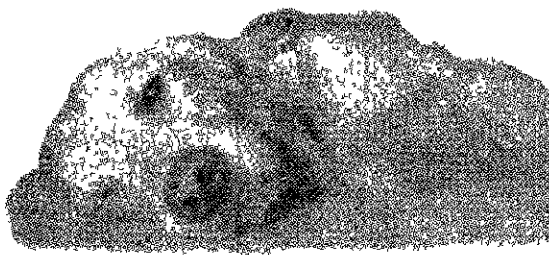


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Canton resident Jack Madonia and other UAW members of Local 174 picket in front of Hercules Drawn Steel in Livonia. The company has locked out the union after a contract dispute.

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Locked out

Local union fighting for
its future existence

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

Jack Madonia has worked at Hercules Drawn Steel in Livonia for 33 years. In fact, it was his very first job after getting out of the military a couple of years after graduating from high school. The Canton resident says the job is all he's ever known. Since the beginning of May, however, he and the other members of UAW Local 174 have found themselves on the outside looking in.



PLEASE SEE UNION, A5 UAW members from Local 174 picket Hercules Steel in Livonia, where the union members are locked out.

Canton man arrested in sex sting

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County Sheriff's officers have arrested their oldest suspect of Internet child sexual abuse. Harley Dale Ellenberger, 68, of Canton, was arrested Monday after he arranged to meet a 14-year-old girl on the east side of the county.

The problem for Ellenberger was that the girl police allege he arranged to meet for sex wasn't really a girl. He had been chatting online with an officer from the Wayne County Sheriff's Internet Crime Unit.

"It is particularly troubling that someone who very well could have grandchildren of this age would engage in this type of behavior," said Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans. "It just goes to show that this kind of compulsion cuts across social, economic and age lines. It also drives home the perils of the Internet for young girls and boys."

According to officers, Ellenberger was arrested at the "meet-up" location. He was driving his gold Mercury Mountaineer, and officers found maps from his home to the location.

Police say he chatted just once with the deputy before arranging a meeting for sex with the "girl." According to police reports, he was going to take the girl to a nearby hotel, and the two would stay overnight. He would bring her home the next day. Investigators have seized Ellenberger's home computer to examine it for evidence of his chats and any other pertinent information.

Ellenberger, a married father of two grown children, works as a contractor for a non-profit medical supply company.

Ellenberger was arraigned Tuesday afternoon at 31st District Court in Hamtramck on charges of illegal use of the Internet and child sexually abusive behavior. He is being held at the Wayne County Jail on \$75,000 cash bond. His next court date is Aug. 4 for his preliminary examination.

Teens convert old township building into 'The Block'

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

The little brick building at the corner of Sheldon and Michigan Avenue is having some new life pumped into it. It's also getting some new paint. Day-Glo colored paint to be more specific.

The building most recently housed Canton Human Services and the Canton Community Foundation, but since the end of March, teen programming has been moving in and the teens have been showing up with paint rollers in hand to give the building a face lift, including bright orange, lime green and violet purple paint.

They've also given the building a new name: The Block.

"Everyone agreed that it really does look like a block, so the name sort of stuck," said Jon LaFever, youth development specialist.

PLEASE SEE BLOCK, A3

Voters will determine county parks tax renewal

On Tuesday, Wayne County voters will decide whether to renew a five-year, .25 mill tax for the improvement and operation of county parks. The renewal is projected to raise nearly \$12 million next year.

The tax, first approved by voters in 1996 and renewed in 2000, makes specific reference to major improvements to Hines Park, Elizabeth Park (in Trenton), Chandler Park (in Detroit) and Fort Wayne. The ballot language also requires that the county continue to budget for the parks an amount from its general fund equal to the amount budgeted in 1995-96.

Money raised through the millage has also been used to fund several local recreation projects including repairs to a swimming



pool in Garden City and the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

County officials have been criticized for placing the renewal on the Aug. 2 ballot when many suburban communities do not have primary elections. Detroit,

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Canton voters should go to assigned polling locations indicated on their voter registration cards. Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

For a list of polling places in Canton, visit <http://www.canton-mi.org/Clerk/precincts.asp>. For more information, contact Canton Township Clerk Terry Bennett at (734) 394-5120.

which is expected to favor the millage renewal, has a hotly contested mayoral primary.

The millage has also been criticized by suburban leaders over the distribution of funds for local

projects. State Rep. Phil LaJoy (R-Canton) had proposed a bill that would have required that the county distribute 50 percent of money raised in each community back to the community for local projects.

Recently Alan Helmkamp, assistant Wayne County executive for government relations, met with suburban leaders to discuss a new process for distributing millage money. Under the plan, a five-person review committee would make recommendations which would have to be reviewed by the county commission. The process would go into effect Aug. 3, pending commission approval.

LaJoy withdrew his bill after suburban leaders agreed on the new process.

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Coming Thursday in Filter

The Annual Highland Games features athletic competitions, dancing and entertainers, at Historic Greenmead in Livonia.



Firefighter promotions

In conjunction with the opening of Canton's Fire Station #3, located on Denton and Cherry Hill Roads, Canton Fire Department has promoted three firefighters to the position of lieutenant. The three promotions have been awarded to David Champagne, Thomas Davison, and John Hunter. Their first assignment will be that of station officer at Fire Station #1.

Champagne, 54, is a 31-year veteran of the department. He spent several years of his career working in the Fire Prevention Division as fire inspector and fire marshal. He has received numerous awards including Life Saving, Unit Commendation, Iron Man, and Firefighter of the Year. He is married and has two grandchildren.

Davison, 48, is a 28-year veteran of the department. He is certified in Extrication, Fire

Officer 1 and 2, and has his emergency medical technician license. A graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School, Davison has received a life saving award during his career in Canton. He is married and has two children.

Hunter, 44, is a 24-year veteran of the department. He has received several awards during his career including a unit commendation and three life saving awards. He also attended classes for and obtained his paramedic license in 1998. He is married and has three children and one grandchild.

The promotions were necessary to provide the required number of command officers at each of Canton's three fire stations. Over the past year, Canton has been in the process of hiring new firefighters to increase their staffing level to accommodate the third station.

Rotary rummage sale

The Canton Rotary Club will

hold its annual rummage sale Aug. 27 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) and Aug. 28 (11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) at Mettetal Airport, 8550 Lilly Road in Canton.

Housewares, children's items, clothing, furniture, appliances, holiday items, and various miscellaneous items will be available. To pick-up or for dropping items off, call Bill Brown at (734) 455-3344 or (734) 420-2733.

Clean sweep

Have you been putting off having a yard sale? Canton residents can gather their friends and family on August 13 and head out to Canton's beautiful Heritage Park. There, they will find the park turned into a giant yard sale, giving them the opportunity to purchase and/or sell items.

Canton Residents 18 years and up can reserve their 20-foot selling space by August 11, at Summit on the Park for only \$15 (\$20 for non residents.) Tables are also available for

rent for an additional fee of \$8. Set-up will be from 8 to 10:30 a.m. on August 13, with the actual sale running from 11 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Light concessions will be available.

Golf outings

The Canton Chamber of Commerce will be holding its annual golf outing Aug. 9 with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. at the Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton. There are a number of sponsorship and golf opportunities, including:

- Tee & Green Sponsor for \$150, which includes signage at a tee or green of your choice (first come - first served) and a plaque acknowledging your business as the sponsor.
- Golf for four sponsorship package for \$650, which includes signage on a tee or green at the course, recognition and plaque during dinner program, plus 18 holes of golf for four. Golf includes cart, continental breakfast, lunch at the turn, beverages on the course, dinner, gift package, awards and prizes.
- Golf for Four (Save \$50) for \$550, includes 18 holes of golf for

four with cart, continental breakfast, lunch at the turn, beverages on the course, dinner, gift package, awards and prizes.

- Individual Golf for \$150, includes 18 holes of golf with cart, continental breakfast, lunch at the turn, beverages on the course, dinner, gift package, awards and prizes.
- Dinner only for \$35, includes barbeque buffet dinner of chicken and ribs, salad, vegetable, potato, dessert, and cash bar.

For more information or to sign up for sponsorship or golf opportunities, please contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040.

The 2nd Annual Lew Stevens Memorial Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, September 9, 2005, at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton. The cost is \$100 per person and includes 18 holes of scramble golf with a cart, continental breakfast, dinner, contests and door prizes.

All proceeds from the outing will go to the Canton Police Benevolent Fund to provide financial assistance to families of public safety or municipal employees suffering a loss through death or injury.

The Canton Police Benevolent Fund was created in 2004 due to the tragic on-duty death of Officer Gordon "Lew" Stevens. Stevens died on July 23, 2003, after being struck from behind in his patrol vehicle. On December 1, 2003 the Canton Police Department suffered a second devastating loss when Officer Brian Darow died in an off-duty accident.

To register for the outing or to make a donation contact the Canton Police Department at (734) 394-5400.

Youth orchestra auditions

The Celebration Youth Orchestra (CYO) will be holding auditions for the 2005-2006 school year on Saturday, September 10, 2005. Auditions will take place at Evola Music, 7170 North Haggerty Road in Canton. Auditions are open to string students ages 9 and up with at least one year of instruction, and for wind, brass, and percussion students ages 12 and up with at least three years of instruction. Students may live anywhere in Southeastern Michigan. Auditions must be scheduled in advance. Students are asked to prepare one scale in any key and a piece of their choice. Percussionists will be provided with a snare drum, but will need to bring their own sticks.

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

The Celebration Youth Orchestra is part of the Plymouth Symphony's Youth Outreach Education Program. Donations to the Symphony's Education Campaign help to fund the CYO as well as many other programs for students throughout Southeastern Michigan.

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



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Man, 81, dies a day after Canton wreck

An 81-year-old Westland man died Wednesday, a day after being involved in an automobile accident on Geddes Road, just east of Denton.

According to Canton Police, the man, whose name wasn't released, was involved in the accident with another vehicle, driven by a 41-year old Plymouth woman. Both drivers were injured in the accident, which occurred approximately 8:15 a.m., and both were transported to local hospitals. The 41-year old female driver was treated and released. The Westland

man was admitted for his injuries, which appeared to be non-life threatening according to police, but he died the next day.

The Canton Police Accident Investigation Team is reconstructing the accident and interviewing witnesses, and detectives will meet with the Wayne County Medical Examiner to determine the exact cause of death.

All information obtained during the investigation will be turned over to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office to determine if charges will be filed. The case remains under investigation.

BLOCK

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But the name is also an acronym: Building Leaders Out of Canton's Kids.

So far, the young people who will use the building the most have indeed taken a leadership role, LaFever said.

The Youth Advisory Council has been brainstorming to add programming for this fall, after the building's August 29 grand opening. And they've been working on fund-raisers to help them purchase new furniture for the building.

"So far, everything has been donated, and the community has been just great," LaFever said, pointing to an entertainment stand, which also got a little Day-Glo orange added to the trim.

"But we'd like to add new furniture and donated furniture to complete the building."

Later this month, the building will also receive a new door and security cameras, at a cost of about \$11,000, the only additional expense the township has had to pick up to move the programming out of the Summit and into its own building.

Though the cost is small, the impact is big, said Lori Cairo, a member of the youth development programming staff. When the teen and after-school programs for middle-school-aged children were still housed in the Summit, they had to compete for space.

"Every day we were in a different room," she said. Now, they'll not only have permanent space, but they'll be able to add more programming such as evening study groups for high school aged students, euchre tournaments and tailgating parties during televised college sporting events.

Last year, there were approximately 100 middle-school-aged children registered in after-school programs, and there were monthly evening events for high-school-aged kids. This year, in the new building, those programs should be able to practically double, LaFever said.

"Everything here will be a test for a while," he said. "We're going to try just about everything and the things that work, we'll keep doing."

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Owners have no plans to demolish Sheldon Place

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

If the building's new owners have their way, the vacant Sheldon Place will not only remain standing, but it will again be a home to senior citizens in Canton.

"We're planning to repair the building. It's a great building and we don't think it has to be torn down," said Sam Beydoun, a Dearborn developer who along with business partner Ali Saab had the winning bid of \$995,000 when Sheldon Place was auctioned off by the department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on June 28.

Beydoun will sign the closing papers at 4 p.m. Monday. What he and business partners want to do with the building is to repair it and open an assisted-living facility, with on-staff physicians, dining and other services for senior citizens.

He's had consultants from Boston come to test the building and he said so far all looks well.

"They did the tests on the inside and everything looks good," he said. "It's a good building."

The six-story, 56-unit senior apartment building has been vacant since August 2001. It was evacuated then for structural deficiencies. The terms of



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sheldon Place's new owners hope the padlocked fence will soon be a thing of the past. They plan to rehab the building, which has been vacant since 2001.

sale require the new owners to either demolish or repair the building within 12 months. Though Beydoun has had a few contractors come inspect the building, he doesn't know yet how much the repairs will

cost. Demolition, however, had been estimated at approximately \$400,000.

Beydoun's company, Canton Development LLC, has recently started working on several commercial properties in

Canton, including the upcoming construction of a 23,000-square-foot shopping center near Geddes and Canton Center Road, near another shopping center his company built on Canton Center between Michigan Avenue and Geddes.

"We're doing a lot of things now in Canton," said Beydoun, a Dearborn resident. "We like Canton. The township is easy to work with and they appreciate people coming in and building."

The building was owned by National Church Residences of Ohio, but after the 2001 evacuation, HUD foreclosed on it. Sheldon Place was constructed in 1996 through the office of Housing and Urban Development at a cost of \$3.4 million.

Among the structural deficiencies was the absence of steel reinforcement rods in one of the walls, and the incorrect placement of heating and cooling air intake vents.

Late in March, a buyer from Wyandotte, Stan Miciura, won the bid to purchase the building, but never finalized the financing. So it was put up for sale again this summer. Miciura had bid \$770,000.

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Donation drive to help those in need

Got some old clothes you'd like to get rid of? Are there extra boxes and cans of food in your kitchen that you could spare? And have you been wondering what you can do with that old cell phone? Local charities always need these items to give to people in need — but it can be a hassle to figure out where to bring them.

On the evening of Thursday, Aug. 4, donating all of those things to charity will be fast and easy, thanks to an event sponsored by a local chapter of the national group Democracy for America.

Called "Drive Up, Drop Off & Donate," the event will allow local residents to simply drive up to a convenient Hines Drive location and drop off clothes, non-perishable food items, prepaid phone cards, cell phones, toiletries including larger-size baby diapers and women's sanitary products, household paper goods and cleaning supplies.

DFA members will bring all of the items to three charities that serve people in need throughout southeast Michigan: Gleaners Community Food Bank, Vietnam Veterans of America and First Step of Michigan, which serves victims of violence and their families.

From 5 p.m. until dark Aug. 4, anyone can drive up to the Wilcox Lake Picnic Area on Hines Drive, located between Haggerty and Northville Road in Plymouth Township. DFA members, all of whom live in the 11th Congressional District in western Wayne County and southwestern Oakland County, will collect the donations from vehicles in a "drive-through" manner. Donations of any size are welcome, but cash can't be accepted under Hines Park rules.

For donors who want to stop for a while, or help out, a potluck picnic will run throughout the evening. All are

welcome to stay.

Democracy for America is a non-profit grassroots organization that grew out of the presidential campaign of Howard Dean. DFA is not affiliated with any political party. The 11th District DFA's group has a Web site, www.dfa.meetup.com/579, with more information. Members meet once each month.

"We know the current economic downturn is hurting many of our neighbors in the 11th District, and we wanted to take direct action that would help them," says Don Jones of Northville, one of the local DFA members who helped organize the event. "Food, clothing and communication are basic needs that always need to be met. We also hope the event will help more people from Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Livonia, Novi, Redford, Westland, Milford, Commerce Township, Belleville and Garden City learn about our group and consider joining."

The three charities chosen to receive donations from the event, Gleaners, VVA and First Step, provide services throughout the 11th Congressional District and beyond. First Step, based in Plymouth, was founded in 1978 to help victims of violence and their families, and serves more than 6,000 families a year. Its 24-hour hotline is (888) 453-5900. Vietnam Veterans of America is a service organization serving the needs of veterans of the Vietnam War era throughout the nation; its Web site is www.vva.org. Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan collects, warehouses, repacks and distributes millions of pounds of food for over 300 local member agencies. Last year, this food was used in nearly 24 million meals. Gleaners' Web site is www.gcfb.org and its help-line is 1-800-552-1183.

Local scout volunteers begin recruit drive

Organizes hope to attract 2,000 youngsters and teenagers from Western Wayne County to join Boy Scout programs over the next two months.

As an incentive, all school-age boys who join a local Cub Scout Pack, Boy Scout Troop or Venture Crew in August or September receive free passes for their entire family to a unique showing of monster trucks and race cars from the NASCAR circuit.

"My entire family is really excited about this promotion," said Livonian Gale Molisee, a scouting volunteer. "I saw lots of parents really enjoying time with their children at the event. I know this year's event will be spectacular."

The Detroit Area Council's Sunset District's involves youngsters from Livonia, Canton, Garden City, Redford, Plymouth, Westland, Wayne and Northville. As part of the district's fall recruiting rally, adult scout leaders and other volunteers will be distributing flyers to local

schools and speak at various youth events in September to encourage youngsters to join. They will promote scouting's experiences that include camping, athletic and outdoor activities and opportunities to earn awards and become leaders.

Boys in first through fifth grade (under age 11) can join Cub Scouts, those middle and high school can join Boy Scouts (age 11-17) and young men and women in high school can join Venture Scouts.

Those local youth who register in the next two months will see the monster trucks and race cars on display at the Michigan State Fairgrounds on Oct. 15.

To find out how to register and locate a scouting organization in your neighborhood, call Sunset District Director Catherine Boldt at (313) 361-1290 or the Detroit Area Council office at (313) 897-1965. The council's Web site is www.dacbsa.org.

- By Dan West

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■ *The Pacifier*

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DEATHS

C
Gregory Stuart Chipman
Chipman, 49, of Overland Park, Kan.
Geraldine M. "Geri" Crist
Cris, 72, of Pittsford, died July 26.

F
Clara Rose Fandrei
Fandrei, 96, died July 25.
Eugene E. Feintheil
Feintheil, 84, died June 17.

G
Elenore C. Grzywacz
Grzywacz, 87, of Farmington Hills, died July 24.

H
Charles Leon Honeycutt
Honeycutt, 70, of Westland, died July 26.

J
Robert J. Jason
Jason, 62, of Birmingham, died July 22.

Earl "Pete" Jeremy
Jeremy, 77, formerly of Dexter, died July 23.

Russel Johnson Sr.
Johnson, 68, died July 29.

K
James P. Kauff
Kauff, of Westland, died July 22.

Rosanne C. Korzym
Korzym, of Livonia, died July 26.

For the Record appears in every edition of the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's Community Life in *Passages* on page C4.

M
Jean Louise Morency
Morency, of Westland, died July 22

P
Heather M. Pulliam
Pulliam, 34, of Plymouth, died July 22.

S
Elizabeth "Betsy" Spisak
Spisak, 66, died July 26.
Michelle Robb Stoocker
Stoocker, 48, Roanoke, died July 23.

Z
Douglas R. Zaleski
Zaleski, of Plymouth Township, died July 27.

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The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at Public Auction Tuesday, August 2, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. Auction will be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Road, Westland, Michigan 48185. The vehicles will be sold as is, starting bid is for towing and storage.

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1992 Buick	Regal	4 Door	2G4WB54T7N1478574
1992 Ford	Aerostar	Station Wagon	1FMDA11U1NZA92167
1985 Chrysler	LHS	4 Door	1C3BF66P4FX640814
1995 Ford	T-Bird	2 Door	1FALP62W0SH200366
1996 Chrysler	LHS	4 Door	2C3HC56F8TH126923
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PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2005

7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following:

PUBLIC HEARING FOR REZONING:

RZ05-01 Lots 11-14, May Subdivision
Former Wilcox FUD Lots on Elizabeth Street
Zoned: FUD, Planned Unit Development
Applicant: The City of Plymouth
Proposed Zoning RM-2, Multiple-Family Residential

PUBLIC HEARING FOR REZONING:

RZ05-02 606 Maple
Zoned: B-3, General Business
Applicant: William & Dena Lincoln
Proposed Zoning R-1, Single-Family Residential

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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SPORTS

Summer books more than kid stuff

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Zach Holmes of Plymouth enjoys reading, including such classics as *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee.

"Every three or four years I reread that," said Holmes, a faculty member at Oakland Community College. He's also reading *I'm the Teacher, You're the Student*, which he describes as "half business, half pleasure."

Summer reading is big with kids, especially with the new Harry Potter book just out, but adults also take time to read. Holmes, a member of the Contemporary Books discussion group at the Plymouth District Library, is also reading *Middlesex* by Jeffrey Eugenides, the story of a Greek-American family set

largely in Detroit and Grosse Pointe. It's the current selection for that book group discussion, and will be discussed 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, at the library, 223 S. Main in Plymouth.

Colleagues at the Canton Public Library also note the popularity of *New York Times* best sellers, said Jean Tabor, library director. Personally, she's reading Elizabeth George, who writes British mysteries.

"I'm on my third one of hers," Tabor said.

The Harry Potter book is big at Canton too, with 50 print copies, and 140 holds, and four on CD, with 42 holds. "We're probably going to have to get some more of those," Tabor said, adding that older students and adults also like Harry, who is aging well.

"There's a lot of reading going on this summer," she said. "Canton is definitely a community of readers."

Historian David McCullough's *1776* is big in Canton, as are books by Nicholas Sparks and other *New York Times* best sellers. The Canton library's Web site has Fave Fives — five favorite titles of a reader within a subject area. Tabor's working on hers, books that merit a second read.

The Canton Web site also has best sellers and staff picks, and the library offers books for checkout for book club use, in addition to its own discussion groups.

Joan Elmouchi, Garden City library director, just started the new Harry Potter. "It's great," she said. "It starts off with a bang."

UNION

FROM PAGE A1

Officials at Hercules, a steel plant located on Amrhein Road in Livonia, have locked out the union employees, or at least some of them.

Using what union members say is a new labor law, the company locked out only some of the union.

Approximately 25 of the 72 union members were told to report to work, even though the union's contract expired April 29, which is the rationale behind why they locked out the majority of the workers.

Madonia, who has lived in Canton since 1979, now spends his days picketing in front of Hercules along with other union members. When replacement workers go through the picket line, the union members — some using bullhorns and others just yelling — call them "scabs" or worse. In addition to daily picketing, the union held a rally in front of Hercules on Thursday and has distributed leaflets in the neighborhood of plant manager Ken Pinion, accusing him of being a "union buster."

Madonia says he would rather be doing something else, like going back to work, but he realizes he is now fighting for his job.

"We're all out here fighting this battle for our wives and families," says Madonia, whose only daughter just had her high school graduation party and will soon be going to college.

When reached, one Hercules official refused to comment on the labor dispute, and Hercules plant manager Ken Pinion did not return phone calls before press time.

Eaton Steel, which owns Hercules, is a large distributor of hot-rolled special quality bars and billets, according to the company's Web site. More than 50,000 tons of steel in 3/8 of an inch- to 18-inch diameter rounds, hexagons, flats and round cornered squares are stocked in the company's warehouses, which are spread throughout the country, some as far away as Houston, Texas.

At Hercules, workers produce cold drawn carbon and alloy steel bars, which are used to manufacture everything from car struts and spark

plugs, to bullets and dumbbells.

Albert Goodman founded Hercules in 1957, just four years after getting Eaton Steel off the ground. The company, which also owns plants in Taylor and Oak Park, is now owned by Mark and Gary Goodman, the sons of the founder. Hercules is the only one of the three plants to employ UAW workers. The union's relationship with Hercules dates back to 1965.

Union leaders say company officials tried to ram through a new contract that virtually eliminated most union rights, including seniority rights and the current disciplinary procedure, which would allow the company to fire an employee without a review process.

"They totally want to gut the entire collective bargaining agreement," said Doug Grima, president of Local 174. "We don't have a problem negotiating a fair contract, but they have told us over and over, 'We don't want to bargain. This is the way it will be.'"

Local 174, which dates back to the 1930s, was union legend Walter P. Reuther's home local. There are more than 8,000 members, who range from plant workers like those at Hercules to firefighters and childcare workers. Grima said dues paid by the union's other members are providing strike pay to the locked out workers. The union pays about \$200 a week to each of the locked-out workers.

To make matters worse, the company is fighting claims made by union workers to collect unemployment from the state of Michigan. The union has appealed with the unemployment agency.

Grima said negotiations with the company haven't gotten very far, despite the fact that outside mediators have come in to try and help move things along. He said there may be negotiations in the next few weeks, but nothing is firmed up yet.

"We've had a lot of monetary support from a lot of plants and people in general. These guys are strong, but it's getting tough," Grima said. Of the workers that were told to report to work despite the lockout, less than half went back.

No matter how tough it gets, West Bloomfield resident Herb Wilson, another longtime

Hercules employee, said the union members are willing to stand their ground, because the contract that has been offered would force the union to concede too much.

"They wanted to take so much language out of the contract, there wouldn't be a union anymore. This isn't so much a fight over money, it's a fight over dignity," said Wilson, who is on the union's negotiating team and has been with the company for 27 years. "They just want to change the contract from end to end."

Although union members admit the strain of daily picketing and an uncertain future are starting to get on them, their spirits have been buoyed by passers-by who have stopped with food or even money to help them keep fighting. Wilson says that is because people in this region understand the importance of unions, and what they have meant to the standard of living of the average person.

"I think unions are in trouble in general these days from so many fronts. But without unions, we wouldn't be where we're at," he said.

As for Madonia, he is holding out hope that the two sides can come to an agreement. But he refuses to give in to so much, especially to a company he says he has given so much to.

"This is the only job I've ever had. I gave my blood and soul here, and sacrificed a lot for this company. I did the best I could. This union has made the company's owners multimillionaires, and this is how they treat us," he said. "I would like to see everyone go back to work. Everybody wants to go back to work. We just want them to be fair and honest with us, so we can get on with our lives."

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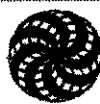
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Library collections help diverse patrons

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Local libraries serving a diverse culture of patrons used to be able to depend on borrowing the Detroit Public Library's extensive collection of non-English books and other materials.

The city's financial woes have struck everywhere, including the DPL's budget, and that collection isn't nearly as readily available to suburban libraries as it used to be. However, the diversity of patrons at both the Plymouth and Canton libraries continues to grow.

That's why both libraries have devoted a substantial amount of resources to improving their own collection of English as a Second Language materials.

"The need is still there, and growing," said Susan Stoney, director of public relations and marketing for the Plymouth District Library.

The Plymouth library's collection is an evolving one, designed to help people studying English, prepare for Test of English as a Foreign Language exams and citizenship tests, improve reading skills and, perhaps most importantly, to find information for careers and the needs of daily life.



Teacher Cathy Tyler (left) meets with Min Feng, whose niece is a student at Dodson Elementary School. Tyler teaches English to students at Dodson, Tonda, Smith and Bird schools.

In an area as diverse as the Plymouth-Canton area — for instance, nearly 700 students represent some 35 different languages in Plymouth-Canton schools — makes the libraries' ESL collections an important asset.

In fact, the need is such that Plymouth-Canton school officials recently approached the Plymouth District Library to conduct an afternoon seminar for parents.

"We introduced them to the library, helped them get a library card, gave them a tour," Stoney said. "Our ESL collection

is growing all the time, and events like this help us tailor it to best suit the needs of the community."

In Canton, the collection consists of both adult and children's international language titles. In 2004, the library had some 1,000 books in 17 languages. Library officials plan to add languages this year at the request of patrons.

Librarians use an on-line survey and quarterly internal discussions to determine the needs of the collection.

"It's a fairly good collection, considering we just started it," adult librarian Lisa Craig-Davis said.

"We started our adult collection in 2003. Once the (Detroit Public Library) was in a position where they couldn't afford their collection, everyone had to

scramble to figure out how to fill that need."

While Chinese is the most popular language for materials at the Canton library, the collection is used for a variety of reasons, according to Craig-Davis. Tapes, videos, DVD and CD-ROM programs are all attractive to people studying other languages, or to members of a diverse culture trying to adapt to life here.

"Obviously, it's a popular collection," said Canton adult librarian Joyce Simowski. "The TOEFL test determines proficiency in the English language (but) it's also needed for advance study programs, and employers use it, too."

There are oodles of materials available on-line, and Internet and word-processing computers are available for use at the library.

Children find the collection useful primarily for fiction materials, while adults zero in primarily on "how-to" subjects such as getting a driver's license or making medical appointments, "how you do 'every-day' things," said Darlene Ursel, who manages the collection for the Plymouth District Library.

What kinds of materials users find is driven by the users themselves.

"The more data we get in actual numbers moves us to shape the collection," Ursel said. "We'd like to reach out more (to the community), but our materials are being utilized. It's going well."

Bill proposal prohibits use of hand-held cell phones by drivers

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

State Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, commutes to and from Lansing each week along I-96, and is fed up with inconsiderate motorists, especially those who are on cell phones while driving.

"Nine times out of ten, if I'm cut off or somebody is wandering over the line, they have a cell phone in their ear," Stewart said. "It's a total lack of attention to their driving. When you're on a cell phone and engaged in a conversation, your thought process is in other places."

Stewart, who doesn't own a cell phone, has introduced legislation that prohibits the use of hand-held cell phones while driving, and only allows for hands-free cell phone use while driving.

"This is a safety issue and I hope it will cause drivers to focus on their primary responsibility of driving their automobile," Stewart said.

House Bill 5053 has been assigned to the House Transportation Committee, the chairman of which is Rep. Phil LaJoy, R-Canton Township.

"I see why it's needed because people are stupid when driving while on their phones," said Elizabeth Pierce of Plymouth Township. "I find Michigan drivers aggressive, and when you see people driving with their phones it's worse."

Cynthia Granger of Plymouth Township said she has a cell phone, but is careful not to get into long conversations while driving.

"I think it's dangerous, you need to concentrate on driving," said Granger. "I've had people cut in front of me, or driving really slow, and they're talking on the phone."

Sam Fauaz, who opened his Canton wireless phone business, Alpha Wireless, just two weeks ago said data about whether cell phone use behind the wheel is dangerous or not is needed before passing any legislation.

Fauaz said such a law would not affect his business.

"The bottom line is that people are still going to use their phones in their cars, law or no law," Fauaz said. "That's just the way people are."

Staff writer Carol Marshall contributed to this story.

CANTON TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE
NORTH POINTE SUBDIVISION SPECIAL
ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR
ROAD REPAIRS, SIDEWALK AND SIGN
INSTALLATION SAD NO. 2004-4
BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
RESOLUTION # 4

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

71-014-01-0001	71-014-01-0022	71-014-01-0043
71-014-01-0002	71-014-01-0023	71-014-01-0044
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71-014-01-0004	71-014-01-0025	71-014-01-0046
71-014-01-0005	71-014-01-0026	71-014-01-0047
71-014-01-0006	71-014-01-0027	71-014-01-0048
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71-014-01-0009	71-014-01-0030	71-014-01-0051
71-014-01-0010	71-014-01-0031	71-014-01-0052
71-014-01-0011	71-014-01-0032	71-014-01-0053
71-014-01-0012	71-014-01-0033	71-014-01-0054
71-014-01-0013	71-014-01-0034	71-014-01-0055
71-014-01-0014	71-014-01-0035	71-014-01-0056
71-014-01-0015	71-014-01-0036	71-014-01-0057
71-014-01-0016	71-014-01-0037	71-014-01-0058
71-014-01-0017	71-014-01-0038	71-014-01-0059
71-014-01-0018	71-014-01-0039	71-014-01-0060
71-014-01-0019	71-014-01-0040	71-014-01-0061
71-014-01-0020	71-014-01-0041	
71-014-01-0021	71-014-01-0042	

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Act 188 of the Public
Acts of 1954, this Board has initiated proceedings relating to the
North Pointe Subdivision as described in herein, and to
accomplish this improvement and secure funds therefore by
creating said premises into a special assessment district against
which there shall be levied special assessments; and
WHEREAS, this Board having tentatively declared its intention to
make such improvements and tentatively designated the above
described premises as a special assessment district against which
the cost of said improvement is to be assessed; and
WHEREAS, the Township Board has caused to be prepared plans
showing the public improvements, the location thereof, and an
estimate of the cost thereof which have been filed with the
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Take further notice that the property owner's included in the
special assessment district have the right to appeal the special
assessment levy to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. In order to protest
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held August 9, 2005.
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board will meet
on **Tuesday, the 9th day of August, 2005, at 7 o'clock p.m.,**
Eastern Standard Time, at the Canton Township Hall, 1150
Canton Center South, Canton, Michigan, to hear objections to the
special assessment roll.

TERRY BENNETT, Township Clerk

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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 22, 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:

SARNECKY REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE
PARCEL NOS. 052 99 0016 708, 052 99 0016 709, 052 99 0016 710
AND 052 99 0016 71 1 FROM R-2, SINGLE-FAMILY
RESIDENTIAL TO R-6, SINGLE-FAMILY ATTACHED
RESIDENTIAL. Property is located north of Cherry Hill and west
of Lotz Road.

SECTION 13

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should
be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150
Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, August 18, 2005, in order to be
included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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**MONUMENT PRESERVE 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) 101 99 0005 000 AND 101 99 0006 000. Property
is located south of Palmer and west of Haggerty Road. (**First
Public Hearing.**)

SECTION 26

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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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Annual Kids Count shows Michigan needs to do better

On Wednesday, the annual Kids Count Report was released.

Michigan ranked 25th overall among the 50 states on 10 key measures of child well-being, showing a mix of improvement and decline between 2000 and 2003.

The annual national report is a project of the Annie E. Casey Foundation of Baltimore, Md. In Michigan the survey also receives support from the Skillman Foundation, the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation and the

Michigan Association of United Ways. The survey for 2005 is based on data from 2003.

The press release on the national survey concludes that child well-being is no longer improving in the "rapid and sustained way" that it did through the prosperous 1990s. "Among the negative trends: the number of children who live with parents facing persistent unemployment grew by

4 million, an increase of more than 1 million since 2000," the release says.

The report focuses on 10 "key" measures of child well-being: percent of low-birthweight babies; infant mortality rate; child death rate; teen death rate; teen birth rate; high school dropout rate; percent of "idle" teens; rate of children living with parents without secure year-round jobs; children living in poverty; and children living in single-parent households.

In Michigan, roughly 100,000 of the state's children under 18 are living in a household where no adult works. One in six Michigan children live in families with incomes below the poverty level (\$18,660 for a family for two adults and two children in 2003).

"Some of the parents are plagued with depression, substance abuse, domestic violence and a history of incarceration — significant barriers to getting and keeping a job," said Janet Zehnder-Merrell, senior research associate at the Michigan League for Human Resources. "Yet we continue to cut state resources that support the programs to address these issues in spite of the fact that the number of children in such families has swelled by one-half since the beginning of the decade."

State attempts to deal with its financial problems by cutting people from Medicaid is also beginning to show its effects. Michigan's lowest ranking is 38th among the 50 states in infant mortality. Eight of every 1,000 infants died before their first birthday in 2002. Similarly, Michigan ranks only 27th on infant birth weight.

The rankings show that the states doing the best on child well-being are primarily in New England and across the northern plains. New

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Hampshire, Vermont and Minnesota rank highest. States that rank lowest are in the South and Southwest with Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi ranking lowest. Virginia is the notable exception, ranking 13th overall.

Michigan ranks low for its overall size and for its position as a once progressive state among the other northern-tier states.

Reports like this are always open to a variety of interpretations. One interpretation suggests that a decline in government support for social programs has had a detrimental effect on children, especially the youngest and most vulnerable. Another interpretation might suggest that there is a decline in personal/parental responsibility that places children at risk from their own parents. An essay accompanying the survey examines the impact of substance abuse, domestic violence, prior incarceration and persistent unemployment on child well-being.

Of course, both positions are right. The addicted, abusive parents were predominantly once abused, neglected, poor children.

Some might look at the Kids Count survey for Michigan and say, well that's an acceptable level given our current economic situation. Maybe, when and if the state's economy improves and more revenue comes in without raising taxes, we'll address some of these problems.

Meanwhile, another generation of children will continue the cycle.

It's a question of state priorities and a question of how we meet the social needs we have.

Michigan can and should do better.

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Hugh Gallagher

It's time for Safety Town to teach the new reality

All right, boys and girls, listen carefully because today we are going to talk about Safety Town. You know what Safety Town is. It's the place where moms and dads send you little ones to learn all about how to drive big cars on the streets and how to be safe wherever you go.

At Safety Town you get to drive cars just like the grownups down streets drawn on school parking lots. But, you know, it's time for Safety



Greg Kowalski

Town to grow up a little, too. Times change, so there are some new rules that you need to learn if you are going to be a good and happy driver.

First, remember that traffic lights and stops signs are just suggestions. When you get near one, look around you — not too hard — and if no one is within, say, 10 feet or so, just close your eyes and step on the gas. You'll do

fine, and the way the other drivers react will be so funny you'll laugh and laugh. Plus you will get to wherever you're going so much faster.

Second, look at your foot. It reaches all the way down to the gas pedal. Press on the pedal real hard. See how fast you can go? Watch how you can come right up to the back of the car in front of you. You can get so close you can see the hairs standing up on the back of the head of the driver.

Third, see those white lines painted on the street? They are there for a reason. Other drivers are supposed to stay in between those lines. You don't have to.

Turn your car into the set of lines alongside you whenever you want. This is especially fun if there are lots of cars next to you.

Now, pay attention because we are going to try to do something harder. This involves driving on expressways. You know what those are. They are the places where you can drive really, really fast or you can sit still all day while the nice policemen clean up the big mess in front of you.

At some places on the expressway, the road splits and connects to another expressway. Usually, cars are backed up on the road because there are so many trying to get onto the other expressway. When that happens, all you have to do is drive on the side of the road and then turn real fast in front of another car so you can be at the front of the line of drivers.

By the way, in the next session of Safety Town, we are going to show how you can talk to other drivers using your hand. One finger,

While you are driving, be sure to call someone on your cell phone. Anyone. It doesn't matter who, but you have to talk to someone. If you don't, other people will give you funny looks because they will think you are not important enough to have a cell phone or someone to talk to. Cell phones make driving more fun, too, especially when you are dialing or even taking a picture.

actually. But back to the rules of the road. While you are driving, be sure to call someone on your cell phone. Anyone. It doesn't matter who, but you have to talk to someone. If you don't, other people will give you funny looks because they will think you are not important enough to have a cell phone or someone to talk to.

Cell phones make driving more fun, too, especially when you are dialing or even taking a picture. Why do cell phones take pictures?

No one knows. Anyway, if you don't have a cell phone, at least play your radio real loud. In fact, get your mommy and daddy to install special speakers in the trunk of your car so that everyone in the neighborhood can hear you. And be sure to play the right kind of music. There are songs that have lots of special words, especially one that begins with the letter F. While you play it, go park by your school for a while. That way, everyone can share in the fun.

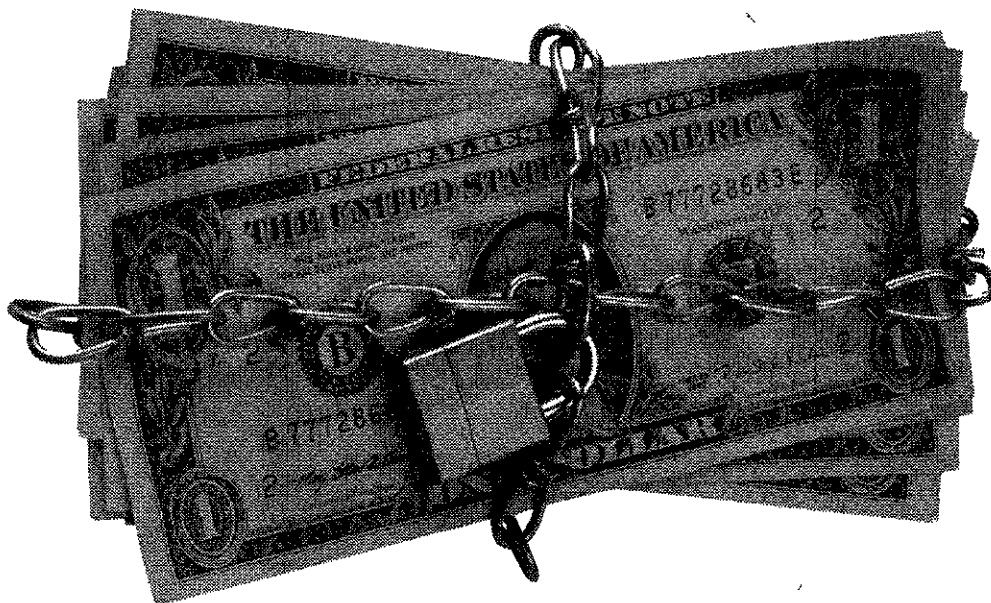
Loud music is also important because it keeps you from hearing other sounds that might bother you, like the sirens coming from police cars or ambulances and shiny red or yellow fire trucks.

Of course, you may end up hearing those sounds anyway when all kinds of people show up to separate you from the pieces of your car.

And that's a whole different kind of fun.

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Grants offered to replace ash borer losses in communities

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
STAFF WRITER

Communities hit hard by the emerald ash borer are being offered grants to replace trees killed by the pests.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Forest Service are making grants available to communities to replant wooded areas devastated by the emerald ash borer.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture identified the problem in 2002. Since then, it estimates that approximately 15 million trees in southeast Michigan are dead or dying in at least 20 counties. The extent of the infestation has prompted the state to enforce bans on the importation of wood into the northern parts of the state from southern communities.

Communities losing forests to the insects can apply for \$20,000 grants to replace diseased trees on a 50/50 cost-sharing basis. The communities can match the funds dollar-for-dollar or make up their match in in-kind services like picking up, removal and replanting costs.

This is the third round of grants offered by the DNR. Approximately 13,000 trees were planted the first time; the second round of grants, to 38 communities, was awarded in May of this year.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture identified the problem in 2002. Since then, it estimates that approximately 15 million trees in southeast Michigan are dead or dying in at least 20 counties.

It's not a lot of money but, "you have to start somewhere," said Kerry Gray, emerald ash borer restoration coordinator for the DNR. "For (that amount of money) communities can get 160 balled and burlapped trees or 500 bare-root trees."

There are a lot of different kinds of trees available, a point that the DNR wants communities to consider. The DNR is trying to get communities to plant a more diverse mixture of trees rather than overplanting just one kind. Many communities chose to replace elms destroyed by Dutch elm disease with ash trees, setting the stage for a near-identical deforestation today.

The infestation, as near as any-

one can figure, probably started 10 to 12 years before its discovery and most likely originated in either Westland or Canton. The leading thinking is that the insect came into the country inside wooden shipping products. There have been infestations in Ohio and Indiana as well.

Michigan State University Extension member Judy Freed, in the horticulture department, said the county doesn't get involved in the fight beyond helping communities get better prepared for the struggle.

"The county is not involved as middlemen," Freed said. "We offer public education courses, we work with public works departments and parks and rec departments and keep the communities aware of the grants programs."

While the county is working to be a clearinghouse for information about how communities can best weather the impact of the Asian pest, information about the insect itself is sketchy at best. That said, the fight goes on.

"MSU has taken the lead on research on the borer for the nation," she said. "(Etymologists) Dr. David Smithey and Dr. Deborah McCullough are working on this."

The scientists have imported several hundred ash trees from China to Novi to try to find out how strains of the plant in Asia have survived the ash borer. They are hoping that clues, such as predators in the region or other factors, will give them an idea about how to combat the insect.

When the problem was identified, the only existing information about the insect was a half-page of research done by a Chinese scientist decades ago.

McCotter breaks ranks to vote 'no' on CAFTA

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia) broke ranks with party leadership Thursday to vote against the Central America Free Trade Agreement.

The agreement was approved by the House 217-215 after heavy lobbying by President George W. Bush and party leaders. McCotter joined 24 other Republicans in opposing the agreement.

Fifteen Democrats bolted their party position to vote for the agreement. Rep. Candice Miller (R-Harrison Township) was the only other Republican from Michigan to oppose the trade agreement. The agreement was approved by the Senate in June.

The treaty will eliminate trade barriers between the United States and five Central American countries — Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua — and the Dominican Republic in the Caribbean. The treaty was signed in August 2004. Nicaragua has not yet ratified the agreement.

"I didn't see any benefit to my district," McCotter said Friday. "It would just mean the erosion of more manufacturing jobs."

McCotter said he also has some national security issues. He said he takes a "minority" view that the treaty might actually encourage support for radicals in the fledgling Central



McCotter

American democracies.

"It allows Daniel Ortega (leader of the leftist Sandinistas and former Nicaraguan president) to win with the ballot what he can't do with the bullet," McCotter said.

The treaty has been criticized for not insisting on better labor standards for Central American workers and protections for the environment similar to those in the United States.

"We don't have a smart trade policy, of tying democracy with trade," McCotter said. "They need to have a social safety net, labor standards, environmental protection."

President Bush made a strong plea for party members to support the treaty.

"I had the opportunity to discuss my ideas with the president and told him my position a week and a half ago," McCotter said.

He said there were no "overt" threats by party leaders to get his vote.

"There was pressure, but this is a legislature and there is always pressure," he said.

He said he was not given a pass by party leaders to vote against the treaty because his district has a large labor union membership.

McCotter said leaders in both parties deal with members on two different levels when issues affect the particular interests of a district. He said there are members who take a position based on the interests of their districts and policy concerns, as he said he did in this case. He said others "hold out for what they can get."

"What they (party leaders) really don't like is those who hold

out for something good," McCotter said.

McCotter is sending letters to constituents explaining his position. He writes, "I do not believe the agreement constitutes an adequate — ergo appropriate — template for future trade agreement in the region. For only through the creation of an economically equitable and freedom-promoting trade policy can we properly mobilize our economy as a powerful force for the spread of international democracy during the nation's War on Terror."

On another vote, McCotter said he felt he had to follow the party leadership despite reservations about the bill. McCotter joined the majority in approving permanent reauthorization of 14 provisions of the Patriot Act and 10-year reauthorization of two provisions, including the controversial Section 215, which allows government inspection of library, bookstore and medical records.

McCotter said he felt compelled to support a recommitment measure, despite his support for amendments that would have created more stringent rules for inspecting records.

"Certain rules, you don't break. If you don't follow those rules, there are consequences. You have no credibility in the party caucus," he said.

McCotter said the act still needs to go through the Senate-House conference and might be altered. He said the 10-year reauthorization of Section 215 could also be changed as early as the next Congress.



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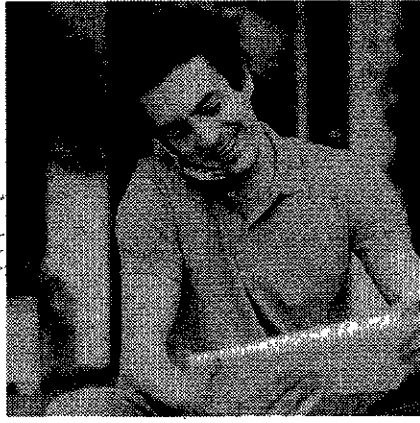
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Blakely eyes Borgess-to-Covenant hand-off

BY TIM SMITH
STAFF WRITER

The expected rebirth of Redford Bishop Borgess High School as Covenant Schools is good news to the ears of longtime Spartans varsity football coach Werner Blakely.

It probably means the athletic program will be back, too.

"I think its going to be great," Blakely said. "I think it will be a better situation

than it was at Borgess the last five years." Blakely said he has heard from several players who are excited about coming back. "Players are calling me."

As August arrives, however, everything isn't set to go. Covenant is waiting while the Borgess school site (near Plymouth and Telegraph roads) is purchased by the New Common School Foundation from the Archdiocese of Detroit. Once that takes place, it will be leased to Covenant for \$1.

If the sale goes through, Blakely's players wouldn't have to worry about having football helmets and shoulder pads to wear.

"Based on the information I read, whoever is purchasing the school will buy everything in it" including athletic equipment, the coach said.

Meanwhile, while Blakely waits for the go-ahead and for enough players to enroll, other area teams will be able to get their football training camps off with no glitch-

es. "To say Covenant is behind (schedule) is an understatement," he said.

NO ROOM

Covenant administrators plan to file a petition for the school's athletic teams to join the Catholic League — filling a void left when Borgess closed in June.

The Archdiocese of Detroit closed 15 schools for financial reasons at the conclu-

PLEASE SEE COVENANT, B2

Mets' prize

CC grad Malek makes grade as he climbs up Minor League ladder

BY DAVID DRIVER
CORRESPONDENT

Bobby Malek emerged from the Binghamton Mets' clubhouse with a slice of pizza and a can of Sprite.

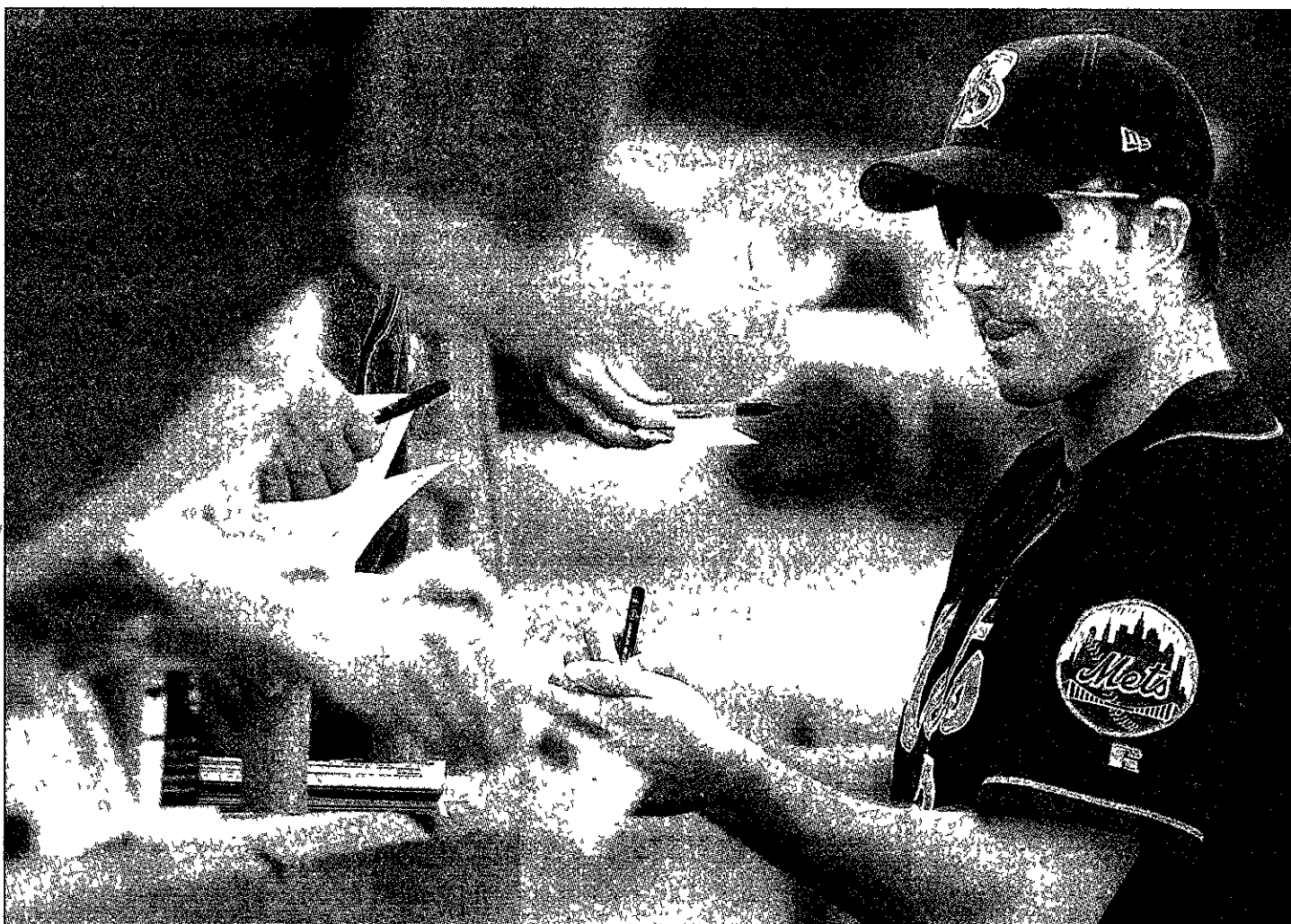
He wore shorts and a short-sleeve on a humid night in Maryland, after he sat out his team's 2-0 loss to the Bowie Baysox in an Eastern League contest.

While a heat waves grips the mid-Atlantic region, Malek's bat has cooled off after a fast start. The Canton resident was hitting more than .300 early in the season, but now stands at .277.

"I kind of had a rough July, I feel better than my average shows," said the Canton resident, a former standout at Redford Catholic Central High and Michigan State. "It is one of those learning experiences."

Malek, 24, was drafted in the fourth round by the New York Mets in 2002 out of Michigan State.

PLEASE SEE MALEK, B5



FRANCIS GARDLER

Binghamton Mets rightfielder Bobby Malek, a native of Canton who prepped at Catholic Central High School, signs autographs during a recent game at Prince George's Stadium in Bowie, Md. The former co-Big Ten Player of the Year at Michigan State was selected by the New York Mets in the 4th round (117th overall) of the 2002 amateur entry draft.

Gift-wrapped: Rams headed to Johnstown

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

For the Michigan Rams, it had to be divine intervention the way the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League season ended Wednesday night at Ford Field.

But for Coach's Corner, it was like the curse of the Billy Goat, or perhaps the bespectacled Steve Bartman had reemerged somewhere out of the darkness of the night.

"Unbelievable and devastating is the only way to describe it," said Coach's Corner manager Mike George, whose team was swept by the Heat in a make-up doubleheader, 3-1 and 3-2. "We make three errors in one inning? What can you say?"

The two losses kept Coach's Corner, which finished 21-9-1 in the LCBL, from earning a trip to the 20-and-under All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament, which begins Monday, Aug. 8 in Johnstown, Pa.

The sweep by the Heat enabled the Rams, who had already completed their season and finished 22-9, to earn their second straight trip to Johnstown under coach Rick Berryman.

(The Michigan Bulls, a 22-and-under team, won the LCBL with a 24-7 record and advance to postseason tourney play next week in Toledo, Ohio.)

Three Coach's Corner errors in the bottom of the eighth inning led to the game-winning run.

Both Dave Bromengen and Pate Kenney each reached base on Coach's Corner infield errors to start the inning, putting runners on first and second. Both runners moved up on a double-steal. But after Aaron Drury and Kevin Kadrofske were retired on infield pop outs by Coach's Corner reliever Ben Jeazen, George then intentionally walked Heat hitter Bobby Schmidt to load the bases.

The Heat's Daniel Graham then worked the count to 3-2 and with the runners going, hit what appeared to be a harmless grounder to second base-

PLEASE SEE RAMS, B2

MU nails down standout spiker in Mack

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Patience is a virtue, just ask Madonna University women's volleyball coach Jerry Abraham after he signed Livonia Churchill's Kelsey Mack to an NALA Letter of Intent earlier this month.

Mack, the area's most coveted senior recruit, is a 6-foot-1 outside hitter who earned first-team All-Observer honors two years in a row.

"Kelsey is another great addition to our program," said Abraham, who guided the 2004 Crusaders to 42-5 record and fifth NAIA National Championship appearance.

"Good things come to those who wait, and we have waited patiently to get Kelsey in the fold, and couldn't be happier that day has finally come."

As a senior, Mack was a first-team All-



Mack

She posted school records for total kills (580), kills per game (5.1), total aces (162) and aces per game (1.8). Mack also ranks seventh in the MHSAA season record book for aces and kills. Her 28 kills in a three-game match (as a junior) puts her 12th on the MHSAA record book list.

In Mack's three years as a varsity letter

winner, Churchill captured three straight WLAA and district titles. The Chargers finished an impressive 87-15-5 during her junior and senior years.

"Kelsey is a winner, first and foremost," said Abraham, who has guided MU to eight straight Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference titles. "With her experience playing at a high level, and being successful in those situations, we feel she can step right in and help us chase a conference championship."

Mack is Abraham's fourth and most likely final recruit.

Also signed is Nikki Ellul, a 5-9 outside hitter from Dearborn Divine Child; Stephanie Parslow, a 6-3 middle hitter who played one year of basketball at Macomb Community College (via Macomb Dakota H.S.); and Diana Sesto, a 5-11 outside hitter from Macomb CC (via Chippewa Valley H.S.).

GC youth baseball coach strives to make difference

BY TIM SMITH
STAFF WRITER

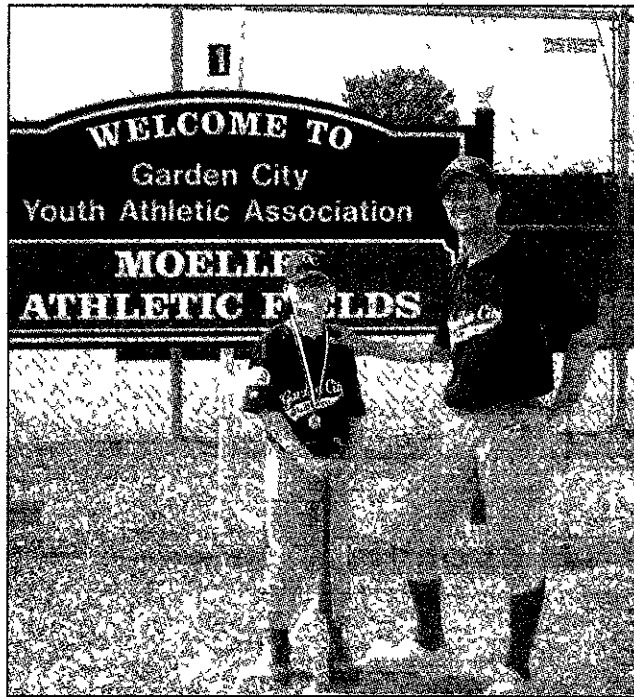
When Dave Ferracciolo was a teenager, he admittedly wasn't good enough of a baseball player to make the Garden City High School varsity.

But he was OK with that because — throughout his childhood years playing baseball for Little League teams — he always tried his hardest and learned a lot about sportsmanship, teamwork and dedication.

Now at age 35, Ferracciolo remembers his own past and keeps that in mind when coaching the Garden City Gladiators 8-Under baseball team along with Tony Widmer and Jack Murray. The squad includes Ferracciolo's 8-year-old son Brendan.

"I figured I wanted to give something back," said Ferracciolo about turning to coaching about 17 years ago. "I played through the league

Who: Dave Ferracciolo.
What: Baseball coach, commissioner, Garden City Youth Athletic Association.
Background: 1988 graduate of Garden City High School; a graduate of Central Michigan University.
Family: Wife: Jackie; children: Brendan, 8; Emily, 6; Alyssa, 2; Maya, four-months.
Why: "I figured I wanted to give something back. I played through the league as a kid. So I wanted to give something back and that's why I wanted to coach. And as I got into it it became addictive."



Veteran Garden City youth baseball coach Dave Ferracciolo and 8-year-old son Brendan celebrate the Gladiators' recent tournament win. Although being on a winner is nice, the coach said he tries to avoid having a "win-at-all-costs" mentality, an approach that sometimes erodes youngsters' enthusiasm for the sport.

Sidelines

Briggs hosts camp

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. Walk-in registrations will be accepted starting at 8 a.m. Call (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5564 or to obtain a form, visit www.schoolcraft.edu (click on Student Life, Athletics and Athletic Camps.)

Let's get started

Here's a tip that the 2005 fall sports season is drawing near: the Redford Union varsity boys soccer team will take part in conditioning drills tomorrow through Friday, Aug. 12.

The team's new coach, Ed Mullins, said conditioning sessions will be from 5-7 p.m. each weekday at Redford Union. They should bring bottled water to keep refreshed, he noted.

Tommy Tune-Up

The University of Detroit Mercy cross country program will sponsor a "Tommy Titan Tune-Up" race prior to next month's 19th annual Running Fit/Tommy Titan Invitational.

The race is open to all runners and is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 18 at Cass Benton Park in Northville. The women's cross country race long and short course run concurrently starts at 6:30 p.m. followed by the men's cross country long and short course concurrent run at 7 p.m.

The short course is approximately 3,200 meters, while the long course will consist of one college loop and one high school loop approximately 5,600 meters.

Individual race fees are \$5 per person. Team rates for six to 14 athletes is \$25, or teams with 15 or more will be \$50. Coaches with team entered run at no charge. Teams planning on attending with 10 or more athletes should send in a team roster before Aug. 17.

Awards will be determined and will be given in the chute. Results will appear on www.DetroitTitans.com or on www.RunMichigan.com. T-shirts will be available including the new 2005 design.

Call U-D Mercy coach Guy Murray at (313) 993-1724; or E-mail him at murraygr@udmercy.edu.

Area golf divots

In the Charles Watson Memorial Match Play tournament held July 25-27 at Stonebridge Golf Club in Ann Arbor, Shannon Warner (Livonia Churchill) was ousted in the semifinals of the Girls 16-and-up division by runner-up Jennifer Domagalski.

Meanwhile, Angela Jamrog (Livonia Ladywood) took the consolation flight.

Detroit's Rollin Marlon, Jr. used a 7-iron to ace the 172-yard 11th hole July 26 at Fox Creek Golf Course in Livonia. For Marlon, who shot a 72, it was his fifth ace in 25 years.

RAMS

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man John Zalenski, who cleanly fielded the ball, but threw high and up the line past first baseman Tim Kalczynski, which enabled Bromengen to cross the plate with the game-winning run to break the 2-all deadlock.

Uncharacteristically, it was Zalenski's second error of the inning.

"John has made the plays for us all season, he's been a stand-out defensively, that's why he's in there," George said. "What can you say? It's just one of those things."

Berryman, who watched both ends of the doubleheader, couldn't say thanks enough to the 15-15 Heat, but had empathy for George and his team.

"You could say the 'Baseball Gods' were with us," Berryman

said. "I feel great for us, but bad for the kid (Zalenski). Mike (George) has a good team and it was a good race with them all year. Give them credit because they won some big games."

"We're very thrilled and excited to go. Mike called me (on the phone) immediately after the game. He was very good, very classy. He congratulated us and wished us well."

The Heat had lost three previous encounters with Coach's Corner, but proved to be the spoiler on this night.

"We hadn't beaten them before and the guys wanted to play, they knew what was at stake," said Heat manager James Ford, who started the twinbill with only nine players. "We're a first-year team and our team jelled the second half of the season. Last year (as the Michigan Storm) we won only five games.

So this is quite an improvement. Our pitching coach Andrew Mackie did a great job with our staff."

Heat pitchers Steve Ravish (five innings) and Daniel Graham (two innings) combined on a three-hitter in the opener to beat Coach's Corner, 3-1.

Bromengen's RBI single in the first off Coach's Corner starter Mike Powers scored Bo Ford to give the Heat a 1-0 lead.

Ravish's RBI single scoring Aaron Drury in the second put the Heat ahead 2-0.

Coach's Corner cut the deficit to 2-1 in the bottom of the third when Jeff Richard walked with the bases loaded to score Kalczynski.

But the Heat went up two runs again in the top of the fourth on Adam Schulz's RBI single to score Graham, who

retired the final six batters to earn the save.

In the second game, things were looking up for Coach's Corner in the first when Mike Krause led off with a single and scored on Jeazen's double.

The Heat regained the lead in the fourth on a Kadrofske's RBI single scoring Kenney, but Coach's Corner tied it in the top of the sixth on Digger Towle's RBI double scoring Richard.

Bromengen then came on for Heat starter Carl McDivot in the sixth and shut down Coach's Corner by retiring seven batters in a row to pick up the win.

For the night, Coach's Corner had only a total of seven hits in two games, not enough to get over the hump and earn the trip to Johnstown.

Meanwhile, the Rams will try and improve on last year's third place finish in the AAABA.

COACH

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(Garden City Youth Athletic Association) as a kid. So I wanted to give something back and that's why I wanted to coach. And as I got into (coaching) it became addictive."

Ferracciolo said the reason he became hooked on coaching kids was not in molding a unit and taking it to the heights - although he does have coaching success, as evidenced by the Gladiators' recent triumph at the PONY Baseball World Series held at Moeller Field in Garden City.

"You have players that come to play and when they start out they really aren't that good," he explained recently. "And then they accomplish something, and I see the smiles on their faces. It's a wonderful thing."

"For example, you saw a player here hit a home run. Well, that's just awesome. But it's more fun watching the players who come in and struggle to make it here and now all of a sudden you'll see them get some big hits, and (teammates are) cheering up and down. It's just priceless."

PERSPECTIVE

Ferracciolo realizes that coaches and players want to be on a winning team. But he emphasized that he tries not to have a "win-at-all-cost" approach to coaching.

"They need to keep it in perspective," he said. "Coaching isn't just winning, it's teaching and understanding when a player's upset, comforting, ... there's just so much that goes into it."

"But they (coaches) all come into it with good intentions. They all want to come into it to make a difference. And that's one thing I can say for certain."

Coaching for high-level travel teams is a different story. There is instruction that still

goes on, but the better players see most of the action as teams try to win as much as possible.

With house squads made up of residents who pay to play, however, the focus and philosophy are about learning and having some fun in the process.

To that end, Ferracciolo said he hopes *he* is making a difference in how youngsters learn and grow as players and people.

"Don't get me wrong. It's great that we (Gladiators) won two tournaments, and we're doing good right now," Ferracciolo said. "But ultimately, in the whole big scheme of things, this is something to hopefully keep them on track, to become focused. Let them have fun."

For as big of a job as coaching can be, Ferracciolo also spends a lot of time taking care of business as the first-year commissioner of GCYAA's baseball program, which includes hundreds of kids of all ages. Oh yeah, he has a day job as a systems analyst in Redford Township.

"I'm pretty straightforward," he said. "I've learned to be patient and understanding" with parents who usually mean well but can be overbearing at times, such as when trying to get their children more playing time.

His tasks - thankfully alleviated by the efforts of many parent volunteers - include handling registrations, assigning players to teams, collecting fees and shopping for uniforms and trophies, scheduling games and making sure umpires will be at every contest.

"I had no idea it was going to be all this."

Ferracciolo said he's made some mistakes, like double booking fields or not scheduling umpers for a game. "All I can do is apologize."

But he won't apologize for his coaching philosophy.

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COVENANT

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sion of the 2004-05 academic year.

Blakely said the Catholic

League's executive board won't decide the issue until September. He added that the Spartans wouldn't have been able to play in that league this fall anyway, because the 2005 schedule is completed.

That doesn't mean Blakely

won't have a place for his team to play.

"There's an independent league and one school (Ann Arbor Central Academy) dropped its football program in late June," he explained. "I was able to schedule five games. That will be it unless something comes in at the last minute."

Teams the Spartans would play if the Borgess-to-Covenant switch goes through without a problem include Taylor Light

and Life, Waterford Mt. Zion, Old Redford Academy and Dearborn Heights International Academy.

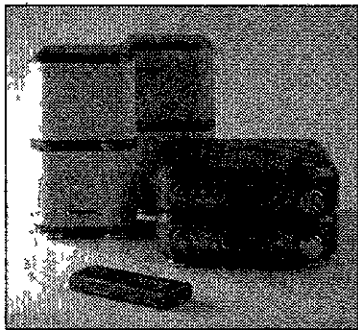
If the athletic petition is approved, Covenant sports teams could return to the Catholic League beginning with the winter season. Heather Williams, who was athletic director at Borgess, could not be reached for comment.

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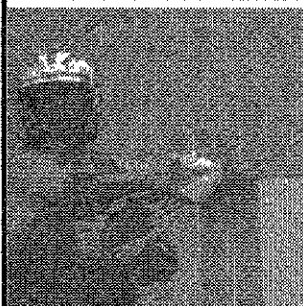
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Kevin Robinson of Livonia, the Boys 13-and-under winner with an 84, attempts the putt in Wednesday's Motor City Junior Classic held at Whispering Willows.

MOTOR CITY GOLF RESULTS

MOTOR CITY JUNIOR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS July 27 at Whispering Willows

BOYS 16-17: 1. Adam Dubois (Northville), 75; 2. Brian King (Livonia), 77; 3. Craig Werner, 78; 4. Colin Fitzgerald, 79; 5. Anthony Azouan, 84; 6. Matthew Molnar, 85; 7. Ryan Szczepiński, 86; 8. Mike Niesyto, 90; 9. Sean Barry, 97; 10. Steve Greco, 100; 11. T.J. LeBlanc, 105.

GIRLS 16-17: 1. Laura Proven (Farmington Hills), 94; 2. Kaitlin Waldecker, 121.

BOYS 14-15: 1. Don Timmer (Farmington Hills), 78; 2. Daniel Bostick (Livonia), 80; 3. Josh Proben, 82; 4. Kyle Ballantine, 83; 5. Chris Noffze, 88; 6. Chris Meadows, 89; 7. Thomas Wagner, 90; 10. Daniel Yaguinto, 91; 11. Drew Sieber, 94; 12. Kevin Dubina, 95; 13. James

Vayis, 96; 14. Jacob Brosky, 97; 15. (tie) Tyler Hooper, Brian Parkinson, Jacob Andrews, 98 each; 18. (tie) Matt Charnley, Kyle Schwarz, 99 each; 20. (tie) Joseph Burgo, Travis Satkowiak, 101 each; 22. Zack Feher, 102; 23. (tie) Kevin Dodson, Andrew Tucker, 103 each; 25. Robert Toaso, Jr., 107; 26. Shawn Murdock, 108; 27. Ben Naber, 109; 27. Greg Van Gorp, 110; 28. David Simor, 113; 29. Kurt Gruska, 115; 30. Kerry Kirsch, 116; 31. (tie) Michael Goulet, Cory Smetana, 118 each; 33. Justin Congdon, 119; 34. (tie) Ryan Jason, Robbie Padgett, 124 each; 36. Michael Cole, 126; 37. Zachary Schuit, 128.

GIRLS 13-14: 1. Megan Burns (Livonia), 113; 2. Natalie Krick (Novi), 114; 3. Sara Linder, 158.

BOYS 13-AND-UNDER: 1. Kevin Robinson (Livonia), 84; 2. (tie) Adam Yerber (Livonia), John Jordon (Livonia), 96 each; 4. Patrick Cole,

101; 5. Kenny Banach, 102; 6. Kyle Gabrielson, 104; 7. (tie) Erik Newman, Christian Wood, 107 each; 9. Danny Sager, 108; 10. Michael Tibbets, 112; 11. Brad Kumm, 113; 12. Jack Herman, 115; 13. (tie) Christian Debay, John Strauch, 120 each; 15. (tie) Jacob Meadows, Alec Smythe, 128 each; 17. Matt Tzafaroglou, 134; 18. (tie) Evan Pomeroy, Nicholas Schuit, 136; 20. Michael Gambino, 144.

CLOSEST TO THE PIN

BOYS 14-17: Ryan Szczepiński (Hole No. 17)

BOYS 13-AND-UNDER: Brad Kumm (Hole No. 7).

GIRLS: Laura Proven (Hole No. 7).

STRAIGHTEST DRIVE

BOYS: Christopher Noffze.

GIRLS: Laura Proven.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

YOUTH BASEBALL TRYOUTS

■ The Livonia Junior Athletic League will be holding tryouts for its boys travel baseball program at Bicentennial Park (Diamond No. 8) on the following dates:

13-and-under - 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 6; 12-and-under - 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 6; 11-and-under - 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6; 10-and-under - noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7.

The ages of players are as of April 30, 2006.

For more information, E-mail dennis.russ@LJAL.com; or visit www.ljal.com.

■ Tryouts for the 2006 Canton Pirates 13-and-under baseball team will be held Tuesday, July 26, and Thursday, July 28, at 6 p.m. at Canton's Griffin Park, which is located on Sheldon Road, just south of Ford Road. All interested players must have been born after April 30, 1992.

The team is expected to participate in a total of 35 games beginning in mid-April, 2006.

For more information, contact coach Bruce Price at (734) 635-7497.

■ The 2005 Motor City Chiefs 13-and-under travel baseball team will be holding tryouts for the 2006 season on Wednesday, Aug. 10, at 7 p.m., and at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 13, at UAW Field, which is located at 48055 Michigan Ave. in Canton (one-quarter mile west of Beck Road).

The Chiefs are an elite travel team looking for high-quality players to complete their roster. The team is independent, so there are no residency restrictions and it has its own field.

Due to new age eligibility rules, players can play under-

13 if they were born between May 1, 1992, and April 31, 1993. Coaching and team manager opportunities are available.

For more information and to confirm tryouts, send an e-mail to: MayGer22@com.

■ Tryouts for the Motor City Chiefs, an independent under-10 Plymouth-Canton travel baseball team will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13 and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14, at Canton UAW Fields, 48055 Michigan Avenue (located on the south side).

Players must be born between May 1, 1995 and April 30, 1995, to be eligible.

Coaching opportunities are also available.

For more information, call Don Clark at (734) 455-1224.

GC BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Garden City varsity, junior varsity and freshman girls basketball teams are scheduled for Monday, Aug. 15 at the Garden City High School gymnasium.

Varsity players are expected to be on hand from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. that day; JV and freshman players should attend from 9-11 a.m. For more information, please call (734) 306-8763 or (734) 635-2388.

CHURCHILL GOLF TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Livonia Churchill High School boys golf team will be at 9:45 a.m. Thursday and Friday, Aug. 11-12, at Whispering Willows Golf Course.

The cost is \$12.

For more information, call (248) 476-4493.

WILDCAT BOOSTERS MEET

The next meeting for the Plymouth Wildcat Football Boosters will begin at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 2 at Plymouth High School.

All parents of current and incoming freshman players should be in attendance. (This is the final meeting before the season begins).

For more information, E-mail Karel Fox at Jktkfox@comcast.net.

CHS MEET THE TEAM

Livonia Churchill High School Meet the Team Night will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, at Carli Auditorium.

All athletes in grades 9-12, along with their parents, are urged to attend.

For more information, call (734) 744-2650, Ext. 46117.

REDFORD ADULT SOFTBALL

Registration for Redford Parks and Recreation's fall softball program is ongoing at the community center, 12121 Hemingway. The center is west of Beech Daly off of Capitol, between Plymouth-Schoolcraft roads.

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Fees are \$325 per team, along with a \$12 fee for umpires to be paid by each team before each game.

The sign-ups will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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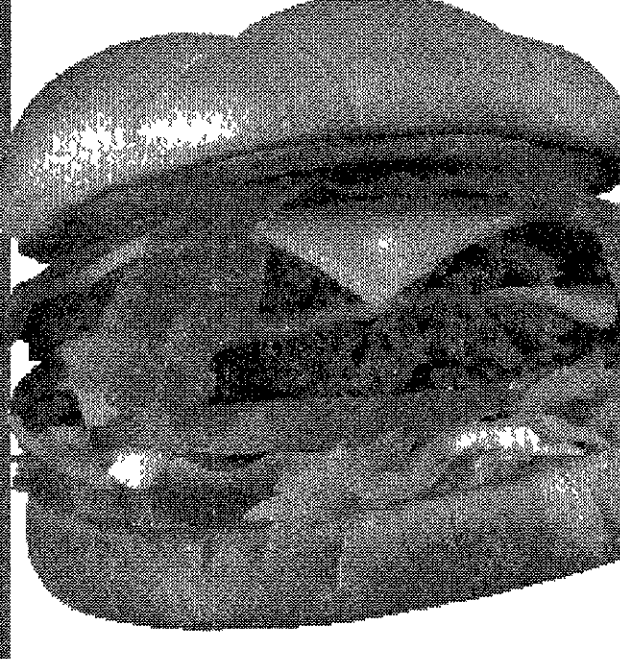
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Goose Finnerty's camp finale will be from 9:30 a.m. until noon, Monday through Friday, Aug. 8-12, at Plymouth Lake Soccer Park, located on Haggerty, north of Schoolcraft Road. The camp fee is \$139 (Includes free soccer ball and T-shirt).

Droo Callahan, Director of Player Development for the Brighton Soccer Club and a B-licensed coach with the a National Youth Coaching License, will direct the camp.

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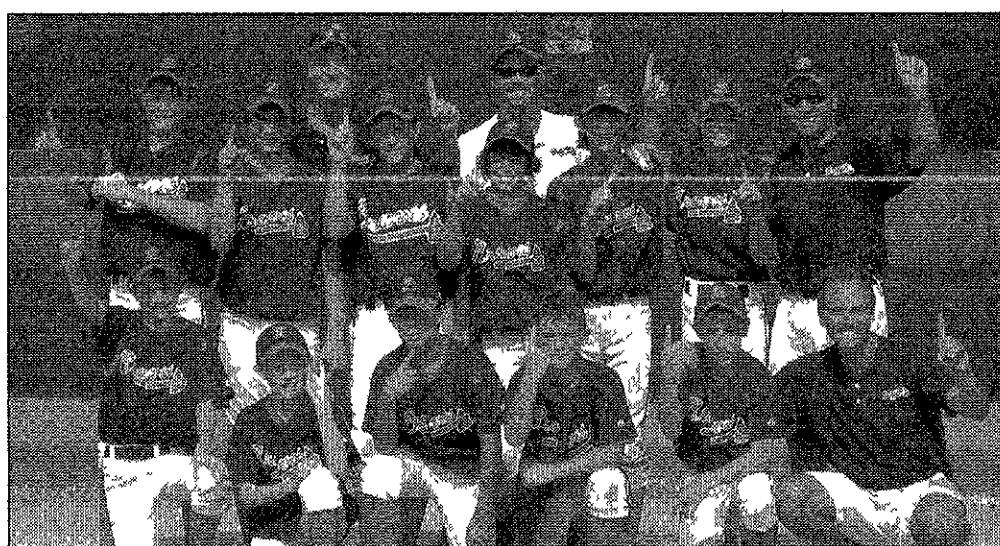
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The camp will be conducted by Livonia Unified coaches Christa Hinderliter and Kelly Karalis.

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Tournament tough

The Plymouth Canton Braves, an under-12 travel baseball team, finished a stellar summer with a 28-10 overall record. The Braves qualified for the Super Series National Championship and reached the quarterfinals of the American Amateur Baseball Congress North-Central Regional tournament, July 20-22, in Rockford, Ill., after winning the AABC District Tournament, July 14-15, in Novi. The Braves also finished an impressive 21-0 to capture the under-12 division in the Kensington Valley Baseball-Softball Association.

Members of the Braves include (front row, from left) Michael Tibbits, Matt Rowland, Andrew Nelson, Clayton Middleton, Drew Mitchell, assistant coach Jim Michels; (middle row, from left) Luke Hager, Seth Tschetter, Brandon Tammaro, Drew Leist, Harrison Michels, Jacob Morris, head coach Alex Grabsky; (back row, from left) assistant coaches Keith Morris and Rob Leist.



Series champs

The 9-and-under Phillies won the Greater Canton Youth Baseball-Softball Association World Series July 22 at Heritage Park with a 10-7 win over the Yankees. The Phillies finished 9-3 during the regular season and won all four playoff games. Members of the Phillies include (front row, from left) Noah Wilder, Ronnie Dancer, Grant Beauchamp, Chase Anderson, Austin Bottrell, Evan Flohr, Bayley Brothers; (second row, from left) Tanner Payter, Kyle Mettlach, Andrew Jossey, Nick Romanauski, Tommy Kiddie, Trent Montgomery; (back row, from left) coaches Tom Kiddie, Bill Flohr, Mike Payter, Greg Beauchamp. Not pictured is Jonathon Krebs.

MALEK

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This is his first full season at the Class AA level, though he did play briefly for Binghamton at the end of last season after a promotion from Class A St. Lucie in the Florida State League.

"He has done a good job for us," Binghamton manager Jack Lind said. "He has been our right fielder most of the time. He is feeling his way through the league."

"He is a pretty consistent hitter. He makes good contact. He has a great arm. He has thrown a few guys out at home plate. He is one of the best arms in the league. It's in the top 10 (among outfielders), maybe the top five."

Malek's arm is his best tool, in the parlance of pro scouts.

"That is what I feel is my game breaker," said Malek, who added that he can save the team a few runs when opposing runners did not try to score out of respect for his arm.

But his bat is not that bad either.

The left-handed hitter, who is listed at 6-foot-3, 205 pounds, had 18 doubles, two triples, two homers and 25 RBI (through July 28). He had one steal in five tries, with an on-base average around .340 and a slugging percentage around .380.

"I think he has a chance to go to a higher level," Lind said.

"He has a chance, if he puts it all together, to play in the big leagues."

Many baseball scouts and minor league personnel say that the AA level is the defining mark in the minor leagues.

"If you are able to handle AA pitching, you can handle Major League pitching," Malek said.

There was a big league connection this past weekend when Binghamton (43-53 after Sunday) faced Bowie, which improved to 50-50 after taking two of three games.

Baltimore catcher Javier Lopez concluded a rehab assignment with Bowie on Sunday night, when he served as the Baysox designated hitter.

"That was pretty interesting to watch," Malek said.

"Offensively, you could see he had a plan at the plate. (Lopez) had two hits Friday, and four hits in his first eight at bats with Bowie."

Malek was drafted after his junior year at Michigan State, and is about 20 credits shy of a degree in business. His parents still live in Canton.

The Binghamton hitting coach is Dave Hollins, a former big leaguer.

"We talk a lot about situations," Malek said.

Despite a recent cold snap at the plate, Malek has proved he is not overmatched at AA. The challenge is now whether he can make adjustments and one day advance to Class AAA Norfolk in the Mets' system — or beyond.

Editor's note: David Driver, a free-lance writer from Cheverly, Md., has covered the Eastern League and minor league baseball for more than 10 years.

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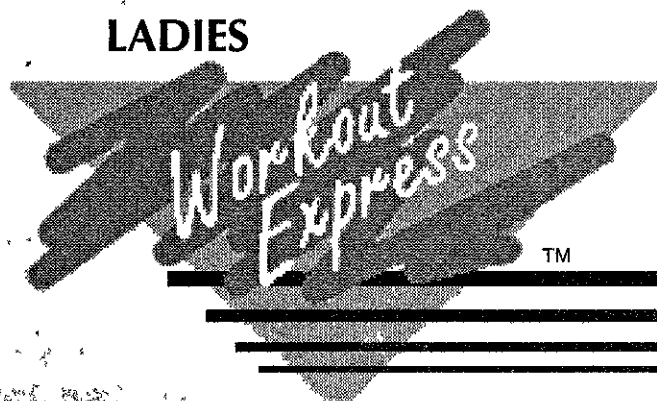
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B.J. is the first man to be on the Library Board, writes book reviews for the local paper, and is a member of the Downtown Development Authority, which sponsors children's theater programs and summer concerts. One performer who regularly visits Ewart is Matt Watroba, who grew up in Plymouth-Canton, and is a Music in the Park regular. (B.J.'s other connection to Canton is that his son lives here.)

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A recent event reminded some of us that we live in a community without a bookstore. On July 15, bookstores across the country, (including Ewart's Northon's Bookshop), hosted late-night parties to celebrate the release of the sixth Harry Potter Book, but not here.

Luckily a new bookstore will be opening soon - and it will stay - just as long as we stop in and shop often.

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Lana Frank (left) and Journey, Debbie Dayton and Joshua, and Amy Stearns and Hogan became friends through Leader Dogs. The six do everything from dining at restaurants to shopping at grocery and dog supply stores together.

New leash on life

Leader dogs save woman's life twice

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Joshua just wanted to sleep, but Debbie Dayton was in the mood to celebrate. She'd passed her 9-month checkup at University of Michigan Hospital with flying colors.

Dayton, a Westland resident, believes she's been blessed twice. The first time in September 2001 when she received Josh from Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, the second when Amy Stearns, a Leader Dog puppy raiser, gave her a kidney in September 2004.

Neither life-saving measure would have occurred if the nonprofit organization hadn't trained the golden retriever on their 14-acre site at the corner of South Rochester Road and Avon. Josh brought the two women together. Now it was his job to rise at 4:45 a.m., even though a little sleepy, and guide Dayton through a maze of U-M labs and offices. Before Josh, Dayton had to hold onto someone's arm or use a cane so she wouldn't walk into closets. A visit to U-M Hospital for blood tests was out of the question without assistance.

The lack of independence was particularly trying for Dayton who had managed Secretary of State offices in Westland, Ann Arbor and West Bloomfield before losing her sight seven years ago to diabetic retinopathy and neovascular glaucoma. Until Josh came along she rarely left the house.

"What's amazing is not that my kidney transplant was a success, but that I received the donation from Amy," said Dayton, 51. "I probably never would have met her if I hadn't gotten Josh from Leader Dogs."

"It's a miracle story. It's almost hard to grasp as I look back on it. Amy and I aren't related. I didn't realize the support system. Puppy raisers and people from Leader Dogs even came up to the hospital."

A year ago Dayton was so sick from carrying



Joshua rests after a long day as Debbie Dayton talks on her cell phone. The two were up at 4:45 a.m. for a trip to University of Michigan Hospital for Dayton's 9-month checkup after a kidney transplant.

the 39-pounds of excess water her kidneys couldn't get rid of, she didn't have energy to dress. The devastation caused by diabetes didn't end with Dayton becoming legally blind. In late 2003, she went into renal failure.

After the transplant Dayton was able to walk in two Thanksgiving parades for Leader Dogs and remains active with the Lions Clubs as a way of giving back. She met Stearns when both were invited to bring their dogs to a Garden City golf outing for the Lions. It was there they met puppy raiser Lana Frank who would play an instrumental role in both of their lives. When Dayton was told she had to restrict protein, potassium and sodium in addition to maintaining her diabetic diet, Frank cooked for her for almost a year. She'd make a macaroni salad for her family then save a smaller portion without salt for Dayton. Frank, who was a cook for Wayne Westland Schools for 24 years,

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Lana Frank (left) and Journey, Amy Stearns and Hogan, and Debbie Dayton and Joshua celebrate the results of Dayton's 9-month checkup after a kidney transplant.

Canines guide owners toward independence

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

The Leader Dogs for the Blind van is a little worse for wear from puppies gnawing on the seats over the years, but no one seems to care since these furry canines will eventually lead their owners toward greater independence. Soon 10 dogs and 4-trainers will depart from the school in Rochester to go through their paces on the busy streets of Birmingham and locations throughout metro Detroit.

In the main building Shawnee, an 11-year-old golden retriever wanders in and out of the office of CEO Bill Hansen. It's another working day at Leader Dogs for animals as well as two dozen legally blind students. Twelve times a year up to 24 students from around the world live in the facility for 26-days as they train with a dog matched to their needs and personalities.

Shawnee is Hansen's dog. She's one of the retired moms from Leader Dogs' breeding program. About 80 percent of the dogs from the program graduate from training while only 20 percent of donated dogs do.

It's a costly operation to breed and train the dogs - 70 percent of them Labradors, 20 percent golden retrievers, 10 percent German shepherds. The vending machine in the lounge area is the only expense for students. Thanks to the Lions Clubs 70 percent of the \$35,000 to train each dog/student team is covered by donations. The nonprofit receives no government or United Way funding to meet its annual \$10 million budget.

Since its founding in 1939 by members of a Detroit area Lions Club, the school has trained more than 13,000 dogs.

PLEASE SEE INDEPENDENCE, C5



The latest in the Woods Cop series Running Dark has just been published this summer.

Mystery series set during Garden Peninsula war

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

The Upper Peninsula's Garden Peninsula extends about 20 miles into Lake Michigan south of U.S. 2.

It is best known for Fayette State Park, where a ghost town is preserved, memorializing a once-prosperous smelting operation. It is also known for its free-spirited, reclusive and sometimes lawless residents and its marijuana farms.

In the 1970s, the Garden Peninsula was a battle zone, the site of a long-running guerilla war between poachers and conservation officers of the Department of Natural Resources. The subject was a nat-

ural for writer Joseph Heywood, creator of the regionally popular Woods Cop mystery series. Heywood's central character is CO Grady Service, a Vietnam veteran as tough and wild as the criminals he confronts. Previous novels in the series, begun in 2001 with *Ice Hunter*, were set in the present. This time, Heywood goes back to a younger, more reckless Grady Service in *Running Dark* (The Lyons Press, \$19.95). The title refers to a common DNR practice of driving at night without lights in order to sneak up on violators.

"I didn't see how I could do a series on a

PLEASE SEE SERIES, C5



Joseph Heywood sets his Woods Cop mysteries in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

College education a must for graduating teens

I am thrilled my husband and I helped to educate five – all with undergraduate degrees and three with five advanced degrees – without them accumulating a dollar in debt. One son came out of medical school free of debt, almost unheard of today.

Even with the low tuition rates of the '70s and '80s, we sacrificed, worked harder, spent less, and – with three still at home – I went back to work earning a small salary but enough to help with expenses. There was every conceivable summer job among the five children: painting houses,



Teens in 2005
Alice McCarthy

working in fast food eateries, baby-sitting, lawn cutting, and office work in a vocational field of interest. The latter is probably the most helpful for a summer job but no matter the type of job we believed that as the second generation to be college educated a "free ride" was simply not in the picture. We also believed strongly in the lessons to be learned from holding a job.

Long before my children came I obtained a master's degree in vocational counseling and worked in a college placement bureau and a large New York City executive placement office. When I wrote my last book in 2000, *Healthy Teens*, we worked hard on an extensive chapter "Teens and Life After High School." There are 4-1/2 pages (in small print) of references at the end of the chapter with 13 annotated references especially related to College Financial Aid. Libraries will have my

book and others that will help you prepare financially for the future higher education of your children.

Bob Herbert, editorial writer for The New York Times gives us disturbing news about high school dropouts in his July 21, 2005, column. The column is well worth reading especially when Herbert quotes from a book *Dropouts in America: Confronting the Graduation Crisis* edited by Harvard professor Gary Orfield. Orfield says, "Nationally, only about two-thirds of all students – and only half of all blacks, Latinos, and Native Americans – who enter ninth grade graduate with regular diplomas four years later."

Herbert continues, "Over all, the United States has one of the highest high school dropout rates in the industrialized world, which can't be comforting news in the ferociously competitive environment of an increasingly global-

ized economy."

"Why is the education of American's young people so important?"

"It may sound like hyperbole," says Tom Vander Ark of the Gates Foundation, "but this is the economic development issue for our society and it is the social justice issue of our times. It is the most important long-term issue for the civic health of the republic."

"In the aggregate," says Mr. Vander Ark, "we need more young people educated at higher levels: more finishing high school, more finishing community college, more finishing four-year degrees. And secondly, I think it's very important that we close the racial and socioeconomic gaps in educational attainment."

Sacrifices made, along with early planning for the funds needed, pays off a thousand-fold for your children and as Herbert and Vander Ark say "for the

future of our nation."

If you missed previous columns, you can access them at www.hometownlife.com/Livonia/News.asp. Type "Alice R. McCarthy" under "Keyword Search" for a list of her most recent columns. Columns, written weekly, remain only a short time on this site. Last week's column was "Watching Sex on TV a Predictor of Sexual Activity." All of her columns for the Observer Eccentric Newspapers are on www.bridge-comm.com.

Alice R. McCarthy, Ph.D., the mother of five professionals, is a national consultant in the areas of parent involvement in schools, curriculum writing in health, and health publications. She is the author of a widely used text and parenting book *Healthy Teens: Facing the Challenges of Young Lives*. Write to her in care of the Observer/Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150.

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Star Struck

(July 31- Aug. 3)
By Dennis Fairchild

ARIES (March 21-April 20)
Are you aiming too high or expecting too much, Ram? Not according to the current planetary setup, which is so unbelievably good now that no matter how high you aim you should still reach your objective. Now is also terrific for indulging in some much-needed Y-O-U get-away time.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)
Loved ones will want to go their own way and do their own thing now, and if you're a wise Bull, not only will you let them, you'll encourage them too. You should be delighted that they want to be more independent – it means they've learned something positive from you.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)
Love is in the air this week, Twin, and in almost every direction you turn there will be opportunities to improve an existing relationship or forge a new one. Don't let your reservations hold you back. Leave the object of your affection in no doubt that they're the one for you!

CANCER (June 22-July 23)
It may feel as if someone has popped the balloon that's been holding you up recently, but don't fret. MoonKid. This probably isn't a bad

thing. You need a rest. Slow down, regroup, re-groove and pull in your markers now before you burn out. Summer is flyin' by quickly!

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)
The time has come to decide which is more important: Money or love. It's possible to have both, of course, but these sides of your life have been a bit out of balance since spring and if you don't equalize them soon, you may lose someone or something you treasure.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)
Mighty Mars in one of the most sensitive areas of your chart says don't be surprised if you feel a bit emotionally raw over the coming days. But don't turn people away if they are trying to help! What you need now more than anything is a friend to talk with – and a mentor.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)
Balancers don't like rockin' emotional boats. So, the more you try to focus your energy in one direction now, the more you'll find yourself dragged elsewhere – and, not necessarily a bad place. For the time being, it may pay you to give up the struggle and let the winds of fate reinvigorate you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)
No matter how cosmically-confident a Scorpio you happen to be, there will be times in the days ahead when your fears get the better of you. It is only a passing phase, but it will pass quicker if you refuse to panic. It won't be as bad as you think, Kid. Do

'facts', not fantasies now

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)
Face facts, Archer: You're not the most linear or realistic of the 12 signs! You have to be practical and find ways to bring your lofty Archer-ideas down to earth in the days ahead. Forget about The Perfect Opportunity, because such a situation ain't there. Draw up a plan and carry it out now.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)
With the Sun entering your element soon, it's time to push and make the most of every August day. You're more likely to do something memorable if you do it from the purest of motives, Cap. Personal fame is nice, but it's what you do for others that will earn you lasting glory.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)
Hey, WaterBearer: if you aren't interested in what you are doing outside of the home, what's the point of spending so much time and energy on it? If you need to break free, it's time to stop daydreaming and do something. Time is money, and the clock is tick-tick-ticking.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)
The only thing that is holding you back is your rather typical Fish self-doubt. So get off it! You have to convince yourself that you have what it takes to succeed now. You also have to convince yourself that you deserve the best that life has to offer. No one deserves it more kiddo.

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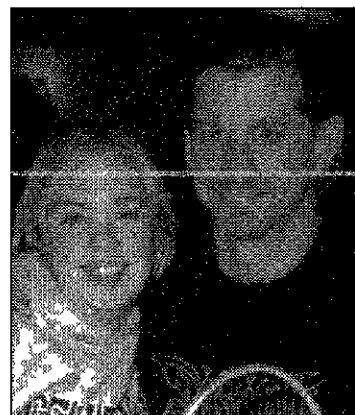
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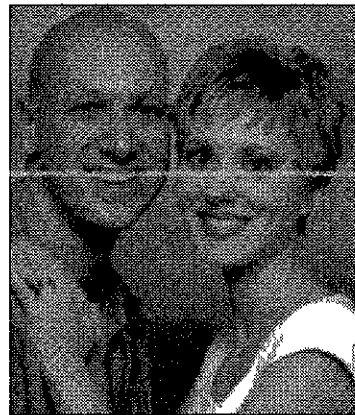
**Kukhahn-Carpenti**

Kerry and Diane Kukhahn of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Kellie Marie, to Aaron Todd Carpent.

Kellie is a 2002 graduate of Salem High School. She is employed at American House in Northville.

Her fiancé, Aaron, is the son of Bernard and Kathy Carpent of Westland. He is a graduate of John Glenn High School. He is employed at Victory Honda in Plymouth.

Aaron and Kellie are planning a September wedding at Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville.

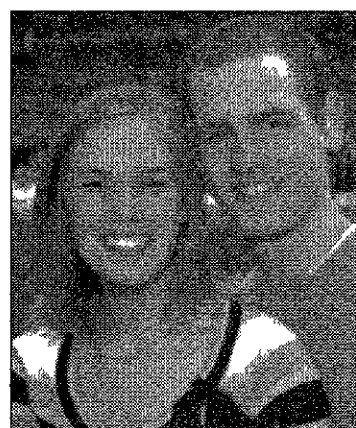
**Hughes-Hudgins**

Ray and Joanne Hughes of Howell announce the engagement of their daughter, Marie Ann, to Dustin Ryan Hudgins of Westland.

Marie is a 2003 graduate of Walsh College with a bachelor's degree in accounting. She is employed by Fifth Third Bank as a manager in training.

Her fiancé, Dustin, is the son of Jim and Annette Hudgins of Canton. He is a 2002 graduate of Western Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He is employed by Rite Aid Corp. as a District Loss Prevention Manager.

Dustin and Marie are planning a September wedding at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth.

**Parker-Allen**

Dawn Parker of Canton and Jim and Michele Parker of Midland announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Suzanne Parker, to Christopher Lee Allen of Columbus, Ohio.

Kelly is a 1999 graduate of Canton High School and a 2004 graduate of Western Michigan University. She is employed with Limited Stores in Novi and Mid American Pom Pon in Farmington Hills.

Her fiancé, Christopher, is the son of Teri and Doug Allen of Pickerington, Ohio. He is a 2000 graduate of Pickerington High School and a 2005 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He is employed with Huntington Bank in Columbus, Ohio.

Christopher and Kelly are planning an August wedding at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

**Crisp-Bossieux**

Mr. and Mrs. Redman Earl Crisp of Greenville, N.C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, of Charlotte, N.C., to James Allen Bossieux of Boston, Mass.

Sarah is a 2001 graduate of North Carolina State University. She is employed by Carolina Medical Center as a neo-natal nurse, R.N.

Her fiancée, James, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry A. Bossieux of Canton. He is a 2000 graduate of North Carolina State University. He is employed by Bank of America in Boston as a development manager.

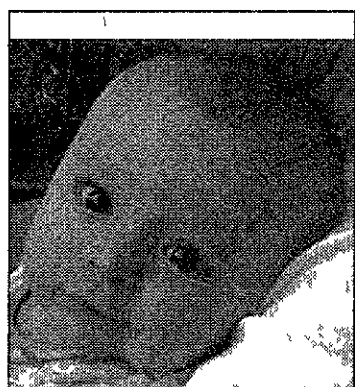
James and Sarah are planning an October wedding at St. Peter's United Methodist Church in Morehead City, NC.

NEW ARRIVALS

Michael and Melissa Rodriguez of Superior Township, formerly of Canton, announce the birth of their son, **Caleb Michael Rodriguez**, on June 28, 2005, at St. Joseph

Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Caleb's grandparents are Micheal and Mary Ann Dziekan of Canton, and Israel and Isabel Rodriguez of Canton.



Jim and Amy (Hoyer) Harkins of Canton announce the birth of their son, **Logan James Harkins**, on Feb. 28, 2005, at Huron Valley Sinai Hospital in Commerce. He weighed 8 pounds 4 ounces, and was 22 inches long.

Logan joins big sisters and brother, Olivia, 5, Abigail, 3, and Ethan, 2.

His grandparents are Doug and Sharron Hoyer of Livonia, and John and Kathy Harkins of Livonia.

LIBRARY PICKS

Every week, the Plymouth District Library staff provides the Observer with their list of Best Sellers based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons. The books are available by placing a request with the library at (734) 453-0750 or on-line at www.plymouthlibrary.org

FICTION

1. "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince," J.K. Rowling
2. "The Historian," Elizabeth Kostova
3. "Eleven on Top," Janet Evanovich
4. "Adored," Tiffany Bagshawe
5. "Always Time to Die," Elizabeth Lowell

NON-FICTION

1. "1776," David McCullough
2. "The World is Flat,"

Thomas L. Friedman

3. "Freakonomics," Steven D. Levitt

4. "The Truth About Hillary," Edward Klein

5. "100 People Who Are Screwing Up America," Bernard Goldberg

PARENTS' CHOICE**NEW CHILDREN'S FICTION BOOKS**

1. "The Book Without Words," Avi
2. "The Artsy Smartsy Club," Daniel Pinkwater
3. "Cryptic Hunters," Roland Smith
4. "Dragon Keeper," Carole Wilkinson
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- 27 **DANE COOK**
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- 28 **TORI AMOS** w/ THE DITTY BOPS
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- 30 **COLDPLAY** w/ RILO KILEY
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- 31 **JACK JOHNSON** w/ MATT COSTA AND ALO
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- 8-11 **THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW**
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REUNIONS

Old Plymouth High School

There will be an all-school reunion from 1-5 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 11, 2005, in the Plymouth Elks Lodge, 41700 E. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township. Open to all graduates of the Plymouth

High School on Main and Church in downtown Plymouth. A \$5 admission includes refreshments and a cash bar. Call Chuck VanVleck, (734) 453-7377, or e-mail: emeremgt@aol.com.

Plymouth High School

Class of 1955

A 50-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Sept. 10, 2005, in the Hilton Gardens Inn, 14600 Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Cocktail hour: 5-7 p.m. Dinner and reunion 7 p.m. to midnight. For more information, call Chuck VanVleck, (734) 453-7377 or e-mail: emeremgt@aol.com.

Class of 1965

A 40-year reunion will be 6 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 10, 2005,

at Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Casual business attire. \$55/person - registration by Aug. 1. Send checks to Jeff Hoffman, c/o Chatham, Seland & Lashley, P.A., 940 Centre Circle, Suite 2005, Altamonte Springs, Fla 32714. Email: Jeff Hoffman at JLF940@earthlink.net. Reunion information contact Dick Berry (281) 350-6212.

Berkley High School

Class of 1965

A 40-year reunion will be Sept. 17, 2005, at the Berkley American Legion Hall. For more information, contact Sharon (Reemsnnyder) Reich (248) 557-3182 or sayreich@aol.com



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CLARA ROSE FANDREI

July 25, 2005. Age 96. Beloved wife of the late George. Dear mother of Michael (Brenda). Loving grandmother of David, Karen Hansen and Krista and great-grandmother of Barrett, Jacquelyn, Megan and James. Also survived by 1 sister. Memorial service Saturday, 10:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Canton 44500 Cherry Hill Rd., (at Sheldon Rd.) Care and Services entrusted to the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home.

EARL "PETE" JEREMY

Age 77, formerly of Dexter, Michigan, passed away on Saturday, July 23, 2005 at home. He is survived by his special friend Lois; his daughters Donna Thayer of Livonia and Karen Marksbury of Sylvania, Ohio; his grandsons David and Michael Thayer, Nicholas and Jacob Earl Rau; and his step-grandchildren Robert, Heather, and Nicole Marksby. He was preceded in death by his mother, father, and his son Douglas Dunham Jeremy. Services were handled by McConnell Funeral Home, Fenton

ELIZABETH "BETSY" SPISAK

Age 66, July 26, 2005. Beloved wife of the late Richard. Dear mother of Denise (Greg) Johnson, Lori (Jim Kapelanski and the late Richard. Dearest grandmother of Ryan, Rebecca, Joey, Madison and Matthew. Loving sister of Linda (Aaron) Hamblin, David (Marlyn) Wooten, Judy Milot, Vicky Lovelace, Richard Wooten and preceded in death by Dennis and Michael. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Family received friends Thursday at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Livonia. Funeral Mass was held Friday at St. Mary, Catholic Church, in Wayne. Interment Parkview Memorial Cemetery. Family appreciates memorials to Angela Hospice.

GREGORY STUART CHIPMAN

Age 49, suddenly at home in Overland Park, Kansas. Leaves wife Louanne; two sons, Benjamin and Matthew; mother Patricia Chipman and father Stuart Chipman; sisters, Karen Lishinski and Cheryl Chipman. Graduate of Franklin High, Livonia and Ferris State. Contributions may be made to Autism Asberger Resource Center, 3901 Rainbow Blvd., Suite 2031, DDC, Kansas City, Kansas, 66160. A Memorial Mass will be held Sept. 17, 2005, 10am at St. Damian in Westland, MI.

RUSSEL JOHNSON SR.

AGE 68, July 29, 2005. Beloved father of Catherine (Jack) Deakins, John (Amy), Russ Jr. (Kathleen) and Joseph. Proud grandfather of Jonathan, Samantha, Tamara, Matthew, Emily, Sydney and Cameron. Dear brother of Ruth (Ralph) Dixon. Preceded in death by his parents John and Mary and brother Len. Visitation Sunday 2-9. Funeral service Monday @ 10am. from McCabe Canton Chapel, 851 Canton Center Rd. Please visit www.lifestorynet.com for more information.

ROBERT J. JASON

Suddenly in the Galapagos Islands July 22, 2005. Age 62 of Birmingham, MI. Superintendent Architect for the Smith Group, Detroit. Beloved husband of Joanne R. for 40 years. Dear father of Robert J. Jason. Grandfather of Josephine M. Jason. Brother of Andrew, Geraldine Edwards, Harold (Sally), Carol Joseph (Frank) and the late Patricia Kazim. In accordance with his wishes, family services will be held privately. In lieu of flowers family suggests memorial tributes to Paws With A Cause, 4646 S. Division, Wayland, MI 49348. Arrangements by A.J. Desmond & Sons (248) 549-0500. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

JEROME VANHORNE SLUGGETT

Age 77, resident of West Chester, Pennsylvania, died at University of Pennsylvania Hospital on July 25, 2005. Mr. Sluggett was born June 28, 1928, in Detroit. He attended the University of Michigan, both for his undergraduate studies (Class of 1952) and for law school (Class of 1954). Mr. Sluggett was an active member of the Sigma Pi fraternity. He served in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany as part of the army of occupation. Mr. Sluggett was employed as a Senior Attorney with Ford Motor Credit Company for 31 years. Following retirement, he served in an of counsel capacity with the law firm of Law, Weathers & Richardson in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Mr. Sluggett is survived by his wife, Beverly, son, Jeffery (Mary) of Grand Rapids, daughter, Jennifer (Dan) Dyson of Exton, Pennsylvania and 7 loving grandchildren. Graveside service at White Chapel Cemetery, 621 W. Long Lake Road, Troy, Monday, 11am. Visitation at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 1368 N. Crooks Road (between 14 & 15 Mile Rds). Sunday 4-9pm. Charitable donations, if desired, to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 1421 E. Twelve Mile Road, Building A, Madison Heights, MI 48071.



EUGENE E. FEINTZEL

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Age 84, June 17, 2005. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII, and was an Engineering Representative for Cincinnati Milling Machine and TOCCO. He was a member of Snow Lodge, Scottish Rite, Syrian Shrine, Birmingham Senior Men's Club, and Nomads. He volunteered at BASC and was a member of the Congregational Church of Birmingham UCC where he sang in the choir for nearly 50 years. He traveled extensively with his wife and enjoyed an active retirement in Birmingham; Deerfield Beach, FL, and Bayfield, ONT. Survivors include his loving wife of 63 years, Lucy; children, Jerne (Carol), Sue, and Tom (Nancy); grandchildren, Scott and Julie. A Celebration of Life Service will be held at the Congregational Church of Birmingham UCC, 1000 Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills 48304, August 8th at 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the church, Beaumont Hospice or a favorite charity.

ROBERT WILLIAMS EDWARDS

Passed away peacefully at his home in Fernley, Nevada at the age of 58. Born and raised in the Garden City area, he was a graduate of Garden City High School (Class of 1966) and worked for Ford Motor Company at the Livonia Transmission Plant for over 25 years. In 2001, Bob moved to Fernley, Nevada to spend more time with his children and grandchildren. Bob enjoyed bowling, hunting, taking road trips, and studying history. As a father, he believed strongly that education should continue throughout life and loved to discuss physics, astronomy, geography and history with everyone. He is survived by his daughters, Sandra (Jennifer) Edwards of Fernley, Nevada and Dawn (David) Edwards-Smith of Soldotna, Alaska and his grandchildren Capra, Megan, Owen and Indyra. His brother, John David Edwards, sister Nancy (Edwards) McKarge, and friend Kathy Janisch, as well as many friends and family also survive him. He was preceded in death by his parents John and Nona (Felts) Edwards. A private committal ceremony will be held Monday at 10 am at Cadillac Memorial Gardens. The family invites all who knew him to join them Monday, Aug 1 at 6:00pm at Station 885, 885 Starkweather in Plymouth, to share a meal and celebrate his life. Please bring your favorite memories or pictures to share. In lieu of flowers, the family hopes to make him a member of the Star Gazers Society at the Detroit Science Center. Donations can be brought to the dinner or sent to PO Box 4367 Soldotna AK 99669.

MICHELLE ROBB STOECKER

Age 48, of Roanoke, passed away on Saturday, July 23, 2005. She is preceded in death by her father, Lewis Earl Robb. Shelly was married to Thomas J. Stoeker for 26 years, having twin boys, Matthew Robb and Andrew Thomas. A survivor of breast cancer, she graduated with academic honors from Hollins University on May 23, 2004. Shelly was a wonderful wife, loving and devoted mother, and gifted writer. She will be missed by those that knew her as the proud, dignified and wickedly funny woman that she was. Shelly is survived by her husband, two sons, mother, Iris Robb; brother, Stephen L. Robb and wife, Ann, sisters, Sherry R. Robb and Caron S. Robb, and devoted friends, Mary Banks and Marion Ward. The family requests that memorial contributions be made in memory of Michelle Robb Stoeker to: Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Southern Nevada Chapter, 6280 S. Valley View Blvd., Suite 342, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89118. Ms. Elsa Cutter will be running in the Nike Women's Marathon in San Francisco, Calif. on October 23, 2005, for the Society in memory of Shelly. Funeral services were conducted 2pm, Saturday July 30, 2005 from Oakley's South Chapel with the Rev. Robin K. White officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen Burial Park.

GERALDINE M. "GERI" CRIST

Geraldine M. "Geri" Crist, age 72, of Tamarack Rd., Pittsford, Michigan passed away Tuesday, July 26, 2005, at her home. She was born May 18, 1933, in Detroit, Michigan to Gordon and Kathryn (DeCamp) Curtis. She married her husband of 54 years, Richard S. Crist on December 22, 1951, in Detroit, Michigan. Geri graduated in 1950 from Eastern High School in Detroit. She was an active member of Medina Federated Church in Hudson, Michigan, member of H.U.G.S. in Hillsdale, Michigan and was the founder of Just Between Us, a breast cancer support group in Hudson. She was also an avid golfer, participating in the Coleman Cup each year to raise money for the Cancer Foundation. Surviving Geri besides her husband, Richard of Pittsford; are four sons, Richard (Judy) Crist of Park Falls, Wisconsin, Jim (Jodi) Crist of Garden City, Michigan and Bob Crist of Westland, Michigan; one daughter, Kathy (Bryan) Wright of Garden City; six grandchildren, Jennifer, Jason, Matt, Stephanie, Andrea and Jessie; three great grandchildren, Samantha, Silvia Rose and Amber. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Gordon Curtis. Funeral services for Geri Crist will be Monday, August 1, 2005, at 11:00 a.m. at Medina Federated Church with Pastor Darren Lemmon officiating. Visitation will be Sunday from 2 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Eagle Funeral Home in Hudson. Grave side services will be Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. at Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens in Livonia, Michigan. Those planning an expression of sympathy may make memorial contributions to American Cancer Society. Family and friends can view this obituary at eaglefuneralhomes.com.

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Grand opening

Staffers of Keller Williams Plymouth Market Center celebrated their grand opening in conjunction with the Ann Arbor Road Days, on Saturday July 16. Along with non-stop music from the DJ booth, the event featured free health-screening, a monster truck, tons of food, a moonwalk, face painting, free pony rides and child identification kits courtesy of the Plymouth Police. Despite the rainy weather, more than 300 people attended the event.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AROUND TOWN

Crafters needed

Crafters needed for the 19th-annual Delta Kappa Gamma-West Middle School Juried show Saturday, Oct. 15. The show will run from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at West Middle School, 44401 W Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. Call Jan at 734-844-1707 or e-mail to theways@comcast.net

'Pooh' on stage

The Marquis Theatre in Northville presents "Pooh and Friends" live on stage Aug. 2-Sept. 25. Performances are scheduled Tuesdays through Fridays at 10:30 a.m.; Saturdays at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Tickets for all performances are \$7.50 each; the theatre requests no children under 3 years old attend. For school reservations, birthday parties and group rates, call (248) 349-8110. The Marquis Theatre is located at 135 E. Main in downtown Northville.

Jazz on the river

Wayne County Parks and Recreation and Smooth Jazz V98.7 have announced the lineup for Jazz on the River, the free jazz festival Aug. 6-7 at Elizabeth Park in Trenton. The annual two-day free festival features an array of local and national Smooth Jazz artists including headliners Gerald Albright and Richard Elliott. The event is free to the public, with a suggested \$5 donation for parking, which benefits Wayne County Parks. Free parking is available in downtown Trenton. For more information, call (734) 261-1990

Hospice training

Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, Livingston and western Wayne counties. Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running, grief support and clerical services. Volunteer training begins Aug. 16. Contact Ann Christensen, volunteer coordinator, for more information on winter training classes at (888) 973-1145.

Senior screening

Everyone is at risk for falling, but for more than one older adult every hour, the results are deadly. In 2001, more than 11,600 people age 65 and older died from fall-related injuries. To help seniors stay healthy at home, the Visiting Nurse Association Home Support Services is offering "FALLS FREE," a complimentary in-home falls prevention program to individuals age 65 and older who are residents of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. "FALLS FREE" examines the key areas that put individuals at risk for falls. The program includes an hour-long visit by a registered nurse who will examine factors that may put you at risk for falls including home environment, vision, muscle strength and medications. A sedentary lifestyle, multiple medications, visual impairment or an unsafe home environment can increase the likelihood of falling by 78 percent. To reduce your risk for falling, call Visiting Nurse Association Home Support Services today for your appointment at (800) 882-5720, Ext. 8755.

Walk for Diabetes

Help the ADA take an important step in beating diabetes as part of America's Walk for Diabetes. America's Walk is the premier event of the American Diabetes Association and will be held Saturday, Sept. 24 at Belle Isle and Stony Creek Metropark, and Sunday, Sept. 25 at Kensington and Lake Erie metroparks. Funds raised are used toward diabetes research, advocacy, programs and events. For information or to register, call (888) DIABETES or visit www.diabetes.org.

Genealogical society

The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4 at the Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter Day Saints, 1041 W. Grand River in Howell. A genealogy help session starts at 6 p.m. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. The public is invited. Following the business meeting, there will be a talk on "Using DNA in Your Research," by Roberta Estes, a long-time traditional genealogist. For more information, call Margaret, (810) 227-7745, or Phyllis, (517) 223-3216.

Host families needed

Learn about a foreign culture without leaving home. Host families are needed for high school students arriving in Michigan from all parts of the world. Your family can be the key to giving an American experience to an outstanding young person who is very excited about coming to the United States. If you would like more information or have any questions, call Linda Leedy at (248) 349-5599.

Cruise-car show

Wayne County Parks hosts the first Hines Park Cruise and Car Show, with more than 100 cars on display along with vendor booths and a concession stand. The event takes place starting at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 27 in the field next to the Nankin Mills Center in Westland. To register a car, call Joseph Langa, (313) 533-6397. Registration fee is \$12. For more information call (734) 261-1990

Summer day camp

Children can explore the great outdoors at the "Summer Explorer Day Camp" hosted by the YWCA of Western Wayne County from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday through Aug. 19 at Central Park/Bailey Center in Westland, 36651 Ford Road. Children ages 6-15 are welcome. Activities include swimming, scavenger hunts, science experiments, movies, arts and crafts, pizza parties, field trips and a talent show. Applications for camp are available at the YWCA of Western Wayne County office, 26279 Michigan Avenue. For more information, call (313) 561-4110.

Fibromyalgia workshop

A local authority will conduct a free workshop on the causes of fibromyalgia at the Carl Sandburg Library at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 10. To register for the free workshop, call (248) 426-0201.

Yacht cruise

Set sail aboard the 138-foot Ovation yacht for a private afternoon cruise and help support Madonna University students. The Presidential Ovation Yacht Cruise is on Sunday, Aug. 7, from 4-7 p.m. and features "Illusions" by magician Steve Douglas and wine tasting. The event is sponsored by Joseph Primo, a long-time benefactor and a member of the Madonna University DeSales Lifetime Giving Society. Boarding time is 3:30 p.m. at the Jefferson Beach Marina on the Nautical Mile located in St. Clair Shores. Cost per person is \$150. Proceeds benefit the Madonna University scholarship fund and educational projects. Tickets must be purchased by Friday, July 15. Online registration is available at www.madonna.edu or by calling Rose Kachnowski at (734) 432-5421.

Pressure-point workshop

A local authority conducts a workshop on pressure-point therapy at the Carl Sandburg Library at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17. Learn how to find and treat the pressure points for headaches, back pain, sinuses, neck pain, carpal tunnel, PMS, low energy and joint pain. To register for the free workshop, call (248) 426-0201.

Madonna golf

Madonna University hosts its 10th-annual Golden Classic Scholarship Golf Outing Friday, Sept. 16 at the Links of Novi, 50395 Ten Mile Rd. The outing's schedule of events: 10 a.m., a free Golf Clinic (featuring PGA Pros Bob Percy, Nick Kouba and Gary Whitener); 11:30 a.m., Lunch; 12:15 p.m., Shotgun Start (best ball, scramble format); 5 p.m., Cocktail Hour with a Live Auction (featuring a vacation to the Providenciales Island in the Turks and

Caicos Islands, British West Indies; fine jewelry; dinners; and more); 6:15 p.m., Dinner with Awards and a Silent Auction. The event offers a variety of prizes including three hole-in-one cars; trips; a Rolex watch; premium gift giveaways; and other awards. Also, a scholarship raffle drawing will have a cash prize of \$3,000, a seven-day Charlevoix vacation, a sapphire and diamond ring and an overnight stay in the Presidential Suite at Embassy Suites in Livonia. "Early Birdie" registration received before Aug. 1 enters players into a drawing for golf for four at the Tournament Players Club (TPC) and golf at Wabek Country Club. A foursome is \$700 and individual players are \$175. After Aug. 1, the cost for golf and dinner for a foursome is \$800; for individual players, golf and dinner is \$200. Dinner alone is \$50 per person. Sponsorship opportunities are available, ranging from \$150 to \$15,000. For more information, call Rose Kachnowski at (734) 432-5421.

Golf outing

Project Compassion Ministries, Inc., a not-for-profit organization enriching the quality of life for Nursing Home Residents, holds its 18th-annual golf benefit Monday, Aug. 8, with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start at Fox Hills, 8768 N. Territorial in Plymouth. Registration fee for golf, cart & hot luncheon is \$125, with an early bird rate of \$115 for registrations received by July 8. Students may register for \$75 and luncheon only registration is \$30. There will be a putting contest and a silent auction of theater passes, golf packages, etc. PCM is also seeking hole sponsors (\$200), donations of gifts, funds and additional auction items for this event. For a brochure or for more information, call the Project Compassion Ministries' office at (313) 897-7470 or (800) 626-9622.

Grief support

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian-based bereavement outreach and resource center located in Northville. Age appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in southeastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 4 through the teen years. Groups for parents who have lost a child, adults who have lost a parent, pet loss, and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year. All services for adults and children are offered at no cost to the participants. If you are grieving or know someone who is, please call our office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support, or visit www.newhopecenter.net.

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Rotary A.M.

The Plymouth Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. New members are always welcome. Contact Tim Phillips, president, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., via e-mail at tim@phillipshq.com or call (734) 451-8267.

Mosaic

MOSAIC is a group where Moms come together to be refreshed and equipped for the important task of mothering. We present speakers on child & family issues, have small-group discussion time, crafts and brunch. Childcare is provided. We meet at Plymouth Baptist Church (42021 Ann Arbor Trail) on the first and third Tuesday mornings of each month, September to May. Contact Resha at 734-207-0658 or resha@juno.com

Moms Club

Moms Club of Livonia-S/Plymouth offers a variety of activities. For more details, call Birthe (734)458-8143 or Martina (734)464-0481.

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"The governor we have now has tried to support the environment, but her hands are tied by the economy and budget problems of the state," he said. "We have to get to a point where things are in balance."

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"Debbie's kidneys gave out and she was hospitalized. I said if you need a kidney, I'll give you a kidney," said Amy Stearns, who lives in Taylor and works as an intelligence analyst

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DOUBLE

Stearns walks into Dayton's home with Hogan, a 6-month-old black lab who obediently lies at her feet. The three women go to restaurants, classic car shows and stores together as a way to socialize the puppies being raised by Frank and Stearns. All three women belong to Fur Angels, a Taylor-based group that goes into hospitals, nursing homes and school reading programs with their dogs. Puppy raisers work

Down the hall, doctors David Smith and Laura Fisher repair a ruptured knee ligament on a 6-month old Indiana dog in the state of the art operating room. The veterinarian clinic cares for graduates in the area as well as

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Exercise builds bone density

Ellen e-mails from Canton for workout tips on building healthy bones. Ellen, in this case gravity is a girl's best friend! The latest research shows that weight-bearing exercises are one of the best ways to build strong bones and can actually boost bone density by up to 9 percent. Recently, scientists took a look at a group of healthy women in which their regimen included walking and calisthenics for 60-90 minutes, three times per week, for three months. The results were fantastic! The program boosted hipbone density by 11 percent! And, as an added bonus, the women increased their balance which definitely leads to fewer falls. No drug, supplement, or "magic bullet" can match results like that!

Mark from Troy e-mails asking if milk really does a body good! Mark, that's a good question! And, believe it or not, it is one that researchers have been trying to answer for decades! The United States is one of the only societies that use cow milk as a regular part of their diet. New research now shows that men who consume two servings of dairy products each day are approximately 30 percent more likely to develop prostate cancer, which is now the second leading cause of death in men. Researchers also believe that the increased cancer rate may be, in part, due to the calcium content of dairy products. Milk may actually deplete the body of a special type of vitamin that protects the prostate. And, another recent study shows that taking calcium supplements may increase prostate cancer risk by up to 70 percent. More on this important research as it becomes available!

If you have a health or fitness question you would like answered in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, e-mail Peter at www.peternielsen.com. Catch Peter daily on WDIV-NBC 4 & WWJ News Radio 950. Contact him at Peter Nielsen's Personal Training Club in West Bloomfield or Nielsen's Town Center Health Club in Southfield.

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iStrive

HAP Weight Wise program promotes healthy lifestyle

BY RUSS HAMMOND
CORRESPONDENT

Several hundred Health Alliance Plan (HAP) members gathered at Burton Manor in Livonia July 19 to learn about better dietary habits, exercise and their new online program, iStrive for Better Health, part of the Weight Wise program.

"This is the fourth Weight Wise program we've held in the last year," said Liz Manasse, public relations coordinator for HAP. "We've had 1,800 members participate in the program."

She added, "We have enough of a demand from our members to hold more seminars after the first of the year."

"The seminars help HAP members adapt healthy lifestyles," Manasse said. "The outcome is for lasting weight loss."

To help get this point across, HAP provided light, healthy meals for all of those who attended.

Swin Cash of the WNBA Detroit Shock spoke to the audience about her commitment to a healthy lifestyle. She said that once she got into college she realized the importance of good nutrition; it helped her improve her performance on the basketball court.

"I was a big eater as a kid, but always skinny," Cash said. "Later on I learned that everyone is different body-type-wise."

Cash told the audience that they have to take care of themselves.

"It's all about wellness on the inside," Cash said.

iStrive features six healthy lifestyle



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Vickie Furman of Southfield picks up as much information as she can as she registers for HAP's Weight Wise seminar held July 19 at Burton Manor in Livonia.

programs and a health risk assessment. The six lifestyle programs are weight management, nutrition improvement, stress management, smoking cessation, back pain and chronic disease management - diabetes, asthma and high blood pressure.

Each program that a HAP member enrolls in will be tailored to their specific needs. After filling out a medical questionnaire, an online report will be generated. The response will be unique to each HAP member, with plans and strategies designed by medical professionals. The goal is to make the proper healthy choices and avoid common mistakes.

iStrive is available for all HAP members at www.hap.org. Once at the site, members will have to register to access the iStrive information.

The featured presenter at the HAP Weight Wise Program was Zonya Foco, registered dietician, author and certified health and fitness instructor.

Foco, who will soon have her own PBS television show, explained to the audience that it's possible to eat well and have fun in the kitchen at the same time.

Foco told the HAP members that many foods that we eat today, especially prepared foods, like a box of doughnuts, are full of fat, sugar and numerous compounds and chemicals that most people can't even pronounce.

To stress the point, Foco invited a young girl from the audience up on stage with her to make doughnuts following the nutritional information on the side of the box. The result was a glob of dough loaded with too much sugar and fat.

Foco also spoke about her cookbook *Lickety-Split Meals: For Health Conscious People on the Go!* She said that she used her husband as a model while she wrote the book. She also said that children as young as 11 years old have used her cookbook successfully.

As an added bonus, all HAP members were given a copy of her cookbook.

According to Foco, kids today need fat in their diet, but not the bad fat. She points out that the bad fats are saturated fats from dairy products and meat. There is also bad fat in foods containing partially hydrogenated fats. These are the fats that will cause people to gain weight, clog their arteries and increase cancer risks.

Foco offers several suggestions for lowering bad fat intake. Drink low fat milk (one percent or lower) and eat reduced fat cheese. Stay away from French fries and other fried foods. Also avoid crackers and muffins - too much fat.

Eating lean meat will also reduce fat intake. Foco suggested instead of having pork sausage for breakfast, which is loaded with fat, buy some ground turkey, which is almost fat free and use the recipe in her cookbook to make turkey sausage.

Coronary Heart Disease

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If you have coronary heart disease, you may be eligible to participate in a clinical research study. This study - the ARISE trial - is testing the impact of a new investigational medication on reducing serious clinical events, such as heart attacks or strokes.

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All study-related medical exams, laboratory tests, and study medication are provided to qualified patients at no cost.

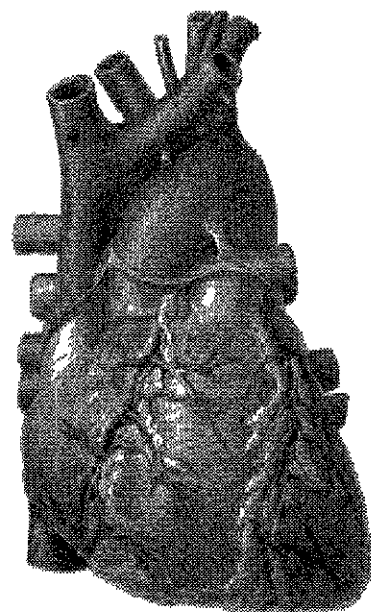
If you are eligible to participate, your doctor will continue to provide you with the best possible care, and you will be able to continue all your current treatments.

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Summer day camp

Space is still available for the interactive and educational Amazing Me camp 9-30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 1-5, at the Health Exploration Station inside Saint Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center, 1600 South Canton Center Road. The hands-on experience explores different systems of the human body through dissections, games and outdoor activities. Cost is \$169. To register, call (734) 398-7518.

Meningitis shots

Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan and the Kroger Company, are teaming up to administer the life-saving meningitis vaccination. The \$115 shot is available noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2, 44525 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, and noon to 2 p.m. Thursday August 4, at 4805 Haggerty, West Bloomfield. The vaccinations are also available by appointment 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday, at VNA of Southeast Michigan at 25900 Greenfield Road, Ste. 600, Oak Park. To learn about bacterial meningitis or schedule an appointment, visit www.vna.org or call (248) 967-8755.

Blood drive

For the American Red Cross 2-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, at Gardner-White, 39453 Ford Road, Canton, (734) 844-3190; 4945 Dixie Highway, Waterford, (248) 674-8990, and 4400 East 14 Mile, Warren, (586) 826-8300. For more information, call (800) GIVE-LIFE or visit www.redcross.org. Participants receive a free gift and \$50 gift certificate for any furniture purchase.

HCP Initial Certification

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, at Providence at Mission Health Medical Center - Livonia, 37595 Seven Mile. Cost is \$65, includes textbook. Call (248) 888-444-7325. Course includes information on adult and pediatric CPR rescuer scenarios, FBAQ, use of AED, special resuscitation and other cardiopulmonary emergencies.

Childbirth Education

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6 and 13, at Providence at Mission Health Medical Center - Livonia, 37595 Seven Mile. Cost is \$65. Call (248) 888-444-7325. Weekend series designed to prepare the pregnant woman and her

support person for the birth experience. A tour of the birthing area is included.

Camp Midicha

Registration has started for the American Diabetes Association's Camp Midicha 2005. The camp is the only residential summer camp designed for, and dedicated to, children and teenagers with diabetes. Campers attend a one-week session: Aug. 7-12; and Aug. 14-19. Each session will be held at the YMCA's Camp Copneconic in Fenton. Along with swimming, archery, kayaking and sports, campers enjoy horseback riding, a ropes course, and arts and crafts. All costs for camp include lodging, meals, snacks, activities and medical supplies like insulin, syringes, lancets, meters and strips. The ADA also is seeking volunteers and youth counselors for Camp Midicha. For information, call (888) DIABETES or visit www.diabetes.org.

Cancer prevention cooking

Classes run 6:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays Aug. 8-29, at Whole Foods Market, 3135 Washtenaw Avenue at Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor. No charge. To register, call (734) 975-4500. Presented by The Cancer Project, a national nonprofit dedicated to advancing cancer prevention through education and research, participants will learn how proper nutrition can help them prevent and survive cancer. A low-fat vegetarian diet of fruits, vegetables, and whole grains is naturally low in fat, chock-full of fiber and filled with cancer-fighting antioxidants and phytochemicals. Each class centers on important cancer-nutrition topics as local chef Jan Kemp guides students through the preparation of tasty and easy-to-prepare recipes. Topics begin with Fueling Up on Low-Fat Foods/Favoring Fiber then continue on consecutive Mondays with Discovering Dairy Alternatives/Replacing Meat, Planning Healthy Meals/Antioxidants & Phytochemicals, and Immune-Boosting Foods/Maintaining a Healthy Weight. For information about Cancer Prevention & Survival Cooking Classes, visit www.CancerProject.org, or call (202) 244-5038.

Hospice volunteers

Saint Joseph Mercy Hospice is calling

for volunteers to offer support with direct care, office assistance, bereavement services, special events and other services provided by hospice. If you're interested in sharing your time with others, please sign up to volunteer. 18 hours of training is required and the sessions are Aug. 8, 10, 11 and Aug. 15, 17, 18 from 6-9 p.m. To volunteer or inquire about additional opportunities, call (734) 327-3409.

Divorce support

Group discussion 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9, at the Women's Resource Center in Room 225 of the McDowell Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. Attorney Patricia Kasody-Coyle will be available to answer questions in a private setting on a first come, first served basis. Call (734) 462-4443.

Fibromyalgia workshop

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 10 with Dr. Kramer, at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. To register for the free workshop, call (248) 426-0201. Seating limited.

Sharing & Caring

Breast cancer education and support program presents The LeBed method: Therapeutic Movement to Benefit the Lymphatic System with Sharon Myers of Binson's Home Health Care 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11, in the first floor conference room in the William Beaumont Hospital Auditorium, on West 13 Mile, west of Woodward, Royal Oak. To learn more about programs, call (248) 551-8585.

Meningitis vaccinations

University of Michigan Health System's Michigan Visiting Nurses is offering meningitis vaccinations by appointment at its Ann Arbor office. Appointments can be scheduled by calling (734) 677-0020. Meningitis (Menactra®) immunizations cost \$115, payable by cash, check or charge (Visa or MasterCard). A proof of vaccination record and receipt of payment are provided at time of immunization. Students younger than 18 must attend the clinic with a parent or guardian and all patients must be older than 12.

For more disease and vaccination information, visit www.umvn.org.

Michigan Polio Network

Hosts an education conference Aug. 19-20, at the best Western Midway Hotel, 7711 Saginaw Highway, Lansing. Features internationally recognized authority on post-polio syndrome Dr. Fredrick Maynard as keynote speaker. Cost is \$30, \$10 for caregiver, and includes Friday-Saturday programs and lunch on Saturday. Pre-registration required. Call (313) 885-7855 or (989) 739-4065.

Volunteers needed

Sandcastles, a grief support program for children and teens, is seeking volunteers for its sites in Rochester, Southfield, Livonia and other communities. The program is sponsored by Hospices of Henry Ford Health System. Meetings are held bi-weekly. To register for training or for more information, call (313) 874-6881. Hospices of Henry Ford is seeking volunteers who want to make a positive contribution to people in need. Volunteers will offer companionship and family support for loved ones who are terminally ill in the patient's home, nursing home facilities or in the hospital. Opportunities available throughout southeast Michigan to help with adult and pediatric hospice programs as well as Sandcastles, a grief support program for children and their families. Flexible schedules provided. For information, call (800) 492-9909.

Therapy choir

Of Broe Rehabilitation Services Inc. located in Farmington Hills is opening membership to volunteers from our community. The choir is comprised of men and women recovering from traumatic brain injuries. They have given more than 100 free shows in communities and were nominated for The Outstanding Achievement Award in Performing Arts by the Farmington Area Arts Council. Volunteers with or without disabilities are welcome as singers or helpers. Good singing ability is not required. On Aug. 28, the choir performs at the Blessed Sacrament Cathedral for Cardinal Adam Malda in an 11 a.m.

Mass for people with disabilities. The event is free and open to the public. Call (248) 474-BROE for details.

Free workshop

The Doctor's Speakers Bureau sponsors "Alternatives to Vioxx/Celebrex and Naproxin: Treating Arthritis with Natural Medicine for the New Millennium" 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. Guest speaker is Dr. William H. Karl, DC, a nutrition expert with over 25 years experience. Seating limited. Reserve your place now. Call (734) 425-8588.

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UPCOMING

Diabetes walk

Help the American Diabetes Association take an important step in beating diabetes as part of America's Walk for Diabetes Saturday, Sept. 24 at Belle Isle and

Stony Creek Metropark, and Sunday, Sept. 25 at Kensington and Lake Erie metroparks. Funds raised are used toward diabetes research, advocacy, programs and events. For information or to register, call (888) DIABETES or visit www.diabetes.org.

ONGOING

Parkinson's support

A new group has formed at Crittenton Hospital in Rochester and meets 7 p.m. Wednesday Call (248) 433-1011 or (800) 852-9781. The Waterford/West Bloomfield group is moving to Canterbury on-the-Lake, 5601 Hatchery Road (between Airport and Crescent Lake roads), Waterford, MI 48239. They meet Monday at 7 p.m. Contact person is Warren Oberlee, (248) 887-8840.

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Arthritis Foundation Class

The Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield offers Arthritis Foundation exercise classes Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., with two four-week sessions during the summer months. Exercises aim to increase flexibility, ease aches and pains, and promote blood flow. For information, call (248) 432-5502.

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The condition is not funny. A finger so flexed cannot extend at all or flex further. The result is strain on the finger joint and a posture by the hand that makes it useless for holding or grasping. It is impossible to put on a glove, or move the finger out of the trigger position. You have to wait for the hand to warm up to an extent that permits relaxation of the flexed tendon.

Trigger finger occurs because the flexor tendon of the involved finger is bound down by thickened connective tissue in the palm. The usual site is where the palm crease crosses the flexor tendon. The cause of trigger finger is unknown. It is not related to diabetes or hypothyroidism, nor does it appear as a consequence of repetitive use of the hand.

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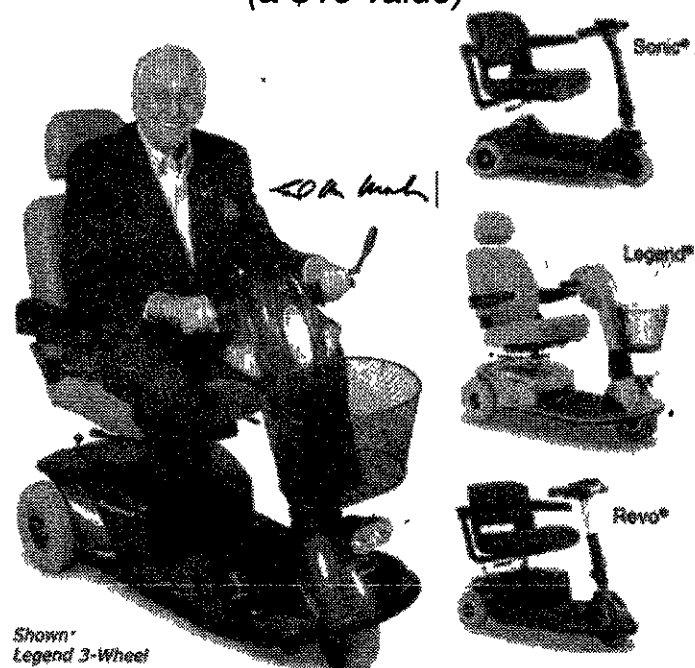
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Detroit Fashion Week
4731 Gallery will host a week-long event to give an inside peek into the local fashion industry with a Student Designer Runway Show at 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11; an Independent Designer Runway Show at 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12; and The Glam Slam Runway Show at 10 p.m. Sat., Aug. 13. The gallery will also showcase fashion photography, art and illustration. Half of

proceeds will be donated to Bridge to the Future, a non-profit organization that hosts summer youth programs at the 4731 Gallery. For information or tickets call (586) 873-2505 or visit www.cameronscottparties.com.

FashionPlate: Victorian Fashions
Karen Mahaffey of The Moss Rose in Northville will give a slide presentation on the clothing styles in America in the 1860s-80s, 7 p.m. Aug. 15 at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady, Northville. Call (248) 349-3020.

She's a Classic Luncheon hostess links fashion, cars at Concours d'Elegance

Sue Eller is a true "Lady of the Concours." She and her husband Don have attended the Meadow Brook vintage car event for 15 years. This year, she is co-chairing the annual Concours d'Elegance Fashion Show. The Ellers live in Attica and own 15 classic cars. When they go for rides, Sue is known to dress in attire matching the era of the vehicle. We caught up with her to find out how fashion fits into this year's Concours.



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Sue Eller, chair of the Concours d'Elegance Fashion Show Luncheon, arrives on the grounds of Meadow Brook Hall in a straw hat to match her 1941 Cadillac.

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but actually they're coming back. I think it has to do with people's concerns about the sun. You just can't beat a hat on a sunny day.

Are you excited to have Elie Tahari's clothing on the runway this year?
Yes. Tahari's a great designer. His clothes are fashionable, but they're also wearable and most importantly they're affordable.

How do fashion and cars go together at the Concours?
It goes back to the original Concours in Paris, which always was about automobiles and fashion. We tried to pick that up by having the fashion show on Friday, and the "Mode d'Concours" on Sunday, where models actually do a drive-by fashion show.

What is the dress code?
At the "Route 66" gala Saturday night, it's strictly black tie. For the fashion show, it's business attire — hats are

not required but appreciated. For Sunday, it's comfortable casual wear. You usually see a little bit of everything.

Tell us more about this year's theme "L'Affaire du Chapeau" — The Hat Affair.

We're always looking for ways to make it fashionable and fun. We kind of want to take it back to the old fashion luncheon. One person wearing a hat will be chosen for a special prize. We're going to have hat boxes as centerpiece, and an "art of the hat" silent auction. Gena Conti, who is a milliner, will be displaying summer and fall hats. Gena's hats really are pieces of wearable art.

What kind of hats should women wear to the luncheon?
We expect to see a lot of straw hats with flowers and scarves.

What kind are you going to wear?
I think I'll wear a Gena Conti but I haven't picked it out yet. I have a huge collection of vintage hats. I'll have to surprise you.

How do hats go with the car theme?
It's nice to dress up with your cars and take yourself back to

how people dressed at that time. We have a 1941 limousine and on a summer's drive I might wear a wide-brimmed straw hat with a scarf on the band to get that real classic look. If you wear them low enough to shade the sun, they have an air of mystery.

Do you think hats are a lost art?
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Future auto technicians prepare for lucrative jobs

(NUI) — A career in the automotive service industry can be very fulfilling, not to mention lucrative. In fact, because automotive technicians need to be well-versed in the highly sophisticated technology and computer systems of today's vehicles, they can earn a substantial salary of anywhere from \$58,000 to \$108,000.

The growing number of job opportunities for well-qualified service technicians can be attributed to both the increasing number of vehicles on the road and greater use of electronics and computers in today's cars and trucks.

The U.S. Department of Labor recently awarded \$2.2 million to the Automotive Youth Education System, a partnership between automotive manufacturers, local dealerships and selected schools that is designed to encourage young people to consider satisfying careers in retail automotive service or repair. The AYES program prepares students for entry-level career positions or advanced studies in automotive technology.

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Watsonwood Assisted Living Facility in the Royal Oak area is seeking an EXPERIENCED Leasing Consultant to fill a part time position working with seniors. Must be able to work some weekends and have good computer skills. We offer competitive wages and commissions. EOE.

Apply in person at:
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Sr Accountant/Tax Analyst. A multi-state corporation headquartered in Farmington Hills, needs a senior accountant/tax analyst with 3-5 years exp. Email resume with salary requirements to dmendehall@royalpelp.com or Fax to (248) 348-8081.

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ACCOUNTING / VENDOR SUPPORT

HoMedics, the leader in health and wellness relaxation products, is looking for an individual who is detail oriented with strong PC skills for our Vendor Support Department. Accounts Payable, General Accounting, Purchasing and/or Inventory experience is preferred. Associates degree in accounting or business required. Responsibilities will include but are not limited to processing and reconciling purchase orders, vendor invoices and letters of credit. If you are interested in applying for this position, please email (resume@homedics.com) or Fax (248-863-3119) your resume including wage requirements.

ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

A Luxury Senior Community in Oakland County is seeking a full-time Activities Director for their Assisted Living unit. Responsibilities include planning and implementing all program activities. Qualified applicants must have previous experience with Alzheimer's and Dementia patients. We offer competitive wages and benefits.

Send Resumes to:
PO Box 252054
West Bloomfield, MI 48325

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Customer Service Rep. High Volume, fast paced Southfield organization. Medical/ Insurance background preferred. Must be highly proficient in data entry, possess excellent phone skills and be self-directed. Immediate opening. Excellent salary and benefits. Fax resume & salary requirements to: Personnel 248-557-2058.

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With 3 years experience. Must speak fluent Korean. Send resume to 5960 N. Sheldon, Canton, MI 48187.

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Full time position at Green Hill Apartments in Farmington Hills. Opportunity to work with professional apartment management & marketing team. Experience preferred. Call (313) 565-9850 or fax resume to (313) 565-5807 or E-mail job@uzmis.com.

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Person needed. Reliable transportation, own tools and experience required. Please call 734-721-0500.

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Ideal for anyone who cannot get out to work. Work part time from your home scheduling pick-ups for Purple Heart. Call 9-5, Mon-Fri. (734) 728-4572.

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ASSISTANT
For nonconforming mortgage broker, experience helpful but will train. Top pay and benefits. Send resume.

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Part time, flexible hours. Offices at 13 Mile & Hagerty. \$10-\$12/hour. Housewives & retirees welcome. Email rainmakermarketing@hotmail.com

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Assistant Coordinator/Make- up Artist to work with director

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Busy direct repair shop looking for a committed tech to join our team. Medical dental 401(k) available. Westland Car Care Collision. 6375 Hix Road. Westland, MI 48185.

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Experienced. Ready to work. Commission base. Must have valid driver's license. (734) 728-9612.

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Presidents award winning Metro Detroit Ford dealer is looking for an experienced Service Advisor. The person we are looking for must be customer oriented and have excellent CSI. Excellent pay plan & benefits. Please send resume to (734) 421-2985.

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AUTO SERVICE PORTER

Good driving record required. Must be committed to great customer relations. hourly plus commission. Apply in person to Chuck Weisman, North Brothers Ford 33300 Ford Rd. Westland.

Auto Technician

Licensed Light Repair Technician needed in the New Hudson area. Experience a must, Ford experience a plus. Great pay & benefit package available. Contact Service Manager at (248) 437-6700 ext 474.

AUTO TECHNICIANS

CRESTWOOD DODGE. (734) 421-5700.

Automotive Porter

needed at Ford dealership located in the New Hudson area. Must have clean driving record and able to pass a drug test. Mature individuals welcome! Contact Service Manager at (248) 437-6700 ext 474.

AUTOMOTIVE WARRANTY CLERK/CASHER

needed for auto dealer in the New Hudson area. Ford Warranty experience required. Must have good organizational and communicative skills. Excellent pay plan and benefits. All applications held in strict confidence. Fax resume to 248-446-2016.

BARBER WANTED

Percentage basis. Westland/Wayne/Canton area. Call (313) 378-0442.

BARTENDERS/WAIT STAFF

Full & part time exp preferred for bartender, but will train. Apply in person, Mon-Thurs. Noon-5pm fill out application for interview. 30250 9 Mile Rd. Farmington Hills.

BEVERAGE SERVICE CO.

Seeks Refrigeration Tech, Service Supervisor & Coffee Tech for growing company. Experience preferred. www.kensbeverage.com. Fax resume (734) 729-7149.

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Basic accounting billpaying and invoicing. Applied System experience. Insurance office exp required. Send resume and desired wage in confidence to PO BOX 871111 Canton MI 48187.

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Boring Mill Operator CNC/MANUAL

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BRANCH MANAGER

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CRANBROOK BUDGET ANALYST

Cranbrook Educational Community seeks an individual to provide budget planning/monitoring, financial analysis, and reporting for our Administrative Services dept. Requires Bachelors degree in accounting or finance, 2-4 years general accounting, finance experience with demonstrated budget background, proficiency in Word, Excel and PowerPoint, with ability to create complex spreadsheets, & create/analyze financial reports & projections. Salary is in the low to mid 40's with excellent benefit package. Please send resume & salary history to Cranbrook Hr. PO Box 801 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303 or fax 248-645-3014, or e-mail humanresources@cranbrook.edu. Our Employment Application can be downloaded from our Employment Opportunities page at: www.cranbrook.edu.

BUILDING ATTENDANT

Canton Township is accepting applications for part-time Building Attendant. Performs direct, front-line supervisor duties acting as customer service representative and staff support assistant at the Summit on Park Community Center. Qualified applicants must be a HS graduate or equivalent. College students are encouraged to apply. Previous supervisory experience preferred. Ability to possess basic first aid and CPR certifications within 60 days of hire. \$8.76 per hr. Applications available at the Township Administration Building, Human Resources Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. An application form is also available at the Canton Township website at: www.canton-mi.org.

CHEESE/DELI HELP

A full time position is available in the cheese dept. for a southeastern retail market. A southcentral knowledge of cheese and experience in cutting, slicing and displaying the cheese is preferred! You must enjoy working with the public and be able to work one day on the weekend. Health insurance and vacation come with this full time position. Please send your resume with salary requirements to Box 1194.

Observer & Eccentric News. 36251 Schoolcraft Rd. Livonia, MI 48150.

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For Farmington, part time mornings, 3 days a week. (734) 222-5902.

CLEANERS NEEDED

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Needed for apartment community. 734-721-0500.

CLEANING PERSON NEEDED

At apartments in Wayne. Paid vacation & benefits available. Fax resume to 248-683-2552 or apply in person at Park Hill Apartments.

CLERK/STOCK

We have an opening for a person to operate a check-out counter, restock shelves and pack orders in our cooler. Hours 5am-12:30pm M-F. No holidays or weekends. Must be flexible on hours.

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32416 Industrial Rd. Garden City, MI. Between 8:30am - 12:30pm. 734-427-5300.

CNC LATHE HAND

Set-up. Experienced. Apply in person. 32863 Manor Park, Garden City. (734) 261-8030.

CNC LATHE OPERATOR

Haas 30 Operator, must be experienced, program set up, run small quantity jobs. 734-525-9305, or fax resume, 734-525-9309.

COLLECTIONS

Edward Rose & Sons, a large property management firm is looking for an organized independent individual with collection experience. Good communication skills req. Send resume to Accounting Manager, PO Box 9154, Farmington Hills, MI 48333-9154.

CAREGIVERS

Waltonwood at Twelve Oaks is seeking experienced, helpful caregivers to provide services to older adults in our luxury Senior Assisted Living Community. EOE.

Apply in person at: Waltonwood at Twelve Oaks, 27495 Huron Circle, Novi, Michigan (behind 12 Oaks Mall-off 12 Mile Rd) or call (248) 735-1030.

CAREGIVERS/COMPANIONS

full or part time, live-in 1 yr exp. Men encouraged to apply. Drug testing. 248-342-8614.

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CARPENTER / FINISHED

Must be exp. have own tools & transportation. Immediate positions available. Benefits. Call btwn 10-3 734-341-8888.

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Busy retail market is looking for full time cashiers. Insurance & paid vacation available. Please send resume to Box 1196.

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 Monday thru Thursday
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FITTER/WELDER Fit per print and strong ability with weld/straight and inspect/build fixtures. Please apply at 12651 Newburgh Rd., Livonia.

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We are a restaurant delivery service looking for responsible food runners with knowledge of the area. Part time with flexible hours. (734-427-4850).

FRONT DESK CLERK, Full time. Must have motel experience. Mail resume Ashish Tikwala, 37527 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills, MI 48335-2879.

FRONT DESK, MIDNIGHTS For Country Inn & Suites in Novi. (484) 596-9800.

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PART TIME-TEACHERS

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GENERAL LABOR
 No exp needed. We are currently hiring for part time positions in Novi. Flexible steady hours. Call ask for Doug or Steve 248-360-0843.

GENERAL LABOR
 Small Detroit factory needs dependable person for production help, warehouse duties, & building maintenance. Motivated individuals should fax personal info to 313-273-4110 or email roty19000@aol.com.

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No Phone Calls please.

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GREAT OPPORTUNITY IN THE MORTGAGE BUSINESS
 Multi-million national mortgage lender has immediate opening in Plymouth, for 2 Senior Level Mortgage professionals. Ideal candidate will have 3 to 5 yrs exp in residential and/or commercial mortgage origination, an established client base, and the drive to net over \$200,000 in annual salary. Forward your resume with salary history to Fax 734-414-7676.

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 Wanted full time for Meadowbrook Commons Apartments/Novi Senior Center. Compensation based on exp. Please fax resume: Attn Cheryl 248-305-8914.

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 Wanted for upbeat busy salons located in Plymouth, Canton, Farmington, Westland & Garden City areas. Guaranteed \$10 per hr. Call today (734) 595-6003.

Head Custodian Position - Full Time
 Mercy High School, a Catholic School located in Farmington Hills, is looking for the right person who takes pride in their work, is dependable and must be experienced. Morning shift, 6:30am to 3pm. During the summer break & extended breaks, and 1/2 days, all custodians work day shifts. Full benefits offered. Must pass background check. Please contact Mr. Rodriguez (248) 476-8020 Ext. 204.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS HEAD TRAINER
 The City of Wayne is currently accepting applications for the purpose of establishing a Health and Wellness Head Trainer eligibility list. Salary range \$24,887 - \$30,441. Minimum qualifications include a degree from a college or university in Exercise Science, wellness, and/or health. Must possess current certification from an accredited/recognized provider by ACE, ACSM, NSCA, and current CPR/AED and First Aid certifications. A minimum of 3 years progressive experience in the development of exercise prescription and instructional programming for all ages. Applications must be picked up in the City of Wayne Personnel Department by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 8, 2005. No faxed or e-mailed applications will be accepted. No resumes will be accepted without written application form.

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 Dearborn & Canton areas, Sat \$10/hr. Call 248-449-4880.

JANITORIAL - Office Cleaning
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 Up to \$9/hr., 2nd shift full time. Apply 8/4, 11:00AM-4:00PM, 36629 Schoolcraft Rd., Marquette Corp. Center, Livonia 734-542-0598. ENVIRO-CLEAN EOE.

JANITORS/CLEANERS
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JOB SETTERS
 Skyway Precision, Inc. is currently seeking highly skilled and experienced Job Setters for the day and night shifts. Candidates need to have solid experience in a production machine shop with strong leadership abilities. MUST have strong CNC Mill & Lathe background. Program-ming experience is a plus. Please submit salary requirements along with resume to: Skyway Precision, Inc. 41225 Plymouth Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Attn: Kelly Rempert. Fax 734-455-9659.

JUNIOR FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNTS ADMINISTRATOR
 requires organized self-motivated with customer service skills. Knowledge of Word & Excel required. \$11 per hr. Resumes to PO Box 7007, Troy, MI 48067-7007.

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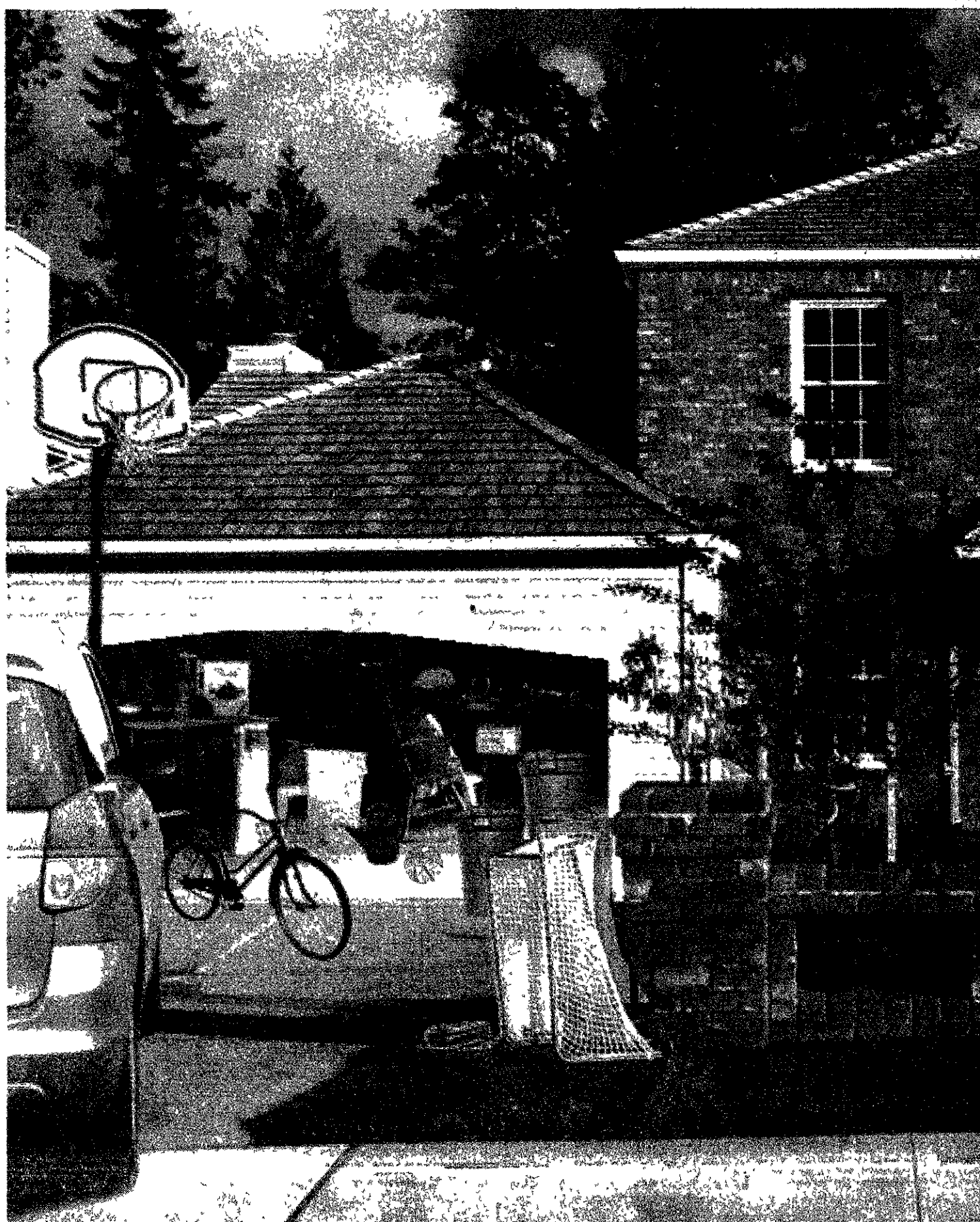
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Is it time to give
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makeover?

It used to be that a garage was a place to park a car. Not anymore. For many, the garage has become the new utility room, housing everything from model trains to the family Ping-Pong table.

And in some dramatic cases they have become the center of controversy.

In Birmingham, their conversion or construction into living space has pitted neighbor against neighbor. And in Troy, one man's 6,000-foot garage has caused the city to rethink the entire subject of just what is a garage, and how big can they be.

Increasingly, however, the garage is also the primary target for home improvement projects, and for good reason. Many homeowners see renovating the garage as one of the most economical projects they can take on, offering increased utility and value at the same time.

If you are thinking of a garage makeover, here are a few tips:

■ Get organized. Start by organizing loose items into containers, preferably the kind that fit snugly against the wall. Don't forget labels for the containers, in several places.

■ Go to the wall. Use wall hooks to hang what you can on the walls. Lawn and garden tools such as shovels can often fit nicely there.

■ Think plastic. If you are committed to storing things in your garage that can attract mold, such as magazines or newspapers, avoid cardboard boxes. Use plastic containers with a snap-on lid.

Those who want to start the makeover from the

ground up may be interested in a new product line designed to protect and enhance the appearance of concrete floors.

The product line, called Quikrete Professional Concrete Coatings, is the result of a strategic alliance of Quikrete — a leader in ready-to-use concrete mix — and Valspar, a coatings manufacturer serving the residential and commercial markets. The 14 products in the line are the first complete line of concrete coatings and sealants brought to market.

The flagship product is an epoxy garage floor coating kit that decorates and protects the garage floor. The kit includes a concentrated cleaner, water-based, low-odor garage floor epoxy and enough color flakes to do a one-car garage.

The protective coating is a three-in-one degreaser, cleaner and etcher, said to promote the bond between the concrete and the coating — what the company refers to as "bond-lok technology." The result is a coating that is two times stronger than concrete.

The protective coatings are available in designer colors, Southwest colors and earth tones. To make application easier, step-by-step instructions are included on a DVD that accompanies the product.

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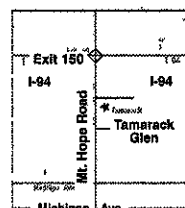
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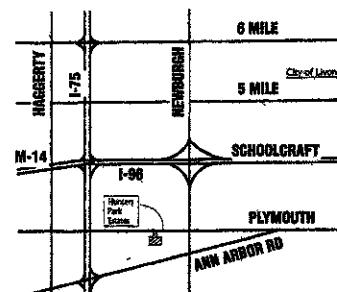
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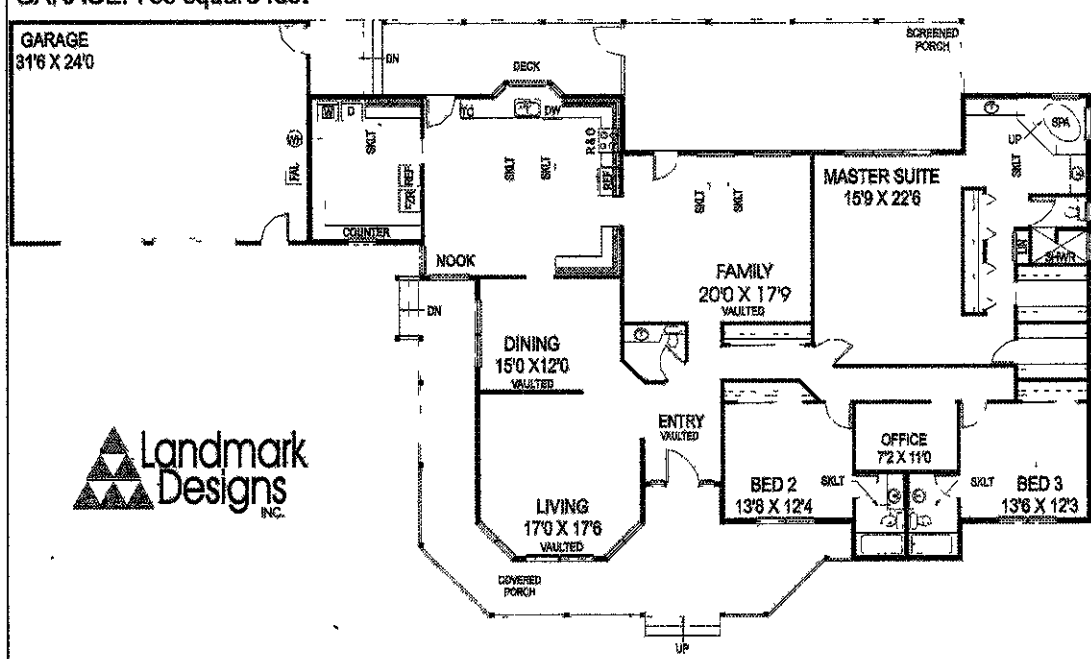
The country style Vardell (402-60) is a 3,182 square foot home built for a growing family that requires lots of living space. The two-car garage is placed at the rear of the property, allowing the beauty of the Vardell to shine through.

A wraparound porch, covered and railed, accents the attractive wood and brick exterior. Directly inside the vaulted entry are a closet and a half-bath for the convenience of your guests. To the right of the entry are two good-sized bedrooms. Each is fitted with a sky lit private bathroom, and closet space is ample. Separating the two bedrooms is a small home office. There is room here for a personal computer to maintain household accounts and serve school age children working on class assignments.

Across the hall, maintaining privacy but still near enough to check on the young ones, is the luxurious master suite. In addition to the huge sleeping area, there is a long standard closet and two walk-ins. Other amenities include linen storage and a private sky lit bathroom, with twin basins and a raised spa for soothing relaxation after a long day.

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whole gang out here with a pitcher of lemonade, enjoying the coolness of the evening. An adjacent deck is a good spot to set up the barbecue and grill some hamburgers.

The spacious sky lit kitchen will be a favorite with the cook in the house. Meals may be prepared and easily served at the corner breakfast nook or in the adjoining dining room. There is also a nice garden window and a door to the

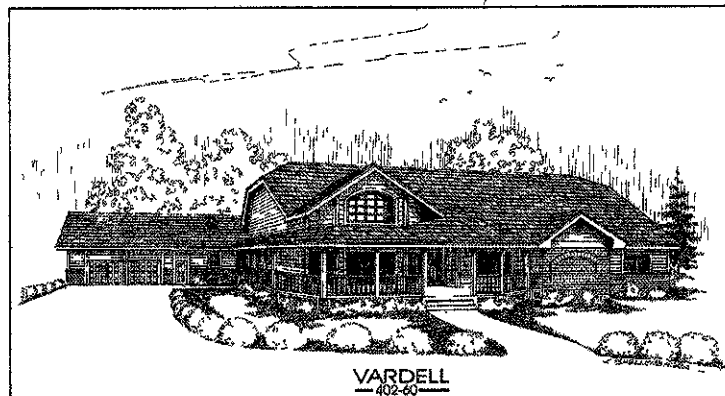
deck.

Conveniently placed next to the kitchen is a generous utility room. Besides the washer and dryer, there is a freezer and extra refrigerator. A skylight brightens the entire area.

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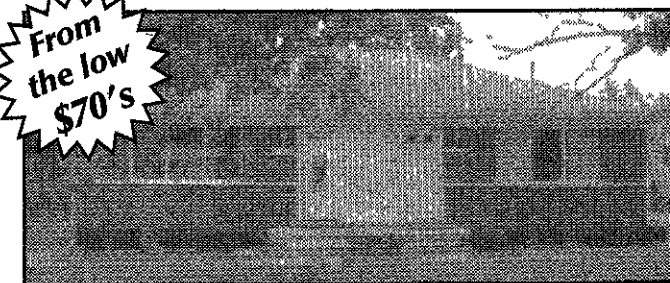
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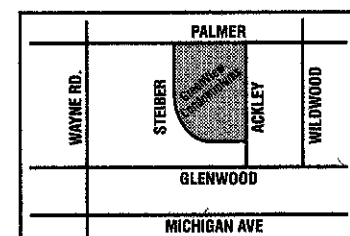


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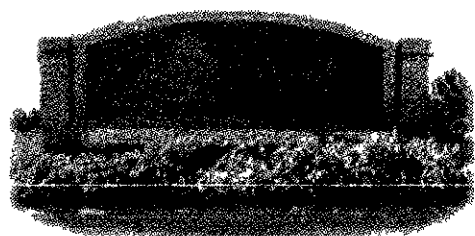
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Jeld-Wen, a window and door manufacturer, offers these simple steps for

cleaning windows and patio doors quickly and effectively.

1) Use a combination of common, gentle ingredients to clean glass. Mix one teaspoon of baby shampoo to one gallon of water, or one and one half cups of vinegar to one gallon of water.

2) Wash windows with the solution using a clean, soft cloth or sponge.

3) Rinse with clean water.

4) Promptly dry the glass thoroughly with a cloth.

5) Dry the frame with a separate cloth.

"When it comes to window care, it's true that a little extra effort goes a long way," said Joyce Richter, Jeld-Wen windows expert. "Properly clean-

ing and maintaining the glass in windows and doors will add to their durability - and your enjoyment - for all seasons."

Here are some more tips for getting the most out of your glass windows and doors.

■ Clean glass on a dry, overcast day. Intense sunlight can cause streaks as

the solution may dry too quickly.

■ Avoid using a power washer or garden hose to clean windows or doors. This can ruin the seal and allow water to enter the home.

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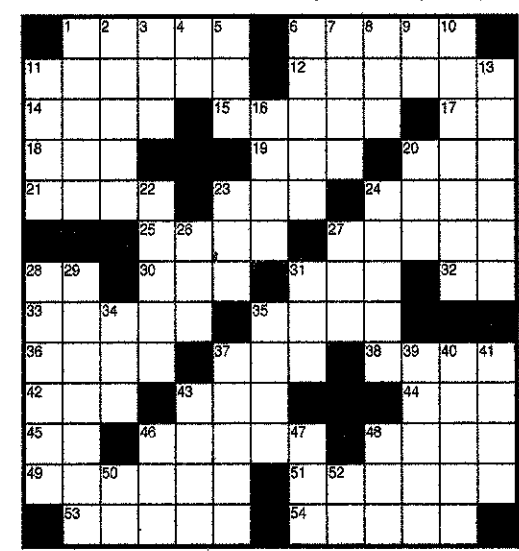
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Approximately 3/4 wooded acres with lake privileges and small pond. Value is in the land. Five bedroom home filled with character and charm with walk-out basement. Tear down or rebuild. (B67EAS) 248-642-8100 \$1,165,000



WEST BLOOMFIELD Designer Perfect!
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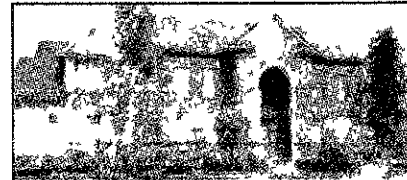
OAKLAND Sharp 3 Bedroom
Brick Ranch located on approximately 3 private acres. Partially finished walk-out basement, living room with bay window, natural fireplace in family room, master with bath and his and her closets. (B82BUE) 248-652-8000 \$440,000



WEST BLOOMFIELD Lower Level Walk-Out
Spacious 4 bedroom, 4 full bath, 3 powder rooms, 2-way fireplace in kitchen & family room. Formal LR & DR. Walk-out features full second kitchen, rec area, FP, bedroom with bath. Impressive lot elevation & landscaping. Three car garage. (B17CHE) 248-626-8800 \$649,900



BLOOMFIELD HILLS Brick Tudor Built in '89
Four bedroom, 3 1/2 bath with 3 car side entry garage. Finished walk-out lower level with sauna, beautiful in-ground pool on a deep lot. First floor laundry, newer roof and Bloomfield Hills schools. A great home. (B42HUN) 248-642-8100 \$725,000



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Wow! Great floor plan - great location. Northville Hills Golf community. Four spacious bedrooms, 3 1/2 bath and granite. Back yard features a private resort-in ground-pool - daylight. A must see. (B05MER) 248-349-5600 \$775,000



TROY Spacious West Troy Colonial
Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths and backs to the woods. Beautiful landscaping, two car attached garage and a lot of lot of lot. Award-winning new Troy High schools. (B04LAN) 248-524-1600 \$429,900



BRUCE TOWNSHIP Peaceful
Nearly 5 acres only a quarter mile from Oakland County. Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, paved roads, large pole barn, in-ground pool. Florida room, fireplace, updated windows, doors, furnace, kitchen, baths, carpet and flooring. (B01HEN) 248-652-8000 \$439,000



NOVI Personal Power
is what you receive when you enjoy where you live. Premium wooded lot, deep sub location. Four big bedrooms, approximately 2,835 square feet, hardwood floors approx. 9 foot ceiling, center island kitchen, finished basement & more. (B88KIN) 248-626-8800 \$450,000



WEST BLOOMFIELD Approx. 900 Foot Deck
Approximately 200 foot lake frontage. French doors leading you into wood pag floors. Hardwood floors, family room & living room all overlook lake. First floor master bedroom suite, 3 upper bedrooms with dormers. Walk-out lower level. (B89HEN) 248-642-8100 \$699,990



NOVI Spectacular Custom Home
Beautifully detailed - offers 4 spacious bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths. Master suite fireplace, 2 walk-in closets & granite bath. Gourmet kitchen with Viking stove, Sub-Zero frig. Walk-out LL with heated floors, sauna & full granite kitchen. Awesome lot. (B55VAS) 248-349-5600 \$899,900



BLOOMFIELD HILLS One Of A Kind
European stone home built in 2002 with original foundation in 1954. Large kitchen with top-of-the-line appliances. Living room with stone interior finish. Hardwood floors and doors with a warm English finish. (B11DEN) 248-524-1600 \$960,000



ROCHESTER HILLS Less Than 2 Years Old
Better than new. Spacious kitchen, maple cabinets, 9 foot ceilings on first floor, luxurious master suite with jetted tub. The list goes on. Neutral throughout. Close to downtown. (B16BLI) 248-652-8000 \$439,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Gorgeous Contemporary
Mini-mansion awaits a new owner. Entertain in the media room, relax in the sauna. Open floor plan living room, family room, great room, library walk-out with wet bar, first floor laundry, 7 BRs, 3 PPs, sound system, deck and 3 car garage. (B41OAK) 248-626-8800 \$1,009,000



BIRMINGHAM Great Location
Four bedrooms, 3 bath Colonial walk to town. Fantastic island kitchen with granite, hardwood floors & adjacent family room with marble fireplace. Master bedroom suite with marble bath & walk-in closet. Finished basement & studio above garage. (B99HEN) 248-642-8100 \$699,900



CANTON New Construction Home
Cape Cod with 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 4 car attached garage. First floor master with sitting room, walk-in closet & bath with corner garden tub, catn ceiling in foyer & great room. Kitchen with granite tops. Time to pick cabinets & grand staircase. (B02ROL) 734-455-5600 \$810,000



COMMERCE TOWNSHIP Spectacular Location
On all sports main lake cul-de-sac with in ground pool, 3 car attached garage, patio, deck, tiki bar, boat hoist, finished walk-out lower level. Master bath with sauna. Gas fireplaces in great room and family room. Newer roof. (B92RAV) 248-524-1600 \$749,900



ROSE TOWNSHIP/HOLLY Horse Lovers
Waterfront estate. Exceptional 6 bedroom, 7 1/2 bath, 2 story home with 8+ acres on a private 60 deep private lake. Features gourmet kitchen, office library, GR with fireplace, second kitchen/bar. Heated barn easily converted for horses. (B65MIL) 248-620-7200 \$899,000



NORTHVILLE Builder's Own Design
Custom home with open floor plan & all the extras. Sumptuous 700 square foot master bedroom suite with bath, gourmet kitchen, library, cherry built-ins, oak kitchen with tile counters & floor. Master with PP, marble floor master BA with Jacuzzi. Cul-de-sac lot. Privileges on Upper Strats. (B39ROB) 248-626-8800 \$775,000



BIRMINGHAM New 2004 Construction
Fabulous, in the heart of downtown. This home features 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, hardwood floors throughout, open floor plan, 9 foot ceilings, stunning kitchen & master bedroom suite with spa-like bath. Heated garage with bonus room above. (B49ANN) 248-642-8100 \$695,000



PLYMOUTH Elegant Woodlore South
Two story on cul-de-sac. Curved foyer staircase, great room, hardwood floor & cathedral ceiling, gas fireplace, formal DR & LR. French doors to library, kitchen, cherry cabinets, breakfast area to sun room, master with sit area, 3 car garage. (B99MAR) 734-455-5600 \$529,000



ROCHESTER Impressive
Executive Colonial with all the bells & whistles. Four bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 3 car garage & deck overlooking pond. Master bedroom with 2-way FR and Jacuzzi. Spacing ceiling in foyer & GR. Ceramic & granite kitchen. Walk-out basement. (B71TUL) 248-524-1600 \$549,000



COMMERCE Lake Sherwood Lakefront
Gorgeous 2 story Colonial has the most beautiful view of Lake Sherwood. Two fireplaces, upstairs laundry. Extra garage. Lower level with great room and second kitchen and full bath. Sun room. This is a must see home. (B16DRI) 248-363-1200 \$859,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Custom Built Ranch
Three BR, 2 1/2 BA. Wide halls & door ways. Hardwood, cathedral ceilings, library, cherry built-ins, oak kitchen with tile counters & floor. Master with PP, marble floor master BA with Jacuzzi. Cul-de-sac lot. Privileges on Upper Strats. (B50ROL) 248-626-8800 \$545,900



BLOOMFIELD Approximately 1 Acre Lot
Fabulous 4 bedroom, 4 1/2 bath Ranch with Walnut, Lake privileges. Beautifully renovated in 2003 with larger circular drive, finished walk-out, 2 master bedroom suites, cathedral ceilings and 2 fireplaces. You must see this beautiful home! (B55QUA) 248-642-8100 \$660,000



PLYMOUTH Perfection Plus
Premium lot with perfect floor plan. Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath Colonial with 3 car attached garage. Fireplace in living room, open dual staircase, basement huge bedrooms with plenty of closet space, elegant custom awnings. (B16DRI) 248-363-1200 \$859,900



OAKLAND TOWNSHIP Almost 9 Acres
Of gorgeous scenic setting at the end of a private road with Rochester schools. Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath brick Ranch with open floor plan, hardwood floors, double sided fireplace between FR and LR. Beautiful view from every window. (B00DUK) 248-524-1600 \$510,000



ROYAL OAK Gorgeous Colonial
This 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home is a luxurious throughout. Formal living & dining rooms. Family room with fireplace. Spacious master. Open kitchen, huge 3 car garage. Beautiful lot with deck, pond & gardens. (B19NOR) 248-363-1200 \$649,000



WEST BLOOMFIELD Former Builder's Model
Kitchen with granite island top, 3 1/2 bath, bridge over 2 story foyer & LR, hardwood floors, wet bar, 2 master bedrooms. Daylight windows, vaulted ceilings, all appliances his & her walk-in closets, 2 ceiling fans, 1 year home warranty. (B84ROY) 248-626-8800 \$539,900



COMMERCE Private Cul-De-Sac Location
Walk-out, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, volume ceilings and many windows. Great room/kitchen, granite island & walk-in pantry. First floor master bedroom with his and her walk-in closets and jetted tub. Deck, pro-landscaping and 3+ car garage. (B11FOR) 248-642-8100 \$550,000



SUPERIOR TWP Surround Yourself
With nature. Approximately 14 acres. This 2001 Cape Cod offers 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, master with walk-in closet & garden tub. Dining room with view from deck, also 2 1/2 car attached garage, huge extra deep walk-out lower level & more. (B44HAR) 734-455-5600 \$498,500



OAKLAND Gorgeous Deluxe 3 Bedroom
2 1/2 bath home in the Billion Dollar Mile. Granite & designer cabinets. GE Profile appliances, hardwood floors, 2-way fireplace in living room and master suite. European shower, designer lighting and Italian marble. (B54BIR) 248-652-8000 \$619,000



WOLVERINE LAKE One Of A Kind
Lakefront jewel. Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, rebuilt '05 oak floors, newer most everything, open floor plan, 2 walk-out decks, 2 car heated garage, custom gourmet granite kitchen, his/hers walk-in closets. Walked lake schools. This won't last. (B42VOL) 248-363-1200 \$634,999



BLOOMFIELD HILLS Magnificent Estate
Stone constructed in 2001. 6 BRs, 5 1/2 BAs in private community. First floor master bedroom, 2 story foyer & GR, marble & granite, hardwood lower level, finished walk-out with a pair of quarters, kitchen, 2 BRs & 2 BAs, theater room. (B48TOW) 248-626-8800 \$3,800,000



ROCHESTER Gorgeous Trophy Home
Five bedrooms, 4 full baths and 2 half baths. Master and junior suites, formal living room, dining room, family room & high ceilings. Finished basement with kitchen & au-pair suite, located on large lot with 3 car garage. (B79MIN) 248-642-8100 \$549,000



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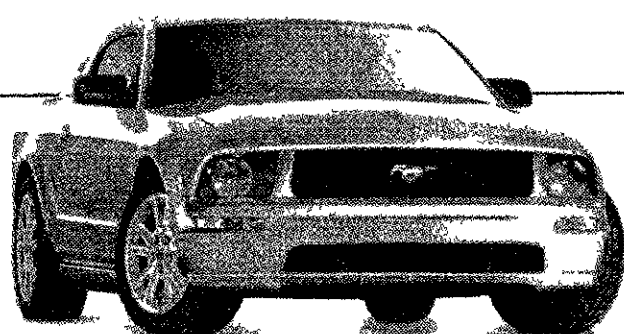
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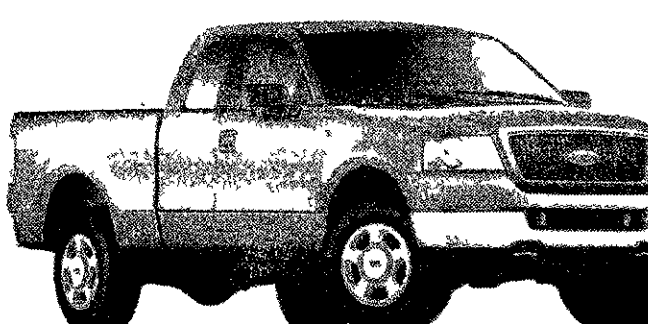
2005 Explorer XLT 4x4 4 Door

Advance trac with RSC, XLT sport pkg, crvnc grp, P245/65R17 A/T OWL tires, 17" bright alum whls, tire press monitoring sys, 4.0L SOHC V6 flex fuel eng, 5-sp auto o/d trans, 3.73 ratio regular axle, XLT sport sun sound pkg, power mnt, audiophile AM/FM 6-CD in-dash, trailer tow pkg, cargo area cover, black roof rail w/cross bars Stock #53121 WAS \$35,525

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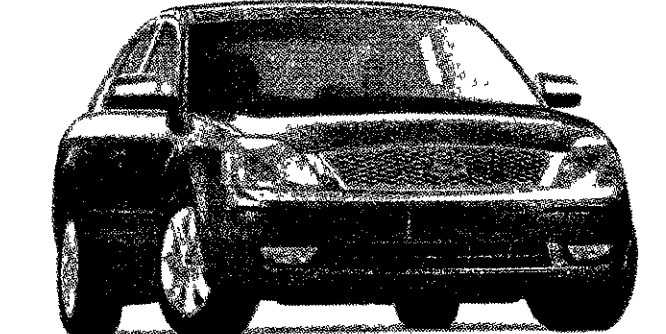
2005 F-150 4x4 Styleside Supercab

Preferred equipment package, tow hooks, manual black mirrors, 4.6 EFI V8 engine, electronic 4-speed automatic overdrive transmission, 3.55 ratio limited slip axle, bright tubular running boards, sliding rear window, speed control, trailer tow package, 35.7 gallon fuel tank, cloth 40/20/40, privacy glass Stock #54050 WAS \$31,415

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2005 Five Hundred FWD SEL



AM/FM CDx6 MP3 radio, dual automatic air conditioning 17 x 7 7-sp w/ lug nuts, fog lamps, message center, steering wheel audio controls, 3.0L 4V V6 Duratech engine, automatic 6-speed transmission, P215/60R17 BSW tires, traction control Stock #53461 WAS \$24,795

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2005 Freestyle FWD SEL

AM/FM/CDx6, MP3 radio, anti-lock brakes, message center, 17x7 5-spoke bright aluminum wheels, steering wheel audio controls, fog lamps 3.0L 4V V6 Duratech engine, continuously variable trans, P215/65R17 BSW tires, 5.9 ratio reg axle 50/50 split seat, traction control 60/40 split 3-passenger second row, family entertainment Stock #53216 WAS \$28,180

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2005 Freestar SE

3.54 ratio regular axle, dual manual sliding doors, speed control, air conditioning - CFC-Free, second/third row privacy glass, 3.9L OHV EFI engine, 4 speed auto O/D transmission, 225/60R-16 BSW all season crossbars, aux a/c tri-zone, third row floor mat. Stock #50779 WAS \$27,990

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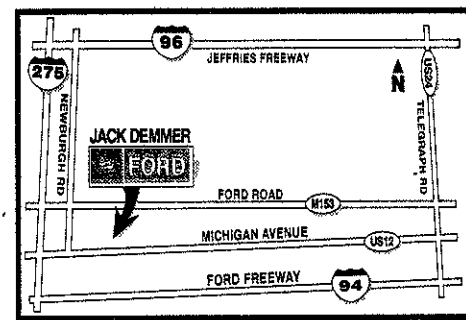
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AF, 45, 5'3", 110lbs, attractive, active, very independent, loving, down-to-earth, health-conscious, vegetarian, enjoys movies, fine dining, and traveling. Seeking W/AM, 40-50, H/W proportionate. ☎609537

SEEKS

PROFESSIONAL MALE
SWPF, 57", long brown hair, looking for an educated man, 35-55, who likes politics, reading and going to movies. ☎529129

PRETTY, INTELLIGENT...

SBF, 34, Leo, N/S, seeks big-hearted, financially/emotionally secure man, 36-56, who loves to laugh and takes care of himself ☎739376

PRETTY, QUEEN-SIZED

Easygoing, clean SWF, 48, ISO easygoing, clean, mainly man, 40-60, to share fun times with. ☎744250

NOT INTO TV

Very active SWF, 46, smoker, loves leisurely drives, sports. Seeking WM, 45-54, smoker, for friendship, possible romance. ☎723204

SEARCHING FOR A MAN...
40-50, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. I'm a 44-year-old who's bright, spunky and pretty. Please only Jewish men inquire. ☎962317

RECENTLY DIVORCED MOM
SWF, 43, N/S, would like to meet an outgoing, friendly, non-smoking man, 35-53, who likes outdoors, bicycling, walking, family. ☎115795

RESCUE ME!

SBF, 41, 5'5", average build, enjoys church, family, shopping, much more. Looking for SBM, 43-47, professionally employed, N/S, who knows how to treat a woman. ☎408635

READY TO BE ROMANTIC
SWF, 31, 5'3", average build, smoker, believes the perfect weekend would be spent outdoors doing anything and everything, seeks man, 28-35, for possible romance. ☎747621

VERY ROMANTIC

SBF, 57, 5'1", 192lbs, smoker, seeks single man, 55-63, smoker, who is loving, caring, and enjoys music, dining out, walks in the park. ☎749554

YOUNG THINKER

SWF, 74, 5'4", N/S, gray/blue, looking for SWM, 74-80, N/S, who enjoys music, traveling, life. ☎725715

ADAM

LOOKING FOR YOUR RIB
Financially secure, independent SBFC, 31, 5'7", 160lbs, enjoys concerts, movies, dining, quiet times and more. Seeking SCM, 30-45, with similar interests, for possible LTR. ☎217475

SINGLE FEMALE IN...

search of her first and last. Single, attractive African-American female, 39, in search of a marriage-minded man who is ready to take that next level. Place is definitely unimportant. ☎742971

YOU MIGHT BE THE ONE
SBF, 44, N/S, looking for an honest guy SWM, 35-44, N/S, 6'-6'2", HPTW, who likes walks, movies, simple things. ☎742085

WHERE ARE YOU?

Single female, 43, 5'10", slim build, has long hair and pretty eyes, finds the music of Stevie Ray Vaughn to be quiet sensual, seeks SWM, 45-55, smoker, for LTR. ☎742381

WHY NOT CALL?

Employed SAF, 49, 5'3", 110lbs, mother, likes outdoor sports, park walks, movies and more. Seeking easygoing, child-friendly fun-loving man to share life and it's simple pleasures ☎690621

LIFE'S AN ADVENTURE

Active, sociable SWF, 44, 5'4", size 10, auburn/green, mother, home/business owner, enjoys horror, foreign films, Middle-Eastern cuisine, the beach, reading, dancing, cycling. Seeking romantic, sociable, happy man open to life/love. ☎746704

SOULMATE SEARCH

SBF, attractive, 57-yr-old JF looking for her soulmate, any sincere, successful JM, between the ages of 54-64, please respond. ☎589875

WITTY IN WAYNE

Italian SWF, 41, 5'3", 150lbs, dark/dark, N/S, seeks WM, 45-70, N/S, for friendship, maybe more. ☎734502

CALL ME

Attractive, charming ex-business woman, 60, loves movies, plays, concerts, dining, dancing, traveling, financially comfortable, gourmet. ☎743556

KIND HEART

Full-figured SF, 55, enjoys dancing and all types of music, likes working with animals, seeks good-natured single man, 44-60. ☎742466

MY HEART IS TRUE

SBF, 45, 5'3", 135lbs, dark complexion, mother/grandmother, enjoys parks, movies, plays, computers, quiet romantic nights, jazz, blues. Seeking compatible, available, affectionate man to share life and all it offers. ☎726398

PROFESSIONAL

Attractive, slim female, 38, small business owner, interested in nutrition, health, working out, seeks upper scale SWPM for going out to dinner, movies, lunch, brunch, and conversation. ☎731472

ARE YOU THE ONE?

Romantic, sincere SBF, 41, 5', sociable, active, fun-loving, loves R&B, sports, movies, nights on the town, relaxing in. Seeking kind, honest, active, happy, fun man with similar interests. ☎736921

LET'S TALK FURTHER

SBF, 40, smoker, loves jazz concerts, walks along the river, movies, fishing, theater, and casino. Seeking WM, 55-60, who enjoys some of these activities, too. ☎738955

NEEDLE IN THE HAYSTACK

Attractive SBF, 35, Leo, N/S, seeks a quality PM, 34-58, for possible LTR. You will not be disappointed. ☎739319

ASIAN SWEETIE

SAF, 41, pretty, N/S, no children, H/W proportionate, honest, funny, reliable, seeks S/DM, 35-45, with same qualities, for friendship dating or more. East Side area. Call me. ☎729122

GOOD MAN WANTED

Attractive SBF, marriage-minded, 5' 6", average build, 40, Capricorn, N/S, seeks BM, 40-51, N/S, to enjoy life and more. ☎692032

HONESTY REQUIRED

Beautiful, full-figured SBF, 35, is looking for tall, dark, handsome SBPM who is honest and down-to-earth, to spend time with. ☎401088

QUIET PERSON

SWF, late 30s, looking for sweet, intelligent WM for companionship. Must be single, 35-42, with Christian values. ☎729909

BROWN SUGAR AND SPICE

SF, 47 years young, 5'5", very outgoing, loves family, fun, life. Would like to spend time with someone, 40-60, who loves jazz, concerts, movies, dinners, weekend getaways ☎208051

SEARCHING FOR YOU

Sexy, attractive SBPF, 34, 5'2", 160lbs, Aries, seeks honest, outgoing SBM, 38-52, for friendship, quality time, and possibly more. ☎615717

MUST LOVE ANIMALS

WF, 53, 5'4", blonde/blue, full-figured, likes travel, fine dining, shows, plays, animals, children, picnics, boating, swimming, cooking, reading, fishing, slow dancing. Seeking good, kind-hearted man, 50-62, with integrity and morals. ☎601692

HEY, OVER HERE

Attractive SBPF, 52, 5'5", 125lbs, with herpes, N/S, feminine, humorous, works out. Seeking SCM, 47-57, N/S, fit, for possible LTR, race unimportant. ☎611221

SEMI-RETIRED

SBF, 61, 5'8", 165lbs, very carefree, loyal, honest, enjoys reading, flea markets, antiques, long walks and travel. Seeking BM, 58-61, with similar interests. ☎649333

VERY ATTRACTIVE BLONDE

Refined, full of life, easygoing, well-dressed, professionally employed, affectionate, romantic, kind, early very youthful 60s, 5'3", feminine, shapely, fit, enjoys dining, travel, music, theatre, dancing, family and friends. Seeking a handsome, educated gentleman, over 50s, N/S, with a youthful passion for life. Serious replies only. ☎652360

QUALITY TIME

SWF, 48, 5' 115lbs, petite, dark/dark, N/S, seeks easygoing WPM, 45-50, N/S, who enjoys dining in/out, movies, travel, concerts, plays, and ball games. ☎670169

HOPE IT'S YOU

SBPF, 38, independent, 5'5", average build, H/W proportionate, fun-loving, genuine and attractive, would like to get to know someone with similar qualities and interests. ☎692383

WHERE ARE YOU?

Classy, petite SWF, 59, blonde/green, Scorpio, smoker, enjoys dancing, golf, travel, movies, seeks caring, energetic WM, 55-64, N/S, for possible relationship ☎718979

LOOKING FOR AN EQUAL YOKE

Christian SBPF, 36, 5'8", N/S, ISO drug-free SBGM, financially secure, who respects women, to enjoy the simple and finer things in life. Enjoy travel, dance, exercise, play. ☎506589

PRECIOUS ONE

SWF, very pretty, a young 39, medium dark/green, works in medical field, seeks attractive SWM, outgoing, honest, caring, sensitive and creative, for best friend, more. ☎230588

MR. RIGHT

Are you a tall, big, handsome man, that could be my Mr. Right, for a SWF, 5'8", attractive, loving and fun, let's share life together. ☎443339

BEAUTIFUL MIND WANTED

Beautiful, full-figured SBF, 35, enjoys comedy and romance, bowling, walks in the park. Seeking tall, dark, handsome SBM, 33-50. ☎481293

STILL LOOKING

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SWF, 63, 5' 8", average build, Aries, N/S, enjoys dancing, dining out, seeks WM, 58-75, N/S, with a sense of humor, for friendship, possible romance ☎720594

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Positive, caring, easygoing SB PF, 53 (looks younger), N/S, not into bars, enjoys jazz, old-school music, and fun times. Seeking special, secure man, 48-60, N/S, for laughter, good times and LTR. ☎725001

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SWF, 62, 5'4", N/S, independent, happy, good-humored, free-spirited, enjoys playing cards, travel, boating, vacationing, walks, music, dining, more. ISO sociable SWM, 55-67, who's active and has a great sense of humor. ☎654265

ATHLETIC, ATTRACTIVE...

sexy SWF, 27, 5'6", Libra, N/S, graphic designer, seeks man, 26-37, N/S, who enjoys life, for friendship, maybe more. ☎687756

EBONY SEEKS IVORY

DBF, 42, 5'3", 140lbs, full-figured, seeks to date SWM, 40-50, in the Mount Clemens area. ☎455323

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Attractive, DWF, 50, loving and sincere seeks same in non-smoking SWM, 45+, for dating and relating. Let's talk! ☎655541

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LETS GET AWAY

SBF, 27, 5' 7", slim build, Taurus, smoker, enjoys reading, writing, and shopping seeks man, 24-32, just as a friend. ☎673171

HAS ZEST FOR LIFE

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GET TO KNOW ME

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LOOKING!!!

SWF, smart, fun, easy to be with, success, attractive, petite, looking for a soulmate; SWM, 55-67, S. Oakland area. ☎738822

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

KIND & EASYGOING...

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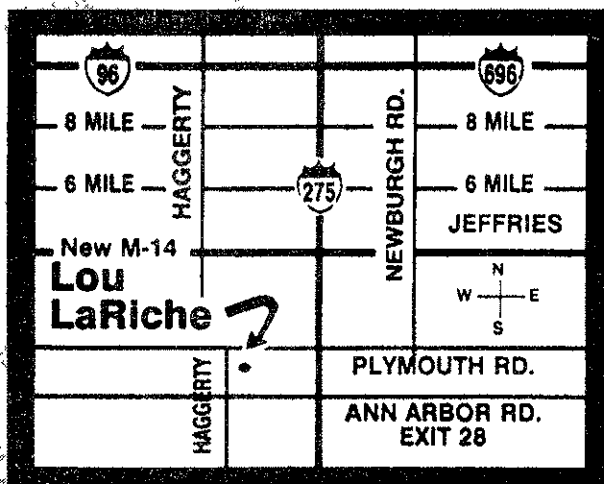
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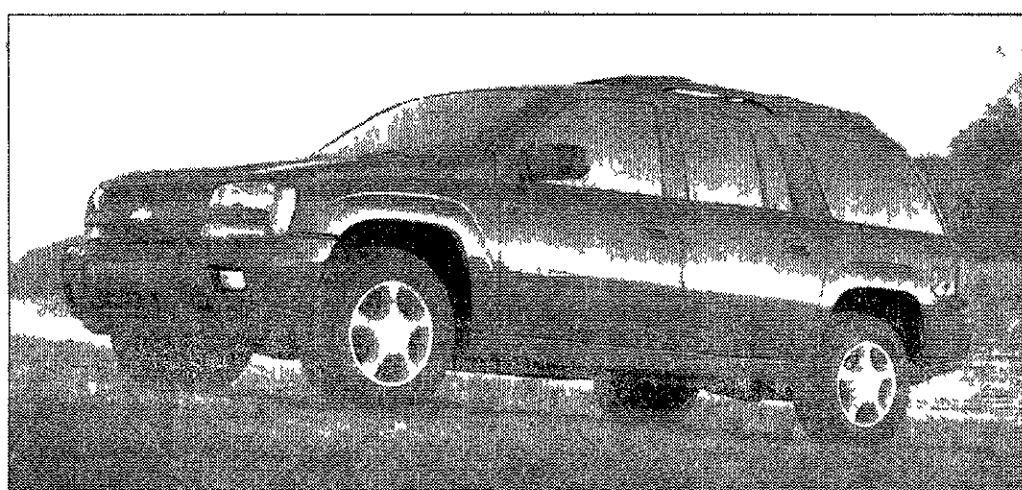
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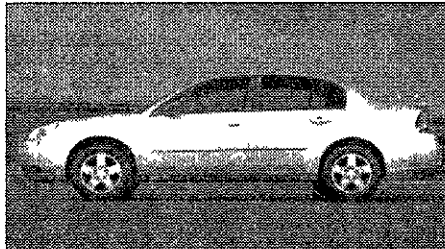
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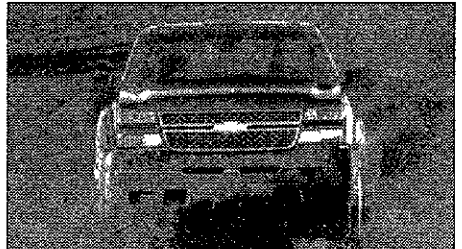
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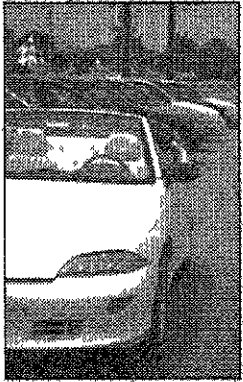
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It's only been three years it's been gracing American roads, but the Acura RSX has not only been an impressive sports car and it's also been luxurious.

This sports coupe is truly on the high performance track. For the 2005 model year, lots has changed on the RSX. The things that mean the most: horsepower, a 6-speed manual transmission, more precise handling.

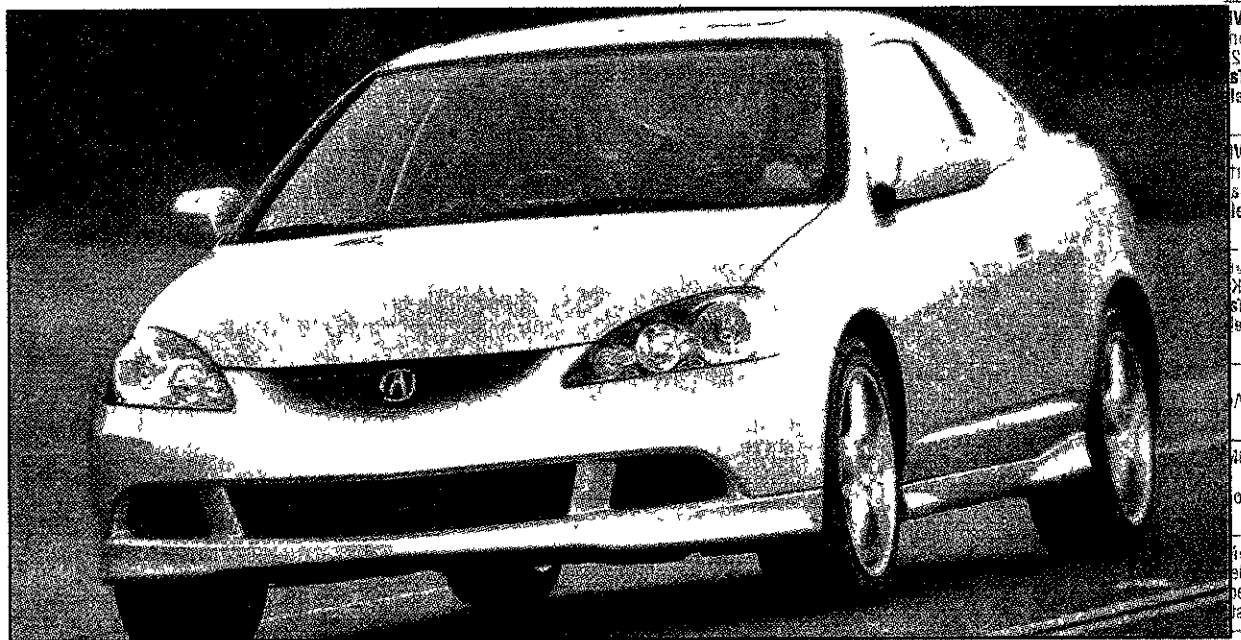
All this is to lure the younger driver into the Acura name brand, hopefully making that driver a loyal Acura buyer for many car purchases to come.

Powered by a 16-valve, dual overhead cam I-VTECH 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine, the performance is really special. No worries about merging on the freeway or accelerating past that semi in a hurry. With just 160 horsepower, you'll not find yourself behind.

The engine block is aluminum alloy with cast-iron liners and is transverse-mounted front engine. You can choose from a 5-speed manual or 5-speed automatic transmission with sequential SportShift and grade logic control.

The other offering, the RSX Type-S features the same engine, but horsepower is increased to 210. On this model, only a 6-speed manual transmission is offered.

The rear of this sports car is really small. Only kids can really fit back there. I tried to get in the rear and had a very hard time. There's not enough foot room for even an 11-year-old. It was



2005 Acura RSX Type-S | Vehicle type: Sports coupe. | Power: 2.0-liter DOHC four-cylinder engine. | Mileage: 23 mpg/city, 34 mpg highway. | Price: \$23,670.

very uncomfortable even on short rides.

Standard equipment on the Type-S model includes 27-inch alloy wheels this year; last year it was only 16-inch alloy wheels. They sit on all-season high-performance tires that provide a higher level of traction in most weather conditions.

Even though the body is rigid and additional insulation material has been added to reduce road noise, at the freeway level, even with the windows rolled up, the road noise is loud enough to make you turn up the level on the radio.

The RSX is comfortable to drive and sits low to the ground. You'll feel every road surface imperfection, too, but that's because Michigan doesn't take care of its roads.

Other enhancements that have been made include a revised suspension tuning for better handling and a smoother ride, a revised steering system for enhanced feel and quicker response and a better braking system that let you stop quicker.

On the exterior, the styling has been freshened, making it look much more aggressive and

sporty. Changes to the front and rear bumpers allow redesigned headlight and tail lamp designs lend sportiness to the vehicle as well.

On the inside, you'll find better comfort on the front seats through the use of thicker seat cushions. The instrumentation is now white, instead of metallic. There's newer surfaces that are more luxurious, too. There's also a three-spoke, leather-wrapped steering wheel that feels great to the touch, further adding comfort and a sports-car look and feel.

What I liked most was the rear deck spoiler. Not many vehicles -- sporty or otherwise -- sport those any longer.

The RSX is also rated as a low-emissions vehicle. EPA numbers are impressive at between 23 mpg in the city and 34 mpg on the highway depending on the model you choose, which means fewer fill-ups.

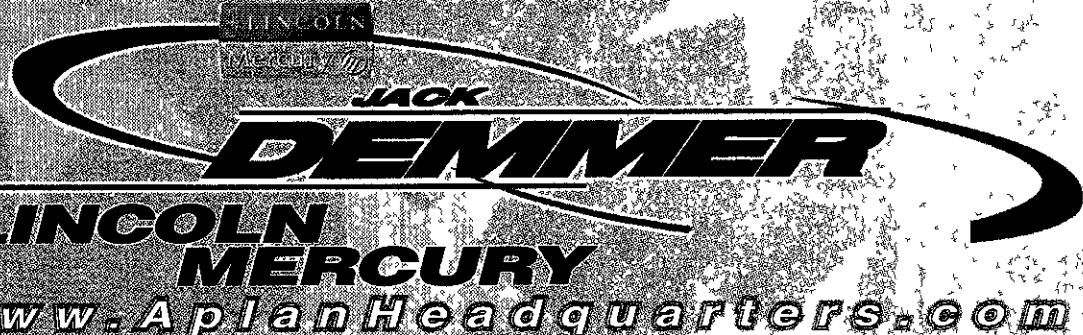
All in all, the RSX is a cute, sporty coupe that will get you going where you need to be very, very fast. I'm certain is a police officer's dream come true.

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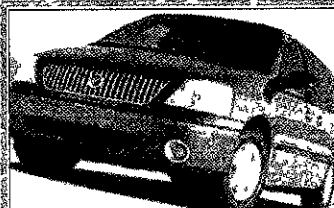
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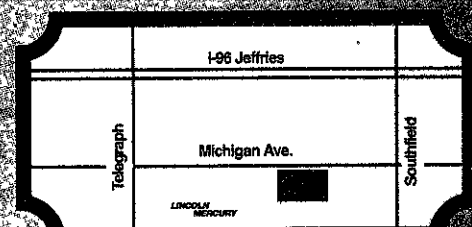
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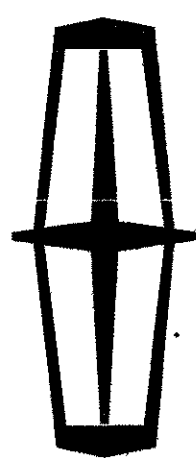
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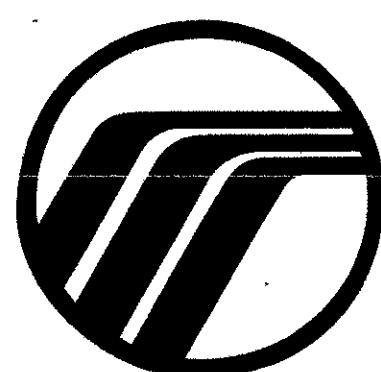
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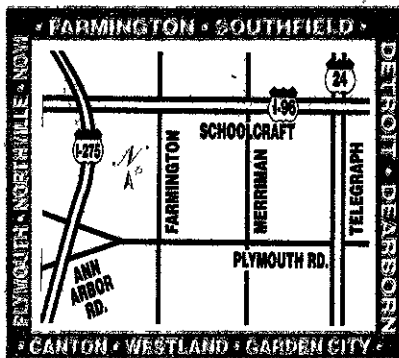
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