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## Camping under the stars

Families enjoy movie, stay the night at park

Late Friday afternoon, tents began popping up in Heritage Park like mushrooms on a forest floor, as the park once again hosted Canton's annual Family Camp-Out Movie Night. According to organizers, the event, which featured the film *Shark Tales*, attracted a huge crowd of families, many of whom spent the night.

"A little over a thousand people came out, and more than 100 families stayed the night. We counted more than 100 tents set up," said Katie Smith, a supervisor with Canton Leisure Services. "I think it was bigger than last year's event. It was a great turnout."

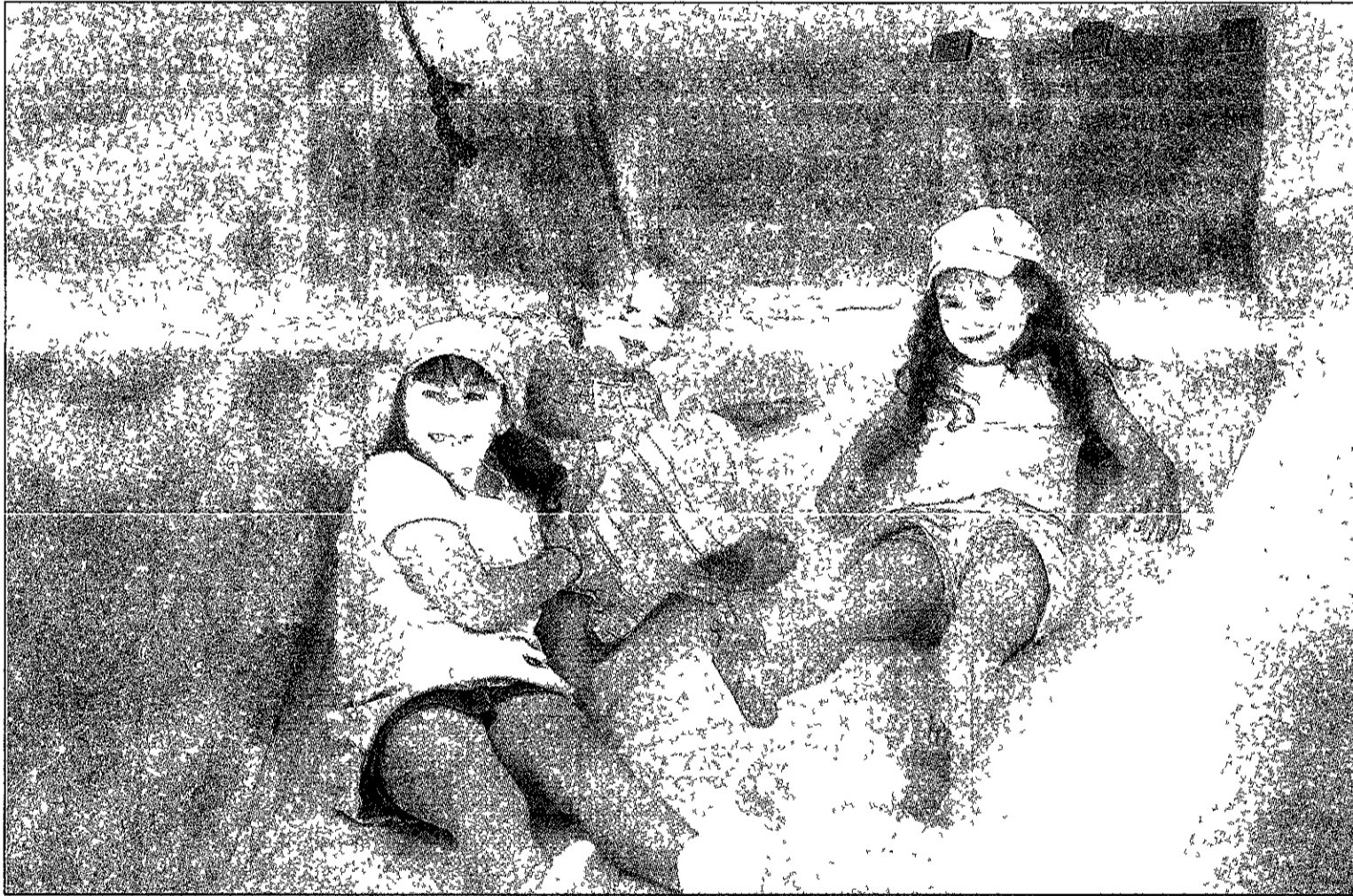
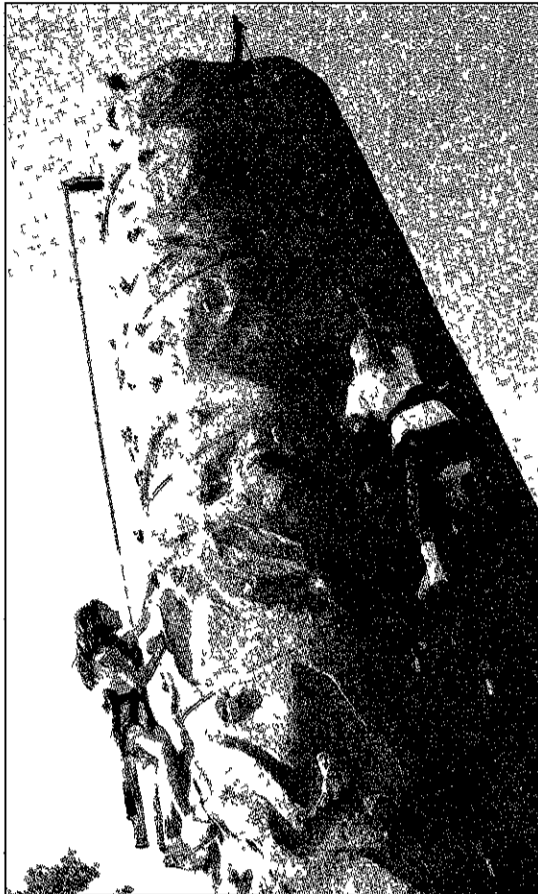
In addition to the movie, the event featured plenty of family-oriented activities, including inflatables, a climbing wall and

face-painting for the children.

Early in the evening, it appeared the weather was going to derail the festivities when a storm moved through the area. But in the end, it turned out to be perfect weather for watching a movie and enjoying some family time.

"We had some lightning, which forced us to close down some things, but it ended up clearing up around 6:30 and everything went great after that. The weather certainly didn't make people shy away from the event," Smith said.

The Family Camp-Out Movie Night had plenty of activities for the kids, including a giant climbing wall, which Katherine Weyers, 9, (left) and Abigail Jarrett, 11, couldn't resist trying.



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Emma Mullenax (from left), 8, Samantha Mullenax, 2, and Hailey Taylor, 7, slide down an inflatable slide during the Family Camp-Out Movie Night Friday at Heritage Park.

## Divided board approves televising all meetings

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

Canton residents will soon be able to watch broadcasts of twice as many township board meetings, following a 4-3 vote Tuesday to approve a resolution to tape and broadcast study meetings as well as regular meetings, which are currently broadcast on government access cable.

"I agree with using all of our media to the fullest extent," said trustee Todd LaJoy, who voted in favor of televising the study meetings. He said some residents choose to read meeting minutes online, and others read about township news in the local newspapers, but adding another means for people to keep up on the township's business is a positive thing.

"Many citizens ask how the board makes its decisions," said trustee Todd Caccamo, who introduced the resolution. "Citizens believe, whether it's correct or incorrect, that the board makes decisions during

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## Canton man linked to global child pornography ring

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

A 35-year-old Canton man could be sent to prison for 70 years if found guilty of distributing child pornography and money laundering. The charges are the result of a federal investigation which took more than a year and spread from California to Norway, Greece and Spain.

Edward Aaron Harvey, a 35-year-old Canton resident, is accused of creating child porn in his home, and advertising and distributing the material over the Internet, according to U.S. Attorney spokesman Luke Macaulay. Harvey was indicted in June by a federal grand jury in San Jose, Calif., on charges of advertisement of child pornography, transportation and attempted transportation of child pornography and money laundering.

Advertisement of child pornography carries a five- to 20-year penalty and up to \$250,000 in fines. Transportation and attempted transportation of child pornography carries a five- to 20-year penalty and \$250,000 fine, while money laundering is a 30-year, \$500,000 felony.

According to the U.S. Attorney General's office, Harvey allegedly created child pornography Web sites in his Canton home. He allegedly advertised the sites on the Internet, and solicited clients across the country and in Europe.

The grand jury also indicted four California men who they say subscribed to Harvey's Web site, and one California man who they said attempted to receive child porn from Harvey.

In addition to the charges in California, nine others have been charged in other judicial districts as well as overseas. Overseas arrests have been made by the Hellenic National Police in Greece, the Romerike Police Department in Norway and the Spanish National Police in Spain.

Harvey was arrested in Canton by U.S. marshals, and is awaiting extradition to California, where he will face trial.

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## Growing school district draws heavy interest

P-CCS, now state's 6th largest, draws thousands of applicants

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is currently in a hiring frenzy to fill nearly 100 teaching positions created when 72 teachers accepted an early retirement incentive, with the remainder additional hires to teach in a district that has jumped to sixth-largest in Michigan.

"When you're one of the few districts that's hiring because of increased enroll-

ment, you become inundated with applications," Supt. Jim Ryan said. "This is a quality district, and people want to teach here."

The early retirement incentive was designed to allow the district to trade higher teacher salaries for lower salaries to save the district money.

"The big fear was that we gave away a big part of our culture and experience," Ryan said. "However, today's young applicants

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### FILLING UP

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools has become the sixth-largest school district in the state, according to 2003-04 figures available from the Michigan Department of Education. The top nine:

District	Enrollment
Detroit School District	153,034
Utica Community Schools	28,849
Grand Rapids Public Schools	22,401
Flint City School District	20,028
Livonia Public Schools	17,848
Plymouth-Canton Schools	17,489
Dearborn City Schools	17,470
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## Calling all Parrotheads

Members of the musical group Air Margaritaville, a Jimmy Buffet tribute band, play their island sounds last week at Heritage Park as part of the township's Thursday Concerts in the Park series. From left, Tom McGovern plays the steel drum, JD Jones plays guitar, and Frank Bama plays acoustic guitar and sings. The series continues tonight at 7:30 when the Hips, a 'rock n' blues dance band,' plays Heritage Park. The series runs through Aug. 4.

## Waltz workshop

Spotlight Players will be hosting a waltz workshop from 4-6 p.m., July 16 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, which is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, in Canton (corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge — use stage door at rear).

The workshop will teach the basics of the waltz. Mike and Jane Cuba will introduce the basic box step, turning box, an underarm turn for the slow waltz, and the hesitation step for the fast waltz. Participants should wear hard-soled shoes (no tennis shoes or flip-flops) and a full skirt for the ladies.

The costs for this workshop are being paid by the Spotlight Players and the Village Theater.

For more information, call Mike Cuba at (734) 522-7638 or Spotlight Players at (734) 480-4945.

## Softball registration

The Canton Sports Center is now accepting registration for its Session II season of adult softball, with leagues beginning the week of July 25. Leagues are offered

Sunday through Friday, and include both men's (competitive and recreation) and co-ed divisions. The season will consist of an 18 game, double header schedule as well as a single game elimination playoff schedule.

After the games, participants can stop in at Diamonds Bar & Grill for great food and drinks. Diamonds is conveniently located within the Canton Sports Center.

Team registration is \$785, plus umpire fees. For more information or to register a team, players should visit the Canton Sports Center's Web site at [csc.canton-mi.org](http://csc.canton-mi.org) or call (734) 483-5600.

## ARCA race car visit

The Canton Center Chiropractic Clinic, which is located at 6231 North Canton Center in Canton, will host an ARCA race car and driver from 1-3 p.m. on July 16. People will be able to meet the driver and get their photos taken with him. Refreshments, chair massages, face painting, music and a chance to win tickets to the Toledo Speedway for an ARCA race day will also be available.

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## Student receives grant

Ross O'Hara of Canton received a \$3,000 research grant from Albion College's Foundation for Undergraduate Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity (FURSCA). He will be spending much of the summer exploring personality factors that influence how people vote.

"Americans manage to evaluate presidential candidates and cast their ballot without generally knowing that much about them," O'Hara said. "I am attempting to create a model of who is the typical 'one-issue voter' and who makes global assessments of presidential candidates. I am hoping to add to the psychological literature on the subject, as well as emphasize the importance of political issues in political campaigning."

O'Hara is an Albion senior majoring in English with creative writing and psychology. He is the son of Michael and Diane O'Hara of Canton, and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

## Featured speaker

Gregory Schupra of Canton recently was a featured presenter at the 2005 Leave a Legacy Charitable Development Day at the Fairlane Club in Dearborn. The event provided information to attendees about

charitable planned giving — a way for community members to help nonprofits combat economic adversity — and issues currently concerning nonprofit operations.

Schupra, of Comerica Charitable Services Group, presented a session on "What You Have Always Wanted to Know About Planned Giving Programs But Were Afraid to Ask" to dozens of nonprofit representatives, financial advisors and professional groups, among others.

Founded in 1997, Leave a Legacy is a nationally organized education program conducted on the local level to make a direct, positive impact on the community by encouraging charitable planned giving.

## Plymouth High class reunion

Plymouth High School Class of 1965 will celebrate the 40th class reunion Sept. 10 at Fox Hills Country Club, which is located at 8768 North Territorial Road. Casual Business attire is requested. Tickets are \$55 per person. Registration is required by Aug. 1. There will be a dinner buffet and open bar.

Organizers are looking for classmates. Send registration and checks to: Jeff Hoffman, c/o Chatham, Seland & Lashley, P.A., 940 Centre Circle, Suite: 2005, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 or e-mail Jeff Hoffman at [JLF940@earthlink.net](mailto:JLF940@earthlink.net)

For more information, contact Dick Berry at (281) 350-6212.

## Senior dance

Forget-Me-Not Dance will be held Friday, July 15, from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Waltonwood Cherry Hill, which is located at 42600 Cherry Hill Road in Canton, just west of Lilley. This event is for seniors who love to dance and socialize. Enjoy food, refreshments and a chance to win a 50/50 drawing. All proceeds benefit the Alzheimer's Association.

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## Running out of the shadows

Club raises awareness about little understood post partum depression

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

When Christine Hughes gave birth to her third child, post partum depression hit her like a brick. To help get through it, she hit the bricks - in a pair of running shoes.

"At first I was just sort of bluesy. But in about three months, I was diagnosed with post partum depression. Things just weren't getting better, and I said back then that when they did get better, I was going to do something about this," said Hughes, of Canton.

What made things worse for Hughes is the fact she had to suffer through the travails of post-partum depression alone. That is until she found a support group in Ann Arbor.

"It just can't be like this, that in an area like southeast Michigan there isn't really anywhere to go for help," she said.

Hughes, along with other members of the Dirt Road Divas, a women's running club she started three years ago, will host a July 30 run through Canton to raise awareness and cash to support the Post Partum Support Group of Michigan.

"The more I talk to other women, the more I find just



Members of the Dirt Road Divas, a women's running club based in Canton, will host a July 30 run through Canton to raise awareness and cash to support the Post Partum Support Group of Michigan.

about everyone has at least a mild case of it," said Heidi Shade, a mother of two from Plymouth who will participate in the run later this month. "Of course I want to support my divas, but also I want people to be more aware of post partum depression. We don't talk about it, and as women I don't know why we don't. We talk about everything else, but not this."

Hughes started the running group before her youngest daughter, 14-month-old Ava, was even thought of. The women - 51 in all - meet regularly to run and talk and share some time for themselves and their health. The physical activity helped her deal with the stress of motherhood and the depression, but she also found that the more she talked with her running buddies, the more she realized she is not alone.

Hughes was at first secretive about her depression. She felt ashamed and was so exhausted that she felt like she wasn't being a very good mother, she said. She wound up confiding in her running club friends (though she admitted not having discussed the depression yet with her mother), and found out that about half of the women she talked to in her running group either had

experienced post partum depression themselves or knew someone who had.

Hughes was able to find a good psychologist, and the support group in Ann Arbor, and is managing the depression now, but that wasn't always the case.

"They tell you to see a psychologist, but there really is no one to refer you to. It's no wonder that so many women are suffering alone," she said.

To help raise awareness about resources, the Dirt Road Divas decided to run for a cause, and organized the Pounding Pavement & Dirt for Post Partum Depression run at the end of this month.

"Post partum depression is one area that has never been covered when it comes to events like this," said Dirt Road Diva Kristen Brant, a Canton mother of three who also suffered with the effects of post partum depression. "In just this group, we've all participated in runs for cancer, leukemia and heart disease, but there are no events for this."

It's awareness that the group hopes to raise - even more than the money, which will help buy supplies for the Post Partum Depression Support Group, a totally self-sustaining group which is free for its members to use.

"We need for people to be able to talk about this," said

Brant. "This is as much for the husbands, the friends and the relatives of the women who have post partum depression as it is for the people who are depressed. They need to know there is help out there."

Though Dana Beck of Livonia did not have post partum depression, the mother of three feels sad for those who have.

"It's just so unexpected, and once you have it, post partum depression is so hard to deal with," Beck said. "People can be so critical, and they tell women to snap out of it. But you can't just snap out of it without help. You can't just fix yourself."

For more information about the Pounding Pavement & Dirt for Post Partum Depression 5k, 10k and 25k walk and run, e-mail Christine Hughes at echughes96@yahoo.com, or visit the Web site at [cantonconnection.fcstorm.net](http://cantonconnection.fcstorm.net). The run will be at 7:30 a.m. Saturday July 30 and will start and finish at Independence Park in Canton, at the corner of Denton and Proctor roads.

For more information about the Post Partum Support International group, contact Melisa Schuster at (734) 302-0033.

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## Police officer injured in accident with driver on interstate

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

Canton Police Officer Michael Kennedy, 24, suffered minor injuries when a suspected drunken driver drove a pickup truck into his parked squad car early Wednesday morning on I-275.

The incident occurred shortly after Canton police and fire personnel were dispatched to a one-car rollover accident on northbound I-275 near Cherry Hill Road. While officers, paramedics and firefighters worked at the scene to aid the injured motorist and clear the damaged vehicle from the roadway, the right and center lanes were temporarily

blocked by marked patrol cars.

According to police reports, the driver of the pickup approached the accident scene in the center lane, and failed to slow down until suddenly braking right before hitting Kennedy's squad car. The driver skidded into the patrol car, causing damage to both vehicles.

Kennedy was transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor for treatment of minor injuries and he was released a short time later.

Police officers arrested the driver of the pickup, who they didn't identify, for driving while impaired, which means his blood alcohol level was less than .08. The offense is a misdemeanor.

## Ford Road DDA plans to be unveiled at joint meeting next week

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

Township officials and residents will meet Wednesday night to get the first comprehensive look at plans for Ford Road.

"Canton's Downtown Development Authority has for about two years been developing a plan which would create an identity for Canton's major retail corridor, and also add some way-finding signs to help residents and visitors navigate in the busy road," said DDA Director Kathleen Salla.

The DDA hired consulting firm Hamilton Anderson Associates to develop a few ideas, and Wednesday evening the final presentation will be made. In attendance will be the DDA, Canton Township Board of Trustees and the

Planning Commission.

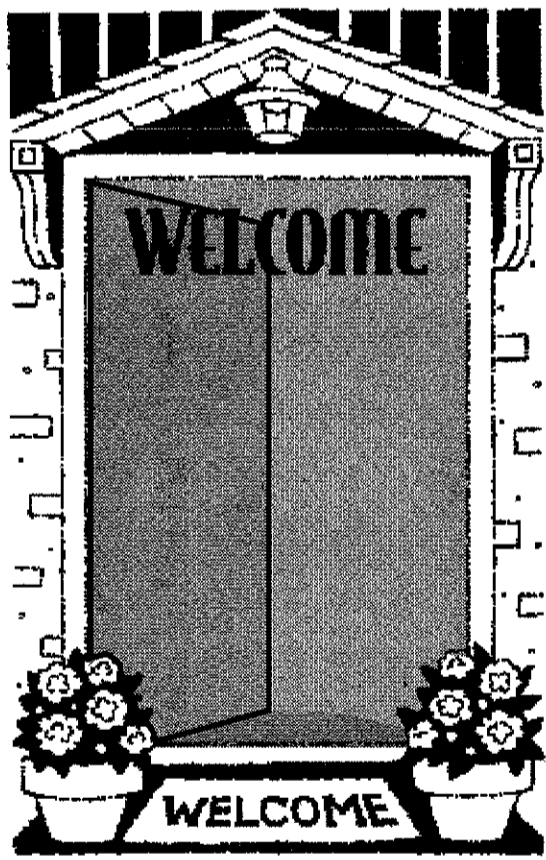
Hamilton Anderson has also been asked to review the township's sign ordinance and they'll make their recommendations Wednesday, Salla said.

The plan will help create a more uniform look along Ford Road.

"Little by little we're seeing unity on Ford Road, but it doesn't happen over night and it doesn't happen in a few months along a three mile stretch of road," Salla said. "But we wanted to be sure that in the future we have a coordinated approach so that it isn't piecemeal."

The meeting will be at 7 p.m. July 20 on the ground floor of the Canton Township Administration Building.

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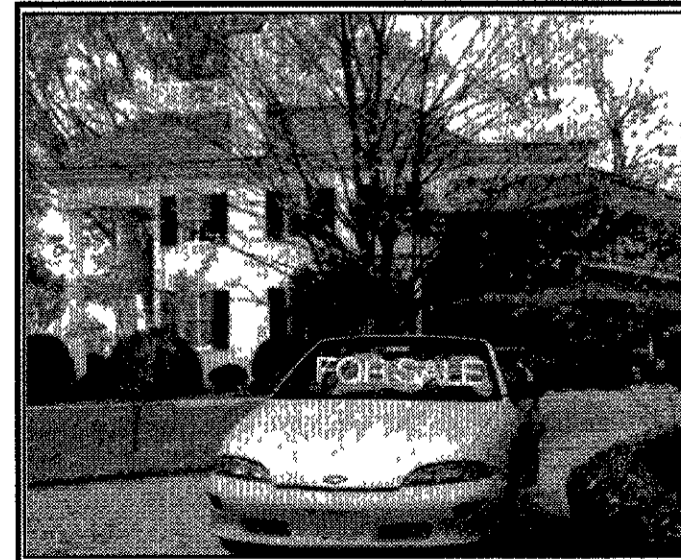
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  - *Trance* - Christopher Sorrentino
  - *The Closers* - Michael Connelly
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  - *Trouble-Free Travel With Children* - Vicki Lansky
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- *The Bridesmaid* - Hailey Abbott
  - *Peaches: A Novel* - Jodi Lynn Anderson

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- *Tooga: The Story of a Polar Bear* - Shirley Woods
  - *Midnight* - Erin Hunter
  - *Children's Non-Fiction*
  - *The Otter* - Alison Imbriaco
  - *Rumble, Boom!: A Book About Thunderstorms* - Rick Thomas
- Children's Picture Books**
- *The Birthday Fish* - Dan Yaccarino
  - *This Little Pirate* - Philemon Sturges
  - *The Boy Who Did Not Like Television* - Rui Zink
- Children's Feature Films on DVD**
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# Pooches can pen essays for Bark in the Park prizes

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also donate \$100 to the Michigan Animal Adoption Network in the winning dog's name.

Since we all know that dogs can't write, people are invited to translate their pets' words and put them down on paper. To enter, contestants just have to describe in 100 words or less why their dog's human companion is "the best pet lover in Detroit," and send their entries to Bark in the Park Contest c/o Fucini Productions, P.O. Box 251507, West Bloomfield, MI 48325. Name, address and phone number must be included with every entry.

Contestants are urged to use their creativity. Being the "best lover," can involve many different things, from the way a dog's tummy is scratched, to the way a pet was adopted or rescued, to the way a person does volunteer work on behalf of animals. Essays will be evaluated on originality, creativity and their effectiveness in conveying the powerful emotional bond that exists between pets and people.

All entries must be post-

marked by midnight Aug. 12. The winner will be notified by phone by Tuesday, Aug. 16. For a complete set of contest rules, visitors can log on to [www.pet-suppliesplus.com](http://www.pet-suppliesplus.com) and click on What's New at Pet Supplies "Plus."

Now marking its third year, Bark in the Park has become an annual summer tradition for Motor City pet lovers. Not only does it provide a fun evening for people and pooches, the event also helps pets in need by raising money for the Michigan Animal Adoption Network (M.A.A.N.) through the sale of pet products and an autographed baseball auction at Comerica Park.

This year, eight autographed baseballs will be auctioned off for M.A.A.N., bearing the signatures of Carlos Guillen, Jeremy Bonderman, Magglio Ordonez, Troy Percival and other popular Tigers. For information on how to obtain tickets for the Aug. 23 Bark in the Park game (dog and human), log onto [www.petsuppliesplus.com](http://www.petsuppliesplus.com) and click on What's New at Pet Supplies "Plus."

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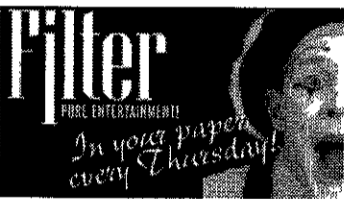
- 1 You can buy a home with no money down Every real estate transaction requires the buyer to come up with some amount of cash Closing costs, for example, are the responsibility of the buyer, unless a special agreement can be made with the seller
- 2 For Sale By Owner (FSBO) homes are always a better bargain Owners who sell their homes without a professional realtor often misread the local market and overprice the home The seller might mishandle contingencies, home inspections, title clearance, deadlines and disclosures, resulting

in expensive litigation

- 3 You can buy a home on the Internet without a REALTOR While the Internet is a useful research tool, it cannot replace the council of a REALTOR who can advise you relative to conditions of your immediate local market A REALTOR is trained in real estate law, knows every step in the transaction process and has practiced the skills required for successful negotiation

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- B56 Daniel A. Fowler - Household Items
- C72 James Pullen - Furniture
- D112 Rod O Davis - Scaffolding material, ladders, painting supplies, tool boxes, etc.
- D122 Matthew Johnson - Misc. Household Items
- D134 Larry McMullough - Misc. Items
- E179 Dominador Reyes - 1996 Dodge & Misc. boxes
- H291 Marilyn Runde - Office Furniture
- I332 Michelle Senabaugh - Piano, child rocking chair, crib, etc.
- K379 Clarence Adkins - Misc. Household Items & equipment

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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION 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, August 8, 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:

### ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT (05-1)

Consider Canton Township-initiated amendment to the following articles:

- Article 2.00 - General Provisions**  
Section 2.10D.4 - Amend language to Design Requirements relative to Private Roads or Streets and amend adding an asphalt cross-section for private roads.
  - Article 21A.00 - Light Industrial Research District - LLR**  
Section 21A.02 - Establish secondary retail and service use as a permitted principal use.
  - Article 21.00 - Light Industrial District - LI-1**  
Section 21.02A - Establish secondary retail and service use as a permitted principal use.  
Section 21.02B - Delete secondary retail and service use as a special land use.  
Section 21.02B.7 - Add language to establish a canine training facility as a special land use.
  - Article 16.02 - Community Commercial District - C-2**  
Section 16.02B.9 - Add language to establish a canine training facility as a special land uses and pet day care.
  - Article 17.00 - Regional Commercial District - C-3**  
Section 17.02B.12 - Add language to establish a canine training facility as a special land uses and pet day care
- Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday August 4, 2005 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

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David Medley, ADA Coordinator  
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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 Wireless Broadband Wide Area Network (WAN)**. Bid documents will be available for pickup on or after July 6, 2005 from the District's technology consultant: Innovate located at 37558 Hills Tech Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48331 or via email at [mdavis@innovatetec.com](mailto:mdavis@innovatetec.com). A pre-bid meeting will be held at the District's E.J. McClendon Educational Center on July 11, 2005 at 1:00 PM. Sealed bids will also be received at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center and clearly marked "PCCS WAN BID" and received no later than 2:00 p.m. local time on July 20, 2005. The PCCS E.J. McClendon Educational Building is located at 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. 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 and to waive any bid irregularities, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education  
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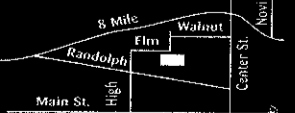
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The American Stroke Association, a division of the American Heart Association, is recruiting local residents to join Train To End Stroke - a team marathon training and fund-raising program sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Participants can choose to walk or run a full or half marathon in the P.F. Chang's® Rock 'n' Roll Arizona Marathon on Jan. 15 or the Miami Tropical Marathon on Jan. 29.

For the five-month period leading up to the event, participants will be matched with a prominent professional coach. Coaches Alice Ahearn, Anne Demko, John Hazen and Antonia Vivian will develop a training plan for each individual and make themselves available once a week for those who want to train together as a team.

While training, team members will also raise funds for local stroke research and educational efforts in the area. For those who reach the training and fund-raising goals, the American Stroke Association will provide airfare, hotel accommodations, ground transportation, the marathon entry fee and celebration dinners.

"Nearly every Train To End Stroke participant knows someone who has had a stroke," says Ryan Davis, director of the Train To End Stroke program. "It is that person, their 'stroke hero', who inspires them to reach the training, fund-raising and marathon goals. Even more inspiring are the 'stroke heroes' who participate in the marathon. Many of them walk with difficulty, but they are determined to beat the disease. When you participate with them, you constantly are reminded why you are doing it."

Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States and a leading cause of severe, long-term disability. About 700,000 Americans suffer a new or recurrent stroke each year. On average, someone in this country suffers a stroke every 45 seconds.

Information sessions are free, informal meetings led by local Train To End Stroke staff and coaches to discuss the program that will run from August to January. The meetings include an overview of the program, from training to race day. There

is no obligation to join the team. Pre-registration is encouraged, but not necessary.

For more information call (248) 827-4214 or visit the American Stroke Association Web site at [www.strokeassociation.org/ttes](http://www.strokeassociation.org/ttes). Information sessions will be held:

■ Monday, July 18, at 6 p.m. at Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth  
 ■ Tuesday, July 19, at 6 p.m. at Detroit Public Library, 3666 Grand River, Detroit  
 ■ Wednesday, July 20, at 6 p.m. at Macomb County Library, 16480 Hall Road, Clinton Township

■ Thursday, July 21, at 6 p.m. at Baldwin District Library, 300 West Merrill, Birmingham

■ Saturday, July 23, at noon at Mallets Branch Library, 3090 Eisenhower Road, Ann Arbor

■ Monday, July 25, at 6 p.m. at St. Clair Public Library, 22500 E. 11 Mile Road, St. Clair Shores

■ Tuesday, July 26, at 6 p.m. at Providence Hospital, 16001 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield

■ Wednesday, July 27, at 6 p.m. at Brighton District Library, 100 Library Drive, Brighton

■ Thursday, July 28, at 6 p.m. at North Oakland, YMCA, 3378 E. Walton Blvd., Auburn Hills

■ Saturday, July 30, at noon at Plymouth District Library

■ Saturday, July 30, at 4 p.m. at South Oakland YMCA, 1015 W. 11 Mile Road, Royal Oak

■ Monday, Aug. 1, at 6 p.m. at Holiday Inn, Troy, 2537 Rochester Court, Troy

■ Tuesday, Aug. 2, at 6 p.m. at Summit at the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton

■ Wednesday, Aug. 3, at 6 p.m. at Macomb County Library, 16480 Hall Road, Clinton Township

■ Thursday, Aug. 4, at 6 p.m. at Holiday Inn, Fairlane, 5801 Southfield Freeway, Dearborn

■ Monday, Aug. 8, at 6 p.m. at Farmington YMCA, 281000 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills

■ Tuesday, Aug. 9, at 6 p.m. at Public Library of Westland, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland

## DISTRICT

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enrollment numbers from the Michigan Department of Education, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools has jumped to the sixth-largest district in the state, with an audited enrollment of 17,489 students in general, special and adult education.

are incredibly prepared with many certifications."

The \$30,000 incentives will be paid over two years, with the first installment of \$20,000 to be distributed in January, and the remainder a year later.

According to Patricia Brand, assistant principal of business services, financial relief to next year's school budget will be \$700,000. The net impact on the 2006-07 budget is projected at \$445,000. And, according to Brand, the next six years will net savings in excess of \$800,000 a year.

Donna Feldt, human resources employment coordinator, said the district went to a totally

online job application system 15 months ago, thus far generating more than 6,100 applications. Feldt said a recent elementary teacher posting, which she said will probably result in about 20 positions being filled, drew more than 1,000 applications.

"During the last buyout (five years ago) we held a job fair and got a huge response, generating a lot of interest and a lot of applications," Feldt said. "In the past couple of years we haven't gone to any university job fairs. We put all our information online. However, we do continue to send job postings to all area universities."

According to 2003-04 enrollment numbers from the Michigan Department of Education, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools has jumped to the sixth-largest district in the state, with an audited enrollment of 17,489 students in general, special and adult education.

Plymouth-Canton surpassed Dearborn, which has 17,470 students, and is on the heels of Livonia Public Schools, which has an enrollment audited at 17,848.

Bob Hayes, director of student services, said the state collects official data on the fourth Wednesday in September and the second Wednesday in February, as well as an onsite audit of students.

"I'd be willing to bet we will overtake Livonia, which has been losing students," Hayes said.

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## MEETINGS

FROM PAGE A1

(study) meetings."

He said the broadcasts would put an end to "behind the scenes deals" and eliminate the possibility of the board passing "unpopular legislation that could escape full public scrutiny."

While some of his colleagues agreed with Caccamo's request to broadcast the meetings, they took issue with Caccamo's implication that the board has operated in any fashion other than openly and honestly.

"I find that offensive," said Trustee Melissa McLaughlin. "It's like asking the question, 'So when did you stop beating your wife?'"

Caccamo said he asked the board to consider broadcasting all meetings following an April 26 meeting at which the board changed its bylaws to correctly refer to study meetings as regular meetings. By state law, all meetings - study meetings and regular meetings - are regular meetings, and the state of Michigan does not recognize the concept of study meetings, according to Township Clerk Terry Bennett. The board has referred to study meetings as such for purposes of organization, but they are now and have always been regular meetings, which must be posted according to the Open Meetings Act.

However, Caccamo, as well as some residents attending the meeting, stated that the change in bylaws meant a change in the way township board meetings are run.

"Study sessions are now regular board meetings," Caccamo said, "where official votes can take place."

But official votes could always take place at any meeting as long as the vote is on an agenda, said Township Supervisor Tom Yack.

Caccamo suggested the extra cost of televising all meetings - about \$98 per meeting, or a little more than \$2,000 per year - can be paid for with funds from the franchise fees paid to the township by Comcast and Wide Open West. There is \$1 million in the general fund now from the franchise fees, he said.

He said it's a small amount to pay, considering that the

board had just minutes earlier approved the expenditure of more than \$49,000 to purchase new video equipment for the township's cable studio.

If the board opposed paying for the broadcasts with the franchise fees, he suggested that either the trustees take a .58 percent pay cut to finance them, or he would pay for the \$2,000 himself on the condition that "the next time (other township officials) have a pet project you want to fund, you pay for it with your money, and not the taxpayers."

Yack had suggested to Caccamo that the request be discussed during a study meeting instead of a regular board meeting, but Caccamo refused the request.

"Since the study sessions are not televised, if there was any dissent, I wanted people to know who was for it and who was against it," Caccamo said. "Furthermore, why is a study session needed when it is only a \$2,000 expenditure?"

Canton resident Liz Toth was pleased with the board's decision. She said that she likes to watch the meetings on local cable, and her mother, who is losing her eyesight, also likes to listen to them. The option to watch the meetings on television is particularly important for her mother because she can no longer read the minutes due to her vision deterioration.

"I like to know what you guys are doing because it's my money you're spending," Toth said.

Voting in favor of the resolution were Caccamo, Bennett, McLaughlin and LaJoy. Those opposed were Karl Zarbo, Elaine Kirchgatter and Yack.

Zarbo wanted more information about how the resolution would address off-site meetings, such as a recent study session at Fellows Creek golf course.

Kirchgatter said she was in favor of returning to a less formal study meeting style in which the board would sit at a table and have open discussions with committee members, business people, and the citizenry. Those meetings may not be conducive to video production, she said.

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## DEATHS

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Robert Lord Armistead, 70, of Ann Arbor, died July 6.

**D**  
Kimberly A. (Weekes) Duffiney, 48, of St. Clair, died July 9.

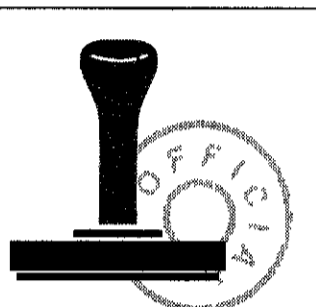
**H**  
Arthur Hazen, 91, of Howell, died July 9.

**C**  
Craig F. Herbst, 58, died July 8.  
Leona Arlene (Morgan) Hughes, 76, of Troy died July 5.

**K**  
Margie J. Kuckelman, died July 9.

**S**  
Gayla D. Schier, 69, Bloomfield Hills, died July 5.

**E**  
Eugene B. Steininger, 79, of Bloomfield Hills, died July 10.  
Walter Allen Stellberger II, 78, died July 7.



For the Record appears in every edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's Sports section in *Passages* on page B5.

**W**  
James A. Whiteford, 86, died July 10.  
Jack P. Wilson, 94, of Brighton, formerly of Redford, died July 7.

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## OUR VIEWS

# Policy not road to name selling

In the wake of the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education's decision to implement a policy that would allow the board to consider selling the naming rights to its facilities, we say:

Calm down, people!

With the amount of media attention this story has gotten — a crew from *Good Morning America* was reportedly in town last week — you'd think the district was ready to start tagging its schools with everything from Cheetos to Pepsi.

And when media attention focuses on such a small part of an issue, it's easy for that issue to get blown out of proportion, which is what we believe has happened here in "Renaming-gate." The board has debated this kind of policy for a number of years, so this isn't new news. However, media outlets which don't cover the district regularly find this one nugget "sexy" and splash it all over the place as if it were fresh.

We don't like the idea of naming our schools after corporations any more than anyone else. But take a closer look at the issue, and what is revealed is a conscious decision by a cash-strapped school district to look at methods — any methods — by which it can infuse its budget with some much-needed capital.

The state Legislature has proven it will be no help in procuring significant additional school funding. With a languishing economy, state sales tax and lottery revenues are down. And there appears to be no real interest, in Lansing or anywhere else, to change Proposal A.

The political reality of public school funding leaves districts with no choice but to come up with "out of the box" ways to find money. The board simply decided to have a policy in place "in case" corporate money becomes available.

Of course, approving the policy places the district on a potentially slippery slope. Development director Tom Sklut figures it'll be up to five years before any money is seen from the public sector, but what if McDonald's comes to Canton next year and wants the new elementary to be called "Mc-Cherry Hill?"

Sklut said the policy allows the board to *consider* such offers; it doesn't require acceptance. He also said part of the board's direction is to pursue options such as alumni funding and sponsorships of individual facilities, like baseball fields or gymnasiums, and programs.

Obviously, we'd prefer the school district didn't start handing out building names to any corporation which drafts a check. We also trust board members to protect the integrity of the district.

But with so little help coming from Lansing, it's tough to blame them for trying to find solutions to the district's problems. It is, after all, what they were elected to do.

# Nonprofits can learn from new United Way

Earlier this year, the boards of United Way Community Services and United Way of Oakland County did something to strengthen and sustain the work of the United Way mission for years to come. Board members voted themselves out of a job in order to create a new United Way which serves all of Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties (with the exception of Plymouth, which continues to have its own United Way).

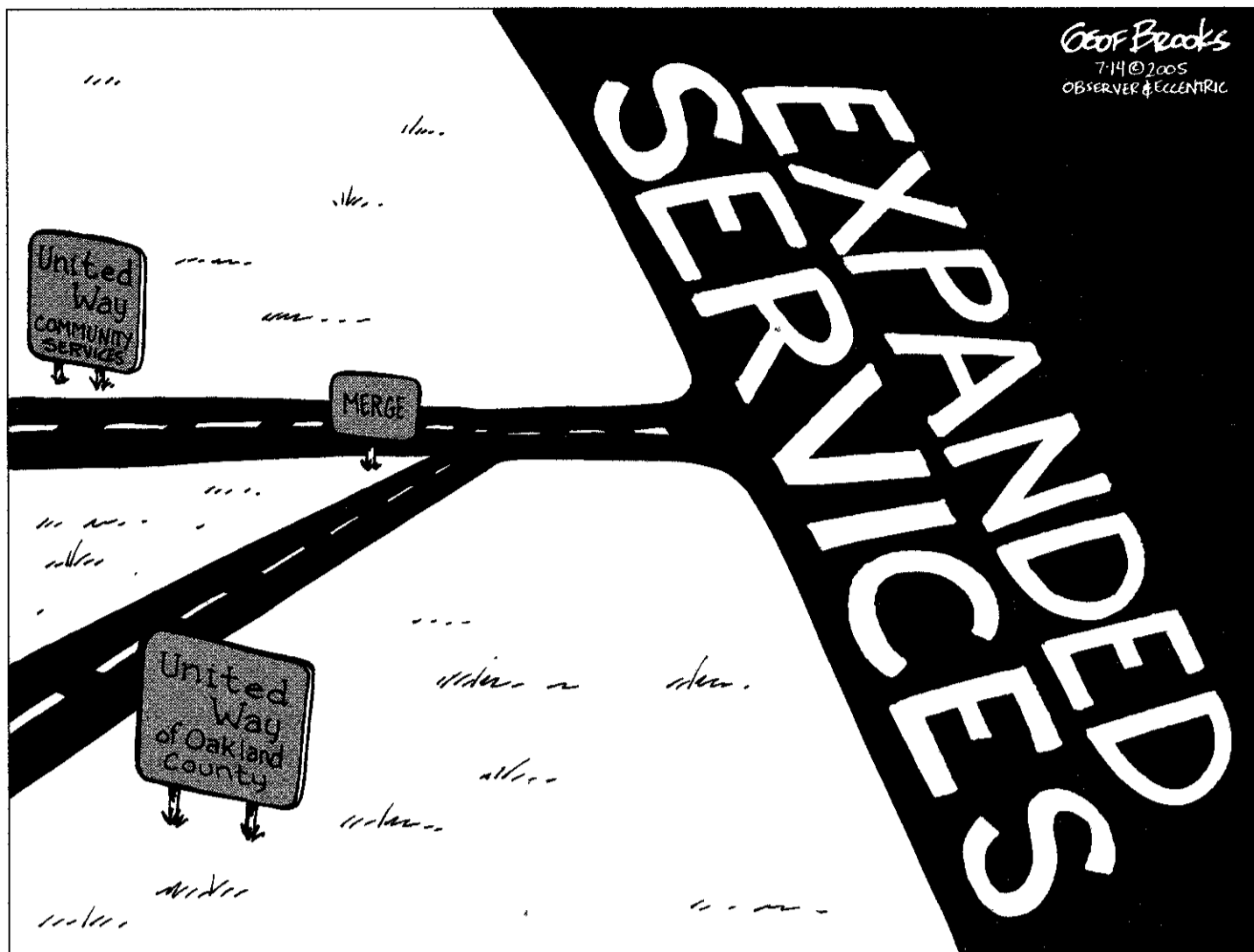
It took leadership and commitment to develop the new model. It meant that many leaders of business, labor, government, education and human services had to look beyond their own small community and/or personal and professional interests and reach out to create a more focused, regional organization that will impact the region for years to come.

The new organization — United Way for Southeastern Michigan — is more than a fund-raising organization. The new United Way is committed to measurable, sustainable community change for years to come.

Bigger is not automatically better, but we believe the new organization has the focus, talent and organizational structure to effectively and efficiently serve southeast Michigan. The new leadership has taken the best of both and created a new organization that will strengthen some very practical services needed in the tri-county area.

One of those is a new 24/7 call center which will offer comprehensive information and referral services on health and human service needs. The center is expected to launch by the end of the year.

The best is yet to come for the greater community and region as a result of the new United Way.



## LETTERS

### Welcome to the community

I am writing to tell you what a great experience it was to be a part of the Habitat for Humanity project here in Canton. I am a member of Canton Newcomers, a social, civic and charitable organization whose motto is "neighbors becoming friends" and we were privileged to participate in the first home dedication Friday, June 24. Our members donated a toolbox and tools for the Wesley family and it was a privilege for us to stand next to so many other organizations and businesses who gave of themselves to help a fellow member of the community.

Congratulations to Executive Director Alice Dent, construction sponsor DaimlerChrysler Corp. and the Canton Circle of Faith for their efforts in making this home a reality.

I also would like to say congratulations to the Wesley family who contributed many hours of "sweat equity" volunteering and assisting in the building of their home. My family met the Wesleys at a recent church fund-raiser and we learned firsthand of their level of commitment in achieving their goal of home ownership. Your dedication and desire are to be commended and we are proud to have your family as part of our Canton community.

Wesley family, we welcome you to Canton.  
**Michelle MacLellan and the Canton Newcomers**  
Canton

### Know your child's rights

Military recruiters in the United States are becoming more aggressive.

There is a way to keep them away from your children. Details are available at: <http://leavemychildalone.org>.

The No Child Left Behind Act contained a piece of legislation that most Americans weren't aware of. It had to do with collecting personal information about children in all 50 states and making it available to the federal government. This information is used by military recruiters and kept in a large database.

According to SEC. 9528 (Armed Forces Recruiter Access To Students and Student Recruiting Information):

■ **ACCESS TO STUDENT RECRUITING INFORMATION** — Notwithstanding section 444(a)(5)(B) of the General Education Provisions Act and except as provided in paragraph (2), each local educational agency receiving assistance under this Act shall provide, on a request made by military recruiters or an institution of higher education, access to secondary school students names, addresses, and telephone listings.

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■ **SAME ACCESS TO STUDENTS** — Each local educational agency receiving assistance under this Act shall provide

military recruiters the same access to secondary school students as is provided generally to post secondary educational institutions or to prospective employers of those students.

■ **NOTIFICATION** — The Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, shall, not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, notify principals, school administrators, and other educators about the requirements of this section.

If you were not informed of this act and the means necessary to remove your child's name from this database, you can be assured that your local principal and school administrators did not perform their duty correctly.

This specifically refers to the Plymouth-Canton school board, which seems more interested in how much money it can soak out of the local community than about the lives and future of our children.

**Alfred Brock**  
Canton

### Facts aren't 'sexy'

It's time someone stood up for the school board and the superintendent regarding their decision to decline the housing committee's recommendation to send Rolling Oaks and Heather Hills subdivisions to Farrand Elementary.

Unlike all members of the housing committee, Dr. Ryan and the board did not feel that the proposed move offered a true long-term solution to the overcrowding situation and in fact agreed that it simply shifted the problem to Farrand Elementary.

For many of the following reasons, they felt the proposal was short-sighted:

■ Farrand would lose both art and music rooms to accommodate us, yet the No. 1 "want" in the bond proposal, developed by citizens, was to add 17 classrooms to existing elementary schools to put back permanent art and music classrooms.

■ We were moved back to Bird from Farrand when enrollment reached 508 students. With this move, Farrand, using the HC's enrollment projections, would have been back up to 500 students.

When would we be moved again?

■ Fifty-two percent of the children involved in the move were from grades three-five where no overcrowding existed at Bird based on the HC's projections. Why move these children? Why not consider overflow when class size limits are exceeded, as is done in seven of 15 elementary schools?

■ Fourteen out of 15 elementary schools are overcrowded and a new school will open in '06-07. Shouldn't a district-wide redistricting happen in the near future and, if so, will our children be moved again (for the fourth time)?

■ Isn't it time to consider why more than 500 pre-K students are housed in elementary schools when such severe overcrowding exists?

I know this isn't as sexy to read as "whispers in hallways" or supposed letters stating that Farrand Elementary shouldn't even be allowed in the district.

Unfortunately facts don't lie.

Truth be told, the superintendent and the school board met personally with us because we were never given the opportunity to meet with the Housing Committee to discuss the proposals we worked so hard to develop in the 10 days we were given.

We asked repeatedly to sit down with the Housing Committee in an open forum and were denied. If this is the hostile and unrelenting method directed at the HC which Ms. Goeke refers to, shame on her if she wouldn't ask for the same. If they felt so strongly that their proposal was sound, why deny us the opportunity to debate the issue?

Hulsing was chosen as an alternative because they are the only elementary school under capacity and it currently utilizes five classrooms for pre-K. A teacher from Bird would have been moved, not because Hulsing teachers aren't good enough, rather because one entire classroom would have moved and an additional teacher was needed. Again, not sexy, just fact.

As for maligning our community, we've been called elitist snobs with condescending attitudes who talk about Farrand children and school in disrespectful terms. I personally told a reporter from this newspaper the two best teachers my daughter ever had were at Farrand and the trailer park kids should be going to Bird because of their extensive bus ride.

Guess it wasn't sexy because he chose not to print it. As for elitist, those other Bird parents still pointing fingers at us because we're still attending "their" school driving up classroom sizes should take a look at all other elementary schools. Oh yeah, they don't care about those "other" schools, who's the elitist here?

As for Mr. Coleman, current enrollment projections provided at the June 14 board meeting indicate that no classroom at Bird elementary will exceed the district limit and no child will be faced with being bused to another school as you mentioned. Thankfully, Dr. Ryan was brave enough to recommend alternative solutions to the school board, which it accepted as a short-term solution until a district-wide long-term solution can be developed. I applaud its decision!

**Gary Winkler**  
Rolling Oaks homeowner

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**"You want your kids to enjoy some of the best years of their lives. Go to college, spend a summer abroad, enjoy and become acquainted with all the cultures. You don't want them to be wiped out in some subway. That's the most horrible thought in the world."**

— State Sen. John Stewart, who represents a portion of Canton, commenting on the explosions that rocked London, England, where his daughter, Sarah, is currently studying for the summer

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# No shortage of candidates for latest cheers and jeers

Time for another round of cheers and jeers: Jeers to the Michigan Legislature for adopting astonishingly restrictive rules on life sciences research. Not only does Michigan not support stem cell research (unlike California, which has passed a \$3 billion bond issue to do so), but under Michigan state law, any work that "jeopardizes the life or health of the embryo" is a felony. Stem cell research is seen by many as a violation of this law, though it uses only embryos which never had a chance at life.

"Certainly Michigan is one of the five worst states in the country, and I think among the two worst ... in terms of the restrictiveness of laws for stem cell research," says University of Michigan stem cell researcher Sean Morrison, quoted in the *Ann Arbor Observer*.

"I've been approached by most of the major research universities that are developing programs in this area, including multiple places in California. It would certainly be possible for me to go to one of these places and do this research in an environment where the taxpayers of California are willing to invest millions of dollars for me to do things that I would go to jail for doing in the state of Michigan," he said.

So much for the Legislature's oft-stated interest in improving the business climate in our state. I guess in the minds of our legislative masters, ideology always trumps jobs and economic development.

But while we're at it, a couple of handclaps for Gov. Jennifer Granholm, who at last is criticizing the Legislature for being inefficient, unproductive and off-target.

The state is in an economic crisis, she told Gongwer News Service, and yet the legislation that has been forwarded to her for signature has ranged from reapportioning the state's potato commission to dead animal composting. I'm sure glad somebody is thinking about these important matters of state.

The political environment will be more and more highly charged as we move toward the election next November. Facing a Legislature that would dearly love to blame her for the state's bad economy, and facing a likely Republican opponent (Dick DeVos) who is a successful businessman, Granholm is going to have to set out in a compelling way her plan for restructuring Michigan's economy.

That puts her in the position to challenge those on the other side to lead, follow or get the hell out of the way.

Uncertain but heartfelt cheers for some straws in the wind that suggest things might not be not quite as bad as I've been thinking:

I'll bet we'll see gas prices more than \$3 a gallon by next summer. Sure, it will hit everybody in the wallet, but sooner or later we're going to have to come to terms with the fact that for years we've run our economy on energy prices far below world market.

This is going to hurt our domestic auto makers in the short run, as they have concentrated on high-profit, gas-guzzling SUVs in the interest of corporate survival. But the shift in demand will force them to shift their offerings from gas guzzlers to hybrids and clean diesels and get in sync with what the market is telling them.

Interestingly, the U-M Transportation Research Institute reports that hybrid cars are rapidly becoming mainstream items.

Despite losing lots of conventional manufacturing jobs, Michigan will remain the center for high-value automotive jobs for years to come. Consider the new Toyota research and development center now under construction south of Ann Arbor. Sooner or later, we're going to make the transition from a brawn-based economy to a brain-based one, and why shouldn't it be in automobiles?

Michigan is still one of the most magnificently beautiful places in the world to raise a family. We're gradually getting a handle on how important it is to preserve the Great Lakes from exotic species.

Conservation outfits like the Nature Conservancy are figuring out how to preserve our forests for public use and not as development targets. Our rivers and inland lakes are mostly fresh and pure. I'd guess over the long run the central economic distinguishing characteristic of Michigan will be our unparalleled natural resources and our (mostly) pristine environment.

Jeers to those Michigan families who still think their children are going to make it with nothing more than a high school diploma.

This table, put out by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, offers compelling proof of the new reality. Here are the experts' estimated average lifetime earnings of:

A high school dropout: \$1,150,698  
A high school graduate: \$1,455,253  
A college graduate: \$2,567,174  
A master's degree holder: \$2,963,076  
A doctorate degree holder: \$3,982,577  
A professional degree holder: \$5,254,193  
We have stayed too long with a culture and a mentality that has tolerated — make that exalted! — strong backs and weak minds.

That will only change when Michigan families read, understand and take these numbers to heart.

Phil Power is a longtime observer of politics, economics and education issues and chairman of the board of trustees of the Nature Conservancy (Michigan chapter). He would be pleased to hear from readers at ppower@hcnnet.com.



Phil Power

# Competitive, academic success are hallmarks of school year

I just stood there shaking my head in amazement as another school year came to an end. As I thought about the completion of my 34th year in education, I wondered what was going through those elementary students' minds as they ran toward the school bus to go home for the summer.

I'm sure they had the typical thoughts about being free and not having to get up for school. I bet our high school students who start school so early were especially happy to not have to set the alarm every morning.

There were shouts of joy and many tearful hugs from teachers and other staff who were saying good-bye to their students who worked so hard all year. Yes, it was quite a scene and quite a celebration.

As I thought back over the 2004-05 school year, there was much of which to be proud. My first thought went to the Sept. 28, 2004, bond issue. The community had blessed us with a 70-percent yes vote and passed the \$109 million bond to build a new elementary school and remodel all our schools but the three newest. It was a tremendous statement by our community about how it values education, and I guarantee that our surrounding communities took notice.

I thought about how student achievement is the top priority of our board of education and all the accomplishments in that area. We had 343 Salem seniors and 305 Canton seniors earn the \$2,500 Michigan Merit Scholarship by passing that challenging test. We had 12 National Merit semifinalists and 11 National Merit finalists. Willa Chen, an East Middle School eighth-grader, earned a perfect 1,600 score on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).

Other academic achievements came from our school clubs and academic groups. When our students competed against other students on a state and national level, they fared very well. The Science Olympiad teams from Canton, Plymouth and Salem high schools placed first, third, and fourth, respectively, at the Wayne County regional competition in March and competed in the state competition at Michigan State University. The East Middle School math team finished second in the Metropolitan Detroit Mathcounts contest. East also had three groups of students qualify for the National History competition this year in College Park, Md.

Finally, two teams from the district finished in the top five at the state of Michigan Destination Imagination tournament. The Plymouth-Canton Interact Team took second place in its division, with the West Middle School team placing first.

Two teams from Smith Elementary School also took first and third place in their division.

Our students who perform in the Fine Arts area had another year of successful accomplishments. Our P-CEP Marching Band won its 10th state championship in a row and then placed 10th at the national competition. Our Wind Ensemble was one of 26 groups from across the United States invited to perform at the prestigious Band of America National Concert Band Festival. The Park's Symphony and Concert bands were again awarded straight first division ratings at the State Band Festival. Our choirs and orchestras again earned superior ratings in their state competitions. As always, when people say to me to prove that teachers are teaching and students are learning, it is not very hard to do.

Financially, we fought the good fight. With 90 percent of our revenue now coming from the state, and retirement and health care costs rising rapidly, we still managed to lower our budget deficit by almost \$4 million. In spite of a third straight year of having the state foundation grant frozen, we were able to do this because of solid management and a strong partnership with our Board of Education and employees. We expect our sixth straight "Unqualified Audit" opinion this summer.

Yes, summer is here and it is time to finalize preparations for the 2005-06 school year. We will race the clock to complete total building renovations at Allen, Bird and Smith elementary schools. You will see the new elementary school at the corner of Cherry Hill and Denton rise out of the ground on its way to an August 2006 opening. The other buildings will be cleaned, supplies ordered and buses readied for next year.

We hope that all of our parents will continue the education process over the summer. Please use the gifts we have in the Canton and Plymouth public libraries. Expose your children to all the wonderful activities at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth and at the Summit in Canton. Read books. Exercise. Eat healthy foods. We look forward to a positive return to school for all our students in August.

On behalf of our board of education and Plymouth-Canton staff, I thank you for your generous support. You send a clear message of high expectations and back that up with outstanding effort. We thank all of you who worked via our PTO and Booster groups. We thank our volunteers and other community supporters.

Yes, it was another positive year for our district. More good things will happen if we continue to work together. Have a healthy and productive summer vacation.

Dr. James Ryan is superintendent of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. He can be reached via e-mail at ryanj@pccs.mi.k12.us or by phone at (734) 416-3048.



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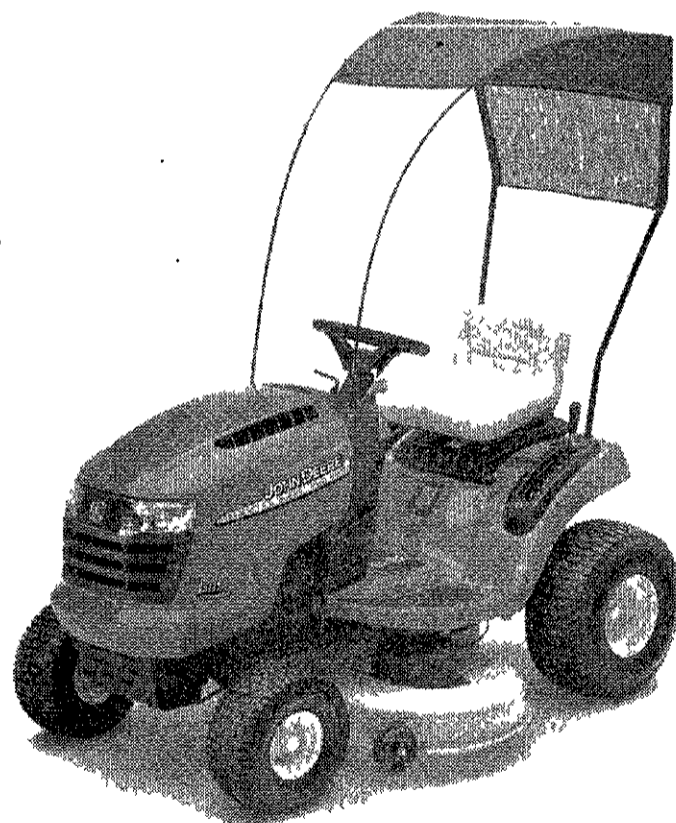
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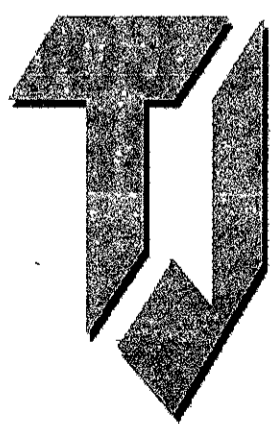
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## Have a cool cut during hot weather

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
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**S**o you're a little hot about your lawn looking burned? With the weather so hot this summer, what can you do? Should you even water when the thermometer hits 90 degrees so many days in a row?

Sure, says Gary Eichen, plant health manager for Mike's Tree Surgeons in Troy. "You can do it two ways: If you haven't been watering, you can let the lawn slide into dormancy or you can put a little on to prevent the grass from dying."

Grasses grown in Michigan can handle a significant amount of heat. Dormancy is a natural process. If you do water, you don't need much, as Eichen dispelled some of the watering "rules." "People tell you to water deeply once or twice a week for the grass to be watered thoroughly and that's just not true," Eichen said. "Grass spreads its roots around, so all it needs is a little watering 15 to 20 minutes a day, preferably earlier in the day."

Watering should be done between 9 and 11 a.m. or 2 and 4 p.m., Eichen said.

"If you water at night, all that excess water has been sitting overnight," Eichen said. Kentucky bluegrass is susceptible to leaf diseases, and sitting water can create conditions that make that grass more susceptible.

Mowing is most important to lawn maintenance. The blades of grass should be 3 to 3½ inches and cut with a sharp blade. "When you mow as high as possible, you are protecting the plant from stress,"

PLEASE SEE **LAWN**, B4

### Tips on watering

Below are some watering tips from the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority. (The report came from information gathered by SOCWA's Healthy Lawn and Garden Technical Advisory Committee, with members from Wayne and Oakland counties.)

■ Home lawns in Michigan require 1/2 inch to 1 1/2 inches of water per week.

Dr. Joe Vargas of the pesticide research laboratory at Michigan State University completed research that found that light frequent watering can reach grass roots, but that differs from traditional recommendations in garden books for infrequent deep watering.

■ Light frequent watering cools the grass and reduces stress. When grass is watered every other day, it typically won't be water-logged or prone to disease, but will maintain an active biological system on the soil surface.

■ If there is no rain, the lawn should be watered for 30-40 minutes every other day. (This regimen should help with water

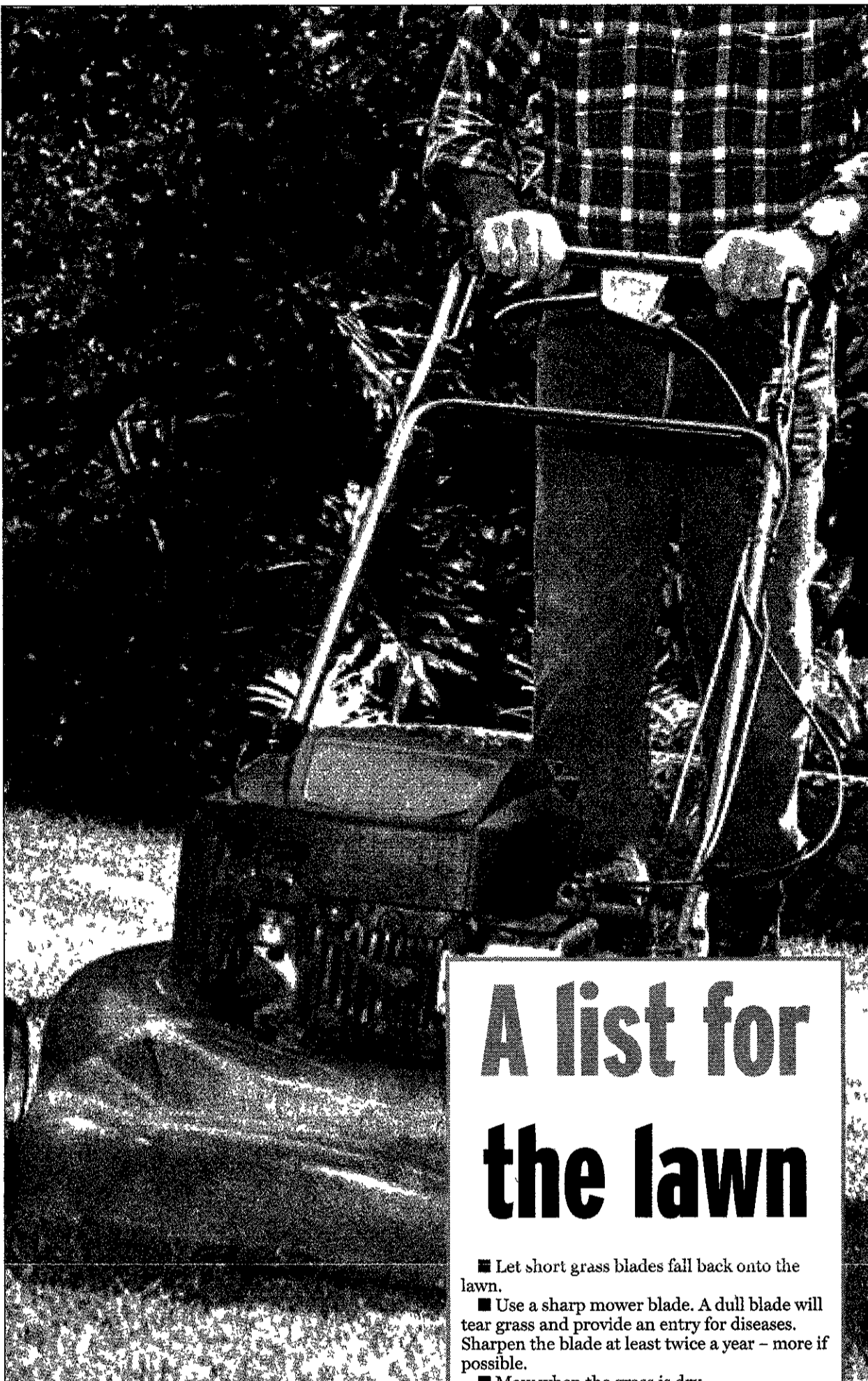
conservation when the Detroit water system imposes watering restrictions.) If you water daily, only a 15- to 20-minute watering is needed.

■ Grass roots are short (less than 4 inches long), so any excess water is lost to the system and is a waste. The length of the grass roots is determined by growing conditions, the season of the year and soil conditioning – not just by the amount of water received.

■ The best time to water is between noon and 4 p.m., when the grass is under the most stress. Watering late in the day isn't encouraged, because evening moisture may encourage disease.

Watering at any time of day (when needed) is better than not watering at all. Establish a watering routine and follow it.

■ Watering lightly after fertilizing helps carry nutrients to the root structure, where they can be gradually used to support plant growth. When light watering follows fertilization, fertilizer moves into the soil and doesn't usually run off into storm sewers, lakes, streams or groundwater.



## A list for the lawn

■ Let short grass blades fall back onto the lawn.

■ Use a sharp mower blade. A dull blade will tear grass and provide an entry for diseases. Sharpen the blade at least twice a year – more if possible.

■ Mow when the grass is dry.

■ Keep the mower deck clean. Wash the mower's underside after each use. A clogged deck won't mulch or discharge properly.

■ If clippings are visible five or six days after mowing, mow more frequently. You may need to cut at intervals of four or five days during the rapid spring growing season.

■ When grass is mowed tall, it grows more slowly and therefore needs less frequent cutting. Taller grass experiences less stress when it is cut because it still has ample foliage surface.

■ Tall grass grows more slowly, needs less water, needs less fertilizer, reduces weeds and has fewer insect problems.

■ Growing tall grass encourages deeper roots. More roots, in turn, help the grass store water and resist drought. Tall grass also shades the soil, reducing evaporation and cooling the crowns of grass plants.

In contrast, shorter grass means shorter roots that require more water and nutrients to compensate for what they cannot obtain directly.

■ Increased grass length provides more leaf (grass blade) surface for photosynthesis. Increasing the height of the grass by 1/8 inch results in more than 300 square feet of more leaf surface for each 1,000 square feet of lawn.

## Accents

### New site

Michigan Design Center has launched its all-new Web site, [www.michigan-design.com](http://www.michigan-design.com).

MDC, which serves the design professional, is at 1700 Stutz Drive in Troy, north off Maple between Crooks and Coolidge.

The site includes a searchable database of showroom information, such as product categories, manufacturer line listings, and basic contact information for each showroom in the building.

The site also includes online appointment scheduling for Designer on Call, MDC's consumer outreach program that offers a complimentary one-hour consultation with a professional interior designer on site at the design center.

Among other elements are an online event calendar for both trade members and consumers, online registration features for special events, leasing information for prospective tenants, and a features section.

Consumers interested in products from MDC showrooms may call Designer on Call toll-free at (888) DIAL-MDC between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or visit the Web site.

### For art's sake

James and Morris Carey, writing for AP Weekly Features, have suggestions about keeping your framed paintings clean.

"Whether at the Louvre in Paris or in your own home, in cleaning art, don't squirt cleaner directly on the glass because it could seep under the edge and ruin the painting beneath it," they write. Instead of spraying furniture polish on the frame, spray it on a cloth and then wipe the frame; otherwise you'll get the polish on the painting, they write.

### Tree and bulb sale

The ordering period for the annual Fall Tree Seedling and Spring Tulp Bulb Sale of the Oakland Conservation District will take place during the month of August.

For order forms and pictures of the trees and bulbs offered through the sale, visit the district's Web site, [www.oakland-cd.org](http://www.oakland-cd.org). For order forms and a catalog, call the district's office at (248) 673-4496. Pickup dates will be 1-5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1.

## Ignore media-center glitches and enjoy ultimate home theater



**Tech Savvy**

**Rick Broida**

**L**ast week I wrote about the downside of adopting a media-center PC, a computer that takes the place of your VCR, digital video recorder (DVR), stereo, DVD player, and CD changer.

Now for the good news. Although putting Windows in charge of your entertainment center is riskier than a night at the roulette table, the benefits mostly outweigh the hassles.

I'm speaking in particular of computers equipped with the Windows XP Media Center

Edition 2005 operating system (also known as MCE). I've knocked Windows a lot over the years, but this is one stellar interface. It's attractive, easy to use, and packed with great features.

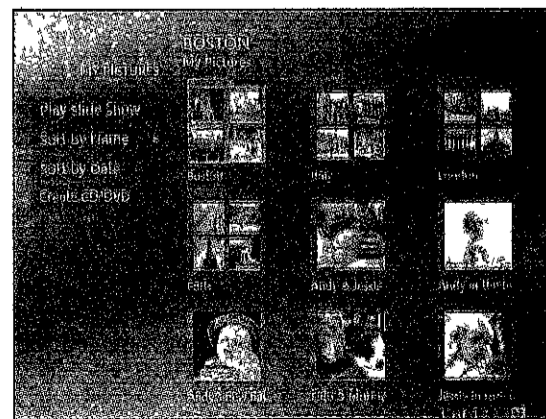
For instance, suppose you want to see photos of your recent vacation. Just slide your camera's memory card into the PC, and in a few seconds you'll be treated to a gorgeous full-screen slideshow, complete with Ken Burns-style pans and zooms.

If you're into music, you'll love

MCE's jukebox capabilities. It not only plays your entire MP3 and WMA library, but also lets you stream Internet radio. Prefer FM radio? Most systems can tune in local stations.

There's even a plug-in for Napster that gives subscribers easy access to the service's million-plus song library.

MCE also offers some killer DVR features. For starters, you don't have to pay any fees for the elec-



The superb Windows XP Media Center Edition 2005 interface gives couch potatoes many reasons to stay put.

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## GARDEN WALK CALENDAR

## Water gardens

The Michigan Koi and Pond Club's eighth annual Pond Tour will take place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 16, featuring eight ponds clustered in Birmingham, Bloomfield and Bingham Farms. The tour will start at the Conant Elementary School parking lot, 4100 W. Quarton Road, off the west side of Telegraph, between Maple (15 Mile) and Lone Pine Road in Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-15. Advance tickets and tour booklets are available at Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 N. Merriman, between Ford and Warren roads in Westland (phone

(734) 421-5959), and The Pond Place, 3505 W. Highland Road in Milford (phone (248) 889-8400). For more information, call Bruce Modetz at (734) 425-7490 or visit [www.mkpc-se.com](http://www.mkpc-se.com). Proceeds from the event will be donated to local charities.

## Open Days

Seven private gardens in Beverly Hills, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and Bloomfield Village will be open to the public as part of The Garden Conservancy's Open Days program 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 17. Call The Garden Conservancy toll-free at (888) 842-2442 for information.

## Garden City

The Garden City Garden Club will host

the 12th annual Garden City Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 23, rain or shine. Tickets are \$6 and may be bought at Garden City City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt; at Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 N. Merriman, and from club members. Tickets will also be sold at each home and the Garden City Historical Museum, 6221 Merriman, the day of the walk. For more information, call Paula Relich at (734) 525-2524 or Cheryl Guck at (734) 525-7299. The self-guided tour will feature seven beautiful gardens, including five ponds. Refreshments will be available, along with a bake sale at one home.

## GARDEN CALENDAR

## Landscaping

English Gardens hosts free seminars 7 p.m. Wednesdays at all six stores, including locations in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851-7506), Dearborn Heights (phone (313) 278-4433), Royal Oak/Troy (phone (248) 280-9500) and Ann Arbor (phone (734) 332-7900). Landscaping Ideas will be the topic July 20. The right landscaping can increase the value of your home by 15 percent. Learn how to create a workable outdoor area and add color to your yard and garden. English Gardens' seasonal favorites, and proper planting tips to ensure your success, will be featured. Pests and Other Plant Problems will be the topic July 27. Learn about some common problems that occur during the gardening season. A bevy of solutions will be provided.

## French gardens

Take a visual tour of the lush gardens

of France - including Paris vest pocket and public gardens, the fabled gardens of Giverny and Villandry, the Rothschild Garden and Le Val-Rahmed - and learn design lessons that can be used in Michigan gardens, in French Gardens, a class offered at The Community House in Birmingham. The class will take place Wednesday, July 20. Fee is \$42. The Community House is at 380 S. Bates. To register and for more information, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit [www.communityhouse.com](http://www.communityhouse.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.

## Daylily dig

Merrittscape Inc. will have its annual Daylily Dig 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 16-17. "You pick 'em, we dig 'em." Merrittscape Inc. is at 5940 Cooley Lake Road in Waterford. Call (248) 681-7955. Visit [Merrittscape.com](http://Merrittscape.com) for directions. Daylily lectures will take place at

noon, come prepared with questions. Refreshments will be available, and children may meet Tailgate the Clown. Thousands of hybrid daylilies are now in bloom, as well as a large variety of perennials. All plants are 20 percent off.

## Summer celebration

Tollgate Gardens' fourth annual open house, A Summer Celebration, will take place 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 16. Tollgate Gardens, at Michigan State University's Tollgate Education Center, and Cross Vine Quilting are presenting the free event. The MSU Tollgate Education Center is at 28115 Meadowbrook Road in Novi. Call (248) 347-3860, Ext. 212, for more information. More than 20 gardens - including rose, enabling, children's and xeriscape - may be visited, and more than 100 quilts will be on display in the gardens. The quilts, created by local artists, exhibit current and traditional trends, with a few antique quilts added to offer comparisons. Volunteers will be available throughout the gardens to answer questions and guide visitors.

## Home theater is possible, even with moderate budget

Theresa of Canton asks: "We are finishing our basement and are considering putting in a home theater. What things should we consider and should a home theater even be an option when working with a moderate budget?"

You can absolutely have a home theater on a moderate budget. It is important that you make wise decisions during construction and with your final electronics equipment.



Design Solutions  
Terri Guastella

First of all, the space dedicated to a home theater does not need to be large. The size of a spare bedroom is adequate for a home theater, but since you are just beginning the design stages of your basement, you can allow for a more generous size of somewhere around 16-by-20 feet.

When choosing the location of the space, try and pick a spot in the basement that does not have any windows. Too much light will increase glare and reduce contrast. If your design only allows for a space with a window, then proper, room-darkening drapes or blinds are a must.

Once you have selected the location of the room, start looking at your equipment. There is a myriad of choices out there for home theater systems. You can purchase all in one systems from \$300-\$3,000 or separate components that can become quite expensive. This is an area for you to research and discuss with several electronics and home theater professionals to make the best choice for your family and your budget. Some resources on the internet are: [www.cedia.net](http://www.cedia.net) and [www.hometheaterforum.com](http://www.hometheaterforum.com). There is a ton of information

on the Internet about this subject.

Now that your equipment is selected, you need to address the acoustics of the room. Remember that hard surfaces reflect sound and this reflection can distort the dialogue and make the sound effects harsh. Since your home theater will be located in the basement, I would recommend that you carpet the floor and have acoustic ceiling tiles installed. The walls can be constructed of traditional drywall, but you should consider insulating the walls around the home theater room. If possible, you may want to insulate the ceiling as well. If your budget allows, acoustic fabric panels can be hung on the walls to further absorb sound waves.

The television should be front and center, and at eye level, so that no viewer strains his or her neck to see. The speakers will sound better when they are on stands or mounted on the wall, rather than set atop bookshelves or cabinets. The three front speakers should form a line with the TV, parallel to the seating area, with the two rear speakers positioned opposite each other on either side of the listeners; slightly above ear level. Again, the specifics of your exact system should be discussed and laid out with an electronics home theater professional.

You should make your home theatre feel like the real thing or as close to it as possible. A nice feature to add in a home theater is a tiered or stair-stepped floor, which allows people sitting in the back row to have an unobstructed view of the television over the viewers in the front row. This can be done in a basement with standard height ceilings.

Prior to carpeting, you can have a platform built that is large enough to accommodate your back row seating and with enough walking space to get in and out of your seat. This platform needs to be about 7 inches high and you should have the platform carpeted like the floor. This gives even a small home theater room a big-theater feel.

When choosing your seating, many manufacturers offer the reclining theater seats just for the home theater market. You can also choose to do two reclining sofas. This is a great option and for less money than theater seats. Recliners are not a must; some people just prefer comfortable, standard club chairs. This is a personal choice and you need to think about how you and your family like to watch movies when making this decision. You can go to [www.thisoldhouse.com](http://www.thisoldhouse.com) and type "theater chair" in the search box for more ideas.

Another consideration for your home theater is lighting. In a small area, I would recommend two switches. One switch is for recessed lights, located up by the equipment. This will need to give you adequate light for locating the perfect DVD or plugging in the newest video system. The other light should operate wall-mounted sconces that go around the perimeter of the room. It is imperative that this switch should be on a dimmer to only allow as much light as you need. In a larger room, you may want to consider a third switch that would operate perimeter rope lighting at the floor.

There are many choices in lighting for home theaters, but you need to keep flexibility in mind when choosing your lighting. This is not a place for fluorescent fixtures. Your lighting needs may change in this room depending on the movie being viewed and that is where dimmer switches can offer this flexibility.

Throughout this entire process, remember that the success of your home theater does not lie in the most expensive equipment, but rather how comfortable and enjoyable your new home theater is.

Good luck and pass the popcorn!

Terri Guastella, an interior designer and a Canton resident, specializes in space planning, design and color consultation. Do you have a question about interior design or decorating your home? Contact Terri Guastella with your questions at: [exclusiveinteriordesign@hotmail.com](mailto:exclusiveinteriordesign@hotmail.com).

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# Clean the condenser frequently to extend the life of refrigerator

A few days ago my wife Valorie purchased some ice cream and put it into the freezer section of our side-by-side refrigerator.

I always like to test the ice cream before I share it with my loved ones and that's exactly what I was doing when I noticed how easily I could remove it from the container. The ice cream scoop slid right through it without the usual difficulty. Normally the ice cream in our freezer section is as hard as a rock.

(Valorie always buys ice cream with a very low sugar content and that's why it gets frozen hard. The lower the sugar, the harder the freeze.)

On this day, I wondered why the ice cream was still frozen but not as hard as it should be. I noticed that the chute where the ice cubes travel to the dispenser on the front of the door was jammed with ice cubes. As I reached into this area from the inside of the door, I noticed that the ice cubes were all frozen together. That meant that the dispenser door on the front had not closed all the way

and allowed warm air to travel to the inside of the freezer. No wonder the ice cream was soft and I'll bet that refrigerator was running constantly for several hours.

I'm going to watch that door for the next few days or I may need to clean it with a Q-tip dipped in some alcohol. I listen for the flapper door to close after I get some ice cubes in a glass. It's a good habit to get into. I also expect to clean the condenser underneath the refrigerator. I know it's only been a few months since I did it last, but the temperature and humidity are so high right now that it just makes me think of how important a clean condenser is to the life of a refrigerator.

I always like to explain that a condenser on a refrigerator is similar to the radiator on a car. Air has to travel through it, and it removes the heat, or you will have an overheated engine. The condenser under the refrigerator is filled with dust, lint, animal hair and other things which can cause the compressor to burn out and also increase energy consumption during operation.

If that compressor burns out because you didn't clean the condenser, the amount of the repair costs will ensure you clean it from now on. It's a hard lesson to learn when you have to fork over near \$600 for a service call.

Here's how you clean it: Purchase a condenser brush from your local appliance parts store or hardware store. It's a long skinny brush that allows you to get into difficult areas. Pull the electrical plug on the refrigerator and get out the vacuum cleaner because you're going to use the crevice tool along with the condenser brush. Take off the front bottom kick panel on the refrigerator and this will allow you to get into the condenser tubing. Clean it as best you can and make sure you don't jam the fan blade on the condenser fan motor located on the back side of the refrigerator. If you haven't cleaned it in some years, it might be wise to pull out the refrigerator, remove the cardboard cover on the lower backside and clean it from the area as well. Be sure to put back into place the cardboard piece you removed. It is there to direct air into the proper movement.

Remember: the cleaner the condenser, the longer the refrigerator will last you.

Joe Gagnon can now be heard on WWJ-950 and WXYT-1270. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (248) 455-7281. Do you have a question about an appliance or a problem you have with an appliance? Email your question to [kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net](mailto:kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net) and your question will be forwarded.



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## HOME CALENDAR

### Art collecting

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House president John Franklin Miller takes visitors on personally guided tours of the estate and discusses topics presented for the first time during Twilight Tours at the estate this summer. Ford House is at 1100 Lake Shore Road in Grosse Pointe Shores. All Twilight Tours begin at 6:45 p.m. Reservations are required; call (313) 884-4222.

The tour Wednesday, July 20, includes refreshments on the home's terrace overlooking Lake St. Clair. Tour cost is \$15 per person. The Secrets Behind the Paintings: Art Collecting in the Early 20th Century will be the topic July 20. Miller will delve into the secret stories and mysteries behind the great art at Ford House and the individuals who helped the Fords amass their collection: Lord Duveen, William Valentiner and Robert Hudson Tannahill. Duveen, famous as the rich man's dealer, charmed the Fords into acquiring a distinguished collection of Italian and British Old Masters. Valentiner, then director of the Detroit Institute of Arts, served as a valued intermediary. Tannahill, a cousin of Eleanor Ford, was a distinguished connoisseur and collector who counseled the Fords in their acquisition of the important Impressionist and Post-Impressionist paintings in their collection.

### Kids pillow

Haberman Fabrics, 905 S. Main in Royal Oak, offers a variety of home decor classes for different sewing skill levels.

Call (248) 541-0010, e-mail [ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com](mailto:ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com) or visit [www.HabermanFabrics.com](http://www.HabermanFabrics.com). In Kids Pillow, Monday-Wednesday, July 25-27, youngsters ages 8-11 will learn fundamental sewing skills and sewing machine basics while making a simple square pillow. Fee is \$60; see the supply list for notions and supplies (all additional materials can be bought at the end of the first class session).

Participants will have fun learning about fabrics, applying trims and construction.

### Meadow Brook Hall

Daily summer tours are offered to Aug. 31 at Meadow Brook Hall, on the Oakland University campus in Rochester.

The summer tour, 75 and Still in Style: A Celebration of Fine Furnishings and Interior Decoration at Meadow Brook Hall, highlights basics of furnishings of the Hall and the fine shops the Wilsons employed to design distinctive pieces of furniture and art displayed throughout their home.

The guided tour lasts approximately 90 minutes and includes a tour of Knoke Cottage.

Tours are scheduled 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. daily. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors, free for ages 12 and under. The Meadow Brook Hall Museum Shop is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. The shop sells a variety of unusual items and Meadow Brook Hall mementos, including books on Meadow Brook Hall. For more information, call the Visitor Services Desk at (248) 364-6200.

### Cranbrook House and Gardens

Visit Cranbrook House - Detroit's oldest manor home - and its glorious gardens during Thursdays at Cranbrook or Sundays at Cranbrook. Cranbrook House is the former residence of Cranbrook founders George and Ellen Booth.

It is at 380 Lone Pine Road, between Lahser and Cranbrook roads in Bloomfield Hills.

Thursdays at Cranbrook will continue until Oct. 27, offering guided tours of historic Cranbrook House at 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Thursdays.

Fee for the Thursday tour is \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors.

Stay after or come early for a salad buffet lunch at noon in the Oak Room, for an additional \$15. Now through Oct. 30, take a guided tour at 3 p.m. Sundays with a garden visit. Fee for the Sunday tour is \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors. Reservations for the lunch and tours are required.

Call (248) 645-3149.

Cranbrook House was designed by famed architect Albert Kahn in 1908. The English Arts and Crafts-style home is filled with rare antiques, and surrounded by more than 40 acres of beautiful gardens, fountains and sculpture.

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).

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tronic program guide, as you do with TiVo. You can schedule TV recordings over the Internet, copy recorded shows to a Pocket PC or portable media player, and record two or more shows simultaneously (if the PC includes multiple tuners).

Want to burn a recorded show to DVD? You don't even have to get off the couch — all it takes is a few presses of the remote.

In short, it's easy to fall in love with MCE, even with the handful of glitches I listed last week.

As for the systems themselves, I'm partial to those built

to resemble stereo components, like the ABS Ultimate E2 Media Center (www.buyabs.com), HP z555 (www.hp.com), and WinBook PowerSpec MCE 410 (www.winbook.com).

At \$999, the PowerSpec is the bargain of the bunch, especially if you pair it with WinBook's 30-inch LCD (\$899). That gives you a complete home theater (minus speakers) for under \$1,900.

If you want more horsepower, consider the Ultimate E2. The model I tested (priced at \$1,500) includes dual TV tuners and built-in Wi-Fi — features not available on the PowerSpec.

The system I'll miss most is

HP's z555. In addition to two TV tuners, it comes with an HDTV card that can receive over-the-air HD signals. There's something very energizing about watching "free" HDTV.

At \$1,999, the z555 is priced outside my budget. But here's a secret: I can add that same HD card to the WinBook system for about \$100.

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## 'Bare bones' tour offers early peek at designer showhouse

The public will have a two-day opportunity to tour — in its "bare bones" state — the house and grounds of the 2005 Designer Showhouse and Gardens at Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, presented by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Volunteer Council.

The Bare Bones tour will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, and 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7, at 945 Cranbrook Road.

Tickets are \$5 per person at the door. No on-street parking is permitted, but free parking for visitors is available across the road from the house, in the lot of Congregational Church of Birmingham on Cranbrook Road, west of Woodward, between Lone Pine and Long Lake roads.

In the weeks after this tour, more than 25 Detroit area interior designers and two landscape architects will refurbish and furnish the house and grounds to display their design talents for three weeks of public tours in October.

The showhouse is a major fund-raiser that benefits the education and outreach programs of the DSO, which offers young musicians opportunities to participate in Michigan's most comprehensive pre-professional training program for orchestral, chamber and jazz musicians.

For general information, call the showhouse information



The public will have an opportunity to see this house and grounds at Cranbrook in its 'bare bones' state, before it is refurbished and furnished by interior designers and landscape architects as the 2005 Designer Showhouse and Gardens.

line at (313) 576-5477. For answers to other questions, call the Volunteer Council office at (313) 576-5154.

Sitting on nearly 4 acres of rolling terrain, the charming cottage, designed by Albert Kahn, was built in 1928 and enlarged to 6,000 square feet with additions in the 1950s and 1960s.

The property also includes a delightful 800-square-foot carriage/guest house with an adjacent three-car garage, and an additional two-car garage/workshop.

The property's late-summer gardens will also be open to Bare Bones visitors, with existing trees and shrubs identified and labeled. Garden lovers will be able to browse through selections from five garden boutiques available on the grounds.

Pontiac-based Goldner Walsh Nursery has tended the gardens for years. Landscaper Jim Slezinski said that a purple leaf beech tree planted at the new house in the 1920s is now one of the largest of its kind in

Oakland County.

Bare Bones visitors will learn about the history of the home and its residents during the tour.

In 1942-43 the home was rented to Charles Lindbergh, who came to Detroit at the invitation of Henry Ford to advise on converting automotive manufacturing facilities to the production of bombers during World War II.

In 1949, the property was bought by Helen and Roger M. Kyes, both of whom became active in the Detroit area community.

Helen Kyes played a major role in establishing what is now Oakland University in 1957, and in starting the Meadow Brook Music Festival a few years later.

Roger Kyes was an executive vice president of General Motors Corporation, and served on the boards of the DSO and the Detroit Grand Opera Association.

The Cranbrook Educational Community recently acquired the property.

## LAWN

FROM PAGE B1

Eichen said, "Lawns get

'mower burn' from getting too close to the crown. The biggest mistake they make is where they are cutting too close. When you mow off the

blades, you can see the brown crowns."

Slow-release fertilizers can be used when it is hot out, but lawn growers shouldn't feed the lawn too quickly, as that depletes moisture.

Salt in the quick-release fertilizer can destroy the crowns of the grass blades.

Michigan grasses tend to grow in May and September.

On the front page are some other mowing pointers from a lawn care report to be published soon by the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority.

(The report came from information gathered by SOCWA's Healthy Lawn and Garden Technical Advisory Committee.)

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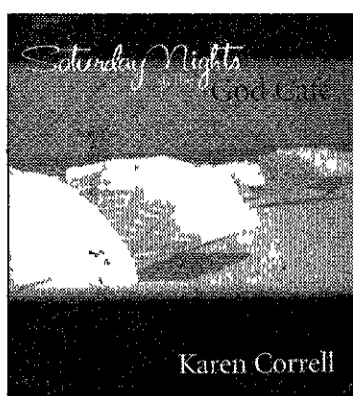
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# Author sends message of keeping the faith

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER



Karen Correll Buscemi uses the Internet to help a troubled young girl find God in the first of a series of books.

Newspapers, The Daily Tribune, Style Magazine, TOWN Magazine, and Downtown Birmingham Magazine.

"There are a lot of good Christian Web sites out there, message boards where kids can talk to other kids," said Buscemi of Royal Oak. "It's a good way to discover more about God or religion. If they're not comfortable talking about it they can go on and be anonymous."

Buscemi never discussed God with other students at Franklin High School in Livonia, or later at Eastern Michigan University. Today she talks quite easily about the subject.

"I never really openly talked about God," said Buscemi. "It felt like such a funny topic to talk about. It took me a while to realize this was a great topic to discuss with people."

Buscemi's faith in God helps her resolve everyday trials and tribulations. Shortly after the first copies of her book rolled off the presses, the publisher violated their contract. Buscemi eventually regained publishing rights and presently is waiting for a response from two publishers thanks to friends. One sent the book to Pat Robertson who recommended Christian

publishers Thomas Nelson Inc. and Integrity.

In the meantime, Correll continues to work on the second book in The God Cafe series of four, "Hannah's Rights." Hannah is the person Julia meets on the Internet in the first book.

"You have to remember that you should never give up on God. There are times when it can be frustrating, almost hopeless that this will never happen. You just can't lose your faith that what is supposed to happen for you, happens for you. I want to get it republished," said Buscemi. "More than anything people told me the story reached them. There were parts in the book that made them cry. One girl asked if I had alcoholism in my family. No, but she did, and she said I portrayed it accurately."

Like the character in the book, Buscemi did lose a parent at 16. But unlike Julia, Buscemi stayed out of trouble by becoming involved at school. In addition to cheerleading she sang in the choir and served as a class officer.

"I'm still multi-tasking," said Buscemi, 36. "I've always been a writer. When I hit 28 or 29 I realized I could do this for a living. In fourth grade I wrote plays that my teacher would let me produce. In seventh grade I wrote my first 127-page novel."

"It feels so good to work on these books. I know it's my purpose in life. The message in the first was about including God in your decisions. The message of the second book is for people who say they feel a void in their life and try hard to fill that with alcohol, drugs. The void is God in their lives. They need to fill themselves up with God."

For more information about Buscemi's books, send e-mail to [kcbuscemi@comcast.net](mailto:kcbuscemi@comcast.net).



Karen Correll Buscemi is working on her second book in The God Cafe series. She expects to complete it by fall.

## RELIGION CALENDAR

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

### JULY

**Picnic**  
Presented by Single Point Ministries 5 p.m. Friday, July 15, at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

**Tiger Baseball**  
Presented by Single Point Ministries meet at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville, at 5:15 p.m. Friday, July 15 for hotdogs, chips and pop prior to leaving for the game by bus. Cost is \$12 adults, \$8 kids. Call (248) 374-5920

**Life Line Screening**  
Appointments begin at 9 a.m. Friday, July 15, for screening to reduce the risk of having a stroke, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Screenings range from \$109 to \$129 (includes osteoporosis screening). For an appointment, call (800) 697-9721. Pre-registration required.

**Labyrinth walk**  
1-4 p.m. Saturday, July 16, at Farmington First United Methodist Church, 33112 Grand River. This sacred path is designed to help you find peace and clarity through movement. Many use is for prayer, meditation and spiritual renewal. For more information, call (248) 474-6573.

**Red Cross blood drive**  
8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, July 17, at St. John Neumann Parish, 44800 Warren, west of Sheldon, Canton. Call (734) 459-9704 or (734) 397-8495 for an appointment.

**Serengeti trek**  
Vacation Bible school where kids are wild about God's love 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 18-22, for preschoolers age 3 to 4 and children through sixth grade, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 37775 Palmer, west of Newburgh, Westland. To add to the wild week, VBS participants and members of the congregation are invited to experience Titos Sompia, artistic director of Mbongi Dance Theatre Project on Friday evening July 22. For more information, call (734) 722-1735.

**Summer events**  
Children go wild about God at a

Serengeti Trek vacation Bible school July 18-22 at Salem United Church of Christ, 33424 Oakland, Farmington Summer worship is at 10 a.m. with nursery provided, adult Bible school at 7 p.m. Sunday. This study is based on Rick Warren's book, *The Purpose of Life*, and continues to July 31. Call (248) 474-6880

**On a safari**  
Buscemi's Prayer Safari Vacation Bible School, a free community program for ages 3-12, includes games, snacks, Bible stories, crafts and skits 6:20-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 18-22, at Lake Pointer Bible Church, 42150 Schoolcraft, Plymouth. Call (734) 420-0515.

**Vacation Bible School**  
With safari theme 6-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 18-22, at Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Leverne, Redford. Call (313) 937-2233.

**Kingdom of the Son**  
A Prayer Safari 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 18-22, for children age 4 (must be 4 by July 18) through grade 6. Closing program and Carnival, 6 p.m. Sunday, July 24, at Plymouth Baptist Church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail. Call (734) 453-5534 or visit [www.plymouthbc.org](http://www.plymouthbc.org).

**Safari fun**  
Each night kids will be introduced to five different characters - Zack the Zebra, Gigi the Giraffe, Elaine the Crane, Lug the Elephant, and Roary the Lion, 6:20-9 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 18-22, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. No charge. Call (734) 464-0990.

**Family movie night**  
The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 20, in the Activity Center at St. Aidan's Parish, 17500 Farmington, Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950

**Lighthouse cafe**  
Single Point Ministries presents a coffee-house for age 30 and older 7-10 p.m. Friday, July 22, in Knox Hall at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. For \$5 you get games, fellowship, music, snack and specialty coffees. Free childcare. Call (248) 374-5920.

**Vacation Bible school**  
Ranch House Kids theme 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Thursday, July 25-28, at Newburgh United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail Livonia. Cost \$10 per child. Please register by July 17. Call (734) 422-0149 or visit [www.newburghumc.org](http://www.newburghumc.org)

**Serengeti Trek**  
Vacation Bible school 9 a.m. Monday-

Friday, July 25-29 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0211.

**Soccer camp**  
6:30-8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, July 25-28, an opportunity for the beginning and intermediate soccer player (boys and girls ages 5-11) to go to a soccer camp to learn and develop the proper skills and knowledge of the game. The mini-camp offers small group instruction allowing individual attention for each and every player, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road (north of I-96), Livonia. Cost is \$20, includes instruction, snacks, and a soccer ball and water bottle to take home. Fee payable at the time of registration. Students may bring their own soccer ball or shin guards if desired. Items not required to enroll. For more information, call Linda Hollman at (734) 522-6830.

**Second language classes**  
Conversational English is now being offered 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church 14175 Farmington, north of I-96, Livonia. No charge. For interested adults of all ages/backgrounds To register call (734) 525-0191 or (734) 522-6830.

**Mobile health fair**  
Garden City Presbyterian Church sponsors a free mobile health fair in conjunction with the Presbytery of Detroit 1-6 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, at Garden City Park, corner of Cherry Hill and Merriman roads. For more information, call (734) 421-7620.

**Men's seminar**  
All men are invited to attend Dad's That Make a Difference, a seminar based on materials from Man in the Mirror Ministries 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 30, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church (14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia). Fee is \$15. To register or for more information, call (734) 522-6830. David Delk, president of Man in the Mirror, writes about fathering: "There are many goals we have as fathers for our children, but what is it we ultimately want for our children? I think our ultimate goal should be God's ultimate goal, to help our children live a life of faith and dependence on Him. This is not an easy job but I want to share 3 simple principles that can help you on your fathering journey - show unconditional love, administer discipline, and be honest and vulnerable."



### ARTHUR HAZEN

Age 91, of Howell died Saturday, July 9, 2005. Born March 15, 1914 in Northville, MI. Son of Carl and Jenny Ashe. He graduated from Walled Lake School District, was retired as an aircraft inspector for General Motors/GM Air Transport, and owned and operated Hazen's Blueberry Farm. Dear father of Dennis of Howell, three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and his fiancée, Neva Eisner of Howell. Arthur was preceded in death by daughter, Barbara and wives, Constance and Edna. Visitation was Wednesday 2-4 & 6-8 PM with funeral service Thursday, July 14, at 11:00 A.M. from MacDonald's Funeral Home, 315 N. Michigan Ave., Howell 517-546-2800.

### DEBRA LYNN PROGAR

Age 51, died July 7, 2005. Loving mother of Emily (Bryce) Billings. Dearest sister of Maureen, Barbara, Carol, Tommy & Robert. Also Survived by many nieces & nephews. A gathering will be held Thurs July 14, 2005, 2:00 pm at the Jarzembowski Funeral Home, 18957 W. Warren Ave. Until time of Memorial service at 5:00pm.

### DORIS EMILY TUTOR

Age 83, July 11, 2005. Beloved wife of the late Archie. Dear mother of James (Donna), Ada Jean (Johnie) Cleveland, Linda (Barry) Schaffer, Archie (Terri) and Brian (Cheryl). Dearest sister of William Marsh and Robert Marsh. Also survived by 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Livonia resident over 40 years. Visitation at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Thursday from 12:00 until time of Funeral Service at 2 p.m. Please sign the online guestbook at [www.rgrgharris.com](http://www.rgrgharris.com)

### EUGENE B. STEININGER

July 10, 2005. Age 79 of Bloomfield Hills. Dear brother of Betty, Charles, Ruth, Charlotte and Helen. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Memorial service Thursday 11:00am at Christ Church Cranbrook, Lone Pine Rd. west of Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. In lieu of flowers family suggests memorials to Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church St., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303. Arrangements by A.J. Desmond & Sons (248) 549-0500. View obituary and share memories at [www.DesmondFuneralHome.com](http://www.DesmondFuneralHome.com)

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### KIMBERLY A. (WEEKES) DUFFINEY

Died at home at 12:30 AM on July 9, 2005 in her 48th year. She is survived by her husband Terry Duffiney, of St. Clair MI, her parents, Robert H. and Kathryn E. Weekes of Sun City Center, Florida, her daughter Michelle Huerth, U.S. Army, her son Kyle Myrold of Milford, MI, her grandson Tyler Huerth, of Utica MI, her brother Robert D. Weekes and his wife Maureen of Colorado Springs, CO, and her nephew, Robert Weekes Jr. of Sterling Heights, MI. Memorial service from Lynch & Sons Funeral Home 340 Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake (3 blks. S. of Maple Rd.) July 18, 2005 at 7 PM. Friends may visit 5-7 PM. Memorials to Michigan Cancer Society appreciated.

### MARGIE J. KUCKELMAN

Peacefully at her daughter's home July 9, 2005. Beloved wife of the late Walter F. Loving mother of Michael Sr. and Mary Hopkins. Dear grandmother of Michael Jr., John, Krystin, Clare, David and Elizabeth. Graveside services were held privately Memorial service Friday 11:00am at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, 1250 Kensington, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304. Memorial tributes to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207 or the Academy of the Sacred Heart. Arrangements by A.J. Desmond & Sons (248) 549-0500.

### WALTER ALLEN STELLBERGER II

Age 78, passed away on July 7, 2005, after an extended illness. He was born on 5-16-27 to Walter & Angela (Schick) Stellberger in Detroit, MI. Husband of 56 years to Patricia (Long) Father of Walter III, Patricia (Gottlieb), Barbara (Duca), Eleanor, Christine (Boyce). Brother to Joyce (Fogg) in San Diego, CA. Grandfather of 7. He worked for 32 years as a Science Teacher at Cooley HS in Detroit. After retirement he volunteered for many years as a Probation Officer in Livonia, MI. He loved to travel and be outdoors. Memorial mass is on Friday, July 15 at St. Gerald's, 21300 Farmington Rd, Farmington.

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### ROBERT LORD ARMISTEAD

On July 6, in Arbor Hospice, Ann Arbor, MI. Of Livonia, aged 70 years, Robert "Bob" was born in Detroit on November 25, 1934. He was 1952 graduate of Livonia Bentley High School and a 1956 graduate of Alma College where his Delta Tau Gamma brothers knew him as "Army." Bob's humor, courage, and resilience shine on as his enduring legacy in his surviving former wife, Joan Armistead of Farmington Hills, his three beloved sons, Patrick Armistead of Brighton, David Armistead of Williamston, Dennis Armistead of Lansing, and his beloved daughter, Heather (Armistead) Pastori of Auburn Hills, as well as 11 grandchildren aged 15 to 1 year old. A memorial service celebrating the life of Robert Armistead will be held on Sunday, August 7 at 1:00 pm at Northville United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Rd., Northville, MI 48167-2730. Donations to University Hospital, Ann Arbor Michigan, Arbor Hospice, Ann Arbor Michigan, or Big Brothers/Big Sisters are suggested in lieu of flowers.

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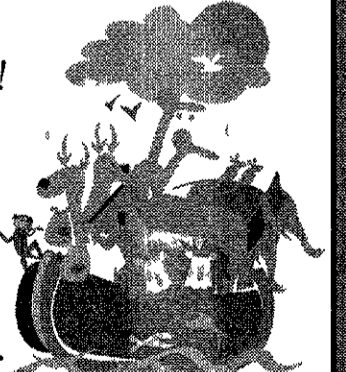
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## Side dish

### Slurpee turns 40

The Slurpee turned 40. On Monday, 7-Eleven® launched a monthlong celebration of Slurpee's 40th birthday. The 7-Eleven stores are introducing retro Slurpee cups and flavors, airing original Slurpee radio spots from the 1960s, and offering prizes and promotions as part of the Slurpee Summer Prize Fest, including free music downloads and the chance to win one of four MINI Cooper convertibles.

Still served at a chilling 28 degrees, Slurpee enjoys worldwide popularity and is available in 14 countries and U.S. territories.

"Slurpee is truly an iconic American brand," said Wendy Liebmann, founder and president, WSL Strategic Retail. "Slurpee was one of the defining icons of American pop culture in the 1960s. Forty years later, it still resonates with a broad base of consumers who see it as their big chilly drink of choice."

Four color-changing Slurpee mugs feature graphics representing the decades of the 1960s, 1970s, 1980s and 1990s. Tinted bright blue, yellow, orange or green, the 38-ounce refillable mugs dramatically change colors when a cold Slurpee hits the mug, designed to fit any car cup holder.

Retailing for \$2.49, the price includes the mug, one Slurpee fill-up and free Wonka candy.

Throughout July, 7-Eleven is giving away one free music download on all standard Slurpee cups. The store chain will be giving away four grand prize MINI Cooper convertibles, one for each decade of the Slurpee's 40 years of popularity and each painted a bright Slurpee color.

Customers can register to win at participating 7-Eleven stores nationwide or online at [www.slurpee.com](http://www.slurpee.com).

For complete details on all Slurpee 40th birthday activities, please visit [www.slurpee.com](http://www.slurpee.com). 7-Eleven, Inc. and The Coca-Cola Company are sponsors of the Slurpee Summer Prize Fest.

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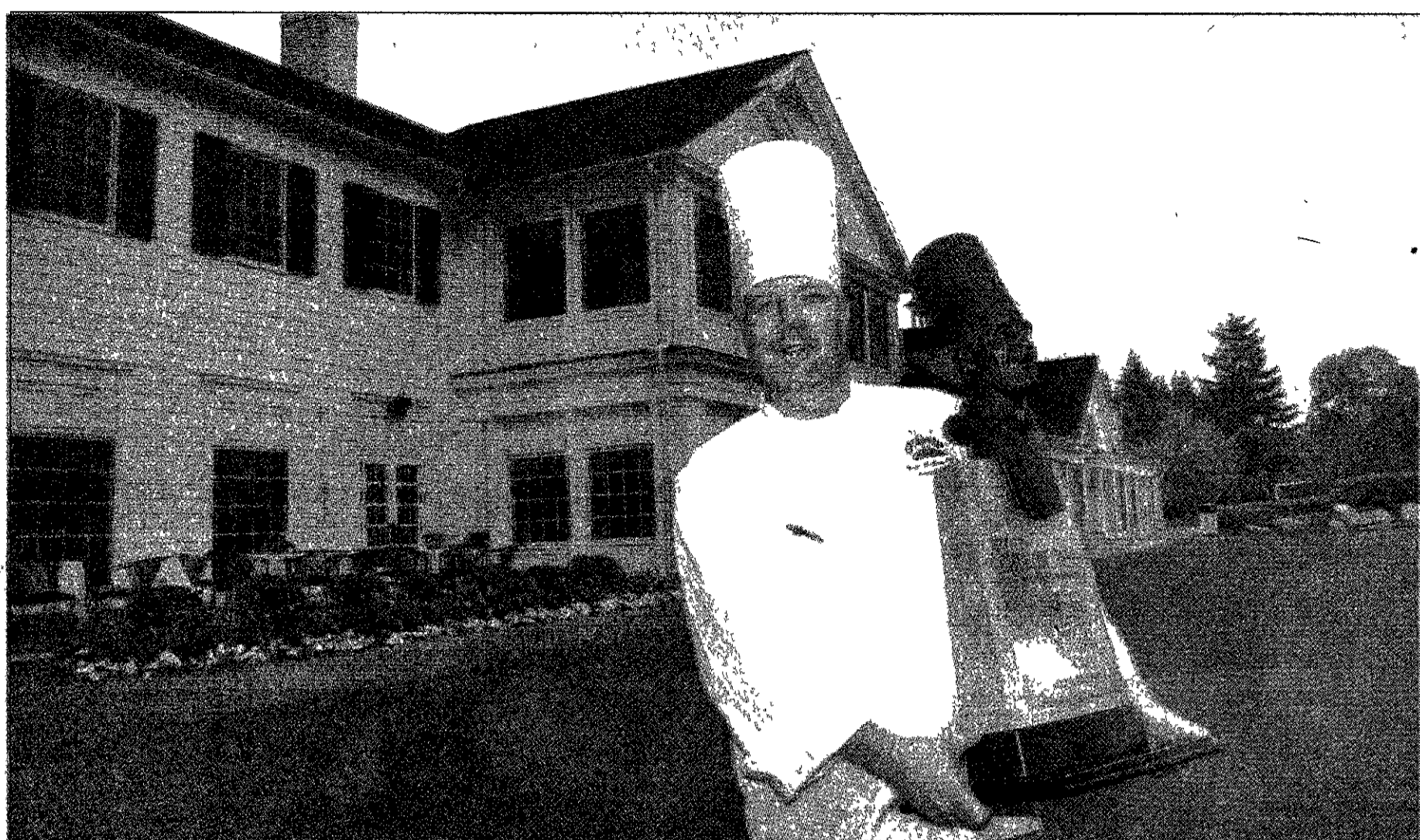
TOPZ, offering the "leanest burgers in America" has opened its first Michigan franchise at 1937 W. Maple at the Cambridge Crossing Plaza, across from the Troy Motor Mall in Troy.

Restaurant officials say the chain offers "great tasting healthier food without unnecessary fat, calories and cholesterol."

"Our menu features 'lean' selections, but with lots of flavor and variety," said owner Brian Halbeisen. "TOPZ has reinvented classic American food with fresher, healthier versions that people are craving."

In addition to Angus burgers, TOPZ features turkey burgers, garden burgers, grilled chicken breast sandwiches, grilled ahi tuna sandwiches, gourmet salads, air baked aerie fries and onion rings along with real fruit and low-fat ice cream shakes.

TOPZ is open daily. Guests may dine in the dining room or take out. For more information, please call (248) 655-5200.



Brian Walsh, executive chef at Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Hills, was honored as the Michigan Chefs de Cuisine's 2004 Chef of the Year.

# Simple and elegant

## Chef of the Year strives for creative dishes

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

Oakland Hills Country Club executive chef Brian Walsh often asks staff to "give me a Jackie."

He's referring to Jacqueline Onassis because the stylish former first lady influences Walsh's culinary creations and standards.

"Simple and elegant," he describes the icon and his food philosophy. "Something that stands the test of time."

A reproduction photograph of Onassis is mounted and clearly visible in all four of the country club's expansive kitchens.

But always striving to meet what Walsh imagines Jackie would have liked to dine on has served the graduate of the Culinary Institute of America well.

Michigan Chefs de Cuisine recently named him the 2004 Chef of the Year, a coveted prize created in honor of Certified Master Chef Milos Cihelka, formerly executive chef at the Golden Mushroom.

"I was surprised," Walsh said of winning the award. "I was not expecting it. I guess we had a high-profile event with the Ryder Cup."

Last summer, Walsh successfully led the Oakland Hills kitchen staff through the process of serving the dignitaries, PGA players and corporate executives who turned out for the world-renowned golf tournament.

"It's nice to be put in the spotlight, but like I told my crew, like anybody who's ever won anything, you know it's not just you. It's a team award."

On the other hand, Walsh himself spent five years preparing for



Walsh oversees all food operations at Oakland Hills Country Club, a job requiring 12-hour days a minimum of six days a week. His wife, Mitzi Wilson (left), is a pastry chef there.

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# Lavender is part of the culinary landscape

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

When lavender is in season from early summer onward, its color and fragrance hang over the Santa Barbara County area of the California coast. Locals there are generous, as they're prepared to share it with visitors, along with other flowers and fruits, their olive groves and vineyards, and culinary treats such as offshore lobsters and prawns.

The food-curious will find that local flavors include Mediterranean influences as befits the region's "California Riviera" reputation, with more than a dash of other styles (a free culinary booklet and a Web site offer guidance for visitors).

Meanwhile, the home cook can conjure up a sample of local taste with the following lavender-flavored ice cream recipe. It's from sous chef Rick Mancilla of Bouchon Santa Barbara restaurant, who says, "I chose this dessert for this particular time of year because it is light and refreshing. The fresh berries mixed with the fragrant honey and lavender gelato definitely put me in a summer mood."

He adds that driving past a sea of lavender while he was wine tasting and berry picking through Santa Barbara County back roads is one of his first memories of the area. "This dessert

brings me back to that wonderful day."

The ice cream is accompanied by tuiles, the French for tiles - for which these thin, crisp cookies were originally named. You can use fresh, unsprayed lavender flowers from your garden for this dessert, or look for them in a farmers' market.

### HONEY AND LAVENDER GELATO WITH TUILE COOKIES

For the Honey-Lavender Gelato:

4 egg yolks  
1 tablespoon cornstarch  
2 tablespoons sugar  
1 cup milk  
1/2 cup honey  
1 1/2 tablespoons chopped fresh lavender flowers  
1 cup cream, whipped to soft-medium peaks

In a large bowl, beat eggs and set aside. In an unheated saucepan, mix cornstarch and sugar; then, over high heat, gradually stir in milk, honey and lavender. Bring to a boil, about 5 minutes. Remove from heat and slowly pour milk mixture into the large bowl with the eggs, stirring; return combined mixture to saucepan.

Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until the sugar is dissolved and the mixture

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### MICHIGAN LAVENDER FEST

**What:** Two days packed with information and activities will make up the third annual Michigan Lavender Fest July 16-17. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Events include lectures, cooking demonstrations, garden strolls, children's activities, talks on beekeeping and birding, live music and storytelling. Refreshments and lavender products will be for sale. The original pastel created for the festival poster is on display at Gabriel's Garden French Market Place, 109 S. Main in Romeo, and will be raffled off.

**Where:** The farms involved are Gabriel's Garden Lavender and Herb Farm, 14000 34 Mile, Romeo, and Yule Love It Lavender Farm, 960 Yule Road, Leonard.

**Admission:** \$5 per person and includes entry to both farms; kids under 12 are free.

**For more information:** Visit [www.michiganlavenderfest.com](http://www.michiganlavenderfest.com) or call (586) 336-0418.

# Meet Gaja winery's fifth generation

Barbaresco, a wine region within the Piedmont in northeastern Italy, along with its sister region Barolo, produces legendary red wines from the nebbiolo grape.

Since vintages 1996-2001 in the region are all rated over 90 out of 100 points, and vintage 2000 is rated a perfect 100 points, there has been great enthusiasm for these wines.



Focus on Wine

Ray and Eleanor Heald

given credit for raising the prestige of Italian wines to new heights.

Angelo joined his eponymous winery in

### INNOVATOR ANGELO GAJA

Angelo Gaja resides in the town of Barbaresco and is owner and president of Gaja Winery, established in 1859. This makes him the fourth generation to run the company. He is also one of the world's great winemakers and generally

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## WINE

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1961 and began his effort to improve the power and concentration of his wines by severely pruning nebbiolo vines to eight to 10 buds per vine, instead of 20 to 24, reducing yield and improving quality. By 1969, Angelo began to experiment with barrique (60-gallon French oak barrel) aging of Barbaresco, which had been aged traditionally in very large casks.

Gaja also pioneered the production of estate-owned single-vineyard wines because he believed that the distinctive character of his wines was representative of the place where the grapes were grown. In addition to his signature Barbaresco, Gaja produces five single-vineyard nebbiolo wines: Sori San Lorenzo, Sori Tildin and Costa Russi grown in Barbaresco plus Sperss and Contessa from Barolo.

In 1978, he began planting non-indigenous grape varieties with the Piedmont's first cabernet sauvignon (Darmagi) followed by chardonnay (Gaia & Rey) and sauvignon blanc (Alteni di Brassica). Not to be confined to the Piedmont, Gaja invested in Tuscany in 1994 with the purchase of a Montalcino estate where he produces two Brunello di Montalcino namely Rennina and Sugarille.

In 1996, Gaja acquired a 250-acre estate in Bolgheri on the Tuscan coast in the region where the heralded wine Sassicaia is made. With this purchase, he realized a dream of establishing new vineyards and building a new winery from the ground up. On this property he constructed a state-of-the-art winery where he produces three new wines known as Promis (a blend of merlot, syrah and sangiovese), Magari and Ca' Marcanda (both Bordeaux blends) that debuted in 2000.

## FIFTH GENERATION

This year, Angelo's older daughter Gaia joined the family winery after earning a degree in economics. She has

## WINE PICKS

## SATISFYING SUMMER THIRST QUENCHERS

■ **Winner from Italy:** 2004 Masi Masianco (\$14), a blend of pinot grigio and verduzzo is a hit with lighter summer fare.

■ **Sauvignon Blanc:** With attractive melon, grapefruit and assorted citrus fruit tones, sauvignons are thirst quenching. Try: 2004 Fritz, \$14; 2004 Chateau Souverain, \$14; 2004 Kenwood, \$13; 2003 Porcupine Ridge (South Africa), \$12; 2004 Pepi, \$9; and 2004 Bogle, \$8.

■ These simultaneously rich and elegant Sauvignons are best with grilled fish: 2004 Ferrari-Carano Fume Blanc, \$16, and 2003 Chalk Hill, \$25.

■ **Change of pace whites:** 2003 Tablas Creek Esprit de Beaucastel Blanc (\$35) matches lobster, scallops, softshell crab and shrimp or salmon with buerre blanc sauce; 2003 Tablas Creek Roussanne (\$27) for sea bass, curries, gumbo or salmon; 2003 Zaca Mesa Roussanne (\$25) for grilled halibut or rosemary roasted chicken; 2003 Zaca Mesa Viognier, \$15; 2004 Chateau St. Jean Gewurztraminer, \$15; 2004 Chateau St. Jean Johannisberg Riesling, \$15 (off-dry); 2004 Goats do Roam (South Africa), \$12; and 2004 Bogle Chenin Blanc, \$7 (off-dry).

■ **Pink wines (Rosés)** pair superbly with grilled salmon, sushi, grilled sausages or roast chicken. Try: 2004 Tablas Creek Rosé, \$27, 2004 Beckmen Grenache Rosé, \$16; 2004 Handley Pinot Noir Rosé, \$16; and 2004 Pedroncelli Vintage Selection Zinfandel Rosé, \$8.

All wines mentioned are available in the metro-Detroit area. If a retailer does not stock a specific wine, ask that it be ordered from the distributor.

represented Gaja Winery in Asia, Europe and the United States and most recently in Michigan. "I have completed several internships in the U.S. working for a wine retailer and a wine distributor, but I really enjoy working in the winery and learning how our wine is made, even though I thought I would prefer marketing and promotion," she said.

Growing up in Barbaresco, a village with 600 people and 80 wineries, Gaia was raised with wine in her blood. At 10 years old, her favorite science project at school was making wine, an experience she could not have had in the United States!

## TASTING GAJA WITH GAIA:

■ 2003 Rossj-Bass Chardonnay (\$57) shows apple and melon fruit with honey notes. Balanced oak and crisp acidity make this a delightfully refreshing pour.

■ 2001 Sito Maresco (nebbiolo, merlot and cabernet) (\$50) demonstrates that merlot and cabernet complement nebbiolo. Soft tannins and

sweet black fruits make it approachable now.

■ 2001 Barbaresco (\$185) is the Gaja signature and this wine does not disappoint. It's delicious, full bodied and eminently ageable.

■ 2001 Sperss, Barolo (\$200) with full, rich, black fruits and balanced oak, illustrates why Barolo is King of the Piedmont.

■ 1999 Rennina Brunello di Montalcino (\$95) is bright, approachable and delicious. Because the wine comes from Tuscany, the grape variety is sangiovese.

■ 2001 Ca' Marcanda Magari, Toscana (\$71) is a Bordeaux blend from the Bolgheri region on the Tuscan coast, where the soil mimics Bordeaux and so does the wine.

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Delicious, nutritious whole-grain salads are wonderful for summer picnic plates.

## Salads that go with the grain

Summer picnics are a good opportunity for delicious, nutritious whole-grain salads.

Whole grains are an essential part of a healthful diet.

They are more nutrient-dense and provide more dietary fiber than refined grains so they keep you feeling full longer.

A whole-grain is one that has all three major elements of the grain: the outer layer, or bran; the large, middle section, called the endosperm, and the core, or germ. Processing removes the bran and the germ, which are therefore missing from refined breads and other refined grain products.

Whole grains differ in a number of ways. Unlike refined grain products, whole-grain foods are rich in many substances that are cancer-preventive, including antioxidants, vitamins E and B6, folic acid, zinc, selenium, copper and magnesium. They also contain more fiber. Whole wheat, for example, has five times the fiber of refined wheat.

Whole grains perform many health-protective functions. They help control diabetes by regulating insulin and blood sugar levels. Their fiber also helps reduce cholesterol levels and alleviates problems like constipation and diverticulosis.

Longer-lasting benefits include protection against heart disease, ischemic stroke and possibly some types of cancer.

The following salad contains a healthful balance between a whole grain, vegetables, fruits and protein.

## CREATIVE WHOLE-GRAIN SALAD

½ box (14 ounces) quick-cooking brown rice, or 3 cups cooked brown rice, or whole-grain pasta, bulgur, or quinoa  
½ yellow or orange bell pepper, cut in bite-size pieces  
½ tomato, seeded, cut into bite-size pieces (optional)  
¼ cup chopped radish  
2 scallions (¼ cup), green and white parts, or ¼ cup chopped red or Bermuda onion  
¼ cup finely chopped dried fruit, like apricots, raisins, dates, figs, currants  
2 tablespoons toasted pine nuts, sesame seeds, or sunflower seeds, or chopped almonds, walnuts, or pecans  
3-4 ounces diced low-fat mozzarella cheese  
Juice of 1 lime  
1½-2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil  
2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh (or 2 teaspoons dried) chives or flat-leaf parsley

2 tablespoons finely chopped (or 2 teaspoons dried) fresh mint, cilantro, or chervil  
Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste, if desired

Cook brown rice or other whole grain according to package directions. (If using quinoa, rinse well before cooking to ensure bitter-tasting coating is removed.) Let cooked grains cool completely before adding to salad. Meanwhile, in a large bowl place bell pepper, tomato, radish, scallions, dried fruit, nuts (or seeds) and cheese. Mix lightly with fork. Season to taste with salt and pepper, as desired.

When cooked grain is cool, fluff with fork and season to taste with salt and pepper. Add to bowl of salad ingredients, mixing lightly with fork. Into small container with tight-fitting lid, pour juice, oil and herbs. Seal tightly and shake well until combined. Add to salad and mix to combine with fork. Serve or pack into plastic containers. Refrigerated, leftovers will keep 2 days.

Makes about 4 cups or 4 servings.

Per serving: 342 calories, 13 g. total fat (2 g. saturated fat), 48 g. carbohydrate, 12 g. protein, 4 g. dietary fiber, 160 mg. sodium.

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## LAVENDER

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has thickened into a pudding-like consistency, about 6 minutes. (A finger drawn across the back of a spoon with this custard on it should leave a path in the custard.) Do not boil.

Remove from heat and transfer custard to a metal bowl. Place bowl on ice water in a larger metal bowl; stir continually until custard feels cold to the touch, about 5 minutes. Once custard is thoroughly chilled, fold whipped cream into it and pour combined mixture into an ice-cream maker. Freeze according to manufacturer's instructions. Then remove and keep frozen until ready to use.

### For the Lavender Tuile

**Cookies:**  
3 egg whites  
5 ounces (about 1 cup) powdered sugar, sifted  
½ teaspoon vanilla extract

1½ ounces flour (about 6 tablespoons), sifted  
Fresh lavender flowers, enough to sprinkle on each tuile, chopped

Preheat oven to 350° F.

To make cookie batter, lightly beat egg whites, then add, in order, sugar, vanilla and flour. Stir just enough to combine all ingredients; do not overmix. Batter should be thin.

Drop 1-tablespoon portions of batter a few inches apart onto baking sheet, and pat each into a 5-inch round with your fingertips; yield should be about 15 to 20 thin cookies. Sprinkle with lavender and bake at 350° F until edges are a golden brown, about 8 to 10 minutes.

If desired, make "cornucopias" by rolling warm tuiles into cone shapes. When cool, fill with fresh berries and sprinkle with powdered sugar.

To serve gelato: Scoop the gelato and garnish with simple tuiles, or with berry-tuile cornucopias.

Makes 6 servings.

Note: Edible fresh lavender flowers can be found at farmers' markets, or you may use homegrown lavender (not sprayed with pesticide). Fresh lavender buds will also work, but the flavor will not be as intense.

Gelato can be made ahead and kept frozen in an airtight container for a week. Tuiles and cornucopia cones can be made up to 3 days ahead and kept in an airtight container at room temperature.

Recipe created by sous chef Rick Mancilla of Bouchon Santa Barbara restaurant, courtesy Santa Barbara Visitors Bureau. A free 32-page color culinary guide, *Get Fresh on the American Riviera. Savor the Flavors of Santa Barbara County*, lists food markets and farmers' markets, specialty food producers, produce seasons, cooking classes, winery tours and vineyards, with map and travel tips. It is available by calling (800) 676-1266, and on the Web at: <http://www.santabarbaraCA.com>

## CHEF

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the tournaments, going so far as to travel to a Ryder Cup in England to work in the kitchen.

"I wanted to get a taste for what I was in for."

Walsh's pre-Ryder Cup anxiety says a lot about his approach as an executive chef. He understands the creative thrill of preparing and presenting spicing dishes is largely behind him, and less glamorous tasks summon his attention.

"The fun part is creating. That's why you get into it. The farther you go, the farther you get away from that. My job is orchestrating."

And overseeing and guiding the staff, setting the tone, coordinating special events, cooking multi-course meals for chef's table diners, playing ringmaster in the kitchen on busy nights and ultimately sitting down to assemble the country club's menus, some of which change monthly, others yearly.

Walsh takes it all in stride and focuses on the business of the day and his relationships with staff members, including his wife, Mitzi, a pastry chef.

He relates to each staff member on an individual basis and encourages all to contribute menu suggestions as a way to create a sense of ownership.

"You can't approach everybody the same way. Some need to be pushed. Some need to be coddled," he said of his staff, adding, "They don't teach this stuff in culinary school."

### SAKE MARINATED SEA BASS

#### Sake Marinade:

Sea bass, 4 5-ounce fillets  
1 cup soy sauce  
¼ cup sugar

Sake Marinated Sea Bass is one of chef Brian Walsh's favorite preparations of fish and seafood. The Oakland Hills Country Club executive chef and Michigan Chefs de Cuisine's 2004 Chef of the Year said accompaniments in this dish go well with a variety of fish, including salmon, halibut and lobster. "I like to serve the sea bass, with lemon jasmine rice, julienne vegetables with shitake mushrooms, braised baby bok choy, shiso leaves, red and yellow pepper coulis, Yuzu vinaigrette, pepper and scallion curls tossed in toasted black and white sesame seeds," Walsh said.

½ cup mirin (rice wine, available in gourmet sections of markets)  
½ cup sake  
2 teaspoons ginger, grated  
1 teaspoon sesame oil  
2 teaspoons garlic, minced

¼ cup chicken stock  
2 ounces CoCo Lopez (coconut milk)  
2 ounces cream  
Salt and pepper to taste

Combine all ingredients and marinate fish in sake marinade for 3 hours, turning every hour.

Place fish on an oiled baking sheet and broil 4 inches under the heating element until a rich mahogany color is achieved. Serve immediately.

#### Indonesian Pepper Coulis:

1 red pepper  
1 tablespoon olive oil  
½ clove garlic, minced  
1 teaspoon shallots, minced  
1 ounce white wine  
Lime juice, to taste

Quarter, dice and seed the pepper. In a sauce pan sauté the peppers in olive oil for three minutes, add garlic and shallots. Sweat for one minute and de-glaze with white wine. Add stock and cream of coconut and simmer 15 minutes until tender. Season to taste with salt, pepper and fresh squeezed lime juice.

Puree mixture in a blender and strain through a china cap. Return sauce to the pan and bring to a simmer. Add cream and adjust the consistency with a cornstarch slurry. Adjust seasonings as necessary. Recipe courtesy of chef Brian Walsh.

## TASTE CALENDAR

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Class fee is \$120 (or \$30 for each class). Details of all classes can be found at [www.macroval.com](http://www.macroval.com). Classes are scheduled 6-9 p.m. in Garden City. Visit the Web site or call (734) 261-2856 for more information.

### Picnic in the park

The third annual Potluck Picnic in the Park will be hosted by Valerie Wilson (MacroVal) noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 23. All food is vegetarian, vegan and macrobiotic. Bring one healthy dish to share and the fee is \$5, or come for the food and fun for \$12 (the fee covers the cost of food and supplies). Call Val for more information, or if you are planning to attend, at (734) 261-2856.

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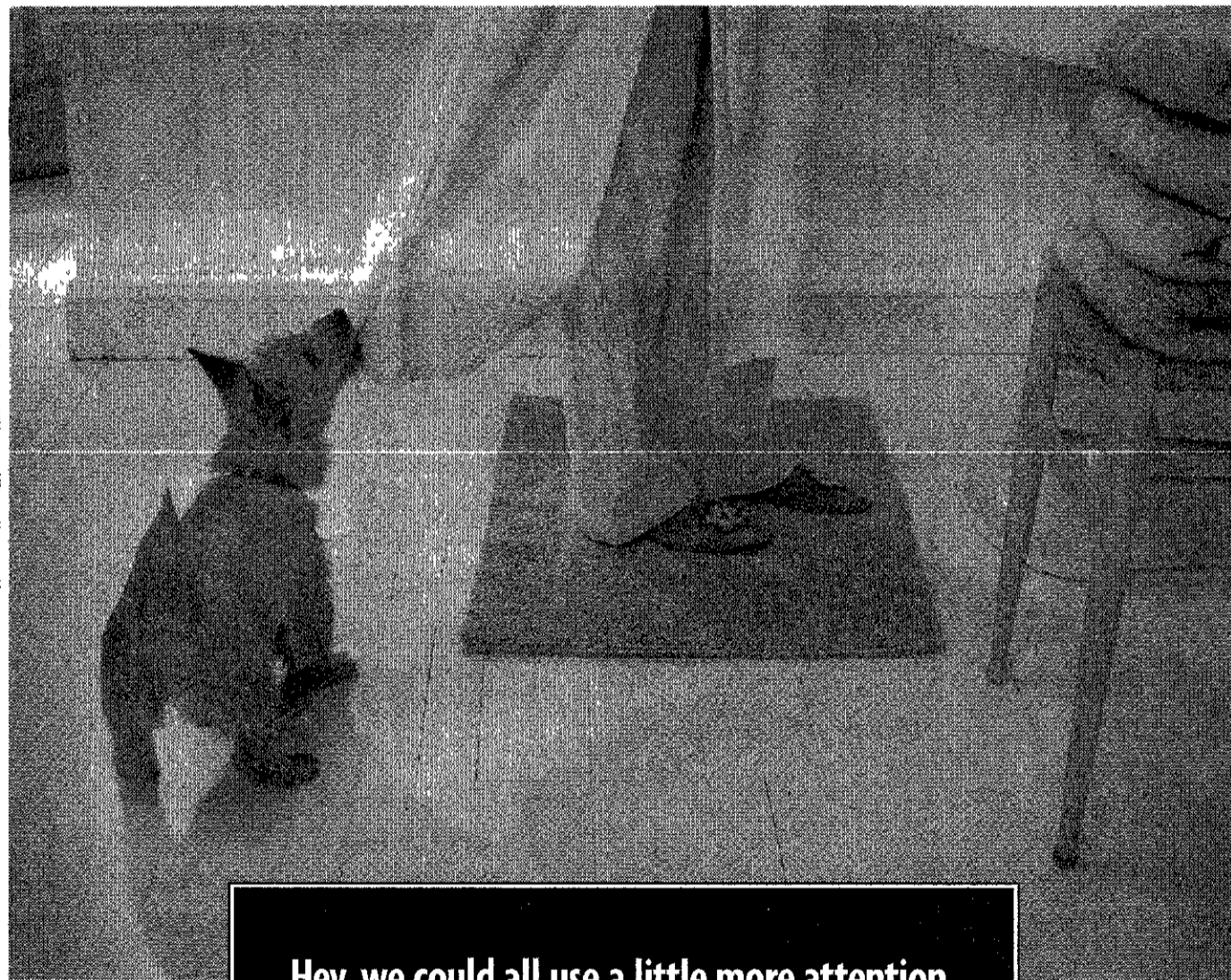
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# Grill salmon with cilantro noodles

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Can we use one more twist for the salmon that's a top favorite on menus these days? You bet, especially when it's about carefree summer cooking at its best.

This new recipe for grilled salmon and noodles pairs sweet and smoky grilled salmon with a light Asian noodle salad, and it would work well both for a quick week-night family meal, or for spur-of-the-moment entertaining.

"No need to cook noodles or wash a pot for this dish," says Diane Morgan, who developed the recipe. "Rice vermicelli just needs to soften in a bowl of hot water while the grill heats. The glaze and salad dressing are a snap to make – everything is ready to eat in 30 minutes."

Morgan is one to trust on salmon. Her new cookbook, *Salmon* (Chronicle, \$24.95 paperback) features 75 of her other salmon recipes. While developing all these recipes, she says, "What became clear to me is how versatile salmon is, not only suitable to a wide range of preparation techniques, but what an affinity it has for so many flavors."

"The sweet and salty combination of honey and soy, classic in many Asian dishes, is perfect for salmon. The glaze doesn't dominate the natural flavor of salmon, it enhances it."

Ingredients for this honey-soy recipe include Asian sesame oil. "Sesame oil comes in two basic types," she explained when asked about this. "One is light-colored and the sesame seeds have not been toasted before the oil is expressed. Asian sesame oil is darker with a lovely, stronger flavor and fragrance because the seeds are toasted before the oil is expressed."

Morgan's tip for getting the best of fresh: "The key to ensuring a fantastically flavorful cookout is starting with fresh, quality ingredients, especially when your menu includes salmon. When shopping for salmon, or any seafood for that matter, remember that

fresh fish should never smell fishy. Look for fillets that are moist and freshly cut, not flat and browned at the edges. The skin should be silvery and bright."

### HONEY-SOY GRILLED SALMON WITH CILANTRO NOODLES

Three 2-ounce packages rice vermicelli  
4 center-cut salmon fillets (about 6 ounces each)  
Olive oil  
Sea salt  
Freshly ground black pepper  
5 tablespoons "lite" soy sauce  
3 tablespoons honey  
3 tablespoons Asian sesame oil  
2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice  
Vegetable oil for brushing  
1/2 cup packed fresh cilantro leaves, coarsely chopped  
2 tablespoons black sesame seeds

Prepare a medium-hot fire in a charcoal or gas grill. While the grill is heating, soak the rice vermicelli in a large bowl of hot water until softened, about 20 minutes.

Brush all sides of the salmon with olive oil and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Make the glaze for the salmon by combining 1 tablespoon soy sauce, 2 tablespoons honey, and 1/2 teaspoon ground pepper. Set aside. To make the dressing: In a small bowl, combine 4 tablespoons of soy sauce, 1 tablespoon honey, the sesame oil and lemon juice. Set aside.

To grill the salmon: Brush the grill grate generously with vegetable oil. Place the salmon, skin side up, directly over the medium-hot fire. Grill until beautiful grill marks are etched across the fillets, about 2 minutes. Turn the salmon skin side down. Brush the salmon flesh generously with the glaze. Cover the grill and continue grilling the salmon until almost opaque throughout, but still very moist, about 3 minutes longer. Transfer to a plate and set aside.

Drain the rice vermicelli and pat dry with paper towels. Toss the noodles with the dressing, cilantro, and sesame seeds. Divide the noodles among 4 entree plates. (Though the noodles are soaked in hot water to

soften, they are warm or at room temperature when served. Morgan says.)

Place a salmon fillet in the center, on top of the noodles, and serve immediately. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 600 cal., 27 g fat, (4 g saturated), 95 mg chol., 1,128 mg sodium, 53 g carbo., 36 g pro., 1 g fiber.

AP recipe developed by Diane Morgan, courtesy Wine Market Council.

Wine suggestion for this meal:

Chardonnay is the choice of John Gillespie, Wine Market Council president. "With its ripe fruitiness, full body and creamy texture, chardonnay has the weight to stand up to salmon's richness but still enough acidity to offer contrast to the salty soy sauce," he says. "Choose a chardonnay that is not oaked so the true fruit character of the grape stands out. An Oregon pinot gris would also be a welcome match."

A tip from Gillespie for summer dining and wining al fresco about keeping wine cool: "If you prefer white wine outdoors, don't worry about an ice bucket to keep it cold. A chilled bottle of wine will stay chilled for about an hour – just don't place it too close to the hot grill. Some people even drop an ice cube in their wine if they prefer it colder."

He adds that one of the great things about chardonnay is that it is lower in acidity than many white wines, and never needs to be icy cold. So even if you take it out of the refrigerator a half hour before guests arrive, you are good through dinner.

"The only exception would be if you are outdoors and it is very warm – then using an ice bucket in the yard makes sense. Pinot gris needs a little more chill, but people tend to err more often by having their white wines too cold instead of too warm. When you have wine and food together, you don't want any wine to be very cold, as icy cold wine won't marry as well with the food."

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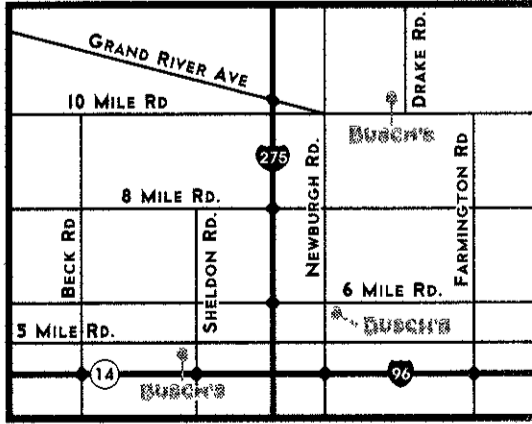
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Plymouth residents (from left) Jon Banas, Lynn Banas and Lynda Racey stand behind the bike Jon Banas used during the Ford Ironman Triathlon, which was held in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on June 26. All three — along with Lynn Banas' brother Doug Soho — completed the endurance event's 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride and 26.2-mile run in less than 17 hours.

## Iron-willed Plymouth trio completes grueling Ironman event

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth residents Lynda Racey and Jon and Lynn Banas encountered a few waves when they dove into Idaho's bone-chilling Coeur d'Alene Lake for the start of last month's Ford Ironman Triathlon, a push-your-body-to-the-absolute-limit endurance test that includes a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride and a 26.2-mile run.

But the waves created by the 2,000-plus competitors' kicking legs and stroking arms were mere ripples compared to the waves of emotions Racey and the Banases experienced when they crossed the grueling event's finish line several hours later.

"It's so exhilarating when you finish," Jon Banas said. "You realize that you've accomplished something that less than 1 percent of the population will ever do, and you think about all the sacrifices you've made to get to that point. You're so overcome with emotion that you don't know whether to laugh or cry. . ."

"So you do both," Lynn Banas added, smiling. Racey said she'll never forget the feeling she experienced when her first triathlon journey ended.

"It was fantastic," she said. "When you cross the line, they announce your name, where you're from and your age over a loud speaker," Racey said. "Then they say, 'You are now an Ironman.' It's pretty emotional."

### TRAINING DAYS

Three "ex's" — exhilaration, exhaustion and excruciating sacrifice — are all common elements when it comes to preparing your body to complete an Ironman Triathlon — but they don't necessarily fall in that order.

The 30-week training regimen the three Plymouth residents and Lynn Banas' brother, Doug Soho, endured leading up to their trip to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, was more exhausting and excruciating than it was exhilarating.

Six days a week, the Banases and Racey would meet at 5:30 a.m. at Lifetime Fitness in Canton for a two-mile swim. Soho, a former Plymouth resident, trained in Seattle, Wash., where he is stationed while serving as a pilot with the United States Air Force, and in the Middle East, where he would get sent periodically to fly C-17 transport planes over Afghanistan and Iraq.

Following their pre-dawn swim, the three Plymouth residents headed off to their demanding jobs — Racey is an attorney for the Wayne County Airport Authority; Jon Banas is a senior manager for finance reporting at TRW; and Lynn Banas is an advertising account direc-

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## O&E golf tourney tees off Aug. 13

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Observerland golf enthusiasts have just one month to prepare for the annual Observer & Eccentric Open, which is set to tee off Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 13 and 14, at Whispering Willows and Fox Creek golf courses in Livonia.

The event annually attracts many of the area's top amateur golfers, who will be shooting to unseat defending men's champion Gary Kraus and defending women's medalist Janina Jacobs. Kraus, who carries a 1 handicap, fired a 36-hole total of 145 (one-over par), which was two shots lower than runner-up Matt Lee in the 2004 championship flight.

Jacobs captured the women's 18-hole title with an impressive 76, besting second-place finisher Molly Gibson by seven strokes.

The men's 36-hole medal-play tournament will kick off Aug. 13 with an 18-hole round at Whispering Willows Golf Course. It will conclude with Sunday's 18-hole second round at Fox Creek. The entry fee is \$95 (cart not included) and the maximum handicap allowed is 20. All participants must have a current U.S.G.A. index in order to play.

The 18-hole women's tournament will be held Aug. 13 at Whispering Willows. The entry fee is \$50 (cart not included).

Entries for both the men's and women's tournaments are due no later than 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6. The field will be limited to the first 200 golfers who register.

For more information, call (248) 476-4493. Entry forms can be picked up at Whispering Willows and Fox Creek golf courses.

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Salem graduate Anna Wilson's collegiate track-and-field uniform will be a couple shades darker of blue when she competes for the University of Michigan next year. Wilson excelled in both the shot put and the discus events for the Rocks.

## Giving it a 'shot' Former Salem track-and-field star is ready to shine for Wolverines

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

If someone would have approached Anna Wilson four years ago and told her she'd be attending the University of Michigan one day on a partial track-and-field scholarship, she probably would have looked at them as if they were one of the aliens in the movie *War of the Worlds*.

Wilson was an exceptional athlete her freshman year at Salem, but basketball was her first love.

In fact, track-and-field wasn't even on her athletic radar screen.

"I was a basketball and softball player," Wilson said, recalling her early days at Salem. "I wasn't into

any of the individuals sports."

That is until former Salem track coach and current Plymouth football coach Jay Blaylock recruited Wilson to at least try the shot put and discus during the spring of her ninth-grade year.

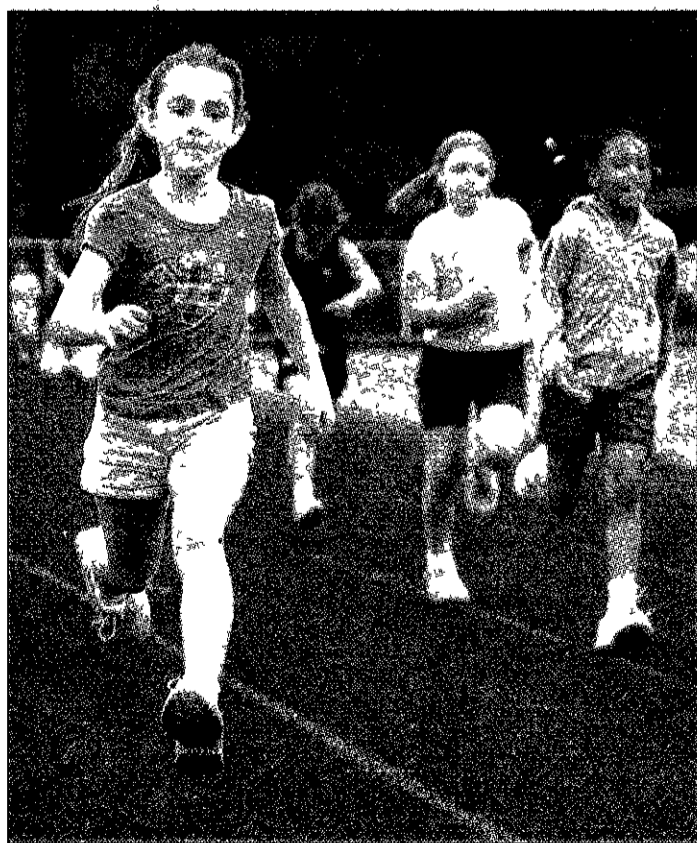
She not only liked the throwing events, but she found that she was pretty good at heaving the two distinctively different pieces of metal great distances.

"Coach Blaylock convinced me that track would help me in basketball, so I dropped softball and gave it a shot," Wilson said. "It's one of the best decisions I made in my four years of high school."

PLEASE SEE WILSON, C4

### On the fast track

Redford eight-year-old Molly McDonald (left) captured all three of her running races for her age at the Redford Township Junior Olympics, held last week at Hilbert Middle School. Molly won the 35, 50 and 75 meter races. But there were many other excellent performances from youngsters throughout the Observer coverage area. For results and more photos, please see page C3.



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## Sidelines

### Venue change

This much is the same: Westland John Glenn High's football program will stage a benefit golf outing and pig roast on Saturday, July 23.

But Rockets varsity football coach Todd DeLuca said there is a new location for the pig roast.

It will be 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at John Glenn, located at 36105 Marquette (between Newburgh-Wayne roads). Cost for the pig roast is \$10 (adults), \$5 (children under-12) or \$25 (family of four).

The roast originally was slated for the Wayne-Ford Civic League.

As for the golf, it will begin with an 8 a.m. shotgun start at Fellows Creek Golf Course, located at 2936 Lotz Road, Canton.

There is an \$85 fee for those competing in the golf outing, which includes 18 holes, cart and the pig roast.

For more information, call DeLuca at (734) 419-2329 or JV coach Dan Massey at (734) 674-8242.

### Alumni hoops at GC

The Garden City High School Girls Basketball Alumni is planning a game for 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 28, at the high school.

Lady Cougar alumni who are interested in participating should call (734) 635-2388 or (734) 306-8763.

### Jeff Suspeck basketball camp

The 11th Annual Jeff Suspeck Memorial Basketball Camp will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 23, at Schoolcraft College, at 18600 Haggerty in Livonia.

All children between the ages of 9 and 14 years old are invited to attend this one-day camp for free.

The camp is sponsored by the Jeff Suspeck Foundation, which was founded in memory of Jeff Suspeck, who passed away in 1994. Suspeck's family formed the foundation to provide opportunities for underprivileged youth, but all children are welcome to attend.

Glen Donahue and Joe Charnley run the camp along with other volunteer players and coaches who knew Suspeck.

To obtain registration material, call (248) 478-0662 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.; or e-mail jsuspeckcamp@hotmail.com. Lunch will be provided courtesy of White Castle Systems Inc.

### Hole-in-one

Livonia resident Paul Mercier aced his tee shot on the 125-yard fourth hole at Idyl Wyld Golf Course July 9.

Mercier, who has been golfing for the past 12 years, achieved his first hole-in-one with a nine iron.

He shot an 83 for the 18-hole round.

## IRONMAN

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## UNPAID OVERTIME

Instead of kicking back and enjoying a little R&R following a long day at the office, the trio spent their evenings either running several miles or pushing the pedals of their bikes up and down Hines Drive.

"Getting up at 5:30 in the morning was the toughest part for me," Racey said. "But I knew Jon and Lynn would yell at me if I didn't show up, so I was there every day," she said, laughing.

"When we decided to do this late last year, I pretty much told all my friends and family, 'I'll see you in six months.' In fact, one of my best friends came over to my house the other day, and she said, 'You know what? I haven't been over here since December.'"

Last month's triathlon was Jon Banas' second, so he knew better than the other two what to expect.

"You have to train 15 to 20 hours a week to prepare for an Ironman Triathlon," Jon Banas said. "When you add that to the 40 to 50 hours a week we worked on our jobs, it didn't leave a lot of time for socializing. It was a little easier for Lynn and I because we're married, but you definitely need your family and friends' support to get through it."

## BEYOND THE CALL

While the Banases' and Racey's preparation for the triathlon was demanding, it didn't come close to matching the inconveniences that Soho had to tolerate.

Soho, who serves as a pilot for American Airlines when he's not activated by the military, spent more time running in the sizzling desert the past six months than most camels.

"Doug could get called out at any time to fly in Iraq, Afghanistan or Qatar, which made it more challenging for him to train," Lynn Banas said. "But he took his bike with him wherever he went. When he was in Iraq, he was stationed at the Baghdad International Airport, so he did some of his training runs in 110-degree heat."

Despite the obstacles, Soho finished with a time of 10:19 and barely missed qualifying for the Ironman Triathlon World Championship in Kono, Hawaii.

## ON YOUR MARK...

Anxiety, anticipation and excitement filled Racey and the Banases as they lined up along the shores of Coeur d'Alene Lake for the start of the race. When the starting gun sounded, the once-tranquil body of water was filled with over 2,000 sets of churning legs and wind-milling

arms, making early navigation of the water tricky.

"With all those people diving into the water at the same time, it wasn't as much swimming as it was surviving," said Jon Banas, half-joking. "The swimming part is difficult because of the endurance, but the adversity aspect is just as tough."

"At one point in the lake, I went under for a second," Lynn Banas said. "Another competitor actually pulled me up and asked me if I was OK. Going in, I thought the running part would be the most difficult because it was the last thing we had to do. But it turns out the swimming was the toughest. I was relieved to get out of the water."

## NO REST FOR WEARY

The biking stage of the event is draining, but its degree of difficulty doesn't match that of the 26.2-mile run to the finish line.

Of the 2,056 competitors who started the race at 7 a.m. on the morning of June 26, 1,657 (or roughly 80 percent) finished.

"I shattered my leg four years ago in an accident, so I thought the running part would be the most difficult," Racey said. "The volunteers who are lined up along the course really help you get

through it. They really encourage you. At one of the aid stations, the men were dressed like cheerleaders and they yelled out, 'Go Lynda, go,' when they saw my name under my number."

"There were five blind competitors in the triathlon, which was very inspiring to me. And one man who finished the race had only one leg."

Racey finished in 16:49 to earn a medal and the rare distinction of having completed an Ironman race.

"I had to run as fast as I could the last couple of miles because I knew I was getting close to the 17-hour mark," Racey said. "If you didn't finish before 17 hours, you got a DNF (did not finish). I didn't train seven months to get a DNF."

"They had aid stations set up every mile of the run, so toward the end I promised myself I was just going to make it to the next station," Lynn Banas said. "I would stop at each one and grab something to drink and walk while I drank it. But with about three miles to go, I realized that if I stopped again, I might not start again, so I didn't stop at the last couple of stations."

Lynn Banas, whose goal was to finish within the allotted time of 17 hours, crossed the tape in 14:54.

Jon Banas said he hit the

dreaded "wall" that many long-distance runner's hit about five miles from the finish line.

"I was drained and really losing motivation to keep going," Banas remembered. "Plus, there is a big, steep hill at that point on the course. But I told myself that once I got to the top of the hill, the rest was downhill, so I kept going."

Jon Banas finished in 11:13, which was about 45 minutes off the goal he had set for himself.

## LET'S DO IT AGAIN

When asked if they'd ever want to compete in another triathlon, all three triathletes smiled and nodded.

"But not right away," Racey quipped.

As a reward for their recent labors, the Banases and Racey are taking a vacation out west in August. The vacation will include some triathlon-like events, but there will be no training necessary.

They'll no doubt swim on their much-deserved hiatus, but nowhere near 2.4 miles.

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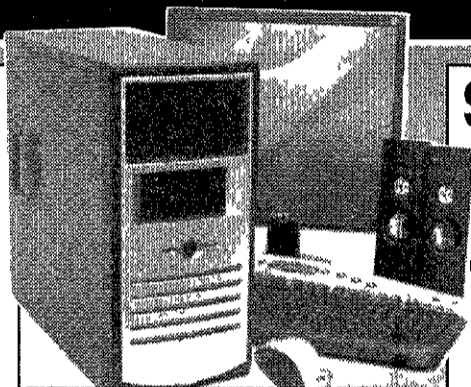
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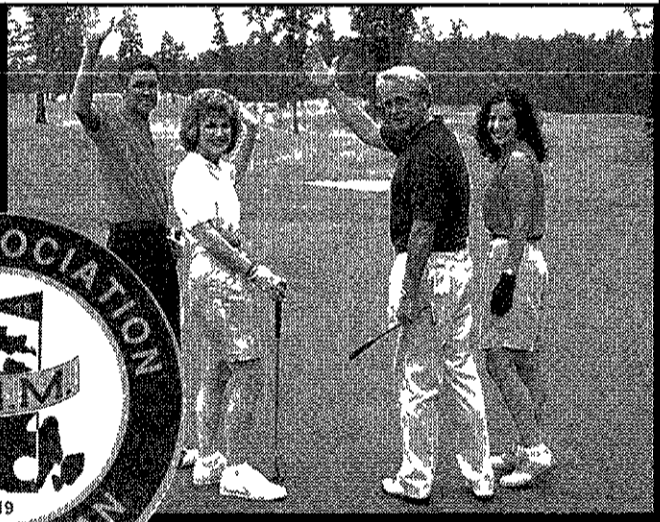
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## Rams sweep 'Horns in twinbill

The Michigan Rams improved to 16-8 Sunday with a double-header sweep of the Longhorns in Livonia Collegiate Baseball League action played at Ford Field in Livonia.

Winning pitcher John Fileccia was the star of the opening-game 3-1 win for the Rams, yielding just three hits in six innings of work.

Fileccia struck out six and walked just three batters.

Despite Fileccia's gem, the Rams trailed 1-0 heading into the final frame when Scott Cain delivered a two-run single to give his team the lead.

## BASEBALL

Sam Palace added a seventh-inning RBI hit to give the winners some insurance heading into the bottom of the frame.

Dan Lentz recorded the save, striking out two while giving up a single walk.

The Longhorns' lone run came in the fourth when Todd Kalmbach's ground ball to second base scored A.J. Scheidt, who had reached on a single.

Longhorn starter Mike Orhek sparked for the losers, shutting out the Rams on just three hits in the six innings he

was on the mound.

In the nightcap, the Rams jump to an early 4-1 lead after four innings and hung on for a 4-2 victory over the Longhorns, who out-hit the Rams, 7-3. Steve Antonioti was the winning pitcher, giving up just one earned run in 6.3 innings. Antonioti whiffed 11 batters and walked just one.

Palace was the Rams' hitting star, going 2-for-4 with two RBIs. Jesse Christner went 1-for-3 while Nate Recknagel and Matt Nickels both added one RBI each. The pair of set-backs dropped the Rams to 9-12-1 overall.

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# REDFORD JUNIOR OLYMPICS RESULTS

## 47th REDFORD TOWNSHIP JUNIOR OLYMPICS July 16 at Hilbert Junior High BOYS RESULTS BANTAM DIVISION

**Softball throw (age 6):** 1. Luke Bessesen, 60 feet, 4 inches; 2. Joseph Choma, 30-8 (age 5); 1. Jeffrey Rothley, 41-4; 2. Tristin Rehling, 27-10; 3. Kevin Reich, 26-7; (age 4): 1. Hunter Septer, 25-1; 2. Bryce Burgess, 15-8; 3. Liam Rehling, 15-4; (age 3): 1. Antonio Iuliano, 12-8; 2. Jack Lewalk, 8-9; 3. Sean Rankin, 2-6; (age 2): 1. Ryan Hawver, 10-8

**Long jump (age 6):** 1. Luke Bessesen 7-0; 2. Joseph Choma 6-1; (age 5): 1. Tristin Rehling, 6-0; 2. Jeffrey Rothley, 5-5; 3. Kevin Reich, 5-1; (age 4): 1. Nicholas Snage, 4-0; 2. (tie) Liam Rehling and Hunter Septer, 3-2 each; (age 3): 1. Jack Lewalk, 2-9; 2. Antonio Iuliano, 2-7; 3. (tie) Matthew Pletier and Sean Rankin, 1-0 each; (age 2): 1. Ryan Hawver, 1-0

**35-meter dash (age 6):** 1. Joseph Choma, 7.31 seconds; 2. Luke Bessesen, (age 5): 1. Luke Hawver, 7.25; 2. Tristin Rehling, 3. Kevin Reich, (age 4): 1. Hunter Septer, 9.0; 2. Liam Rehling; 3. Bryce Burgess, (age 3): 1. Antonio Iuliano, 13.4; 2. Jake Lewalk; 3. Matthew Pletier

**50 dash (age 6):** 1. (tie) Luke Bessesen and Joseph Choma, 10.51 each; (age 5): 1. Luke Hawver, 10.23; 2. Kevin Reich, 2. Tristin Rehling, (age 4): 1. Hunter Septer, 14.86; 2. Bryce Burgess; 3. Liam Rehling (age 3): 1. Jack Lewalk, 15.83; 2. Sean Rankin; 3. Antonio Iuliano

**75 dash (6-and-under-Heat 1):** 1. Luke Hawver, 14.69; 2. Kevin Reich, 3. Tristin Rehling; (Heat 2): 1. Luke Bessesen 15.35; 2. Joseph Choma, 3. Bryce Burgess

### SQUIRT DIVISION

**Softball throw (age 8):** 1. Ryan Browne, 105-0; 2. Austin Lloyd, 71-0; 3. Nicky Slagle, 70-8; (age 7): 1. Brayden Burgess, 49-0; 2. Daniel O'Neill, 39-4; 3. Aaron Chalmers, 37-0

**Long jump (age 8):** 1. Ryan Browne, 9-3; 2. Nicky Slagle, 7-7; 2. Zachar Bessesen 7-5 (age 7): 1. Aaron Chalmers, 6-5; 2. Devin Gordon, 5-10; 3. Evan Hawver, 5-6

**35 dash (age 8-Heat 1):** 1. Zachary Bessesen, 7.11; 2. Payton Ward, 3. Luca Mendoza, (Heat 2): 1. Ryan Browne, 6.19; 2. Nicky Slagle, 2. Paul Meloche, (age 7-Heat 1): 1. Evan Hawver, 7.4; 2. Ben DiDonato, 2. Brayden Burgess (Heat 2): 1. Daniel O'Neill, 8.14; 2. Aaron Chalmers, 3. Blake Shillingford

**50 dash (age 8-Heat 1):** 1. Ryan Browne, 8.7; 2. Zachar Bessesen, 3. Paul Meloche, (Heat 2): 1. Nicky Slagle, 9.53; 2. Lucas Mendoza, 3. Payton Ward, (age 7-Heat 1): 1. Evan Hawver, 10.28; 2. Brayden Burgess 3. Aaron Chalmers, (Heat 2): 1. Daniel O'Neill 10.81; 2. Ben DiDonato, 3. Devin Gordon

**75 dash (age 8-Heat 1):** 1. Ryan Browne, 11.83; 2. Zachary Bessesen, 3. Paul Meloche, (Heat 2): 1. Nicky Slagle, 14.23; 2. Payton Ward, 3. Austin Lloyd, (age 7-Heat 1): 1. (tie) Daniel O'Neill and Evan Hawver, 14.45 each; 3. Brayden Burgess; (Heat 2): 1. Ben DiDonato, 16.0; 2. Aaron Chalmers; 3. Blake Shillingford;

### PEE WEE DIVISION

**Softball throw (age 10):** 1. Curtis Smith 116-3; 2. Nathan Rothley, 107-4; 3. Brady Wenson, 87-4; (age 9): 1. Patrick Wiermaa, 98-0; 2. Lucas Myers, 79-0; 3. Evan Wenson, 61-0

**High jump (age 10):** 1. Curtis Smith, 3-9; 2. Nathan Rothley, 3-5; 3. Brady Wenson, 3-2; (age 9): 1. Patrick Wiermaa, 3-0

**Long jump (age 10):** 1. Curtis Smith, 9-1; 2. Nathan Rothley 8-7; 3. Collin Rankin, 8-4 (age 9): 1. Jimmy Adamowicz 7-0; 2. Patrick Wiermaa, 6-9; 3. Alex Shillingford 6-2

**35 dash (age 10):** 1. Curtis Smith 5.09; 2. Nathan Rothley, 3. Collin Rankin, (age 9): 1. Patrick Wiermaa, 2. Jimmy Adamowicz, 2. Alex Shillingford

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### MIDGET DIVISION

**Softball throw (age 12):** 1. Justin Polouless, 97-10; 2. Michael Gordon, 48-4; (age 11): 1. Kenny Walker, 106-0; 2. Josh Bessesen, 78-0; 3. Brendan Gordon, 54-10



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The Junior Olympics at Hilbert Middle School gave youngsters such as Redford's Ryan Browne, 8, a chance to shine.

**High jump (age 12):** 1. Michael Gordon 3-0; (age 11): 1. Joshua Bessesen, 3-7; 2. Kenny Wacker, 3-1; 3. Brendan Gordon, 3-0

**50 dash (ages 11-12):** 1. Michael Gordon, 8.2; 2. Joshua Bessesen; 3. Brendan Gordon

**75 dash (ages 11-12):** 1. Michael Gordon, 12.56; 2. Joshua Bessesen, 3. Kenny Walker

**100 dash (ages 11-12):** 1. Michael Gordon, 15.32; 2. Joshua Bessesen, 3. Kenny Walker

### GIRLS RESULTS

#### BANTAM DIVISION

**Softball throw (age 6):** 1. Alyse Meadows, 26-7; 2. Suzanna Rothley 20-9; 3. Mikayla Tanner 17-10; (age 5): 1. Audrey Kopitz, 25-0; 2. Emma Mandoza 18-3; 3. Katy Lewalk, 15-1; (age 4): 1. Erika Browne, 14-8; 2. Alexandria Snage, 8-11; 3. Rachel Sexton, 8-11; (age 2): 1. Nora Meadows, 4-9

**Long jump (age 6):** 1. Suzanna Rothley, 6-8; 2. Mikayla Tanner, 4-9; 2. Alyse Meadows, 4-3; (age 5): 1. Audrey Kopitz, 5-0; 2. Emma Mandoza, 4-9; 2. Nadia Sexton, 4-6; (age 4): 1. Melissa Rothley, 4-11; 2. Rachel Sexton, 3-11; 3. Erika Browne, 3-10; (age 2): 1. Nora Meadows, 1-0

**35-meter dash (age 6):** 1. (tie) Kaitlyn Murray and Suzanna Rothley, 7.74 each; 3. Mikayla Tanner, (age 5): 1. Gabrielle Taylor,

7.86; 2. Audrey Kopitz, 3. Emma Mandoza, (age 4): 1. Melissa Rothley, 8.89; 2. Alexandria Snage; 3. Rachel Sexton, (age 2): 1. Nora Meadows

**50 dash (age 6):** 1. Alyse Meadows 10.66; 2. Suzanna Rothley, 3. Mikayla Tanner (age 5): 1. Gabrielle Taylor, 10.53; 2. Audrey Kopitz, 3. Nadia Sexton (age 4): 1. Melissa Rothley 11.86; 2. Rachel Sexton; 3. Nina Sabatini

**75 dash (age 6):** 1. Suzanna Rothley 13.89; 2. Alyse Meadows 3. Mikayla Tanner, (age 5): 1. Gabrielle Taylor, 16.59; 2. Emma Mandoza, 3. Audrey Kopitz

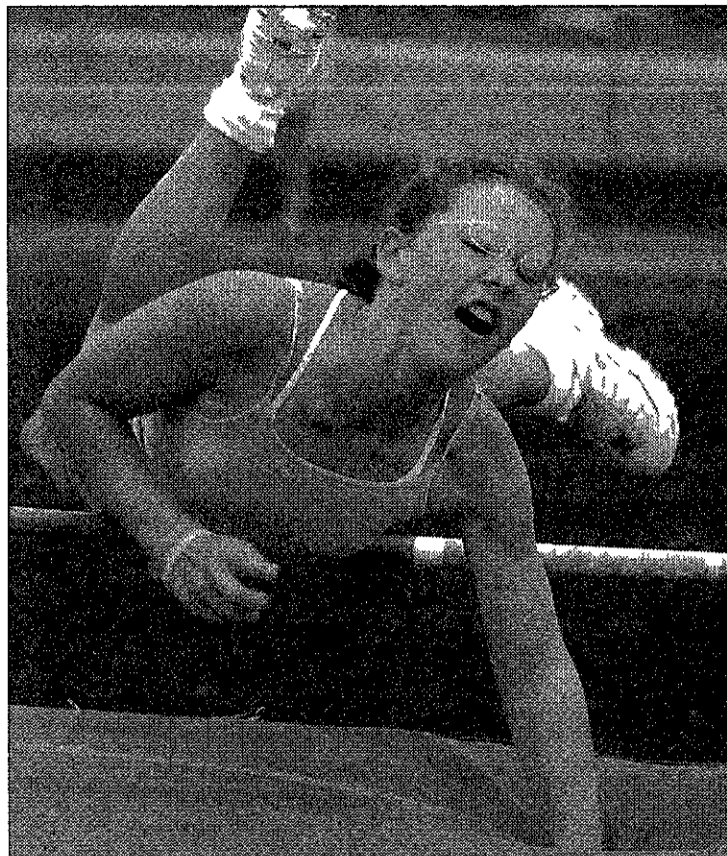
### SQUIRT DIVISION

**Softball throw (age 8):** 1. Shyanne Munoz, 65-6; 2. Jacqlyn Reynolds, 40-9; 3. Erin Yee, 39-7; (age 7): 1. Sarah Williams, 36-0; 2. Jessica Reich 32-8; 3. Amy Kamin, 29-0

**Long jump (age 8):** 1. Molly McDonald, 8-7; 2. Shyanne Munoz, 6-11; 3. Jacqlyn Reynolds, 5-5; (age 7): 1. Hannah Powless, 7-3; 2. Jessica Reich, 7-2; 3. Tiffanie Iuliano, 6-2

**35 dash (age 8):** 1. Molly McDonald, 6.63; 2. Shekiah Smith, 3. Jacqlyn Reynolds; (age 7-Heat 1): 1. Jessica Reich, 7.11; 2. Katie Gordon, 3. Amy Kamin, (Heat 2): 1. Hannah Powless, 7.07; 2. Tiffanie Iuliano; 3. Sarah Williams

**50 dash (age 8):** 1. Molly McDonald, 9.07; 2.



Ten-year-old Andrea Redding of Redford gives it her all during the recent Junior Olympics.

Shekiah Smith, 3. Jacqlyn Reynolds, (age 7-Heat 1): 1. Hannah Powless, 10.06; 2. Katie Gordon, 3. Amy Kamin

**75 dash (age 8):** 1. Molly McDonald, 14.02; 2. Jacqlyn Reynolds, 3. Shekiah Smith, (age 7-Heat 1): 1. Katie Gordon, 15.57; 2. Amy Kamin, 3. Sarah Williams; (Heat 2): 1. Hannah Powless, 14.02; 2. Jessica Reich; 3. Tiffanie Iuliano

### PEE WEE DIVISION

**Softball throw (age 10):** 1. Andrea Redding, 87-0; 2. Kamaria McFall, 75-0; 3. Ashley O'Neill, 69-0; (age 9): 1. Allison Anderson, 70-0; 2. Rachel Reynolds, 68-0; 2. Requel Urban, 64-0

**High jump (age 10):** 1. Camille Traylor, 3-1; 2. Andrea Redding, 3-1; 3. Lindzy Petrella, 3-0; (age 9): 1. Requel Urban, 3-5; 2. Rachel

Reynolds, 3-4; 3. Kennedy Wood, 3-3

**Long jump (age 10):** 1. Andrea Redding, 9-9; 2. Camille Traylor, 7-11; 2. Ashley O'Neill, 7-5; (age 9): 1. Rachel Reynolds, 10-0; 2. Requel Urban, 8-11; 2. Kennedy Wood, 6-0

**35 dash (age 10):** 1. Camille Traylor, 6.07; 2. Lindzy Petrella, 3. Andrea Redding; (age 9-Heat 1): 1. Rachel Reynolds, 5.78; 2. Michelle Traylor, 2. Kennedy Wood, (Heat 2): 1. Hunter Iuliano, 5.78; 2. Mackenzie Rogers

**50 dash (age 10):** 1. Camille Traylor, 7.09; 2. Andrea Redding; 3. Ashley O'Neill; (age 9-Heat 1): 1. Rachel Reynolds, 10.84; 2. Allison Anderson, 3. Jaicee Barstow; (Heat 2): 1. Michelle Traylor, 11.06; 2. Kennedy Wood, 3. Requel Urban

**75 dash (age 10):** 1. Camille Traylor, 10.67; 2. Andrea Redding; 3. Ashley O'Neill; (age 9-Heat 1): 1. Rachel Reynolds, 10.84; 2. Allison Anderson, 3. Jaicee Barstow; (Heat 2): 1. Michelle Traylor, 11.06; 2. Kennedy Wood, 3. Requel Urban

### MIDGET DIVISION

**Softball throw (age 12):** 1. Natalie Petrella, 85-3; 2. Sarah Wood, 68-5; 3. Hope Karrick, 65-3; (age 11): 1. Tiffany Browne, 77-11; 2. Jen Lichtmen, 77-0; 3. Rebecca Reynolds, 70-9

**High jump (age 12):** 1. Natalie Petrella, 4-2; 2. Sarah Woods, 4-0; 3. Riley Wood, 3-8; (age 11): 1. Jahmela Morgan, 3-6; 3. Tiffany Browne, 3-2; 3. Charleigh Barstow, 3-0

**Long jump (age 12):** 1. Riley Wood, 8-11; 2. Natalie Petrella, 7-100; 3. Sarah Wood, 7-0; (age 11): 1. Jen Lichtmen, 7-9; 2. Tiffany Brown, 7-5; 2. Angelica Woods, 6-0

**50 dash (age 12):** 1. Riley Wood, 8.15; 2. Natalie Petrella, 3. Hope Karrick, (age 11): 1. Tiffany Browne, 8.1; 2. Jen Lichtmen; 3. Angelica Woods

**75 dash (age 12):** 1. Riley Wood, 11.31; 2. Natalie Petrella, 3. Sarah Wood; (age 11): 1. Jen Lichtmen, 10.87; 2. Tiffany Browne, 3. Angelica Woods

**100 dash (age 12):** 1. Riley Wood, 13.73; 2. Natalie Petrella; 3. Hope Karrick, (age 11): 1. Jen Lichtmen, 14.91; 2. Angelica Woods, 3. Rebecca Reynolds

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# 'We Are GC'

## Youth baseball teams dominate Farmington tourney

BY TONY WIDMER  
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In the movie "Jaws" there was a great line. It went "We're gonna need a bigger boat." Well, after recent baseball tournaments in Farmington, the line should be "We're gonna need a bigger trophy case."

The Garden City Youth Athletic Association sent five teams to Farmington for tournament games June 25-26. There were teams in the 8-Under, 9-Under, 10-Under, 12-Under and 14-Under brackets. Some games were hard-fought victories, some maybe not so hard-fought, but at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday when all five championship games were played there was green and/or gold on every field. All five teams made it to the championship game in their group.

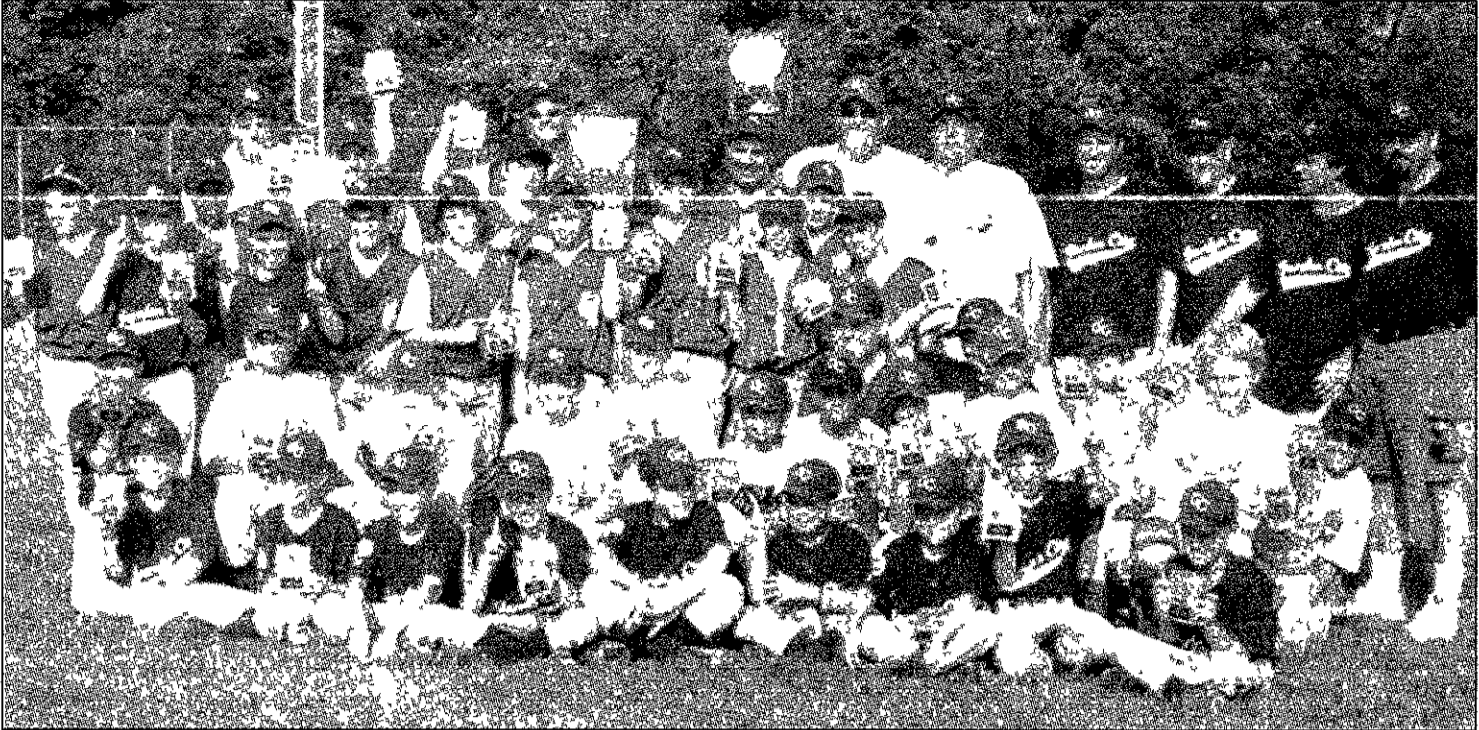
Meanwhile, several of those teams will play this weekend in

the Pinto World Series held at Moeller Field in Garden City. Looking back at the wonderful weekend when all five GCYAA teams competed, here are some observations.

The 14-Under team played some great games, but fell short by just a few runs in the championship game. They did bring home a second-place trophy for their efforts. The 12-Under team brought home their second tournament championship (they won in Allen Park June 11-12). The 10-Under team also won the championship in their age group.

I have to admit that when it comes to the 8-Under group I am quite partial. I am one of the coaches and my son Bryan plays on the team.

The 8-Under Gladiators – managed by Dave Ferracciolo and coached by Jim Montroy, Jack Murray and myself – created quite a buzz due to their



All five Garden City Youth Athletic Association baseball teams made it to the championship game June 25-26 in Farmington. Those teams gathered for a group photo. Included are the 8-Under, 9-Under, 10-Under, 12-Under and 14-Under squads.

dazzling defense and overpowering hitting and won their tournament for the second weekend in a row (Milan, June 18-19).

The hitting was quite impressive with speedsters like Brendan Spehar in the leadoff spot and Austin Gonzalez hitting the ball like some other

Gonzalez in the major leagues. Nick Montroy, Sheldon Varhol, Alex Calhoun, Zak Fritz, Brendan Ferracciolo and Tyler Harnos all came up with clutch hitting.

Brandon Richards came up with some big catches in the outfield, Jake Priess was stellar on the pitcher's mound with

some great defensive plays by Bryan Widmer at shortstop and Kyle Murray at second base.

The most special part of the weekend was when the 9-Under team finished off their opponents. All of the players and coaches that hung around to see the final Garden City

trophies handed out came onto the field for one huge city picture.

Garden City conquered and plundered and returned home with their spoils of victory. As we walked out to the parking lot Sunday, we could hear the chants "We Are GC, We Are GC."

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## WILSON

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### 'AMAZED' AND BLUE

Earlier this year, Wilson's decision was rewarded when she accepted a partial athletic scholarship from the U-of-M's track-and-field coach, who was impressed by Wilson's exemplary efforts during her senior season, which included a first-place finish in the discus at the Western Lakes Activities Association meet and a gold-medal performance in the shot put at the Division I regional meet held at the P-CEP track-and-field facility.

"My first year of throwing, I learned how important technique is," Wilson said. "You can be really strong, but if your technique is bad, you're not going to do well."

Under the guidance of Blaylock, Wilson recorded personal-best efforts of 28 feet in the shot and 90 feet in the discus as a freshman.

### THIS LOSS WAS GOOD

Wilson's year-round commitment to succeed in track-and-field led her to many wins — as well as a very inspirational loss.

"I've lost 57 pounds since my freshman year," said Wilson. "The biggest reason for my weight loss is that I work out 365 days a year now. I rarely take a day off. I'm not only in better physical shape now, but I have a lot more confidence than I used to have and I feel better about myself. My grades have improved quite a bit, too, since my freshman year."

Wilson, who graduated with a 3.5 grade-point average, thrived on the basketball court during her freshman and sophomore seasons. However, her hoop career was jolted when she was cut following tryouts for the varsity team her junior season.

Thanks to a golden work ethic and countless hours in the weight room, she graduated from Salem in June with PR's of 35-11 in the shot and 119-10 in the discus.

"I was one of the team captains of the junior-varsity team my sophomore year, so I was pretty surprised when I got cut from the varsity team," Wilson said. "But once that happened, I focused more on the weight room and on getting in shape for the track season."

### HAMMER TIME

Wilson's strength and athleticism will be broadened at U-of-M, where she will be asked to throw the hammer and the javelin, as well as the shot put and discus.

"The coaches have already told me that they think it will be an easy adjustment for me," Wilson said. "I'm looking forward to trying something new."

The initial plans call for Wilson to major in kinesiology at U-of-M.

"I'd like to get into the sports therapy field once I get my degree," Wilson said.

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## Tigers earn 6-1 triumph

The Michigan Tigers baseball team recently walloped Washtenaw Community College, 6-1.

Leading the charge were Shaffee (3-for-4 with two stolen bases and two runs), Matt Biddinger (3-for-4 with a double) and Scott Cherry (3-for-3 with a double and two RBI).

Pitcher Tim Croll benefited from the offensive attack, hurling a complete game for his second victory of the season. He gave up just two hits and struck out six and lost his shutout bid in the sixth.

The Tigers scored three runs in the third and two in the fourth to break the contest open. In the third, Chris Mezigan's single drove in Derek Wozniak, who started the frame with a walk. Greg Wozniak followed with a two-run safety. A double by Cherry in the fourth plated two more Tigers.

Jason Johnson collected an RBI single in the seventh to cap the scoring.

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# Judo camp has action, activity for the inspired

BY DAN O'MEARA  
STAFF WRITER

If you're looking for a recreational activity that offers physical fitness, builds self-confidence and provides more of a challenge than most, you might consider judo.

The martial art that originated in Japan in the late 19th century is adaptable for people of all ages and is a lifetime sport, according to Dave Wertheimer, a fifth-degree black belt and current vice president of Michigan Judo.

Wertheimer teaches an adult judo camp every Wednesday night through the end of July at the Farmington Training Center. He also presides over the Farmington Judo Club that is part of the Farmington Community Education program during the school year.

The camp teaches a wide variety of things, depending on what the individual's needs and interests are, Wertheimer said.

"Some are there for self-defense, some for recreational activity, some for health and fitness and some for the actual sport of judo," he said. "Some begin by just checking it out, and some have been in it for years."

"It's one of those lifelong things. Some just want a little recreation and are tired of watching TV, or maybe they can't play football anymore. They enjoy the interaction with other human beings."

"People in law enforcement use it to hone their skill and stay sharp on the self-defense side of things. For a husband and wife, it's just a recreational activity for them to get out and enjoy. Some people like golf; some like to throw each other around."

Some campers decide to take it further and enter competition or learn the katas, a series of moves and pre-arranged movements that form the basics of judo.

"Generally, those are reserved for the highest ranks," Wertheimer said, adding the katas are part of a promotional system for judoka (students) to achieve a higher level of expertise. "Others could care less. They just like to come in and get a sweat."

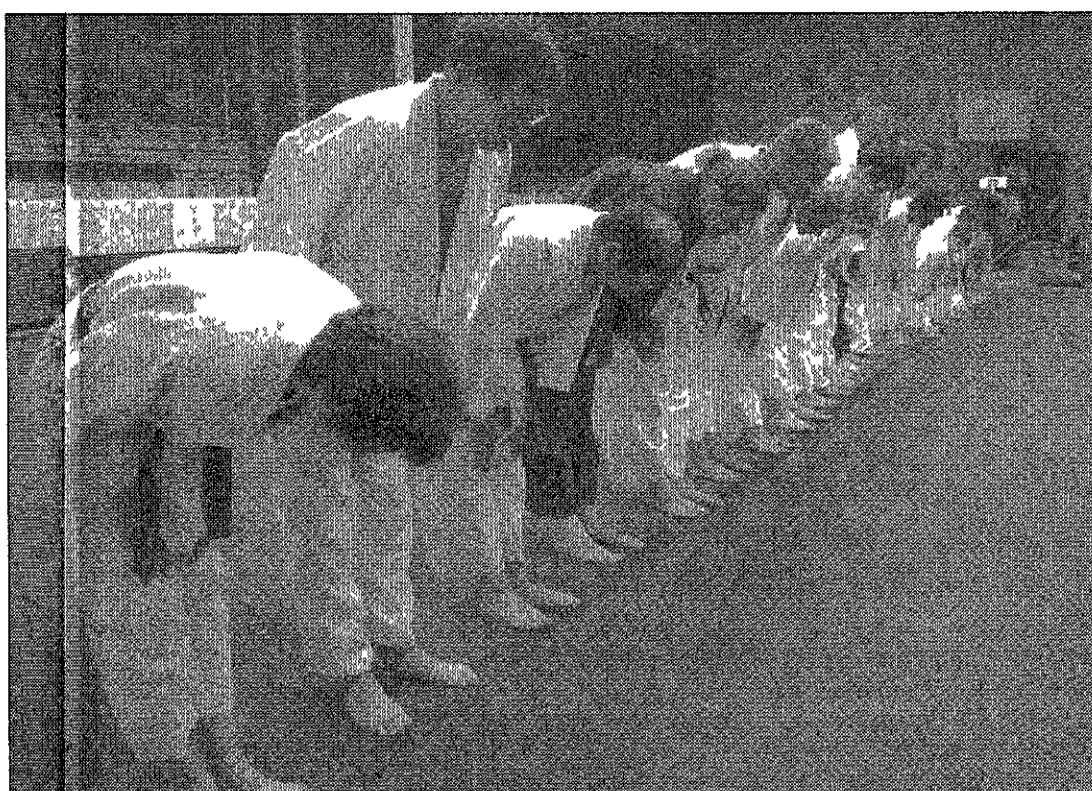
Some of the adult campers bring their children, such as Mark Lempert of West Bloomfield and Jeanette Peper, a German national and current Novi resident.

Brothers Evan, 8, and Eric Grossman-Lempert, 6-1/2, and Anne Marie Peper, 11, were among a half dozen kids outfitted in the traditional white judo uniform who participated last week.

The oldest club members are in their 60s, and two men in their 80s took part in the recent world championships.

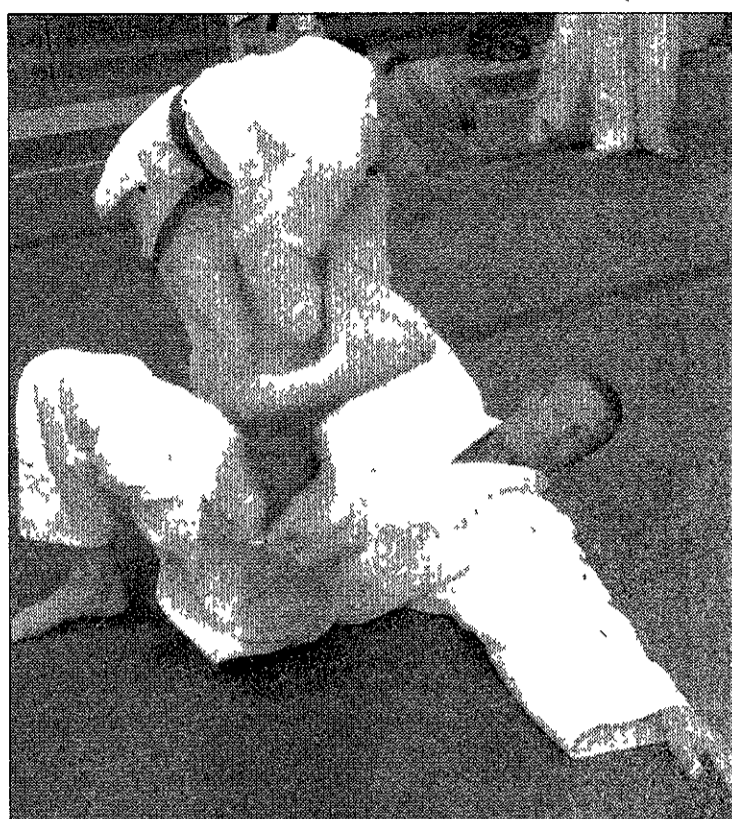
"The individual can get out of it what they put into it," Wertheimer said. "I try to show the basics. They can take it a little further or keep it right there. Do you want to lift 100 pounds or 10? Do you want to run fast on the treadmill or go slow? You have those options in judo, which makes it nice."

"Do I want to do more stretching today, or do I want it for speed and accuracy to increase my reaction time? Do



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Class begins with a bow as a sign of respect at the start of judo camp at the Farmington Training Center. The camp includes adults of all ages, male and female, with a wide range of ability levels and expertise in judo.



Balance and leverage help Jeanette Peper throw Jim Harrell despite his size. Peper started in judo at age 10 in her native Germany.

I want to do it more as a strength activity, or do I want to break up the evening and get all three out of it?"

Each camp session begins with warmup exercises to get the body in shape for judo activity, and the first thing anyone learns in judo is how to fall.

"We go into some falling activities to show you how to protect yourself not only in judo but daily life," Wertheimer said. "We go into standing or throwing techniques, holds and pinning techniques."

"We also talk about the eastern philosophy of judo and giving way instead of using force against force and throwing an opponent off balance."

Many of the campers and club members have attained a belt. A white belt is the beginning point; there are two degrees of green belt, three browns and then multiple black belts.

Judo is the second most practiced sport in the world after soccer, according to Wertheimer, a Novi resident who works for Farmington Public Schools in the technical services department.

It's very popular in Europe and especially Germany, he said, adding he has many inquiries from Germans who come here to work in the auto industry.

Wertheimer retired from competition years ago but has been teaching judo for more than three decades.

"With judo it's a lifetime thing," he said. "I haven't competed since the early '80s, but I'm here every week."

The equivalent of hitting a home run in judo competition is to throw an opponent on his back "with great force, speed and control." Points also are scored with elbow and choke holds.

Judo differs from other martial arts in its approach, Wertheimer added.

"Karate is strength and power," he said. "It's meant to hurt somebody. Judo is more for defense. It can be aggressive but it's easier if you're coming at me and I redirect that force."

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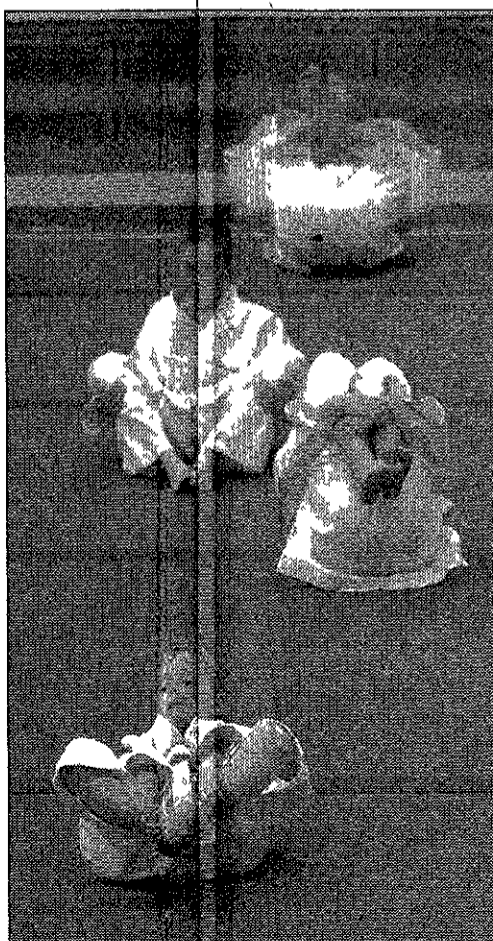
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# Local golfers tops at tourney

Young golfers from the *Observer* coverage area took first place in all three divisions of the recent 15th Annual Downriver Junior Golf Tournament at Taylor Meadows.

Leading the way was Westland's Steve South, who was the overall champion with a score of 71 in the 16-17 age division.

He edged Plymouth resident Matt Taubot, who finished with

a round of 72.

Garden City resident Hagan Risner captured the 15-under age division with a 1-over-par 72, two strokes ahead of his closest competitor.

In the girls division, 14-year-old Shannon Warner of Livonia won her third straight division title with a round of 75.

Warner overcame a four-stroke deficit after four holes and had three birdie attempts

lip out before she had one finally drop on the 15th.

Other area participants in the 16-17 age division were Plymouth's Jimmie Vleck and Farmington Hills resident Arron Russ (tied for fifth with 78) and Derek Bricken of Garden City, who shot a 91.

Risner and Warner were the only *Observer*-area participants in the other two divisions.

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**DIVISION 16-17**  
1 Steve South (Westland) 71  
2 Matt Taubot (Plymouth) 72  
3 Mike Gurreso (Novi) 75  
4 Ben Livernois (Grosse Ile) 76  
5 Jimmie Vleck (Plymouth) 78  
6 Arron Russ (Farmington Hills) 78  
7 David Bender (Dearborn) 85  
8 Michael J. Mazzoia (St. Clair Shores) 79  
9 Alex McDonnell (Allen Park) 85

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10. Ben Copple (Taylor) 88  
10. Christopher Munn (Detroit) 88  
12. Thomas Cameron (Grosse Pointe) 90  
13. Derek Bricken (Garden City) 91  
14. Kevin Giacchina (Southgate) 104  
15. Brent Hall (Southgate) NA

**DIVISION 15-UNDER**  
1 Hagan Risner (Garden City) 72  
2 Eric Carnacchi (Dearborn) 74  
3 Ben Wicks (Allen Park) 75  
4 David Goad (Allen Park) 77  
4 Andrew Jasina (Trenton) 77  
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[www.ourshepherd.net](http://www.ourshepherd.net)  
[www.rochesterfirst.org](http://www.rochesterfirst.org)  
[www.unityoflivonia.org](http://www.unityoflivonia.org)

**YOUTH ATHLETICS**  
Westland Youth Athletic Association  
[www.wyaa.org](http://www.wyaa.org)

## CLARENCEVILLE FOOTBALL

Any interested ninth-through 12th-graders wanting to learn more about Livonia Clarenceville football should plan on attending the Trojans' mini-camps from 6-7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursdays, July 12 through Aug. 2, at the high school.

Participation cost is \$15. Campers will receive instruction on offensive and defensive fundamentals, along with a camp T-shirt.

If interested, contact varsity head coach Ryan Irish or athletic director Kevin Murphy at (248) 473-8926, Ext. 116 or 217.

## DOYLE BASEBALL CAMP

Plymouth Christian Academy will be hosting the nationally recognized Doyle Baseball School July 11-15. The school will instruct baseball and softball players ages 6 and older in hitting, throwing and fielding during the five days of instruction.

The school will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day at PCA, which is located at 43065 Joy Road in Canton.

Doyle Baseball, which is in its 26th year of operation, conducts satellite schools across the country and in Canada. More than 500,000 players have benefited from Doyle's expert instruction, including current and former major leaguers Walt Weiss, Derek Lee, Charles Johnson, Tim Martinez, Derek Bell, Dan Wilson and Jim Poole.

Doyle Baseball uses a step-by-step teaching approach that allows every player to improve and build confidence.

The tuition for the school is \$100 per player. To register, call Bob Unis at (734) 541-5725. For a free Doyle brochure, call (863) 366-6303.

## COMETS FOOTBALL CAMP

The Westland Comets will host a youth football camp (ages 8-14) from 6-8 p.m., Monday through Thursday, Aug. 1-4, at Marshall Middle School.

The cost is \$25 (includes camp T-shirt and pizza party).

For more information, call the WYAA Lange Building at (734) 421-0640 (leave a message by July 19).

## ROLLER HOCKEY

High Velocity Sports has added several roller-hockey camps to its summer schedule:

■ A "Shoot-to-Scor" camp will be from 9 a.m. to noon July 18-22; and from noon to 3 p.m. Aug. 8-12;

■ A power-skating stick-handling camp will be from noon to 3 p.m. July 2-29; and

■ A passing/positioning camp will be from 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 1-5.

Other hockey-related camps at High Velocity Sports include floor hockey on Aug. 15-19 and

a learn-to-skate camp from July 11-15 and Aug. 22-26. Both camps will run from 9 a.m. to noon.

## SOCCER MINI-CAMP

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, located at 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia (just north of I-96), will stage a soccer mini-camp for beginner and intermediate players (boys and girls ages 5-11) from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Monday through Thursday, July 25-28.

The cost is \$20 per student (includes instruction, snacks, soccer ball and water bottle). Fee is payable at registration.

Students may bring their own soccer ball or shin guards if desired. (Items not required to enroll.)

For more information, call Christ Our Savior Outreach Director Linda Hollman at (734) 522-6830.

## SCHOOLCRAFT BOYS HOOPS

Schoolcraft College men's basketball coach Carlos Briggs will direct at summer basketball camp for boys in grades 1-12, Monday through Friday, Aug. 1-5, at the school's gym.

The cost is \$125 per person.

Registration forms can be mailed or delivered to the Physical Education Building on the Livonia campus.

For more information, call (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5564 or to obtain a form, visit [www.schoolcraft.edu](http://www.schoolcraft.edu) (click on Student Life, Athletics and Athletic Camps).

## SCHOOLCRAFT SOCCER CAMPS

Schoolcraft College men's soccer coach Dominica Scicluna will offer four sessions of soccer camps for boys and girls ages 5-16, Monday through Friday, July 11-16, 18-23, 25-30; and Aug. 1-6.

Beginner and intermediate session fees are \$115 for the first member of each family and \$100 for each additional family member. Advanced session fees are \$140 and \$125.

Forms can be mailed or delivered to the Physical Education Building on the Livonia campus.

For more information, call (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5564 or visit [www.schoolcraft.edu](http://www.schoolcraft.edu) (click on Student Life, Athletics and Athletic Camps).

## MU SOCCER ACADEMY

Madonna University will stage two sessions of summer soccer camps, conducted by men's coach Tino Scicluna and women's coach Mark Zathay, for boys and girls ages 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 18-22 and July 25-29.

The cost is \$210 per player (includes camp T-shirt). Half-day camper rate is \$100 per player. Group rates are available for eight or more players.

For more information, call Mark Zathay at (734) 432-5882 or e-mail [mzathay@madonna.edu](mailto:mzathay@madonna.edu).

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**July 18 - 22, 2005**  
**6:20 to 8:30 pm**

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July 18 - 22

9 am - Noon

Age 4 - 8th Grade

For more information call:

**734-722-8506**

[www.stjohnwestland.org](http://www.stjohnwestland.org)

For more information on how you can advertise your church vacation bible school here, please call: **1-800-579-7355**

**CIRCLE G RANCH**  
Newburg United Methodist Church  
36500 Ann Arbor Tr.  
Livonia  
ph. (734) 422-0149  
July 25-28  
9:00 am - Noon  
Ages 4 - 5th grade  
\$10

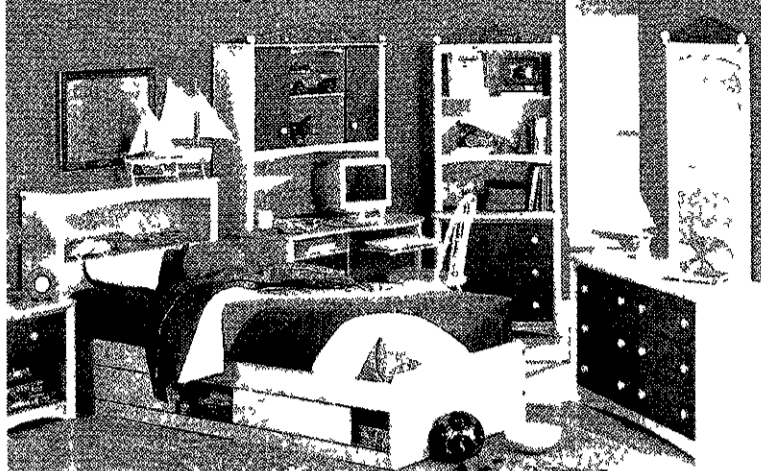
New Beginnings United Methodist Church presents  
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Where kids are **WILD** about GOD!  
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16175 Delaware (at Puritan)  
Redford Twp.  
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Ages 5 and up (Younger with parent). Cost is one can food per day per child. To be donated to Redford Interfaith Relief.

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Choice of Blue, White or Natural Drawer Fronts

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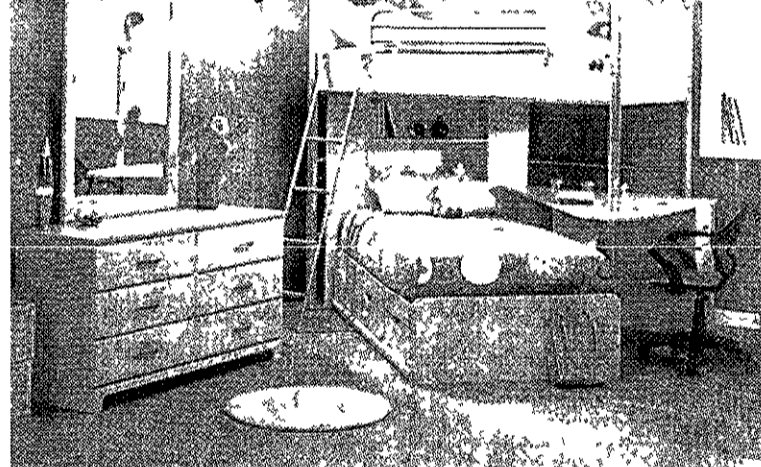
Solid Wood Desk Chair	SALE \$88	Full Size Storage Bed	SALE \$338
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Twin Size Bookcase Headboard	SALE \$118	51" Double Dresser & Vertical Mirror	SALE \$398
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Twin Size Storage Bed	SALE \$288	50" Computer Desk & Hutch	SALE \$448

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Twin Size Panel Bed	SALE \$288	Full Size Panel Bed	SALE \$338
53" Computer Desk	SALE \$288	Double Dresser & Vertical Mirror	SALE \$418
Two Door Computer Hutch	SALE \$288	Unique Corner Loft w/Desk	SALE \$888

Stanley "Factory Authorized" Sale

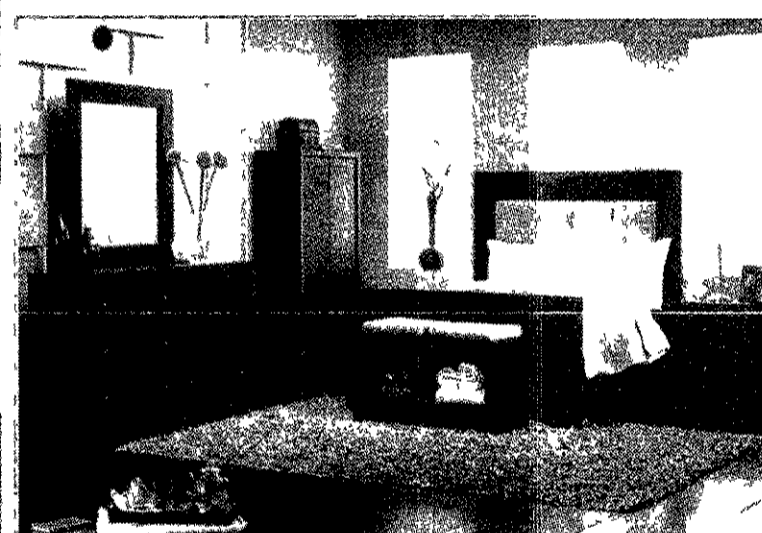
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\* Kids Bedroom Store: O.A.C. with 25% Down Required. Clearance Items and Accessories Excluded from 0% Financing Offer.

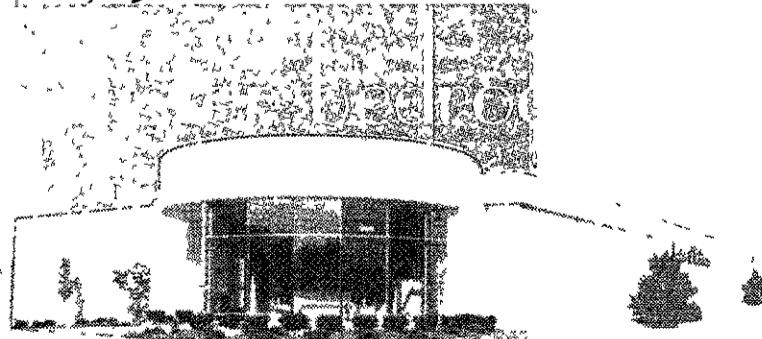
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(King Available)**\$1,998** **DELIVERED & SET UP****Brand New Palliser Soho Collection in Chocolate Stained Oak And Steel**

Collection Includes: Six Drawer Dresser, Large Landscape Mirror, TV Armoire And Queen Bed With Microfiber Insert. (King Available)

**\$1,998** **DELIVERED & SET UP****Universal Inspirations Walnut Burl Collection**

Collection Includes: Beautiful 40" Tall Bureau Dresser, Metal Accent Mirror, Tall Six Drawer Chest &amp; Complete Queen Sized Metal Accent Bed (King Available)

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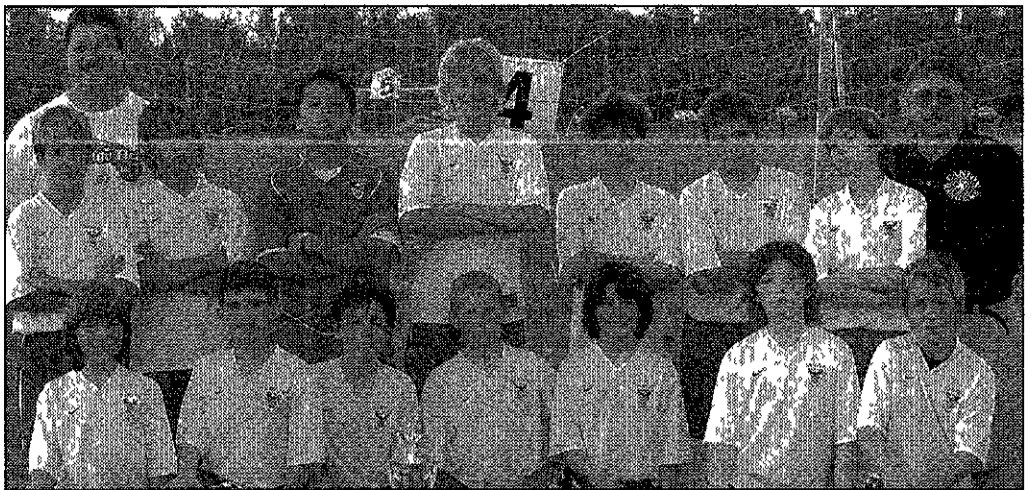
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### Three cheers for award recipients

Canton residents Tricia Yost (left) and Kelly Brady were both honored at the 2005 Operation Friendship banquet held June 6 at DeCarlo's restaurant in Warren. Yost, the competitive cheerleading coach at Dearborn Divine Child, was presented with the 2004-05 Operation Friendship Championship Coach award after her squad captured the Catholic High School League championship earlier this. Brady, a competitive cheerleader at Divine Child, was honored with the Scholar-Athlete award after earning a 3.7 career grade-point average. Brady, who will be attending Michigan State University in the fall, was a member of the National Honor Society and received the Michigan Merit award for her outstanding achievements in high school.



### Rangers roll

The Canton Oaks Rangers, a U12 boys soccer team, recently completed its 2004-05 season with a 21-0-4 record. The Rangers captured the championship in the first and third indoor sessions at Total Soccer in Wixom. They also won their second consecutive Canton Cup in May and were co-champions of the spring, Western Wayne Suburban Soccer League's third division along with the Northville Cosmos. The team is trained by Doug Morrison and Chris Gregory and is sponsored by Canton Construction. Pictured are (top row l-r) Coach Chris Gregory, Jeremy Summitt, Phillip Baciak, Tony Aguirre, Justin Heck, Doug Deykes, John Sarnecky, Conor Downey, Coach Doug Morrison (front row l-r) Ian Crawford, Tommy Dean, Jason Wensley, Paul Hagemeyer, Tanner Cottrell, Ben Burkman and John Gregory.

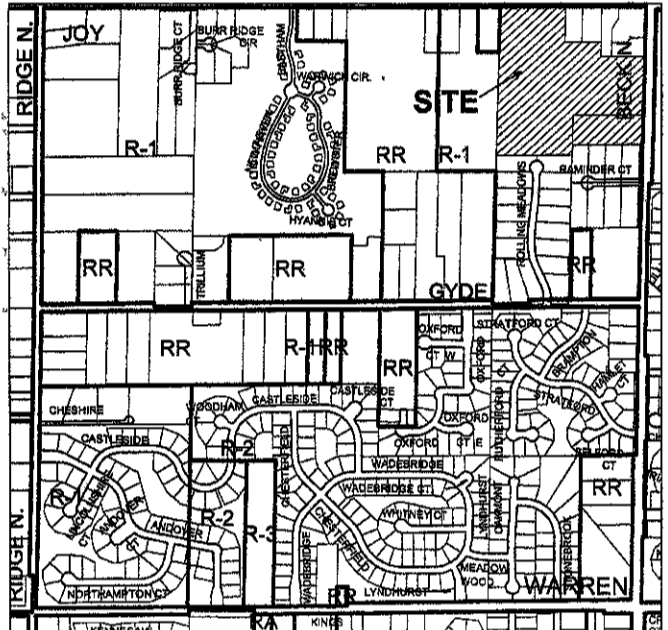
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#### PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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, July 25, 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:

**WESTBURY ESTATES PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - (PRELIMINARY PLAN) - CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO(S). 017 99 0001 713 AND 017 99 0001 723.** Property is located south of Joy and west of Beck Road. (Second Public Hearing.)



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, July 21, 2005 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

Vic Gustafson, Chairman

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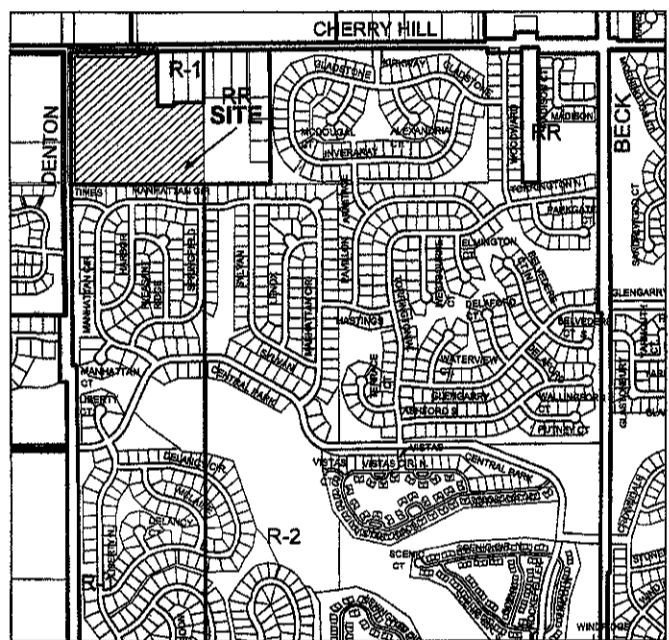
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#### PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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**CHERRY HILL GARDENS PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AMENDMENT NO. 1 - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO(S) 078 99 0009 707 (PART OF) AND 078 99 0010 000.** Property is located south of Cherry Hill and west of Beck Road.



SECTION 20

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Vic Gustafson, Chairman

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#### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. 05A0128AC

In the Matter Of **DAKOTA GRACE THOMSON ALLING**, minor

CITATION  
M.G.L. c. 210, § 6

To **VERLIN J. NANGLE** last known of **CANTON, MICHIGAN** and/or any unknown or unnamed father, and/or persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Social Services of said Commonwealth.

A petition has been presented to said court by **KURT L. KLEEFELD** and **SARAH T. KLEEFELD** formerly known as **SARAH T. ALLING** of **MARLBOROUGH** in the County of **MIDDLESEX** praying for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to **DAKOTA GRACE THOMSON KLEEFELD**

**IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT MIDDLESEX PROBATE & FAMILY COURT, 208 CAMBRIDGE ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA. 02141 ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON AUGUST 19, 2005.**

WITNESS, HON. ROBERT W. LANGLOIS, ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court as **CAMBRIDGE** this day, July 6, 2005.

John R. Buonomo  
Register of Probate

#### ORDER OF NOTICE

It is ordered that notice of said proceeding be given by mailing to the Department of Social Services and by delivering in hand and if in-hand service cannot be accomplished, then by mailing by certified mail, return receipt requested, a copy of the foregoing citation to said persons fourteen days at least before said return date, and if service is made by mail, unless it shall appear that all persons interested have received actual notice, by publishing a copy thereof in the **CANTON OBSERVER 734-459-2700** a newspaper published in **MICHIGAN** publication to be once in each of three consecutive weeks, the last publication to be seven days at least before said return day.

WITNESS, HON. ROBERT W. LANGLOIS ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court, this day, July 6, 2005.

John R. Buonomo  
Register of Probate

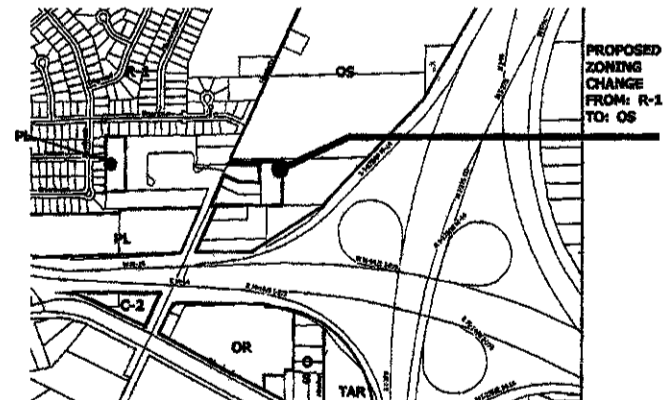
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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

**PROPOSED ACTION:** AMEND THE ZONING MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP  
**REZONE FROM:** R-1, Single Family Residential District  
**REZONE TO:** OS, Office Service District  
**DATE OF HEARING:** Wednesday, July 20, 2005  
**TIME OF HEARING:** 7:00 P.M.  
**PLACE OF HEARING:** Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a proposed petition to rezone parcels R-78-021-99-0026-000; R-78-021-99-0027-000; and a portion of R-78-021-99-0028-001 from **R-1, Single Family Residential District to OS, Office Service District.** The property address is 15000 Haggerty Road. Application 1882



AMENDED ZONING MAP NO. 006  
Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne, Michigan

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** For parcel descriptions, see tax records based on Tax ID Nos. R-78-021-99-0026-000; R-78-021-99-0027-000; and a portion of R-78-021-99-0028-001; and are on file in the Community Development Department.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendment to the zoning map of the Township, may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services Building, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170 or call 734-453-8131, ext. 37. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township, MI 48170. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend rezoning of the subject property to any use allowable under the provisions of the Plymouth Township Zoning Ordinance No. 99.

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

KENDRA BARBERENA, SECRETARY  
PLANNING COMMISSION

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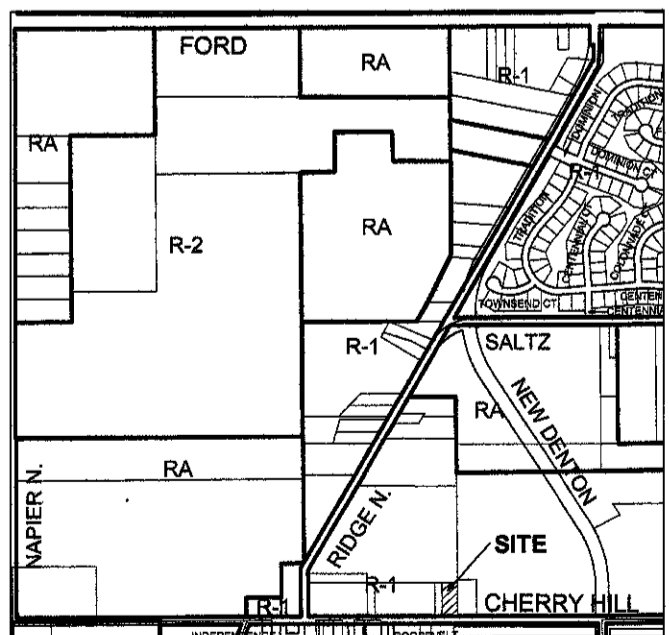
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#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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, August 8, 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:

**CHERRY HILL VILLAGE PLAZA PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - (PRELIMINARY PLAN) - CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO. 072 99 0021 000.** Property is located north of Cherry Hill and east of Ridge Road. (First Public Hearing.)



SECTION 18

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday, August 4, 2005 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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#### SHURGARD STORAGE CENTERS

Notice is hereby given that the following units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of open auction on 07/29/05 at approximately 9:00 a.m. or thereafter at the following locations:

Shurgard of Canton 2101 Haggerty Rd Canton, MI 48187 734-981-0300	Robinson household Smith household Whitmore household Wood household
Humbarger household Neighbor household Peltier household TC Gators Restaurant equip Merritt household	Shurgard of Taylor 9300 Pelham Rd. Taylor, MI 48180 313-292-2950
Shurgard of Canton South 45229 Michigan Ave. Canton, MI 48188 734-398-5416	Allam household Cook household Davis household Devine household Edwards household Fossett household Green household Horn household Kihr (4 units) household Kortas household Linare household Mathis household Mercier household Miller household Mitchell household Murry household Nundley household Ogg household
Bryant household Bryant household Bryant household Cash household Earhart household Gunn household Harrison household Hlavacek household Lopez household Nailor household Robinson household Rowe household Sunquist household Swinea household Turrentine household Wolf household	Shurgard of Westland 36001 Warren Rd. Westland, MI 48185 734-326-6000
Shurgard of Dearborn 24920 Trowbridge Dearborn, MI 48124 313-277-2000	Gary household Jacobs household Mercier household Mordi household Newton household Victoria Secret business
Chishtie household Cooper household Davis household Ferguson household Hanchett household Hayes household Helton household	Shurgard of Plymouth 41889 Joy Rd. Canton, MI 48187 734-459-2200
Shurgard of Livonia 30300 Plymouth Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 734-522-7811	Alsaidy household Austin household Bajara household Dent household Harris household Hogue household Pintore household Rockets R Us business Smith household Hernandez household Moore household
Hood household Gibson household Hoskins household Hughes household Kenney household Habib household Mitchell (2 units) household	

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

COACHES WANTED

Assistant football coaches are needed for Livonia Clarenceville High School. Those interested should call athletic director Kevin Murphy at (248) 473-8926, Ext. 217.

UD BASEBALL OUTING

University of Detroit Mercy baseball alumni and friends will hold a golf outing Monday, Sept. 12 at Glenhurst Golf Course, located on Six Mile between Beech Daly and Telegraph roads, in Redford Township.

A dinner will follow at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall on Middlebelt Road, just north of Grand River, in Farmington Hills.

For more information, call Bob Miller, Jr. at (248) 568-2448; or e-mail millsrj@aol.com.

FRANKLIN FOOTBALL

Livonia Franklin will stage voluntary summer weightlifting from 4-6 p.m. (varsity) and 5:30-6:30 p.m. (freshman and JV) each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the high school fieldhouse.

Team camp will be Thursday through Saturday, July 28-30, at Adrian College. (The registration deadline is June 16.)

Pre-season voluntary condition for freshman, JV and varsity player will be from 4-6 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, Aug. 3-5.

Official practice begins 8-11 a.m. and noon-3 p.m. Monday,

Aug. 8. For more information, e-mail ekelbert@livonia.k12.mis.us.

U-M MICRO SHOOTOUT

The University of Michigan men's soccer team will stage its 14th annual 3 vs. 3 Micro-Soccer Shootout on Saturday, July 16, at U-M's Mitchell fields.

The entry fee is \$80 per team with each team guaranteed four games.

The Shootout, similar to basketball's Superball or Gus Macker, is an all-day tourney with over 200 teams from age 7 through adult for both boys and girls with recreational and competitive divisions offered for each age bracket.

Registration forms are available at area soccer stores or can be obtained online at www.umsoccer.com. Registration forms must be postmarked by July 6.

All proceeds will benefit U-M men's soccer.

For more information, call (734) 615-5141 or e-mail ldurkee@umich.edu.

SUMMER INLINE HOCKEY

Skateland West, located at 37550 Cherry Hill, Westland, is offering summer inline hockey from July 12 through Aug. 31 for boys and girls ages 4-17.

Late registration is \$130 (includes eight games, eight practices, jersey, practice puck, trophy and season-ending party).

Skateland West is open from

10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For more information, call (734) 326-2801.

SUMMER TENNIS LESSONS

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation stage a series of summer tennis lessons at the Shelden Park tennis courts (Plymouth Road east of Farmington) including: Session II, Monday through Thursday, July 11-14; and Session III, July 18-28.

The fee is \$40 for residents and \$45 for non-residents.

Registration is at the Parks and Recreation office, located inside the Livonia Community Recreation Center. For more information or to obtain an activity registration form, visit www.ci.livonia.mi.us

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

THERAPEUTIC BOWLING

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation is offering a therapeutic bowling bonanza for persons with disabilities this summer.

The six-week sessions will be from 6-8 p.m. Mondays, beginning July 11, at Wonderland Lanes, 28455 Plymouth Road, Livonia (ramps available); and 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning July 13, at Merri-Bowl Lanes, 30950 Five Mile Road, Livonia (instruction and ramps available).

The cost is \$30 for residents and \$39 for non-residents

(plus \$5 per event, which includes shoes and unlimited bowling for a two-hour period).

All ages are welcome. Pre-registration is required. You must fill out a separate WWCTR registration form, which are available at the Livonia Community Center, located at Five Mile and Hubbard roads. You can also download a form at www.ci.livonia.mi.us.

To obtain a form via mail, fax or e-mail, call Livonia Parks and Recreation at (734) 466-2410.

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Bucks get set for showdown

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The Michigan Bucks soccer team keeps hanging on by a thread in its bid for a Great Lakes Division playoff spot.

On Saturday in Cleveland, the Bucks won 2-0 - the fifth consecutive "must-win" game that the team pulled out.

Opening the scoring for the Bucks (8-4-1) was Mkhokheli Dube with Chris Edwards tacking on the insurance goal.

For Edwards, who endured a nine-game scoring slump earlier in the season, it was the fourth straight game in which he found the back of the net.

Collecting his third shutout in a row was Jeff Wiese, who only had to stop four Cleveland shots.

The victory keeps the Bucks right on the heels of the Indiana Invaders (9-3) for the second and final divisional playoff spot.

"I thought we played much

better tonight, but we did not do a very good job of finishing our chances," said Bucks coach Paul Snape. "Overall, I was proud of the effort and now we have all week to get ready for the big game."

That game referred to by Snape is 7:30 p.m. Saturday against the Invaders at Berkley's Hurley Field.

Tickets for the divisional showdown contest will be available at the gate and are priced at \$9 for adults and \$6 for patrons age 19 and under.

Meanwhile, \$3-off discount coupons for adult tickets are available at Bucks Insiders or with a coupon from the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers. For more information, go to www.bucksoccer.com.

Free Alzheimer's Video Presentation

"Understanding Alzheimer's Disease and Related Behaviors"

Thursday, July 21, 2005

6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Tours and Refreshments

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Video Presentation



by Mary Lucero

Family members and caregivers can become overwhelmed in managing the care and changing needs of one with Alzheimer's disease or dementia. Understanding Alzheimer's Disease and Related Behaviors is part of a video program designed to give caregivers a foundation to better understand the progression of the disease and improve their ability to care for one who suffers from this disease.

Mary Lucero's presentations have been acclaimed as "Outstanding programs on caregiving by professional and private caregivers alike" because of the innovative and practical solutions she offers to improve the quality of care and life for the person with dementia. She is nationally recognized as a leader in the field of Alzheimer's caregiving and has received the Education Award by the American College of Health Care Administrators.

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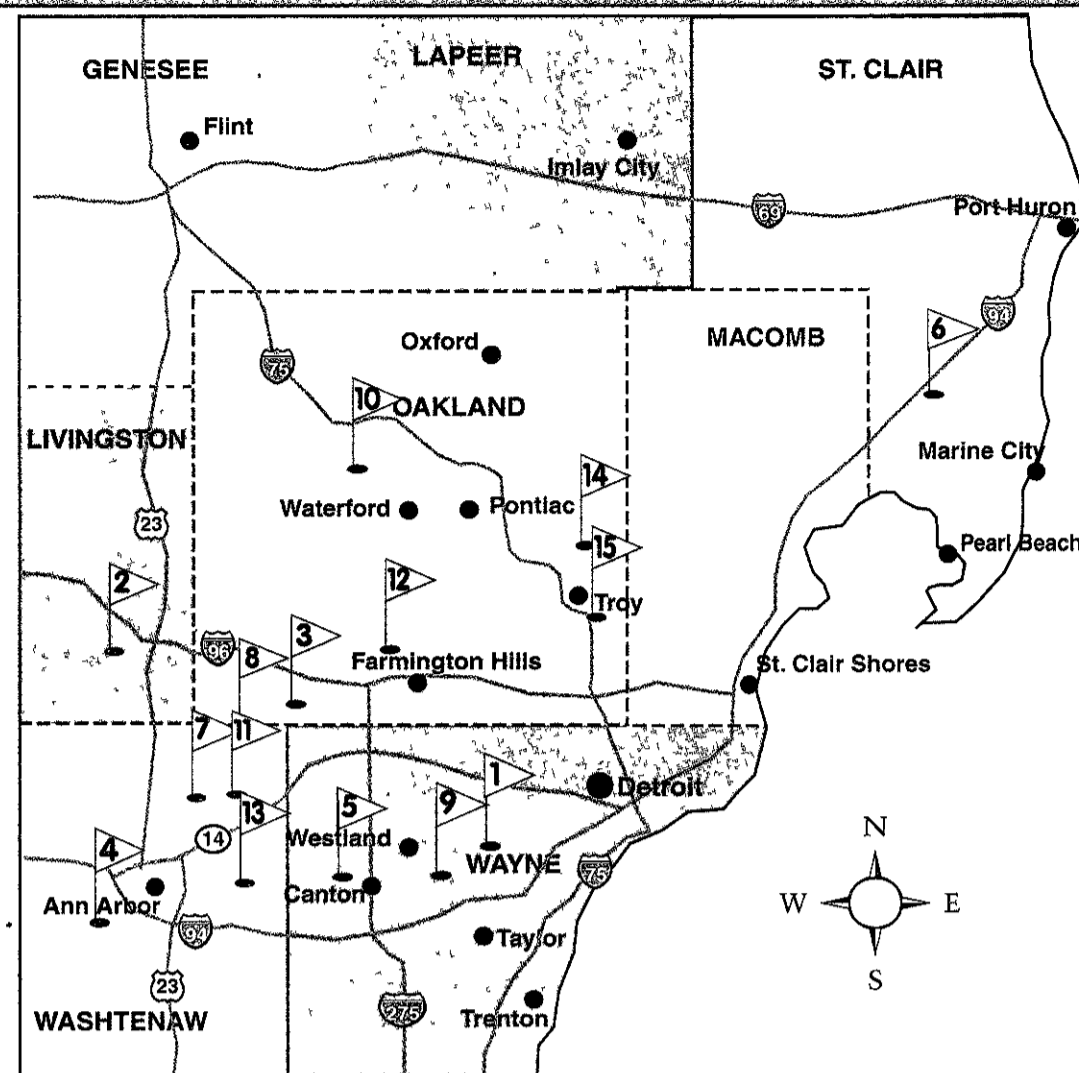
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## Course Profile

### SYLVAN GLEN GOLF COURSE

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Sylvan Glen Golf Course has been a fixture in the City of Troy since 1922. Servicing more than 50,000 patrons per year, the course has become recognized as a family-oriented facility that caters to golfers of all skill levels. With four sets of tees, ranging from 4,900 yards to 6,600 yards, this par 70 course offers a friendly layout to beginners, but still provides a test for the most seasoned players.

Sylvan Glen is home to 34 golf leagues and annually hosts more than 50 golf outings ranging in size from 20 to over 100 players. The course features tree lined fairways with very traditional greens and contour.

Sylvan Glen's Pro Shop offers a full line of merchandise and Camp Ticonderoga Restaurant is capable of handling groups of every size.

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**Signature Hole:** #9, Long Par 4, Tree lined with water in front of the green. Good drive dictates second shot approach.

**Pro Tip #1:** Accuracy from the tee will enhance your chances to reach the green in regulation.

For more information check out the Directory below and visit [www.troymi.gov](http://www.troymi.gov)



Here is this week's list of who hit a Hole in One... and where!

**Hilltop in Plymouth**

Tom Hickey on 5/28/05

Hole #: 2 Par: 3

Club Used: 5 Wood

Witness: Joe Slavick and John Nelko

Comments: It was my first one and I am 37 yrs. old

**Pheasant Run**

Fred Kendall on 6/20/05

Hole #: 7 Par: 3

Club Used: 6 Iron

Witness: Rick Pringle, Jim Shaefer

**At Day on 6/29/05**

Hole #: 23 Par: 3

Club Used: 9 Iron

Witness: Roman Raxos

**Rattle Run**

Bob Blazewski on 5/24/05

Hole #: 14 Par: 3

Club Used: 5 Wood

Witness: Craig Monacle & Mike Casper

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1300 S Telegraph Rd  
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Directions: Sutton near North Territorial Rd., 2 Miles east of US 23, 2 miles west of Pontiac Trail

**10 SPRINGFIELD OAKS GOLF COURSE**  
12450 Andersonville Rd  
Davisburg, MI 48350  
248.625.2540  
[www.golfoakland.us](http://www.golfoakland.us)  
No. of Holes: 18 Par: 71 Yards: 6033  
Front nine is open & hilly, back nine is tighter with more trees and water  
Dir: Andersonville Rd near Hall Rd

**13 HICKORY CREEK GOLF COURSE**  
3625 Napier  
Canton, MI 48188  
734.454.1850  
No. of Holes: 18 Par: 72 Yards: 6292  
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**2 THE JACKAL GOLF CLUB**  
4141 Bauer Rd  
Brighton, MI 48116  
810.229.9581  
[www.jackalgolfclub.com](http://www.jackalgolfclub.com)  
No. of Holes: 18 Par: 71 Yards: 6700  
Manager: Rob Bruhn  
Directions: I-96 to Exit 145 Go east on Grand River to Challis Rd. (right)

**5 PHEASANT RUN**  
46500 Summit Pkwy  
Canton, MI 48188  
734.397.6460  
No. of Holes: 27 Par: 72 Yards: 7050  
Manager: Sean Fletcher  
*Scenic & challenging course designed by Arthur Hills.*  
Directions: I-275 W. on Ford to Canton Center (south) to Summit Pkwy (west)

**8 TANGLEWOOD GOLF COURSE**  
53503 W 10 Mile  
South Lyon, MI 48178  
248.486.3355  
[www.tanglewoodthelion.com](http://www.tanglewoodthelion.com)  
No. of Holes: 27 Par: 36 Yards: 3636  
Manager: Ann Lewis  
Directions: 10 Mile Road between Wixom and Milford

**11 CATTAILS GOLF CLUB**  
57737 9 Mile Rd.  
South Lyon, MI 48178  
248.486.8777  
[www.cattailsgolfclub.com](http://www.cattailsgolfclub.com)  
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810.329.2070  
[www.rattlerun.com](http://www.rattlerun.com)  
No. of Holes: 18 Par: 72 Yards: 6865  
Manager: Gerry Behaylo  
Directions: I-94 exit 157 south to Palms Rd., left to St. Clair Hwy, left 2 mi

**9 INKSTER VALLEY GOLF COURSE**  
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No. of Holes: 18 Par: 56 Yards: 5200  
Manager: Jim Magurk  
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Directions: Grand River & Halstead in Farmington Hills

**15 SYLVAN GLEN GOLF COURSE**  
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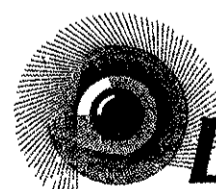
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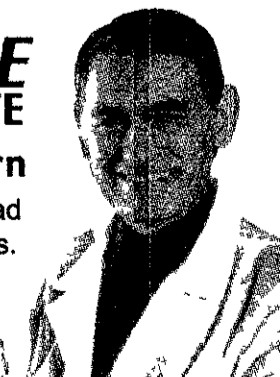
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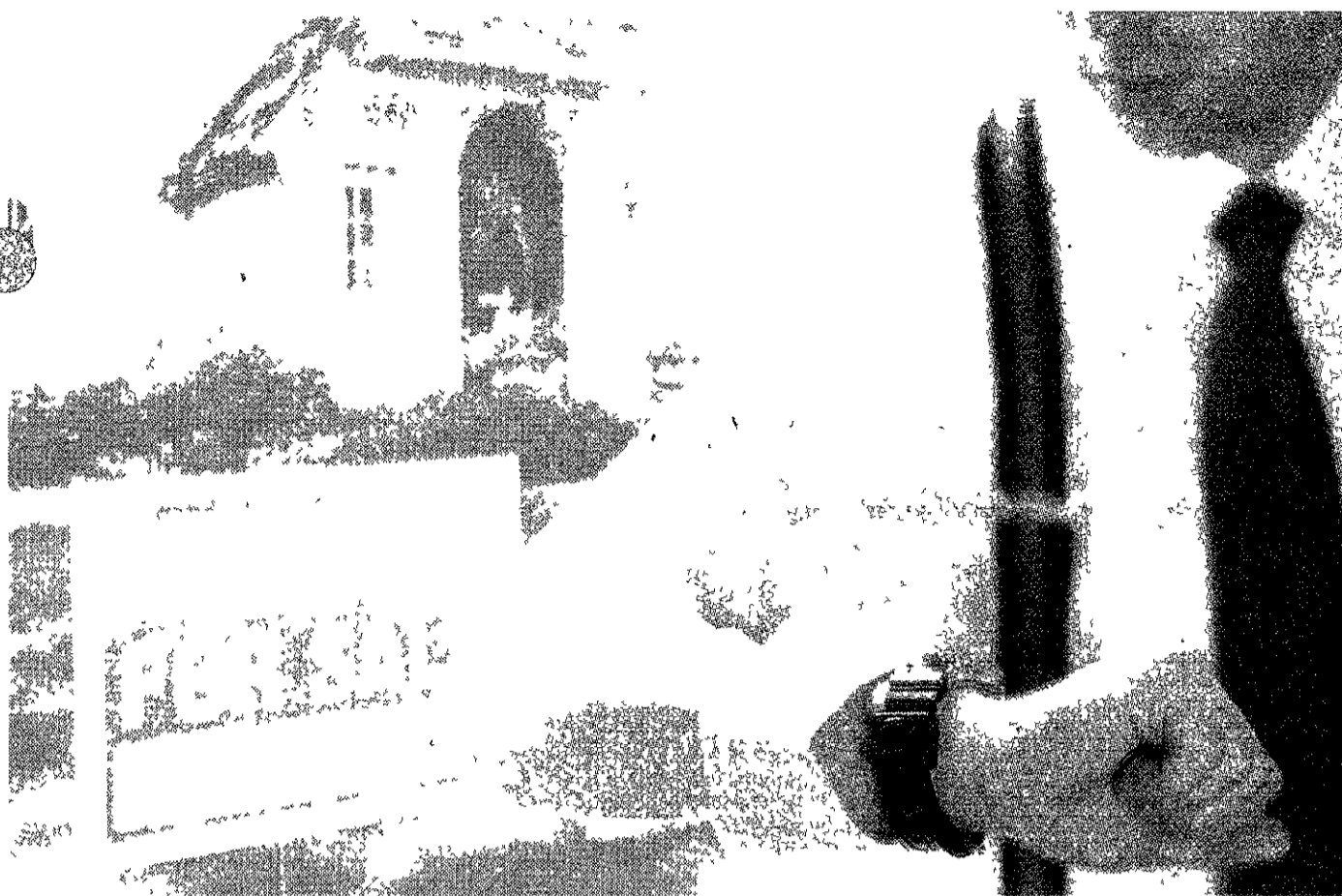
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## Market conditions fluctuate with economy in real estate

BY DEB PASCOE  
CORRESPONDENT

A slight decrease in sales of higher priced homes in Oakland County is leaving homes on the market longer and area real estate agents with a bit more time on their hands.

But the slight slump is hardly a cause for panic.

"Am I overly concerned? No," said Tom Bauman, sales manager for Jack Christenson Realtors, Inc. in Troy. "People in Oakland County are going to be OK; it just takes time."

Bauman said the market in Troy and Rochester is "flat at best" compared to sales transactions recorded in May and June on existing homes last year. Prices are also down by about \$2 per square foot in Troy and \$3 per square foot in Rochester, he said.

Bauman attributes the decline in both sales and home prices to the employment situation in Oakland County. The downsizing of Kmart's world headquarters caused many people to move away and troubles reported at Delphi,

EDS and Textron prompted layoffs.

"Families with two full-time working adults, because of layoffs, are down to one," Bauman said. "What's going on in the auto companies is really affecting inventory on \$1 million-plus homes. It's incredible," he said.

"People are reluctant to move up when they are uncertain about their employment. Agents are telling me day in and day out buyers are reluctant and it's directly related to employment."

Nanci Rands, president-elect of the Metropolitan Consolidated Association of Realtors (MCAR), agrees the characteristics of the current housing market are "challenging." She, however, believes sales are "pretty much on par" with last year's numbers, and remains "cautiously optimistic."

Composed of real estate agents, brokers, appraisers and affiliates in Macomb and Oakland County, MCAR provides political advocacy and education for its members and emphasizes ethical conduct.

"Regardless of how challenging the market is,

people are always moving in and out of the area and expanding the size of the homes they wish to live in or are downsizing," Rands said.

She also believes low interest rates on investments and an uncertain stock market is making real estate the preferred financial investment.

"A lot of people who might have put money into the stock market are now putting it in real estate," she said. "They enjoy it every day and still have an anticipation of appreciation over a number of years. That, along with low mortgage rates, gives us a real boost."

The best deals, she said, are in homes at the higher end of the price spectrum. But that's not to say those current owners are taking a major financial hit.

"Sellers may have to take less, but they are still coming out well ahead when you factor in the very large appreciations in home values that were assigned each and every year up until about two to three years ago," she said.

The current market, in Rands' opinion, is an exceptionally good time for buyers who want to

move up.

Bauman disagrees. He believes current homeowners are very reluctant to jump to the next level.

"A lot of homeowners that have refinanced and got appraisals that were too high can't afford to sell," he said, adding a seller at a recent closing had to bring \$20,000 to the table to complete the transaction.

Sales on properties valued less than \$400,000, however, are continuing to sell at about the average levels, with those price points from \$400,000 to \$700,000 taking more time.

Young families, Bauman said, make up the bulk of the home selling business in Troy and Rochester where buyers from Sterling Heights and Royal Oak are school district shopping.

Rands agrees first time buyers and young families see Oakland County as the premier place to live. Creative financing options, such as zero-down mortgage plans and adjustable rate mortgages are making those dreams a reality.

"It's definitely a buyer's market," she said.

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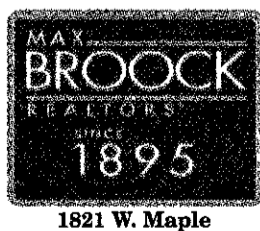
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Super sharp condo deep in complex w/picturesque private setting backing to a pond w/a fountain. Great room w/soaring ceiling &amp; gas fireplace. Master w/master bath. Newer carpeting. No Show &amp; sell! MLS# 25086804 734-453-6800

**CANTON** \$189,900

3 Brm All Brick Ranch, Open &amp; Airy floor Plan That Is Turn Key Ready For Its New Owner. White Kitchen W/White Appliances That Leads To A Family Room W/doorwall To A Two Tiered Deck &amp; Large Backyard. 2 1/2 Car Garage. MLS# 25091670 248-347-3050

**DEARBORN** \$659,900

Exquisite TPC of Michigan Home. 2900 sq ft + 1100 in finished LL. 1st floor master 2 bedrooms &amp; 2 full baths upstairs. Kitchen has marble floors, granite countertops, cherry cabinets. A must see home! MLS# 25034283 734-453-6800

**DEARBORN** \$177,900

Brick bungalow is spacious, fresh &amp; neutral w/every update. newer roof, furnace, C/A, windows. New finished bsmt w/new flooring, gas FP &amp; plumbed for bath. Updated kitchen w/appl's. Brick walkway &amp; indcpd fenced yd. MLS# 25090390 734-453-6800

**FARMINGTON HILLS** \$875,000

Remodeled gourmet kitchen. Private one acre wooded setting w/inground pool &amp; custom cascading waterfall. 4 fireplaces, dual staircase, indoor hot tub &amp; sauna. Great rm w/hickory inset panel wall, copper wet bar. MLS# 25089790 248-347-3050

**FARMINGTON HILLS** \$410,000

3BR, 2 1/2 BA, frml LR w/bay frml DR w/DVD flrs. Yr round sunrm w/vldt c/g &amp; skylight. Lg FR w/gas FP open to kit &amp; brkfst area w/DW to deck &amp; gardens. Mstr ste w/bay &amp; mstr bath w/tub &amp; shwr. CA &amp; vacuum, security. MLS# 25088677 734-453-6800

**FARMINGTON HILLS** \$324,900

Private Cul-de-sac Lot. Side Entry Garage. Great Floor Plan. 2-story Foyer. Recessed Lighting T/o Fam Rm W/fireplace. Drwall To 2nd Flr Deck. Custom Island Kit. W/hwd. Newer Roof. Furnace A/c, &amp; More. MLS# 25078923 248-347-3050

**FARMINGTON HILLS** \$297,500

4BR kit w/grnt cnts &amp; SS appl's. snk bar. prtry Pergo flr, pdwr rm. LR w/grnt gas FP. Crpt, pad. Copper plmb. elec w/200 amp, furn. HWH, septic, well pump &amp; pressure tank. Mstr ste w/jetted tub &amp; shower. MLS# 25080499 734-453-6800

**GARDEN CITY** \$149,900

All brick bungalow on huge lot. 2 BR's up. 1BR main flr. spc kit w/new flr &amp; newer wndws &amp; pantry. HDWD flrs. LR offers covd dng. int freshly painted. new copper plumbing. updated BA. newer fur &amp; CA. All app. MLS# 25053212 734-453-6800

**LIVONIA** \$282,000

Warmth &amp; charm in lovely 1860 sq ft colonial w/4BR, 1 1/2 baths. 2 car garage &amp; basement. New kit w/Cornac counters, oak cabinets, breakfast bar &amp; center island. FR w/brick fireplace. Spacious BR's. Large treed yard. MLS# 25093475 734 453-6800

**LIVONIA** \$239,900

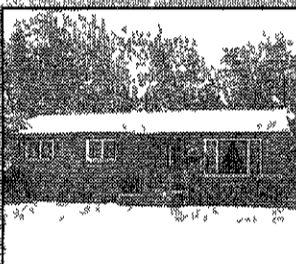
3 BR, 2 BA ranch in move in condition! Beautiful kitchen w/oak cabinets, ceramic floors, indirect lighting &amp; all apple FR w/gas FP, cathedral ceilings &amp; Andersen wndws. 2 car att garage &amp; home warranty. MLS# 25066398 734-453-6800

**LIVONIA** \$235,000

Wonderful Home Is In Like New Condition &amp; Boasts 3 Spacious Bdrms, 2 1/2 Baths (including A Mstr), Impressive Entrance, Extra Living Space In The Lower Level. Would Be Perfect For A Family Room Or In-law Quarters. MLS# 25087354 248-347-3050

**LIVONIA** \$194,900

Completely updated from top to bottom! Charming 3 BR, 3 BA ranch. Granite in kitchen. New Pergo floor in great room. Master w/master bath. Beautifully finished basement w/wet bar, bath &amp; more. MLS# 25093953 734-453-6800

**LIVONIA** \$189,900

Beautiful Ranch! Original Owner. Many Updates. Roof In 99, Replacement Windows. Glass Block Bsmr Windows. Huge Family Rm Addition w/tp Deck. Overlooks A Heavily Wooded 5 Acres Behind Great Livonia Schools. MLS# 25092714 248-347-3050

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**LIVONIA** \$189,900

Major Updates. Tear-off Roof W/dimensional Shingles (01), Both Bath Rms Vinyl Windows. Prof find Bsmr. Fantastic For Entertaining. Large Dining Rm, Fam rm, Doorwall To Patio. Copper Plumbing, Updated Electric. MLS# 25083471 248-347-3050

**LIVONIA** \$184,900

All brick ranch w/refinished HDWD flrs. V/o. Costly updates inc roof, Andersen wndws, newer furnace, AC, plumbing &amp; electrical. 16x11 all season room w/wheat, AC, drywall &amp; new windows. Finished basement. Move in! MLS# 25085209 734-453-6800

**LIVONIA** \$152,900

2BR 1 1/2 BA ranch w/furn &amp; A/C(04). Neutral colors &amp; HDWD flrs t/o. Fin bsmt for plenty of extra living space. Spacious w/deck &amp; hot tub. Lg 2 1/2 car w/opener gives lots of room for storage or workshop. Must see! MLS# 25089538 734-453-6800

**NORTHVILLE** \$814,900

Transferee Perfect W/immediate Occupancy! Custom Maple Cab W/granite T/o. 2-story Foyer, 2-story Gr W/2-way Fp to Kit, Ceramic In Foyer &amp; Kit. dramatic Balcony. Overlooks Gr W/ Wall Of Windows, 3 1/2 Car Side Entry Gar. MLS# 25089358 248-347-3050

**NORTHVILLE** \$700,000

Sharp Stonewater Cape Cod W/open Floorplan! Tree-lined Private Backyard. 2-story Foyer W/open Staircase. ornamental Railing, vaulted Ceiling. W/2 Skylights In Gr. Unfm W/o W/fp &amp; Rough-ins, 1st Floor Mstr. MLS# 25090154 248-347-3050

**NOVI** \$1,375,000

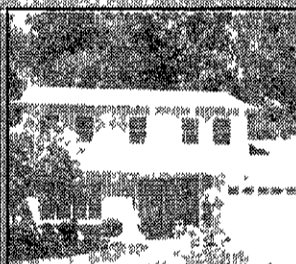
Bellagio executive home! 5BR, 3 1/2 BA Premier gated community. Cambridge built! Gourmet kitchen &amp; nook w/custom cabinetry. 2 FP's. Dual staircases. 4 car garage w/storage. daylight basement. MLS# 25090990 734-453-6800

**NOVI** \$410,000

1/2 Acre Lot On Cul-de-sac, Foyer W/ceramic Flr, Living rm W/box Window, Family Rm W/vaulted Ceiling, Frpl, Library W/french Drs &amp; Hdwd Flr. Kit W/snack Bar, Eat-in Nook, Mstr Ste W/pvt Bath, Dble Sinks. Fin Bsmt. MLS# 25072045 248-347-3050

**NOVI** \$399,900

4BR, 2 1/2 BA brk 2 story w/leaded glass entry drs. mrble foyer. LR &amp; DR w/Andersen DW to paver patio. FR w/FP to lg kit w/island, prtry &amp; brkfst area w/2nd DW to deck. paver walk. Mstr ste w/WIC, bath w/jet tub &amp; shwr. MLS# 25089276 734-453-6800

**NOVI** \$260,000

Formal Living/dining Rm w/hwd flrs. New Kitchen. New Counter. New Dishwasher. Pantry W/pull-outs. Family Rm W/frpl. New Powder Rm, Bedrooms W/hwd flrs. New Bath. Upstairs, Mstr Bdrm W/pvt Bath. New Roof. MLS# 25092847 248-347-3050

**NOVI** \$215,000

Hwd flrs t/o LR. W/vaulted Ceiling &amp; Picture Window. Kit w/ctop, Eat-in Nook. Mstr Bdrm W/mirrored Closet. Rm New Bath, FR W/french Dr. Fin Bsmt. W/wet Bar. New Windows, Furnace. AC. H2O Heater, Vinyl Siding. MLS# 25092827 248-347-3050

**NOVI** \$129,900

Don't Miss This Rare Opportunity To Build Your Dream Home On This 1/2 Acre Lot In Novi W/ Novi Schools. This Lot Is On A Quiet Dead End Paved Street. There Are Many Mature Trees On Property. MLS# 25092249 248-347-3050

**PLEASANT RIDGE** \$265,000

Sharp Pleasant Ridge Colonial W/premium Fieldstone Elevation! New Roof. Tear-off, New Furnace &amp; Ca fenced Backyard, new Gar Door &amp; Opener. New Windows. On 2nd Flr. Part. Fin bsmt, New Pergo Flr In Kit, Nat Flr In Lr. MLS# 25089122 248-347-3050

**PLYMOUTH** \$1,995,000

Sharp Pleasant Ridge Colonial W/premium Fieldstone Elevation! New Roof. Tear-off, New Furnace &amp; Ca fenced Backyard, new Gar Door &amp; Opener. New Windows. On 2nd Flr. Part. Fin bsmt, New Pergo Flr In Kit, Nat Flr In Lr. MLS# 25089122 248-347-3050

**PLYMOUTH** \$699,900

Absolutely spectacular 4BR 3 1/2 BA cape cod on one of Country Club Village's best settings! Gourmet kitchen w/granite island. Dramatic 2-story great room. 4 season room w/hot tub. Must see! MLS# 25051024 734-453-6800

**PLYMOUTH** \$535,000

Transferee Perfect! Custom Colonial Premium Lot. Freshly Painted W/ new Neutral Carpet. T/o, 2-story Foyer W/curved Staircase, garden Rm. Kit new Dimensional Roof, new Driveway, Sprinklers, southern Exposure! MLS# 25084885 248-347-3050

**PLYMOUTH** \$498,000

End unit English inspired 1-1/2 story condo w/\$140,000 of endless prem replomts. 1st flr mstr Sybaritic baths, museum quality replaced interior millwork, mtr drs mldngs &amp; hardware. Views from oversized windows. MLS# 25086794 734 453-6800

**REDFORD** \$184,900

On a private cul-de-sac lot w/a huge park like backyard for summer enjoyment. Very sharp! Nice hardwood floors &amp; updated baths. Wide open finished basement w/great bar area. This is not one to be missed. See &amp; Buy! MLS# 25090450 248-347-3050

**REDFORD** \$144,900

3 Bdrm 2 Bath, Brick Ranch Extra Deep Fenced Yard, 2 1/2 Car Garage W/workbench. Updates include Kit Paint, Carpet Tile. Driveway &amp; More. 3 Bdrm Can Be Used As Formal Dining Rm. Knotty Pine Fin Bsmt W/built-ins. MLS# 25092790 248-347-3050

**REDFORD** \$109,000

3 BR, 1BA bungalow w/comfy LR. lite bright kit to dining area w/view. 2BR down &amp; up BR on main flr w/access to deck rear yard. Newer roof tear off. Furn. HWH &amp; CA. HDWD floors &amp; plaster walls. Updated electrical. MLS# 25090518 734-453-6800

**SALEM** \$799,900

Paradise On 4 1/2 Secluded Acres &amp; Backs To Salem Farms Golf Course! 2-story, foyer gourmet Kitchen. W/42 Maple Cabs &amp; New Granite Counters. Fin W/o LJ W/casino Style Bar. Home theatre system, indoor Pool. MLS# 25077612 248-347-3050

**SOUTH LYON** \$325,000

2 Story Foyer, Hwd Flr. Formal Living Rm. W/bay Window, Formal Dining Rm w/hwd Flr, Kit. W/42 Cabinets. Center island, Desk, eat-in Nook, Fam Rm W/gas Frpl, mstr Ste W/vaulted Ceiling, WIC. Glamour Bath W/garden tub. MLS# 25088801 248-347-3050

**WAYNE** \$110,000

Hwd Flrs T/o, Newer Windows, Roof &amp; Vinyl Siding. Solar Heating System. Helps Reduce Gas Bills Significantly. Large 14x14 Master Bedroom. Extra Wide Lot. This Is A Great House For This Price. One Year Home Warranty. MLS# 25093604 248-347-3050

**WESTLAND** \$169,900

Hurry over to this gorgeous 3 BR 1 1/2 baths on main level brick ranch. All majors done! Newer garage roof cement work, windows within the past 10 years. C/A furnace roof 3 car dream garage. all insulated. MLS# 25088897 734-453-6800

**WESTLAND** \$139,900

Charming bungalow w/3 bedrooms &amp; 1 bath. Recent updates include roof vinyl siding, carpet, fencing &amp; interior 2 car attached garage w/huge partly finished loft great rec room. Home warranty offered. MLS# 25050376 734-453-6800

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## HOMES SOLD IN OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of March 28-April, 2005, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

<b>Auburn Hills</b>					
172 Amys Walk	\$174,000	21518 Middlebelt	\$82,000	15766 Fairfax	\$178,000
146 Cherryland	\$135,000	29317 Morningview	\$378,000	25755 Forestview	\$193,000
3567 Grove	\$216,000	28556 Newport	\$268,000	17510 Gateway	\$174,000
3050 Hill	\$218,000	34340 Northwick	\$349,000	29750 Guy	\$168,000
3550 Lexington	\$251,000	29628 Nova Woods	\$272,000	27250 Harvard	\$195,000
671 Slocum	\$156,000	21447 Saint Francis	\$135,000	19201 Magnolia	\$110,000
362 Vista	\$198,000	29225 Sunridge	\$350,000	20284 Melrose	\$115,000
370 Vista	\$204,000	32356 W 10 Mile	\$198,000	21001 Melrose	\$180,000
372 Vista	\$176,000	36057 W 14 Mile	\$580,000	20458 Midway	\$157,000
382 Vista	\$183,000			16240 N Park	\$187,000
		<b>Franklin</b>		25043 Pierce	\$160,000
		32334 Franklin	\$190,000	28531 Regent	\$109,000
		32975 Romsey	\$385,000	20342 Rodeo	\$157,000
		<b>Lake Orion</b>		25630 Southfield	\$91,000
		2515 Armstrong	\$223,000	29131 Stellamar	\$210,000
		520 Berridge	\$165,000	19860 Villa	\$163,000
		624 Berridge	\$403,000	19034 W 10 Mile	\$150,000
		2445 Canoe Circle	\$330,000	20200 Westhampton	\$123,000
		130 Detroit	\$169,000	20253 Willowick	\$260,000
		185 Eastview	\$272,000		
		3314 Grafton	\$146,000	<b>Troy</b>	
		3836 High Grove	\$379,000	1664 Brentwood	\$140,000
		459 Hiram	\$255,000	1799 Brentwood	\$180,000
		1910 Hopefield	\$258,000	3263 Camden	\$280,000
		3306 Milcrest	\$202,000	1736 Crestline	\$214,000
		3225 Northfield	\$107,000	1136 Falcon	\$223,000
		156 Park Green	\$165,000	6554 Fredmoor	\$265,000
		217 Park Island	\$601,000	51 Hickory	\$67,000
		1411 Ridgeview	\$344,000	315 Kenyon	\$155,000
		921 River Valley	\$287,000	1374 Key West	\$170,000
		229 W Clarkson	\$272,000	1362 Peachtree	\$218,000
		85 W Greenshield	\$189,000	1934 Pelican	\$330,000
		3139 Walton Ridge	\$317,000		
		<b>Lathrup Village</b>		<b>Walled Lake</b>	
		27724 California	\$200,000	1705 Angela	\$398,000
		18734 Dolores	\$195,000	414 Boardwalk	\$206,000
		27651 Morningside	\$370,000	13208 Chesapeake	\$174,000
				14106 Chesapeake	\$173,000
		<b>Rochester</b>		1385 Leon	\$163,000
		449 Baldwin	\$110,000	1804 Payson	\$135,000
		209 Charles	\$175,000		
		326 Linwood	\$565,000	<b>West Bloomfield</b>	
		208 N Alice	\$125,000	3991 Beach	\$196,000
		417 Parkdale	\$104,000	6608 Bellows	\$220,000
		417 Parkdale	\$117,000	5220 Cedar Grove	\$330,000
		7222 Rock Valley	\$350,000	719 Cottonwood Knoll	\$190,000
		114 S Castell	\$145,000	7222 Crackling Creek	\$395,000
				5024 Langlewood	\$245,000
		<b>Rochester Hills</b>		3855 Lone Pine	\$115,000
		1900 Alsdorf	\$175,000	3885 Lone Pine	\$127,000
		1502 Charter Oak	\$150,000	4291 Middledale	\$188,000
		201 Cloverport	\$332,000	7109 N Merrybrook	\$162,000
		2355 Culbertson	\$179,000	6300 Pepper Hill	\$157,000
		3619 Dunning	\$315,000	7459 Rafford	\$520,000
		2710 Eastern	\$260,000	7268 Ravines	\$425,000
		3080 Emmons	\$164,000	6689 Scotch Lake	\$23,000
		3874 Greenwood	\$386,000	5838 Shillingham	\$235,000
		1665 Huntington Park	\$153,000	2189 Spinnaker	\$450,000
		974 Langley	\$299,000	5886 Vassar	\$200,000
		125 Meadow Lane	\$143,000	4061 Winterset	\$398,000
		1571 Meadow Side	\$120,000	7438 Woodbriar	\$495,000
		2765 Melvin	\$170,000		
		3692 Merrweather	\$485,000	<b>White Lake</b>	
		2119 N Fairview	\$267,000	681 Akehurst	\$370,000
		3536 Samuel	\$270,000	9396 Beechcrest	\$515,000
		975 Wexford	\$187,000	1959 Howland	\$311,000
		1658 Wilmington	\$320,000	10355 Northridge	\$382,000
				925 Round Lake	\$195,000
		<b>Southfield</b>		8116 Sutton	\$276,000
		18601 Bainbridge	\$225,000	8125 Sutton	\$209,000
		27600 Dover	\$250,000	2609 Tackles	\$201,000
		28515 E Kalong	\$314,000	8764 Trenton	\$295,000

# Home invasions could result in damages

**I am a tenant of an apartment building and I have had several home invasions which has upset me very much. Indeed, in one instance, I was attacked by an intruder who threatened to kill me. While I have not lost any personal property, I am extremely distraught and have sought professional care. Do I have a claim against my landlord?**



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recovery of damages. Of course, the jury or judge must determine that there was sufficient evidence to infer that a reasonable person would have experienced emotional distress when faced with the trauma that you experienced. You should, of course, see an attorney and make a demand upon the

landlord for your damages.

**We are a small condominium association looking for a law firm to represent our association. The co-owners say that we should not spend the money on a lawyer and I am wondering how we can convince them to the contrary. What do I tell my co-owners?**

The first thing you should consider is that the Board of Directors, and not the co-owners, will have to make the decision about the retention of counsel since they are under a fiduciary duty to operate in the best interest of the Association.

While you must recognize the political reality of dealing with your co-owners in connection with what they want or don't want, they are not in the position, legally, to insulate the Association from liability, should you need the benefit of legal counsel and choose not to obtain it.

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## REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

### Basement Remodeling Class

Bloomfield Hills Community Education in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute will offer a Basement Remodeling class from 6-10 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 26 & 28 at Andover High School, 4200 Andover Rd., Bloomfield Hills. The instructor will explain the many facets of basement remodeling including space planning, meeting building codes, insurances, permits, estimating materials as well as the basics of construction. The cost is \$95 plus \$10 for the course textbook. Pre-registration with payment is required no later than Friday, July 22 to Bloomfield Hills Community Education. (248) 433-0885. The same program is being offered through Rochester Community Education from 6-10 p.m., Aug. 2 and 4, at Adams High School, 3200 W Tienken Road, Rochester. The cost is \$99 plus \$10 for textbook and materials and pre-registration is required no later than Friday, July 29. (48) 726-3165

### Free Career Seminars

Keller William Realty of Plymouth will hold the following free career seminars. 6.30 p.m., Tuesday, July 19 and 10 a.m., Saturday, July 30. Questions answered will include start up costs, potential earnings, training support and commission split. For more information, call (734) 459-4700 or e-mail, [www.realestatedcareers.net](mailto:www.realestatedcareers.net).

### Ambulatory Surgery Center

The Detroit Medical Center (DMC) & Waterford Partners Center, LLC, has hired DeMaria Building Company, Detroit, MI, in a Design/Build contract with Hobbs & Black Architects, Ann Arbor to build the new 40,000 sf Ambulatory Surgery Center in Waterford. The construction project is valued at \$4,000,000. The University of Michigan has hired DeMaria Building Company, Detroit, MI, to renovate the existing Hatcher Graduate Library in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The construction project is valued at \$3,300,000. DeMaria has also been hired as general contractor by the University to renovate the School of Nursing on the Ann Arbor campus. The project is valued at \$1,000,000.

### Friedman Real Estate tops

CoStar Group recently announced its Third Annual Power Broker Awards and Friedman Real Estate Group (FREG) continues to move forward as a leader in the Detroit market. David Friedman, president and CEO of FREG, received an award as one of the top 20 Industrial leasing brokers in the Detroit market. David Friedman, Matthew Farrell, Todd Hawley, Roxanne Larson, Mitchell Lipton, and Todd Papazian were all ranked in the top 20 of office leasing brokers. Matthew Farrell, CCIM and a vice president at FREG, was named "Power Broker" by CoStar Group. The Power Broker award recognizes leading deal makers in their

particular market based on volume of deals in 2004. CoStar Group named Friedman Real Estate Group as one of Detroit's top five brokerage firms based on leasing and top 10 in sales transaction volume. Howard Perlman and Barry Swatsenbarg of FREG ranked among Detroit's top 10 sales brokers based on transactions completed in 2004. In 2003, FREG was also awarded as one of Detroit's top five brokerage firms based on leasing transaction volume and as one of the top 10 brokerage firms based on sales transaction volume by CoStar Group.

### Ask the Expert

Homeowners, builders and contractors can ask the experts about the features and benefits of James Hardie fiber-cement siding products and tile backerboard when the "James Hardie Home Experience" truck makes a one-day stop at the White Lake Home Depot - 9078 Highland Road - from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, July 17. Visitors to the one-of-a-kind 18-wheeler can view product displays and demonstrations, enjoy free hot dogs and drinks and enter to win a James Hardie siding package for their house. For more information about James Hardie fiber-cement products, visit [www.jameshardie.com](http://www.jameshardie.com)

### How To Build Your Own Home

Oakland Builders Institute will offer a 16 hour seminar, How to Build Your Own Home class from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturdays, July 23 & 26 at

Best Western Concorde Inn, 1919 Star-Batt Dr., Rochester Hills.

The course covers home financing, the building process, builder's terms and contracts as well as building codes, insurance requirements and more. The cost is \$220 including a building textbook and a book prepared exclusively for seminar students covering home building information pertinent to southeastern Michigan. course textbook. Pre-registration with payment is required no later than Thursday, July 21, to Oakland Builders Institute. (800) 940-2014. The same program is being offered through Bloomfield Hills Community Education from 6-10 p.m., Mondays/Wednesdays, Aug. 1, 3, 8, 10 at Andover High School, 4200 Andover Road, Room 133, Bloomfield Hills. The cost is \$190 plus \$30 for two textbooks and pre-registration is required no later than Thursday, July 28, to Bloomfield Hills Community Education. (248) 433-0885

### Weir Manual - Three Arch Bay

Weir Manuel Realtors is pleased to announce its partnership with The Wexford Development Group in the sales and marketing of Washtenaw County's finest community, Three Arch Bay, featuring new homes designed by award-winning architect Dominick Tringali. Ideally located between Ann Arbor and Saline, Michigan, Three Arch Bay surrounds a gorgeous lake, and adjoins the Travis Pointe Country Club. With only 23 lakefront

and golf course home sites on more than 61 acres, this gated community will provide carefree, luxurious lifestyle only minutes from downtown Ann Arbor and I-94.

The luxury homes range from 4400 to more than 10,000 square feet of finished space. Prices begin at \$1,324,000, which includes a lakefront home site and a \$50,000 landscaping allowance. Home site premiums vary depending upon lake, pond, or golf course locations. Unique and exclusive to Three Arch Bay's clients will be personalized design services throughout the building process. Residents will enjoy Lodi Township's low taxes, an Ann Arbor mailing address, and be less than five minutes from the exceptional Saline schools, including the new \$140 million education and athletic complex.

### Project Engineer Gets Promotion

DeMaria Building Company, Detroit, is pleased to announce the promotion of Eric Dumont from Project Engineer, Health Care Group, to Program Manager in the Health Care and University Groups. Dumont will manage construction projects for medical, hospital, laboratory and higher education clients.

### Office Open House

In conjunction with the 1st Annual Ann Arbor Road Days celebration, a week long event beginning July 16th, 2005 the Keller Williams Realty office is having a public open house celebrating the opening of the new office in Plymouth, Plymouth Market Center, 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Office grand opening, Saturday, July 16, 2005 open to the public from noon to 5:00 p.m. to include the following fun for the whole family: Free food barbecue, soft drinks, Children's I.D. by Plymouth Police, Health Screening, Music, Pony Rides, Face Painting, Children's Moon Bounce, Yankee Air Museum display, Raffles & more. The above will be preceded by a ribbon cutting ceremony at 11 a.m. by Plymouth Township officials and Keller Williams agents.

## Real Estate One hits home run with sweepstakes

(PRNewswire) — Eight lucky finalists will be heading to the CENTURY 21 Home Run Derby competition at Comerica Park for the chance to win \$250,000 toward the purchase of a home during 2005 Major League Baseball All-Star Week.

Last year, Paula Bowen of Renton, Wash., won the \$250,000 sweepstakes grand-prize when Baltimore Orioles shortstop Miguel Tejada launched 27 home runs to win the 2004 title.

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**PLYMOUTH** \$492,500  
Entertain inside and out from this classic colonial to popular Plymouth development. Open floor plan graced by three bay windows. Custom wine and wet bar in kitchen nook. Well landscaped tiered decking.  
734-455-6000 FPM60BL 25047897

**NORTHVILLE** \$339,900  
Downtown Northville end unit condo with wooded lot and 1st floor master. Refined kitchen cabinets. Freshly painted 1/0. New light fixtures. 1/0 finished lower level with full bath and kitchenette.  
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**Canton** - Curtis built 2 story condo with 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths and first floor laundry. Basement, fenced yard, garage, gas fireplace in living room. Neutral decor, stove & fridge stay, master suite has WIC. Morgan Creek is a newer sub with a 20 acre nature preserve! \$215,000 (63CON)

**Livonia** - Well maintained 3 bedroom brick Ranch on a quiet cul-de-sac location. Underground sprinklers, finished basement with 1/2 bath, doorwall to deck with retractable awning, updated kitchen opens to family room with gas fireplace. New windows, furnace, newer roof, appliances & more! \$245,000 (99BAI)

**Livonia** - Freshly painted 2 bedroom condo. Remodeled kitchen with oak cabinets, newer electrical service w/ breakers, newer windows. Coved ceilings in living room and dining room. C/A, finished basement, appliances stay, association fees include water! Very nice condition \$91,900 (12MID)

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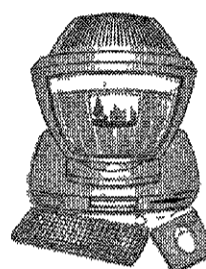
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yard, natural fireplace, huge  
master suite, air, sprinklers  
\$239,900 734-674-6156**

**Colonial 3 bdrm 1 1/2  
bath, completely updated, pro-  
fessionally finished bsmt,  
must see! \$215,000  
734-981-5953, 734-748-1374,**

**Remerica Hometown 734) 459-6222**

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**LARGE COLONIAL**  
Located in popular Forest  
Trails 4 large bedrooms Cer-  
amic tile foyer leads to  
spacious kitchen Huge  
family room, 1st floor  
laundry 14x14 3-season  
room Lg fenced yard. All  
appliances stay \$254,900  
Call John Hosko  
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**Remerica Hometown**

**For The Best Auto Deals..Check Your Classifieds!**

<p><b>NEW BUILD IN NW LIVONIA!</b> 4 BR, 3 BA Colonial w/3 car gar on 5 acre lot Extensive use of granite &amp; marble First flr library, 9 ft bsmt ceiling Master bedroom w/dressing area, tray ceiling, huge WIC \$465,000</p>	<p><b>ABSOLUTE DOLLHOUSE</b> - Livonia three bedroom, 2 bath Ranch on 9 acre lot! Kitch w/new appliances, maple cabs, ceramic tile. Master suite w/priv bath, walk-in closet New siding &amp; windows \$209,900</p>	<p><b>DETROIT</b> - Three bedroom brick ranch remodeled throughout New furnace Kitchen with new cabs, countertops and ceramic floor Updated Bath New carpet throughout Freshly painted \$112,000</p>
<p><b>UPDATED THROUGHOUT!</b> Beautiful three bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Ranch in S Redford Kitchen with ceramic floor, walk-in pantry, new</p>		

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4 El Dorado loot  
12 Pack it away  
13 Toughest up  
14 Hearty laugh  
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17 1960's foursome  
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21 FBI acronym  
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of C & W  
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30 Put away neatly  
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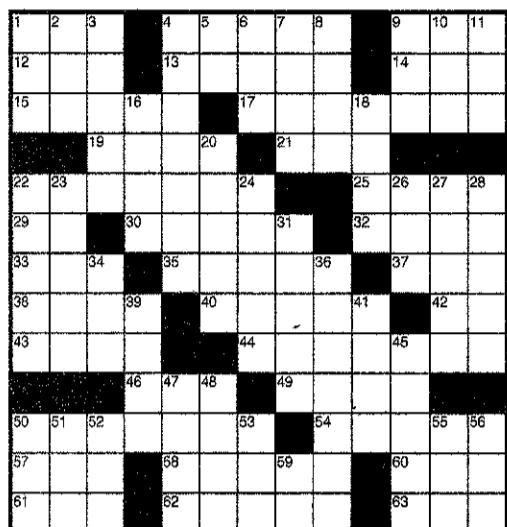
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60 Dad's partner  
61 Has permission  
62 Washstand items  
63 Former JFK arrival

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Chinese "way"  
Reverse-direction maneuver (hyph)  
4 A, B or C  
Put — the dog

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**Chalet**  
Jason Borregard

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WEDNESDAYS 6:30 P.M.

**LUPTON**  
Up north living in new construction  
Two bedroom Ranch with attached  
2 1/2 car garage. Everything on the  
first floor. Quiet downtown Lupton  
just a few miles from the  
Rifle River State Park  
**\$129,900**

**CANTON**  
Three bedroom, 1 1/2 bath Ranch in  
nice area. New hardwood floors, new  
cabinetry, counters, sinks & faucets  
in kitchen & bath, new lighting  
fixtures, ceiling fans & garage door  
with opener, new windows  
**\$214,900**



**DETROIT**  
Why pay rent? 100% financing  
options. Just listed 3 bedroom with  
basement & garage, painted &  
updated! Newer roof, electric &  
driveway! Appliances included,  
immediate occupancy. Call today  
**\$89,900**

**FARMINGTON HILLS**  
- Character & charm awaits  
Landscaping & multiple gardens,  
over 1,500 square feet, 3 bedroom  
2 bath updated home. Updates: oak  
kitchen & newer flooring, forced air  
furnace CA, exterior paint  
**\$177,500**



**DETROIT**  
Great brick Bungalow 3 bedroom 1  
bath, fireplace, bay window in dining  
room. Basement, porch, knotty pine  
master, covered ceilings & updated  
cabinets in kitchen. Appliances stay.  
Home warranty included  
**\$89,900**

**NORTHVILLE**  
Beautiful Northville Hills golf club  
sub. Only 9 months occupied. Better  
than new. Landscaping & window  
treatments, neutral decor, many  
upgrades of hardwoods, cabinets,  
tiles & appliances. GREAT PRICE!  
**\$704,950**



**LIVONIA**  
Great curb appeal with many updates.  
New kitchen cabinets & counters.  
ceramic tile & tub in main bath, vinyl  
siding & roof (house & garage), steel  
doors & windows. Family room w/est  
bar, 2 car garage & beautiful pool  
**\$199,500**

**LIVONIA**  
Colonial on oversized lot with  
updates. New carpet, newer oak  
cabinets in kitchen, roof with tear off  
windows 150 amp service, garage  
door, water heater, furnace, CA, glass  
block, steel doors & home warranty!  
**\$227,900**



**DETROIT**  
Fresh painted 3 bed Ranch. Newer  
furnace steel entry doors, water  
heater, 200 amp electric, bath fixtures  
& toilet. 1 1/2 foot attic insulation. New  
roof, shed & vinyl windows. CA in  
2004. Hardwood floors  
**\$109,500**

**LIVONIA**  
Penetrated in 1996 includes vinyl  
siding, roof electrical, plumbing,  
water heater, newer windows.  
Central air & furnace in 1998.  
Deck in 2000. Pull-down attic  
storage galore  
**\$114,900**

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## Dearborn Hts

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**COMPLETELY UPDATED**  
Ranch offers newer kitchen & bath, furnace & C/A. Large eat-in kitchen w/all appliances including washer & dryer. Lots of storage. Xtra wide driveway. 2 car garage. \$132,000 (H 619)

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## SUPER! SUPER!

Sharp is how to describe this brick house. Full finished basement with garage. Updates last 4 years include: windows front & side doors, light fixtures, kitchen, bathroom, basement, driveway, C/A & much more!  
**\$134,900**

Century 21 Hartford North

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## Farmington

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## JUST LISTED!

**\$269,900**  
Great ranch in downtown Farmington 3 bedroom, 2.5 baths on a large lot. Finished basement 2 car attached garage.  
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## BY OWNER

Custom contemporary w/attached 3 car 2700 sq ft on 1/2 acre wooded lot. Easy access to 696 schools, shopping. Must see! \$368,900 248-478-7935

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Excellent location, E of Drake, off Freedom Newer colonial, 3 bdrm, backs to park and elementary school. Cathedral ceilings throughout, c/a, hardwood floors, great room, den, Pinewoods West Sub, Won't Last! 248-471-7113 or 248-782-1330

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Redford 3350

**PACK YOUR BAGS.** This is it! Updates include remodeled kitchen with white cabinets, new counter tops, flooring & built in microwave, remodeled bath, windows, C/A, HWH, electrical, copper plumbing, garage door & roof. Beautiful finished basement & large deck \$149,900  
**Century 21 Hartford North**  
734-525-9600

RANCH 3 bdrm, 2 bath, on double lot, finished bsmt w/office/4th bdrm, lg deck, paver patio w/hot tub, appliances included 5 & 1/2 in. kitchen \$144,000 248-231-3819

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**REDFORD**  
Seeing is believing! Ranch Ultra new kitchen, huge family rm, 3 bdrms Beautifully landscaped double lot & 2.5 car garage \$128,900  
Call HELEN YABS NOW!  
Century 21 Row  
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JUST LISTED!

**SPACIOUS & UNIQUE**  
4 bdrm, brick Bi-Level Formal dining room, family room, Updated kitchen Newer windows, C/A, furnace & more! 2 car attached garage \$124,900 (S7261)

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**SPACIOUS COLONIAL!**  
Large 3 bdrm, 2 bath home Many updates, including furnace, a/c, windows Bsm. 2 car garage \$176,900  
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**SUPER LOCATION!**  
Near freeways, shopping, schools & more! Exceptional 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath brick Ranch w/bsm. & garage Living room, dining room, family room & lg. open kitchen Hardwood floors thru-out. New roof, windows, C/A & furnace Home freshly painted \$149,000 (B89879C)  
**WIKSTON CHANGERS**  
(248) 872-7271  
CENTURY 21 TODAY  
6755 Telegraph Rd., Bloomfield Hills

Rochester 3360

**OAKLAND TWP.** Gorgeous 3200 sq ft, 4 bdrm, 3.5 bath colonial 3 fireplaces 1350 sq ft finished walk-out. Premium wooded lot. Motivated sellers! \$535,000 586-243-3224

Royal Oak 3370

**ATTRACTIVE 3 bdrm, 2 bath** ranch Many updates w/new kitchen. Move-in cond \$224,900. 248-449-1550

Beautiful Colonial 3380

3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath \$429,900 248-621-0678  
www.fsb.com/list/74814

Salem/Salem Township 3380

**RANCH**  
3 bdrm, 5 acres, 322x693 Also 32x40' barn \$395,000 (248) 349-5596

Southfield/Lathrup 3390

**A MUST SEE!** 4 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath, updated kitchen Hardwood floors, 22x26 covered front porch, lead to striking Florida room overlooking over sized lot Brick patio & walkway \$274,000  
Century 21 MLL Corporate Transfer Service  
248-881-6700

JUST LISTED!

**BIG & BEAUTIFUL!**  
4 bdrm, 2 bath bungalow on huge lot fireplace in living room & bsm. Dining room & large island kitchen Deck off family room. Home warranty. \$159,475. (N121)

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WESTLAND

Two bedroom, 1.1 bath Townhouse Condo built in 1990. End unit. Living room with fireplace. Dining room w/doorwall to deck Kitchen w/pantry & all appliances. One car attached garage. Third bedroom/office & extra shower in partially finished basement. \$144,900

**Chris Pero**  
248-797-0784

Southfield/Lathrup 3390

**SOUTHFIELD - BIRMINGHAM SCHOOLS.** Absolutely gorgeous and totally updated on 75 lot Lovely enclosed porch Family room w/cathedral ceiling & doorwall to quiet yard \$149,900 Call KATHY MUSCILLLO (248) 283-0184, RE/MAX in the Hills

JUST LISTED!

**SOUTHFIELD.** Fabulous new construction 2 story Contemporary with open floor plan & neutral decor. Great room, dining room, lg eat-in kitchen Five bdrms, including 1st floor Master suite w/full bath 2.5 baths C/A 2 car side entry garage #375,000 (PH 236)

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South Lyon 3400

**3 BR., 2 story, attached** garage 345 Stanford Great Shape! Avail. Now! Below market price \$199,900 No Brokers (248) 437-8775

**SEMI CUSTOM 3 bdrm home** on private rd 2.5 acres, nicely maintained and landscaped Must see Moving out of state, \$268,900 (248) 437-3986

West Bloomfield 3440

**WEST BLOOMFIELD**  
Great buy on this transferor's 2002 built home 4,000+ sq ft, loaded! 2 fireplaces, daytime bsm, 3 car gar, tree vistas out every window

Call Re/Max 100  
DIANE BRAYKOVICH  
(248) 348-3000

**WEST BLOOMFIELD**  
**MONEY SAVER! SAVE BIG!**  
Gorgeous 1990's built 2 story, 2800+ sq ft, finished walkout backing to lush trees & 3 car garage Won't last \$399,900 Call Re/Max 100  
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Westland 3445

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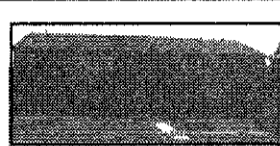


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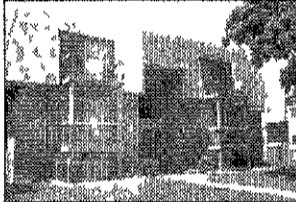
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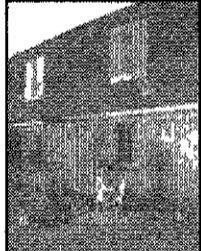
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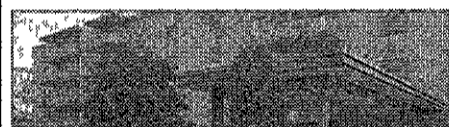
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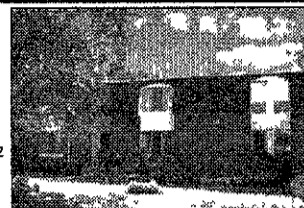
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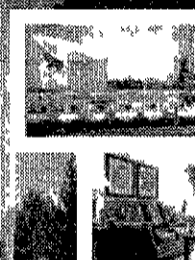
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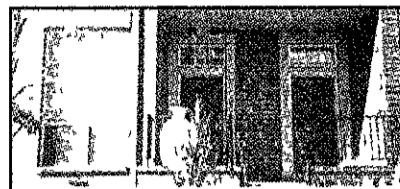

**REDFORD Pride of Ownership**  
Beautifully decorated 3 bedroom, 2 full bath all brick ranch w/tons of updates kitchen bath windows roof tear off & newer deck All this + 3 car garage, partially finished basement most appliances & a HPP

(E59LUC) 734-455-5600 \$155,900



**PLYMOUTH 5 Star Condo**  
Amazing 3 bedroom 3 1/2 bath townhouse w/2 car attached garage finished LL w/outlet library 2 fireplaces, hard flrs lot overlooking great room, all appliances, gated courtyard w/brick pavers & much more Just to beautiful to miss

(E41BEA) 734-455-5600 \$429,700




**DEARBORN Sharp Townhouse**  
This 2 bedroom, 2 full bath condo is ready to move into Beautiful updates Master suite w/WIC, skylights in bath w/jetted tub Fireplace in dining room & spacious living room w/vaulted ceiling A must have

(E35GEO) 734-455-5600 \$149,900



**CANTON Spacious & Affordable!**  
Stop renting! This neat & clean 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath condo w/insmt awaits you! Desirable area w/Plymouth-Canton schools All Appliances stay Enjoy a maintenance free life style & start living

(E19HAR) 248-349-5600 \$109,900



**FARMINGTON Wonderful**  
4 bedroom, 2 bath home in popular Farmington Meadow sub Home boasts lots of updates kit, baths, carpet, roof, furnace, C/A and HWH Hardwoods under carpet on upper level Fenced-in yard w/perennial garden

(E30ROB) 248-349-5600 \$199,999



**WESTLAND Do You Hate Stairs?**  
This cozy 3 bedroom ranch is for you! Spacious kitchen w/a tone of oak cabinets updated furnace & AC, extra large garage w/newer roof some appliances & beautiful landscaped backyard

(E25HER) 734-455-5600 \$130,900



**REDFORD Clean Redford Ranch**  
Three bedroom 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

(E48CEN) 734-455-5600 \$99,900



**DEARBORN HTS. Newer Built Home**  
Offers open floor plan w/3 bedrooms & 2 1/2 bath Great room w/fp & bay window, spacious dining room w/doorwall & kitchen w/oak cabs & loads of counters Master bedroom w/double closets & bath + much more

(E118IL) 734-455-5600 \$194,900




**NORTHVILLE Ranch on Secluded Lot**  
Fabulous ranch w/fin W/O LL on wonderful secluded lot just minutes from downtown 5BR 3 1/2 BA w/GR FR, rec rm, 2 fireplaces, cathedral ceilings, skylights & gorgeous master bath Professionally landscaped

(E51FEN) 248-349-5600 \$575,000




**LIVONIA Move Right In & Enjoy**  
All the big ticket items are done This 3 bedroom ranch features bay window, remodeled kitchen updated baths, 04-year-old roof, newer furnace & A/C, family room w/fireplace, 2 car gar & bsmt + super convenient location

(E48SCH) 248-349-5600 \$205,000




**LIVONIA Beautiful Brick Ranch**  
This 3 bedroom home is gorgeous inside & out Updated from top to bottom w/open floor plan Partially finished basement, 2 car garage & appliances Awesome front yard & prof done patio

(E82ANT) 734-455-5600 \$189,000



**PLYMOUTH Nestled in the Woods**  
Very private setting 2 bedroom 2 bath condo Large LR & DR w/corner fpic FFL, 2 private store rooms in basement Beautiful oak cabinets w/all appliances to stay Neutral decor Back overlooking beautiful setting

(E49SYC) 734-455-5600 \$138,000




**REDFORD Country Living in the City**  
Charming 3 bedroom home w/3 seasons room part fin bsmt, refn hwd flrs & ceramic tile, 2 car garage & updated furnace, C/A, glass block windows plumbing & elec panel Bath w/irradiated tub & fixtures

(E16SID) 734-455-5600 \$130,000



**FARMINGTON HILLS Cozy & Charming**  
Condo Two bedrooms, large LR, kitchen & lots of storage Security entrance good location & wooded view with patio Professionally painted common areas for outdoor grilling Laundry room in same bldg Very affordable

(E18EIG) 248-349-5600 \$93,900



**FARMINGTON HILLS Private Paradise**  
Private drive to private setting Approx 2 1/2 acres 4BR brick ranch w/2 1/2 BA, LR, DR & sunroom Partially finished basement & 2 garages Tons of storage Kitchen & bath updates & roof Great location-country in the city!

(E45WES) 248-349-5600 \$389,900



**WESTLAND Great Location**  
For this 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath condo w/Livonia schools! Close to shopping & dining Neutral decor living room w/sofa fireplace opens to dining room Doorway to private deck kitchen appliances & washer & dryer incl 2 WIC bsmt & att gar

(E83PRI) 734-455-5600 \$149,900



**CANTON Custom Built Cape Cod 2005**  
New construction On approx 1 acre lot w/4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 bath, 4 car attached garage, 2 story foyer, formal DR, hearth room off large kitchen, breakfast nook, all bedrooms w/WIC, full basement and you can pick your special wishes

(E52ROL) 734-455-5600 \$875,000



**PLYMOUTH Lovely Quad on Oversized Lot**  
This 4 bedroom, 2 bath home features formal living room, family room w/fp, large kitchen w/loads of cabinets & spacious dining area, 2 car attached garage & basement Also, updated roof most windows & shed

(E51ASP) 734-455-5600 \$227,900



**NORTHVILLE Lakeviews & Sunsets**  
Enjoy detached condo living w/lakeviews Open floor design w/finished W/O LL Master bedroom main floor includes vaulted ceilings Jacuzzi tub separate shower, dual vanities double WIC Large deck plus brick paver patio Great location

(E50LAK) 248-349-5600 \$459,900



**GARDEN CITY Brick Ranch**  
3 bedroom, 2 bath updated brick home Vinyl windows, newer flooring Finished basement 1 1/2 car garage, fenced yard newer cement corner lot, garden window in kitchen

(UE55CLA) 248-349-5600 \$149,900



**PLYMOUTH Beautiful Custom Built**  
Ranch immaculate & updated 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath home Newer turn windows freshly painted hardwood floors on approx a 1 acre lot w/stamped walkway & patio area Ceramic master bath w/jacuzzi + a finished basement

(E51POW) 734-455-5600 \$349,900



**DETROIT Cute As A Button**  
Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath bungalow 2 car detached garage finished basement, hardwood floors, oak kitchen cabinets appliances stay copper plumbing fenced yard

(E26VIR) 734-455-5600 \$109,900



**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 \$64,000



**NORTHVILLE Wonderful Spacious Condo**  
3 bedroom 2 full and 2 half baths 2-story Finished basement large deck attached garage nook & dining area, first floor laundry Near the pond and walking distance to downtown Call today

(E14REV) 248-349-5600 \$199,500




**NORTHVILLE Smile You Found It**  
Yesterday's charm with today's convenience Recently renovated - nothing left undone Chef's delight kitchen, 1st floor laundry, finished LL wine cellar, original floors, woodwork and charm Great front porch Walk to town

(E13HIG) 248-349-5600 \$565,000



**CANTON Spectacular Serene Setting**  
On enormous lot offering 4 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths home entertainment projection system, GR w/natural fireplace, 2 tiered deck 2 car attached garage dining room 1st floor laundry, and the list goes on and on A real impressive home

(E44WOO) 734-455-5600 \$324,800




**PLYMOUTH Elegant Woodlore South**  
Two-story on cul-de-sac! Full brick front Foyer w/curved staircase hwd flr in GR w/oath cell full windows marble trim gas FP form DR & LR French drs to lib kit w/cherry cabs breakfast area opens to sunroom, mstr wist area, 3 car gar

(E99MAR) 734-455-5600 \$529,000



**DEARBORN Two Family Brick Home**  
Great opportunity! Upper/lower 2 family home in West Dearborn historical district Each unit has own furnace C/A, HWH, shed & 2 car garage Large front porch Basement with laundry Appliances Very nice

(E18EDI) 248-349-5600 \$234,900




**NORTHVILLE Springwater Condo**  
10+ upgrades inc Corian counters T/O (including all 2 1/2 baths), hwd flrs sound sys tile foyer & baths, maple kit cabs Appis stay Two car attg, C/A, MBR w/WIC & MB A model home Low association fee Fp & decorated in 2003

(E72SPR) 248-349-5600 \$284,900



**CANTON Great House! Great Price!**  
Great open floor plan w/hardwood in kitchen First floor master w/WIC Finished basement is the clincher in this beautiful, well-cared for cape cod Large yard, huge deck are an added bonus Neutral clean ready to sell

(E33KIM) 248-349-5600 \$255,000



**PLYMOUTH Breathtaking Colonial**  
This 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath offers family room w/fp, library large kitchen many upgrades incl finished walkout basement on premium lot w/stunning views of superb landscaping/gardens & in-ground pool This is a must see!

(E53WEN) 734-455-5600 \$393,500



**NOVI Enjoy the Tranquility**  
In this lovely 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath townhouse w/spectacular view of pond from the patio or every room 1st class finished basement, beautiful kitchen w/hardwood floor

(E03PON) 734-455-5600 \$159,900



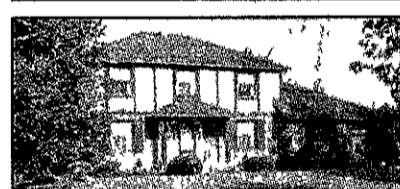
**NORTHVILLE Stunning Luxury Condo**  
Professionally decorated w/hwd floor T/O 1st floor custom lighting granite T/O 2 fireplaces master suite w/2WIC, fireplace, huge master bath w/waterse tub & skylight Upgraded stainless appliances in kitchen Two door walls to deck

(E92LYO) 248-349-5600 \$389,900



**SOUTH LYON Welcome Home**  
4 spacious BR 2 1/2 BA colonial w/newer roof siding, beautiful hardwood floors Family room w/fp, Master BR w/WIC & master bath Finished lower level Upstairs has loft has area great for lib or office Huge Lot

(E20EAG) 248-349-5600 \$264,900



**NOVI Almost An Acre**  
Beautiful approx .79 acre lot in choice location with Northville mailing Custom colonial w/4BR, den & 1st floor laundry Finished basement under whole house Newer carpet & roof shingles An awesome opportunity

(E31LLO) 248-349-5600 \$325,000



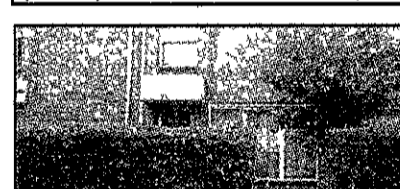
**DEARBORN Broad Front Beauty**  
This lovely 2 bed, 2 bath bungalow offers hardwood floors on 1st floor covered ceilings, outstanding 2nd flr mstr suite w/updates & driveway Spacious kitchen finished lower level w/gas fpic 2 car attached garage & updated baths

(E34BEE) 734-455-5600 \$186,500




**DEARBORN Facing Beautiful Woods**  
One bedroom 1 bath condo in high rise with newer carpet in living room & bedroom Freshly painted to Lots of storage space

(E00GAR) 734-455-5600 \$83,500




**LIVONIA Great Location**  
2BR, 1 1/2 BA condo, neutral T/O Hardwood under carpet Newer furnace & entry doors-C/A newer window treatments A/C ceiling fan partially fin bsmt & appliances Near Livonia rec center

(F59FIV) 248-349-5600 \$135,000



**COMMERCE Awesome Area**  
Fun in the sun - shop or swim Darling cape cod remodeled in 1998 Beautiful hardwood floors & fresh paint Kitchen bath updates & important mechanicals & ext improvements All this on large lot Fin basement & 2 car garage

(E00MAS) 248-349-5600 \$179,900




**RIVERVIEW Newly Updated Home**  
Must see move to appropriate Newer bathrooms, kitchen floor and newer carpet Two full bathrooms & 3 bedrooms Newer furnace-Sept 2004 New hot water tank-2001 Neat & clean Move right in

(E88QUA) 248-349-5600 \$134,900




**LIVONIA Private Setting**  
For Livonia ranch! Enjoy sitting by the pool this summer! So many updates! Roof (tear off) newer windows w/marble sill siding, gutters & driveway Spacious kitchen finished lower level w/gas fpic 2 car attached garage & updated baths

(E59MAY) 734-455-5600 \$215,500




**WESTLAND Charming Townhouse**  
Offers 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath full basement attached gar, newer kitchen floor light oak cabinets & some newer appls Master suite w/bath Custom woodwork & window treatments Large deck

(E13HUN) 734-455-5600 \$187,900



**ROMULUS Great Value**  
Charming 4 bedroom, 1 bath ranch has updated kitchen, newer windows Nice backyard, good for entertaining & roomy enough for a Garage

(E57LER) 248-349-5600 \$114,900



**WEST BLOOMFIELD Great Value**  
Beautiful 4BR, 3 1/2 BA colonial Granite 42" maple cabinets, custom hardwood, finished basement with bed bath, kitchen & wooded cul-de-sac lot 3 car garage Great lot with plenty of room to play

(E24MER) 248-349-5600 \$579,900



**REDFORD Welcome Home**  
Maintenance free brick ranch offers 3 spacious BR & 1 1/2 BA Updates include newer windows roof & furnace, newer kitchen floor Wonderful sunroom to enjoy your private wooded ravine lot Finished basement

(E50ROS) 248-349-5600 \$169,900



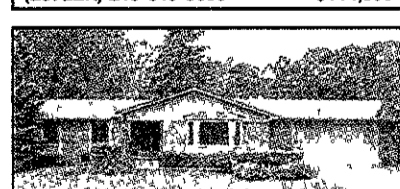
**RIVERVIEW Gorgeous View**  
Three bedroom brick ranch in true move-in condition So many updates done in last 2 years roof on house & garage bath kitchen floor carpet T/O & much more! A great home just waiting for you, don't wait!

(E19MAT) 734-455-5600 \$139,900




**STERLING HTS. Elegance At Its Best**  
Exceptional value in everyway on a private cul-de-sac Windows galore to let in natural light, vaulted ceilings, FR w/gas fpic & custom mantle in this beautiful 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath colonial - 3 car attached garage & finished basement

(E72VER) 734-455-5600 \$350,000




**BRIGHTON Home with a Heart!**  
Picturesque approx 82 acre lot Fantastic 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath ranch w/walkout basement heated 2 1/2 car garage 2-level deck and top quality updates T/O A rare find & worth bragging about This home won't last so hurry

(E52WAS) 248-349-5600 \$289,900



**MILFORD Summer Walks to Town**  
Enjoy Great storage closet organizers Updated BA newer roof-03 newer Walkside windows Privacy fence hardwood floors, all appliances stay Huron Valley schools W/ large pantry & neutral decor

(E78PAN) 248-349-5600 \$189,900



**NORTHVILLE Timber Ridge Beauty**  
Spectacular brick colonial on premium lot backing to commons Lovely hardwood floors gorgeous wood paneled study great floor plan, fully fin LL w/4th BR full bath, kitchen area sauna, game room This one won't last

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**NORTHVILLE** 248-349-6200  
CUSTOM BUILT ELEGANCE 2 story foyer, massive rooms & a prvt park-like setting! Exciting opportunity for the creative buyer. Shown by appt only 348-6430 (25034686) \$795,000



**NOVI** 734-591-9200  
Gorgeous home! White kit w/island & bkfst rm, open to FR. Crown mldng T/O. 9 ft cells, neut & clean. Lrg 2nd flr indry. Cath cells in mstr suite w/jacuzzi tub (25080871) \$434,900



**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
COME HOME TO A NEW BEGINNING Lovely 4BR 2.5BA COL backing wooded area. Huge 2-tier deck begs entertaining and fin'd bsmt is great for rec room plus office/exercise room. Call NOW! (23T3735) \$359,500



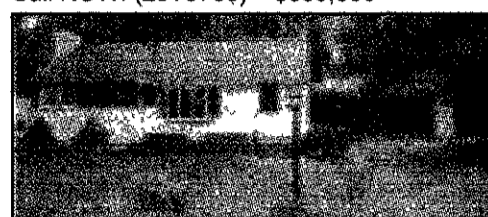
**PLYMOUTH** 248-348-6430  
EXCEPTIONAL HOME W/AN EXCEPTIONAL PRICE! 2100 SF 3BR, 3BA, 3 cargar. Updtd kit, BA, wndws, roof, brick work, 2 new furns, sprinkler system, HWH, drywall, 3 car gar. Sits on over 1 acre. Hurry! 349-6200 (25074732) \$325,000



**NOVI** 248-348-6430  
WONDERFUL HOME ON PICTURESQUE LOT w/charm, delightful kit, inviting FR, lovely DR w/hdwd flr, 4 BR, fin'd bsmt w/a great entertainment center. Projection TV & surround sound. 349-6200 (25042426) \$324,900



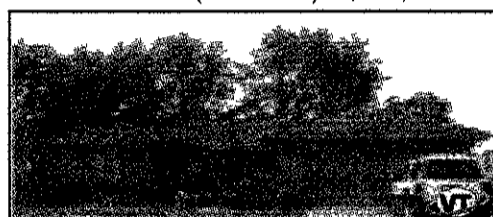
**NOVI** 248-349-6200  
0.5 ACRE, NORTHVILLE SCHOOLS Peaceful parklike corner lot w/circle drive! Comfortable spacious sunlit home w/full bsmt. FR w/FP, 2 car att gar and priv landscaped deck. 348-6430 (25058138) \$284,900



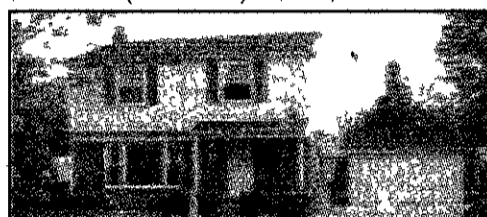
**LIVONIA** 734-455-7000  
ROOM TO ROAM Inside and out in this 3 BR, 2 full BA ranch in Livonia. 1/2 acre lot. Updates include siding, roof, gutters, plumbing, etc. Call Now! (23F15007) \$250,000



**PLYMOUTH** 734-591-9200  
Absolutely stunning bungalow with enormous GR addition with vaulted ceiling, floor to ceiling stone flpc & dining area. Master suite w/sitting area & full BA (25052277) \$249,900



**CANTON** 734-591-9200  
Brick ranch in desirable sub! 3 BR, 2 full BA, 2 car att gar. 1488 SF. Open floor plan great for entertaining. Updated kit, BAs, decor, roof furn, C/A - too much to list. (25090568) \$224,900



**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 734-591-9200  
Great curb appeal on this 3 BR brick colonial. Newer vinyl siding, nicely landscaped, main BA recently remod, fin bsmt w/bar & sauna rm w/shower. Close to schools, shopping & pub. golf course (25076112) \$215,000



**FARMINGTON HILLS** 248-348-6430  
ENJOY COUNTRY IN THE CITY! Convenient to everything. Yet this 3 BR, 2 BA home has a prvt, country-like setting incl perennials and specimen plantings. Clean and ready to move in. 349-6200 (25062033) \$199,900



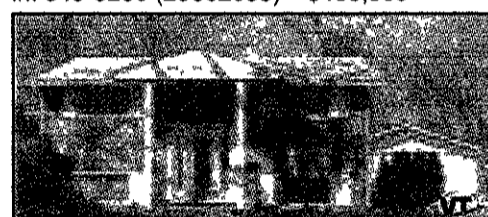
**LIVONIA** 734-326-2000  
AVAILABLE TODAY 3 BR vinyl bung on a half acre lot w/FR with flpc, 1 1/2 BA, redecorated kit, and 2 car gar. (G155) \$198,000



**LIVONIA** 734-455-7000  
MOVE-IN CONDITION! 3 BR Ranch - Updated thruout, awaiting a new loving family in excellent Livonia P.S. - includes fin'd bsmt. (23S10020) \$179,900



**FERDALE** 734-591-9200  
Super Cute & Clean Bung. Walk to Downtown Ferndale! 3 BR, 1 BA, gar & rec room in bsmt too! Updated roof, central air, BA decor & more! Come quick (25087257) \$164,900



**WESTLAND** 734-326-2000  
COMFORTABLE MODERN SPLIT LEVEL 4 BR, 1.5 BA. Remodeled kit & BAs, newer windows & crpt plus many other upds. 2 1/2 car gar & backs to a wooded area. (C214) 21062 \$159,900



**NOVI** 248-348-6430  
FRESHLY PAINTED END UNIT TOWNHOUSE Lg mstr BR w/separate BA, LR w/bay wndw, updated kit, comfortable FR w/drwl to patio, part fin'd bsmt, home protection plan offered. 349-6200 (25028790) \$159,900



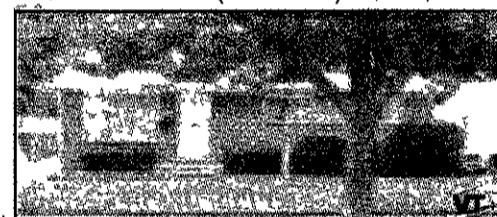
**WESTLAND** 734-455-7000  
3BR RANCH HOME WITH WOW! Backs to wooded area. FR w/nat brick hearth FP. Kit w/parquet flr, ash cabinets w/pantry, cast iron sink, stove stays. 1 yr warranty at closing. (23B34642) \$154,900



**FARMINGTON HILLS** 248-348-6430  
CLEAN AND COZY 3 BR brick front ranch. Updated w/newer windows, kit cabinets, and vinyl siding. Ready to move into. 349-6200 (25006667) \$151,900



**CANTON** 248-348-6430  
RARE 3 BR condo w/bsmt & gar. Updated & freshly painted. Neutral thruout. Lots of room. Great location clubhouse & pool. 349-6200 (25072066) \$150,000



**WESTLAND** 734-591-9200  
A charming, neat as a pin, brick ranch w/an eat in kit. Clean thru & thru. Roof (tear off) 6 yrs. Furn/Air 3 & 10 yrs. Vinyl Windows. Unfin'd bsmt and a 2 car det gar (25084271) \$149,900



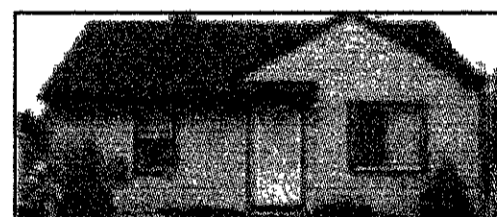
**REDFORD** 734-591-9200  
Updated, well maintained & super clean best describes this wonderful hm in one of Redford's finest areas. Updated kit & BA-both w/ceramic. Newer roof & wndws, bsmt fin w/drywall & recessed lgts. (25089070) \$142,900



**GARDEN CITY** 734-326-2000  
CUTE ADORABLE RANCH 3 BRs & 2 car gar. Newer vinyl windows throughout, updated kit & BA. Roof tear off and stripped in '98. Cozy & just right for 1st time home buyers. (J298) \$139,000



**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 734-326-2000  
UPDATES GALORE IN THIS RANCH 3 BR 2 full BAs Updates include: C/A 04, Wallside Windows 04, new gar door, BAs, kit, Rf tear off 99, newly fenced W/inground pool on DBL lot. (C254) \$132,900



**REDFORD** 734-591-9200  
Welcome to this extremely clean updated doll house! Comes w/2 BRs, 684 SF & fin'd bsmt. Located in Livonia Clarenceville School District. A must see! visit www.samsellsouses.com (25080697) \$107,000

**CANTON** 248-348-6430  
A PRIVATE AND SECLUDED COMM Prvt end unit ranch condo, 2 BR, 2 full BAs, extensive upgrades, gracious LR w/dbl flpc, lib, lg deck, view of pond, 2 car att side entry gar. 349-6200 (25049000) \$309,900

**CANTON** 734-591-9200  
Contemporary, open feel. 3 BR, 2 1/2 BAs, over 2000 SF, 1st floor Master BR & Laundry, cath ceiling, hdwd in kit, foyer & powder room. Stylish loft. (25036002) \$279,900

**CANTON** 734-591-9200  
Great curb appeal on this 4BR, 1.5BA. Eat in kit & DR. Deck off master BR, natural FP in FR. Close to xways, great neighborhood (25053205) \$226,900

**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
GREAT FAMILY HOME! 4 BR, 1.5 BA. Prvt fenced back yard retreat for those summer cookouts! Updtd rf, C/A, furn & windows. Ply/Can schls. (25052074) \$219,900

**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
CANTON FOR UNDER \$115,000 Great 2 BR condo w/1 car att gar. Jetted tub in remod BA. Updated kit, all appls stay! (25038215) \$114,900

**COMMERCE** 734-326-2000  
WHERE STREETS WIND & NERVES UNWIND 3 BR bung 2 car gar on lovely 1/2 acre. Across the street from & with lake privs on Fox lake, large LR w/3BR, 2.5 BA. High efficiency gas FP insert. Drive thru gar. (25085940) \$169,900

**FARMINGTON** 248-348-6430  
PRVT, PEACEFUL & PERFECT Inviting home, nice entry w/curved staircase, delightful kit & bkfst area, beautiful FR, formal DR & LR, nice den & fin'd bsmt & deck 349-6200 (25048679) \$379,900

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 248-348-6430  
DET 3 BR CONDO! Spacious, updated & move-in ready! New granite kit, new flooring & crpt, freshly painted interior & new light fixtures! Great location w/nice yard 349-6200 (25061594) \$334,900

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 248-348-6430  
END UNIT RANCH CONDO! OPEN FLR PLN Vld cells w/skylt in kit. New wndws, roof-03, new stove, microwave & dishwasher. Gas flpc, neut t/o. 1 car gar w/opener. 349-6200 (25011747) \$165,000

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 248-349-6200  
GREAT "STARTER" HOME Cute and clean! This 3 BR sweetheart is in great condition and sits on the nicest lot in the neighborhood. 349-6200 (25074128) \$144,900

**GARDEN CITY** 734-326-2000  
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# BREAKING STEREOTYPES ABOUT 'POOR LITTLE WRITERS'



**WORKWISE**  
by  
Mildred L.  
Culp

"Making More Money" (Random House, \$14.95), by Kelly James-Enger, and you won't be one of them. The author's experience with billable hours from her previous life as a practicing attorney shines through. She knows how to get those hours and manage them.

Like many other freelancers, James-Enger focuses upon writing for magazine editors, who have higher fees to offer than many of their newspaper counterparts. She's also written books conventionally, from book proposal through publicizing, to assigned books for a fee or hourly rate. She made writing a *business* rather than a hobby. Seasoned as well as beginning writers will find her not only humorous, but chock-full of practical ideas. Here are some:

- Write on more than one topic, but remember that too much newness costs you time. Recycling and reslating can provide more income with less work.

- Within 24 hours of receiving a rejection, submit the same idea to another editor.

- To expand your market, consider whether speech-writing for corporate clients or serving as a contributing editor at several magazines might

provide much-needed repeat business. If you travel, write books, which require less interviewing than magazine articles. If you want more rapid cash flow, consider businesses and associations, who pay much more quickly (one to two weeks) than magazines (about a month).

- Analyze your sources of income at the end of the year so that you can concentrate on editors assigning you projects that deliver the highest hourly rate.

## WHAT OTHERS SAY

The book discusses how to maximize relationships through an effective workstyle, beginning with being "low-maintenance" for clients. Freelance writer Brette Sember of Clarence (suburban Buffalo), N.Y., writes about how she made the most of her mailing list. "I developed my own database of regional parenting publication editors and started selling them reprints by sending just one email to the entire group," she reports. "It was quick and I made lots of money. I then began to sell my database along with an ebook that explains my system as well as spreadsheets for tracking your submissions, payments, etc."

Tammy Whaley of Spartanburg, S.C., advises, "Become indispensable to your clients. When they can rely on your expertise, contacts and knowledge, it's easier to pay you to freelance than deal with the project on their own." If you can handle last-minute assignments,

network with people who tend to get them, such as newspaper and magazine writers. She maintains that PR professionals, especially at colleges and hospitals, are often good sources of assignments.

Marcia Layton Turner advocates mining your stock of writer and editor colleagues. Based in Fairport, N.Y., a suburb of Rochester, she secured through this tactic gigs with BusinessWeek, Black Enterprise, and a good amount of what she calls "book doctoring." She does the same for other writers, editors and agents when she becomes aware of possible new opportunities for them. Some of these opportunities develop into "great assignments."

## MORE CHUTZPAH

The stereotype of the poor little writer collapses when you recognize that making writing a lucrative business requires much more than sitting behind a computer. You have to market, market, market, regularly, in James-Enger's eyes. Her minimum daily requirement is one query.

That, however, is not enough.

Don't be afraid to ask for more money than you're offered, she advises, but don't accept too little, unless other factors outweigh. Read contracts carefully to be certain your client isn't about to take away all of your rights to reprint, sell in other markets, whatever. (But don't pit competitors against each



Kelly James-Enger author of "Six-Figure Freelancing: The Writer's Guide to Making More Money"

other with the same article.) Negotiate - ah, there's that word! - terms by telephone rather than e-mail, to assure access to the person's tone. If technology has almost completely overtaken your industry, sell benefits to the editor, such as a brief conversation that will clear up any misconceptions or confusing terms. It will be more thorough, to boot.

"Thank the person for the assignment," the author advises, "but know your walk-away point. (In this field), you can be assertive without being nasty."

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5060

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 NE Corner of 13 Mile & Middlebelt & turn right Turn left at second driveway

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**BLOOMFIELD**  
 Estate Sale, 3220 Berkshire, E/off Lahser, S/off 15 Fri & Sat July 15-16, 10-4pm. Complete household rain or shine, old furniture, piano, some antiques, Nk Naks, art, glassware, old clothes, jewelry, etc Everything must go! Cash only! No Early Sales Please!

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS** - 90 yr old women's estate sale Thur. Fri & Sat, 9am-7pm 159 Alice Ave., S of St Joe Hospital off Woodward Ave

**DEARBORN** Grand Estate Sale, 7903 Theisen, btwn Warren & Tireman W/ of Wyoming July 14-15-16, 10-5pm Many household items, some vintage, toys, bikes, lawn mowers, drum set, furniture, framed art, tvs, vcr, microwave, typewriter Polish artifacts Old Ford car parts, air compressor, tools, welding tank, aluminum brake, much more

**FARMINGTON HILLS** Thurs-Sat, 9-5pm, 29680 Whitehall Dr, 13 Mile/Drake Furniture, household items, tools, misc

**LIVONIA ESTATE SALE** by Gene and Melissa Lalonde 16754 Blue Skies, S/off 6 mile, W/ of Newburgh Antiques, solid oak furniture, 2 dining room sets, all nice quality furniture and household items Fri & Sat 8-4pm

**LIVONIA** House of Denmark Teak Walnut, couch, & tables Teacher's Supplies Vintage Books Tools & more 35310 W Chicago S of Plymouth, E of Lavan Fri & Sat 10-4pm By Sunshine Sales

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**FARMINGTON HILLS:** 29315 Raleigh, Fri & Sat, July 15 & 16 10am-5pm S off 11, E of Middlebelt Moving, Everything Goes! Collectibles, vintage linen & china, stoneware, crystal, furniture, decorative items-DON T MISS IT!

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**LIVONIA ALL MUST GO!** No reasonable offer refused 38856 Grandon, W/ of Hix, N/ of July 14-15-16, 9-4pm

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**LIVONIA** Moving Sale Furniture, household goods, 14122 Edgewood, btwn Farmington & Levan, off Schoolcraft service Dr July 14-16, 8-4pm

**NORTHVILLE** - 613 Carpenter, Fri & Sat, 9-4 Everything must go, furniture, knick knacks & household misc

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**PLYMOUTH:** Thurs-Sat 10-4, 1302 Junction Apt 1, Sheldon & Junction Maytag gas dryer /washer, sofas, TV hutch, clothes, & decorative items

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**SOUTHFIELD:** 20870 Andover Dining table, kitchen table/chairs, pool table, mens/womens clothes, shoes, jewelry, air conditioner, food warmer, washer/dryer 7/14-7/17

**TROY ESTATE SALE:** 6759 Northfield Pkwy Court 1 Long Lake/Coolidge, 07/15-16 10am-5pm, 07/17 10am-1pm

**Baby & Children Items**

**TRAIN SET-THOMAS ROUND**  
 TABLE with table, all accessories New, \$700 value, asking \$275/best (734) 420-5741

**Household Goods**

**BED** - Brand New super pillow-top mattress set, in plastic, with warranty. Must sell! Can deliver 734-231-6822

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**BEDROOM SET**, 6 piece, exc cond See pictures at craigslist.com/detroit-furniture-7405-traditional/bedroom \$800 313-273-0432

**BEDROOM SET**, Twin 7 piece, Mahogany Good condition \$2600 Call 248-661-0015

**BUNK BED** White, metal, double on bottom \$150 Oak desk, \$100 Formal Cherry dresser w/ mirrors, \$300 Girls Pine bedroom set, \$150 (248) 634-7858

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**COFFEE table, 2 and tables & triangle accent table** Ethan Allen, mission style, 2 tone cherrywood & black Asking \$800/best Ultrasead chaise, light brown, brand new, \$600, 248-657-0661

**COMPUTER DESK** Sauder, 60" wide x 23" deep, w/bookcase top, Cherrywood \$129 Cost \$7,670, sell \$1900/best 248-670-2080

**COUCH**

Lazy Boy, w/2 recliners, neutral colors Excellent Cond \$250 Canton 734-981-6459

**CRIBS** - Small & large Ceiling fan, ac, treadmill, chairs & household items Call before 8pm 734-728-3377

**CUSTOM WALL UNIT** Fluted columns, Crown Molding Oak, laminate & glass 3 sections Overall width 152", height 95", depth middle section 27-1/2", end sections, 25" Built by Millenium of Bloomfield Hills MUST SEE! Cost \$7,670, sell \$1900/best 248-670-2080

**DESKS**

2 Steelcase executive desks \$500 both, or best offer Call 248-939-0325

**DINING CHAIRS** - 5 Windsor from Watch Hill Antiques \$500 King mission-style headboard & frame \$75. Antique ladies rocker, Heywood Brothers, 1873, \$200 248-312-7252

**DINING ROOM SET** - Formal, 8 chairs, 2 leaves, serving buffet, great cond, \$1200 2 race car beds w/mattresses from Toys R Us, \$50 each 248-792-2499

**DINING TABLE** Contemporary round oak w/chrome pedestal & 4 matching chairs Paid \$300 Asking \$700 248-910-1558 or 808-250-3153

**DINING TABLE**, maple King size headboard & frame 6 cherry dining chairs w/abnc seats & custom draperies to match Snowblower, flexible Flyer Sleds from the 60's (248) 642-8481

**ENTERTAINMENT CENTER**  
 Beautiful solid Oak, lighted 3 piece cabinet \$450. Must See 734-422-2831

**ETHAN ALLEN** 2 loveseats, dining set, kitchen set, secretary desk, bachelor's chest & table, sofa, bed, antiques All exc cond (734) 455-1811

**ETHAN ALLEN SACRIFICIAL**  
 GORGEOUS Dining Set! Ash, Mission-style w/ 2 leafs, 6 upholstered chairs, buffet w/ round mirror Retail \$4600, asking \$2900 RARELY USED! Must sell! 734-558-8144

**FURNITURE** - Whitmore Sherill navy leather sofa, English club-style, 6 years old, good cond, \$600 2 coordinating plaid upholstered chairs, Ethan Allen, \$350 each 248-646-1378

**FURNITURE** Blond bedroom set, full size, box spring, mattress, chest, dresser, head & footboard \$100, Chester freezer \$100, Casement air conditioner, 1000BTU \$140, electric dryer \$85 248-665-0262

**Household Goods**

**FURNITURE** Stiffel lamps, antique chairs, 8 place wall unit, brass/glass coffee table 248-652-3956

**FURNITURE** Black leather couch \$350, good condition King mattress spring & frame \$450 248-651-8382

**GRILL - WEBER**

Gas Used 4 times SOLD

**HENREDON MAHOGANY DINING TABLE**

Exec cond \$700, (248) 380-4015

**ITALIAN VERTIGRIS IRON**  
 Table w/ glass top, 6 chairs w/ rope woven seats Steel case oak executive desk, freezer, fridge, Diebold security safe (248) 310-1470

**KITCHEN CABINETS** (white) Countertop, oven cooktop, refrigerator, dishwasher, sink, bar sink 248-641-1813

**MATTRESS QUEEN**, pillow-top set in plastic Full factory warranty Retail \$600, sacrifice \$190 313-304-2004

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**OAK LOFT BUNK BED** Like new, student desk, shelf storage, chest of 5 drawers built in, paid \$1300, asking \$800 After 3 00pm (734) 221-5789

**RATTAN FURNITURE**, pecan, 3 pc s, couch, chair & rocker Good cond. \$225 Steel cargo carrier, \$85 (248) 473-9454

**SECRETARY** - Baker, \$4000 Contemporary Drexel dining room set, \$1800 5 piece walnut bdrm set, \$900 All brand new cond Downsizing, must see 313-561-8090

**SECTIONAL** 2 piece, brown, includes 2 end tables, 2 lamps & one coffee table, Sell as set for \$500 or best. Dining room table w/glass top & 4 chairs 734-467-5606

**SOFA** 80", natural color, 2 recliners, hunter green All in good condition \$250 or best offer 734-397-9707

**SOFA \$175**  
 Matching loveseat \$125 BOTH-\$275 Floral Pattern 734-981-7892

**SOFA** Floral print, like new \$500, Chaise Lounge \$100, Sharp 27" TV - \$75, Rocking Horse - \$25 734-397-4629

**STORAGE CLOSET CABINET**  
 TV Entertainment Cabinet 2 pc Walnut room divider Yamaha keyboard (734) 421-8893

**TABLE** Beautiful 2 yr. old country Ash (40 x73), 6 chairs; 24" extension leaf high quality from Marsai Fields Orig \$3000 Now \$895 (248) 628-4779

**Household Goods**

**TABLE** Glass & wrought iron indoor, or outdoor 42x72, \$150 Desk w/light oak finish \$300 248-330-3262

**THOMASVILLE** Queen Ann Cherry, dining room set, with lighted cabinet Wine couch, loveseat, Foose ball table, ice hockey, 2 patio benches (248) 877-1246

**WEIGHT LIFTING EQUIPMENT**  
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**Appliances**

**REFRIGERATOR**  
 Glass DOOR, Commercial, \$450 313-407-0225

**REFRIGERATOR** Maytag 21.8 CU FT side-by-side Almond, excellent condition \$375 Firm 734-546-0944

**REFRIGERATOR**, Electric stove White, like new \$150, both Stainless double sink faucet, \$50 248-649-5850

**REFRIGERATOR**, Kenmore 217 cu ft, bottom freezer, white, auto ice maker, auto defrost, energy efficient, 4 yrs old Very good condition \$700, 248-865-2519

**Appliances**

**APPLIANCES**  
 White Exc condition Sub zero refrigerator, \$1000, JennAire Cooktop, \$350, Asko dishwasher, \$350, GE Profile range hood, \$75, stacked microwave/ oven, \$150 (248) 644-9215

**CENTRAL AIR CONDITIONER**  
 American Standard 15 ton, super quiet, like new \$500 Call Don (734) 525-0683

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**REFRIGERATOR** Frigidaire 25.9 cu ft 67" high, 35" wide Side by Side Crushed ice & water dispenser on door Great cond 3 yrs old \$500/best (313) 535-4897

**REFRIGERATOR** GE Profile, side/side, water & ice on door, black used 1 yr Pd \$1900, now \$875 248-505-7277

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## Exercise/Fitness Equipment

**TREADMILL** Century heavy duty motor for professional use. Very good Cond. Paid \$3000 Asking \$700 248-910-1558 or 808-250-3153

## Cameras & Supplies

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**DAY LILIES SALE** Seeding-Hybrid \$3 or \$5 for double fan. In bloom now. (313) 533-8170

## Hospital/Medical Equipment

**RED, QUEEN ADJUSTABLE** w/wireless remote & motors. \$250 (248) 661-6888

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## JOHN DEERE GATOR 2004

Power dump, trail package, excellent condition. \$6250. 248-561-9351

## LAWN MOWER TRACTOR

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## RIDING MOWER John Deere

LT160 16 hp automatic 612 hours. Pull behind trailer. Included Looks & runs like new. \$1700. 248-641-9770

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**BILLIARD/ POOL TABLE** 8 ft. pro series 3 piece, 1 in. slate solid wood, leather pockets, NEW, boxed. Retail \$5250, sell \$1,975 (734) 732-9338

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Model SX-PR900C. In a simulated Cherry finish. Like new. Moving to Hawaii. Paid \$7000. Asking \$1800. 248-910-1558 or 808-250-3153

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## SAXOPHONE - SOPRANO

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**Wanted** Old Motorcycle's Snowmobiles, ATV's Will pick up. 248-310-8864

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**PARROTT ACCESSORIES** Tower, T Stands & Toys. 248-651-5171

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Puppies. Dewes, wormed, docked tail guarantee \$600 and up. (810) 667-3555

## PUGAL Fawn w/black face, 3 months old female

Housebroken shots. Adorable! 248-553-2376

## SAMOYED

AKC, female. Loves kids. To a good home. Robin. 586-909-5867

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## LOST BLACK CAT

5-11-05. Near Beck & Cherry Hill, declawed. Sadly missed. Reward (734) 495-3446

## LOST PARAKEET

Schoolcraft/Newburgh area. Reward (734) 953-8523

## REWARD LOST CAT

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# Garage Sales

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## BEVERLY HILLS

**Mighty Homes Garage Sale** Ronsdale Sub, off Evergreen, btwn 13 & 14 mile rd. 20306 Ronsdale. Boy clothing, infant to 3 yrs. Girls clothing, 2-5-6 Designer women clothing, size 6-10. Bunk beds, toys, books. Thurs-Fri-Sat 8am-3pm

## BEVERLY HILLS

3 house garage sale. 19559 Waltham off on Sat. N. of 13. W. of Lahser. 31945 Crossbow Ct

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Ronsdale off Evergreen btwn 13 & 14. Large assortment, blinds, kitchen, sports, patio, closets, & others. Thurs-Sat 8am-3pm

## BIRMINGHAM

"Let's Make A Deal!" Furniture Sale. Thurs & Fri, 9am-4pm. 616 Kennesaw

## BIRMINGHAM

1838 Derby (btwn Graefest & Eton) Friday & Saturday, July 15 & 16, 10-5 Everything must go!

## BLOOMFIELD HILLS

Fri & Sat 9-5 863 Helston (btwn Long & Square Lake Rds. Everything for baby! Household, clothes, books

## BLOOMFIELD TWP

4325 Pine Tree Tr. S. of Long Lake. W. of Telegraph. July 15 & 16, 9-4 Kids toys antique 3/4 bed dresser, canoe misc

## BLOOMFIELD TWP

Moving Sale Electronics, furniture, misc. Fri-Sat July 15-16, 9-5pm 4020 Lincoln Drive

## CANTON

2 family sale. Thurs-Sat July 14-17, 9-5 1733 Christopher Dr. E. of Sheldon, N. of Palmer. Rain date the following weekend

## CANTON

Fri & Sat, 7am-7 Multi-Family 45660 Larchmont, Hanford & Canton Ct. Household, kids clothes, baby items, lots of toys, treadmill

## CANTON

Garage/doll sale. July 15-16, 9-3pm, 43317 Strongton Ct. (N. Palmer, W. Lilley) New porcelain/vinyl dolls, Barbies, new/used household items

## CANTON

Wildwood Springs Sub. Sale 104 houses. Thurs-Fri, 9-4 S. of Cherry Hill, W. of Lotz. Something for everyone

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## CANTON

Thurs-Sat, June 14-16, 9-5pm 5 Family Piano, sports, much more! 334 Robyn Drive off Cherry Hill, btwn Lilley & Haggerty

## CANTON

4 family sale! Furniture toys clothes, & lots of misc. 374 Meadowlake, off Cherry Hill Rd. btwn John Hicks Rd & I-275 or Lotz July 12-16

## CANTON

Fri-Sat, July 15-16, 9am-4pm 329 Kingsway, SW, corner of Cherry Hill & Lilley. Collectible dolls, toys, glass, & clothes for teens

## CANTON

Sat, 8-4pm 685 Highlands Dr. Fairway Pines Sub. S. of Cherry Hill, W. of Canton Center Household, furniture, childrens items, toys

## CANTON

Sat, 7-16-17 9-5pm 43001 Ryegate N/W Warren, E/ot Morton Taylor

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## FARMINGTON HILLS

Fri, Sat 9-5 25531 Crystal Springs Court, (S. of 11 Mile, E. of Orchard Lake, enter off W. McFarlane) Contemporary furniture, art, new teen mattress set, entertainment unit, misc

## FARMINGTON HILLS

Garage Sale! Multi-Family Tons of Quality Stuff! Designer Clothing, Purses, Shoes (GUCCI, ST. JOHN, PRADA) Kids Toys & Books, Home/Office Items furniture & more! Hunters Ridge 14 Mile & Orchard Lk Rd-31855 Kingswood Sq July 15-16, 9-30-4pm/No early birds

## FARMINGTON HILLS

Sat 7/16, 10-5 pm 20853 Orchard Lake Rd (Just N. of 8 Mile Rd.) Small appliances books, art, & lots more

## FARMINGTON HILLS

SUB-WIDE SALE! Timbercrest Sub, S. of 12 Mile, E. of Middlebelt, July 15, 16, 17 9am-6pm Furniture, clothes, toys, etc

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Huge, quality antiques, furniture New Harley parts, antique Barber chair, ladies' skis clothing accessories, china, household, everything must go! July 16 & 17, 10am-4pm 22921 Power Rds. 29555 Shenando

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## LAKE ORION

7/16, 9-3pm 2433 Gemini N. of Waldon, & W. of Joslyn A-Z household items, toys to tools, furniture & clothing

## LIVONIA

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## LIVONIA

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# AUTOMOTIVE COCOONING

Advertising Feature

## Thursday DriveTime



BY DALE BUSS

Americans now spend an average of more than 15 hours a week in their vehicle, amounting to more than 32 days each year – or twice as long as the average vacation – according to a recent survey by Harris Interactive. Not all that surprisingly, this means that almost half of drivers frequently eat in their vehicles and that about one in four of them actually claim to have finished getting dressed in their car.

Now, you can look at this phenomenon in one of at least two ways. One approach would be to consider this another sign of the decline of Western Civilization, an ominous portent with multiple facets. We're clearly spending too much time in our vehicles and away from family members, friends and other human beings, just another way that we're isolating ourselves from one another, for example. And it's just plain not safe to have the driver in front of you putting on his tie, yakking on his cell phone, making an entry on his PDA, shoving down an Egg McMuffin – and oh, yes, driving – all at the same time.

But another way to look at this trend is as a big opportunity for the automotive business. Since we've all got to spend more and more time in our vehicles, auto execs figure, we might as well want to while away the hours in their cars and SUVs rather than the competition's. So auto manufacturers, as well as their suppliers and also aftermarket-accessory companies, are devoting more and more of their resources to making sure that you're enjoying your time in their cockpits and back seats because they're increasingly comfortable and functional.

Call it automotive "cocooning," the mobile effect that's similar to the term that was invented several years ago to describe Americans' increasing tendency to invest in making home and hearth more comfortable.

"People are driving cars longer and further so they're putting more and more creature comforts into their vehicles, just like in their homes," says Peter Baldine, senior vice president of Alta Mere Industries, a company based in Midlothian, Illinois, that specializes in high-tech products for the car such as satellite



2005 Chevrolet Malibu Maxx offers many extras.

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radio and television, GPS navigation systems, audio upgrades and onboard TV and DVD systems."

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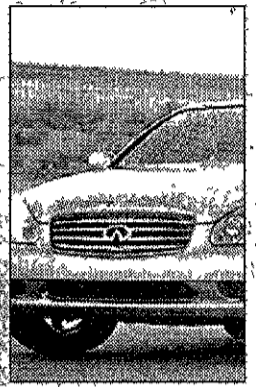
For Ford, this emphasis means several things. First, Ford is paying more and more attention to styling per se, right down to improvements in the materials in its interiors, in an effort to make them more "live-inable."

"We see this as a competitive advantage for us," Schiavone says. "In a way, we're looking at the interior of some of our vehicles like modern furniture. We're trying to integrate an ultramodern, high-end-furniture look into some of our cars, which will change woods and other materials. Even most low-end cars now offer leather interiors, so to some degree we have to move on from that."

What does Schiavone have in mind? Maybe "tor-toise shell or granite or hand-painted finishes" in

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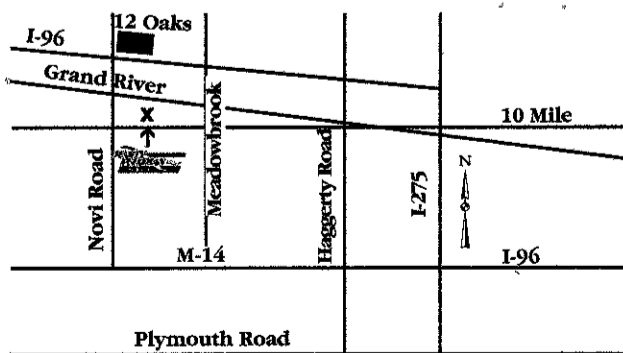
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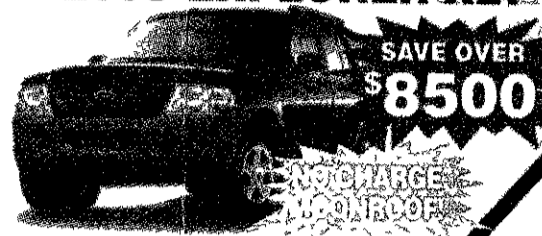
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