martin) Brace, was a resident of Farmington Hills, MI, and later of Canadian Lakes. On October 27, 1943, Florence married William Galinet, whom she met at Alma College, and was married for over 61 years. Mrs. Galinet and her husband loved playing golf together. She is survived by her husband, William; 4 children, Cheri Muenchhausen of the Woodlands, TX, Laurie (Robert) White of Muskegon, Greg (Gerri) Galinet of Novi, MI and Brett (Theresa) Galinet of Milford, MI; 6 grandchildren, Leighann, Charles, Grant, Jacqueline, Robert, and Julie; and 2 great-grandchildren, Kylie and Dawson. A private memorial service will be held by the family. Memorial contributions to United Way of Michigan-Project Literacy would be appreciated. Arrangements by The Walburn Chapel, Sysitema Funeral Homes, Inc. 231-759-8565.

## MARY ELIZABETH "MOLLY" MUNDT

Age 63, of Plymouth, born into eternal life March 26, 2005. She was born September 28, 1941, in Chicago, Illinois. She came to the Plymouth community in 1986, from Livonia. She was a retired occupational therapist for William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth, where she also served as the Wedding Coordinator and participated in the Resurrection Choir. She was also active with the RCIA program at St. Edith Church in Livonia. She was involved with the Friends of the Library in Plymouth, and Manna Meals in Detroit. She enjoyed watching the sunsets on Lake Michigan at her family home in Frankfort. She made friends wherever she went, and was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and sister. She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Robert; her children, Robert (Mary Beth) Mundt of Dearborn, Kathleen (france John Whitney) Mundt of Plymouth, Peggy (Timothy) Morelli of Plymouth, and Pete (Jade) Mundt of Plymouth; her grandchildren, Meghan, Riley, Ryan, and Rowan, her brother, John Cunniff, and her sister, Kathleen Cunniff. Funeral from Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial, Plymouth, Thursday, 10:30am. Friends may visit at church beginning at 10am. Memorials may be made to The Capuchins or Marywood Nursing Center. Arrangements entrusted to Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, (734)453-3333.



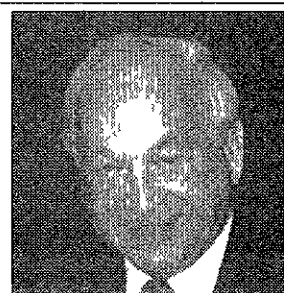
## ELIZABETH KLAVER JENKINS

Age 78, passed away at Munson Hospice House in Traverse City at 7:25 p.m. on March 27, 2005 after a long struggle following spinal and cancer surgery. She was the wife of Dr. Ronald Jenkins, retired pediatric dentist, and mother of three children, Betsy Jenkins, Daniel Jenkins, Maryann Jenkins Bingham and three grandchildren, Stephen, Melissa and Roxanne. Also surviving is her brother, Peter Klaver. Mrs. Jenkins' family always came first in her life and she was a devoted homemaker. Artistic and clever with crafts, she knitted, did needle point, sewed quilts, and was an excellent photographer. She was always making something for her family and loyal friends. Beth, as she liked to be called, was born and raised in the City of Grosse Pointe and her father was a general dentist in Detroit. She attended Grosse Pointe High School and graduated from the University of Michigan in 1949, where she became a member of Chi Omega. She also was a graduate of the Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School in Boston. Beth was an ardent "Go Blue" fan all her life and knew and could sing all the songs and verses in the Michigan Songbook from memory. When Dr. Jenkins opened his pediatric dental practice in Birmingham, Beth was his first receptionist and bookkeeper. In later years, she became Secretary for the Oakland County Dental Society. The couple lived in the Birmingham/Beverly Hills area for 51 years. While there, they were active members of The First Presbyterian Church until they moved to Traverse City two years ago. A memorial service is being planned for this summer in Traverse City. Memorial contributions may be directed to Munson Hospice House, 1105 Sixth St., Traverse City, MI 49684 or to a charity of one's own choosing. The family is being served by The Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home, 305 Sixth St., Traverse City, MI 49684.



## ROSEMARY "ROSIE" (FISHER) MILLER

Age 82, formerly of Birmingham, MI, passed away March 24, 2005 at Grand Traverse Pavilions after an extended illness. She was born March 30, 1922 in Anderson, Indiana, and was the daughter of Walter Earl and Alberta (Liff) Fisher. She married William B. Miller on December 24, 1943. They moved to Michigan in 1959. She retired as an Administrative Secretary of the Royal Oak, MI School System. She was also a Registered Nurse. She was a 50+ year Life Member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Order of the White Shrine. She enjoyed ceramics and was a pianist/organist. She is survived by her daughter, Carol Ann & husband, Jeff Turner of Traverse City; the love of her life, her grandson - Logan Turner of Traverse City; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband of almost 50 years, in November of 1992, her parents, Earl and Alberta Fisher; and her brother E. Eugene Fisher. Services will be Saturday, April 2, 2005 at 11:30 at Robert D. Loose Funeral Home in Anderson, Indiana with nephew, Rev. Stephen K. Fisher, officiating. Visitation will be immediately preceding the service. Burial will be in Anderson Memorial Park.



## ALFRED WILLIAM RICH

Age 75, of Bloomfield Hills, died March 28, 2005 at William Beaumont Hospital, Troy. Mr. Rich was born November 29, 1929 in Depue, Illinois, son of Agnes and John Resetch. Mr. Rich served in the United States Military during the Korean War. Mr. Rich attended Bradley University and graduated from the University of Marquette with a masters degree in chemical engineering. Mr. Rich moved to the Birmingham area where he met his wife, Mary Kay Whiting. Mr. Rich started his own business, Precision Coatings, Commerce Twp. in 1969. Mr. Rich was a member of Holy Name Church of Birmingham, Orchard Lake Country Club, Delray Dunes Country Club in Florida, Rich Harvest Farms in Illinois and he was also a member of Legatus. Mr. Rich loved to travel, play golf and work in his yard playing with his tools. The thing that meant the most to Mr. Rich was his family. He was very proud of his Slavic background and quietly helped the less fortunate to achieve their dream or get back on their feet. Mr. Rich is survived by his wife, Mary Kay Whiting Rich; children, Mary Beth (Keith) MacGudwin, Andrew Whiting (Anne) Rich, Richard John (Kim) Rich, Amy Claire (Kevin) McCarthy, Patrick Michael (Delores) Rich, Christopher Ryan (Fiance, Christine McGowan) Rich, grandchildren, Meaghan and Sarah MacGudwin, Jennifer, Drew and Parker Rich, Morgan, Jonathan, Grace and Georgia Rich, Shea, Reilly, Mary Claire, Casey, Grace and Brady McCarthy and Rachael Rich, sister, Mary Wiernik and brothers, Anthony Rich, Richard (Nancy) Resetchich and John (Ellen) Resetchich. Funeral from Holy Name Church, 630 Harmon, Birmingham, Friday 10am. Friends may visit at church beginning at 9:30am. Visitation at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 1368 N. Crooks Rd. (between 14-15 Mile Rds.) Thursday 2-8 pm. Prayers 7pm. Interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Contributions appreciated to Oakland Family Services, 23532 Orchard Lake Rd., Suite A, Farmington Hills, MI 48336.

## ANN BLEAKLEY SPICER

Age 77, of Dalton, GA, and formerly of Birmingham, MI and St. Petersburg, FL, died Tuesday, March 28, 2005 at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Neil H. Spicer of Dalton; daughter, Lori Henry of Douglasville, GA, two granddaughters and one great-grandchild. Memorial services will be held later in Michigan. Love Funeral Home, 1402 N. Thornton Ave., Dalton is in charge of arrangements.

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## MARCH

### Rummage and bake sale

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday-Friday, March 31 to April 1, Saturday Bag Sale 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 2, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt. Light lunches available.

### Tiny Tots Preschool

Taking registrations for fall of 2005 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Tiny Tots Preschool, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0211 for more information. There are still openings for the Monday-Wednesday-Friday afternoon 4-year old class and Tuesday-Thursday morning and afternoon 3-year old classes.

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## UPCOMING

### The Tico Family

Singing Filipino missionaries in concert 7 p.m. Friday, April 1, at Fair Haven Baptist Church, 34850 Marquette, south of Ford Road, east of Wayne Road, Westland. No charge. Call (734) 728-4549.

### Revival meetings

With Charles Kempf April 3-6, services begin at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, April 3, and 7 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, at Grace Baptist Church, 28440 Lyndon, between Middlebelt and Inkster, roads, Livonia. For information, visit [www.gbcoflivonia.org](http://www.gbcoflivonia.org) or (734) 425-6215.

### Vesper services

The Council of Orthodox Christian

Churches of Metropolitan Detroit sponsors its annual series of Vesper services at area Orthodox churches beginning at 6 p.m. Sunday, April 3, Veneration of the Cross, at St. George Romanian Orthodox Cathedral, 18405 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield, (248) 569-4833; April 10, Sunday of St. John Climacus, at SS. Peter & Paul Romanian Orthodox Church, 750 N. Beech Daly Road, Dearborn Heights, (313) 274-9651, and April 17, Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt, at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia, (248) 476-3432. The general public as well as Orthodox Christians are invited to attend. All proceeds will be used for COCC charities and projects. For more information, contact the Very Rev. Timothy Barna, COCC president at (313) 937-2120 or [tim@twm1.rr.com](mailto:tim@twm1.rr.com), or the Very Rev. Michael Arbanas, secretary at (313) 271-3110, or [father.michael@stclementchurch.net](mailto:father.michael@stclementchurch.net). For information about COCC, call (313) 937-2120.

### Bible seminar

Creation versus Evolution conducted by Pastor Mike Doucoumes and Joe Knapp 7:15-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays to April 6, at Cherry Hills Seventh Day Adventists Church, 33144 Cherry Hill, between Wayne and Venoy roads, Garden City. Call (734) 524-0880.

### Rummage sale

9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 8, and 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 9, in the fellowship hall at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, between Newburgh and Haggerty, Livonia. \$2.00 bag sale on Saturday.

### Musical revue

The Edge, the teen performing arts groups of Hope Lutheran Church, present On the Edge: The Life of a Teenage Christian 7 p.m. Friday, April 8, and Wednesday, April 13, the revue contains original drama and song, at the church, 39200 West 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. No charge. For more information, call (248) 553-7170.

### Rummage/bake sale

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia. Proceeds will help fund missionary work within the community. Sale items include children's clothing (infant to 6X), toys, household and kitchen items, knick knacks, books, sporting goods, electronics, televisions, tools, furniture and baked goods. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

### Women's Retreat

Women of Livonia and other communities are invited to this annual event co-sponsored by First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, begins with registration and a continental breakfast 9 a.m. Saturday, April 9, at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard at West Chicago, Livonia. Registration is \$25 and includes lunch. For reservations, call (734) 422-0494.

### Spring Fling

Card party, games, salad dinner and dessert, door prizes 6 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at St. Sabina Church, Ann Arbor Trail between Telegraph and Inkster roads, Dearborn Heights. Donation is \$7. For tickets, call (313) 561-1977.

### Benefit concert

A benefit handbell concert by Classical Bells for the rehabilitation and physical therapy of Laura Jackson 4 p.m. Sunday, April 10, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile at Inkster, Livonia. Jackson hit her hand while trying out for cheerleading in May 2003, causing a crushing injury to her spine. As a result, she is a quadriplegic and needs assistance to breathe. Tickets are a \$10 suggested donation, \$8 for groups of 15 or more. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

### Open house

For all those interested in an outstanding Christian school for grades K-4 through 12 Agape Christian Academy is having an open house 7 p.m. Monday, April 11, at 45081 Geddes Road in Canton. Please contact the school office at (734) 394-0357 if you have any questions.

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# Brocket sharp, but MU splits pair

Madonna softball pitcher Erin Brockert displayed mid-season form Saturday afternoon in the Crusaders' 2-1 victory over Tri-State University in the first game of a double-header played at Livonia Ladywood High School.

After yielding an unearned run in the first inning, Brockert (5-1) silenced the Thunder the rest of the way. Brockert also ignited MU's game-winning, two-run, sixth-inning rally when she singled and eventually scored on Stephanie Day's dramatic two-run double.

Tri-State rebounded in the nightcap, winning 7-5. The split left the Thunder with a 7-5 mark and Madonna with a 7-6 record.

Tri-State pitcher Amy Walker suffered the opening-game loss, despite allowing just five hits in six innings of work. Brockert gave up just three hits and struck out three

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in her complete-game gem.

Day shined at the plate for MU, going 2-for-2 with a walk. Other than Day and Brockert, first baseman Krystal Shina (Farmington Hills Mercy) was the only other Crusader to record a hit.

Sheila Dura was the hitting star in game two for the visitors as she ripped a pair of hits and collected three RBI.

Shina (2-for-4, two RBI) and Day (3-for-4, one RBI) paced the Crusaders in the game-two loss.

MU trailed 5-1 when it erupted for four fifth-inning runs. Brockert, Shina and Day all contributed RBI hits to the game-tying rally.

Shannon Noder suffered the pitching loss for the Crusaders, yielding four earned runs and 11 hits in four-and-two-thirds innings of work.

## Diamond honors

Madonna softball players Stephanie Day and Erin Brockert earned Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference Player-of-the-Week and Pitcher-of-the-Week accolades, respectively, last week.

Day, a freshman from Livonia Ladywood, went 10-for-14 with three doubles and five RBI in four games. Among her hits was a game-winning, two-run double in the Crusaders' 2-1 victory over Tri-State on Saturday. Day finished with a .714 batting average and .929 slugging percentage.

Brockert, a junior from Dayton, Ohio, notched a pair of mound victories last week, including a complete-game, seven-strikeout effort at Spring Arbor.

For the week, Brockert struck out 12 batters in just over 15 innings of work. She allowed just one run, leaving her earned-run average at a stingy 0.46.

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## CHURCHILL HOCKEY CAMP

Livonia Churchill will stage a summer hockey camp for grades 8-12 from 5:30-7 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 25-29 and Aug. 1-5, at Eddie Edgar Arena.

The cost for the two-week camp is \$175. Enrollment is limited.

For more information, e-mail Pete Mazzoni at pmazzoni@livonia.k12.mi.us.

## MU CROSS COUNTRY CAMPS

Madonna University will be stage a series of summer cross county base camps.

The youth camp will be from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 25-29 (cost is \$55); base camp, 8-10:30 a.m., Aug. 1-5 (cost \$75); and long runs, 7-9 a.m. Saturday, July 9, 16, 23, 30 and Aug. 6 (cost \$7 each Saturday).

For registration information,

call MU head cross country coach and camp director Pat Daugherty at (734) 432-5634 (office) or evenings at (734) 658-0226 (cell). You can also e-mail him at pdaugherty@madonna.edu.

## SPARTAN SUMMER CAMPS

Livonia Stevenson High School will be offering a series of summer sports camps through the Community Education Enrichment Program. The deadline to enroll is Monday, May 23.

Among the camps offered:

Boys basketball (incoming grades 5-9) — 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Friday, June 20-24, at the new fieldhouse. Directed by coach Bill Dyer and staff. Cost is \$79 (course No. 9214);

Girls track and field (incoming grades 7-12) — 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Friday, June 20-24,

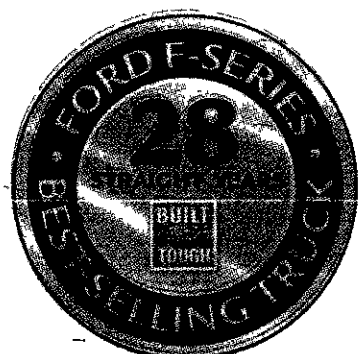
at the outdoor track. Directed by coach Kelly Graham and staff. Cost is \$79 (course No. 9221);

Girls volleyball (incoming grades 7-10) — 12:45-2:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, June 20-24 and Monday through Thursday, June 27-30, at the competition. Directed by coach Kelly Graham and staff. Fee is \$99 (course No. 9229);

Girls softball (incoming grades 4-9) — 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday, June 21-23, at the softball field. Directed by coach Rob Witherspoon and staff. Cost is \$50 (course No. 9223);

Girls basketball (incoming grades 7-9) — 8-10 a.m., Monday through Friday, June 27-July 1, at the new fieldhouse. Directed by coach Tim Newman and staff. Cost is \$55 (course No. 9227).

For more information, call (734) 744-2602.



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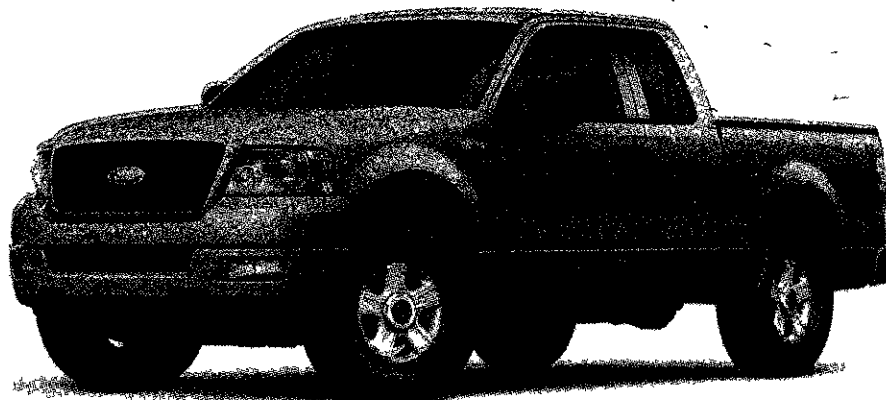
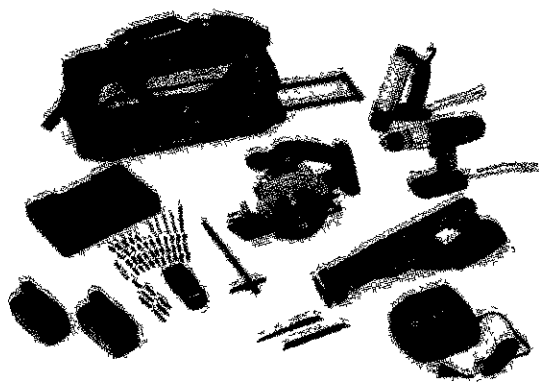
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## Satellite dish likely can stay

One of our co-owners has placed an 18 inch satellite dish on the patio outside their unit. We believe that he has violated the Association bylaws because he did not get approval. A member claims that a law pre-empts the Association's rules. What do you think?

In a similar case out of Ohio, the Court held that federal law prohibits community associations from banning the placing of satellite dishes that are less than one meter in diameter on any area under the member's exclusive control if the effect of banning such placement would be to impair the installation, maintenance or use of a dish because the dish in that case could not function properly unless placed outside on the patio and because the association did not offer any viable placement alternatives. The Court held that the member could keep the dish there despite the association's rules. That is likely to be the case in your situation, although you are best advised to consult with a knowledgeable condominium association attorney.

We have restrictive use covenants that limit the number of residential structures on the parcels of land in our subdivision to one parcel. One of our owners wants to split the parcel and build an additional residence. Is that allowed?

Presuming that the restriction in question is clear and unambiguous, the covenant apparently applies to the entire parcel originally acquired by the person who wants to split the property limiting that parcel to one permanent single family residential structure. This intent is presumably consistent with the reading of the restrictions as a whole. If the declaration expressly provides that its purpose is to maintain the present natural beauty and open space character of the lands, allowing the owners to split their parcel to add a single family residence on smaller parcels would sound contrary to that purpose. You must read that covenants as a whole and seek a legal opinion.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of *Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track*, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit [bmeisner@meisner-associates.com](mailto:bmeisner@meisner-associates.com). This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

## Living in Seclusion

a way from urban sprawl

BY NORMAN PRADY  
CORRESPONDENT

"I want to be alone," said Grusinskaya. Who? That was Greta Garbo's character in the 1932 film *Grand Hotel*. The statement was forever after associated with the actress, especially following her retirement from movies in the 1940s and her life as a so-called recluse from then until her last days in 1990. If you're giving any thought to being a recluse, real estate agents will tell you it's important that you first decide the physical and financial degrees of the reclusiveness you can manage. Garbo, for example, as Merle Solway said, lived in a seven-room apartment in the middle of New York City and regularly went walking with companions in Central Park. Solway sells homes for Hannett, Wilson & Whitehouse in Birmingham. She thinks that a person who wants to be alone needs "a buffer of at least an acre," but it depends, she said, on money. "We've got a 20-acre property. Lakes, a house of about 4,000 square feet. It's big-time money. Four million. "But some people would be thrilled with half an acre if they've never had that kind of space." If, like Henry David Thoreau, you'd like to leave the path steadily beaten by traditionalists, Solway can give you some ideas. "I get requests sometimes, not many, for houses away from subdivisions, malls and freeways. "I'll suggest certain areas where there's land and not much congestion. "Maybe Milford or Highland or White Lake or Oakland Township. Not Commerce. That's already built up. "All kinds of people," she said, think about secluded homes. "Could be a middle-aged couple, children grown and they want a little privacy." At Wilhelm & Associates in Clarkston, sales agent Carlene Slone said she gets house hunters who say, "I want to be away somewhere" and she uses her listing services to help them. Although she can't specify "hidden" in her computer searches, "I can put in all the other specifications and say, 'no subdivisions.' You might find, Slone said, "a house on a dirt road or a house across the street from a subdivision or an old farmhouse. "Some people have kids and want neighbor kids for them to play with and some don't. Some don't want traffic. In her 15 years of selling homes, Slone said, she's seen it become ever more difficult to find isolated properties as the concrete waves of urban sprawl continually pave open land. But there still are some there, she said. "There are old houses," she said, "and new construction in the middle of nowhere. Maybe someone has taken a 10-acre parcel and split it into two parcels or four. You're out in the country. Woods and streams." But you can't go as far from a city as you used to, she said, before running into the next city. Sales agent Bruce Webb said "there still are working farms west of I-275 and it could be possible to buy an old farmhouse. But that old farmhouse has increased in value over the years, Webb said, and the land even more. Webb is with Coldwell Banker Preferred in Canton. Environmentalist John Muir, founder of the Sierra Club, wanted as much open space as he could find. "The appeal of wilderness," he wrote, "is the absence of man's tinkering." OK, but apparently it doesn't work for everyone. Slone can tell you about owners of hidden-away homes who changed their minds for some rational reason or possibly succumbed to the negative force of autophobia, the fear of being alone. "They came in to see her and said, 'I want to sell this place. I can't stand being out there by myself.' "Oh, yes," Slone said. "I've heard that story. Or maybe it's just that they don't want to drive five miles to go to the store."

## More people are buying a second home

The number of Americans who own more than one home has reached record levels.

According to a just-released report by the National Association of Realtors, 23 percent of all homes purchased in 2004 were purchased as investments. Another 13 percent were vacation homes. There

was a record of 2.82 million second home sales in 2004, up 16.3 percent from 2.42 million in 2003. Investment property and vacation homes now account for more than one-third of residential transactions.

The study also counters a long-held myth that only the very wealthy could

afford a second home. The NAR study revealed that the typical vacation-home buyer earned \$71,000 in 2003, while investment-property buyers had an income of \$85,700. In other words, people buying second homes fall pretty squarely in the "middle class."

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## Never say never when buying a home

I have bad credit. We had a bankruptcy three years ago. I don't make enough money. It is amazing how many potential homebuyers disqualify themselves from mortgages because they simply don't try.

Any of the above reasons may seem like show stoppers for an uninformed borrower, but there is usually a way to get funding for those who are truly motivated to do so. Such mortgage success almost always takes work, creativity and patience, but diligent borrowers are usually delighted with the results.

Recent bankruptcies or collections do not automatically disqualify borrowers from getting a mortgage, as long as they can prove that they are no longer a credit risk. That proof usually comes in the form of some sort of minimum credit score, one or more satisfactory scored credit references, and by showing an ability to put a meaningful down payment on their new purchase.

Less lender risk means a better interest rate. A borrower with a 30-day late mortgage payment in the past year will normally get a better interest rate and terms than would a borrower with four such late payments. Similarly a borrower who provides a higher down payment is less of a risk to a lender, and will be rewarded with a better interest rate.

Discouraged borrowers who have been shot down time and again by mortgage lenders may feel their only resort is to rent forever. That is simply not the case. No matter how bad a borrower's situation may be today, that person can be eligible for a home loan within a year with good self-discipline and proper coaching.

Finally, there's absolutely nothing wrong with getting a second opinion from another mortgage lender. Some lenders have more experience, a wider variety of products, and different levels of creativity than others. Also, using a mortgage broker may speed up your search because they generally have access to the broadest spectrum of loan products.

Today's TIMBIT: Do not let shame or embarrassment stop you from buying or refinancing a home. Remember, you will miss 100 percent of the shots you never take.

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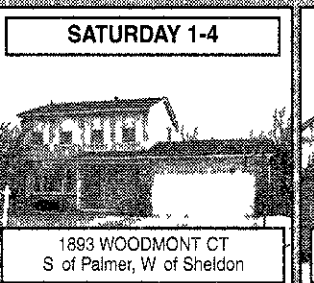
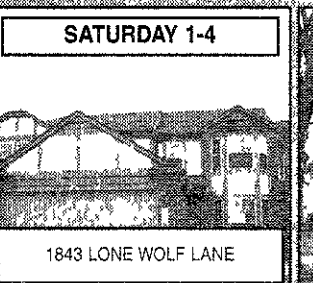
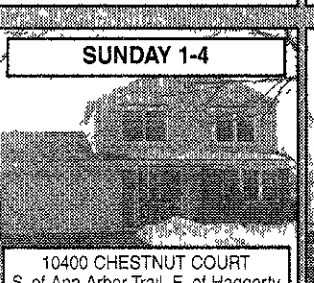
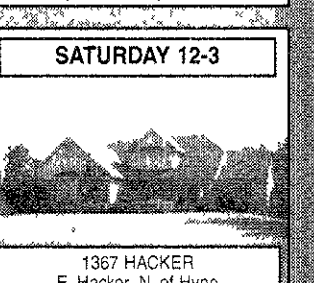
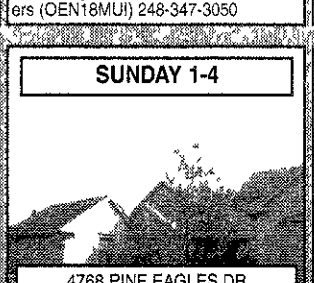
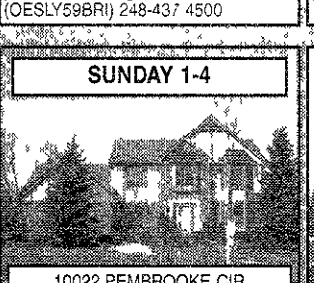
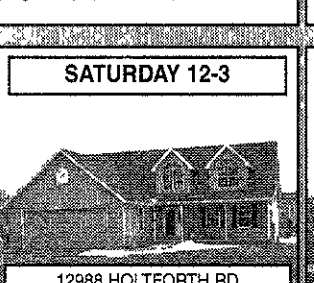
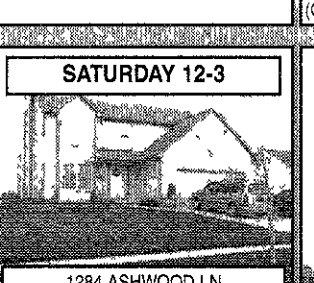
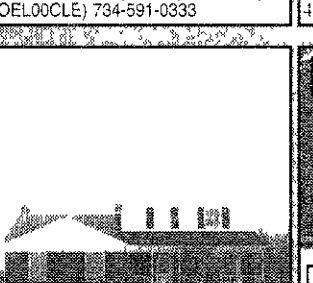
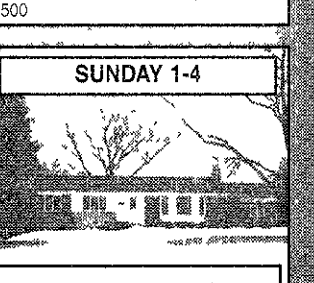
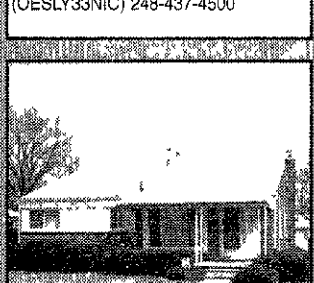
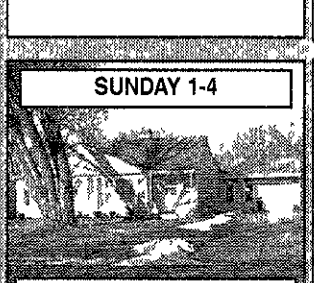
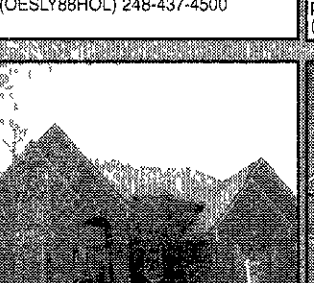
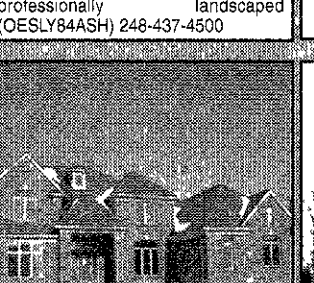
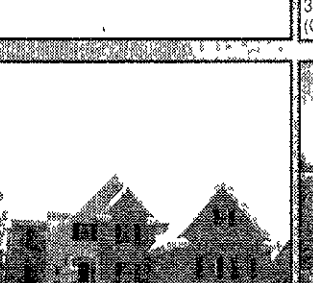
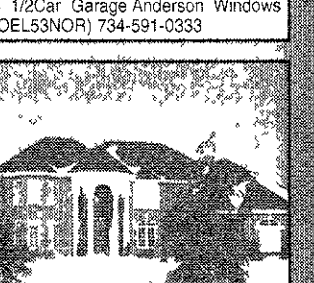
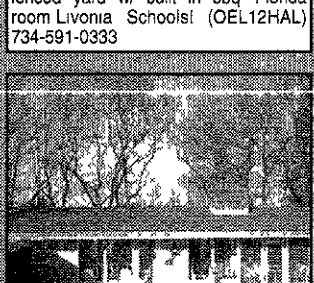
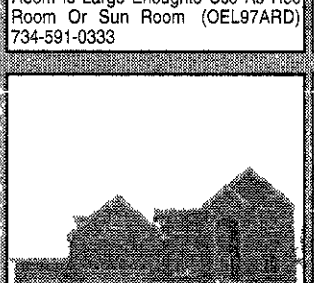
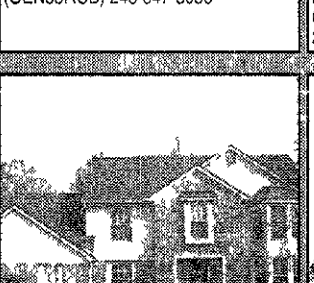
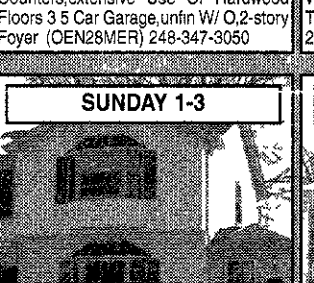
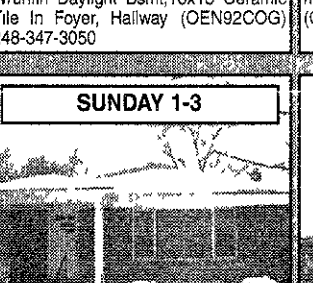
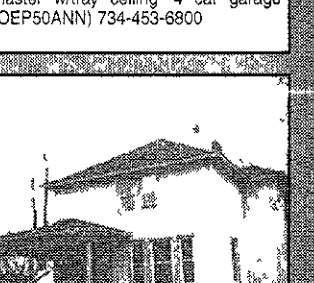
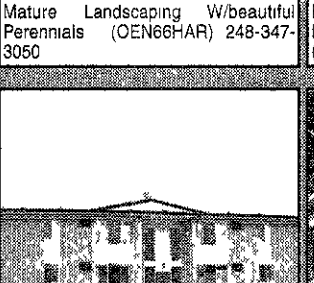
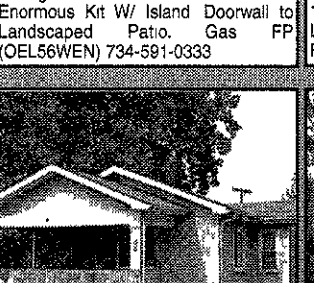
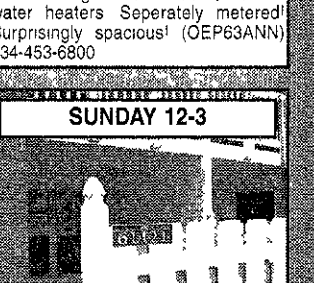
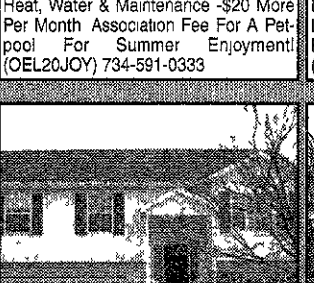
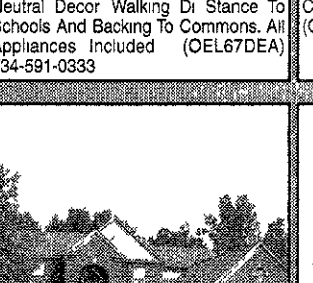
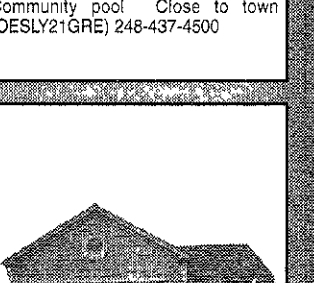
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Very special cape cod condo w/3 bdrms, 2 1/2 baths. Golf course community, pool & club house. LR has vaulted ceilings, 2 story foyer, 2 car garage, full basement. Great location! (OEP88HOG) 734-453-6800**SATURDAY 1-4**  
**CANTON** \$224,900  
Cul-de-sac backing to woods! Freshly painted new flooring. Ready to move in! Newer windows, gutters, kitchen and bath. Full wall fireplace, partially finished basement. Attached garage. Show and sell! (OESLY93WOO) 248-437-4500**SATURDAY 1-4**  
**CANTON** \$193,000  
Kit W/oak Cabinets, Center Island Plus Pantry, All Appliances Open Loft For Office Overlooks Great Room. Great Room Has Skylights Gas FP W/ Oak Mantels Full Basement Cedar Deck Overlooks Pond 1st Floor Laundry (OEL43LON) 734-591-0333**CANTON** \$193,000  
Completely Remodeled Kit W/pergo Floor. Marriatt Cabinets. Nat FP Fenced In Yard New C/a 98 Newer Vinyl Windows, roof 97 Updated Bath, Furn 98 Large Rec Room In Par. Finbsmt Upgraded Window Trimts, 2 Car Gar. (OEL10HAN) 734-591-0333**CANTON** \$143,900  
Crisp, clean, tasteful decor w/open flr plan. Skylts over stairs & main bath. Bay window in breakfast nook. Gas fireplace, updated bath. Newer front door. Deck refinished. Part fin bsmt. All appl stay. New roof. (OEP41ARB) 734-453-6800**CANTON** \$2,600  
Home Backing To 6th Fairway Of Pheasant Run Golf Course. Finished Bsmt w/Storage. Updated Kitchen W/48 Stainless Steel W/dbl Ovens. Fab Master W/2 Person Jacuzzi. Deck & 3 Car Garage. 1-3 Yr Lease No Pets/smokers. (OEN18MU) 248-347-3050**SUNDAY 1-4**  
**COMMERCE** \$164,900  
Charming 3 bedroom 1 bath bungalow within walking distance to all sports lake. Many updates which include kitchen, bath, roof windows, siding. 10X16 deck. HWH carpet. Freshly painted 5 ceiling fans and basement. (OESLY596R) 248-437-4500**SUNDAY 1-4**  
**PLYMOUTH** \$249,900  
Dynamite three bedroom 1 1/2 bath colonial on cul-de-sac. Large lot with deck plus pool. New windows, roof, flooring, furnace & paint. Ready for a new family. Close to schools, expressways & shopping. Hurry! (25033640)**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** \$89,900  
Incredible Value! Lots of home for the \$\$ Updates - vinyl siding, furnace hwh, windows, glass block windows in bsmt, circuit breakers, copper plumbing, roof. Great curb appeal. Hurry! (OEN26HAZ) 248-347-3050**SATURDAY 1-4**  
**FARMINGTON HILLS** \$357,000  
Move Right Into Brick Colonial. Crown Moldings. Ceramic Tile 1st Fl. Laundry W/cab LR FR DR Each Have Bay Window. Fin Bsmt w/ Wet Bar & Ceramic Tile Flooring. Althd Over Size Gar w/ Side Entry. Nicely Landscaped. (OEL00CLE) 734-591-0333**SATURDAY 12-3**  
**GENOA** \$599,900  
Custom cape cod on almost 12 acres w/a pond and 24X36 pole barn! 3 fireplaces oak kitchen w/ceramic tile walk-out basement with Florida room and hot tub. 3 1/2 car garage central vac and intercom. (OESLY67HAC) 248-437-4500**SUNDAY 1-4**  
**GENOA** \$345,000  
Year round fun! Lake access. Beautiful home on a premium lot w/lots of upgrades. Hardwood floors in 2 story foyer and kitchen. Florida room and fabulous master bath w/ceramic tile. (OESLY33NIC) 248-437-4500**SUNDAY 1-4**  
**GENOA** \$304,900  
Premium location on golf course. 3 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath in prestigious neighborhood. Marble foyer, circular stairway. Professionally finished basement. (OESLY68PIN) 248-437-4500**SUNDAY 1-4**  
**GREEN OAK** \$322,900  
Great family home. Great views with all the extras! 4 bedrooms 2 1/2 bath with huge kitchen. New roof in 2005. Walkout lower level. Transfer forces sale! (OESLY22PEM) 248-437-4500**SATURDAY 12-3**  
**HARTLAND** \$334,800  
Want country living? This 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Cape Cod/Colonial on over 2 acres is it. Close to expressway for easy commute. Hartland township schools. Geothermal and cooling. (OESLY88HOL) 248-437-4500**SATURDAY 12-3**  
**HOWELL** \$234,500  
Spectacular, spacious colonial with open floor plan, neutral colors, great room with fireplace and extra large master suite with bath and walk-in. Oversized garage, full basement and professionally landscaped. (OESLY64ASH) 248-437-4500**SATURDAY 12-3**  
**LIVONIA** \$324,900  
Beautiful Livonia Colonial. Large Wooded Lot, Fully Finished Walkout Basement, Huge Deck For Entertaining. Open Living Space With Natural Fireplace. (OEN03STM) 248-347-3050**SUNDAY 1-4**  
**LIVONIA** \$289,900  
Huge Sprawling Ranch On Just Under An Acre. 3 Bed Library/Study Could Be 4th Bedroom. All Appliances, Freshly Painted, Newer Carpet. Florida Room W/skylights & Jacuzzi. Whiner Pool Spa. 3 1/2 Car Garage. Anderson Windows. (OEL53NOR) 734-591-0333**LIVONIA** \$164,900  
3BR, 1 1/2 BA w/ fin bsmt. Newer Appliances, Roof, windows, updated kitchen and bath. Hot tub included. 2 car garage. Newer C/a, work area & wet bar in bsmt. Lrg fenced yard w/ built in bba. Florida room. Livonia Schools! (OEL12HAL) 734-591-0333**SUNDAY 1-4**  
**LIVONIA** \$159,900  
Ranch Located in heart Of Livonia. Walk To The Park, School, Or Rec Center. Vinylsiding, Furnace In 99, Newer Windows. 2 Car garage, Laundry Room is Large Enough To Use As Rec Room Or Sun Room. (OEL97ARD) 734-591-0333**LIVONIA** \$69,900  
Freshly carpeted one bedroom condominium located across from Livonia's new rec center. New appliances. Low association fee even includes heat. (OEN55HUB) 248-347-3050**NORTHVILLE** \$999,999  
Impeccable 'monarque' Model Built By Moore! Quick Occupancy On T His Lakefront Home W/extra Deep Fin LI W/o W/rg, media Rm, full Bath & Wet Bar. Hwd In Foyer, half Bath, kit & Dr, granite Counters In Spacious Kit. (OEN40MAN) 248-347-3050**NORTHVILLE** \$799,900  
Immed Occupancy! Exciting New Dynasty Bldg Co Floorplan W/9 ceilings On 1st Fl. huge Kit & Hearth Rm W/custom Cabinets W/granite Counters, extensive Use Of Hardwood Floors. 3 1/2 Car Garage. unit W/ 0.2 story Foyer. (OEN28MER) 248-347-3050**NORTHVILLE** \$750,000  
Immed Occupancy On This Priced To Sell Colonial On Low Traffic Interior Street Backing To Commons! Only 2 Yrs Lived In! Stunning but Neutral Decor W/linin Daylight Bsmt, 16x18 Ceramic Tile In Foyer, Hallway. (OEN92COG) 248-347-3050**PLYMOUTH** \$775,000  
Custom built 4BR, 3 full lav executive home. Gigantic kit-nook w/custom Amish cabinets. Graber stone countertops, 10 ft ceilings & att. hearth room. Step-up master w/ tray ceiling. 4 car garage. (OEP50ANN) 734-453-6800**PLYMOUTH** \$499,900  
Custom built & architecturally designed, this hidden treasure is located within 2 miles of Plymouth situated on 2 rolling & treed acres. Completely redone by it's present owners with attention to detail! (OEP24TER) 734-453-6800**PLYMOUTH** \$459,000  
New construction (1/05) Cstm quality inc granite cnts t/o, cherry cabinets, ceramic & Brazilian HDWD flrs w/9 dgs. Cstm mldgs, ceramic BA's, 1st flr indry, stonecast FP surround, LL w/jacuzzi tub & prepped for bath. (OEP35IRO) 734-453-6800**PLYMOUTH** \$398,000  
Exceptional Home In Ridgewood Hills, One Of Plymouth's Most Desirable Subdivisions Well Maintained, Inside & Out. Move-in Condition. Neutral T/O. Mature Landscaping W/beautiful Perennials. (OEN66HAR) 248-347-3050**PLYMOUTH** \$344,900  
4 Bdr Colonial W/ 2 St Foyer Wont Last. Crown Molding In Gr And Dr Dr Can Also Be A Den/off. French Drs To Mt W/ Lg Ceramic Bath & Garden Tub. Enormous Kit W/ Island Doorwall to Landscaped Patio. Gas FP. (OEL56WEN) 734-591-0333**SUNDAY 1-3**  
**PLYMOUTH** \$309,900  
Dream Home In Downtown Ply. Renovated In 1997. 4 Br, 3 Full Bths, Nwr Wndws, Roof, Furn, Siding & Doors Mstr Bd, W/wic, Pergo Flrs On 1st Flr, Nwr Oak Kit, 2 Bth Updated & Lg Bay Wdw In Mt & Lv Rm. Open Floorplan. (OEL73HAR) 734-591-0333**SUNDAY 1-3**  
**PLYMOUTH** \$229,900  
Back to the fifties! Don't miss this nifty retro ranch near downtown 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath w/finished bsmt, 1 1/2 car garage, new furnace & roof. Big kitchen, big yard. Super starter home! (OEP33PAC) 734-453-6800**PLYMOUTH** \$219,500  
City of Plymouth! 1st time offered in 25 yrs! 2 unit duplex w/each unit having 2 bedrooms, formal dining room & hardwood flooring. Newer furnaces, roof, hot water heaters. Separately metered! Surprisingly spacious! (OEP63ANN) 734-453-6800**PLYMOUTH** \$219,000  
Beautifully maintained 3BR, 2 1/2 BA brick ranch. Newer win, roof, furnace, CA & fabulous kit w/cherry cabinets. LL is fin w/mstr flr quality 9'4x20' w/bar area, full BA & glass block windows. HDWD flooring. Private bk yard. (OEP35FIV) 734-453-6800**REDFORD** \$129,900  
Built 02 Sellers Have Added C/a And 200 Sq Ft Rec Room In LL W/mirrored Closet Doors, 6 Panel Doors T/O Fenced Yard. Bermt Plumber For Full Bath. Sellers Offering \$3000 Towards Closing Costs & Prepaids. (OEL33WAK) 734-591-0333**REDFORD** \$53,000  
Why Rent? Build Equity By Owning Your Own Home. 1st Fl Unit immediate Occupancy. Association Fee Covers Heat, Water & Maintenance. \$20 More Per Month. Association Fee For A Pet. Pool For Summer Enjoyment! (OEL20JOY) 734-591-0333**ROMULUS** \$95,000  
Pride Of Ownership! This Well Maintained & Very Clean Home Sits On A Very Large Lot Walking Distance To Downtown Romulus. Updates Over The Last 2 Years Include Roof, Carpet, Furnace, Hot Water Tank & Stove. (OEN39WHA) 248-347-3050**SUNDAY 1-4**  
**SOUTH LYON** \$220,000  
Home with a warm heart! This year-year 3 br charmer sits on an acre of land surrounded by trees. Many updates, inlaid flrs, French doors, crown molding & fireplace. Make it yours by adding your own personal touches. (OESLY00TEN) 248-437-4500**SOUTH LYON** \$205,900  
This Spacious Colonial Has Been Freshly Painted And Newly Carpeted. A Great Family Home. Ceramic Floors, Neutral Decor. Walking Distance To Schools And Backing To Commons. All Appliances Included. (OEL67DEA) 734-591-0333**SUNDAY 12-3**  
**SOUTH LYON** \$129,900  
Best location in complex! Exceptional 2 bedroom, 2 bath ground unit. Hardwood floors in great room. Many upgrades. Community pool. Close to town. (OESLY21GRE) 248-437-4500**SUNDAY 12-3**  
**SOUTH LYON** \$129,000  
Immaculate 2 bedroom, 2 bath ground floor condo. Neutral decor, new carpet throughout. Updated kitchen. All appliances included. Master suite with private bath. Fenced patio. Common pool. Pets allowed. (OESLY23GRE) 248-437-4500**SUMPTER** \$239,900  
3 Br Home New Hdwd Flrs In FR. 02 Nat F/p, Newer Furn & Hwh. Updated bath. 03, Cab 01, Newer Wallside Windows. 2 1/2 Car Gar Deck Extra Lot For Sale w/240 Ft Frontage & 3 1/2 Acres. Or Buy Whole Package For \$345,000. (OEL60WIL) 734-591-0333**WESTLAND** \$184,000  
WOW! Super location w/lg fenced yard & brick paver patio. Many updates-furnace, fixtures, ext paint, & fab granite counters. Lg oak cabinets in kit w/appliances. Great open floor plan has cathedral ceiling t/o. (OEN90STO) 248-347-3050**SUNDAY 1-4**  
**WESTLAND** \$139,900  
Lovely 3 bedroom ranch! Updated kitchen with oak cabinets. Living room has large bay window and hardwood floors. Basement offers large finished rec room and utility room. Fenced yard. A must see to appreciate. (OESLY00113) 248-437-4500**WESTLAND** \$135,000  
WOW! Open floor plan. Ranch Condo w/cathedral ceilings & skylight. Full basement, private entry, covered parking & deck. Fresh paint, newer carpet, new fixtures. Private setting & orced to sell now! Hurry! (OEN20WOO) 248-347-3050**YPSILANTI** \$327,000  
'Windsor II' priced to sell! Backs to solid woods. Lush HDWD flrs in kit, foyer & pwrdr rm. Lg island kit w/upgraded cherry cabinets. Due! FP in FR & den. Massive mstr ste w/grdn tub, sep shower & huge WIC For LR & DR. (OEP56EAG) 734-453-6800**YPSILANTI** \$214,900  
Fantastic 2002 built 3BR ranch w/2 full baths. Super clean & neutral features. LR & DR w/gas FP & cthdrl clng. Priv mstr w/WIC & full bath w/shower & 2 sinks. 1st flr indry. 2 car gar, bsmt prepped for bath. Move in! (OEP40RIC) 734-453-6800If it's on the market, it's on our website... www.chschwitzer.com  
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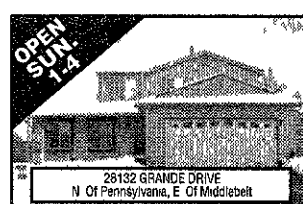
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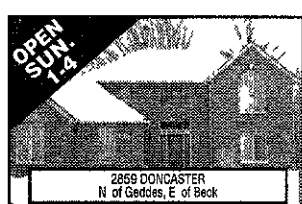
**TRADITIONAL WARMTH** - This 100 year old home has been completely renovated with unique details and elegant touches throughout. 3 beds/2 baths, hwdw floors, new appliances, roof, heating & cooling. \$299,900 (P-374RO)



**BEST BUY IN TOWN!** - Superb colonial with 4 beds, 3 baths, a finished basement w/bar and in law quarters complete with a kitchen & family room. Updated big ticket items \$194,900 (P-132GR)



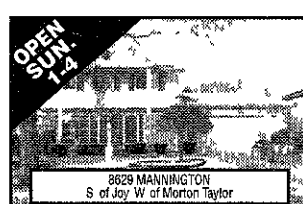
**NORTHVILLE BEAUTY** - Newer feature rich colonial with 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Huge kitchen with an oversized island & abundant cabinets, 2 story family room & foyer. Master w/walk in closet \$449,900 (C-405WI)



**ENVIED SETTING** - Upgraded Oxford model surrounded by a 16 acre nature preserve. Many upgrades - circular stairway, hardwood & ceramic, side entry garage, fireplace & cherry kitchen \$324,999 (C-859DO)



**PHEASANT RUN CONDO** - Fully loaded with extras! Tastefully decorated, ceramic floors, maple kitchen, deck, pool, 2 car garage and a clubhouse all in a golf course community! \$254,900 (P-494KI)



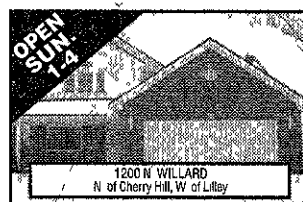
**POPULAR MAYFAIR VILLAGE** - 4 beds, 2.5 baths, formal living & dining kitchen w/nook & ample cabinet space, family rm. w/fireplace and wet bar. Nicely updated & beautifully maintained \$249,900 (P-629MA)



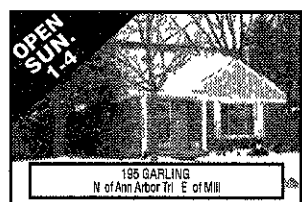
**COMPLETE PACKAGE** - This Livonia beauty has everything you need for peace of mind. New maple kitchen, new roof, carpet, cement work, doors, fixtures and updated baths. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. \$204,900 (C-905HA)



**GARDEN CITY'S BEST!** - Completely updated with hardwood floors, finished basement w/bar & office, deck, new windows, roof, water heater and a new kitchen w/appliances. Immediate occupancy. \$167,500 (C-520FL)



**BEST DEAL IN CANTON** - Builder is offering sellers concessions on this brand new home 2200 sq ft. with many quality upgrades. Award winning schools, backs to a nature preserve, basement & garage. \$289,900 (P-200WI)



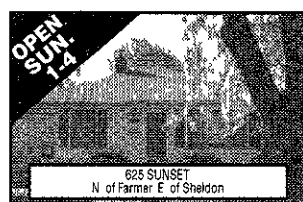
**SUPER CUTE** - Plymouth bungalow with 3 beds, 2 baths. Inviting entry, hardwood floors, coved ceilings, finished basement w/cozy fireplace, huge corner lot w/deck & many updates. \$199,900 (P-195GA)



**SPOTLESSLY CLEAN** - Townhouse condo with many updated items including roof, windows, kitchen cabinetry, flooring, furnace and Berber carpeting. Huge master with dual closets - even a rec room! \$126,900 (C-012NO)



**PICTURE PERFECT** - Built in '95 and in perfect condition, this 3 bedroom beauty has all the features you desire. Great location, oversized garage, fireplace, formal dining & more \$279,900 (C-907RI)



**STROLL TO THE PARK** - Updated ranch in downtown Plymouth with a remodeled kitchen, hardwood floors, paver patio & walk, updated furnace & ac, garage & basement all on a treed and fenced lot. \$229,900 (P-625SU)



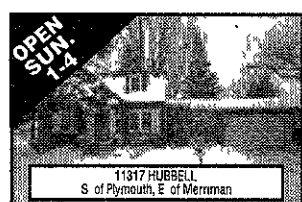
**SIMPLY STYLISH LIVING** - Situated on one of the largest lots in the sub, this home offers it all. You must see for yourself to fully appreciate the tender & expensive care the owners have lavished on this home. \$439,900 (P-601WA)



**SHOWCASE HOME** - Stunning Woodlore home on a premium lot built in '99. Formal living areas, huge kitchen w/isle & built-ins, walkout basement, brick pavers, a sumptuous master and 3 car garage. Superb \$469,900 (P-020WO)



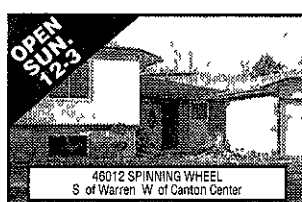
**BEST BUY - Garden City Ranch** with 3 beds, formal dining, family room w/fireplace, appliances, newer windows & doorwall, new carpet and décor, 2.5 car garage and a large floor plan. \$159,900 (C-359AL)



**GLEAMING CAPE COD** - Beautifully updated and glowing with pride, offers skylights, remodeled baths, hardwood floors, fresh paint & a long list of updates. Quiet wooded setting. Livonia schools. \$239,900 (P-317HU)



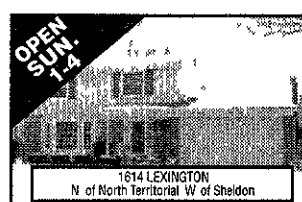
**PACK YOUR BAGS!** - 3 beds, 1.5 baths. Newer big ticket items like furnace, AC, HWH, tear off roof and fresh paint inside & out! Finished basement too! Get ready to move in on . this great value \$139,900 (P-820EU)



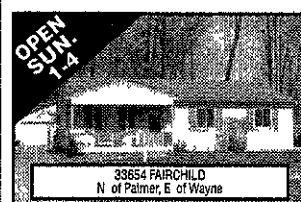
**THINK WARM** - Enjoy the comforts of a family room with a fireplace & wet bar, or the awesome deck w/hot tub. Updated roof, carpeting, kitchen and windows. Built to entertain. \$249,900 (C-012SP)



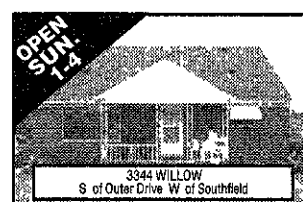
**BRAND NEW!** - Lowest priced new construction colonial in the Plymouth-Canton school district! Inviting entry, 9 ft ceilings, oak kitchen, great room w/fireplace, nice master & wooded backdrop. 2 homes available \$214,900 (C-556WI)



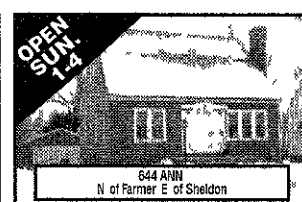
**HARD TO FIND** - Such a meticulously cared for and tastefully done home 4 beds, 2.5 baths, finished basement, garage and practically everything is new or updated. This is an absolute must see \$319,900 (P-614LE)



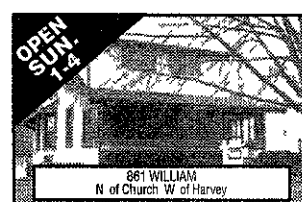
**IMMACULATE INSIDE AND OUT!** - Walk to the elementary school. Nice open floor plan. Cathedral ceiling in great room, new windows & doors, awesome fin basement w/bar, fenced yard w/new deck. Nice. \$179,500 (P-654FA)



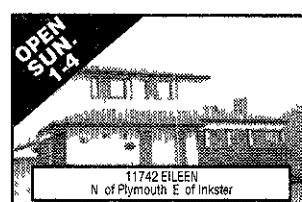
**A BUYER'S DREAM** - Huge floor plan with 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths and a 2.5 car garage in Dearborn. Roof and furnace only 1yr. old. Partially fin. basement and nice kitchen. \$179,900 (C-344WI)



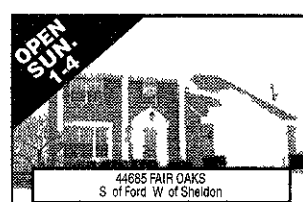
**DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH** - Charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath bungalow with many updates. Hardwood floors, fireplace, finished basement and new deck off of the 3 season rm. overlooking the pool \$269,900 (P-644AN)



**QUAINT PLYMOUTH CHARM** - 1924 charmer with 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths situated on a treed lined street. Newer roof and windows, original Cherry wood and main level bedroom. Walk to downtown. \$279,000 (P-861WI)



**THE SEARCH IS OVER** - This 4 bedroom, 2 bath beauty is just what you are looking for. Private master w/bath & walk in, newer Berber carpet, full basement, 2 car garage and in move in condition. Nice price too. \$158,000 (P-742EI)



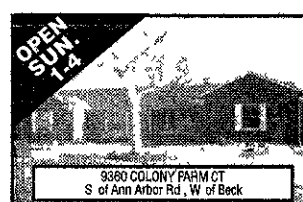
**WIDE OPEN SPACES** - 4 bedroom colonial backs to a city park with basketball, tennis and more. Family room with fireplace, formal living area, nice master and more. Immediate occupancy. Better hurry! \$253,000 (P-685FA)



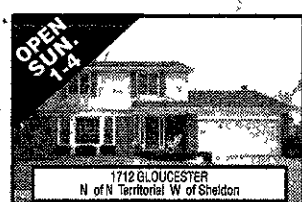
**BROOKFIELD VILLAGE** - New 4 bedroom colonial with many upgrades. Cathedral ceilings in master w/window in master bath, central vac, air cleaner, additional electric outlets marble fireplace, sprinkler system and over 2000 sq.ft \$274,500 (P-348ET)



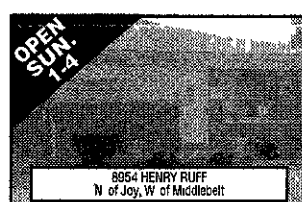
**PURE PERFECTION** - Stunning Plymouth colonial with 4BR/1.5BA. Open floor plan, neutral décor, and gorgeous updates including the kitchen and baths. Walking distance to the elementary school. Better hurry! \$224,900 (C-833TA)



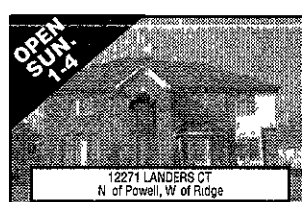
**ONE OF A KIND** - Custom sprawling ranch on a private wooded lot. Hardwood floors, custom kitchen w/ built ins, superbly finished walkout w/in-law quarters. Nice view & dual sided fireplace. \$469,900 (P-360CO)



**NEW ENGLAND VILLAGE** - Custom new kitchen and a spacious master suite both with granite and marble. Add a new furnace, air, roof and siding and you have the perfect house! Nicely landscaped yard, 3 bedrooms & 2 baths. \$244,900 (P-906AM)



**LIKE NEW!** - You won't find a nicer home in this price range. 3 beds, 1.5 baths, over 1200 sq. ft. and so loaded with updates you would think it's new. Finished basement, garage and appliances. \$184,900 (P-954HE)



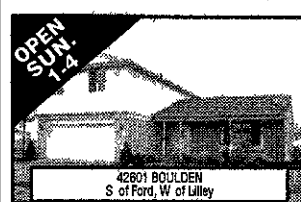
**ITS NO LONGER A DREAM** - Make your dream for the perfect home a reality in this stunning 4 bedroom colonial. Formal living areas, plus a library, dramatic 2-story foyer, hardwood floors, luxury master, a princess suite, & 3 car garage \$484,900 (C-271LA)



**NOVI COLONIAL** - Built in '02, with 4BR/3.5BA and 3375 sq. ft. Nestled deep in the sub with ceramic & hardwood floors, huge island kit., 3 car garage, spacious formal areas plus a huge family rm w/fireplace \$485,000 (P-473CA)



**PREMIUM LOT** - Overlooking a pond & beautiful landscaping is this wonderful 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath home. Master w/balcony, newer flooring throughout, island kitchen, covered cedar deck and a finished basement \$319,900 (C-111TR)



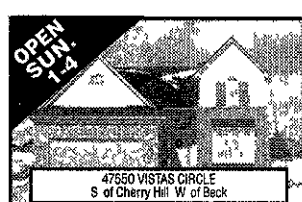
**BACKS TO A PARK!** - Nothing to do but move into this sharp 4 bedroom colonial with many nice features. Newer oak kitchen, updated baths, newer roof, siding, carpet and paint. Fenced yard backs to a commons. \$254,000 (P-601BO)



**UNIQUE CUSTOM DESIGN** - Cedar log home located on 3.5 acres surrounded by a wooded setting. Custom woodwork throughout, top of the line everything, 20 ft. high stone fireplace, 3 sided porch, custom baths, 1st floor master and French doors. \$449,900 (C-654SH)



**ROYAL OAK BUNGALOW** - Gorgeous new kitchen and a spacious master suite both with granite and marble. Add a new furnace, air, roof and siding and you have the perfect house! Nicely landscaped yard, 3 bedrooms & 2 baths. \$244,900 (P-906AM)



**LUXURIOUS DETACHED CONDO** - Professionally decorated and beautifully appointed with 3BR/3.5BA and totally maintenance free living. Spectacular great room, gourmet kitchen, 1st floor master and an outstanding fin. basement. \$399,900 (P-550VI)



**WOODED PARADISE** - Stunning 4 bedroom cape cod on almost 4 acres in Canton. Beautifully finished walkout, gourmet kitchen, luxury master and a huge floor plan. Come see for yourself or call for an appointment \$629,900 (P-656CH)



**PULSE PRINCETON** - Move right into this beautiful Canton Colonial with 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths and many nice features. Hardwood floors, large master with soaking tub, brick paver patio and a quiet cul-de-sac locale \$299,500 (P-115PO)



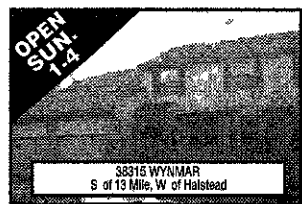
**PARK LIKE SETTING** - Backing to a huge commons lies this 4 bedroom colonial just loaded with updates. New kitchen, baths, sun room, siding, windows, carpeting, wood floors, finished basement and gorgeous landscaping. \$359,900 (C-251NO)



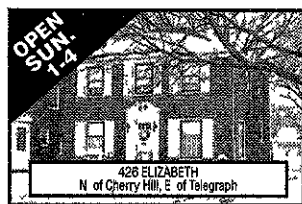
**INDULGE YOURSELF** - 4 bedroom, 3 bath Canton condo. Skylights in cathedral ceiling, fireplace, maple kitchen, hardwood floor in foyer, tons of storage, neutral décor, daylight basement, deck w/awning & a lovely view of the woods! \$264,900 (P-352CH)



**CUSTOM HOME** - Large lot set back far from street. Circle drive plus 2nd drive to garage provide generous parking. newer roof, windows & deck overlooking the garden. Extra deep side entry garage & extensive wood floors. \$260,000 (C-447SI)



**YOU'LL LOVE THIS!** - Cute newer condo with a huge great room & fireplace. Finished basement, gourmet kitchen, large master w/full bath, garage and an excellent location. \$194,900 (P-315WY)



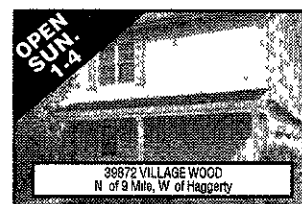
**WEST DEARBORN** - Full brick colonial a short walk from elementary school. Furnace, central air and kitchen cabinets have been updated. 2 car garage. Appliances, hardwood floors under carpet \$179,900 (C-426EL)



**PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP** - Gorgeous colonial close to downtown with many updates, neutral décor, newer windows, hardwood floors, x-large master, finished basement, huge 4 car garage and backs to a large open space \$334,900 (P-218AP)



**CONTEMPORARY COMFORT** - In the heart of Canton lies this breathtaking home. Great room w/soaring ceilings, spacious flowing floor plan, updated kitchen w/Pergo floor & formal dining & den. Prof. fin. basement w/wet bar \$359,900 (C-269SA)



**BEST UNIT IN THE SUB!** - Desirable and affordable 2 bedroom condo in Novi with Berber carpeting, an updated kitchen w/Pergo floor & Jenn-Air appliances, open floor plan, garage, pool and clubhouse. A must see. \$129,900 (P-872VI)



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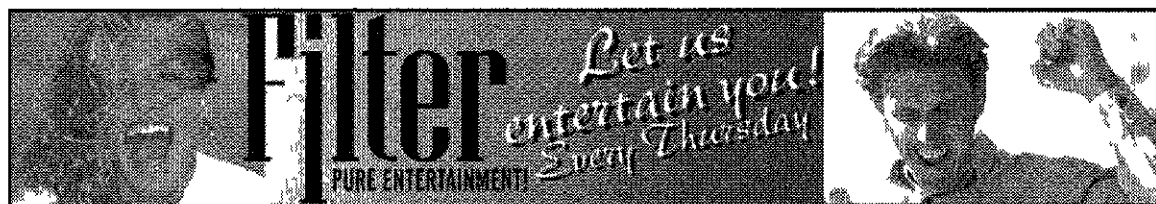
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Prices.	Canton					
			27485 Five Mile	\$220,000	20604 Norborne	\$115,000
			9412 Harrison	\$168,000	24470 Pilgrim	\$31,000
8328 Alton	\$178 000		36511 Hees	\$197 000	24470 Pilgrim	\$129,000
1613 Brookview	\$182 000		15123 Houghton	\$187 000	15541 Pomona	\$145,000
6810 Bunkerhill	\$226 000		15075 Hubbard	\$67,000	9168 Riverview	\$134,000
664 Cherry Orchard	\$258 000		15326 Loveland	\$220,000	8983 Rockland	\$139 000
39871 Cheviot	\$221 000		9914 Marie	\$190 000	9989 Royal Grand	\$135 000
1598 Commodore	\$222 000		17929 Merriman	\$250,000	24911 S Sylbert	\$1 340 000
8407 Congress	\$217 000		29680 Minton	\$179,000	20060 Seminole	\$107,000
45018 Fair Oaks	\$246,000		37862 Pickett	\$299,000	14925 Seneca	\$237,000
45889 Graystone	\$175 000		35949 Pinetree	\$177,000	11343 Sioux	\$137 000
7535 Green Meadow	\$220,000		14512 Ronnie	\$210,000	17211 Sumner	\$95,000
5794 Hathaway	\$335,000		9905 Roseland	\$125,000	15918 Wakenden	\$115,000
2535 Hogan	\$298 000		19366 Saint Francis	\$133,000	12851 Woodbine	\$116 000
45209 Horseshoe	\$179 000		37754 Southampton	\$265,000	15823 Woodworth	\$123,000
656 Huntsville	\$448,000		18102 Ventura	\$310,000	15932 Woodworth	\$121,000
7585 Kingsbridge	\$233,000				15984 Woodworth	\$113 000
8357 Mannington	\$242,000	Plymouth				
41001 Maplewood	\$177 000		12119 Appletree	\$310,000		Westland
41322 Maplewood	\$185,000		11559 Aspen	\$205,000	35522 Avondale	\$157,000
1644 Northbrook	\$270 000		325 Auburn	\$250,000	30622 Birchwood	\$150,000
46726 Polo	\$328,000		44570 Charnwood	\$308 000	39190 Brookfield	\$165,000
4186 Pond Run	\$273,000		10465 Chestnut	\$243,000	425 Carson	\$195,000
44201 Postmill	\$250,000		11502 Fellows Hill	\$526,000	34008 Caseville	\$73,000
8251 Rolling Meadows	\$742,000		12215 High Meadow	\$309,000	36112 Central City	\$137,000
6456 Runnymede	\$240 000		43264 Joy	\$265 000	30605 Cooley	\$154,000
4068 Sarah Ann	\$245,000		9117 Marc	\$212,000	613 Dartmouth	\$229,000
42358 Saratoga	\$191,000		498 Maria	\$163 000	39301 Dillingham	\$168,000
41154 Southwind	\$129,000		527 Maria	\$1 735,000	27604 Eton	\$89,000
45108 Thornhill	\$320 000		11687 Morgan	\$160,000	7648 Gary	\$150,000
8183 Trafford	\$588,000		11520 N Haggerty	\$198 000	1941 Golfview	\$219 000
1570 Lakeview	\$171 000		50194 N Ridge	\$550 000	39118 Hayward	\$264,000
		Garden City	10718 Parkview	\$217,000	8306 Hillcrest	\$135 000
31313 Bock	\$162,000		12301 Pinecrest	\$210,000	32548 Hiveley	\$174,000
28930 Cambridge	\$134 000		48835 Pinehill	\$393,000	8636 Hugh	\$139 000
29536 Dover	\$118,000		171 Pinewood	\$130,000	34140 Kennedy	\$164,000
5740 Gilman	\$104,000		49826 Plymouth	\$181,000	30319 Lacy	\$193 000
		Livonia	11768 Priscilla	\$231,000	204 Marigold	\$145,000
28300 Seven Mile	\$144,000		46550 Rockledge	\$300,000	29795 Marshall	\$227 000
29929 Eight Mile	\$106,000		9801 Tennyson	\$370,000	695 N Newburgh	\$214,000
20401 Antago	\$122,000		11042 Terry	\$213,000	37636 N Rhead	\$198,000
9591 Arcola	\$159,000				31548 Parkwood	\$123,000
14630 Auburndale	\$195,000		14416 Beech Daly	\$151,000	8123 Pickering	\$302,000
14793 Berwick	\$205,000		15883 Centralia	\$120,000	842 Summerfield	\$165,000
20032 Brentwood	\$185,000		15963 Centralia	\$128,000	874 Summerfield	\$154,000
30341 Bretton	\$163,000		15006 Delaware	\$155,000	886 Summerfield	\$141,000
9065 Cardwell	\$170,000		17437 Derby	\$128,000	890 Summerfield	\$169,000
14195 Cavell	\$190,000		8829 Dixie	\$152,000	6296 Twin Oaks	\$175,000
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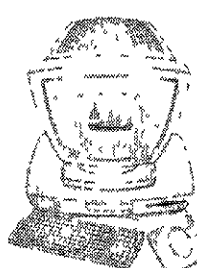
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bdrm

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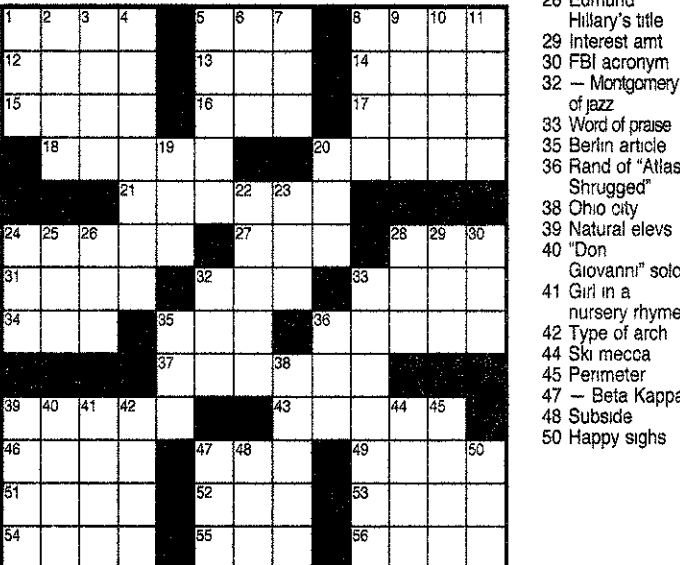
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## Help Wanted-General 5000

## FACILITY COORDINATOR, AQUATICS

Canton Township is accepting applications for Facility Coordinator, Aquatics. Must have one to three yrs of related professional exp., including extensive experience in the aquatics and facilities management field with some supervisory experience at a similar facility. Current American Red Cross and Ellis Training (preferred) CPR and certification in Lifesaving/Lifeguarding and First Aid. Bachelors Degree in Recreation Administration, Facility Management or related field, or any combination of experience and training which provides the required knowledge, abilities and skills. Must be available to work weekends through Thursdays, Wednesdays, holidays and varied shifts. Within the first 6 months of employment, must obtain certification as an Aquatic Facility Operator and preferably as Water Safety Instructor and certification as an Ellis and Associates Lifeguard Instructor. Must possess a current, valid Michigan Drivers License with a good driving history. Applicant may be required to provide his/her driving record, at own expense, through the Secretary of State. Salary \$47,570-\$61,841/yr. Applications must be picked up at Canton Township-Human Resources Division 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188 or send a self-addressed stamped business envelope to address above for application (please specify Facility Coordinator, Aquatics application). An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org).

A Canton Township application form must be completed in its entirety and on file with the Canton Township Human Resources Division by 4 p.m., April 6, 2005. No resumes will be accepted without written application form. No faxed applications will be accepted. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

## HAIR STYLIST

Mature clientele. Also chair rental available. Livonia. Ask for Diane (248) 466-1484

## HAIR STYLISTS

New Fantastic Sams salon located in Novi hiring full & part time stylists. Flexible schedules. Free advanced education. Guaranteed wages. For interview call 248-344-1114

## HANDY PERSON/BATHUB REGLAZER APPLICABLE

Full-time. Good driving record, dependable (734) 458-9900

## HEALTH CLUB POSITIONS

Including Yoga & Pilate instructors for Women's only health club offering flexible hours full or part-time positions available, fun atmosphere, health club experience preferred. No phone calls. Apply in person at 16112 Middlebelt, (between 5 and 6 Mile) Livonia, MI 48152

## HEALTH PARTNERS, INC

Private duty Homecare. Peds Needed! Vent experience Needed. Excellent Pay. Call Barb, 248-423-3466

## HHA/CNA

Private residence hiring for full/part-time. Must have own car with insurance. Call Faye (248) 526-1629

## Hotel

Is now accepting applications for the following positions:

## Front Desk Agent (Part &amp; Full Time/Audit)

• Restaurant Cook  
• Restaurant Server with banquet setup and room service responsibilities

Please apply in person at 14800 Sheldon Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170

## Hotel

Mission Point Resort has fun & challenging positions available in their Farmington Hills Sales Office

## RESERVATION SUPERVISOR

Full-time opportunity awaits a highly self-motivated individual with previous Hotel/Reservation Sales experience. Strong organizational skills a must. Ability to train and supervise a staff of 12

## RESERVATION AGENT

Full/Part Time Positions available now through October, flexible hours (days & weekends). Heavy incoming calls, computer keyboard skills required, outgoing personality to make reservations for our beautiful Mackinac Island Resort. No hotel experience required.

Please call, 248-488-3200 or send resume to Fax# 248-488-3222 or email [Info@missionpoint.com](mailto:Info@missionpoint.com)

EOE/ Drug Free Workplace

## HOT LINK SERVICE

Call for details 1-800-579-SELL

## HOUSEKEEPER, PART-TIME

Needed for retirement home in Livonia. Great hours, 11:05-2:05 Farmington Rd. 734-425-3050

## HOUSEKEEPING

Need experienced office/hallway cleaner for Lg Apt. Community in Canton. Full time, great pay, excellent benefits. Apply in person at 5855 Edison 734-981-3891 or Fax 734-981-4086 E.O.E.

## Help Wanted-General 5000

## HVAC INSTALLER

Experienced with residential replacement, some Union & Boiler Work. Fax 248-478-4127

## HVAC TECHS

Servicing Commercial / Residential. Immediate Openings. Exc. Benefits. Call Sun Heating 248-335-4555

## Installation

Multi-media company is seeking highly motivated individuals for set-up, delivery, installation & customer service of custom home theater equipment. Individual must possess valid driver's license, 16 years +, rock star attitude. Paid training, company vehicle & bonuses. Call JT (734) 207-0317

## Installers Needed

Fast growing Siding & Gutter Co. looking for dependable hard working individuals. Must have valid driver's license & dependable transportation. Exp. helpful, but will train the right candidate. Apply at: FiberClass Contracting, 47220 Cartier Dr., Wixom, MI 48393 (248) 689-0660

## INTERIOR DECORATOR

Wanted for custom home builder. Part-time. Exp. with a flair for sales. Must have new construction exp. including exterior material selections, advanced knowledge of interior materials & a proven track record dealing with custom home clients. Must be motivated, organized, sales driven & all-around sharp. Must be proficient with computers. MS Word & Excel. Starting hourly \$22-\$25/hour, pay rate based on experience. Fax resume and references to Designer at (248) 685-1176

## JANITORIAL/DAY PORTER

Residential & commercial office bldg seeks exp. & energetic team player for full time position with benefits. Send resume to [rwengartner@brodersasche.com](mailto:rwengartner@brodersasche.com)

## JOB DEVELOPER

Creative & motivated person for developing employment & microenterprises. 2 yrs exp. in vocational setting. Call Colleen (734) 467-7892

## LABORERS

needed for fire clean-up work in Westland area. Fax information to 248-282-0306

## LANDSCAPE CO.

Looking for landscape foreman (m/f) & laborers. Full time. Call Mike 248-489-5955. 249-521-8818

## LANDSCAPE DESIGNER

Established Landscape Nursery and Garden Center. Full time position. Requirements: Two year design/sales experience. Horticulture degree or certificate helpful. Excellent opportunity. Salary/benefits commensurate with experience. Send resume to Plymouth Nursery and Garden Center, 9900 Plymouth Road, Plymouth-Ann Arbor Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170. Attn: Human Resources or email to [tim@plymouthnursery.net](mailto:tim@plymouthnursery.net)

## LANDSCAPE DESIGNERS

GARDEN LOVERS. 248-543 4400, Glen

## LANDSCAPE LABORER

Needed for well established landscape & lawn maintenance company. Full time, year-round position. Please call (734) 718-9778

## LANDSCAPING &amp; LAWN MAINTENANCE - MATURE

Exp. required, Novi area. 248-374-9404

## LAWN MAINTENANCE TEAM LEADER

w/2 yrs. exp. valid driver's license w/good record, must have exp. w/equipment & repairs. Salary + bonus. Call 734-721-5710

## LAWN MAINTENANCE - A

Livonia based lawn co. seeking full-time employees. Exp. & valid driver's license required. Call (734) 522-4121

## Lawn Maintenance Supervisor

Full time for commercial company in Westland. Must have experience in all areas year around employment. \$12/hr. 734-326-9280

## LAWN SERVICE WORKERS

Novi, Northville & Plymouth areas. Rides experienced. \$10-11 to start. (734) 323-6977

## Lawn Sprayer - Certified, Lawn Maintenance &amp; Landscaping

Must have experience & valid driver's license. 248-478-3088

## LAWN SPRINKLER SERVICE TECHNICIANS

exp. Top wages & benefits. Call 248-669-1100 or fax resume 248-669-4152

## Lead Maintenance

Needed for large apartment community in Farmington. Demonstrated ability to lead and motivate is a must, as well as skills in plumbing, electrical, carpentry & HVAC. Position offers insurance, 401(k), & live on-site option. Candidate must have clean criminal & driving record. Fax resume to Leslie at (248) 569-1508

## LEASING AGENT

Part/Time for Westland Apts. Leasing! Customer service exp. preferred. Lease Apts. create lease packages. Computer Skills. Must be reliable. 734-425-0052

## LEASING CONSULTANT

Full time, for Canton apt community. Experience required. Great opportunity for right person. Please call (734) 397-1080

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## Help Wanted-General 5000

## LEASING CONSULTANT

Full time, for luxury Dearborn Heights area apt community. Customer service experience required, leasing experience preferred. Great opportunity for right person. Please fax resume to (248) 473-5480

## LEASING CONSULTANT/CLEANER

A dependable person needed to assist the Manager in managing and maintaining an apartment community in Westland. Rewarding opportunity to join a top property management team. Full time, benefits included. Call 734-261-7394 or Fax resume 734-261-4811

## LEGAL SECRETARY

Position for Bloomfield Hills solo practice. Part time. Dictation skills necessary. Submit resume to [blhlawfirm@comcast.net](mailto:blhlawfirm@comcast.net)

## LICENSED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN/ASSISTANT

The Michigan Humane Society has an immediate full or part time opening at the Westland clinic. Schedule will be varied, and may include Sat and some evenings. Exp. preferred however will train, benefits include paid medical, dental and 403 b plan. For best consideration apply in person, to Dr. Karalambos, 37255 Marquette Westland, MI 48185, before April 11, 2005. No Phone Calls Please!

## LINE COOK, Part Time

Apply within Gatsy's, 45701 Grand River, Novi (248) 346-6999

## Loan Officer

ARE YOU A TOP LOAN OFFICER? NOT GETTING PAID? WHAT ARE YOU WORTH? How does a \$750 flat fee sound? You keep the rest, no matter the size of the loan. Come join one of the top mortgage sales teams in Metro Detroit. Our Southfield based firm is looking to reward the best of the best with the strongest compensation package in Metro Detroit. If you have what it takes to succeed in our ever-changing mortgage environment, call us today. We have the best pay package and competitive benefits as well. Reply in confidence to 248-262-1754

## MACHINE REPAIR/ MAINTENANCE

Machine shop has need of conscientious repairman with good knowledge of the electrical hydraulic functions and repair of manual & cnc milling machines. Steady employment with established c/o OverTime-Fringe Benefits. Send resume with expected wages to 31800 W. Eight Mile Rd, Farmington, MI 48336. Fax: 248-477-0128. Email: [Barry@Forgeprecision.com](mailto:Barry@Forgeprecision.com)

## MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

For large Canton Community. Must have 5+ years experience. Self motivated, professional, and detail oriented. Must be able to oversee all areas of maintenance including staff. Great benefit package. Fax resume to: 248-548-1597.

## MAINTENANCE TECH

Village Green Companies, one of the area's fastest growing property management firms has an immediate opportunity for an experienced Maintenance Tech for our Troy apartment community. All phases of maintenance experience required including electrical, plumbing, drywall and appliance repair. HVAC preferred. Excellent benefits, bonus, housing discounts, training programs and opportunity for growth and advancement. For consideration please fax resume to (248) 680-0917 EOE

## MAINTENANCE TECH &amp; LEASING CONSULTANT

For Belleville Apt Community. Benefits include 401K, medical insurance, paid vacations. Fax resume 734-699-1364

## MAINTENANCE TECH

Full-time, experienced, for Canton apt community. Great opportunity for right person. Please call (734) 397-1080

## MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

Full-time, experienced, for Dearborn Hts area apt community. Great opportunity for right person. Please fax resume to 586-775-0175

## MARKETING MANAGER

Ann Arbor based Prepress Software developer seeking in-house Marketing Manager. Strong Marketing background required, preferably with Graphic Arts Industry knowledge. Responsible for marketing vision, planning and strategy including budgets, collateral materials, website and trade shows. Requires some travel. Submit resume and salary requirements to.

HR, Xitron Inc. 781 Avila Drive, Suite 200 Ann Arbor, MI 48108 fax 734-913-8088 Email: [xitronhr781@xitron.com](mailto:xitronhr781@xitron.com)

## Help Wanted-General 5000

## MECHANIC - EXPERIENCED

For Redford based building supply company to maintain fleet of tractor trailers, stakebeds, hi-lows and other heavy equipment including cranes. Benefits after 90 days with competitive salary. Send resume to: Mechanic, 12584 Inkster Rd, Redford, Michigan 48239

## MECHANIC

Diesel for fleet maintenance in Plymouth. Benefits & bonuses. Days (517) 223-7339

## MORTGAGE LOAN OFFICER

Experienced preferred but willing to train. Call (248) 357-2110

## NETWORK TECHNICIAN

Canton Township is accepting applications for Network Technician. This is technical work providing support to the Township Information Technology Services Division for the maintenance, and troubleshooting of computer related hardware and software problems. Graduation from high school and one year of practical work experience as a PC Technician or a related field. Working experience and knowledge of all Microsoft operating systems and network support. Must possess a current, valid Michigan Drivers License with a good driving history. Applicant may be required to apply for his/her driving record at own expense, through the Secretary of State. Salary \$41,549-\$54,013/yr. Applications must be picked up at Canton Township-Human Resources Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org). A Canton Township application form must be completed in its entirety and on file with the Canton Township Human Resources Division by 4 p.m., April 1, 2005. No resumes will be accepted without written application form. No faxed applications will be accepted. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

## PAINTERS, FOREMEN, TECHNICIANS &amp; CARPENTERS (Experienced)

5 yrs exp. A MUST! Full benefits available, 401 K. 248-922-1515

## PARALEGAL/ATTORNEY

full time with 3 yrs experience. Personal injury. Livonia firm. Strong medical background. Send resume to 30951 5 Mile Rd, PMB#180, Livonia, MI 48154

## Parts Shipping &amp; Receiving

at Lawn Equipment Distributorship. Part-time, 1-5pm, Mon-Fri. No experience necessary. Apply at 739 S. Mill, St. Clair, MI 48085 or Fax resume 734-453-5320

## PAVER OPERATOR

Experienced for asphalt paving company 2005 season. Must have valid driver's license, Health, dental, life ins, 401k and paid holidays. Submit application in person at K & B Asphalt, 734-722-5660

## PLANT SUPERVISOR

Exp. supervisor needed for food processing plant. Full time. Call Carol (248) 348-4833

## PLC PROGRAMMER

Familiar with Allen-Bradley Software for machine tooling. Experience preferred. Benefit package, 401K. Send/Fax resume to: OXBOW MACHINE PRODUCTS, INC. 12777 Marlette Road, Livonia, MI 48150 Fax: (734) 422-7750

## RETAIL CONSULTANTS

Renewal By Andersen is looking for part-time consultants. Outgoing, friendly retail consultants are needed to assist in sales meeting our company's sales objective by assisting our patrons and scheduling appointments in one of our two showrooms. Proven communication skills and computer knowledge is a must. Part-time positions are weekend hours. Renewal By Andersen is the Nation's leader in window replacement. Fax resume to 248-624-6265 or e-mail [sroberts@renewal-windows.com](mailto:sroberts@renewal-windows.com)

## ROOFERS

Commercial only; single-ply with minimum 3 years experience for westside work. Must have transportation, crew leader a plus, physical & drug screen required. Call Monday-Friday between 8am & 4pm @ 734-397-8122

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## Salon 33

Now hiring • Hair • Nails • Spa (734) 207-7912

## Satellite TV Installers

Home Theater Installers. Top pay. Tools & truck a plus. Fax/email 313-893-7539 [helpwanted@rfinstall.com](mailto:helpwanted@rfinstall.com)

## Help Wanted-General 5000

## SIGN PRODUCTION

Sign design & production, vinyl graphic and large format/lamination experience needed. Forward resumes to: [resumes@graphicvisionsinc.com](mailto:resumes@graphicvisionsinc.com)

## SPRINKLER INSTALL/SERVICE

Exp. persons apply. Good pay (248) 553-6100

## SPRINKLER LANDSCAPE LEADER

2 yrs exp. in all phases of landscape & sprinkler installation. Must have valid driver's license. Chauffeur/CDL w/good record. Salary + bonus. Call (734) 721-5710

## STABLE HELP NEEDED - 5-7

days per week. 8am-2 or 3pm. \$10 per hour. 734-453-1616

## STYLIST WANTED

Farmington Salon & spa. Great staff. Great pay. Flexible hours. 248-703-7697

## TAILOR - Experienced, part time

W. Bloomfield dry cleaners. Call Jerry 248-737-0074

## TEACHER

Child Care Christian Center hiring for 2 year old class exp. necessary and minimum. Call 734-699-5000

## Teachers

Advanced Technology Academy, Michigan Charter Public School #63914

has plans to open a K-8 Program at its facility in Dearborn, Michigan. The K-8 Program could start operation in the Fall of 2005. We are therefore accepting applications for Certified Teachers in all grades K-8. Teachers must be certified in their area. If interested, please send a resume, transcript & copy of certification by April 15, 2005 to the attention of Michael Richter, Dean, Advanced Technology Academy, 7265 Cathoun, Dearborn, MI 48126. ATA is an EOE

## TECHNICAL THEATER DIRECTOR

Canton Township is accepting applications for the Leisure Services Department as Technical Theater Director. This position will oversee and coordinate all technical aspects of Canton Townships performances. Develop and instruct stagecraft classes and manage a volunteer technical theater program, and work with professional and community groups at various locations in the community. Bachelors degree in Technical Theater or an equivalent combination of education and/or experience. Knowledge, training and skill in organizing and managing facilities for the performing arts. \$20.00-\$23.00/hr. Applications available at the Township Administration Building, Human Resources Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. A completed Canton Township application form must be completed in its entirety and on file with the Canton Township Human Resources Division by 4:00 p.m. April 15, 2005. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org). The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

## TELEMARKETERS

\$9.00/hr + bonuses Mon-Thurs 1pm-7pm. Call 734-402-2515 after 2 p.m. Ask for Aaron

## TELEMARKETERS &amp; LOAN OFFICERS

For expanding mortgage co in Canton area. 6 mo exp. or more. Call 734-844-5626

## TITLE COMPANY

looking for highly motivated person for curative department. Must have title ins. or mortgage exp. Full time, benefits. Fax resume to 866-276-7197

## CLASSIFIEDS WORK!

1-800-579-7355

## Help Wanted-General 5000

## TOOL MAKER, MILL, LATHE, CNC MACHINE

Gage exp. 5 yrs min., exp. 248-474-5150 or [investments57@yahoo.com](mailto:investments57@yahoo.com) Farmington Hills

## TRUCK DRIVERS

CDL B for Plymouth co. Mon-Fri. Local deliveries. Call (517) 223-7339

## VAN DRIVER/ HOUSEKEEPER/ MAINTENANCE

Waitonwood at Twelve Oaks, a luxury retirement community in Novi, is seeking a person to fill a FULL TIME multi-job position. Job includes driving the van housekeeping and maintenance. Must have a chauffeur's license. EOE. Please apply in person at 27475 Huron Circle, Novi, MI 48377 or call 248-735-1500. For more information

## VETERINARY TECH

Exp. only need apply. Competitive wages + benefit package. Full-time. Resume/references to Strong Veterinary Hospital, 29212 Five Mile Rd., Livonia, Ask for Eva

## WAREHOUSE WORKER

Full or part time. Commerce Two. Prefer faxed resume to 248-360-9978 or EMAIL [ceshaya@jandbmedical.com](mailto:ceshaya@jandbmedical.com)

## A word to the wise, when looking for a great deal check the Observer &amp; Eccentric Classifieds!

WAREHOUSE/STOCK/BUILDING MAINTENANCE. Retail furniture store has immediate full time opening at Livonia location. Will Train. Apply in person. Newton Furniture, 19950 Middlebelt Rd, (734) 525-0030

## WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHER PHOTOGRAPHY ASSISTANT

Experienced only. Must have digital camera. Please CALL Sam (248) 538-9411

## WINDOW CLEANERS

3 stores or less, \$10/hr + after 9





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**PLYMOUTH Lovely Quad**  
On oversized lot 4 BR, 2 bath home features formal LR, FR w/fpc, lg kit w/loads of cabs & spacious dining area, 2 car attached garage & bsmt. Also, updated roof, most windows & shed.  
(E51ASP) 734-455-5600 \$234,900



**REDFORD A Fantastic Value!**  
Sharp 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath updated & beautifully maintained ranch w/updated vinyl siding, oak kitchen cabinets, wallsides windows & CA. Partially finished basement, 2 car garage, wet plaster walls & hwdw flrs.  
(E36DIX) 734-455-5600 \$124,900



**PLYMOUTH Nestled in the Woods**  
Very private setting 2 BR, 2 BA condo Lg LR & DR w/corner fpc. FFL 2 private store rooms in bsmt. Beautiful oak cabs wall appls to stay Neutral decor Deck overlooking beautiful setting.  
(E49SYC) 734-455-5600 \$147,900



**SOUTH LYON Classic Custom Cape Cod**  
Two-toned cherry cabinets, granite counters, upgraded trim & molding T/O 2-story GR w/large stone faced fpc & custom mantle. Four car garage insulated & finished. Park like yard w/mature trees 27 hole golf course.  
(E60POI) 248-349-5600 \$729,900



**SALEM Ranch**  
Spacious 3BR, 2BA home on an approximate 10 acre lot w/attached garage and full basement. Has both a living and a family room. Baseboard heat Two barns & pond.  
(E00FIV) 248-349-5600 \$427,000



**DETROIT Don't Miss this One!**  
Brick 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath bungalow offers partially finished basement, enclosed patio, fpc in living room, breakfast nook + so much more you won't want to miss this one.  
(E99HUB) 734-455-5600 \$75,000



**PLYMOUTH This Home is Wonderful**  
Gorgeous 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath with 3 car garage, basement family room w/gas fpc, library, cherry kitchen w/island & granite counters, doorwall to deck, 1st flr laundry & so much more.  
(E60WIL) 734-455-5600 \$417,000



**NOVI Picturesque Colonial**  
Landscaping from Better Homes & Gardens w/brick paver patio w/built-in lights, hot tub & gazebo perennial gardens 4 BR's, 2.5 baths, fin bsmt 2 car attached garage & maple kitchen & more.  
(E65BRO) 734-455-5600 \$274,900



**PLYMOUTH Plymouth Twp. Home**  
Never gorgeous large custom 4 BR cape cod is perfect for your family Privacy at the end of a cul-de-sac Great Plymouth canton schools and all of the activities that Plymouth has to offer In-sub swimming pool.  
(E66PLE) 248-349-5600 \$454,900



**REDFORD All Brick Ranch**  
Lovely 3BR, 1.5BA home w/updates in kitchen and bath. Newer windows & newer shingles on 2 car gar. Nice FR on back of house. Large finished basement with wet bar. Great location.  
(E36FAR) 248-349-5600 \$161,000



**LIVONIA Wonderful Rural Appeal**  
Contemporary 3 BR, 2 bath cape cod offers 1st flr mstr w/walk thru bath, great room w/soaring ceiling & gas fpc, upper level w/2 bedrooms & a full bath. Hot tub overlooking deep wooded lot.  
(E38WAY) 734-455-5600 \$229,900



**SOUTH LYON Great Family House**  
Charming 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath b-level with open floor plan, updated oak kitchen w/ceramic tile floor. Family room, walkout basement & 2.5 car garage.  
(E54LYO) 734-455-5600 \$179,900



**PLYMOUTH Live Downtown**  
Historical 4 BR, 1.5 BA colonial w/all the modern updates. Hwdw floors t/o, large family room w/brick fpc, partially finished basement, open kit w/appls, large fenced yard w/never deck.  
(E16HOL) 734-455-5600 \$189,000



**SALEM TWP. Hey Gargheads**  
2-story home features a spacious 1st floor MBR ste w/huge WIC & BA w/letted tub & sep shower. Excellent floor plan offers vaulted ceilings, a huge GR w/frp/c & incredible views of the approx 2.7 acre wooded lot.  
(E17OAK) 248-349-5600 \$529,900



**REDFORD Stop Dreaming!**  
Start living the reality in this fantastic ranch. Spacious flr plan w/3BR, 2BA & FR. Large LR with hwdw floors. Fin bsmt w/fp/c, extra BR possible & full bath. 2 car gar, large fenced yard lot, appls & more.  
(E70DIX) 248-349-5600 \$159,900



**GARDEN CITY Better Than The Rest**  
3 BR, 2 full bath ranch built in 1998 offer 2 car att gar, fin bsmt w/rec rm & dry bar, hwdw flrs in kit, DR & entry. GR w/frp/c & dry bar w/WIC & jacuzzi tub, 1st flr laundry, deck & patio & more.  
(E71BRO) 734-455-5600 \$229,900



**LINCOLN PARK Great Location**  
4 BR, 2.5 bath w/eat-in kit, hwdw flrs under newer cpt, ceramic baths, newer roof & furn. Bedrooms upstairs equipped with sink & stove hookups. Finished basement & 2 car garage.  
(E69GRE) 734-455-5600 \$129,000



**DEARBORN Super Sharp Ranch**  
2 bedroom, 1 bath ranch, roomy living room, separate dining room w/frp/c flr, updated bath, newer kitchen floor 2.5 car garage w/never roof Vinyl windows.  
(E62DAR) 734-455-5600 \$107,900



**LIVONIA The White Glove Test**  
It'll pass w/trying colors. This turn-key colonial boasts pride of ownership inside & out. 3BR, 1.5BA w/large LR, FR w/frp/c & door wall to deck, great kit w/oak cabinets, fresh paint, decor, roof shingles & appliances.  
(E16MER) 248-349-5600 \$194,900



**CANTON Wow - What A House**  
Loaded w/extras 4BR, 3.2BA, master suite w/WIC, letted tub, sitting room, kitchen w/built-in island. Staircase 2 story foyer, 9ft ceilings, fpc in FR. Prof landscaped w/brick pavers. Neighborhood pool.  
(E75DEL) 248-349-5600 \$474,900



**PLYMOUTH Pride in Ownership**  
Updates & quality show in the workmanship of this builders home. 3 BR, 1.5 BA ranch offers hwdw flrs, plaster walls & open flr plan. Updated roof, furn, AC, sking, windows & entry doors & doorwall.  
(E75GOV) 734-455-5600 \$239,900



**LIVONIA Livonia's Best Buy!**  
Updated 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial w/never windows, roof, furnace & CA. Fresh & neutral family room w/wood stove & 2 car attached garage.  
(E25RIC) 734-455-5600 \$214,900



**LIVONIA Pride of Ownership**  
This home has many updates t/o FR has cozy fpc w/doorwall that leads to deck. Kitchen has newer counters, floor & dishwasher. Popular sub w/easy access to everything. Not a drive by.  
(E17SWA) 734-455-5600 \$269,750



**COMMERCE Immaculate Throughout**  
Come experience this hidden paradise yourself. Immaculate builders model 3BR, 3.5BA with W/O basement on canal front. Five sites also available for your custom built home.  
(E69MAQ) 248-349-5600 \$724,900



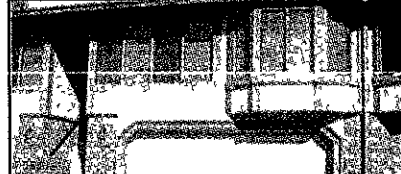
**W. BLOOMFIELD Simply Spectacular**  
Prof decorated Hills of Chelsea Park home shows like a model. Upgrades galore. Hwdws t/o Mahogany library and mantle. Open floor plan with 2-story FR. Formal DR, finished bsmt, au-pair suite, pool and spa.  
(E05CAR) 248-349-5600 \$999,900



**WESTLAND Great Opportunity**  
Own a cute 2 BR home for under \$100,000. Remodeled kitchen w/cabs, counters & floor, most newer windows, updated bath, 2nd BR w/built-in shelves & drawers. Deep lot w/pool & deck. Some appls stay.  
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Cute, freshly painted brick home with 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, hardwood floors, coved ceiling, newer windows, roof + finished basement & fenced yard.  
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Just move in & enjoy this 2BR, 2.5BA condo w/O4 updates including cpt, ceramic tile, paint & roof. Spacious room sizes, fin LL, 2+ car gar & walking distance to downtown-the best move you can make.  
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**NORTHVILLE Huge Master Bedroom**  
3 full baths. Walk to town Award winning Northville schools LR, DR, FR, 2.5 car att'd gar w/direct access. Newer roof, HW/H, furn, ext doors, gar door & opener, mstr foyer & hearth in FR. Hwdw in LR, DR & MBR.  
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**GARDEN CITY Loaded with Character**  
Charming colonial on double lot. Updated kitchen & bath. 1st floor laundry. Spiral staircase leads to 3BR. Neutral & clean. Door wall to great deck, perfect for summer BBQ's. Too cute to last.  
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**BROWNSTOWN Wonderful Home**  
Charming 3 bedroom, 2 full bath brick/vinyl ranch offering full basement, all appliances, all sitting on a great lot ready for you to build a 2 car garage.  
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**REDFORD Clean Ranch**  
3 BR home freshly painted, neutral decor, newer windows, steel entry doors & flooring. Some appliances, ceiling fans. Nice floor plan. Screened porch & a 1 year home warranty.  
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**WESTLAND You'd Better Hurry**  
Spacious brick ranch home won't last long. Move-in condition & loaded w/updates. Great floor plan w/normal DR. Nice fenced yard w/large deck & an oversized mechanics dream garage. Kitchen appls included.  
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**VAN BUREN Model Now For Sale**  
Fabulous old world craftsmanship. Hardwoods, granite, bridge design w/overhanging GR overlooking woods. Whirlpool tub. Professionally landscaped & sprinklers. All in beautiful Robinson River Park.  
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**NOVI Backs to 5 Acre Park**  
Rare offering in desirable Birchwood Sub. Updates include roof tear off-04, hardwood in FR-09, freestone facade on frpc-97. Large kit with breakfast area. 2 car side entry garage. Finished basement.  
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**REDFORD Exceptional Updated**  
Bungalow with open floor plan, living room w/refreshed hwdw flrs & fpc. Kit w/updated cabinets & ceramic tile flr. Replaced window & CA. All new bath (05). All this offered in this 3 BR, 2 BA bungalow.  
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**INKSTER Wonderful Find**  
Brick home in peaceful location, updates incl. roof, furnace, HW/H, vinyl windows, CA plumbing, driveway & porch. All updates are energy efficient. Nice fenced yard w/great landscaping.  
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**NORTHVILLE Transferee Ready**  
Custom Estate Premium cut-de-sac lot overlooking pond. Upgrades T/O. Beautiful hwdw flrs, gorgeous tile backsplash, maple cabs, hearth room w/2-way fpc. Fin LL w/5th BR, bath & bar.  
(E00WHI) 248-349-5600 \$629,000



**NOVI Won't Last - Honest**  
Superior 3BR, 2.5BA colonial in excellent location. New this year kitchen, patio, door walls, some carpet. Newer roof, windows & more. Great fin bsmt, carpet, drywall & full bath. Loaded w/extras. Move in condition.  
(E05JAM) 248-349-5600 \$269,900



**NOVI Elegant Southern Living**  
4BR colonial to move in. Wonderful lot. Great kitchen w/large cabinet. French doors lead to gorgeous FR. Master suite w/WIC. Wonderful master bath. This is a must see home. Looks like a model.  
(E03ASH) 248-349-5600 \$423,000



**DETROIT Lovely Home**  
This 3 bedroom bungalow offers newer windows, steel entry doors, oak cabinets in kitchen, basement & a home warranty is included. This home is ready for you.  
(E35LON) 734-455-5600 \$69,500



**TAYLOR Don't Miss This One!**  
Newer construction condo opens to a 2-story foyer. Beautiful gas fpc, mstr bdrm w/WIC & vaulted ceiling. Features CA, 2 car attached garage & carpeted basement.  
(E76COA) 734-455-5600 \$172,000



**SOUTH LYON Stunning Walkout Colonial**  
Premium elevation w/stunning views of wooded nature preserve from 3 stories 4 BR, 2.5BA colonial features a 2-story entrance w/hwdw floors, massive kitchen, bay in LR, fpc in FR. Enjoy the luxurious mstr ste.  
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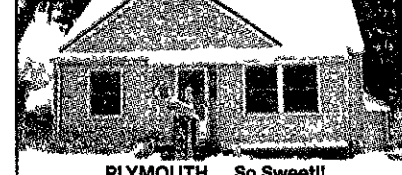
**DEARBORN HTS. Beauty is Born**  
Beautiful 2004 built full brick ranch w/3BR, 2BA. Open flowing floor plan w/great attention to detail. Generous room sizes and large country kitchen. Central air, custom front porch.  
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**SOUTHFIELD Lovely Ranch End Unit**  
Condo located deep in complex. Two spacious BR & 2 baths. Updated kit w/nat oak cabs & a GR w/frp/c. Drivels from kit & MBR lead to brick paver patio. Great flr plan. Full bsmt. Newer furn & wndws. All appls included.  
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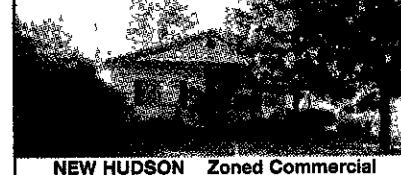
**DEARBORN Sharp Townhouse**  
This 2 bedroom, 2 full bath condo is ready to move into. Beautiful updates. Master suite w/WIC, skylights in bath with jetted tub. Fireplace in dining room & spacious LR w/vaulted ceiling. A must have.  
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**PLYMOUTH So Sweet!!**  
Clean & beautifully maintained house with beautiful yard! 3 bedroom, finished basement, garage, many updates & amenities. Bright & cheerful kitchen. Hardwood floors & all appliances.  
(E80SUN) 734-455-5600 \$234,900



**NOVI Spectacular Custom Home**  
Beautifully detailed-offers 4 spacious BRs, 4.5 baths. Master suite features fpc, 2 WIC & granite bath. Gourmet kitchen w/walk-in stove, Sub Zero frg. WOLL heated floors, Sauna & full granite kit. Awesome lot.  
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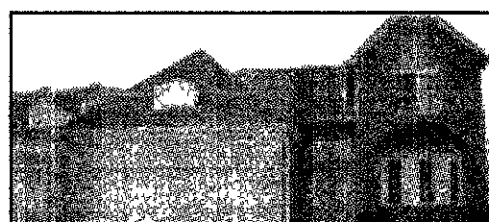
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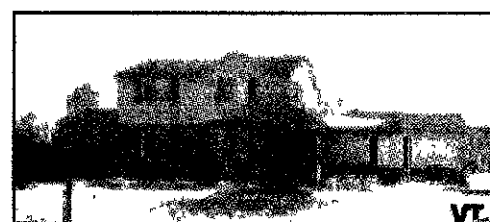
**NORTHVILLE** 248-348-6430  
BEAUTIFUL HILLSIDE SETTING 4 BRs, 4.5 baths w/chef's delight kitchen, hwd flrs, mstr w/doorwall to deck, fin bsmt w/rec rm, BR, full bath & cedar closet. Wonderful location. 349-6200 (25030054) \$589,900



**NORTHVILLE** 248-348-6430  
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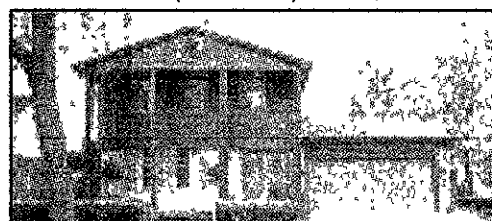
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**SOUTHFIELD** 248-348-6430  
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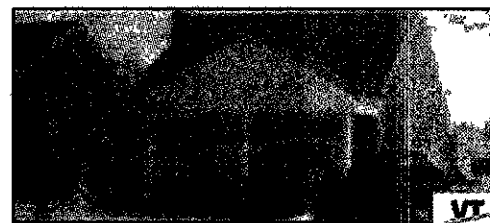
**GARDEN CITY** 734-326-2000  
EXPANSE NOT EXPENSE is this remodeled 3 bedroom Cape Cod w/2,400 Sq Ft, remodeled kitchen w/all appliances & bath w/vanity, deck, 3 car garage & huge MBR. (P330) \$174,000



**NOVI** 734-591-9200  
GREAT LOCATION 2 bedroom, beautiful cherry cabs, appl's stay. Bright living rm & dining area w/pergo flrs. Updated 1.5 BAs. Fin rm in bsmt. Brick paver patio. Dir access to gar. (25031766) \$158,900



**SOUTHFIELD** 734-455-7000  
BRICK HOME ON TREE LINED BLOCK 3 BR in prestigious Southfield. Huge bkyrd. Updated electrical, new wndws, security system, oak cabs, FP, hwd flrs. Skylight in fam rm, new front door, det gar. (23C25670) \$155,000



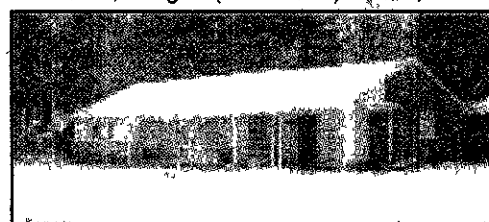
**ALLEN PARK** 734-591-9200  
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**REDFORD** 248-348-6430  
SHARP 3 BR RANCH! Desirable Ridgemont sub. Beautifully maintained home. Newer wndws, roof home/garage, HWH, furnace, deck, siding & totally remodeled bath. Fin'd bsmt & more. 349-6200 (25030803) \$150,000



**REDFORD** 734-591-9200  
3 bedroom, 2 bath bungalow comes with 1588 sq ft, 3 car (30x24) attached garage, finished basement, wood deck and updates. Visit www.samsellshouses.com (25032293). \$142,900



**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 734-455-7000  
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**WESTLAND** 734-326-2000  
3 BR/2 BA RANCH offers large eat-in kitchen, 2 garages, finished basement, all appliances are included (pool table negotiable), deck overlooks an extra deep lot. (P330) PC220972 \$136,900



**WESTLAND** 734-326-2000  
GREAT BEGINNINGS START HERE! Clean and ready 2 bdrm condo w/finished basement, 2 car attached w/opener, workshop, storage. Appliances stay. Clubhouse, pool, plus Livonia schools. (C374) \$134,900



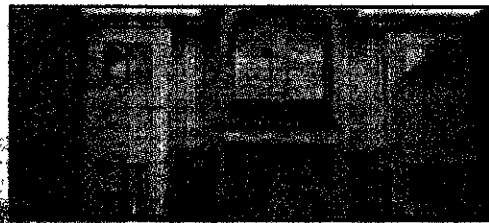
**REDFORD** 734-591-9200  
A very neat & charming brick bungalow. Updated kitchen, bath, elect, plmbg, rf, newer carpet, hot water tank, entry doors. Beautiful hardwood floors & a home warranty. South Redford schools. (25029494) \$131,500



**WESTLAND** 734-326-2000  
3 BEDROOM RANCH Brick and vinyl home with newer windows, including bay. Newer furnace and central air. Partially fin'd bsmt, fenced yard, garage. (W114) \$129,900



**INKSTER** 734-591-9200  
BRICK BUNGALOW 4 bedrooms, bright kitchen leading to deck. 2 car oversize garage. Basement, newer roof & A/C. A very nice home. Some appliances stay. (25028595) \$128,500



**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
RENT A TRUCK.... and start moving. This well maintained condo is waiting for new owners. Back of sub location. Spacious master w/private bath. Appliances stay. Call soon! (23L42744) \$127,497



**WESTLAND** 248-348-6430  
DESIRABLE RANCH WAYNE/WESTLAND SCHOOL 3 BRs, 1 BA home w/updtd kit, bath, crpt, plumbing, breakers, steel doors, HWH, interior doors. Nice Florida rm & appl's stay. 349-6200 (25031014) \$125,000



**LINCOLN PARK** 248-348-6430  
UPDATED 3 BR COLONIAL W/LOTS OF UPDATES Newly remodeled eat-in kit, freshly painted, fin bsmt w/Berber carpet. Nice size lot, most appl's stay, near schools. 349-6200 (25026363) \$109,500



**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 734-591-9200  
Beautiful, open-concept 3 BR ranch 1300 sq ft. Cathedral ceilings & pergo flrs. Updated kit & BA w/neutral decor. Awesome deck & att 8x8 storage unit. Must see! (25029084) \$109,500

**ANN ARBOR** 734-326-2000  
6 acre Executive Estate, 4 BR 3 1/2 BAs, 3+ car gar, lg kit w/bkfst rm overlooking golf course, LR w/large FP, Mstr Ste w/Whirlpool tub. (T354) PC220342 24106089 \$454,900

**CANTON** 248-684-1065  
4 BR, 2 story on cul-de-sac. Granite kit. Stainless appls. Hwd flrs. Mstr ste w/tub & shower. Wooded .22 acre lot. Prof landscaped. Pool & clubhouse. Lg deck. (25023279) \$339,900

**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
3 BR CONDO! Neutral decor throughout. 3 BR & 3 full BA in this Canton condo. Ready for you to move in! (23S47594) 25031904 \$307,999

**CANTON** 734-591-9200  
2 BR, 2.5 BA dramatic staircase in GR. Cath ceiling w/fan & FP. MBR has 2 WICs. Bright kit has new flr & drwall to patio, appls stay. 1st flr Indry. 2 car gar & bsmt. (25009266) \$184,900

**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
"THE WINDS" Clean townhouse in this low maintenance, quiet, well kept community! (23S41086) \$129,750

**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
This lovely end unit condo is located well at back of complex. 2 BRs, 2 full BAs. Neutral decor. Call Now! (23L42779) 25028435 \$124,979

**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 734-591-9200  
Sparkling gem. 3 BRs, 1.5 BAs, w/walk-out bsmt, new furn, C/A, newer crpt, flr, drvwy, wndws, eat in kit & DR. (24115068) \$154,900

**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 248-348-6430  
3BR/2 BA UPDATED RANCH. Newer BA, \$6,000 in new windows, perfect hwd flrs. Kit & BA in bsmt, investment potential! All appliances stay. What more could you ask for? 349-6200. (24133637) \$144,900

**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 734-591-9200  
Extremely well maintained 3 BR, 1,094 sq ft, updated brick ranch. Fin'd bsmt w/wet bar & 1.5 car gar. All appliances stay. A must see! Visit www.samsellshouses.com (25012225) \$139,900

**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 248-348-6430  
UPDATED RANCH Well cared for 3 BR, 1.5 BA home w/natural frplc. Newer roof, gutters, BA, oak kit cab. Refin'd hwd flrs. Fin bsmt w/lav. 2.5 car gar & fenced yard. 349-6200 (24155688) \$124,900

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 248-348-6430  
END UNIT RANCH CONDO! OPEN FLOOR PLAN Vaulted ceilings w/skylite in kit. New wndws, rf-03, some new appl's. Gas Frplc; neutral. 1 car gar. 349-6200 (25011747) \$172,000

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 248-348-6430  
CLEAN AND COZY 3 BR brick front ranch. Updated w/newer windows, kit cabinets, and vinyl siding. 349-6200. (25006667) \$154,900

**GARDEN CITY** 734-455-7000  
1350 sq ft, 2.5 BA, fin bsmt, 2.5 car gar. Huge MBR w/BA, expanded kit/gathering rm, new carpet & paint. (23M32750) 241217166 \$149,900

**LINCOLN PARK** 734-326-2000  
BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED 3 BR RANCH Many updates, including the BA. Huge kit with doorwall to patio, partially fin'd bsmt and much more. (N206) 24148483 \$125,900

**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
Winding brk paver pathways flow thru a wooded 1/2 acre that surrounds this 2000 sq ft ranch w/3 BR, 2.5 BAs, hwd flr, rec rm, granite & tile accents. A must see! (25003630) \$400,000

**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
New construction. 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial has 2421 sqft, bsmt & 2 car att gar. Cerm tile in BAs, cherry cabs & birch flr in kit, nook, 1/2 BA, foyer, strose. Curtis Creek. (24023356) \$359,900

**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
3 BR, 1.5 BA brick ranch. Updts; A/C 04, re-fin'd hwd flrs, Lndscp, priv fence, copper plmb. Fin bsmt w/glass blk wndws. (24151396) \$184,900

**LIVONIA** 248-348-6430  
TOTALLY UPDATED RANCH 2 BR (possible 3rd in bsmt) 2 BA. Updates include: roof, furn, C/A, vinyl siding, wndws, doorwall & Berber crpt. Wood burning stove for those cool evenings. 349-6200 (25020453) \$148,800

**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
Large country lot. .45 acre holds this 2 BR updated ranch. Kit, BA, windows, roof, furn & air within last 6 years. (25023369) \$125,000

**MELVINDALE** 734-326-2000  
SHARP 3 BR-Roomy BRs, lg 2 car gar, newer 3 BR w/new furn, c/a, updated electrical, new roof (tear off) vinyl windows updated kit. Fresh paint t/o 1 year warranty. (D100) 25029027 \$119,900

**NORTHVILLE** 248-348-6430  
Charming home w/updates galore. 3 BR, 2 BA. Hwd flrs, newer wndws, granite cntrs. Mstr BA w/spa tub, separate shower. Heavily treed, privt yard. 349-6200 (25003322) \$310,000

**NOVI** 248-348-6430  
ONE-OF-A-KIND CONDO! Immaculate. Beautiful LR, DR, kit, 2 main level BRs & 2 BRs upstairs, 4 BAs, fin'd bsmt & close to new Catholic Central HS. 349-6200. (24093346) \$329,900

**NOVI** 734-591-9200  
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**NOVI** 248-348-6430  
FOR LEASE- NEUTRAL RANCH CONDO New kit: Corian counters, stove, refrig, m/w & d/w. 2 BRs, WIC, full bsmt, att 1 car gar. Heat, water, lawn svc. 349-6200 (24144349) \$1,000

**PLYMOUTH** 734-455-7000  
Superb contemporary custom built home on almost half acre lot. 4 BRs, 4.5 BAs, open & flowing flr plan. (23E1409) 24090935 \$649,900

**PLYMOUTH** 248-348-6430  
CONTEMPORARY FLAIR!! Spacious condo! Vaulted ceilings! Skylights! 2 car gar! 2 BRs/2.5 BAs! Neutral! Fplc! Convenient location! Quick occupancy! 349-6200 (24043061) \$175,900

**REDFORD** 734-591-9200  
Attractive 1 1/2 Story Bungalow. 1100 sq ft. 3 BR, 1.5 BA, Bsmt & Gar. Updates incl: Roof, Furn, Kit Cabs & Counters, Electrical. Heated gar is a handyman's dream. Lndscp & fenced yrd. (24150285) \$139,900

**REDFORD** 248-348-6430  
Updtd kit cab & counter tops, newer wndws, furn & c/a, newer roof, copper plumbing, gar door & deck. 349-6200 (25003712) \$135,900

**REDFORD** 734-326-2000  
3 BR w/new furn, c/a, updated electrical, new roof (tear off) vinyl windows updated kit. Fresh paint t/o 1 year warranty. (D100) 25029027 \$119,900

**REDFORD** 734-326-2000  
3 BR brick ranch w/clean & bright open floor plan. Newer windows, furnace, C/A, carpet, interior paint & more! (9244) 25001367 \$104,500

**ROSEVILLE** 734-455-7000  
Beautiful condo for lease. End unit. 1 yr lease avail. Owner will pay association dues. Security deposit- \$1650.00 required. No dogs. (23C27799) 25031574 \$825

**SOUTHFIELD** 734-591-9200  
Sharp 1600 sq ft brick ranch w/gourmet oak kit, FR, rf (01), furn w/C/A (02), newer wndws (29), glass blk (99), 2-tier deck, backs to woods. All appl's & home warranty (24139431) \$196,000

**SOUTHFIELD** 734-326-2000  
RAISED RANCH CONDO Lg Mstr ste w/WIC. Ceramic counter tops! Many updates t/o. Beautiful condo is located in much sought after downtown Southfield. (R202) 25016523 \$184,900

**TROY** 734-455-7000  
CUL-DE-SAC 4 BR, 2.5 BA Colonial in beautiful sub on a beautiful cul-de-sac. Brick home w/great deck & fenced yard. Numerous advantages inside & outside. (23P2658) 25003436 \$298,900

**WAYNE** 734-326-2000  
CUSTOM BUILD ON RAVINE LOT 1,865 SF, 3 BR brick bungalow, fireplace, cove ceilings, formal DR, sunroom, C/A & partially fin'd bsmt, 2 car gar. Extremely clean. (W321) 24123945 \$219,900

**WYANDOTTE** 734-326-2000  
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4 blks W of Wyoming  
(248) 895-3558

## ESTATE SALE BY IRIS

Fri - Sat  
April 1 & 2  
10 - 4 PM.  
271 Euclid,  
Birmingham  
Take Old Wood-  
ward, go 4 blks.  
North of Maple, to  
Euclid

## 60 YEAR COLLECTION IN BIRMINGHAM

All Beautiful  
Antique Mahogany  
Furniture  
INCLUDE:  
•Set of Lennox  
dishes •Cups and  
Saucers collection  
•Tons of Antique  
Art Works  
•American Antique  
Chest •Duncan  
Phyfe dining table  
with 6 Chippendale  
chairs •Server,  
Breakfront and  
Chippendale Ma-  
hogany Secretary  
•Rockers •Piecrust  
drop leaf table  
•Lionel trains. •Lots  
of books •Tons of  
silver •Washer/  
dryer, refrigerator  
and stove • Air  
Dyne bike  
Jammed Packed!

## IRIS KAUFMAN

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JAMES ADELSON  
248-417-4120  
Appraisers & Liquidators  
for 45 Yrs in Metro Area

## ESTATE SALE

1300 E Lafayette Blvd Apt.  
1411, Detroit (corner of  
Rivard, 2 blocks N of E  
Jefferson) Fri., April 1, Sat.  
April 2 & Sun, April 3 10 a.m.  
to 5 p.m. Elegant traditional  
furniture, glassware, framed  
art, oriental style rugs, house-  
hold items & much more most  
items in like-new cond. 1.  
Featuring French side tables  
from the Presidential suite at  
the Book-Cadillac Hotel,  
Chippendale loveseat,  
Henredon damask sofa,  
unusual Italianate upholstered  
dining chairs, Mission  
cane and much, much more.  
Many small decorative  
items & distinctive glassware  
in 1st-class cond. Everything  
must be sold!

## PLYMOUTH Moving Sale!

Antique Jacobean heavily  
engraved china 1920 dining  
set Victorian living room fur-  
niture, reproduction set and  
other furniture and household  
items Call 734-420-9239

## BLOOMFIELD TWP.

4734 Hedgewood, (off Walnut  
Lk. W of Franklin) Good vari-  
ety of household items. April  
2 & 3, 9-5

## CANTON ESTATE &amp; HOUSEHOLD SALE

March 31-April 12, 9-5, 44012  
N. Umberland, E. of Sheldon,  
Between Ford & Warren. Over  
50 yrs accumulation  
Furniture, freezer, ironerite,  
Tiffany style fixture, kitchen  
items, paintings, decor, linens,  
clothing, a bit of everything

## Display Case 71" x 71" x 24"

(approx), glass doors  
and 4 drawer Fire Safe File  
Cabinet - FREE FREE  
313-212-5348

## FARMINGTON - Moving Sale

Sat, April 2, 9am-4pm  
Refrigerator, small appliances,  
great misc. 22611 Brookdale,  
btwn Grand River & Freedom

## LIVONIA - Apt Sale

Everything must go! Everything new! Sofa  
& chair, dining table/chairs,  
computer cabinet, misc apt  
items 248-949-9089

Livonia - couches, and tables,  
bookcase and lots more!  
(734) 591-0344

## 7100 Estate Sales

## GREENTREES ESTATE SALES

Fri-Sat, April 1-2  
10am-4pm  
2147 Fairway Dr. Bham  
Fairway goes E off Cranbrook  
Rd., 9 streets S of Livonia  
Sign ONLY at house

## Living, dining &amp; family rooms

two bedroom Furniture is  
traditional, Victorian, antique  
China includes Noritake  
Haviland Silver & silverplate  
pieces, stemware includes  
large set Orrefors vintage  
ladies and baby clothing, jew-  
elry, furs, fine linens, books,  
records, framed art, col-  
lectibles, pool table, misc

## NORTHVILLE 16240 Northville Rd.

between 5 & 6 Mile  
Rd Thurs & Fri 9am-3pm  
Antiques & furniture

## OAK PARK Fri Sat &amp; Sun

April 1, 2, & 3 10-4pm  
10840 Oak Park Blvd  
Furniture, antiques, clothing &  
misc household items

## REDFORD (S) Thurs-Sat

9-5pm 9565 Bervyn, W.Chic-  
ago/Beech Complete home,  
furniture, tools & antiques

## REDFORD ESTATE SALE

Sat, Apr 2, 9-3pm 12740  
Tecumseh S of Schoolcraft,  
E of Inkster All must go!

## REDFORD Sat Only! March

1st, 8-5pm 25517 West  
Chicago Lots of household  
misc. & collectibles

## WYANDOTTE 1502 21st Street

Thurs-Sat, 9am-5pm  
Cute house nice clean new  
furnishings washer, dryer,  
stove, lawn mower and 1998  
Cavalier LS Southfield Hwy S  
to Fort St (right) to Goddard  
(left) to 21st Street (right)  
Sale By Bags included.

## Garage Sales

7110

## BIRMINGHAM - ANTIQUES

FURNITURE ANTIQUE WICK-  
ER, lamps, frames & prints  
toys & games, doll house ICE  
BANK (80 x32, all compo-  
nents) Sat, 10-2pm 1196  
Lakeside Drive, S off  
Quarton, W of Woodward  
248-540-1057

## BIRMINGHAM OPEN Fri, 12-4pm

Sat, 9am-4pm Many  
household items to choose  
from-appliances, furniture,  
glass/dishware, tools, clothes  
1967 SHEFFIELD, E of  
Woodward/N of 14 Mile

## Clarkston "GARAGE SALE

THIS WEEKEND Spring clean-  
ing, everything must go!  
Furniture, clothing, electron-  
ics, only gently used and well  
kept All proceeds will be  
donated to local charity 6624  
Rosenlawn (off Church St),  
Sat, Apr 2, 9am-12pm and  
Sun, Apr 3, 9am-1pm

## DETROIT-Immaculate Heart

of Mary, Garage Sale/Live  
Auction, Sat, Apr 2, 10am-4pm  
16000 Pembroke near  
Greenfield

## DETROIT: FINAL ESTATE SALE

good prices Antiques, glass,  
1976 cargo Van, Everything  
must go! 9657 W. Outer Dr.,  
between Fankel & Grand River,  
Fri & Sat, 10am-4pm

## FARMINGTON - Moving Sale

Sat, April 2, 9am-4pm.  
Refrigerator, small appliances,  
great misc. 22611 Brookdale,  
btwn Grand River & Freedom

## LIVONIA - 15532 Westmore

E. of Farmington Rd / N of  
Five Mile La-2-Boy chairs,  
women's large clothing, tools,  
& more! Thurs Sat

## LIVONIA - Fri-April 1, Sat, 9-5pm

35542 Leon  
Household items

## LIVONIA Garage/ Moving

Sale! March 31, April 1-2-3,  
8:30-5:30 p.m. 38790  
Grandon, btwn Ann Arbor Rd  
& Joy rd off Hix

## Moving Sales

7130

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Tiffany style fixture, kitchen  
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## Moving Sales

## SOUTHFIELD

Huge!  
Downsizing Pool table patio  
furniture, unique items,  
Christmas decorations, etc!  
Thurs-Sun, 9-5 30585  
Woodgate Dr, 13 & Evergreen

## W. Bloomfield - dining room

table & chairs, washer, dryer,  
ponton boat, records, wood  
chipper, etc 248-338-8942

## West Bloomfield - Fri &amp; Sat

April 1 & 2 9-4 4182  
Newland Dr West, W off  
Middlebelt S off Long Lake  
Misc decorating items & fur-  
niture pcs, good quality, 3  
pc bedroom set, wicker 2 pc  
couch & lounge, yard equip-  
ment/tools Cash & carry

## Baby &amp; Children Items

7150

## BUNK BED Set 7-piece

\$500  
734-788-0108

## Household Goods

7160

## \$110 BRAND NEW - Full

size mattress/box set New  
in plastic, w/warranty Can  
deliver 248-941-4206

## \$110 NEW QUEEN pillow

top mattress set in plastic  
Can deliver 248-941-4206

## NEW KING pillow top

mattress set W/warranty  
210 248-941-4206

## BED - A NANA MEMORY FOAM

set As seen on TV Brand new,  
factory sealed, must sell \$350  
Can deliver 248-941-4206

## BED - Brand New double pil-

low-top mattress set in plas-  
tic, with warranty Must sell!  
Can deliver 734-231-6622

## BEDROOM OUTFIT 2 night

stands, 1 dresser w/mirror,  
chest, headboard w/rails  
\$500 (313) 531-7852

## Bedroom Set 7 piece Ashley

queen bedroom set 2 yrs old  
includes head & footboard,  
dresser w/mirror, 5 drawer  
chest & 2 night stands Paid  
over \$1700 Will sell for \$875  
or best offer  
Jessica (734) 223-3390

## BEDROOM SET 6-pc

Ethan Allen antique pine  
Solid wood Cannonball  
pill/queen head & foot  
boards, 8-drawer dresser  
w/whitch, nightstand &  
armoire Great condition  
\$500 (248) 478-7439

## BEDS OAK (2) TWIN STUDY

ltd w/whitch board, 2  
chairs, pull-out desk, 6  
drawers dresser, exc cond,  
\$650/best (248) 879-3946

## COUCH &amp; LOVESEAT

Pastel, solid, in great con-  
dition \$400/best  
734-459-1534, 313-949-5515

## DESK - Mission Style

Computer desk with hutch  
Exc cond \$200  
248-898-7731

## DESK, large brown steel

office, size in good shape, 5  
drawers plus a file drawer  
Great for student \$200  
Kitchen Aid built in trash  
c disposer, in great condition  
\$40 Mediterranean coffee  
table, Thomsville, wood  
w/slate centerpiece, excellent  
cond, \$50 (248) 647-1823

## DINING ROOM

Antique Mahogany Dining  
Phyfe table, chairs, buffet,  
china cabinet, \$1000/best  
Mahogany drop leaf table  
\$200/best Linens, wooden  
kitchen table & chairs, also  
other items! 734-439-7992 or  
734-358-1029

## DINING ROOM SET

Ethan Allen 72" long table  
extends to 120 double  
pedestal, 8 Queen Anne chairs,  
sideboard, also includes table  
rags, \$2500 Ethan Allen  
Camelback couch, blue &  
mauve flame-stitch uphol-  
stery-\$200 (248) 349-6965

## DINING ROOM TABLE 41X79

28" TALL MARBLE w/ table  
pads; exc. cond. 9 black  
laquered chairs w/new uphol-  
stery,\$1950; 248-514-1878

DINING ROOM TABLE 64X42,  
2 leafs, Cherry top, black legs  
& black chairs, fabric seats,  
table pads Ethan Allen,  
\$1600; 734-420-4091

DINING TABLE 6 chairs, beau-  
tiful mahogany Attractive  
wood computer hutch w/  
shelves Both brand new!  
Must move 248-943-9089

## Don't take a chance....

Must sell Will sacrifice beau-  
tiful near new furniture items  
include elegant Italian leather  
sofa & loveseat (cost over  
\$3,000), will sell both pieces for  
\$1,550), also have beautiful 13  
piece formal Chippendale cher-  
ry dining room suite, 2 king-  
sized cherry 11-piece bedroom  
suits, 2 cherry queen-sized  
bedroom suites, cherry five  
piece game set, 3-piece cherry  
pub table set, all wood 9-piece  
cherry kitchen set, cherry &  
mahogany grandfather clocks,  
two 3-piece cherry coffee table  
sets, gorgeous 24 percent lead  
crystal and solid brass lamps,  
pictures, silk trees, etc All less  
than 3 mos old & in excellent  
condition Must be sold as  
soon as possible Please call  
248-449-8667

## FURNITURE

Waterfall, bed,  
dresser, Lane cedar chest,  
\$500 (313) 937-8057



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## Trucks for Sale 6220

**GMC 1997 Sonoma** Extended cab pickup, red, \$6,995. Home of the Guaranteed Credit Approval. **RALPH THAYER** Volkswagen-Mazda-Hyundai Livonia (734) 425-5400. Ask for Jeff Pierce

**GMC 2003 SLE** - extended cab 4 door, 5300 V8, 33k miles, non smoker \$18,900. **SOLD**

**GMC JIMMY 1999** 4 Dr., air, Auto, pl, cruise, CD, anti-lock brakes, pw, ps, am-fm stereo, leather SLT, black ext, heated seats, climate control, compass/ temp, ABS, exc cond \$8,750. 313-600-4664 Novi, MI

## Mini-Vans 6240

**AEROSTAR, 1993**, fair condition \$1000 or best offer 734-425-3419

**CARAVAN 1995** - burgundy/gray, 3 rows, V6, very good cond., clean, in/out - 125K. Must see! \$1950. **SOLD**

**CHRYSLER 2001** Town & Country LX 4 dr, dark blue, 1 owner, nice car! \$10,950. **JOHN ROGIN BUICK** 734-525-0900

**CHRYSLER 2002** Town & Country Limited, all factory options, \$15,995. **Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep** (734) 455-8740

**DODGE 2001** Grand Caravan Sport, lot of extras, only \$7,495. **Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep** (734) 455-8740

**DODGE CARAVAN-1993** 7 passengers, 6 cyl, Red, V-6, 109k miles, great cond \$1950 (248) 608-0831

**DODGE CARAVAN-SE 1998** 79K miles, very clean, \$5200 734-762-7553

**DODGE GRAND CARAVAN SPORT 2003** Air, auto, pl, cruise, CD, anti-lock brakes, pw, full stereo history, ps, am-fm stereo 22K miles, 1 owner, 7 year extended warranty, free oil changes, metallic blue, clean, pwr door and lift gate. Must see! \$16,950 - 248-473-0337

**FORD 1998** Windstar, great cond., ready for camping! Only \$4,995. Home of the Guaranteed Credit Approval. **RALPH THAYER** Volkswagen-Mazda-Hyundai Livonia (734) 425-5400. Ask for Jeff Pierce

**FORD 1999** Windstar LX, clean, won't last, \$3,888. **Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep** (734) 455-8740

**FORD 2002** Windstar, silver, low miles, nice! \$14,995. **Bill Brown Ford** (734) 522-0030

**FORD WINDSTAR 1999** Fully loaded, like new, \$4300. **TYME** (734) 455-5566

**FORD WINDSTAR 2003 SEL** auto, air, CD, power locks/windows, leather seats \$16,500/best. 734-525-6877

**GMC SAFARI 1994** 211,000 miles, replaced trans, good tires, good brakes. Runs good! \$1700/best. Call 734-776-4775

**GMC SAFARI XT 1990** 135,000 miles, AWD, good cond! \$1800 or best offer. Call Mark (734) 266-5382

**HONDA 1999** Odyssey EX, extra clean, great buy, \$9,988. **Tamaroff Buick Used Cars** Telegraph South of 12 Mile 248-353-1300

**HONDA 2000** Odyssey EX, Honda Certified, 48k, loaded, extra clean, \$15,988. **Tamaroff Buick Used Cars** Telegraph South of 12 Mile 248-353-1300

**HONDA 2003** Odyssey EX, Honda Certified, low miles, 2 available, \$19,988. **Tamaroff Buick Used Cars** Telegraph South of 12 Mile 248-353-1300

**HONDA ODYSSEY 2000** Loaded! Navigation, leather, 105,000 miles, \$12,600 or best offer (313) 304-4645

**MERCURY 1996** Villager, 47K, red, 7 passenger, sharp, \$5,995. **OPEN SATURDAY 9-3** Sesi Lincoln Mercury Mazda - YPSILANTI 888-565-0112 734-482-7133

**PLYMOUTH 1999** Grand Voyager SE, 53K, loaded, \$6,488. **Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep** (734) 455-8740

**PLYMOUTH GRAND VOYAGER** 1998 Loaded, 78K, extended warranty. Exec cond., original owner \$5,850 (248) 855-2349

**PLYMOUTH VOYAGER 1999** 1 owner, great cond., p/s, p/b, rear defroster & cd, 35,899/best. 248-840-9223 586-466-6878

**PONTIAC 2000** Montana, blue, leather, LWB, only \$6,995. **Bob Jeannotte Pontiac** (734) 453-2500

**SATURN 2005** Relay 3, auto show car, 100 miles, leather, Entertainment center, \$28,995. **Saturn of Plymouth** Toll Free 866-798-7124

## Vans 6260

**1992-2000 HANDICAP VANS WANTED**. Call Dale anyday, (517)230-8865.

**CHEVY 2005** 1500 Cargo Van, auto, save thousands over new, only \$16,988. **Tamaroff Buick Used Cars** Telegraph South of 12 Mile 248-353-1300

**CHEVY EXPRESS 1999** Conversion loaded front/rear air/heat & TV Exc cond 43K miles Livonia (734) 462-4236

**FORD 2000 E350** Cube Van 28K, never used commercially, \$13,500. **TYME** (734) 455-5566

**FORD 2004** E-150 Cargo Van, auto, V-8, 26K, \$15,988. **Tamaroff Buick Used Cars** Telegraph South of 12 Mile 248-353-1300

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## Sports Utility 6280

**FORD 2003 Expedition** Eddie Bauer, roof, power 3rd seat leather \$26,495

**Bill Brown Ford** (734) 522-0030

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**FORD ESCAPE XLT 2003** tan, FWD, exc cond., 40,000 miles fully equipped below bluebook around \$11,000. **SOLD**

**FORD ESCAPE-2001** 4x4, sun roof, full power \$9500 734-306-0356

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**FORD EXPEDITION -1997**, Eddie Bauer 5.4 litre, v-8, awd/4wd 180k miles \$7200 (248) 330-4969

**FORD EXPLORER 2000 Sport** Like new, \$6500. **TYME** (734) 455-5566

**GMC 1999 Yukon LT 4x4**, leather sharp! \$10,950. **JOHN ROGIN BUICK** 734-525-0900

**GMC 2002 Jimmy 4 dr SLE** 4x4, low miles, \$9,988. **Tamaroff Buick Used Cars** Telegraph South of 12 Mile 248-353-1300

**HONDA 1998 CR-V LX 4 dr**, auto, \$9,988. **Tamaroff Buick Used Cars** Telegraph South of 12 Mile 248-353-1300

**HONDA 2000 CR-V** auto \$9,988. **Tamaroff Buick Used Cars** Telegraph South of 12 Mile 248-353-1300

**ISUZU 2002 Axiom XS 4x4**, leather, loaded, 1 owner low miles E2 Finance \$15,950. **JOHN ROGIN BUICK** 734-525-0900

**KIA 2004 Sorento EX**, all wheel drive, loaded, 15K, \$17,988. **Tamaroff Buick Used Cars** Telegraph South of 12 Mile 248-353-1300

**MERCURY 2001 Mountaineer** AWD, 47K, leather, \$12,900. **OPEN SATURDAY 9-3** Sesi Lincoln Mercury Mazda - YPSILANTI 888-565-0112 734-482-7133

**TRIBUTE 2003 ES 12K** 1 owner, moon, leather, CD \$17,900. **OPEN SATURDAY 9-3** Sesi Lincoln Mercury Mazda - YPSILANTI 888-565-0112 734-482-7133

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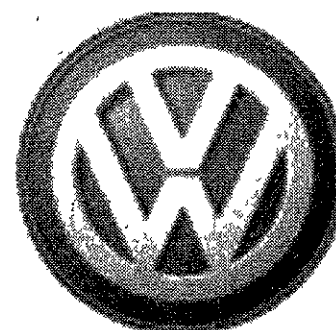


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# The All-New 2005 Acura RL

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## Thursday DriveTime



BY DALE BUSS

Perception may be important in all segments of the automotive market, but it's especially crucial in the luxury segment. We all know that sheet metal is sheet metal, basically, so what potential buyers think about the brand is an especially vital consideration when it comes to vehicles that are supposed to be worthy of price tags of \$50,000 or more.

Just think about Volkswagen's gee-whiz new Phaeton, a \$90,000 luxury boat with the biggest back seat in history and enough doo-dads to remind one of James Bond's Austin-Healeys or Bentleys or whatever they were. Phaeton isn't selling well at all, despite all of the above, for one reason and one reason only: It still bears a VW badge instead of something more exotic and befitting the pricetag - even Audi!

Well, Honda arguably has had an even bigger problem with its luxury division, Acura. The company has invested nearly two decades' worth of effort in developing, introducing, nurturing and refining its answer to Toyota's Lexus division and to all those European marques that created the luxury category in the American market.

But the problem for the thrifty engineers at Honda has always been that, for most of their Acura models, they simply massaged existing Honda vehicles such as the Civic and the Accord and tried to squeeze out new vehicles that somehow would justify twice the price. That flaw has always been a huge drag on Acura both in the marketplace and in the perceptions of luxury-car buyers.

Well, with the all-new 2005 RL, Acura has just taken a huge step away from the brand's over-identification with Honda vehicles. The new RL is a true heavyweight of a luxury vehicle, substantial-looking and -feeling both inside and outside and with just enough of the right touches and amenities that

it produces a great amount of unexpected delight that perhaps no other Acura ever has.

RL is completely redesigned inside and out for 2005. The elegant exterior gives Acura its most substantial-looking sedan ever. And the sharply designed interior displays both the spaciousness and sumptuousness to make you think for a moment that maybe you're in a European sedan. With output of 300 horsepower, RL's V6 is much punchier than in previous versions and rivals even the V8 that propels many Lexus models. Handling is superb behind a new all-wheel-drive system that Acura calls "Super Handling."

Beyond the basics, I also want to share my joy with two tiny but telling features that really impressed me about the 2005 RL. The first was that part of the "night light" system of the vehicle are soft bluish-purple lights that shine down, beneath the dash board, on the leg compartments of the driver's and front passenger's seats. I'd never seen that in another car, and it impressed me as both showy and practical. Sort of like the soft map lights that you get shining down over the center console on some vehicles that are stationary, this luminescence gives you just enough to sneak a peak at those Mapquest directions, or a business card, or to make sure you've got enough cash in your wallet before you take off.

The other feature that thrilled me also made me chuckle at myself. The RL is one of those luxury vehicles that doesn't have an actual key to ignite it but has a representation of a handle of a key that is a permanent part of the ignition switch; you turn it



The handling of the Acura RL is superb behind a new all-wheel-drive system Acura calls, "Super Handling".

clockwise and toward the instrument panel to start the car, and reverse it to shut off the car. But it only works if it's within a foot or two of the key fob that you carry around to unlock the car and give electronic permission to the key-like feature to work. This can be a bit unnerving to people who aren't used to it, and even annoying to people who are. I consider myself somewhere between those extremes in my regard for this device.

But here's where it gets interesting: No doubt to prevent this innovation from alienating a lot of customers and downright ticking off a good many of them, Acura designed a way for absentminded drivers to protect themselves from applying their absentmindedness in at least one way. If you leave your key fob in a jacket pocket, say, and for some reason - like I did - decide to put your jacket in the trunk, RL absolutely won't let you close the trunk door without first taking the key fob out of the trunk.

Forgetfully, I "tried" to do that on one occasion and ended up looking like the fool in some sort of slapstick comedy: The more I tried to slam shut that trunk and figure out why it wouldn't latch closed, the more frustrated I was that it - thankfully - wouldn't cooperate.

So in addition to all its other attributes, Acura's new RL is idiot-proof.

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