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## Locals look to support Katrina survivors

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

Canton Township officials and first responders, like the rest of the country, are waiting for the call for help from the Gulf Coast region that was devastated by Hurricane Katrina last week. And when the call comes, two Canton firefighters will be ready to answer.

Firefighters Richard Stone and William Tucker have been selected to head to wherever they're most needed once the Federal Emergency Management Agency is ready for them. Each has been with the Canton Fire Department for about a year, said Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher.

"We've filled out our application and sent it to FEMA Saturday," said Public Safety Director John Santomauro. "Now we just have to wait until they need us."

Canton Public Safety is coordinating with FEMA to provide police and fire personnel in the affected areas. It is unclear as to exactly when or if personnel from Canton will be deployed.

FEMA was initially looking for departments which could send teams of two first responders for 90-day assignments, but the Canton Public Safety Department has asked to send teams for 30 days at a time, Santomauro said.

Salaries for the firefighters would be reimbursed by FEMA, but the township would have to pay for supplies for the teams.

"FEMA has stressed the importance of coordinating our responses through them, so they can coordinate nationally the deployment of resources. For us to send people down without coordinating with FEMA would create a logistical problem, according to FEMA," Santomauro said.

If help isn't needed now, it probably will

PLEASE SEE SUPPORT, A8



Nicole Lamoureux, left, and Stacie Anastasia sold cookies to neighbors in the Franklin Palmer subdivision to raise money for the survivors of Hurricane Katrina. They raised \$60, and contributed it to a fund-raiser at Discovery Middle School.

## 'The least we can do'

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

Throughout Canton, residents are looking for a way to help people affected by Hurricane Katrina. School children, the business community and churches have pitched

in to send badly needed money and supplies to survivors of the Aug. 29 hurricane.

"I think they just need us to reach out to them. The families are going through so much," said Eileen Spicher, owner of Splitz, a gymnastics facility in Canton.

Splitz is holding a fund-raiser 1:30-3 p.m. Sept. 10.

Splitz will open up its facility — with a trampoline, a foam pit and lots of space to play — to the public. Usually the facility charges \$5 to

PLEASE SEE HELP, A8

## Gunman barricades himself during standoff

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

After a nearly five-hour standoff, Canton police arrested a 22-year-old gunman who tried to outrun officers, then barricaded himself in his home on Bryn Mawr Road.

Before the man's arrest, a Canton police officer was nearly shot, according to Public Safety Director John Santomauro.

"He put the weapon in the officer's chest. It was chambered and loaded when he did it," Santomauro said.

The man will likely face criminal charges of felonious assault, and fleeing and eluding, according to Deputy Chief Alex Wilson.

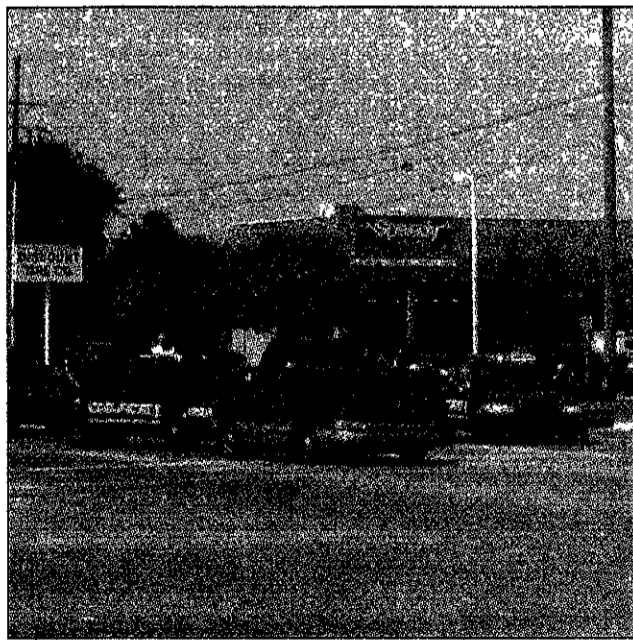
According to police reports, officers saw the man driving erratically just after 1 a.m. Sept. 7, near Cherry Hill and Beck. Officers stopped the car, and as one officer approached the driver's side of the car, the man pointed a loaded assault rifle at police.

After a brief struggle, the officer was able to get the weapon away from the man, but the man drove off.

"The officer was certainly shaken but there was tremendous restraint and extremely good judgment on his part and the part of his partners," Santomauro said.

The officer at whom the man pointed the gun has only been on the job since December 2004. Officer Joseph Bialy was in fact still working with his field training officer, Officer Scott Hughesdon.

PLEASE SEE GUNMAN, A8



A Tuesday afternoon bank robbery tied up traffic on Ford Road at Sheldon, when Canton police officers pulled this vehicle over because a passenger fit the description of the man who robbed the bank. Police determined the person had no ties to the robbery.

## Bank robbery ties up traffic

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

Canton police are looking for a man they said robbed the Flagstar Bank at 42200 Ford Road.

According to police reports, a man walked into the bank just after 12:30 p.m., Sept. 6, and handed a bank teller a note demanding money. There were no other customers in the bank at the time of the robbery.

Though the teller did not see a weapon, the man's note indicated he had a gun. The teller gave the man an undisclosed amount of money, and he ran from the bank.

Officers from the Canton Police Department and the FBI were unable to track the robber, but they are reviewing surveillance camera film to develop a suspect lead, according to Sgt. Mark Schultz.

A bank employee said the robber was a black male, 40-50 years old, about 5-foot-

11, and weighing approximately 180 pounds. He was wearing a tan baseball cap, a Hawaiian style shirt and had a mustache. No one saw what kind of vehicle he was driving when he left the scene.

The incident tied up traffic on Ford Road Tuesday afternoon, and at one point, police officers thought they may have found the suspect.

"I know shortly after the armed robbery there was an individual that was stopped because there was some similarity to the description of the person who committed the robbery," Deputy Chief Alex Wilson said. "The person matching that description was seen in a vehicle and stopped at Ford and Haggerty. It turned out that the person was not responsible."

The case is being investigated by the Canton Police Detective Bureau with assistance from the FBI.

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Canton police released this photo of the suspect in the Tuesday afternoon bank robbery.

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**Oakwood celebrates kids**

The Oakwood Healthcare Center - Canton will celebrate kids at its annual Canton Kid's Health and Safety Day from noon to 3 p.m., Sept. 10. Children and their parents will enjoy an afternoon of festivities including free refreshments, games and prizes while learning how to stay safe. Canton police and fire personnel will have their emergency vehicles on site and will be available to answer questions. Clowns, face painting, a rock-climbing wall and a giant moonwalk round out the afternoon for local families. In addition, Canton Township will provide children literature and safety items for walking and biking. For more information, call (734) 454-8001.

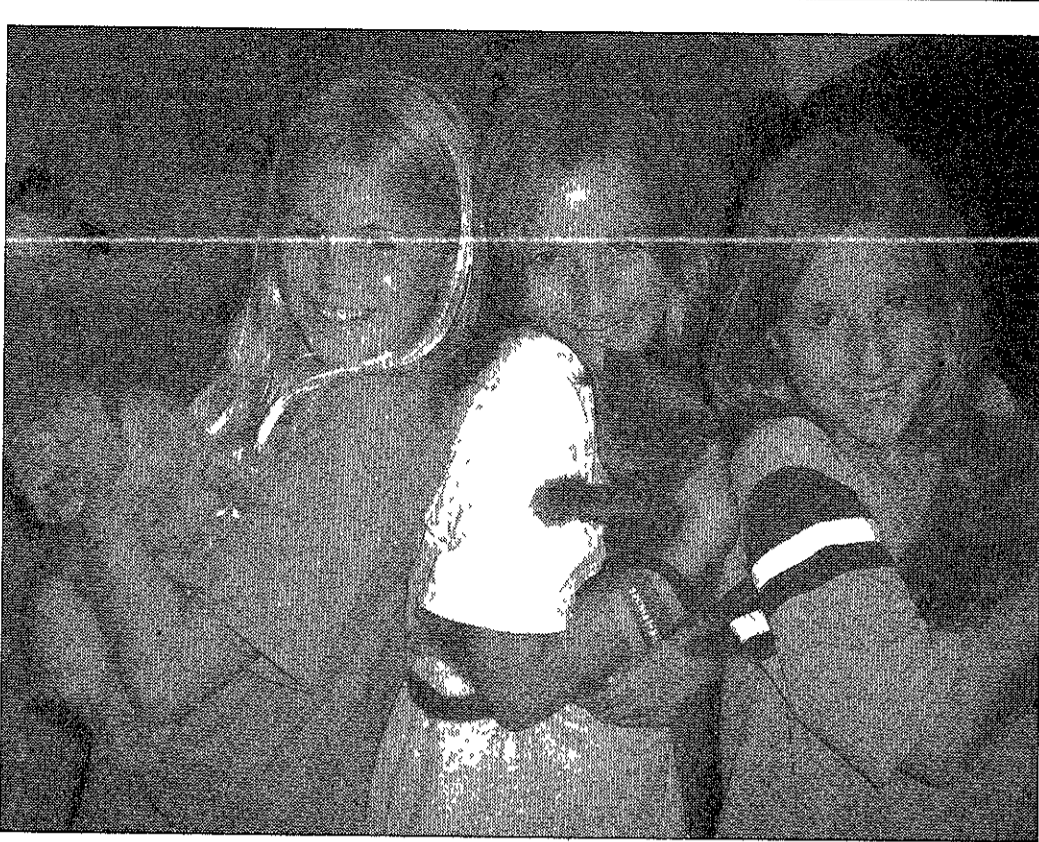
**Tails and Trails walk**

The Plymouth/Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club will be hosting the 3rd Annual Tails and Trails Charity Dog Walk on Saturday, Sept. 17. Grab your four-legged friend and walk with other participants through Canton's Heritage Park. This fund-raiser, sponsored by Pet Supplies Plus of Canton and the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, will benefit the Plymouth/Canton Kiwanis Club and the Michigan Technical Rescue Operations Search and Rescue Team. This is a pledge event with 100 percent of the pledge dollars going to MTROT. Funds raised by this event will be used to purchase props for MTROT training facility located in Belleville. Activities for the day will include entertainment by the search and rescue dog team, a

pet care seminar, vendor booths and food concessions. A number of contests will be held and prizes will be awarded. Registration/check-in begins at 9:15 a.m. The walk will be held rain or shine. Registration is \$20. Walk-ups are welcome. Current vaccination record must be presented at time of registration. For more information or to request a registration form, visit [www.pckiwaniis.org](http://www.pckiwaniis.org) or call Janet at (734) 981-0460 or e-mail to [info@pckiwaniis.org](mailto:info@pckiwaniis.org).

**Hazardous Waste Round-up**

Canton will hold its annual Hazardous Waste Round-up from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 10 at the Public Works Building located at 4847 Sheldon Road. This event is open to Canton residents only and is an excellent opportunity to make your home and environment safe by properly disposing of waste that is considered toxic, flammable or corrosive. Examples of acceptable waste being collected include, but are not limited to fluorescent light bulbs, oil-based and latex paint, paint thinner, turpentine, bug sprays, floor-care products, expired medicine, computers and scanners, dry cleaning solvents, rat poison, household batteries, propane tanks, mercury waste, antifreeze, brake fluid, diesel fuel, kerosene, motor oil, and acids. Canton will be unable to accept commercial waste, construction debris, explosives or ammunition, fire extinguishers, firewood, radioactive material, smoke detectors and tires. To obtain a detailed list of what is and is not acceptable



**Animal lovers**

Nicolette Longuski (from left), Emily Sartorius, and Erin Sartorius all hold adoptable kittens at the Huron Valley Humane Society. The girls spent their summer raising money for animals. They donated \$300 to the Humane Society and another \$300 to Guardian Angel Animal Rescue Shelter. They raised the money by doing bottle drives, holding a bake sale and car wash and hosting a lemonade stand. Zoe Blake, Taylor Gibson, Zoey Humes, Ally Schwinke, Carly Schwinke, Aliana Snow, Emma Tardiff, Iva Tare and Brittany Weckesser also assisted in collecting money for the animals.

please call Canton's Public Works Division at (734) 394-5150.

For year round disposal, Canton Waste Recycling (CWR), located at 42020 Van Born Road, will accept limited items on scheduled Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on scheduled Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Items accepted for drop off include batteries, oil, antifreeze and paint (limited to five one-gallon containers). CWR's next scheduled recycling date is September 23. Additional dates can be found in your monthly Focus Newsletter under the community calendar or by calling CWR at (734) 397-5801.

We can all do our part to keep our homes and environment safe by properly disposing of household hazardous waste. If you observe anyone dumping any material into storm drains, please call Canton's Public Works Division at (734) 394-5150 or Wayne County's 24-Hour Environmental Hotline at (888) 223-2363.

**Lifetime achievement**

The Automotive Industry Action Group (AIAG) honored

Sally L. Fuger of Canton with a Lifetime Achievement Award at the recent 19th annual AIAG Outstanding Achievement Awards Dinner at the Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center. She was one of 20 award recipients for their achievements during 2004.

**Village Theater gala**

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill Season Preview Benefit Gala will be Sept. 10. Tickets are available for the evening titled, "Artistry in Motion: Prelude to a Season" on Saturday, Sept. 10 by calling (734) 394-5460. At 6:30 p.m. the doors will open for a strolling supper, champagne, wine and beer. At 8 p.m. the performance will feature samples from the exciting 2005-06 theater season. Groups represented will be: Canton Concert Band, Ever After Productions, Spotlight Players, Destination Theater, Canton Community Chorus, Central City Dance, Celebration Youth Orchestra, John Brown's Body, Summit Players, and Sounds of Canton. The \$100 ticket benefits arts programming in the Greater

Canton Community. Elegant evening attire suggested.

**Young Marines registration**

The Canton Young Marines will be accepting new registrations during September. The group meets every Monday from 5-7:30 p.m. at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Pkwy, in Canton. The Young Marines is a national not-for-profit 501(c)(3) youth education program sponsored by the Marine Corps League in Washington, DC.

Open to children ages 8 through completion of high school, the program focuses on character building through a combination of self-discipline, teamwork, and leadership and promotes a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

The group is holding an open house on Sept. 19, from 5-7:30 p.m. at the Summit. For advance registration or more information, call the Unit Commander Charles Volker at (734) 981-5059. Visit [www.youngmarines.com](http://www.youngmarines.com) for more information on this program.

**Eagle project fund-raiser**

Local Boy Scout John Palgut, a member of Troop 1539, will raise money for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Clothing Bank for his Eagle Project. On Sept. 17 and 18, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., he will be hosting a returnable bottle and new clothing drive. The drop-off area will be located outside of the clothing bank, at Salem High School. Enter the Salem northwest parking lot (off of McClumpha and Joy roads) and follow the signs to the drop off area.

Donated pop bottles will be returned for money that the Clothing Bank can use to purchase new clothes and materials needed to run the clothing bank. Only new clothing in original package will be accepted. Tax receipts are available for clothing donations.

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Clothing Bank provides free, fashionable clothing to families in need. Their first priority is to serve families in the Plymouth and Canton communities.

**Canton Chiefs, Tigers team up**

The Canton High softball team is inviting everyone to attend the Detroit Tigers Fan Appreciation Day on Sept. 25, to help pay for field improvements at P-CEP. The game is at Comerica Park in Detroit, and begins at 1:05 p.m.

Tickets are \$20, and must be purchased by Sept. 10. See any Canton High School softball player or coach for tickets today.

You may also contact Sherri Gowan at (734) 516-0371. Transportation to the game is not provided.

**Mano a Mano sale**

The first Mano a Mano Sale/Swap Meet is scheduled 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sept. 10 at the Tri-City Christian Center at 3855 Sheldon Road in Canton.

The event is an opportunity to sell and trade your 'guy' stuff. Rent a space (non-commercial \$10) and bring your golf clubs, tools, bikes, car parts, etc. that are too good to throw away. You'll make a dollar or two and have a lot of fun in the process. Proceeds will benefit Men's Ministries and Blessing of the Bikes.

For more information or to request space, call (734) 397-1777 or e-mail [toddproctor@tricitychristian.org](mailto:toddproctor@tricitychristian.org)

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Carole Kody (left), executive director of the Educational Excellence Foundation, Shirley McKeon and George Shea, chairman of the board of the EEF, were on hand for the presentation of the endowment funded by McKeon and her husband, Jim.

## School endowment bolsters education foundation coffers

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Shirley McKeon was the type of teacher who not only taught her students, but wanted to make a difference in the lives of young people.

An English teacher for 20 years at West Middle School and the high school Park, McKeon, 77, gave special attention to those who needed additional help with reading skills.

"She always wanted to help kids that needed extra help in reading," said McKeon's husband, Jim. "She taught mostly eighth grade, and was aware there were a lot of children way behind in reading."

"She was high on literature, and would give kids John Steinbeck's *Of Mice and Men* to read because it was short, but interesting reading," said Jim McKeon. "She would have them hooked and get them to read other books."

Three years ago, the McKeons set up a \$50,000 endowment to benefit the

Plymouth-Canton Schools Education Excellence Foundation, committing to five annual payments. The McKeons decided to accelerate their donation, recently giving the EEF a check for \$20,000 check to complete the endowment.

"I have been in this education business for more than 35 years now. I know firsthand that teaching is more than just a job - it is a true vocation - a calling that requires dedication and daily sacrifice," said Superintendent Jim Ryan, in a letter thanking the McKeons. "You were one of those teachers who taught through word, work and example."

"Now, you have again taught all of us through your endowed gift - a gift that will enhance our children's educational opportunity, especially in the area of reading, for many years to come," he said.

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## 'Lots of Fun' debuts this weekend on Ford Road

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

When is a parking lot not just a parking lot? When it becomes the site for a puppet show. Or at least that's the idea behind "Lots of Fun," a sort of traveling theater which will set up in two locations on Ford Road this weekend.

The Lots of Fun program is a partnership between Canton Leisure Services and the Canton Downtown Development Authority.

"The idea is to bring entertainment into some of our parking lots, to bring families and people together to enjoy our businesses, and to acquaint themselves to the businesses," said DDA Director Kathleen Salla. "We had talked from time to time about doing some special events. This came out of some visioning about different ways we could provide public art."

This year, the DDA purchased a 28-foot by 8.5-foot stage on wheels, which will be towed from location to location for different shows. This weekend the stage will host its debut performances - first on Saturday in the Kohl's parking lot, where the store will host a back-to-school fall fashion show, then on Sunday in front of Michaels craft store, which will put on a puppet show and craft program for children.

"We would love to do one every month," said Canton Recreation Specialist Jennifer Eubanks. "A lot of businesses

The Lots of Fun program is a partnership between Canton Leisure Services and the Canton Downtown Development Authority.

were cautious because this was a crazy idea, but I think it will really catch on."

The possibilities are endless, she said. Businesses could host anything from open mic night to magic shows to musical performances, according to Eubanks.

"Leisure Services is bringing in the puppeteers at this time, but in the future, if someone wanted to feature someone else, or knew someone that could do a magic show or something, we can help them with the logistics and set up, and they would provide the entertainment," Eubanks said.

How it all comes together is less important than why it's coming together.

"It's a real goal to turn Ford Road into something more than businesses and bad traffic," Eubanks said.

For more information about Lots of Fun, call Canton Leisure Services at (734) 394-5497.

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## Court warns area residents of phone scam

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The State Court of Administrative Office, the administrative agency of the Michigan Supreme Court, is warning of a telephone scam that could lead to identity theft and fraud.

"People posing as court employees are trying to

obtain information over the telephone by indicating the victim was called for jury duty and failed to appear," said Debra Kubitskey,

administrator of Plymouth's 35th District Court, which serves the cities of Plymouth and Northville, and townships of Plymouth, Canton and Northville. "Because they supposedly failed to

appear, the caller asks for a Social Security number, financial information or other data, to straighten out the problem.

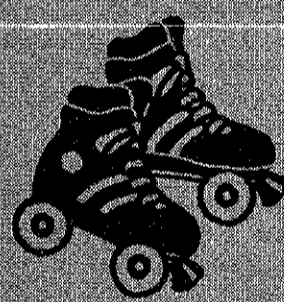
"We want to give a heads-up that we don't make telephone calls for jury duty," added Kubitskey. "We send notices in the mail."

We don't make any telephone calls, and we don't ask

for Social Security numbers, or other financial data, over the phone," she said.

Kubitskey said that while the scam has been reported in other parts of the state, no one in the 35th District Court jurisdiction has reported being contacted.

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# Hurricane Katrina victims, survivors getting help

BY JULIE BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

As the death toll continues to rise in Hurricane Katrina's aftermath, local people are rushing to aid those in need in the southeastern United States.

Trinity Health, the health system including St. Mary Mercy Hospital and St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, donated \$100,000 to the American Red Cross. In addition, Trinity Health will match all employee donations up to an additional \$100,000. As of Tuesday afternoon, associates had donated a total of \$40,410.

"We have just been flooded with calls," said Kevin DiCola, manager of corporate communications and public relations. Officials from their 45 hospitals in seven states, none down South, were looking at how to coordinate volunteer efforts with the American Hospital Association and Department of Health and Human Services.

Health and Human Services is establishing 40 250-bed federal medical shelters, he said, which are offering triage and stabilization.

A bake sale at St. Mary Mercy in Livonia assisted hurricane victims, said Julie Sproul, vice president of mar-

keting. A number of St. Mary Mercy staff members have responded through monetary donations and/or by volunteering to provide medical assistance. To date, more than \$1,200 had been collected, with donations being received throughout the month and beyond.

About 12 St. Mary Mercy staff members (mostly nurses) have volunteered to travel to the affected areas to provide medical support. St. Mary Mercy Hospital is coordinating these relief efforts through Mercy Health Network, the organization of Trinity Health and Catholic Health Initiatives, and State Regional Disaster Organizations. Staff members will be deployed both short term and long term, and continue to receive their regular salary and benefits while serving.

To donate to the Katrina Relief effort at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, contact the Foundation Office, (734) 655-2980.

At Garden City Hospital, officials contacted the American Red Cross and Salvation Army about assisting. Both will be at the hospital Sept. 15 to accept donations, and employees are helping through their churches and other efforts as well.



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The area to the right was submerged, but not all of New Orleans was flooded.

## BACK TO SCHOOL

Helping displaced university students prompted a decision from Eastern Michigan University officials to enroll students. "Currently, we have about 10," Courtney McAnuff, vice president for enrollment services, said Sunday. "I'm sure we'll get more by the start of classes on Wednesday."

Some of the students, all undergrads, will live on campus, he said. The EMU effort

has been on the fly, seeking to assist whenever possible with such needs as clothing and books. Students will pay in-state tuition, and university officials are working with the federal government's Sallie Mae to secure interest-free student loans. The idea is for students to return to their home universities to graduate when that's possible.

"It is a challenge," said McAnuff, who agreed it will be difficult for students to con-

centrate on schoolwork. One former EMU basketball player, Ryan Perllman of New Orleans, and his mother lost their home.

"It's just such a heart-rending situation," McAnuff said. "I think everybody wants to help when they can." He anticipates students will do much to help the relief efforts as classes start this week. In addition, university faculty members are helping with academic research lost to the hurricane.

A group spent Labor Day weekend gathering donated supplies in a tractor trailer parked at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton. The idea came from the Expedite Right Freight Co. - owned Plymouth Salem High graduates David Szydowski and Wes Anderson, who grew up in Canton.

"We just couldn't stand it anymore, sitting and watching it on television. We didn't know what else to do," said Denise Szydowski of Canton, David's mother. The neighbors and business people organized quickly and secured volunteer driver help.

"We found everyone very receptive," she said. "People are stopping just off the road and dropping things off."

The truck left Tuesday carrying water, baby formula, bedding, diapers, feminine hygiene products, toiletries and more to a community near Baton Rouge, working with the Mercyworks organization. "Our goal is to get them in the hands of people this week," she

said.

"Bryan Smith is just a fantastic guy," David said of the pastor at Geneva. "I just want to thank everyone for their effort." Some girls from the community held a car wash Sunday and raised several hundred dollars for fuel money, he added.

Another truckload will leave Sunday, Sept. 11, and donations are needed: nonperishable food, clothes, shoes, diapers, formula, toothbrushes and toothpaste, soap and other toiletries. The truck will be parked at the rear lot of the Penn Theater in downtown Plymouth through Friday, Sept. 9, to receive donations. For information on the project, call Mercyworks, (734) 414-9783 or visit www.mercyworks.net for cash donations.

## MONEY NEEDED

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## Young drivers involved in more car accidents

Drivers between the ages of 16 and 24 make up about 16 percent of the driving population but were involved in 26 percent of all traffic crashes in 2004, according to a recent study by the Insurance Institute of Michigan (IIM). By comparison, 55- to 64-year-olds represent 14 percent of all drivers and were involved in 9 percent of all roadway crashes during 2004.

Crashes involving young people also tend to be more deadly. Among licensed drivers, young people between the ages of 15 and 24 years old have the highest rate of fatal crashes relative to other age groups. In fact, the risk of being involved in a fatal crash for teens in Michigan is more than two times greater than drivers age 55 to 64.

Immaturity and inexperience

are the two main factors leading to the high crash rate among teens. Michigan's graduated licensing law, which includes a phase-in program for teen driver licensing, has been successful in reducing teen motor vehicle accidents. The number of young drivers in all crashes has declined from 163,239 in 1999 to 151,168 last year.

However, more crashes and more serious injuries result in increased insurance premiums for young drivers, according to Pete Kuhnmuensch, executive director, Insurance Institute of Michigan.

There are ways for young drivers to save on their auto insurance:

Drive carefully. Most traffic tickets and at-fault accidents will automatically increase rates;

Select a car carefully. Cost, repairability and performance characteristics are determining factors in the cost of insurance;

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# Wayne-Westland Schools 'make the grade' with state

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

The state of Michigan has spoken, and the word out of Lansing is that Wayne-Westland students are continuing to improve academically.

All but two of the districts' 23 schools received an A or B on the state's 2005 Education YES! report cards and only one, John Glenn High School, failed to make adequate yearly progress.

"We're happy, but as a district, we still have a lot of challenges," said Superintendent Greg Baracy.

According to Baracy, the district is appealing the determination that John Glenn didn't make adequately yearly progress even though it received an Education YES! grade of B.

AYP is the state measurement of student achievement and is a requirement of the federal No Child Left Behind Act. It looks at such things as academic achievement, the number of students taking state assessment tests, graduation rates for high schools and student attendance for elementary and middle schools.

Eighty-eight percent of the state's 3,670 public schools made AYP as did 95 percent of the state's school districts. While the state didn't give out letter grades this year, Wayne-Westland received a yes for meeting AYP as a district.

A school can meet AYP requirements as a whole, but be determined to have failed if one of its subgroups, such as special education, doesn't meet requirements.

Baracy said the John Glenn situation is similar to the failing status given Wayne Memorial High School last year and that the district has filed an appeal. Unlike Wayne High, he believes the appeal will go forward and that the district will prevail.

"We believe we will win the

appeal," he said. "It involves one subgroup that we feel the state did not calculate properly."

The Education YES! report card is the state accreditation system and is based on student achievement on state assessment tests as well as other performance indicators such as curriculum, teacher quality and family involvement.

Six schools - Hamilton, Madison, Kettering, Roosevelt-McGrath and Walker-Winter Elementaries - received an A from the state, while another 14 - Glenn as well as Wayne Memorial High School, all four middle schools and Schweitzer, Elliott, Hoover, Lincoln, P.D. Graham, Patchin, Taft-Galloway and Vandenburg Elementaries - received B's.

And two schools - Hicks and Jefferson-Barns - received the lowest passing grade, C.

Baracy said the good grades are the result of a combination of things, including a "hard-working teaching staff" and a lot of parental support.

He also praised the district's administrators who are able to analyze and break down the information to determine where there are "holes" in the program and identifying students who need assistance.

"Our staff has worked hard, our administrators have worked hard and our parent involvement has been bigger than ever," Baracy said. "We're happy with the direction our schools are taking."

No Child Left Behind requirements are changing when and which students take the state assessment tests. Beginning this year, youngsters in third-eighth grades will be tested every year in at least English language arts and mathematics. Fifth- and eighth-graders also will be tested in science and sixth-graders in social studies.

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## WOMAN SURPRISES THIEVES

A Canton woman surprised two would-be thieves when they tried to sneak into her garage.

According to police reports, the woman went to the garage to have a cigarette at about 11:30 p.m. on Sept. 1. The garage door at her home on Gleggary was partially open, and was about 2-3 feet off the ground.

She told police she had heard faint voices, then footsteps. Then she saw two men crawling under the garage door.

She screamed and scared them away. Police were unable to track the men.

## PARK PATROL

A Canton woman called police after her 8-year-old son found a homemade crack pipe in a park near his home.

The woman told police that late in August, her son found the pipe in Wagon Wheel Park, near Lilley and Palmer. Since then, she's seen cigarette lighters, drug paraphernalia and condom wrappers littering the park.

She reported the litter to

Canton police, and filled out a selective enforcement request form. The community policing officer for that area of the township has been contacted, according to police reports.

## VICTIMIZED TWICE IN ONE DAY

An 18-year-old Canton woman called police after someone broke into her home on Old Michigan Avenue and stole cash that was on her dresser. The woman told police she believes the thief is the same person who carjacked her the same day her home was burglarized.

According to police reports, the woman had been carjacked after she left work at a restaurant in Wayne at 2 a.m. Sept. 1. The carjacker got her car and house keys and her address.

After she finished filing a police report, friends brought her home, but as soon as she arrived, she realized someone had broken into her house.

The culprit had ransacked her bedroom and had found - and taken - \$500 in cash and a laptop computer, which were stashed in the house.

Though the thief would have had her house keys, it appears

that the point of entry to the house was a rear bedroom window.

## BACHELORS ROBBED

There are some girls you bring home. And there are some girls who steal your wallet while you sleep. A Canton man realized the difference after a bachelor party trip to a strip club late last month.

According to police reports, the man and his cousin and some friends had gone to the Flight Club in Inkster for a bachelor party on Aug. 27. A few of the men left the bar, with three dancers leaving with them. The party continued at the home of one of the men.

In the morning, when the men awoke, the dancers were gone - as were cash, credit cards and jewelry from the house.

## STOLEN PROPERTY FOUND

A Canton woman who was trying to help a friend in need found herself in the middle of a stolen property investigation.

The woman told a former coworker, a 38-year-old man who now lives in northern Michigan, that he could store a few things in her garage

after he lost his job in October.

The woman contacted the man four times, asking him to retrieve his belongings, but he hasn't been to her home yet. When she looked through the man's belongings, she recognized some of the things were the property of her employer. She called police.

The company the two worked for estimated the value of the stolen goods at about \$30,000.

Police are looking for the coworker.

## CAR DAMAGED

A Canton woman called police on Sept. 1 after someone stole a right blinker light from her 1996 minivan.

The woman said she had parked her van near her house on Old Michigan Avenue, and discovered the theft in the morning. The culprit also smashed her left blinker light, as if he or she intended to steal it as well.

Total damage to the van was \$200, according to police reports.

-- By Carol Marshall

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# Organizers rate Hines cruise a success

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

One down and many more to go. That's the estimation of Joe Langa, following a successful kickoff of what he envisioned as the grand finale of the car cruise season.

Working with the Wayne County Parks and Recreation, Langa and the Rolling Thunder Car Club of Redford, staged the daylong car show in the field next to the Nankin Mills Interpretive Center on Hines Drive just south of Ann Arbor Trail on Aug. 27. It culminated with a six-mile car cruise from Ann Arbor Trail to Outer Drive.

"All in all, it wasn't a bad day," said Langa, a Redford resident. "Compared to most shows, if you run one and get 30 percent of the cars the first

year with rain, you've successfully got it launched.

"The key was the park, everybody liked it. It was a very choice location for the show and a lot said they'll look for it next year."

Seventy-four cars registered for the show and 60 percent showed up for the show despite a late morning downpour. Even with the rain, 42 cars remained on site while others left for shelter only to return when the sun came out, Langa said.

One of the late comers was a 1923 Model T, which joined the likes of a 1930 five-window coupe, 1951 Mercury, plenty of Cadillacs and a "very rare" 1947 Woody station wagon. The best of show honor went to a 1958 Chevrolet Impala, owned by Fred Vargas of Livonia.

The closest participant lived in Westland just two blocks from the park, while the furthest participant came from Indiana. Up here for the Woodward Dream Cruise, he saw the story in the *Observer* and decided to stay. According to Langa, "the guy said the park was entirely different than any other cruises."

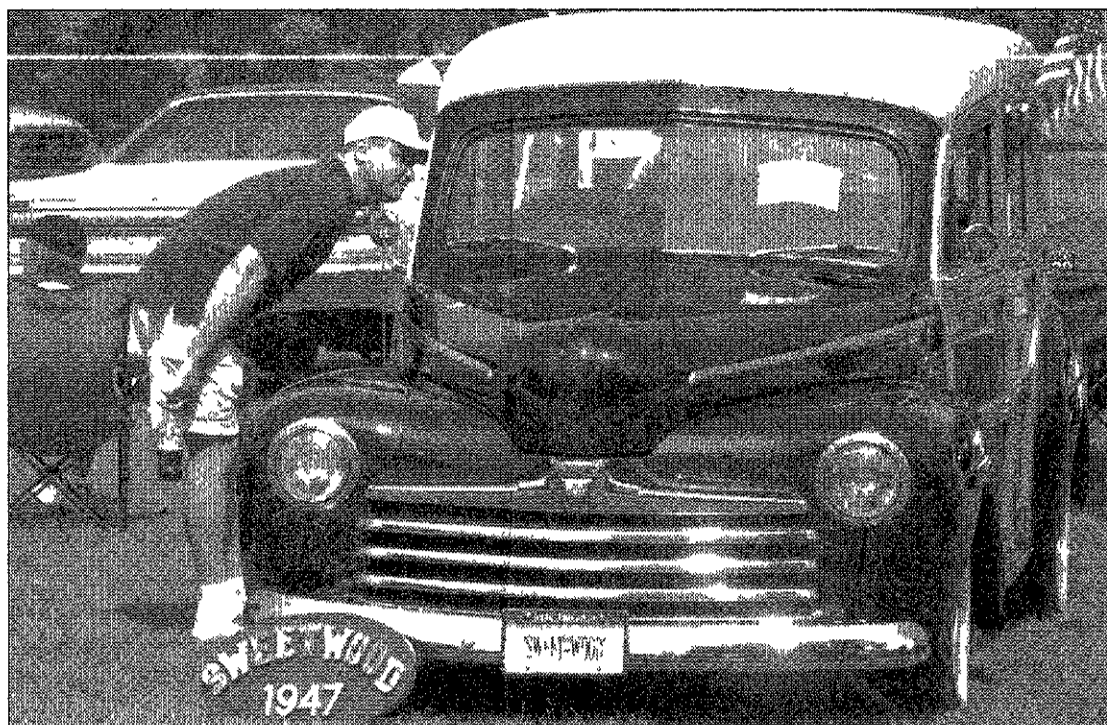
The show ran from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., followed by an hourlong cruise of the parkway. The show and cruise was held on a day when Hines Drive is closed to vehicles. County officials extended the closing time one hour to accommodate the cruise.

Langa spent seven years getting county officials to agree to the show and cruise. There were a few minor problems — "nothing that couldn't be handled the day of the show" — but by and large, they were impressed, Langa said, adding that discussions have already started for the second annual cruise on the same weekend next year.

"It's not cut in stone, but it also looks like the show will be moved from Nankin Mills to the baseball diamonds at Hines Drive and Ann Arbor Trail," he added. "We're discussing the potential of having up to 800 cars. We were looking at 100 cars this year and had 74. If we hadn't had rain, we would have had 150 cars."

"I would say next year 400-800 cars wouldn't be out of reach. Once we expand to that, we're looking at a full cruise."

And people have already begun putting their names on the show's mailing list. Langa estimates a list of 300-400 for year two. Car enthu-



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Plymouth resident Jim Cole looks over a 1947 Woody station wagon, dubbed Sweetwood, during the inaugural Hines Park Car Show and Cruise.



Classic cars line the grassy area by the Nankin Mills Interpretive Center during the inaugural Hines Park Car Show and Cruise.

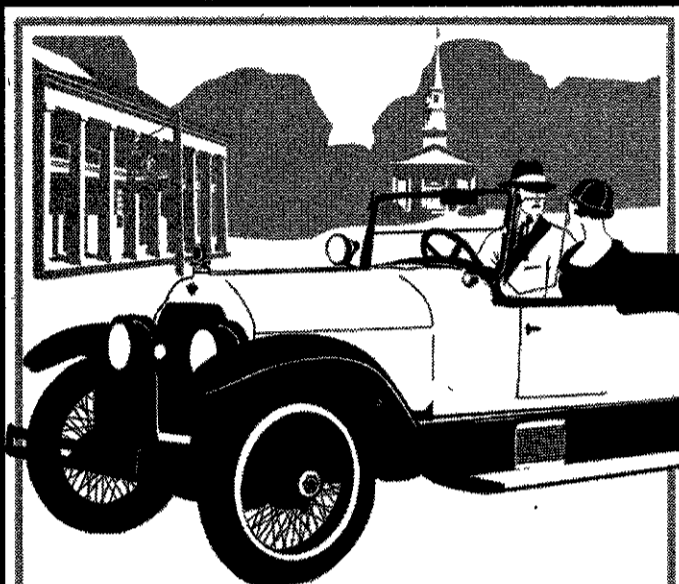
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"The first one is always the toughest, but it's in our back pocket," Langa added. "We're

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# Downtown ready for 50th festival

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

The Rotary Chicken Barbecue isn't the only golden anniversary being celebrated when Plymouth Fall Festival hits the streets this weekend.

Plymouth native Benny Speer, whose band Benny and the Jets has a 2 p.m. gig Sunday during the festival, hits the magic 50th birthday, as well.

As a child, Speer lived on Main Street, within walking distance of the Fall Festival stage. His mother actually went into labor at the first festival in 1955.

"My family would have my birthday party every year at the festival, which makes it very special to perform at the 50th," Speer said.

One of Speer's first gigs came at the festival in 1970. Some 30,000 performances and 35 years later, Benny and the Jets bring their rock 'n' roll to the stage again — this time for a birthday party.

"It's a free, all-ages show, with cake and ice cream for all," Speer said.

The entertainment is only part of the festival, which will feature carnival rides, events and a lot of food.

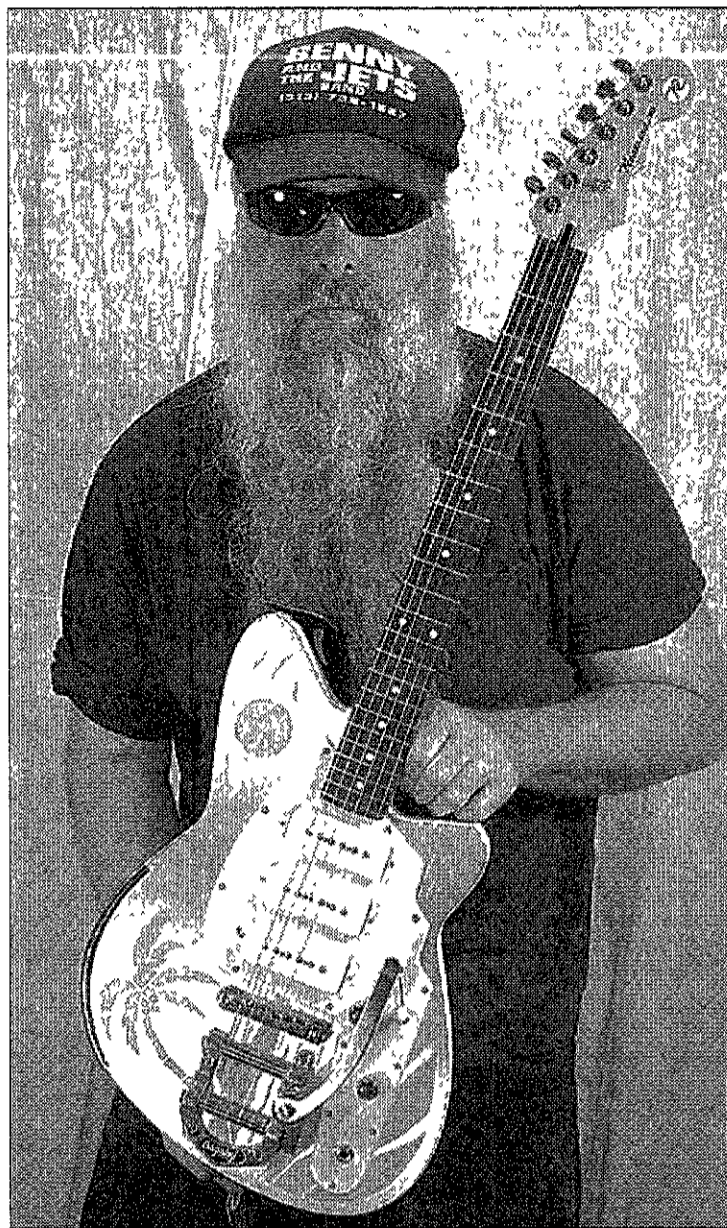
Some (but not all) of the events include:

- Festival fun run, 7 a.m. Sunday — Starting lines for the 3.1-mile run and 1-mile walk/run are on Farmer at Theodore, with parking available in the Cultural Center parking lot. The races are hosted by the Salem High School cross country teams.

- Short-sleeve T-shirts go to both prepaid and race-day runners while supplies last. Entry fee is \$20 on race day. Registration and packet pick-up takes place on race day from 7-8 a.m.; starting times begin with the 5K run at 8:15 a.m.

- Awards, which will be presented at 9:30 a.m., will be handed out to the top three runners in age divisions covering runners from 7 to 65 and older.

- Perennial exchange, 9-11 a.m. Saturday — Trailwood



Plymouth native Benny Speer poses with a custom-made gold guitar from the Reverend Guitar Company of Detroit, given to Speer as a 50th birthday present.

Garden Club, a member of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, hosts a perennial exchange as part of the annual Plymouth Fall Festival. The exchange takes place in front of the Wilcox House at Ann Arbor Trail and Union. Plants should be healthy and identified. Bring something, take something. For additional information, call (734) 459-7146.

- Fife & Drum Corps performs, 2:30 p.m., Saturday — The Plymouth Fife & Drum Corps, under the direction of Jim Predhomme, performs on Penniman Avenue (in front of

the Penn Theater). The Corps performs under the leadership of Drum major John Peoples and Color Guard commander Jessica Rollinger.

The Corps has appeared in hundreds of parades and festivals throughout the Midwest, New England and Canada since its inception in 1971. During August, the Corps performed at Independence Hall, Valley Forge and a National Fife & Drum Muster at Fort Ticonderoga. On Aug. 3, 2004, the Corps performed at the Re-Opening of the Statue of Liberty.

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- Teen performer Taylor Brown, 1:30 p.m. Saturday — Brown's repertoire includes a variety of performance including pop, jazz, country and Broadway selections.

"When I perform, I enjoy getting smiles from people and watching them enjoy my music," Brown said. "I like being on stage and having fun with entertaining. Music is my sanctuary."

Brown's coach, Sherry Kaye of Farmington Hills, said Brown has "an individual style."

"Even though she's only 14, Taylor demonstrates an amazing sensitivity as she interprets lyrics beautifully," Kaye said. "Taylor has an individual style all her own with a warm and mellow quality to her voice."

Taylor is a freshman honors student at Walled Lake Northern High School in Commerce Township. Her recent performances include the Michigan State Fair, Wayne County Fair, Belleville National Strawberry Festival, White Lake Music Festival and the Walled Lake Memorial Day parade.

In October, Taylor will participate in the USA World Showcase at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas. Selected from more than 20,000 applicants, she will compete with 175 performers from across the country. The event will be broadcast on PAX Cable TV Network in January.

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**A**  
**Charles E. Abney**  
Abney, 81, formerly of Canton, died Aug. 23.

**Elizabeth M. Angle**  
Angle, 102, formerly of Birmingham, died Sept. 4.

**B**  
**Betty M. Baessler**  
Baessler, 82, of Farmington, died Sept. 2.

**William M. Brennan**  
Brennan, 86, of Livonia, died March 12.

**John J. Burger**  
Burger, 89, of Clawson, died Aug. 31.

**C**  
**Marilyn A. Campbell**  
Campbell, 66, of Westland, died Aug. 28.

**F**  
**Everett L. Ferrier**  
Ferrier, 94, of Rapid River, formerly of Garden City, died Aug. 25.

**G**  
**Darlene Ann Gerstenbrand**  
Gerstenbrand, of Westland, died Aug. 29.

**H**  
**Shirley Holton**  
Holton, 79, of Commerce Township, died Aug. 29.

**L**  
**Grace LaMotte**  
LaMotte, 89, formerly of West Bloomfield, died July 2.

**M**

**For the Record** appears in every edition of the *Observer & Eccentric*. Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's newspaper in *Passages* on page 85.

**June Lucile Cook McDole**  
McDole, 94, of Beverly Hills, died Sept. 1.

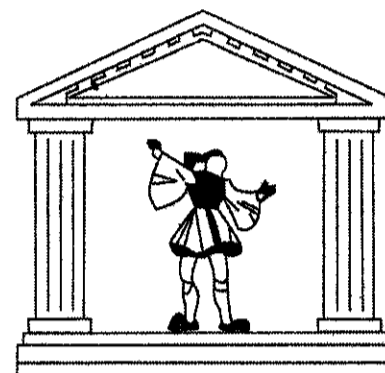
**Albert L. Mix Jr.**  
Mix, 71, formerly of Livonia, died Aug. 31.

**S**  
**Edward Allen "Eddie" Sawicki**  
Sawicki, 23, of Albion, died Aug. 16.

**Betty Louise Seabaugh**  
Seabaugh, 80, of Rancho Bernardo, Calif., died Aug. 22.

**W**  
**Lucille Josephine Schneider Winger**  
Winger, 82, formerly of Garden City, died Aug. 29.

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# Bentley's final class to host 20th reunion

As the last graduating class at Bentley High School, the Class of 1985 was certainly a special one.

Now, they're planning a 20th year reunion and looking for many of their 425 classmates.

"We've been in contact with about 175 of the people, so we're really hoping to get in contact with the other people," said Ken Rakowicz, a 1985 grad who is now a chiropractor in Howell.

The reunion is scheduled for 6-11:30 p.m. Saturday,

Oct. 1, at Northville Hills Golf Club. The night features a "strolling dinner," cash bar, memory slide presentation and more. Register and make payments via credit card at Classmates.com by Sept. 26.

Classmates knew when they started at Bentley that they'd be the final graduating class and that created a special bond, according to Rakowicz, who was the last of six siblings to graduate from there.

"To know that I was going to

be the last in the lineage that was going to graduate from Bentley, I knew would be something special."

That Class of '85 connection made their graduation "that much sadder," Rakowicz said; however, it also meant that a lot of them stayed in touch.

He urges classmates with questions to contact Pam Gale-Riley at prsiley00@hotmail.com or at (800) 220-5001.

By Dave Varga



From left, Alivia Cragg, 7, Aubrie Cragg, 10, Franceseca Bessey, 12, Kacie Burns, 11, Dean Bessey, 8 and Isaac Bessey, 9, held a bake sale in Cherry Hill Village over the holiday weekend to raise money for victims of Hurricane Katrina. Their goal is to raise \$1,000.

## GUNMAN

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Officers pursued the vehicle to the area of Hanford and Bryn Mawr where the suspect crashed his car into a small tree. He then got out and ran approximately 150 yards to his home on Bryn Mawr.

The man's mother was home, and spoke to police when they got to the house.

"According to his mother, he has been having emotional problems and depression," Santomauro said.

The man, who Wilson believed was not under the influence of drugs or alcohol, barricaded himself in the house. Officers presumed he had weapons in the house at the time.

As a safeguard, police asked that the Plymouth-Canton school district keep children away from the bus stop at Woodmere and Hanford, and that morning, children were picked up at the Hanford Club House on Hanford Road. Two homes in the immediate area were evacuated, and officers went door to door to notify neighborhood residents to stay

### A Canton Fire Department rescue unit transported him to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor for medical treatment. At the scene, the man was able to stand and walk, Wilson said. As of Wednesday afternoon, he was in stable condition, and officers were questioning him.

in their homes.

Just after 6 a.m., the Western Wayne Special Operations Team got into the man's house and found him there with self-inflicted injuries - non-life threatening cuts on his arms. He was arrested without further incident, Wilson said.

"The decision to go in was made because we were very concerned about daylight. That would put our special operations officers at great risk," Santomauro said. "The other concern, even though there was a lock-down, was the kids who would be on their way to school."

The decision was made first to secure the basement and first floor, then to go upstairs to take the man into custody.

A Canton Fire Department rescue unit transported him to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor for medical treatment. At the scene, the man was able to stand and walk, Wilson said. As of Wednesday afternoon, he was in stable condition, and officers were questioning him. He will likely be arraigned after his release from the hospital, Wilson said.

The man has two prior misdemeanor convictions - for being a disorderly person in Washtenaw County, and damage to property in Saginaw.

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## SUPPORT

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be, according to Rorabacher.

"Basically they're telling us that this is going to be a long haul," he said. After the first wave of police and firefighters have gone back to their home states, Canton's first responders may be called to take their place, he added.

Tuesday afternoon, township officials met with the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Canton Community Foundation to decide how the community can best respond to the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina last week.

"The consensus now is that the need is so great that we recommend the community support the Red Cross, Salvation Army and major rescue efforts," said Joan Noricks, Canton Community Foundation director.

"If we get families from down

South come to this community later, there will be such long-term need, we would do fund raising later and surround them with care and help them with housing, food, and other necessities."

If any evacuees arrive in Michigan, and no prior arrangements have been made for their care, they are to call the FEMA disaster assistance hotline. The hotline is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The FEMA Assistance Hotline is (800) 621-3362. People and organizations in Michigan that wish to volunteer or give supplies should call Michigan's Hurricane Hotline at (888) 535-6136.

The State of Michigan's Web site, www.michigan.gov, now includes information for disaster assistance and contributions. The state advises citizens to be aware of the possibility of fraudulent or false Web sites that may be exploiting citizen

efforts for personal gain. The state's Web site also includes a list of recognized relief organizations that can be contacted for disaster-related contributions and donations.

In Canton, the government officials and community leaders are not only working on possible temporary housing issues for evacuees, but also working on plans for possible fund-raising events and other communitywide events to support the hurricane relief efforts.

For now, according to FEMA officials, the immediate need is for cash donations. Residents wishing to contribute or make a donation are encouraged to check the State of Michigan Web site for validity of the organization they choose before they donate.

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## HELP

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participate in open gym, but during the fund-raiser, visitors are encouraged to donate more because the proceeds will be donated to the Red Cross to help with hurricane relief. Splitz will also match whatever is raised, up to \$1,500, Spicher said.

"This is the least we can do. It may not seem like a lot but anything will help these people who are living with just the clothes on their backs," Spicher said.

Splitz is located at 8745

Lilly, at the corner of Old Lilley and Joy in Canton. Those who can't attend, but who would like to drop off a donation may do so before Sept. 10. For more information, contact Danyel Derfny at (734) 416-1010.

Many local children got into the relief efforts, too, including 11-year-old Cherry Hill Village resident Kacie Burns, who teamed up with five friends to sell baked goods and lemonade over the Labor Day weekend. As of Wednesday, the children had raised close to \$700, and are still hoping to meet their goal of \$1,000. Sean Cragg, father of two of the children,

agreed to match whatever they raised.

Discovery Middle School eighth-grader Nicole Lamoureux went door to door with her baked goods, and raised \$60 to contribute to a Red Cross fund-raiser at her school.

"On Friday and again on Sunday she baked chocolate chip cookies, wrapped them up and went through Franklin Palmer subdivision to sell them," said Lamoureux's mother, Ruth. "She sold out in a short time."

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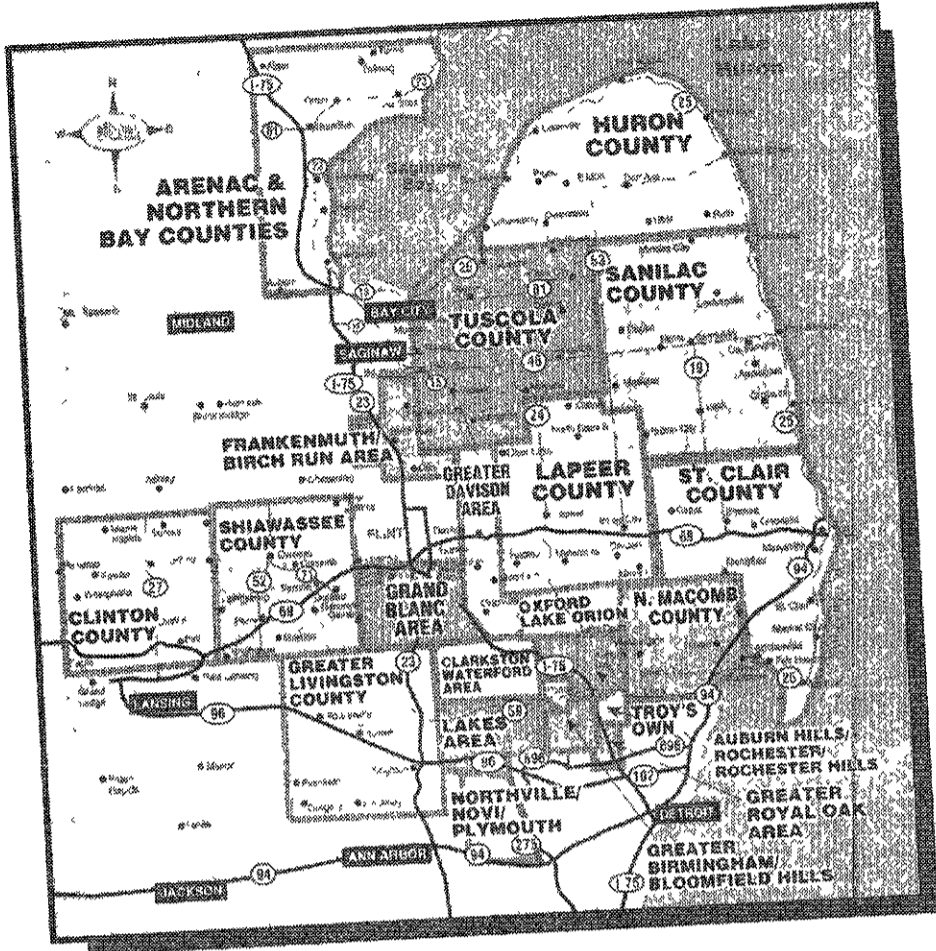
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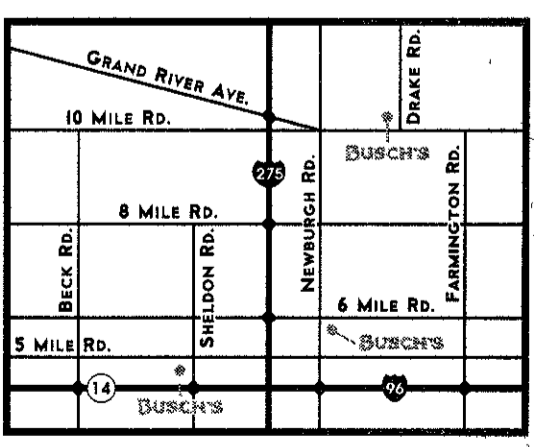
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## OUR VIEWS

# Communities open their hearts to Katrina victims

Lost in the torrent of stories detailing the terrible atrocities in the wake of Hurricane Katrina are the less obvious but, we think, more important stories of people doing everything they can to help.

Though no one should be surprised, such was certainly the case in our communities, where individuals, civic organizations and private businesses combined to pour out their hearts — and empty their wallets — in an effort to help those left with nothing in the aftermath of perhaps the biggest natural disaster in U.S. history.

We're bound to miss some of the efforts here, and for that we apologize in advance. However, it bears mentioning that:

■ The Plymouth Salvation Army took in more than \$10,000 in walk-in donations in the first few days after the hurricane. That's without any sort of targeted campaign; that money came simply from people walking in the door wanting to help.

■ Livonia shoe store Foot Solutions is collecting new and used athletic shoes to be sent to Katrina survivors.

■ The kids on Pattingill Street in Westland — Samantha, Jaelyn, Mitchell Richter, Brenda Hillebrandt, Lindsay Spencer, Brittney Tobangwra, Andrew Benyo and Michelle Levy — managed a Kool-aid stand for some six hours Saturday and raised \$151 to donate to the Red Cross.

■ In Canton, Expedite Right Freight Co. worked with neighbors to fill a truck of goods to take to the victims, getting help from Geneva Presbyterian Church with the collection site.

■ The Big Boy Restaurants in Garden City and Westland are gathering up supplies. And in Garden City, Republic Services is providing containers to gather up everyday items to support evacuees (we refuse to call them refugees) who are coming to Michigan.

■ LOC Federal Credit Union in Farmington has partnered with Farmington, Farmington Hills and Farmington Public Schools to collect cash donations for the American Red Cross Hurricane Katrina Disaster Fund.

■ Volunteers of the Friends of the Livonia Public Library heard a plea for books to entertain children at the hurricane refugee centers. They'd collected thousands and thousands of books for the upcoming Friends book sale and there were plenty to spare.

So they got the OK from the mayor and library director that night to open the library at night and load boxes and boxes of children's books. With the help of staff at the Big Boy on Plymouth and Farmington, they were taken to the American Red Cross for delivery in the south.

■ At press time, ownership at Station 885 in Plymouth had decided to donate the proceeds from the sale of spaghetti dinners every Monday and Tuesday to the American Red Cross. They were trying to get management at other local restaurants to make the same commitment.

A crisis like this always seems to bring out the worst in some people, as the presence of looters and muggers in New Orleans can attest. However, trying times also always seem to bring out the best in people, like those in surrounding areas who offered their homes to the homeless.

Those stories always make the national press, and people like that seem to find their way onto the *Today* show. But other heroes never seem to get the same attention, and they help provide at least some of the backbone to relief efforts in cases like these.

Those heroes are in the Rotary clubs, and they walk through the doors of the Salvation Army, and they host baked goods sales and stand at their lemonade stands for six hours. They collect books and gather shoes and they go door-to-door asking for pennies.

They don't care whether they are interviewed on TV by Katie Couric or get honored with a plaque. They simply want to help other people.

Perhaps that should be the textbook definition of "true hero."

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Residents of southeast Michigan have stepped up to help victims of the devastating Hurricane Katrina, but more help is needed. In Ocean Springs, Miss., Margie Mardiros and two friends walk through what's left of the Mardiroses' house. Mardiros is the daughter-in-law of former Livonia city assessor Ron Mardiros.

## LETTERS

### Just cancel school

If the tourism industry suffers when kids are in school ("Schools — not the state — should set starting dates," Aug. 28), then why not just cancel school altogether?

Oh yes, I forgot, there's such a thing as global competition. Perhaps we should be concerned when our children spend fewer hours per day, fewer days per year, and even fewer years overall in the classroom than those from other nations.

But wait, we needn't worry about educating U.S. kids to compete with Europeans or Asians. After all, we can just import more highly-skilled, well-educated workers from those continents any time we run out of them here at home, just like we've been doing for the past few decades.

And I'm sure McDonald's will always be hiring.

Rachel McCormack  
Canton

### A sad commentary

The front page headline reads "Resident backlash stops 'Toyotaville' ad campaign," and my feelings mirrored Mr. Yack's? "I [am] personally disappointed in a group of residents."

My husband and I moved to Canton over nine years ago, excited to raise a family in a wonderful community. With the low crime rate, excellent parks and esteemed school system, we also relished the fact that Canton was a diverse community. We now have two children who attend school with children of Asian, Middle Eastern, African, European and Hispanic origin and/or descent. They are regularly taught about respecting the diversity of others and daily put these teachings into action, learning that race, creed, color and origin do not matter. Unfortunately, some in our community don't seem to hold these same ideals.

Why is it everything wrong with the U.S. automotive industry is Japan's fault, or more specifically, Toyota's? A Mr. Gresock was quoted in the *Observer* saying he hopes Canton "will continue to be Chrysler, Ford and GM country." Did Mr. Gresock forget that Chrysler was bought by a German company and is now DaimlerChrysler? Would such a ruckus be raised if DaimlerChrysler wanted to film a commercial in Canton? And further still, why does it matter?

We live in a new, diverse world. I am well-aware that my husband, who is employed by Toyota, and his approximately 35,000 fellow employees in the U.S., make a handsome living working for a company that respects them. And that speaks nothing of the countless others who work for companies that supply parts to Toyota, including Canton's own Yazaki. Even if these foreign-based manufacturers supposedly "send all their profits back to their homeland" as Mr. Drozdowski stated, I am ecstatic that my husband has a steady income and can

provide for his family. Personally, I have a hard time believing the American automotive industry's decline can be entirely blamed on foreign auto companies as Mr. Drozdowski feels. Having seen the inner workings of Ford as an engineer, I think I am qualified to make such a statement.

In a time when everyone preaches about working together, respecting others and creating peace, I think it's a sad commentary on our community that something so inane created such a rise when there are such bigger issues with which to concern ourselves. In the meantime, I plan to continue teaching my children that Canton is a wonderfully diverse place to live and to respect all with whom they interact.

Shanon Manor  
Canton

### World-class venue

Recently I had the pleasure of attending an event at the Village Theater in Canton. As a Plymouth resident, I couldn't help but envy Canton for having the fortitude and vision to come up with such a world-class venue. While enjoying the show, I had to keep pleasantly reminding myself that I was in Canton, and only a few miles away from home. What a joy it is to enjoy this type of entertainment complex and not have to venture far from home.

K. Davis  
Plymouth

### Simple-minded memorial

According to a recent article, Canton Charter Township Trustee Todd LaJoy is encouraging Canton residents to turn their car lights on to commemorate 9/11. The article called it a simple and symbolic way to show that the community remembers.

It seems to me to be a simple-minded way. Driving with car lights on provides higher visibility on the roadway to drivers and pedestrians alike. Cars in Canada by law have to have their lights on at all times when in motion or the engine is on. Tom Yack offered new huckster advice by suggesting that citizens buy pavers (bricks) for the Rotary clock that sprouted up in the park near the Summit.

The township board is apparently chipping in to buy a brick to commemorate the day that several lunatics flew two airliners into the World Trade Center, disrupted world trade and slaughtered thousands of Americans.

Why not collect money to buy armor and supplies for the poorly supplied (and poorly led) Michigan National Guard that got stuck with the job of occupying Iraq? Why not collect money to help finance the effort to find Osama Bin Laden? Why not donate the money you would spend on a brick to help the victims of hurricane Katrina?

These would be strong American ways to honor Meredith Whalen, a 1996

Plymouth Salem graduate, who died in the World Trade Center.

Another would be for local residents to show up at public meetings once in a while.

Alfred Brock  
Canton

### Yack has vision

I am writing in support of Ross Witschonke's letter (Aug. 11).

I was first introduced to Tom Yack in a business law class at Eastern Michigan University in the late 1970s. The professor introduced this guest speaker as a bright, creative man to watch, a visionary in public service. Throughout the last 25 years, I have watched as I was instructed.

Mr. Yack has lived up to the professor's predictions. I believe Canton's government is composed of a team of positive, forward-thinking individuals who have Canton's best interests in mind.

I agree that trustee Todd Caccamo needs to learn from the other, more experienced team members how to maintain a strong, local government focused on the welfare of all its citizens.

Jane Sauchak  
Canton

### Israel must withdraw

Our mainstream media has long been under the influence of pro-Israeli Zionism and that is why we irrationally attempt to place the responsibility of peace on the Palestinians. According to the pro-Zionist media, the Palestinians are the hostile people harboring terrorists and the Israelis are the victims; we don't hear much about the history of the indigenous Palestinians or the devastating effects that nearly 40 years of brutal Israeli occupation has had on them.

Israel must withdraw from all Palestinian territories completely and then dismantle its apartheid like security barriers and apparatuses in order for the Palestinians to have the atmosphere needed to fully recuperate and live normal lives.

Marion Mourtada  
Dearborn Heights

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## QUOTABLE

**"It's definitely a huge challenge for us, as we had originally projected having a deficit (this year) with revenues less than expenses, and this won't improve this picture, by any means ... I want to believe we shouldn't overreact, hopefully it will be a short-term problem."**

— Patricia Brand, assistant superintendent for business services, on the challenge facing the Plymouth-Canton school district in the face of surging fuel prices

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## Incoming MEDC director has Herculean task ahead

Things might look pretty tinged with gloom and doom around Michigan right now, but there are some hopeful signs on the horizon. That is, as long as you squint hard enough.

New U.S. Census Bureau data show Michigan adding 91,077 professional, scientific and technical services jobs from 2000 to 2003, second only to California. Our state's manufacturing payroll dropped by more than \$5.7 billion (15.2 percent) over the same period, while the payroll for high-end service jobs rose by \$7.4 billion (a whopping 75 percent!) for the same period.

All this is pretty conclusive proof of what all the experts have been saying about our economy: Standard old vanilla-flavored manufacturing is evaporating, even as the high value-added service sector is thriving more than ever. That has been painful for many folks who once pulled down good wages and benefits from manufacturing jobs. But the world is changing and, in our state, the transition from work for strong backs to work for strong brains is proceeding reasonably rapidly.

Meanwhile, the Michigan Economic Development Corp. also has several pieces of good news to report. (In the interests of full disclosure, I am vice chair of the MEDC.)

■ Michigan ranks No. 2 in the nation for new corporate facilities and expansions in 2004, according to *Site Selection* magazine. We're still a national leader in this category after eight years of tracking.

■ The MEDC-sponsored SmartZone program, designed to make cities into incubator zones for new high-tech businesses, won the national Best Practice award for regional economic development from the U.S. Small Business Administration.

■ *Expansion Management* magazine recognized Lansing/East Lansing and Ann Arbor as being among the best metro areas in the country at attracting the kind of highly skilled and educated work force necessary for knowledge-based businesses.

■ This is all happening as Jim Epolito takes over as the new chief executive office of the MEDC, succeeding Don Jakeway, a good guy and an effective professional. Epolito is the former CEO of the Lansing-based Accident Fund Insurance Co. of America.

There, he developed a terrific reputation for growing the company from a single-state insurance provider into a national outfit with more than 500 employees spread across more than 40 states.

The MEDC, by the way, was established as a partnership between the state and local communities. Its job is to recruit, retain and grow businesses and jobs in Michigan through things like site location assistance, job training grants and tax breaks.

Epolito is bright, business-savvy, charismatic. Because I was involved in some of the negotiations that led to his being hired, I know he has the full confidence of Gov. Jennifer Granholm and David Hollister, director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.

He'll need that support and then some. The MEDC job is by no means easy. There is a school of thought in Lansing, stimulated by the Mackinac Center and adopted by some ultra-libertarian members of the state House, that the MEDC should be killed.

Just how this logic works is beyond me, especially when the agency is one of the very best economic development organizations in the country and when Michigan is panting for more jobs. But you can confidently expect a push to cripple it.

Epolito will have his hands full. He'll have to deal with the GOP-controlled Legislature, fight for his budget, get his arms around a new job in a somewhat battered agency — all while he fights to improve economic conditions in Michigan.

He'll also play an important role in framing Granholm's economic development strategy. At a time when Michigan is leading the nation in unemployment and our auto industry is reeling, setting out a simple, compelling plan is important to both the state's economic future and Granholm's re-election campaign.

Her Republican opponent is virtually certain to be businessman Richard DeVos, who no doubt will label the Granholm administration an economic failure and tout his business experience.

Granholm has made several stabs at setting out her agenda. The Cherry Commission recommended doubling the number of Michigan workers with college degrees. They made the right call — but so far, they have failed to persuade the keepers of the pocketbook to reallocate the money to do it.

The governor's proposal to tweak the Single Business Tax in a revenue-neutral way was dead on arrival in the state House, which last week proposed its own business tax package. Trouble is, it promises an annual \$1 billion revenue loss to a state budget that already runs a deficit of about that much every year. Furthermore, it offers no clear way to make up the shortfall.

And the governor's \$2 billion bond proposal — itself a good idea, although not big enough — has been overshadowed by the proposal to "securitize" future state tobacco settlement payments for around \$1 billion. (Translate that as spending money you don't have yet.)

If this is hard to figure out when you read it, it's gotta be completely befuddling to the voters. If Epolito can help clarify and shape economic policy for a state and administration that seem a bit tattered around the edges, he will more than earn his pay.

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Phil Power

## Equal Rights Amendment very much alive for its supporters

Laurel Prussing is a Democrat and Lyn Bankes a Republican, but both are wholehearted in their support of the Equal Rights Amendment.

Bankes' name is familiar to many, as the Livonia resident is a former state and county legislator. Prussing is mayor of Urbana, Ill., and spoke Saturday, Aug. 27, at a Women's Equality Day luncheon at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

Bankes, before the speech, recalled how her parents told her to get married and have children when she was young. She did, loved her family and yet something was missing. "I was not happy with all the housework."

In 1972, Bankes and Laura Callow of Livonia, now Michigan ERAmerica past chair, picketed to establish a Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft, a mission accomplished. Bankes finds that women, regardless of views on abortion or guns, "issues that tend to divide women, the Equal Rights Amendment pulls us together."

Prussing recalled how when she attended Wellesley College in Massachusetts in the 1960s, women couldn't use the library at nearby Harvard. She recounted job discrimination early in her career, including filing of an Equal Employment Opportunity Commission complaint.

"That was not a pleasant thing to do," the mayor told some 130 people, mostly women, gathered at Schoolcraft. She won her suit.

Michigan has ratified the ERA, and it's passed the Illinois House, said Prussing, who's involved in legislative issues for the American Association of University Women. It's two votes short in her state Senate, but she noted her senator, an anti, isn't running again.

"It's kind of like three steps forward and two back, but you can see progress over time," Prussing said. She cited activity in the Florida legislature, as well as women governors being elected in Louisiana and Arizona.

She urged members of Business and Professional Women, AAUW and other groups to push for passage, and that voters ask office seekers their views. Prussing noted George W. Bush won't be in office forever.

"If we can live through that, we can live through anything," she said. "You just have to keep up the pressure."

Bankes believes Republican women in office are behind the ERA. "I would hope that this is an issue they would support. I know that a lot of Republican women voters support it."

Bankes recalled the ERA's legislative death in the early 1980s, including candlelight vigils on the Capitol steps in Lansing and in downtown Detroit.

Currently, advocates are seeking ratification by

three more states. Section 1 of the ERA reads "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex." Callow of Michigan-ERAmerica fervently believes in those words, and was pleased so many turned out for the luncheon.

"We were just thrilled that it is still an issue and people care about it," said Callow, who believes passage is realistic. "It's an issue that has the support of the majority of Americans," some of whom believe it's already in the federal Constitution.

Rochester Hills resident Barbara Bonsignore — a past AAUW state president and regional director, serving as AAUW rep to several coalitions — is also optimistic. "From what we've heard today, it's really a matter of perseverance," she said. "Women are tenacious and dedicated."

That happened with the voting amendment's passage in 1920, Bonsignore said, and will happen with the ERA.

Also impressed was Pat Donath of Lansing, past president of the League of Women Voters of Michigan. She cited three workshops coming up this fall and winter for women interested in running for public office. "to say yes, I can do this, I can run for office."

For details on the workshops sponsored by a number of organizations, including LWV, call (517) 373-2884. One will be held Jan. 20-21, 2006, at the Oakland Community College Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills.

Michigan ERAmerica information is available online at MichERAmerica@cs.com, the ERA Campaign Network at www.ERACampaign.net. Callow quoted women's rights pioneer Susan B. Anthony, who said "Failure is impossible."

One thoughtful question at the luncheon involved how to get younger women involved in the ERA cause, and indeed there weren't too many younger people there. I stood out a bit at 46, so clearly there's a need to recruit younger people of both genders, some of whom don't know just how far women have progressed in recent years.

Prussing also recounted the bad old days when the unisex bathroom argument was used to fight the ERA, and noted gay marriage and abortion are now cited by opponents. She said the constitution being drafted in Iraq calls for women's equality, and yet its U.S. counterpart isn't that inclusive.

It was heartening to see so many people give up several hours on an August Saturday to learn more about the ERA and push for its passage. The Bush administration hasn't been noted for its support of women's rights, but that doesn't mean that passage is impossible. Remember what Susan B. Anthony said.

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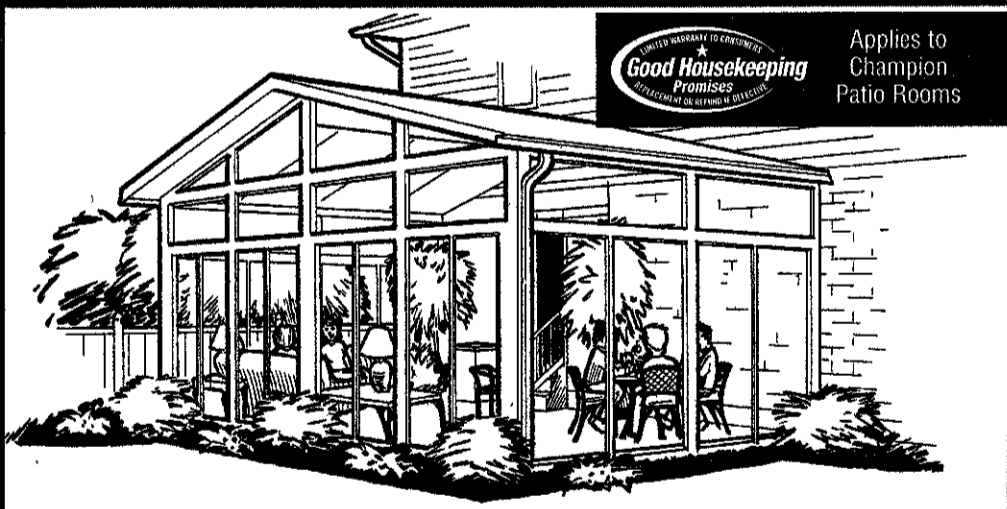
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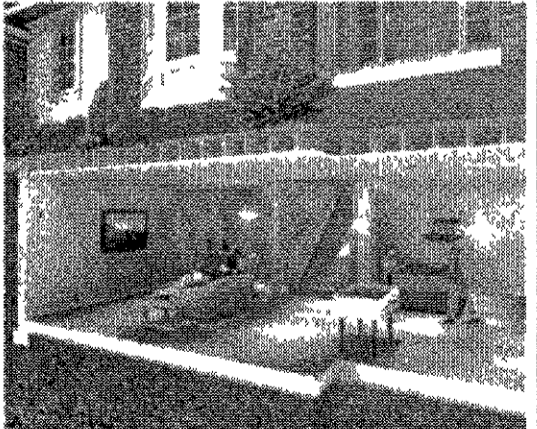
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# Everything keeps coming up ROSES

The 'queen of flowers' is royalty in garden gallery



Birmingham residents Diane and Tom Schrift in their backyard rose garden. The Schrifts are coordinating the Great Lakes District Fall Rose Show and Convention, taking place next week.



Sympathy rose is one of the many varieties in the Schrift garden.



Playgirl roses are another variety in the Schrifts' garden.

BY MARY KLEMIC STAFF WRITER

Tom and Diane Schrift's back yard is like a garden gallery. The works of art on display at the Birmingham home are numerous varieties of roses — more than 250 rose bushes, many set along gently curving pathways.

Here are the especially easy-to-grow types, which Diane calls "wash and wear roses," and the more esoteric. On view are bright colors, deep hues, and pastels.

The rose has been called the "queen of flowers" in poetry; represents love, beauty, friendship and peace; and has been designated America's National Floral Emblem.

Its regal reputation may intimidate a would-be gardener, but the rose isn't difficult to grow. You can find a type of rose that you can raise — those that take relatively less effort, or those that require more time.

"A rose is just a perennial," Diane said.

"You can do anything. The more effort you put into it, the more you get out of it."

The couple became involved with the Detroit Rose Society in 1992. This year, Tom is president of the organization.

The Schrifts are coordinating the Great Lakes District Fall Rose Show and Convention, taking place Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 17-18, in the area.

The rose show will be at English Gardens in Royal Oak/Troy, and the convention at the Somerset Inn in Troy (see related item).

Diane is convention chairman and Tom is rose show co-chairman.

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More than 250 rose bushes are in Diane and Tom Schrift's backyard garden.

## FALL ROSE SHOW

■ **What:** Great Lakes District Rose Show, hosted by the Detroit Rose Society. Admission is free and open to the public.

■ **When:** Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 17-18.

■ **Hours:** 1-9 p.m. Sept. 17, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 18.

■ **Where:** English Gardens, 4901 Coolidge Highway, just north of 14 Mile (phone (248) 280-9500), between Greenfield and Crooks.

■ **Features:** Detroit Rose Society members will be available 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days to answer questions, discuss rose varieties and provide growing advice. Marilyn Wellan, American Rose Society president, will present Welcome to the Wonderful World of Roses 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sept. 17. Admission is free.

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## Accents

### Beyond the button

"Have you tested your smoke detector alarm lately? You pushed the button, the alarm sounded and everything was OK. But are you sure?" say James and Morris Carey, writing for AP Weekly Features.

"Manufacturers and fire-safety experts say if your unit is 10 or more years old, an alarm that sounds when the button is pushed just means it's getting electricity and not necessarily that the sensor chamber is activating properly.

"Experts say to be certain, either test older units with a smoke device or replace them.

"Sensor chambers can become dirty and ineffective or nonoperational even if the button test works. For safety, replace an older unit; then you'll know it'll be working when you need it."

### Pomegranate Guild

The Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlework of Southeastern Michigan will have a New Member and Prospective Member Open House 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, at the Farmington Community Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile in Farmington Hills.

The open house is open to everyone at every level of ability in the needle arts. Guild members will be available to answer questions about the organization. Past guild projects will be on display. Admission is free.

For more information, call Judy Galperin at (248) 661-5337.

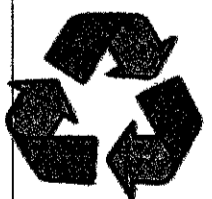
The chapter, started in 1999, is part of an international organization whose purpose is to study and provide information on Judaic needle art. Meetings usually take place on the second Sunday of the month.

The chapter also plans field trips to museum exhibits and other sites and participates in local exhibits and volunteer projects.

### Recycling 101

The Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority will present a free workshop, Recycling 101, 6:30-9 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 28, at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center, 4 Ridge Road (south of I-696 and west of Woodward).



The workshop is for residents of the SOCRRA member

communities: Beverly Hills, Birmingham, Lathrup Village, Troy, Berkley, Clawson, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge and Royal Oak.

To register, call Karen Bever at (248) 288-5150 or e-mail socrra@socrra.org.

Each participant will receive an information binder with answers to frequently asked questions, a waste reduction guidebook and copies of all of SOCRRA's informational fliers.

## Carve out your space online with pair of services



Tech Savvy

Recently a friend asked me how he should go about registering a domain name, finding a hosting service, and building himself a Web site.

When I asked what he planned to do with the site, his answer didn't surprise me: blogging, posting photos, and just generally getting his feet wet.

Although registering a domain is cheap and easy (I use GoDaddy.com, which charges around \$9), working with a hosting service can be costly and complicated. As for site-design soft-

ware, that's a major undertaking.

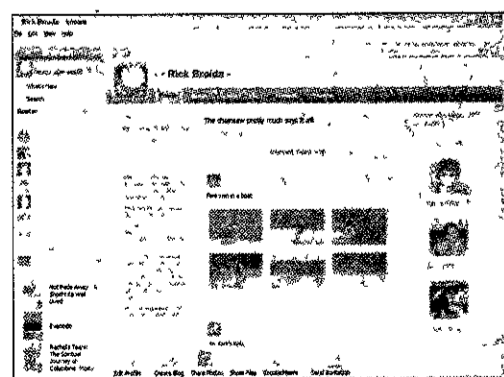
Instead of messing with all that, I suggest getting started with a pair of really incredible new services. They're both free, surprisingly versatile, and lots of fun.

The first is Imeem ([www.imeem.com](http://www.imeem.com)), a kind of online community that enables you to share messages, files and photos with your personal circle of friends and family.

All you do is download the software, create an account, and invite others to join. In the mean-

time, you can start blogging on whatever subjects interest you; create photo albums that others can view; select files to share; and even send instant messages to other users.

You also have the option to create a "meem" (basically, an online bulletin board, complete with its own Web address) that anyone can join. Or you can join existing meems and participate in discussions with other users. I've been having fun chatting about



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PLEASE SEE SERVICES, B4

# Think before you buy new refrigerator

I recently read an article about the cost of operating a refrigerator in a home today, compared to what a new refrigerator will cost to operate in a home tomorrow.

The person writing the article didn't work for any of the utility companies, or for that matter, any of the appliance manufacturers. From what I could gather, the writer worked for a money company of sorts. The object of the story was to tell consumers that the newer refrigerators use a lot less energy than those of, say, 10 years ago, and it suggested we go out and buy a new refrigerator, now!

It was suggested that a new refrigerator could save you roughly \$80 per year in energy costs, and that buying a new refrigerator would be the intel-

ligent thing to do.

I really had to give this suggestion some serious consideration, seeing as how my refrigerator is only 11 years old and runs like a champ.

I went and stood by the water cooler at work and asked others if they were going to buy a new refrigerator, now that they found out they could save \$80 on next year's electricity bill.

Not one person, not one, told me they would buy a new refrigerator. I think everyone did ask: "Why would I throw away a perfectly good operating refrigerator? Are you crazy?"

I had no answer except to refer back to the wise newspaper article posted on the front page of a certain section. I also thanked God it wasn't this newspaper.

I don't disagree with everything written in that article. Yes, refrigerators are the biggest absorbers of electricity. Yes, they now have a life span of only 12 years. Yes, you can save roughly \$80 by owning a new refrigerator.

BUT - my 11-year-old refrigerator was made to last some-

where between 15 and 20 years. It has a lot of years left, so how could I ever recover the expenditure of \$1,600 to replace it? Not a smart move from where I see it!

I would only be saving \$80 a year and that means it's going to take me 20 years to break even. This is impossible, seeing as how the refrigerator is only going to last for 12 years. Good gracious me, I'm glad I didn't run out and make that purchase.

A couple of the people I talked to at the water cooler told me they couldn't understand how you could save money by buying a new refrigerator, even if it cost less to operate a new one.

You buy a new one and you put the old one downstairs for a second refrigerator.

The added cost of operating a second refrigerator only adds to the cost of the new one, and so you're worse off than you were.

Another thing: When you get rid of a refrigerator today, it can cost you \$75 to get someone to remove the refrigerator so it can be properly disposed of.

A refrigerator costs a heck of a lot to operate and twice as much if you don't maintain it properly.

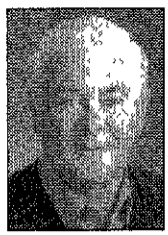
Check the condenser faithfully, every three or four months.

Check the door seals on both doors by using a flashlight. You should be doing this at night. Put the flashlight inside, and shut off the lights in the room. Look for light around the seal. Use a mirror on the bottom edge and stand on a chair to see the top door seal.

If the seal is leaking, heat the rubber with a hair dryer, stretching the rubber with your fingers. That little trick could save you \$80 a year.

Sometimes it's the little people who make more sense than anyone. So don't go out and buy a new refrigerator until you need one. Stay tuned.

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



**Appliance Doctor**  
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## Exhibit, conservation workshops scheduled

Caroline Ashleigh Associates' inaugural auction of fine art and antiques will take place Sept. 8-30 on [www.igavel.com](http://www.igavel.com), the Internet auction site for fine art, antiques and collectibles.

An exhibition of items in the auction will be open to the public at the Birmingham Historical Museum Friday-Sunday, Sept. 23-25.

During the exhibit, experts will conduct conservation workshops to help people learn how to care for their valued possessions.

"The exhibition provides a unique opportunity to further our mission of historic preservation and education," said Bill McElhone, director of the Birmingham Historical Museum.

"We hope to expand our audience of collectors of art and antiques, and to provide helpful advice on preserving their objects."

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The exhibit will be in the Hunter House and the workshops will take place in the

Allen House.

"We are delighted to partner with the museum for this event," said Caroline Ashleigh, a nationally recognized art adviser and appraiser.

"We will be reaching people who care about art and antiques, and at the same time taking advantage of the museum's educational resources."

The Internet auction includes items from a collection of fine English furniture assembled by a Michigan connoisseur.

The pieces were bought over many years from distinguished collectors in England and the United States.

Among these are a Hepplewhite inlaid satinwood secretary bookcase (English, circa 1775), a pair of semi-circular fold-top card tables (English, circa 1785) and a George III mahogany serpentine sideboard.

Other significant items include an important oil on canvas by Alfred Thompson Bricher (1837-1908), 19th century photographs (including three Civil War albums with signed portraits of Ulysses S. Grant), a Louis Philippe Aubusson rug (circa 1830-48) and a 19th century Charles Worth ball gown.

Exhibition hours will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 23-24 and 1-4 p.m. Sept. 25.

Conservation workshops will take place 2-2:30 p.m. and 6-6:30 p.m. Sept. 23-24, and 2-2:30 p.m. Sept. 25. Reservations aren't required, but seating is limited.

The standard museum admission fee of \$10 covers both the exhibit and the workshops. Parking is available across the street, and is free for the first two hours.

For more information about hours, reservations and admission, call McElhone at the Birmingham Historical Society, (248) 642-2817.

The workshops will provide advice from professionals on preserving, storing and transporting furniture, paintings, drawings, prints, textiles and other works of art.

Experts conducting the workshops will include William Witkokowski, Michigan Antique Preservation Company furniture conservator; artist and conservator Robert Schefman or fine art conservator Ken Katz, Museum and Conservation Service; Diane Smith, Art by Design fine art conservator; Ted Hadfield, Artpac Services president; Wendy Halsted, Halsted Gallery photography dealer and specialist; and Caroline Ashleigh.

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## HOME CALENDAR

### Knitting

Among the classes at the Rochester Community House is Knitting for All Levels, Wednesdays, Sept. 14 to Oct. 19, or Thursdays, Sept. 15 to Oct. 20. Fee is \$44.

For more information, call (248) 651-0622 or visit [www.rochestercommunityhouse.org](http://www.rochestercommunityhouse.org). The Rochester Community House is at 816 Ludlow.

In the class, basics for beginners will include pattern reading, cables, fair isle, instarsia, knitting in the round, lace, beading and construction. "Design your own" will be offered for advanced students.

### Showcase benefit

Lighthouse Community Development will present Designer Showcase, an event to raise money to build affordable homes for low- and moderate-income families in Oakland County, Thursday-Sunday, Sept. 8-11.

The fund-raiser is an opportunity for the public to tour a 22,000-square-foot English manor house at 730 Vaughan in Bloomfield Hills that has a sale price of \$14 million.

Designer Showcase will kick off with a gala 7-10 p.m. Thursday. The gala will feature valet parking, viewing of table settings by leading interior designers, hors d'oeuvres and drinks, a silent auction, entertainment and tour of the home. Gala tickets are \$150.

The home will be open for self-guided tours and table viewings 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday-Sunday. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door.

For tickets and more information, call (248) 920-6060, Ext. 2123, or fax (248) 335-1099.

Lighthouse Community Development is a subsidiary of Lighthouse of Oakland County.

### Remodeling 101

To give homeowners the confidence and tools they need to remodel their kitchens or bathrooms, KSI Kitchen & Bath will host Remodeling 101, a free seminar, 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, at its Livonia showroom.

The showroom is at 34724 Plymouth Road, between Farmington and Wayne roads.

For more information or to register, call (734) 261-6960.

Remodeling 101 will be led by Mike Maher, KSI's regional manager who has more than 15 years experience in the kitchen and bath remodeling industry, and Michael Macunovich, KSI's manager of installation services who has nearly 30 years of industry experience.

They will cover the basics of remodeling and help attendees better understand the process. Topics will include how to get started, how to best work with a designer or contractor, and room layout and new products.

### Faux finishing

Fancy Color Paints and Interiors will present a variety of classes taught by professionals 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the store, 3883 Rochester Road in Troy.

For registration and class fee information, call Troy Adult Education, (248) 879-7599; Rochester Adult Education, (248) 726-3165; Birmingham Adult Education, (248) 203-3800; or Royal Oak Adult Education, (248) 588-5050. The schedule includes Faux Finishing Sept. 20. The class will feature demonstrations of shadow striping/color washed stripes, smoothing, positive and negative rag roll, fresco, leather and sponge painting.

### Home decor

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

Call (248) 541-0010, e-mail [ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com](mailto:ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com) or visit [www.HabermanFabrics.com](http://www.HabermanFabrics.com) for information.

The schedule includes Basic Throw

Blanket, Saturdays, Sept. 10-17 (fee is \$40); Advanced Curtain, Thursdays, Sept. 8-29 (\$80); Teddy Bear, Saturdays, Sept. 10-24 (\$60), and Beginner Pillow, Mondays, Sept. 12-26 (\$60).

In Basic Throw Blanket, make the perfect home accessory for the cold winter months ahead in a quick and simple project using luxurious fabrics. Keep the cozy throw for yourself or give it as a holiday gift.

In Advanced Curtain, learn how to make pleated draperies, a classic, ever-popular window treatment. Create a personalized look by changing the style and spacing of the pleats, or choose the more informal tab-top drape.

The first class will be a discussion of style, fabric choices and supplies. You will make a custom window treatment for your home in the next three sessions.

In Teddy Bear, youngsters ages 8-11 will learn how to read and follow a pattern, as well as basic construction skills and how to use a sewing machine. They can make their very own Teddy bear, bunny or lamb.

In Beginner Pillow, beginning sewers will learn the basics while making two beautiful decorative square or rectangular pillows, using bias-cut fabric-covered cording and inserted trims.

The class will include learning how to use a rotary cutter, cutting bias and using a zipper foot to cover cording. Many of the techniques taught will apply to future home decorating classes.

### Prospective Members' Tea

Historic Cranbrook House, the oldest manor home in metro Detroit, relies on auxiliary volunteers to maintain its vast gardens and beautiful buildings.

A Prospective Members' Tea is set for 2-5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, for metro Detroiters interested in becoming involved with this local treasure.

The afternoon will feature refreshments and a house and garden tour. For more information about the tea, or to RSVP before Friday, Sept. 23, call (248) 645-3147.

Cranbrook House is on Lone Pine Road at Cranbrook Road in Bloomfield Hills. Auxiliary members work on restoration, tours, garden and greenhouse upkeep, and fundraisers, such as the popular annual Holiday Tables and plant sales. In addition, volunteers conduct educational programs explaining the many contributions of the Booth family to Cranbrook and the Detroit cultural scene.

**Cranbrook House and Gardens**  
Visit Cranbrook House - Detroit's oldest manor home - and its glorious gardens during Thursdays at Cranbrook or Sundays at Cranbrook. Cranbrook House is the former residence of Cranbrook founders George and Ellen Booth. It is at 380 Lone Pine Road, between Lahser and Cranbrook roads in Bloomfield Hills.

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

Fee for the Thursday tour is \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors. Stay after or come early for a salad buffet lunch at noon in the Oak Room, for an additional \$15.

Now through Oct. 30, take a guided tour at 3 p.m. Sundays with a garden visit. Fee for the Sunday tour is \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors.

Reservations for the lunch and tours are required. Call (248) 645-3149. The gardens are open to the public 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily in September. In October, they will be open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., weekends only. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors. Pre-arranged guided tours are available to groups.

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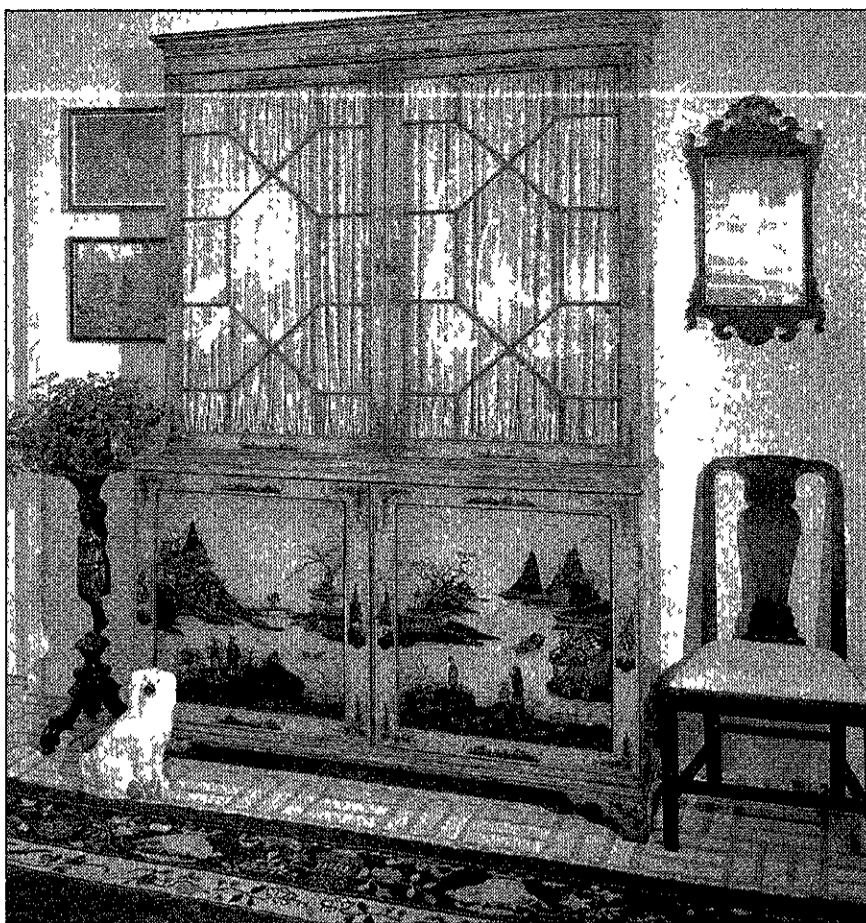
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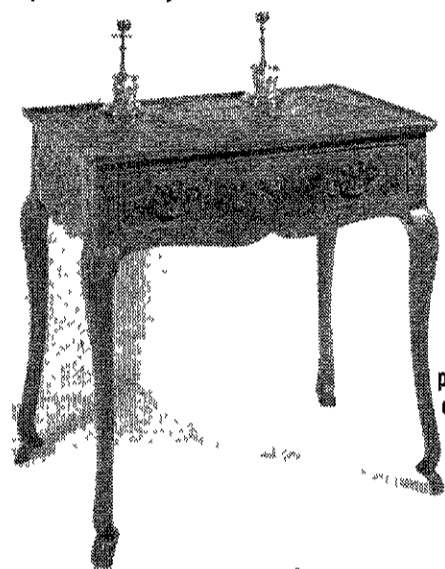
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Antiques show

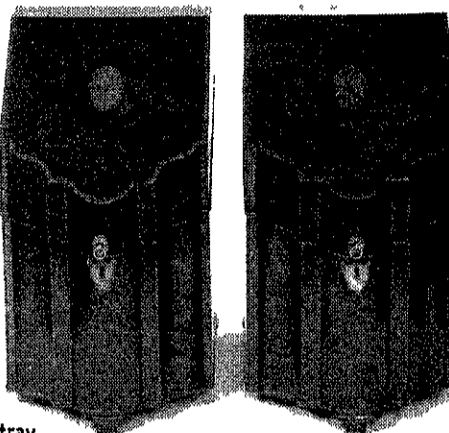
A world-class antiques show will take place Friday-Sunday, Sept. 9-11, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Drive in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Some of the antiques are shown here. The matched pair of Georgian cutlery boxes (from England, circa 1780) is mahogany with satinwood inlay bandings and medallions and the original silver mounts. The 19th century mahogany tea table features hoof feet, a single drawer, a dish top and red and gold chinoiserie decoration. The English mahogany bookcase cabinet (circa 1800) has original glass and adjustable shelves in the top section, and tray shelves in the lower section; the chinoiserie decoration is of a later date.



Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sept. 9-10 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 11. General show admission is \$10. Call (313) 881-7511 for information.

The Gala Preview Thursday, Sept. 8, is a benefit for the preservation of the War Memorial's historic Alger House and grounds. Patrons reception (tickets are \$200 and \$125) is at 5:30 p.m. Sept. 8; other preview admission (\$75) is at 6:30 p.m. All preview tickets include cocktails, heavy hors d'oeuvres, the first opportunity to view the show, and admission to the show through its run.



GARDEN CALENDAR

Butterflies

A free program, Native Plants and Backyard Butterflies: Making the Connection, with naturalist Joe Derek, will take place 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8, at the Heritage Park Nature Center, 31555 W. 11 Mile in Farmington Hills. Advance registration is required. Call (248) 288-5150 or e-mail LFDean@aol.com.

The Community House

The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, presents gardening classes. The schedule includes Lighting the Garden, Saturdays, Sept. 10-17 (fee is \$72), and Bulbs: Tips on Choosing and Using, Thursday, Sept. 15 (\$42). To register and for more information, call (248) 644-5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com. The lighting class will be an overview of the various night-lighting systems available, with recommendations about fixtures, placement and maintenance. In the bulbs class, learn about major and minor hardy bulbs, how to plant them and what to expect over the years.

Closing garden

A free seminar, Wrap Up the Garden and Bring It Inside, will take place 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, at Gardenviews, 202 W. Main in Northville. Shelly Buckman will discuss the closing down of the garden. How to handle perennials, what can be moved inside, and some tips on spring bulb planting will be featured. Space is limited. Call (248) 380-8881 early to reserve a seat.

Sale

The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society will have its annual sale noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, at Dr. Persaud's Family Medical Center, 314 N. Main in Clawson. Guests are welcome. For more information, call (248) 524-0227.

Troy Garden Club

The Troy Garden Club will meet at noon Wednesday, Sept. 14, at Big Beaver United Methodist Church, just south of Wattles at 3753 John R in Troy. Refreshments will be served at noon. Guest donation \$3. For more information, call Janet at (248) 879-8621.

Sue Rayer or Chuck Barns will discuss the new Stage Nature Center and late summer wildflowers.

Schoolcraft College

Schoolcraft College in Livonia offers a variety of gardening classes. The schedule includes the All About Bulbs series, which will begin with Spring Flowering Bulbs Wednesday, Sept. 14. Tuition is \$69 for the bulb series, \$39 for the class. Also included is the Creating Your Landscape series, which will begin with Woody Trees and Shrubs Wednesday, Sept. 21. Tuition is \$165 for the landscape series, \$73 for the class. Registration is required. Call (734) 462-4448 for information.

Dahlia show

The Southeastern Michigan Dahlia Society will have its 53rd annual Dahlia Show Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 17-18, at Livonia Mall, Middlebelt and Seven Mile. Hours are noon to 9 p.m. Sept. 17, noon to 4 p.m. Sept. 18. Between 600 and 800 blooms will be displayed and several new cultivars will be introduced. SMDS members will be present to answer questions and welcome new members.

Tollgate fair

The Tollgate Gardeners at the Michigan State University Tollgate Education Center will have their annual Fall Fair 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, at the center, 28115 Meadowbrook Road in Novi. Admission is free. Free refreshments will be available. For more information, call (248) 347-3860, Ext. 212.

Among the activities will be hayrides, line dancing, the MSU Bug House (a live bug display), and presentations on mammals and bat conservation. Children's activities will include kite making, face painting, pumpkin painting and catch and release fishing. Garden-related items will be for sale at the Marketplace. Information tables provided by MSU Extension will present master gardener information, food preparation, 4-H information, hazardous waste disposal and the Novi police and fire departments.

Fall color

Goldner Walsh Nursery will present Plants for Fall Color and Winter Interest, 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, at Goldner Walsh, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac. Cost is \$10. Proceeds benefit the Belle Isle Conservatory. Reservations are required. Call (248) 332-6430.

Explore shrubs and trees that will add fall foliage color, fall and winter fruits and berries, and evergreen "form" in the garden. Join nursery manager Joe Miller and the Goldner Walsh landscape design team and get inspired to make your landscape a four-season experience.

Bulbs

The Community House Garden Club will present Learning How to Use and Layer Bulbs in Containers and Gardens 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19, at The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham. Master gardeners Sue Dinger and Barbara Teasdale will conduct the presentation. The public may attend. Reservations aren't necessary. A \$5 donation is requested at the door. For more information, call The Community House at (248) 594-6410.

Indoor plants

English Gardens hosts free seminars at all six stores, including locations in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851-7506), Dearborn Heights (phone (313) 278-4433), Royal Oak/Troy (phone (248) 280-9500) and Ann Arbor (phone (734) 332-7900). Caring for Indoor Plants will be the topic 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14. Learn how to enhance your home's decor with flowering and tropical plants. You'll be shown how to select and care for house plants that will thrive indoors throughout the year. Care information will include watering, fertilizing and tips to encourage flowering.

Rose programs

Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, present a series of free programs open to the public. Each presentation lasts about 1-1/2 hours. Dress for the weather. Reservations aren't required. Great Lakes Roses is at 49875 Willow Road, between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) Roads in Sumpter Township, just south of Belleville. To learn about its roses, visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461-1230 anytime to request a flyer. Success with Climbing Roses, a slide program and garden demonstration of training and pruning techniques, will take place 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11 (repeated 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 12). Wonderful Rugosa Roses, a slide program about these rugged, fragrant beauties known for their fall hips and color, will take place 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 19.

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**ROSES**

FROM PAGE B1

The district includes all of Michigan and southwest Ontario.

Among the types on the Schrifts' yard - which is about 75 by 150 feet - are hybrid tea roses, mini roses, climbers, tree roses and shrub roses. Clusters of alyssum cover the base of some of the plants.

Some flowers in the yard seem elegant or demure, some are unusual. A rose can have between four and 50 petals, and different numbers and shapes of petals are shown in the garden.

Some roses in the yard are named after famous people (Marilyn Monroe, artist Dale Chihuly) or places (the World War II Memorial, the home of Empress Josephine); the names of some others are whimsical (Sexy Remy) or descriptive (Hot Cocoa).

"We just had a few (at first) and then we went nuts," Diane said.

Roses require sun, water and fertilizer.

"They're hearty eaters," Diane said.

To winterize the flowers, Tom covers them with cones.

"Other people make boxes or use leaves," he said.

**WAYS TO GROW**

"People have a perception that roses are difficult to grow," said Nancy Lindley of Great Lakes Roses.

"But anywhere you get enough sun to grow grass, you can grow roses."

Mistakes people make with their roses include pruning them in the fall, and winterizing too early, Lindley said.

"Pruning encourages new growth. That's not what you want in the fall. The time to winterize is when the ground starts to freeze."

Mike Gleason of Brownstown, a member of the Downriver Rose Society, grows about 400 tea roses at his home.

"My 5- and 6-year-olds and I, we can all go out and pick weeds and deadhead," Gleason said. "It's a nice



PHOTO COURTESY OF JOE RARUS

Joe Rarus, garden supervisor at the Mary Thompson Garden in Southfield, grows hundreds of roses in containers at his home. He moves them into sunny areas in the spring and returns them to his garage for overwintering.

thing the kids and I can do."

Except for one Windsor, Ontario, resident, all of the Downriver Rose Society members live in Wayne County, Gleason said.

At the organization's meeting this month, Joe Rarus of Southfield gave a presentation about growing roses in containers.

Rarus, garden supervisor at the Mary Thompson Garden in Southfield, raises about 187 rose plants this way at his home. Both novice and experienced gardeners can grow roses in containers, he said. "(A container) is the perfect environment for roses," Rarus said.

Rarus, an avid gardener, started raising roses in containers about 20 years ago, when he moved to property that was surrounded by large silver maple trees, which shaded the yard and took all of the water and fertilizer from the soil.

"I did not want to give up my hobby," Rarus said. "A friend said, 'Why don't you grow your roses in containers?'"

All miniature roses, and roses that grow 3 to 4 feet tall, are the perfect size for a container, Rarus said. For a novice gardener, he recommends shrub roses, which are very winter hardy and disease resistant.

The container must have drainage

holes.

Plastic pots are lightweight and inexpensive, last for years, and keep the soil moist longer than clay or wooden pots, Rarus said.

To keep the pots from overheating and cooking the roots, he wraps each black plastic pot in extra heavy duty aluminum foil. The pots can be put into a larger decorative container when outside.

Use soil made for containers; garden soil is too heavy and dirty (with bugs, fungus, bacteria and weeds), he said. He uses soil that contains a mix of bark and Canadian peat moss.

The fertilizer should be well-balanced and have micronutrients.

Roses must be dormant before they are moved into storage, said Rarus, who keeps his roses in the garage in the winter. Wait until they are hit with three good, hard frosts, he said. He has moved his roses into the garage around Christmas.

**SHOW**

The rose show at English Gardens will include a presentation by American Rose Society President Marilyn Wellan Saturday, Sept. 17, and information tables.

"It's a great place to see every rose that grows well in this area on display," Schrift said of the show.

"This is the best place to come to see what the roses you bought in the spring should look like."

You can also get ideas for next year, she said.

Wellan grows more than 600 rose bushes of all classes and types at her country home in Louisiana. She was creator and chairman of the Year of the Rose in 2002, a year-long, worldwide grass-roots campaign.

"This is the third year we've hosted a rose show," said Dean Darin, general manager of English Gardens Royal Oak.

"We're pleased to provide a space that gives the public an opportunity to view some of the most magnificent roses grown by people throughout the Great Lakes region."

The Schrifts and other Detroit Rose Society members have participated at events at the English Gardens stores for more than 10 years.

"English Gardens has been wonderful," Schrift said.

At the convention, the Detroit Rose Society will celebrate its 75th anniversary. The convention will include prizes and awards, presentations, a banquet and garden tours. Visit [www.greatlakesdistrict.info](http://www.greatlakesdistrict.info).

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**SERVICES**

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One word of warning, however: Imeem requires Microsoft's .NET Framework, which it will install automatically if your system lacks it.

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Spaces provides a wealth of attractive templates and design options, meaning you can avoid the cookie-cutter trap of sites like Blogger.com.

If you're looking to build a site that's largely personal, you can't go wrong with Spaces.

If you're more interested in community, check out Imeem.

Heck, they're freebies, so why not try both?

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Brenda Naomi Rosenberg (left), Barbara Talley, the Rev. Dan Appleyard, the Rev. Dan Krichbaum, Victor Begg and Steve Spreitzer meet to discuss peace.

## Interfaith Partners working to open minds

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Ten years ago it would have been highly unlikely for a group of Christians, Muslims and Jews to sit down together on a regular basis to talk about peace. It's a different world since the terrorists attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

Some might call them dreamers, but Interfaith Partners believes one day that all religions and races could coexist without friction. Only recently they stood up to denounce the arson at a British mosque, apparently a retaliatory act in response to the London subway bombings.

"It's important to speak to the wrong of this," said Steve Spreitzer, the Plymouth Township resident who serves as interfaith coordinator for the National Conference for Community and Justice.

Interfaith Partners was founded after the Sept. 11 attacks as a way of creating a dialogue to promote understanding and eliminate discrimination. It is a program of NCCJ which was founded in 1927 as the National Conference for Christians and Jews, a Detroit-based human relations organization formed to reduce bigotry and racism. Today, NCCJ offers programming in 38 regions across the country.

"The reaction of people to vilify Muslims based on the actions of a few extremists is a threat to all of our religions," said Spreitzer. "Islam is one of the world's great religions. Most of the followers are law abiding, peaceful people."

### OPENING MINDS

Spreitzer learned about diversity and acceptance from the African-American nuns at St. Maurice's in Livonia where he went to school. That's why he believes strongly in the NCCJ Leadership in the New Century program to teach high school students about cultural differences. NCCJ works on several levels to build inclusive communities.

"We work with all racial and ethnic groups," said the Rev. Dan Krichbaum, NCCJ's executive director. "We offer programs for kids, training for adults. In Farmington and Farmington Hills we're working through human relations issues with groups such as the Multi-Cultural Multi-Racial Task Force."

Interfaith Partners evolved as a movement based on NCCJ programming when Victor Begg, Rev. Dan Appleyard, Rafael Narbaez, a Garden City resident who works for ACCESS, and representatives of the Jewish Community Council, Metropolitan Christian Council Detroit-Windsor and Council of Islamic Organizations of Michigan began meeting with local Muslim, Jewish and Christian congregations and groups such as the Pathways to Peace Foundation.

"When Sept. 11 happened we said it's the first day of a new calendar," said Victor Begg, Interfaith Partners chairman. Begg is vice president of the Council of Islamic Organizations and a member of the Bloomfield Hills School Board. "In the past when we brought the congregations together we used to talk about theological issues. Now we talk about living together in peace. When we worked with Habitat for Humanity and to solve issues like the Call to Prayer in



Bloomfield Hills resident Brenda Naomi Rosenberg founded The Children of Abraham Project, a play that uses the biblical story about Abraham to stimulate dialogue among Jews, Christians and Muslims.



The Rev. Dan Krichbaum is executive director of the National Coalition on Community and Justice, the human relations organization trying to eliminate discrimination. Interfaith Partners is a program of NCCJ.

Hamtramck, we brought the communities together."

Troy and Hamtramck sought the advice of Interfaith Partners when both communities were in turmoil over issues regarding faith. In Troy Christians and non-Christians divided over the celebration of National Prayer Day. In Hamtramck conflict arose over the Muslim practice of calling worshippers to prayer. It was resolved when groups realized the tradition was similar to the Catholic Church ringing bells to call followers to prayer.

"We're a new kind of peace initiative," said Brenda Naomi Rosenberg, founder of The Children of Abraham Project (www.thechildrenofabraham-project.org) and Pathways to Peace Foundation. She is a member of Temple Beth El in Bloomfield Hills. "We have the same goal to bring communities together. We really need to understand each other to demystify who we are."

### BUILDING BRIDGES

Rosenberg initially created The Children of Abraham Project as a play about the Biblical story of Abraham to stimulate dialogue among Jews, Christians and Muslims. In the last year more than 18,000 people have seen it. As a result, it was featured on a CBS television special and has been turned into a film. On Sept. 21, the Peace Center based at Hope United Methodist Church in Southfield features the film during its celebration of International Day of Peace. A consecration service will be held 6-8 p.m. but a prayer vigil will go on 24 hours.

In 1997, Peace Center founder Barbara Talley

brought 39 churches together to form the Southfield Interfaith Clergy. Later she organized 54 churches as a Peace Center. As a result, she was asked to serve on Interfaith Partners after the clergy met with U.S. legislators to talk about problems in the Middle East.

"We want to show the public there's a unified body that can speak out," said Barbara Talley, a lay minister at Hope United Methodist Church. She was the first African American to serve on the Southfield City Council. "More and more people are being spiritual or religious since 9/11. The kids really want to be shown unity. The peace event is the first time for my church to bring Muslims and Jews together. We're building relationships, building respect and learning about one another."

At the present time Interfaith Partners unites only the Abrahamic faiths but eventually plans to reach out to Hindus, Sikhs and other religions.

"We need to be a larger part of the community," said the Rev. Dan Appleyard, rector of Christ Episcopal Church in Dearborn and chairman of the interfaith Thanksgiving event. Temple Kol Ami in West Bloomfield is the site of this year's Thanksgiving celebration 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 23.

"The movement is so compelling. We don't have a Jewish community in Dearborn so we're gathering people together to talk and listen to each other. It seems only natural since my children have Muslims, Hindus and Christians at birthday parties."

Appleyard recently returned from England where they've organized interfaith organizations.

"We're part of a global human movement and inviting others to join," said Appleyard. "This is the next phase of the Civil Rights movement."

Begg warns that if people of all faiths don't come together, the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11 could happen again.

"There are a few crazies who destroy and we want to build," said Begg. "We want to be a model, an inspiration to create an interfaith culture. It's pioneering work that American and the world needs. We all believe in one god. The word needs to get out. We want to go to other congregations and talk."

For more information about Interfaith Partners and the National Coalition for Community and Justice, call (313) 567-6225

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## RELIGION CALENDAR

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### SEPTEMBER

#### Greek festival

Homemade Greek food and desserts, live music and dancing, Greek marketplace, coffee house, kid's activities, tour of church, cultural exhibit, 50/50 raffle 4-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, at Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, 39851 Five Mile, Plymouth. Call (734) 420-0131.

#### Bet Chaverim

Upcoming services: Regular Shabbat Service, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, at 321 South Ridge Road, south of Cherry Hill, Canton, and Shabbat Potluck 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23 (for information about potluck and short Shabbat candle lighting ceremony at a congregant's home), send e-mail to bsbuchalt@wowway.com). The services are open to all living in the western counties including Canton, Plymouth, Livonia, and Northville. The congregation follows traditions of Reform Judaism. Interfaith families welcome to attend services at the Ridge road location in Canton. Services for Rosh Hashanah take place 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 3, and 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4; Yom Kippur, Kol Nidre 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12; Yizkor 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, and Closing Service at 6 p.m. Break Fast following

service. Call (734) 646-3864 for more information, or visit the Web site at www.betchnaverim.com. Religious School starts 3-5 p.m. Sunday, September 11. New students always welcome. Contact the director at (734) 718-8803 or david.sigmon@mercycollege.edu for more information.

#### Laugh-out loud

Comedian Michael Williams performs 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. It's Crazy Hat Night with prizes for the two craziest hats. Tickets are \$5. Call (248) 374-5920.

#### Flea Market & Book Sale

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 422-6038. Proceeds to benefit mission work.

#### Seminar

Many Christians have said, "I want to share my faith in Christ with others, but I don't know how or what to say." To help learn better how you can witness to friends and relatives, attend Becoming a Contagious Christian seminar 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran, 14175 Farmington, north of I-96, Livonia. Registration is \$15, includes book and lunch. For more information, call Linda Holman at (734) 522-6830.

#### Services

St. John Lutheran Church (23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills) invites the community to a new worship service 5:30 p.m. Saturdays beginning September 10. Also, effective Sept. 11, Sunday traditional worship services are 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.; contemporary service is at 9:50 a.m.; and Sunday School hour for

all ages is at 9:45 a.m. Open House for Confirmation ministry with middle school youth is 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 13. Call (248) 474-0584 for more information.

#### Mom 2 mom sale

Tri-City Christian MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) in Canton is having a sale of children's gently used clothes, maternity clothes, toys and miscellaneous items that their families have outgrown 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, at 3855 Sheldon, north of Michigan Avenue. Admission is \$1. For information, call (734) 397-0819.

#### Puppets for Christ

From St. Lorenz Lutheran Church of Frankenmuth will present the message 8:15 a.m., 9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington, north of I-96, Livonia. The puppet ministry team will present the Gospel of Jesus Christ through skits and songs. For information, call (734) 522-6830.

The services will be the beginning of an exciting year of ministry highlighted by the "40 Days of Community" Oct. 8 to Nov. 20. The Puppets will be especially relevant for children in helping them understand the great love God has for us.

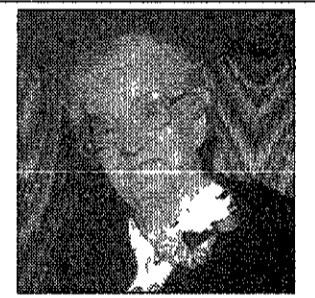
#### Memorial service

Congregation Beit Kodesh remembers the victims of the terrorist attacks 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, with guest speakers Livonia Mayor Jack Engeström and state Sen. Laura To, quest soloist is Cantor Harry Sturm, at 31840 West Seven Mile, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia. The public is welcome. For more information, call (248) 477-8974.



#### BETTE H. TATAR

Age 84, Sept. 2, 2005. Loving mother of Cynthia (Paul) Schaffer and Carla (Robert) Allen-Myrold. Proud grandmother of Nathan and Ali Schaffer and Timothy Allen. Great-grandmother of Zackery and Ana Schaffer. Also loved by an additional seven great-grandchildren. Visitation Thursday, 10:30-11:30 a.m., followed by funeral service at 11:30 a.m. at Neely-Turovski Funeral Home, 30200 Five Mile Rd., between Merriman and Middlebelt Memorial contributions to The Alzheimer's Association, Family Literacy, or Multiple Sclerosis.



#### BETTY M. BAESSLER

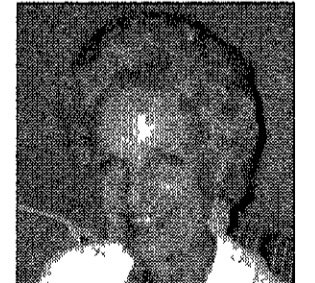
Farmington Musicale and Our Lady of Sorrows Choir member and Providence Hospital volunteer, September 2, 2005. Survived by John, her beloved husband of 59 years. Also survived by her sons, John Jr. (Jane), Robert (Ivove), Thomas (Patricia), Daniel (Janet) and Timothy (Margo); her sister, Ann Betts and 11 grandchildren. Born May 20, 1923, in Flint, MI. Betty worked as a dental assistant in Flint and Detroit for several years during the 1940's. Her favorite vacations were spent with her sister and their two families at a YMCA camp in the Laurel Mountains of Pennsylvania, where she was free to relax without having to cook. The funeral Mass was Wednesday, September 7th, at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Farmington. Interment Farmington Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial tributes suggested to Our Lady of Sorrows' Society of St. Vincent dePaul. Arrangements entrusted to the Heeny-Sundquist Funeral Home, downtown Farmington (248) 474-5200

#### CAPTAIN LOWELL THOMAS, II "TOM" MILLER

Of Monroe, Michigan, formerly of Flint, age 35, died Wednesday, August 31, 2005 in Iskandariyah, Iraq, as the result of small arms fire while on a mission south of Baghdad, Iraq. Funeral service will be held at JPM Saturday, September 10, 2005 at the Swartz Funeral Home, 1225 West Hill Road, in Flint. Tom's youth minister, Steven Ferguson, will officiate. Cremation will take place following the service and remains will be placed in the columbarium at Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to a scholarship in Tom's name at Virginia Military Institute. Visitation 1-4 and 6-8PM Thursday and Friday and 11AM until the time of the service Saturday at the funeral home. He was born in Virginia Beach, Virginia on March 20, 1970, the son of Lowell T. and Linda (Patterson) Miller and was a resident of Flint most of his life. He married Angela Meyer on July 2, 2005 at Crosswinds Marsh in Wayne County, MI. Tom was a member of Calvary Christian Church, where he accepted Jesus Christ as his savior and was baptized at the age of 8. He was active in youth group, youth choir and Bible Quiz Bowl. As an adult he was a youth sponsor and deacon. Tom graduated from Carman-Ainsworth High School with honors in 1988. He lettered in track and held the school record in the 4X100 meter for six years. He was also on the All State Track Team and was Athlete of the Month in 1988. Tom attended Milligan College in Tennessee and went on to Virginia Military Institute, where he was commissioned Second Lieutenant upon graduation in 1993. He was a first responder with the Virginia Rescue Squad and was a member and president of the VMI Glee Club. He was employed with Yazaki North America in Canton, Michigan as an electrical engineer. Surviving are his wife, Angela of Monroe, MI; his beloved daughters, Danielle, age 11 and Alexandra, age 7, of Flint; parents, Lowell T. (Tom) and Linda Miller of Flint; sister, Jennie Miller of Grand Blanc; brother, IST LT Patrick and wife Esther of Ft. Lewis, WA; niece, Isabella Miller of Ft. Lewis, WA; special aunts, Sharon Weeden and Patti Sage; uncles, Dale Miller of IL, Allen and wife Linda Miller of NV; aunt, Linda and husband Steve Stovall of TX, and many cousins. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Harold and Jennie Patterson, Gus and Pearl Miller and his beloved uncle, Dennis Sage.

#### VERA KOMPOLTOWICZ

Passed away on September 6, 2005 at Marquette House in Westland. Born in Poland, Kompoltowicz came to the U.S. on a boat with her sisters on May 30, 1914. She married her husband, Boleslaw, in 1925 and they had five children - Jenny Siwicki, Sylviat Skrel, Lottie Buchinsky, Raymond and George. Her husband died in 1964, and Kompoltowicz continued to live in Detroit until a two years ago when she moved into the Marquette House in Westland. In addition to her children, she also has 18 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and seven great, great-grandchildren. According to her family, she enjoyed playing cards, especially nickel poker, and bingo. Visitation will be held Thursday, September 8, from 1pm-9pm and the service will be held on Friday, September 9, at 10am at: Griffin Funeral Home, 7707 Middlebelt Road, Westland.



#### BETTY LOUISE SEABAUGH

Age 80, 37 year resident of Rancho Bernardo, CA, died August 22, 2005. Betty was born June 11, 1925 in Meyerdale, PA. She was a homemaker for 58 years. Betty was preceded in death by her husband, Irvin J. Brower who passed in 1968 and survived by her husband/partner of 31 years, Davis A. Seabaugh of Rancho, CA; sons: Robert J. Brower of New Castle, WA and Thomas P. Brower of El Cajon, CA; stepsons: Scott Seabaugh and Rene Seabaugh, both of Orange County, CA; daughters: Cynthia L. Brower-McBurney of Harrison, MI., Leslie A. Brower-Stancil of Alexandria, VA, and Joan E. Brower of San Diego, CA; brother: John Glyder of Walnut Creek, CA; sister: Susan Ellis of Crownsville, Maryland; grandchildren: Sarah, Matthew and Stephani and one great-grandchild: Brandon. Services will be held at Pine Lake Cemetery in Highland, MI on September 10, 2005 at 11:00am. Send donations to: Sharp Hospice Care, P.O. Box 3739, La Mesa, CA 91944. Arrangements by: Alhiser-Comer Mortuary, Escondido, CA.

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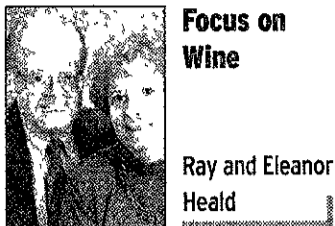
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If you're planning a trip to Paris, you're among 58 million Americans who've traveled or are planning to travel outside the United States this year. Currently, there are some fantastic airline deals to Paris. Weakness of the U.S. dollar may make a difference in your hotel choice but if you're looking for tasty French dishes at reasonable prices, try a wine bar.

Readers also indicated that they want to try unusual wines. OK, how about a Domaine d'Arretxea Irouléguy from the Basque region of southwest France? Made from tannat, cabernet sauvignon and cabernet franc, this wine creates a unique pairing with Confit de Canard at legendary Willi's Wine Bar in Paris.

PLEASE SEE CULTURE, B8



## Pick a peck of ... Farmers markets sell off harvest

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Jeff Pavlik, co-owner of the Farmington Bakery, enjoys setting up his booth at the Farmington Farmers Market every Saturday.

Pavlik uses Michigan produce in his baked goods. In spring he'll use fresh rhubarb in a pie. This time of year, he'll get some zucchini, fresh from the farmers, and bake it with chocolate chips for another pie.

"We're able to take those fruits and vegetables they offer and use them," Pavlik said.

Pavlik serves on a committee that oversees the Farmington farmers market. He sees firsthand the bond created by farmers and customers at these markets, enough so that farmers know their customers' names and their produce preferences.

"One of the distinct differences (between a farmers market and a super-market) is the relationship between the customers and the farmers," said Pavlik.

From Livonia and Plymouth to Rochester and Clarkston, consumers in the Detroit area head to farmers markets on weekends to enjoy the outdoor market setting, which carries a sense of nostalgia for days of roadside stands in rural farming communities. Right now, these stands sell everything from tomatoes, peppers and corn to squash, berries, lettuce and eggplant.

Nancy Voges, administrative assistant in Rochester who manages the Rochester market, said about 75 percent of the vendors are selling produce. Customers know that, so these markets get busier during the summer months.

"The number-one reason is the fresh

PLEASE SEE MARKET, B10

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A stir-fry featuring shrimp and sweet summer corn makes a quick and colorful meal.

# Shrimp, corn stir-fry makes colorful dish

BY DANA JACOBI  
CORRESPONDENT

If you like shrimp, as many do (it's the best selling seafood in America), and love sweet summer corn, here is the perfect dish for a quick and colorful meal.

If you get carried away buying ears of fresh corn, this skillet stir-fry is also an ideal way to use any ears still around after a day or two, including those that have been cooked and are leftover. (Fresh corn is needed to make this dish - frozen or canned kernels turn mushy.)

Because this stir-fry features a few, clear flavors, you want to use the best ingredients possible. That is easy for the corn and other vegetables.

Getting the shrimp at a reliable fish store or the counter of a good supermarket helps, but most offer several kinds, as well as shrimp in several sizes. Which do you want?

First, there are hundreds of species of shrimp. White, pink, brown and black tiger shrimp all taste different. So do shrimp that come from China, Vietnam, Ecuador, Mexico or

other places, which, even when they are the same color, may be different species.

To find out which you prefer, try boiling up a few of every kind you can get at one time. See which taste sweeter, milder, or faintly like iodine, and have a better texture.

Although you may find fresh shrimp, the vast majority are, or have been, frozen. (Truly fresh shrimp are usually worth any higher cost, as they taste sweeter and their texture is tender yet firm.) There are now also farmed organic shrimp, fed on organic meal.

Size, irrelevant to flavor, affects price. Using the smallest ones you are willing to clean will keep the cost down and give more shrimp per serving.

Clean the vein only if it is dark and gritty. Or use rock shrimp, which are always sold peeled and have no vein.

**SHRIMP AND CORN WITH BASIL**  
2 tablespoons butter  
1 small red onion, chopped  
1/4 lb medium shrimp, shelled  
Kernels cut from 3 ears fresh

sweet corn, about 1-1/2 cups  
4 scallions, green and white, chopped  
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice  
1 teaspoon grated lemon zest  
Salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste  
6 large basil leaves, cut into thin strips

Melt the butter in a deep medium skillet over medium-high heat. Sauté the onion until translucent, about four minutes. Add the shrimp and corn, mixing occasionally until the shrimp turn pink and are cooked through, about six minutes. Stir in the scallions, lemon juice and zest. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Off the heat, mix in the basil. Divide the sauté among four plates and serve immediately. (Steamed brown rice makes a good accompaniment.)

Makes 4 servings.  
Per serving: 209 calories, 8 g. total fat (4 g. saturated fat), 16 g. carbohydrate, 19 g. protein, 3 g. dietary fiber, 141 mg. sodium.

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

## CULTURE

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### TRADITIONAL SPOTS

Stroll the Quai des Grands-Augustins and step into L'Ecluse at number 15 with a cozy bar ambiance, specializing in Bordeaux wines and a typically French menu.

Located off the Boulevard St. Germain, Le Comptoir du Relais is within easy walking distance of St.-Germain-des-Prés. This small, friendly spot serves wines from major French regions along with cheese plates, charcuterie and French pastries.

At first, La Tartine may appear old and tired. View it as having character, along with being welcoming. It's the kind of place you pass by unless it comes recommended. At lunch, the bar runs full tilt with businessmen. From the printed menu, choose a flavorful Rhone wine to accompany a country sausage platter and a green salad with Bleu d'Auvergne cheese. It's more fun, though, to choose a special from those written on the mirror!

### SLIGHTLY FUNKY

At Le Coude Fou, loosely translated as "the crazy elbow," the ambiance is a blend of tradition balanced by funky warmth, emphasizing wine and savory food. Wines are purchased directly from domaines and there are usually 10 reds and 10 whites open. Request a table near the back where you'll find amusing murals on walls and ceiling. Enjoy eating at tables with tops constructed from Bordeaux box ends.

Les Fous d'en Face, near Le Coude Fou, has outdoor seating, appealing to Parisians, who opt to eat on the terrace even if they have to wear a coat. A handwritten window sign reads, "Goutez les au verre au Compteur." Translation: a server will open a full bottle of wine for the table and patrons pay only for the fraction consumed. Good deal.

Located in the Marais, Au Bourguignon du Marais is classy. Crowded is a good sign. Service is polite, attentive and unhurried. There are à la carte selections and prix-fixe daily specials. The owner, with family in Burgundy, selects high-quality wines from notable producers.

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## WINE PICKS

To better appreciate the taste of Bordeaux wines available at Paris wine bars, practice up on some great **CABERNET SAUVIGNON** and **MERITAGE** blends from California.

**PICK OF THE PACK:** 2002 Flora Springs Trilogy (Meritage), \$60, a wine to cellar for a few years.

**INCREDIBLE VALUE:** 2002 Byington Alliance, \$24, (Bordeaux varieties with 9 percent syrah).

**QUITE DELICIOUS:** 2001 Valley of the Moon Cuvee La Luna, \$30; 2002 Flora Springs Napa Valley, \$30; and 2002 Gundlach Bundschu Rhinefarm Vineyard, \$32.

**BEST UNDER \$20:** 2002 Sebastiani Sonoma County, \$17; 2002 Toasted Head, \$17; 2002 Kenwood Sonoma County, \$18; and 2003 Big Yellow, \$11.

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

Paris wine bars are listed below in order by arrondissement (district). Except where noted, all are open daily except Sunday.

### FIRST ARRONDISSEMENT

Lavinia, 3/5 Blvd de la Madeleine. Metro: Madeleine  
Willi's Wine Bar, 13 rue des Petits-Champs. Metro: Pyramides

### FOURTH ARRONDISSEMENT (MARAIS)

La Tartine (closed Tuesday), 24 rue de Rivoli. Metro: Saint-Paul  
Le Coude Fou, 16, rue Bourg-Tibourg. Metro: Hôtel-de-Ville Les Fous d'en Face, 3, rue Bourg-Tibourg. Metro: Hôtel-de-Ville Au Bourguignon du Marais, 52 rue Francois Miron at rue du Jouy. Metro: St. Paul.

### FIFTH ARRONDISSEMENT

Le Mauzac (reservations required; closed Saturday evening and Sunday), 7 rue de l'Abbé-de-l'Épée. Metro: RER  
Luxembourg Café de la Nouvelle Mairie (closed Saturday and Sunday), 19 rue des Fosses-Saint-Jacques. Metro: RER  
Luxembourg. No credit cards.

### SIXTH ARRONDISSEMENT

L'Ecluse (open daily), 15 quai des Grands-Augustins. Metro: Saint-Michel Le Comptoir du Relais, 5, carrefour de l'Odéon. Metro: Odéon

wine shops of the world, boasting 3,000 French wines, 2,000 wines of the world and 1,000 spirits. At the wine bar on the third level, you can enjoy lunch or a selection of small plates with your choice of 40 wines by the glass.

Christened after the grape of the same name, grown in France's southwest appellations of Gaillac and Limoux, Le Mauzac is an educational experience. There, taste Robert Plageoles Mauzac Rouge, a soft, easy-to-drink wine.

Café de la Nouvelle Mairie, a café cum wine bar, is crowded at lunch, so be patient. The

host will find a table for you and move the chalk board menu closer. A chalk board wine list located above the mirrors includes 10 whites and 10 reds. On warm days, select an outdoor table overlooking a small park. Be prepared to pay cash.

In Paris, if you're looking for a different "round," try a wine bar.

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## WINE CALENDAR

### Wine Tasting

Enjoy a Kosher Wine Tasting Adventure and Bloom's Jewish Cuisine, featuring over 100 kosher wines from around the world 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22 at the Vineyard Marketplace Cafe and Catering, 32418 Northwestern Highway (between Middlebelt and 14 Mile) in Farmington Hills. The event is hosted by Vineyard Marketplace, Vineyard Wine Cellar, Bloom's Jewish Cuisine, Deli Basket, Nibbles and Nuts, Maggie's Chocolates and Maggie's Chocolate Fountains. Tickets are \$30 per person. Call (248) 855-9463 for information.

### Wine Exploration

The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, has scheduled a Wine Exploration Series on Wednesday nights. The classes will take place 7:30-9:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. You must be 21 years of age to attend the wine classes. Cost is \$162 for seven sessions. To register or for more information, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com. Nidal Daher and Marc Jonna will be the instructors. Daher, certified sommelier, has been working in the wine industry covering restaurants, hotels, retail and consulting for wholesale distributors for more than 15 years. Daher was wine director, event sommelier and catalog scriber for the Detroit International Wine Auction. He is a professional

member of the French gourmet society Chaine De Rotisseurs, founder and president of the wine consulting company Sommelier Connections Inc. and Unique Wine Cellars for custom designing and building of wine cellars and cooling equipment.

Jonna, national wine buyer for Whole Foods Market, has been in the retail wine business for more than 17 years. He assisted in the production of wine in France and visited wine regions in Europe and North America.

Classes in the series are:  
■ An Introduction to Wine, 7:30-10 p.m. Sept. 14 (one session, \$29). Enjoy a casual and uncomplicated introduction into the world of wine, suited for both the novice as well as the slightly experienced. This is a great foundation course for taking further wine classes. Topics include wine grapes varieties, wine making techniques, types of wines and wine labels, and proper wine storage. Evaluate and rate wines while tasting six wines representing different regions around the world. Learn to identify and read wine labels and order from a restaurant wine list.

■ California and the Pacific Northwest, Sept. 21 (one session, \$29). Discover wines of California, Oregon and Washington state. Learn to find the values as well as highly acclaimed and rare wines from these regions. Learn to discern the differences between varieties and how to optimally match wines with appropriate meals. A parallel-tasting of eight wines representing these

areas is included.  
■ French Wines, Sept. 28 (one session, \$26). Receive an introduction to wines from Bordeaux, Loire, Alsace and lesser-known areas. Learn about the variety of French wines and how to read appellations, distinguish between vintages and evaluate wines as experts do. Both red and white wines will be tasted.

■ More about French Wines, Oct. 5 (one session, \$26). Enjoy this introduction to wines from Burgundy, the Rhone Valley and Provence. Discover these varieties of French wines by tasting both reds and whites while learning to evaluate wines as experts do.

■ Italian Wines, Oct. 26 (one session, \$26). Take an introductory exploration into the world's largest wine-producing country. Through a step-by-step process, the prominent production regions will be analyzed.

■ The New Worlds of Wine: Australia, Chile, Argentina, South Africa and New Zealand, Nov. 9 (one session, \$26). Instructors will provide eight wines and a clear explanation of the different classifications and breakdowns of the various growing regions.

■ Champagne and Sparkling Wines Nov. 16 (one session, \$26). Learn the history of champagnes and sparkling wines, the regions and the process of producing them. Learn about matching champagne and sparkling wines with food and examples of great matches. A tasting of six different champagnes and sparkling wines is included.

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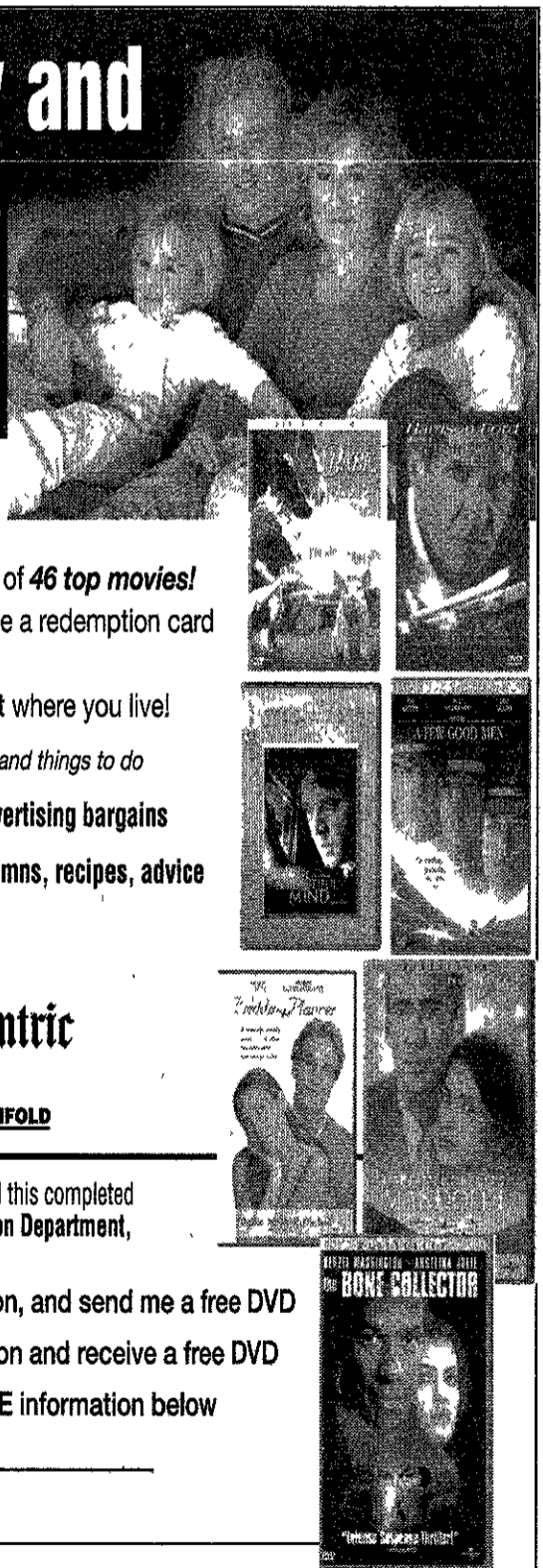
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**Schoolcraft classes**  
 Enjoy the following culinary seminars at the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty (between Six and Seven Mile roads), in Livonia this fall. For more information, call Continuing Education Services at (734) 462-4448 or visit www.schoolcraft.edu

**Cooking 101: Skill Development**  
 Learn basic cooking terminology and techniques, and how to properly use basic knives and hand tools. To make sure you stay healthy and happy, discover safe and sanitary methods for food preparation. This two-day course, instructed by certified master chef Jeff Gabriel, is a prerequisite for all Schoolcraft College's Culinary Education hands-on Culinary Arts

classes or you'll need chef's approval for those classes. Cooking 101 is scheduled for 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20 and 5-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21. Fee is \$105 and \$84 for seniors.

**Swiss Chocolates**  
 Acquire chocolate knowledge. Enjoy demonstrations of how to temper chocolate, produce hollow shells, dip chocolate, and caramel dipping techniques. Class is scheduled 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22 and taught by certified master pastry chef Joe Decker. Fee is \$98 and \$78.40 for seniors.

**Hands-On**  
 Note: Hands-On classes have a prerequisite of the Cooking 101: Skill Development class listed above or instructor's approval. Plan to wear a

white chef's jacket, dark pants and comfortable shoes for all hands-on classes. Please prepare a tool kit with the following: a set of knives, peeler, spatula, dough cutter, thermometer and measuring spoons. Visit Web site www.schoolcraft.edu for more information on these classes and others. International Breads, 5-9 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 6; Cooking with an Asian Flair, 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11; Basic Cajun & Creole Cooking, two days, 6-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22.

**The Community House**  
 The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, has scheduled fall cooking classes. Each class will take place 7:30-9:30

p.m. and has a fee of \$30. To register, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit www.community-house.com.

In Pan Searing and Sautéing Seafood (Wednesday, Sept. 14), learn about the different categories of fish, how to inspect for quality and freshness, and two styles of preparing them. Instructor is Freeman E. Gunnell, who recently received the prestigious International Association of Culinary Professionals Pastry Award to study at Ecole Lenotre in Paris. Expanding Your Palette with Herbs and Spices (Wednesday, Sept. 21) will also be taught by Gunnell. Enhance your cooking by learning how

to match your ingredients with herbs and spices. Equally important, learn when to use them in the cooking process.

Wanna Try Something a Little Different? will take place Tuesday, Sept. 27. Join Peter Engelhardt, Executive Chef at The Community House, in preparation of this three-course meal that will appeal to all of your senses: thyme-scented mushrooms on bibb lettuce, sautéed shrimp with feta, marsala with couscous. Top it off with peppermint ice cream pie. Engelhardt moved here from Atlanta, where he was the executive chef for Turner Field and Philips Arena. He graduated with degrees in culinary arts and food management from Johnson and Wales University in Providence

**SIDE DISH**

**Free coffee**

McDonald's customers are welcome to a free cup of coffee as part of a test market of a new premium blend on Wednesdays throughout the month of September. Patrons can receive a free 12-ounce cup at the drive-thru and in the restaurant. The offer is limited to one per customer. Metro Detroit and Michigan have served as test markets for premium roast coffee. A national launch is expected next year.

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**What is crispbread?**

Crispbread is a favorite European, especially Scandinavian, kind of flatbread, made with rye and other whole grains. Supermarkets in the United States carry varieties of these crunchy crackers, to pair with savory or sweet toppings. A free color brochure, *Wasa: Whole Grains for Wholesome Living*, offering ideas and tips for using these low-fat alternatives to bread, including 16 recipes, may be downloaded at www.wasa-usa.com, or ordered by calling toll-free (800) 924-9272.

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# Marinade chicken in low-fat diablo

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

This chicken dish with its grilled mushroom skewers fra diavolo packs a punch in the bold flavors of the marinade-sauce, and in the touch of jalapeno added to each skewer.

Happily, the high-powered flavor is achieved through the smart use of ingredients with a low-fat reading – and that should please those keeping an eye on nutritional value.

Note: The chicken can be cooked using either an outdoor grill or a broiler.

## CHICKEN WITH GRILLED MUSHROOM SKEWERS FRA DIAVOLO

1 1/2 pounds boneless, skinless chicken breasts

Diablo Marinade (recipe follows)  
1 pound fresh medium-sized white mushrooms, halved

1 large red bell pepper, cut into 16 pieces  
8 small jalapeno peppers, with stem ends, seeds and ribs removed  
1 tablespoon flour  
1 cup chopped tomato

In a large resealable plastic bag, place chicken breasts; add Diablo Marinade; marinate for at least 15 minutes turning twice or refrigerate for up to 12 hours.

Just before cooking, preheat broiler or outdoor grill. On 8 metal or presoaked bamboo skewers alternately skewer mushrooms and bell pepper pieces, placing a jalapeno at the end of each skewer. Remove chicken from marinade, reserving marinade. Place chicken on a grill or on a rack in a broiler pan; cook 5 minutes.

Place mushroom kebabs on the grill; brush chicken and mushrooms with some of the

reserved marinade. Cook, turning, until chicken is cooked through and mushrooms are tender, about 10 minutes longer.

Meanwhile, transfer remaining marinade to a medium saucepan. Whisk in flour, then add tomatoes. Over medium heat, bring to a boil; reduce heat to low and simmer, stirring occasionally, until slightly thickened, about 5 minutes; spoon over chicken and mushrooms.

Makes 4 servings.

**Diablo Marinade:** In a bowl, combine 1 cup dry white wine, 1/2 cup finely chopped onion, 2 teaspoons minced garlic, 1/2 teaspoon Italian seasoning, 1/4 teaspoon salt, and 1/4 teaspoon red pepper flakes.

Nutrition information per serving: 260 cal., 38 g pro., 16 g carbo., 5 g total fat (1 g saturated), 4 g fiber.

Recipe developed for AP by the Mushroom Information Center.

## MARKET

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produce or product," Voges said. "There's variety, they interact with the farmer and it's a social occasion where they meet neighbors. It's a wonderful atmosphere. They are supporting local farmers, and they can buy corn that was picked that very same day."

Voges believes the market has been a success. "We've had longevity with the vendors, as many have been here from the start. They've established a relationship with the customers and they feel the consistency is wonderful for them. They know exactly what they've got. They believe the community has embraced them."

Voges also draws a customer's name each week to obtain a free basket the following week containing one item from each vendor, another plus to the visitors of the farmers market.

Birmingham's market is now in its third year. "We've had a longer season due to its popularity," Stephanie Jacobson, chairperson and co-founder of Birmingham Farmers Market, said. Along with produce, Birmingham also offers food for purchase to visitors, such as an omelet at breakfast or hot dog for lunch.

"It's a wonderful time for the market," she said. Corn is being roasted at it as well, offered along with melon, cantaloupe and peppers in recent weeks.

Farmers markets are traditionally scheduled on Saturdays, but Birmingham organizers decided on Sunday. "We wanted to have it on Sunday morning. Families are on the go six days a week and we wanted to have it when they have a little down time. Sunday

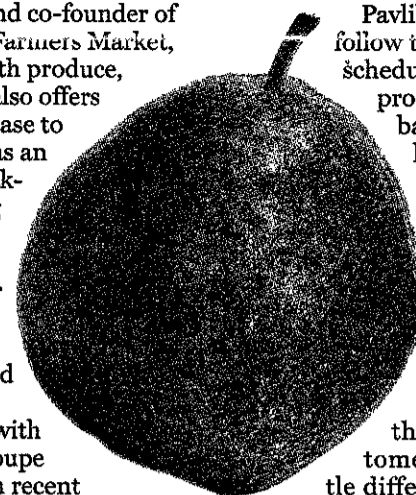
is more of a family time, and they can get together and relax. It's a great gathering spot," Jacobson said.

Pavlik expects to follow the farmer's schedule of seasonal produce with his baked goods, like apples in September.

Of course, he'll have pumpkin goodies in October.

Pavlik believes these customers are a little different from what he expects and traditionally gets at the bakery. "People at the farmers market tend to be a bit more adventurous. This week we'll have lavender lemon pound cake."

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## EVENTS

### Arts & Apples Festival

Pancake Breakfast in the Park is scheduled Saturday, Sept. 10 and Sunday, Sept. 11 at the Rochester Community House, along with the Old-Fashioned Corn Roast and Ice Cream Party during the Arts & Apples Festival. For more information visit [www.rochestercommhouse.org](http://www.rochestercommhouse.org) or phone (248) 651-0622.

### Novi

Sending kids back to school in better health is the goal of a free fun-filled weekend for kids at Better Health Store, 42875 Grand River in Novi, Saturday Sept. 10 through Monday, Sept. 12.

Children can enjoy an ice cream social, face painting, coloring contests and healthy lunch samples, while parents get nutrition information and store tours from health expert Lydia Fields. The schedule of events is: Ice Cream Social, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday; Face Painting, Coloring Contest and Games, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday; Healthy Lunch Samples, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday through Monday, and store tours and children's health discussion with Fields, 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday and 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday. Better Health in Novi offers fresh, all-natural organically grown produce, grains, meats, wine and beer, pastas, soups, fish, fresh juice bar and more. For more information please call (248) 735-8100 or visit [www.thebetterhealthstores.com](http://www.thebetterhealthstores.com).

### Rochester

Let's Go to Italy is scheduled 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27 at the Rochester Community House, 816 Ludlow in Rochester. This class helps you to discover the secrets of Italy from the experts. Reawaken your love of food, wine, art and travel. There is no fee for the class, but call the Rochester Community House at (248) 651-0622 to reserve your spot.

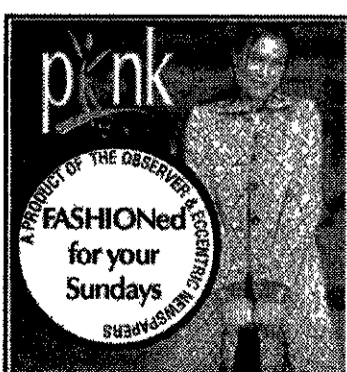
A "Tour de France" wine dinner will be prepared by Chef Dan Vernia and wines selected by Jean-Jacques Fertal 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19 at the Rochester Community House. The two will work together to create harmony between the foods and the wine. Call (248) 651-0622 for reservations. Dinner is \$65 per person.

Music, Tea and Me allows guests to enjoy an evening of music and meditation to renew your spirit and empower your life. Relax before the holidays with a cup of tea and bring a good friend to the Rochester Community House 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7. Call (248) 651-0622 for information.

### Birmingham

A little bit of Munich comes to Birmingham this fall. Our Shepherd Lutheran Church hosts its first Oktoberfest celebration noon-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24.

This year's event features a seven-piece traditional German band in main tent 6-10 p.m., solo accordion player and singer in main tent 1-4 p.m., beer and wine in main tent and delicious German foods from Winter's Sausage, along with carnival-style games, video arcade games, moonwalks and face painting. Admission to the grounds is free all day. Admission to the entertainment tent is \$5 for people 16 years and over. Tickets for the general public are on sale now at the church office. Our Shepherd Lutheran Church is located at 2225 E. 14 Mile Road in Birmingham, near Woodward. For more information about the Oktoberfest, please call (248) 646-6100 or (248) 399-1101.



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## Energy surge lifts Brighton over Salem

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

During a third-quarter timeout Tuesday night, Brighton girls basketball coach Jason Piepho begged his team to amp up its energy level against Salem.

Piepho must have hit the right switch. A short time after the break, the taller, more experienced Bulldogs turned a close game into an anti-climactic 43-29 victory in the Rocks' gym. The victory improve Brighton's record to 2-0 while Salem slipped to 1-1.

"The game got away from us late in the

third quarter and early in the fourth," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "We didn't do a good job of dealing with their pressure during that time, and before we knew it, a two- to four-point game turned into an eight-point game."

"Their size was a factor along with their defensive pressure. You don't get a lot of good looks against that team."

The game's momentum slipped on a Bulldog jersey about the same time Brighton slapped a more aggressive, trap-



Coppellie

ping defense on the Rocks' young back-court. The defense not only forced turnovers, but it created easy baskets on the other end for the visitors. Brighton canned 5-of-6 fourth-quarter shots while the Rocks managed to connect on just 1-of-12. "Overall, I thought our guards did a decent job tonight," Thomann said. "Defensively, they didn't back down. We're young. We have one starter back and I

think they have three back. I'd like to get a chance to face them again later in the season."

Junior forward Teresa Coppellie was the Rocks' lone consistent offensive threat, finishing with 12 points and 10 rebounds. Junior forward Lauren Kurtz added six and Tayler Langham netted four.

Chelsea Albert paced the Bulldogs with 13 points and five rebounds. Guard Shannon Murphy twined 10 points and Kirstie Malone contributed seven.

Salem's biggest — and last — lead came

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## 8 costly minutes

Poor 3rd quarter dooms PCA cagers

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

If mulligans were allowed in basketball, Plymouth Christian Academy would no doubt have elected to take one immediately following the third quarter of Tuesday night's game at Livonia Clarenceville.

The Eagles dropped a 48-42 decision to the Trojans thanks largely to a sub-par third quarter when the host Trojans outscored them 16-5.

"If we could re-play that quarter, we'd be OK," quipped PCA coach Carol Gerulis. "We turned the ball over quite a bit in the third, which hurt us. They pressed a little more in the third than they had been. We had a couple of open looks, but we threw the ball away too much."

The loss dropped the Eagles to 2-1 while the Clarenceville improved to 3-0 with the win.

Kelsie Tietjen turned in a strong effort for PCA, netting 13 points and 16 rebounds. Stephanie Auwers contributed nine points while Lauren Beckett chipped in with eight rebounds and six points.

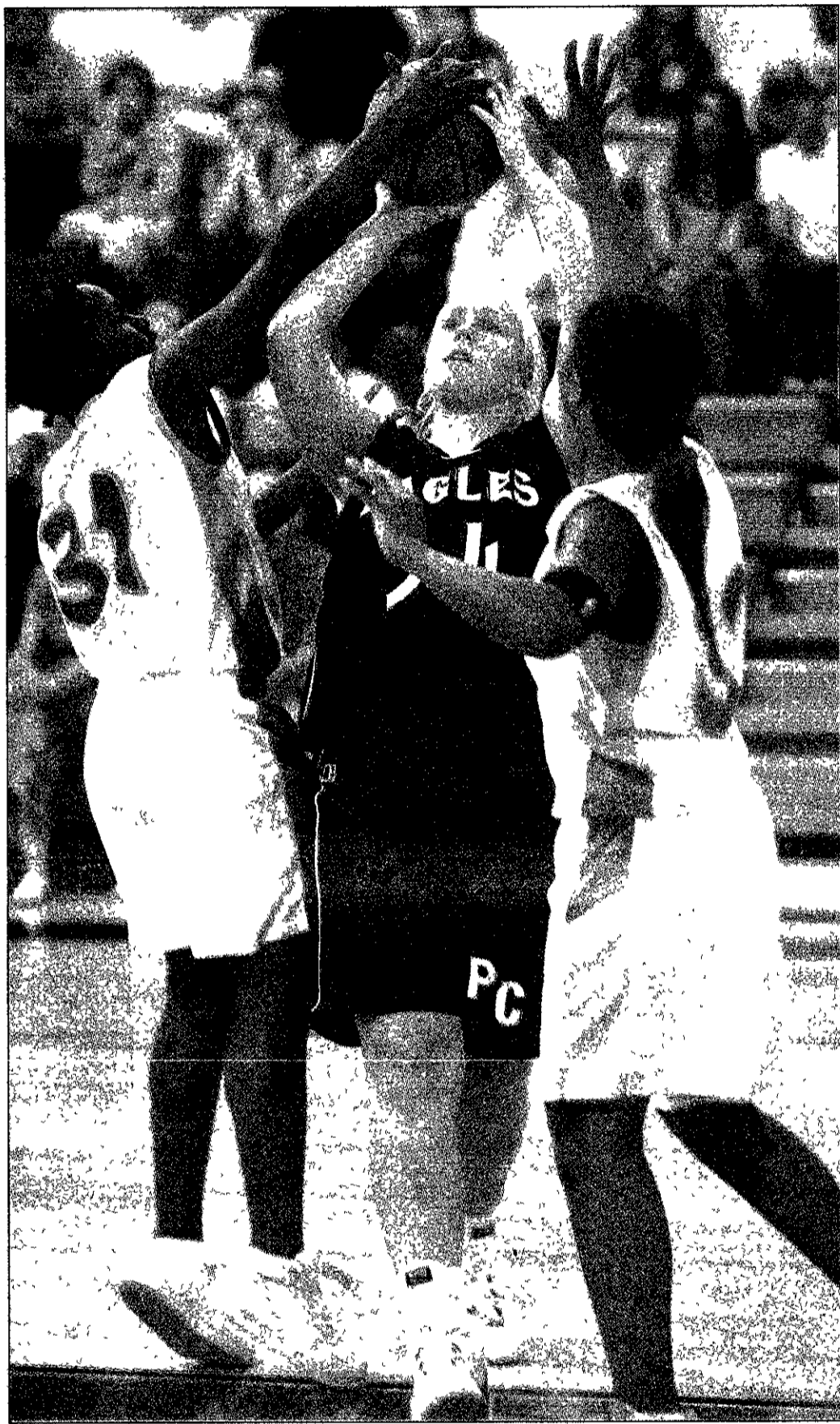
Sarah Ross did a stellar job of running the Eagles' offense, dishing out a game-high seven assists.

The Trojans were paced by the dynamic duo of Amanda Moody (21 points) and Ashley Myree (19 points, 15 rebounds and six steals.)

"Those two stepped up and played well when we needed them," Clarenceville coach Julie Patterson said. "When we needed them they came through."

"They're a good team with big

PLEASE SEE PCA, C2



Plymouth Christian Academy's Stephanie Auwers releases a shot with a pair of Livonia Clarenceville players in her face during Tuesday night's non-conference game at Clarenceville. The Trojans prevailed, 48-42.

## It feels odd with CC out of the area

I know the football games have started. But it still feels weird not being able to write about longtime Observerland juggernaut Redford Catholic Central, now basking in the glory of its Novi relocation and 4,500-seat facility.

And it is also strange not reporting about Redford Bishop Borgess, which now is Redford Covenant. They are still the Spartans, however. So that is at least of some comfort. But then again, Covenant isn't playing a full schedule, so that is another change to deal with.

But both Redford Thurston and

Redford Union are taking up the provincial slack, jumping out to unbeaten starts in the Mega Conference, despite losing key players to graduation such as Thurston's Brandon Baity and RU's Ian Iler.

Some might say the departure of the Shamrocks from our coverage area is a good thing, enabling more space in the paper for the other schools. But no one can deny that Catholic Central always made things interesting, in football and other sports as well.

Without the Shamrocks to deal with, other compelling teams, players and their stories certainly will emerge as the leaves start tumbling.

Over at Plymouth High School, the first-ever senior class — led by quarterback Brent Jones — is sparking the Wildcats to early season success. Plymouth takes a 2-0



Grid Picks

Tim Smith

PLEASE SEE PICKS, C8

## Whalers open pre-season with win

It's a start.

The Plymouth Whalers opened their 2005 pre-season schedule with a 6-5 victory over the Windsor Spitfires Saturday afternoon at the Compuware Sports Arena.

The Whalers trailed 3-0 in the first period before storming back to grab a 4-3 advantage in the second stanza.

The game seesawed back and forth before Philadelphia Flyers draftee Gino Pisellini knocked the game-winner into the back of the net with 10:55 left to play in the third quarter.

Ryan Stephenson led the Plymouth attack with a pair of goals. Whaler center Andrew Fournier, who is returning from a sliced Achilles' tendon, racked up a goal and two assists to earn first-star recognition.

James Neal and Jared Boll also scored for the winners.

Steve Downie, a first-round selection of the Philadelphia Flyers, scored twice for Windsor. Rookie Andrew Wild added a pair of goals and Corey McGillis lit the lamp once.

As with most Ontario Hockey League preseason games, the Whalers played mostly rookies. Plymouth veterans John Armstrong, Dan Collins, Justin Garay, Mike Letizia and Zack Shepley all sat out.

"We wanted to see Joe Gaynor, Chris Terry, Ondrej Otcenas, Brett Bellemore and all the young guys," said Plymouth President, General Manager and Head Coach Mike Vellucci. "I thought they played pretty well



PLYMOUTH WHALERS PHOTO

Plymouth Whalers goalie Ryan Nie, shown making a save last year against the Sarnia Sting, was in front of the net for half the game in the team's 6-5 preseason victory over Windsor Saturday.

considering it was the first game for everyone."

Plymouth outshot Windsor, 42-31.

Ryan Nie started in goal for the Whalers before being relieved by rookie Jeremy Smith mid-way through the second period. Veteran Kyle Knechtel started in goal for Windsor. He was replaced in the second period by rookie Jake Fischer.

Plymouth travels to Sarnia on Friday before returning home to host the Sting Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at the Compuware Sports Arena.

## P-CEP soccer set to celebrate 25 years

The 25th season of boys high school soccer at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park will be celebrated on Saturday, Oct. 8, with an Alumni Day Celebration.

The special day will kick off with an alumni game that is set to begin at 4:30 p.m. at the P-CEP varsity soccer stadium. Pre-game announcements will begin at about 4:15 p.m.

Following the alumni match, the 2005 Canton and Salem junior-varsity squads will square off. The day will be capped by a showdown between the Chiefs and Rocks varsity teams.

Prior to the varsity game, seniors from both teams will be recognized.

"This promises to be a thrilling match for all alumni players, and it is hoped that the community will join in the excitement as well," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy.

Any youth soccer player wearing his or her team uniform will be admitted free.

Any Canton alumni interested in participating in the event should contact George Tomasso at (734) 812-2290. Salem alums should contact either McCarthy at (248) 561-2846; John Truskowski at (248) 207-1139; or Scott Duhl at (734) 891-6272.

All former players are encouraged to contact the above-listed individuals as soon as possible.

## Sidelines

### MU dedicates field

Saturday, Oct. 8, stands to be a special day for Madonna University and the Ilitch family.

On that day, Madonna's baseball field will be renamed "Ilitch Ballpark" with a new state-of-the-art scoreboard displaying the new name prior to MU's annual alumni game.

The dedication of the 3-year-old field will be at 1 p.m., following a free clinic being put on by the 2005 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference baseball champions.

It is expected that Mike and Marian Ilitch - owners of the Detroit Tigers and Red Wings - will be on hand for the ceremony. Others set to participate are Detroit Tigers Hall of Famer Al Kaline, former slugging outfielder Willie Horton and current Tigers president/GM Dave Dombrowski.

The Ilitches are being honored by Madonna and the Livonia community "for their generous support of the university and lifelong commitment to youth and sport," according to a Madonna University Sports Information press release.

Call (734) 432-5608.

### Hole-in-one

Canton resident Chris Walls aced the 175-yard eighth hole at the Woodlands of Van Buren golf course Friday, Sept. 2. Walls used a six iron and fired a round of 83. The shot was witnessed by Chuck Daniels, Al Nolen and James Thomas.

### Pompon clinic

The Canton varsity Chiefettes pompon team will hold its annual "Kids Clinic" from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 17, in the Canton High School cafeteria. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The clinic is open to girls between the ages of 5 and 13. The cost of the clinic is \$35, which includes a T-shirt and snack. Registration packets are available in all P-C elementary and middle school general offices.

### Palazzolo shines

Salem graduate Tavio Palazzolo collected six saves as the Albion College men's soccer team opened its season with a 3-2 overtime victory over the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh and a 4-1 triumph over Heidelberg College over the Labor Day weekend.

Palazzolo logged 187:50 minutes and crafted a 1.44 goals-against average.

### MU alumni softball

Sunday, Sept. 25, is another big day for Madonna University, with the annual women's softball alumni game.

The game is scheduled for 1 p.m. at Madonna University Field.

Crusaders head coach Al White is looking for former players to come back and compete.

For more information, contact White at (734) 432-5783.

# PCA cagers to push ball up the court

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

If you like push-the-ball-up-the-court, fast-paced basketball, you'll enjoy watching Plymouth Christian Academy this fall. Playing defense against them may not be quite as pleasurable.

"So far, it looks like we're going to be good at getting the ball of the court and getting easy baskets at the rim," said first-year coach Carol Gerulis, who takes over for Harvey Jennings. "Instinctively, the girls we have on this team like to run and fast-break."

"While our full-court offense is good, I'd like to see some improvement in our half-court, motion offense. That's something that will come with more practice."

## PREP HOOP PREVIEW

Gone from last year's .500 team are leading scorer Joi Jennings, the daughter of Harvey, who transferred to Birmingham Marian; and graduated seniors Katie Polera, Holly Johnson and Lauren Soblesky.

"We're very young this year," said Gerulis, who served as an assistant coach at Canton for 16 years before moving to PCA last season to coach the boys junior-varsity squad. "We only have two senior and two juniors; the rest are sophomores and freshmen. I'm pretty confident though that we're going to have a good season. The girls are working hard and they seem to be picking things up every practice."

The top returners from last year's team are seniors Kelsey Tiejten (5-foot-9) and Stephanie Auwers (5-10).

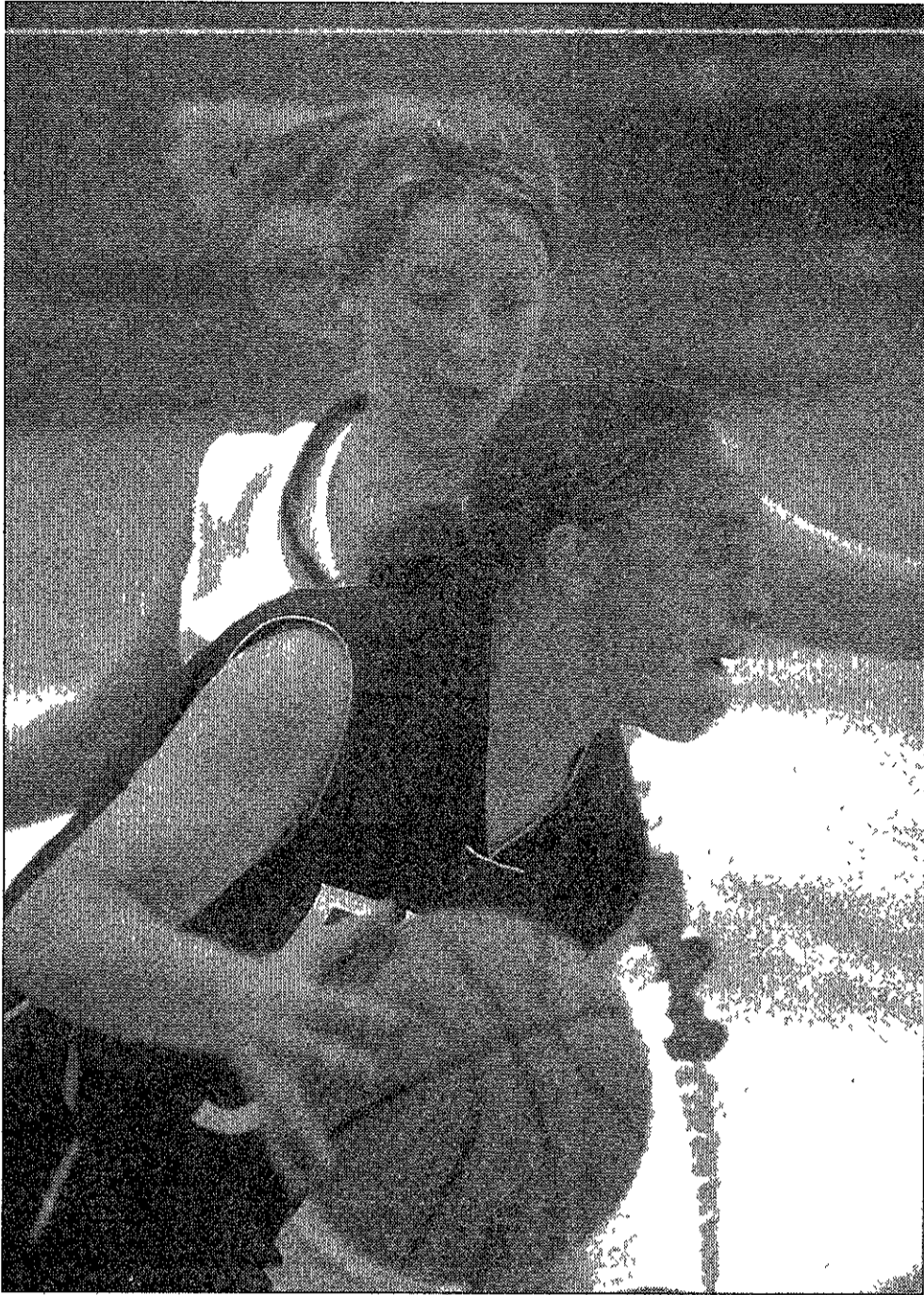
"Kelsey has a great attitude, she can rebound well and score at the basket," Gerulis said. "She's a fun player to watch."

"Stephanie is a good rebounder and is very strong inside. She gets a lot of put-back baskets."

Joining Tietjen and Auwers in the starting line-up are junior forward Lauren Beckett (5-10) and 5-5 sophomore guards Sarah Ross (Gerulis' niece) and Meghan Polera, Katie's sister.

Beckett can score from the inside and outside, and she may be the team's top shot-blocker.

"Sarah is really doing well running the floor," Gerulis noted. "She handles the ball extremely well and understands what is going on out there. She's probably our



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth Christian Academy point guard Sarah Ross will be counted on to distribute the ball, play defense and score for the Eagles this season.

best outside shooter, too.

"Meghan loves to run on the fast-break, so she gets a lot of shots at the rim. She also does a good job of pressuring the other teams' guards."

Serving in a reserve role this season will

be junior Charlotte Daly (5-7), sophomores Tessa Neubacher (5-8) and Sarah Roth (5-4), and 5-8 freshman Brooke Williams.

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# Adrian topples 'Cats with big 2nd half

Kelly Kohn showed why she's a Division 1 college recruit Tuesday night.

The ultra-talented Adrian guard scored 15 second-half points to lead the host Maples to a 39-27 non-conference victory over the Wildcats. Kohn, who is being recruited by Memphis, New Mexico and Kansas among other schools, finished with a game-high 19 points.

The loss dropped the 'Cats to 1-1 while Adrian improved to 2-1.

"Janet Hanchett did a good job holding (Kohn) down in the first half," said Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly. "Plus we did a good job of playing help defense against her. In the second half, she passed the ball

less and started shooting."

Plymouth led 11-8 after one quarter and 18-10 at the half. The Kohn-led Maples played like they were on a mission in the second half, outscoring their visitors 29-9.

"We played real well in the first half and I felt like we could have extended the lead even more than eight," Reilly said. "But Adrian deserves a lot of credit. It was their first home game and they played with a lot of emotion in the second half."

Plymouth was paced by Kim Olech, who scored 12 points and ripped down seven rebounds.

Reilly also praised the effort of Hanchett and Chrystien Guyton.

## PCA

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kids," Patterson said of PCA. "I'm happy we pulled it out at the end."

The game started on an ominous note for the Eagles, who were outscored 12-0 in the opening minutes.

"We probably missed six layups in the first quarter," Gerulis said. "We bounced back well after the rough start, though. We were up five with three minutes to go, and then they blew us out down the stretch."

"The positive thing I take from this game is that we know we can do it. I thought we played good defense and we moved the ball well on offense."

After their rough start, the Eagles trailed just 12-8 after one quarter before seizing a 22-17 halftime advantage.

Clarenceville enjoyed a 33-27 lead with eight minutes to go and hung on for the home win. PCA connected on 10-of-18 free throws while Clarenceville was successful on 8-of-14 tries from the stripe.

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## TENNIS RESULTS

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Tuesday at W.L. Central

No. 1 singles: Erica Rouleau (WLC) def. Alex Ware, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Mo Bohr (S) def. Breckon Dawson, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3; No. 3: Katie Girsakis (S) def. Sara Johnson, 6-4, 6-4; No. 4: Tracy Lytle (S) def. Liz Slusser, 6-2, 6-3.

No. 1 doubles: Allie Rotenburg/Megan Haddad (WLC) def. Laura Burton/Shobha Narasimhan, 7-6(2), 6-2; No. 2: Lauren Arnold/Candice Berry (WLC) def. Dana Anderson/Claire Madill, 6-2, 6-4; No. 3: Michele Gursky/Marina Leybzen (WLC) def. Shailee Patel/Stephanie Simowski, 6-1, 6-4; No. 4: Kait McKinley/Liz McKinley (S) def. Yelena Gazarian/Alex Caorico, 6-1, 6-7(2), 6-2.

# PCA kickers fall to Lutheran Westland, 5-1

He's was certainly a Yankee. Doodle, Dandy as far as the Lutheran High Westland boys soccer team was concerned on Tuesday afternoon.

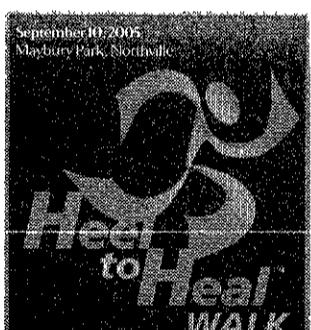
But in Plymouth Christian Academy's view, he was a Damn Yankee as junior forward Aaron Yankee scored three goals to lead the host Warriors to a 5-1 win.

Lutheran Westland is 4-1 overall, while PCA falls to 3-2.

"We're trying to possess the ball more than we have in the past and I was pleased with the way we bumped it around and were able to keep possession, especially on a hard and dry field," Lutheran Westland coach Rick Block said.

Junior Josh Palka and Kyle

Ramthun added one goal each for the Warriors, who led 3-0 at intermission. Senior Kevin Frusti assisted on three of the goals. Kevin Greening and Andy Cave split time in goal and combined for seven saves in the win. PCA senior Thomas Miller broke up the shutout bid in the 55-minute mark to cut the deficit to 3-1.



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
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# MU kickers prepared for a successful season

BY TIM SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

They can play it smart. They can play it tough. They can play it however their opponents want them to.

With an intriguing mix of finesse and grit, the Madonna University men's soccer team could be a challenging puzzle for Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference rivals to figure out.

"Before I would say we played a style that was pretty direct," said Crusaders head coach Tino Scicluna. "This year, I like the fact we can continue to play direct, but we can also possess and play patient soccer."

Of course, the Crusaders already have proven to be a top squad during the regime of Scicluna, who started his third season with Saturday's season opener against Cornerstone University.

"Cornerstone's always a tough team, one of the top three teams in the conference," said Scicluna, a Livonia resident. "Up to now we've matched up pretty well against them. But at this point in time we know we're the team to beat in the conference."

The Crusaders last season - spearheaded by All-WHAC defender Tom Stark - won the WHAC tournament and then lost 3-2 to Bethel College in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Region VIII finals. MU finished 12-6-2 overall, but sported an impressive 9-0-1 conference mark.

Scicluna said the Crusaders played well in a pair of 1-0 pre-season defeats.

"If we continue to play like we did in those games, and

fine tune a couple things, I think we'll be in for another really good season," he emphasized.

## Firepower

Having more offensive threats and overall team balance fuel such optimism. For starters, they have goal-hungry forwards in juniors Rod Asilani, Matt Placek (6 goals, 3 assists in 2004) and Endri Xhaka.

"Those are some of the older guys I would count on to put some goals in the back of the net for us," Scicluna said.

According to Stark, last season's Crusaders relied on the offense of forward Worth Sampson, who scored nine goals and six assists but missed several games due to injury.

"Last year we had one go-to guy up top (Sampson) and he was hurt most of the season," Stark continued. "Now we have five forwards and everybody who is coming off the bench are better soccer players than we had last year."

Other players to watch out for include junior midfielder Derrick Mudri, sophomore midfielder Peter Bierzynski (a Plymouth resident who also went to Schoolcraft College) and freshman forward Bill Sanders, a 5-8 graduate of Livonia Churchill.

"There are some other guys that are young and hungry and I think will be pleasant surprises this year, guys like Peter Bierzynski and Bill Sanders," he said.

## Comeback

An important cog to this season could be Catholic Central alum Pat Griffin, a 5-2 junior who is back with the

Crusaders after a three-season absence. Griffin left college for three years, but was recruited over the winter by Scicluna.

Griffin is one of the team's three co-captains, along with Stark and junior defender Darrel Quinn. They were selected by their teammates.

"The first couple weeks were different because I haven't been around for a while and not used to two-a-days," Griffin explained. "But after the first week or two everything's been fine. I feel alright, I feel confident."

His job will be to "receive the ball and get the ball up to the front to guys like Matt, Rod and Endri, who are going to score the goals. Move it up from the midfield and get those guys involved."

It doesn't hurt having Stark anchoring the defense again. Scicluna described him as "definitely a guy who's always going to be one of the best athletes on the field. He's big, strong and works hard from beginning to end of each game."

Stark is excited to get going on the quest to make it to the nationals.

"My goal is for the team to go to the nationals," said Stark, named a NAIA All-American honorable mention for his outstanding 2004 season. "I don't care about anything else. I've never done that before. Bethel's the team we have to get through."

## Solid defense

The back line also will be fortified by 6-3 Quinn, who only played three games last season before breaking his wrist.

"Right now, I'm feeling

extremely confident in our ability to attack and defend together as a team," Quinn said.

His selection as co-captain is a bonus to just being able to again contribute on the field.

"I'm pleased the teammates think of me highly like that," Quinn said. "I feel every single player is as important as Tom, Pat and I. But for us, we want to make sure things always move in the right direction. That's our role."

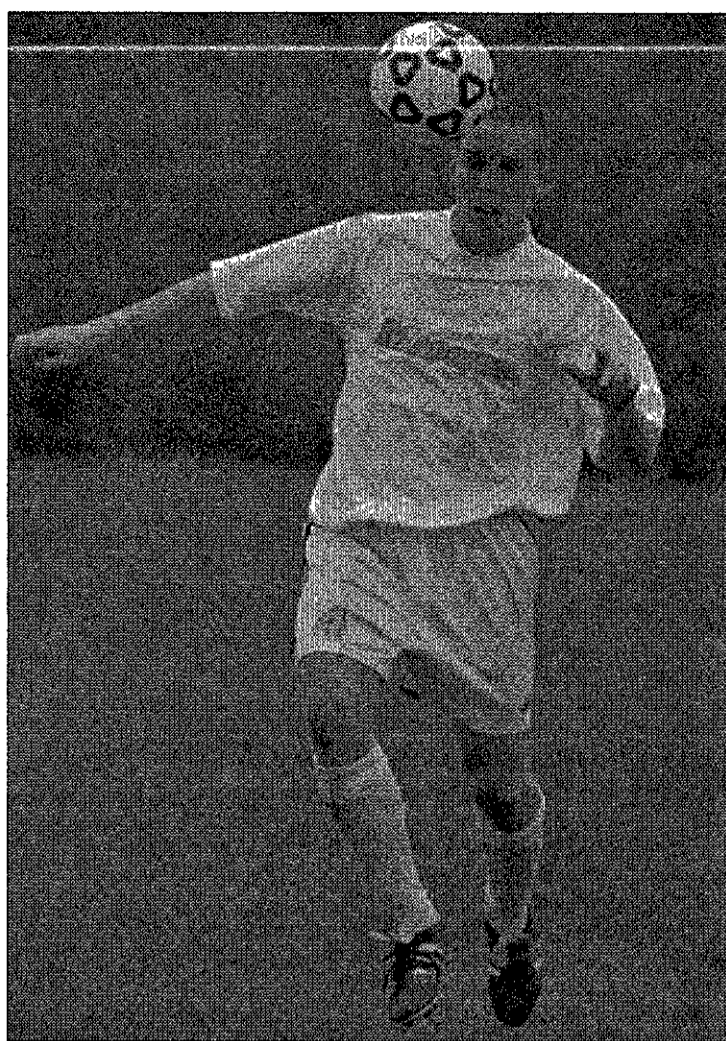
Other top defenders will include seniors Ryan Mallord and Will Friend (Schoolcraft).

Returning in goal will be Walled Lake Central alum Kristofer Lyons, who registered a 1.13 goals against average and 10 shutouts in 18 games last year.

Meanwhile, Scicluna is hopeful his team can avoid the injury problems it had in 2004 and get off to a good start in spite of a schedule that has them on the road for a good chunk of September.

"I think we're deep when I go into the bench," he said, "but hopefully we are blessed this year with a healthy team. That's something that's been tough for us the last couple years."

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# Salem harriers hope for return trip to state meet

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Salem's boys cross country team had a trial Sept. 1. The verdict: The Rocks are a threat to have another successful season.

It was a time trial, not judicial, and coach Geoff Baker was satisfied with the results; however, he did admit the jury is still out on whether or not this team can match the 2004 squad's 14th place finish in the Division 1 state meet.

"I was very pleased with how everyone ran at the time trial last week," said Baker. "The times we had were comparable to those of the last couple of years. Our workouts have been good and most of the boys trained hard over the summer."

"My goal is to make it back to the state meet again. I also want to finish high in the conference, but the Western Lakes is very strong this year. Livonia Churchill will be good again and Walled Lake Central didn't graduate anyone and they were sixth in the state last year. I expect Northville and Livonia Stevenson to be strong, too."

This year's team will be anchored by seniors Dan Kapadia and Jimmy Walsh, both of whom will share the captains' duties with fellow senior Val Gui. Kapadia recorded a personal-best time of 16:15 last year and competed in the D1 state meet.

"Both Dan and Jimmy have all the tools to do very well this year," Baker said. "They're actually complete opposites. Dan practices hard, but he's a racer. Jimmy practices great, but he hasn't been able to pop a big race yet. That's something we're set on helping him achieve."

Other seniors who are expect-

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ed to contribute include Erik Dondzila and Cameron Loftus. "They've been running well," Baker revealed.

Juniors who have impressed Baker so far include Andrew Cassidy and Matt Korovesis. Leading the sophomore class are Kevin DeBear, Justin Kane and Craig Cowing.

"We also have six promising freshmen out this year, which is the most we've had in a while," Baker said.

The Rocks open their season Saturday at the Birmingham Brother Rice Invitational.

## PLYMOUTH

The Wildcats' program will kick it up a gear this year, its first with seniors. However, it is a group of talented juniors that will guide the team to whatever success it enjoys.

"We're looking pretty good so far," said coach Lee Shaw. "We only have two seniors, but we have some talented underclassmen. Next year, we should be very, very good."

Juniors Pat Slavens and Anthony Scaparo should lead the pack for the Wildcats this season. Slavens was a state qualifier in 2004 and earned All-Observerland recognition.

"Pat trained very well this summer," Shaw said. "He is close to the same kind of shape he was in at the end of last year, which is good."

"Anthony is running very good right now. He's well beyond everyone else. He's the one that I always thought would make the state meet, but he had a bad race at the regional last year."

Rounding out the Wildcats'

top six runners are juniors Christian Chagas and Justin Magill; and seniors Nate Kostegian and Jeff Movsesian.

"Christian has trained extremely hard and has improved a lot since last year," Shaw said. "Last year, he was our fourth or fifth man. This year, he's number three."

"Justin runs track and swims, too. He's well-rounded and is a very solid athlete."

Others who will contribute to Plymouth's fortunes include sophomore Alex Noble and freshmen Derek Lax and Ty Schroeder.

## BELLEVILLE

A large roster has veteran coach George DeVore cautiously optimistic heading into the 2005 campaign.

"We have 19 kids out, which is good for us," said DeVore, who has coached the Tigers for the past 13 seasons. "We haven't had this many kids out in a while."

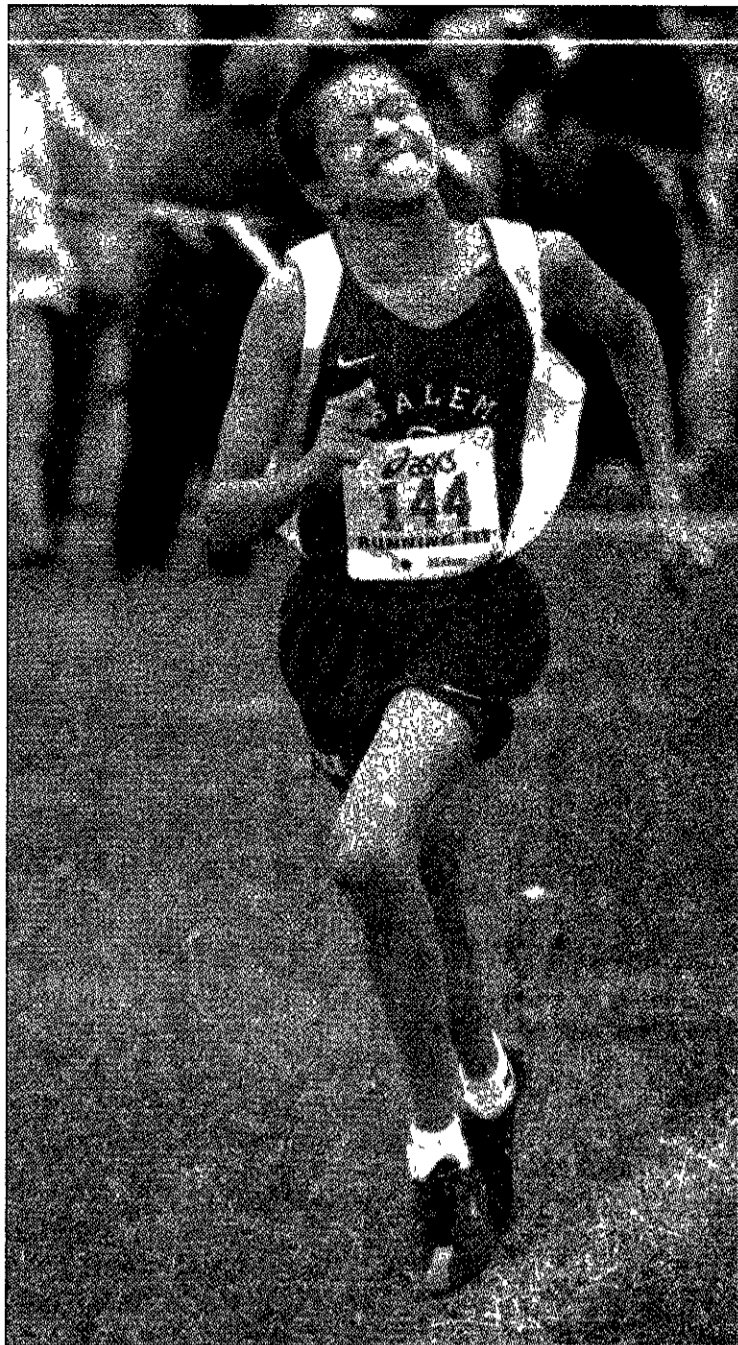
Belleville is coming off a fourth-place finish in the Mega Red and it returns its top two runners, senior Steve Pace and junior Steve Sherman.

"Steve Pace has really come into his own the past two years," DeVore said. "He was All-League as a junior and he's put in a lot of mileage during the off-season."

"Steve Sherman's best time last year was 18:15, but he's running right up there with Steve Pace this year. He's really worked hard to get better."

Belleville's line-up should be filled out by sophomore Rich Priebe, Cinto Pozon, freshman Ian Hotton and senior Andrew Wooton.

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Senior Dan Kapadia will serve as a captain and one of the anchors of the 2005 Salem cross-country team. The Rocks will try to match or improve on last year's 14th place finish in the Division 1 state meet.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

- PREP FOOTBALL**  
Friday, Sept. 9  
Churchill at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
Canton at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.  
Plymouth at Franklin, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Salem, 7 p.m.  
Belleville at Monroe, 7 p.m.
- GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
Thursday, Sept. 8  
Luth. Westland Tourney, 5 & 6:45 p.m.  
Canton Agape at Novi Christian, 6 p.m.  
F.H. Mercy at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 9**  
Ply. Christian at Agape, 7:30 p.m.
- BOYS SOCCER**  
Thursday, Sept. 8  
Agape at Washtenaw Christian, 4:30 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 9**  
Baptist Park at Canton Agape, at Independence Park, 4:30 p.m.  
Trenton at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 10**  
Salem at East Lansing Inv., 10 a.m.  
DeLaSalle at Canton, 12:30 p.m.  
Plymouth at Farmington, 1 p.m.
- BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**  
Saturday, Sept. 10  
Dearborn High Inv., 10 a.m.  
Tortoise & Hare Inv. at Hudson Mills, 1:50 p.m.  
Salem at Brother Rice Invite, 9:30 a.m.
- GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**  
Saturday, Sept. 10  
W. Bloomfield Inv. at Kensington, 10 a.m.  
Dearborn High Inv., 10 a.m.
- Tortoise & Hare Inv. at Hudson Mills, 2:20 p.m.**  
CC Classic Invitational, TBA.  
Salem at Brother Rice Invite, 9:30 a.m.
- GIRLS SWIMMING**  
Thursday, Sept. 8  
John Glenn at Belleville, 7 p.m.  
Ladywood vs. Marian at Liv. Comm. Rec. Center, 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 10**  
WLAA Relays at Salem, noon.  
Mega Relays at EMU, noon
- BOYS GOLF**  
Friday, Sept. 9  
Churchill vs. Plymouth at Hickory Creek, 3 p.m.  
Canton at W.L. Western, 3 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Salem at St. John's, 3 p.m.
- GIRLS TENNIS**  
Thursday, Sept. 8  
Livonia Franklin at Canton, 4 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 9**  
Franklin at Canton, 4 p.m.  
Salem at John Glenn, 4 p.m.  
Belleville at Redford Thurston, 4 p.m.  
Plymouth at W.L. Northern, 4 p.m.  
Belleville at Redford Thurston, 4 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 10**  
Ladywood at Salem Inv., 9 a.m.  
Plymouth at Loy Norrix Inv., TBA
- WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**  
Thursday, Sept. 8  
Wayne Co. at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 9**  
(Julie Martin Inv. at Madonna)  
Madonna vs. Saginaw Valley, 3 p.m.  
Madonna vs. Georgetown (Ky.), 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 10**  
Madonna vs. Walsh (Ohio), 12:15 p.m.  
Madonna vs. Daemen (N.Y.), 2:30 p.m.
- MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
Friday, Sept. 9  
Madonna at Ind. Wesleyan, 8 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 10**  
Madonna at Taylor Univ. (Ind.), 1 p.m.
- Sunday, Sept. 11**  
Cuyahoga (Ohio) at Schoolcraft, 11 a.m.
- WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
Saturday, Sept. 10  
Madonna vs. Calvin College at Livonia's Greenmead Field, noon.  
Cincinnati St. at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.
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- Feb. 21 vs. Hawks
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- Jan. 14 vs. Bobcats
- Jan. 25 vs. Bucks
- Feb. 8 vs. Clippers
- Feb. 23 vs. Pacers
- Mar. 20 vs. Hawks
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- Oct. 16 vs. TWolves\*
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- Dec. 23 vs. Warriors
- Jan. 7 vs. Jazz
- Jan. 27 vs. Grizzlies
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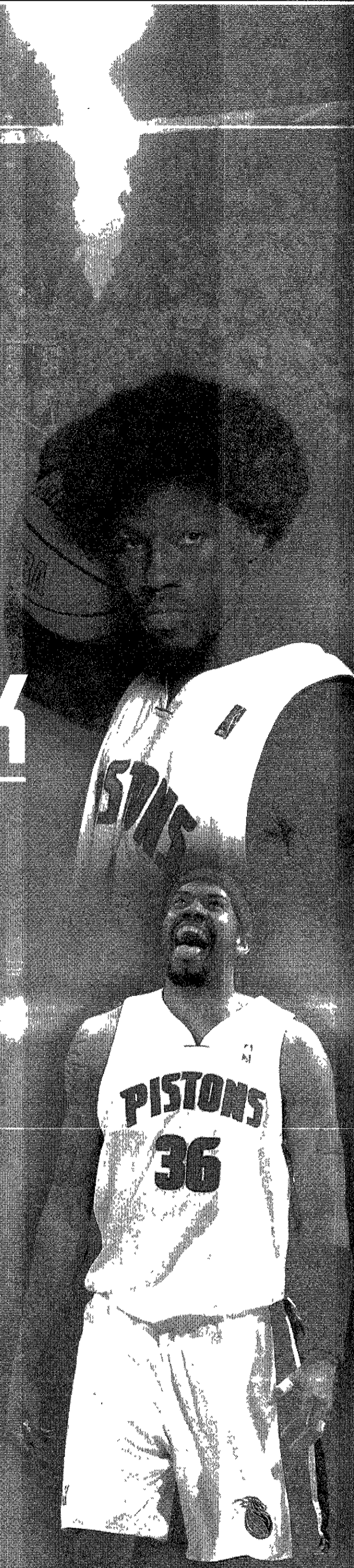
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Mike Stone

It appears that in all the giddiness of the new-look Lions, many people failed to follow a tried and true Detroit Lions axiom — S.O.S., same old s---. Or, shall I say, same old stink. The reason for the stench is not too complicated. Once upon a time, my radio partner Bob "Wojo" Wojnowski schooled me on the importance of S.O.S. I don't remember the exact debate, but I went for the glitzy side of the argument and he went for the nuts and bolts. It turns out he was correct and thus I learned the significance of S.O.S. In this

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# Lions' 2005 season

... was pretty offensive. After two seasons produced a total of five wins, Millen with style again and hired Steve Ricci to save the ship. Mariucci is a guy. He has made this team more professional. Unfortunately, he is the thing equivalent to the right wing of republican Party. Conservatism may be fine in politics, but in the NFL. The Lions are too conservative and play with little or no creativity. Have you ever seen them use a running offense besides the last five minutes of a game? If you are going to be a football team, at least have the resources for that system.

foundation is the offensive line and a staunch defense. The Lions have neither. The Lions, like the new house with the flashy paint, have new uniforms. They have the bells and whistles with Jones, Rogers and the two Williamses.

Oh, these new Lions certainly are trying to make up in style what they lack in substance. But in the NFL, if you choose Style Over Substance, you are sending out an S.O.S. And with the Detroit Lions, S.O.S does mean Same Old S---, which is another way of saying 7-9 this season.

Hear Mike Stone on the "Stoney and Wojo" show 3-6 p.m. weekdays on WDFN-AM (1130). "The Voice of the Fan." Stoney welcomes readers comments on this column at editor@oe.homecomm.net.

## COLLEGE BRIEFS

Three area players helped Albion's football team open the 2005 season by posting a 28-23 victory over Butler University on Sept. 3.

Junior wide receiver **Josh Silvernail** (Livonia/Clarenceville) was one of the new names to emerge. Silvernail hauled in touchdown passes of 44 and 63 yards from senior quarterback **Steve Wasil** (Commerce Township/Detroit Catholic Central).

The touchdowns were Silvernail's only receptions of the day (2 receptions for 107 yards). Wasil completed 12 of 23 passes for 278 yards.

Auburn Hills Avondale graduate **Derek Delzer** was another area player that contributed to last Saturday's victory. Delzer is a defensive back.

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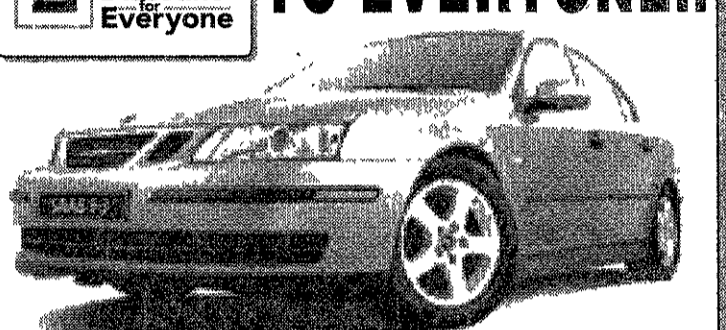


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## PICKS

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mark into Friday's game against another undefeated squad, Livonia Franklin.

Although one team will leave Franklin's synthetic turf with a blemish to its record, the Wildcats and Patriots undoubtedly will test the other's defense and provide a very entertaining contest for spectators. Last week, the teams combined to rack up 95 points.

Meanwhile, with two wins in two tries, Plymouth, Franklin and Lutheran Westland also have already matched last season's win totals. All three teams finished 2-7 in 2004.

The improvement of those teams, largely due to players benefiting from last season's growing pains, could be one of the more interesting developments this fall.

It will be fun to track how these teams perform the rest of the season, doing more than filling the void caused by the departure of CC.

Perhaps not as fun is tracking how I and my Observer colleagues are doing in the prognostication department.

It's still early, but Livonia/Westland Sports Editor Brad Emons is off to his usual hot start, going 10-2 last week to seize the staff lead with a 18-4 record.

Slipping to second place with a 9-3 mark in Week 2 was Plymouth/Canton Sports Editor Ed Wright. He now takes a 17-5 record into Friday's action while I look to make up more ground after enjoying a 10-2 ledger last week.

As good a week as I had, I remain in last place with a still-respectable 16-6 record.

47.2 percent from the floor (17-of-36) while Salem hit 24.3 percent of their shots (10-of-41). The Bulldogs canned 8-of-18 free throws (44.4 percent) compared to Salem's 9-of-14 effort (64.2 percent). Brighton committed 12 turnovers while Salem had 10 miscues.

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## FRIDAY'S GAMES

(all at 7 p.m. unless noted)

**Churchill (0-2) at John Glenn (2-0):** Glenn has escaped with two close victories, rallying both times in the final quarter. Churchill is still feeling its way after two lopsided setbacks. **PICKS:** Smith (Glenn); Wright (Glenn); Emons (Glenn).

**Redford Union (2-0, 1-0) at Woodhaven (0-2):** The Panthers are clicking so far this season and a running game led by Chris and Steve Brown is too much for the Warriors to stop. **PICKS:** Smith (RU); Wright (RU); Emons (RU).

**Canton (2-0) at W.L. Western (2-0):** The big question following Canton's down-to-wire victory over Walled Lake Central last week is this: Is Central better than expected or did the Chiefs experience a rare less-than-stellar performance? Probably a little of both. Canton will face a stiff road test against the Warriors. The winner will walk off the field as the team to beat in the WLAA Western Division. **PICKS:** Smith (Western); Wright (Canton); Emons (Canton).

**Plymouth (2-0) at Liv. Franklin (2-0):** Whichever team wins this early season showdown will surpass its 2004 win total. Both teams have unleashed balanced, explosive offenses that have given their opponents' defensive coordinators fits. This game will be won by the team whose 'D' steps up. Plymouth won last year, 35-32. **PICKS:** Smith (Franklin); Wright (Plymouth); Emons (Franklin).

**Thurston (2-0, 1-0) at River Rouge (0-2, 0-1):** The Eagles should remain unbeaten, as long as their defensive secondary does not enable strong-armed Rouge quarterback Stephen Trotter to hit his receivers. **PICKS:** Smith (Thurston); Wright (Thurston); Emons (Thurston).

**W.L. Northern (0-2) at Liv. Stevenson (1-1):** The Spartans are smarting from their 53-28 setback to city foe Franklin. Northern is coming off a respectable 20-17 loss to Walled Lake Western. When is Northern going to break out? Is this the night? **PICKS:** Smith (Stevenson); Wright (Stevenson); Emons (Stevenson).

**Wayne (1-1) at Northville (0-2):** The Zebras looked like the real Zebras in last week's 32-7 win over Churchill as Blaine Simmons, one of the top backs in the WLAA, starred. Northville had its

chances against John Glenn before falling in OT. **PICKS:** Smith (Wayne); Wright (Northville); Emons (Wayne).

**Luth. Westland (2-0, 2-0) at South Lake (1-1):** A win could very well determine if the Warriors earn a trip to the state playoffs. South Lake is coming off a 20-19 win over New Haven after losing to St. Clair in its opener, 28-14. **PICKS:** Smith (LW); Wright (South Lake); Emons (South Lake).

**W.L. Central (0-2) at Salem (1-1):** Central is one of the best 0-2 teams in the metropolitan Detroit area, if not the state. The Vikings gave Canton everything it could handle in Week 2 before succumbing, 24-20. Salem is still smarting from last week's 35-point loss to cross-campus rival Plymouth. **PICKS:** Smith (Salem); Wright (Central); Emons (Central).

**Belleville (0-2, 0-1) at Monroe (1-1, 1-0):** Belleville could easily be 2-0 at this point following two heart-breaking setbacks. A trip to Monroe is not what the doctor ordered when you're having a hard time securing your first victory. Monroe is led by former Clarenceville player Greg Hudkins, who had a 51-7 record in five seasons with the Livonia Trojans. **PICKS:** Smith (Monroe); Wright (Monroe); Emons (Monroe).

**Harper Woods (2-0, 1-0) at Clarenceville (0-2, 0-2), 7:30 p.m.:** The Trojans got a little closer to giving new coach Ryan Irish his first victory, losing only 21-20 to Metro Conference favorite Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook. Harper Woods owns a 26-12 win over Waldron and a 20-0 win over Hamtramck. **PICKS:** Smith (Clarenceville); Wright (Clarenceville); Emons (Clarenceville).

## SATURDAY'S GAME

(1 p.m.)

**Garden City (1-1, 1-0) at Highland Park (2-0, 1-0):** This will be the first time the Cougars face new Mega Conference-Blue Division opponent in Highland Park. Garden City probably won't have enough offensive firepower to ward off the Polar Bears, who boast 2,000-yard rusher Darius Johnson. The Bears have beaten Detroit Central (16-0) and Dearborn Heights Crestwood (40-12). **PICKS:** Smith (Highland Park); Wright (Highland Park); Emons (Highland Park).

## BASKETBALL

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four minutes into the game when Alaya Mitchell's free throw gave the Rocks a 5-2 lead.

The Bulldogs led 22-16 in the opening minute of the third quarter on a pair of Albert free throws. But Coppellie led a Salem third-quarter charge that brought the Rocks to with-

in 26-24 with 1:31 to go in the quarter.

That's when Piepho's timeout seemed to push his charges to another intensity level.

Coppiellie converted an offensive rebound 30 seconds into the fourth quarter to bring Salem to within 30-26, however, the Bulldogs reeled off the next eight points to put the game away. Brighton shot

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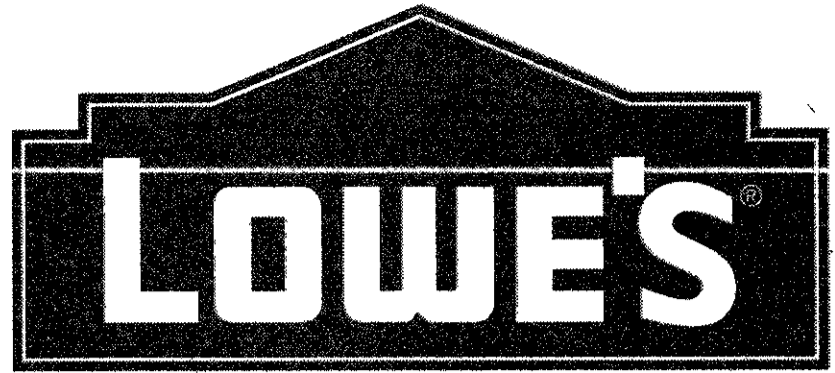
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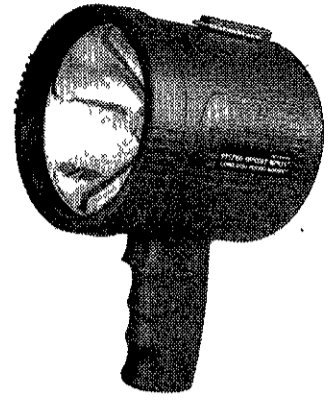


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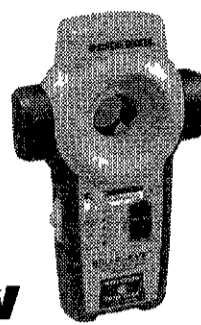
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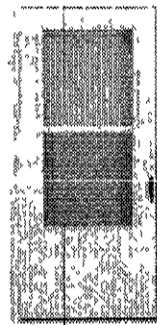


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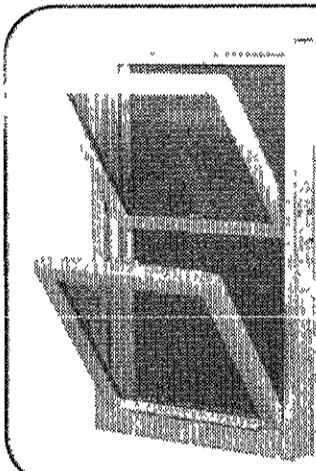
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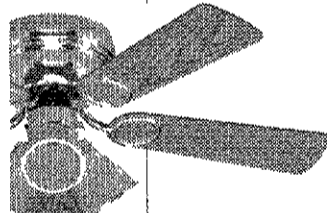
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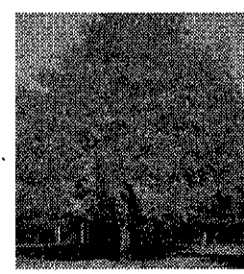
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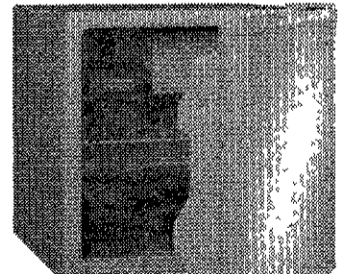
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## WOMEN SEEKING MEN

**ISO GENTLEMAN**  
DWF, 49, Taurus, N/S, seeks serious relationship with man, 48-55, N/S, N/Drugs, who values time away from work and has sense of humor. ☎766084

**VERY CARING**  
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

**TRY ME!**  
Sweet, sexy, stunning SBF, 47, fun-loving and light-hearted enjoys travel, shopping, running, biking, fitness, the arts. Seeking healthy, happy, active man, 50+, to share/explore life adventures with. Possible LTR. ☎784505

**LET'S ENJOY LIFE**  
SWF, 57, N/S, seeks intelligent, kind-hearted, young-at-heart WM, 57-68, N/S, who enjoys traveling, camping, boating (Great Lakes or ocean), music book stores, and laughter. ☎759907

**SELECTIVELY SEEKING**  
Easygoing W/WWF, 63 years young, 5'3", 135lbs, great SOH, looking for a sincere SWM, 65-80 years young, that enjoys animals, the water, and drives in the country. Serious replies only. ☎729081

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

**GIVE ME A TRY**  
SBF, 43, 5'3", 175lbs, N/S, works in a group home for adults with disabilities, loves swimming, fishing, exercising, and camping. Seeking man, 35-60, N/S, fun-loving. ☎764052

**MAKE IT HAPPEN**  
SBF, 39, Libra, N/S, seeks man, 30-50, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. ☎786000

**MOTHER OF TWO**  
SWF, early 40s, easy to get along with, looking for a man, 43-50, N/S, who likes playing cards, bowling, animals, biking, going to movies. ☎782843

**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

**ARE U OUT THERE**  
Native American female, 50s, animal lover, enjoys reading, swimming, travel, more. Seeking romantic, active, child-friendly man who appreciates the same. ☎779060

**TALL BRUNETTE**  
SWF, 51, marriage-minded, N/S, has a great smile, likes romantic comedies, music, plays, outdoors, seeks SWM, 49-60, N/S, for LTR. ☎790785

**HAPPY & SECURE**  
DCF, 68, 5'2", long dark brown/brown, N/S, N/D, with positive attitude, enjoys leisurely drives, movies, and dining out. Seeking man, 58-75, for LTR. ☎689606

**OUTGOING**  
BF, 30-something, career woman, serious yet has a sense of humor, lots of interests, seeks a man, 35-50, for dating, possible LTR. ☎769270

**SPIRITED BLONDE**  
SWPF, 53, fun-loving, secure, 5'3", young-looking, brown eyes, attractive, fit, no children, seeks fit, handsome, secure professional male, 35-55, N/S, who seeks a serious, caring relationship, possibly marriage. Children ok. ☎783724

**TRY ME**  
SF, 18, w/adventurous streak, musician/singer, Auburn hair, Comic book animator/creator, loves Japanimation, graphic novels, writing, music, fitness. Seeking creative, unique like-minded guy, 18-22, skater/musician A+ for friendship, good times. ☎785152

**THE BEST OF TIMES**  
Optimistic, healthy W/WWF, 68, brown/brown, 5'6", 150lbs, N/S, N/D, looking for that special man to share friendship first. I love fitness, the outdoors, long walks, holding hands, romance. ☎765933

**HOP TO HEAR FROM YOU**  
SWF, 50, 5'7", Auburn/blue, 195lbs, nurses assistant, likes mystery and action films, dancing, concerts, bowling, romance. Looking for an easygoing, understanding man to share friendship and possibly more. ☎785414

**ZEST FOR LIFE**  
SJF, 60, 5'2", attractive, intelligent, sincere, outgoing, easygoing, down-to-earth, romantic, spontaneous, sensitive, with great SOH, loves to laugh/smile, enjoys music, plays, concerts. Seeking compassionate, communicative, caring, quality SWJM, 50-70, ☎444319

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

**INTERESTED?**  
W/WWF, 72, looking for someone to share all the good things in life, music, dining out, romance, talks. Will it be you? ☎754750

**WHERE ARE YOU?**  
Looking for a emotionally and financially stable man, who is kind, generous, honest, communicative, for friendship first, possible marriage. Me: SWCF, 5'5", brown/blue, good person, gentle lady. ☎779434

**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. ☎474674

**YOU MIGHT BE THE ONE**  
SBF, 44, N/S, looking for an honest guy SWM, 35-44, N/S, 6'-8", HPTW, who likes walks, movies, simple things. ☎742085

**LIFE IS BEST SHARED**  
Compassionate, honest family-oriented SF, 42, dark blonde/blue, full-figured, mother of 2, w/outstitch son, enjoys picnics, weekend getaways, simple times. Seeking understanding, child-friendly man who loves life and having fun. ☎775887

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

**LOVING LEO**  
Widowed WPF, 53, 5'9", brown/brown, N/S, nursing home activities coordinator, enjoys boating, swimming, and Michigan State football games. Seeking WM, 50-62, with similar interests. ☎759316

**A KIND HEART**  
SBF, 56, mother, enjoys dining in/out, swimming, horseback riding, camping, picnics. Seeking sociable, honest, fun, employed man, N/S, to share happiness, friendship and possible LTR. ☎780769

**QUALITY TIME**  
SWF, 48, 5'1", 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

**SOULMATE SEARCH**  
Slim, 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

**LONESOME**  
Senior WF, retired, 5'4", active, honest, healthy. Need the attention of a WM, 65-75, enjoys everything, easy to please. So hurry up and call me! ☎449585

**GOOD LOOKER**  
Positive, caring, easygoing SBPF, 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

**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. Race is definitely unimportant. ☎742971

**LET'S RV!!**  
SWF, 37ish, romance lover, Gemini, seeks a Latin lover man, 37-55, with good morals and the highest standards. ☎766454

**GREAT CATCH**  
Widowed WF, 67, 5'3", 135lbs, brunette/brown, shapely, N/S, seeks WM, 55-69, N/S, in Livingston County area. ☎768347

**ALL OF THE ABOVE**  
Attractive, intelligent SBF, 27, mature, looking for educated, honest, attractive male who is financially and emotionally secure. ☎775005

**WHAT DOES IT MATTER?**  
Very caring, loving, very good-looking DBF, 54, would love to meet a very sincere male, 45-65, to spend time with. ☎777200

**MOTHER OF TWO**  
Separated WF, 34, would like to meet a man, 32-43, to spend time with. Friendship first. ☎779775

**ENERGETIC, ATTRACTIVE**  
SWF, 72, blonde/blue, educated, financially and emotionally secure, cultured, N/S, youthful and adventurous. Travel is my passion. Diverse interests include bridge, oil painting, movies, theater, museums, cooking, finance, the internet. ☎768599

**DANCE PARTNER**  
SWF, 57, Capricorn, N/S, seeks WM, 50-62, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. ☎773846

**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

**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 SBF, 30-50. ☎481293

**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

**I WON'T GO BREAKING...**  
your heart. SWF, 19, 5'7", long blonde hair, N/S, loves baseball. Seeking WM, 19-22, N/S, also into sports, to hang out with. ☎757592

**SOCIABLE SENIOR**  
SWPF, 84, Leo, N/S, enjoys dining out, casinos. Seeking a fun-loving elder, a WM, 60+, N/S, who can lead the walker. ☎755240

**GORGEOUS**  
SBF, 31, 5'1", petite, athletic build, big brown eyes, N/S, enjoys music, art, and good conversation. Seeking kind-hearted, intelligent, down-to-earth WM, 29-39, N/S. ☎757791

**CUTE AND CLASSY**  
SBF, mid-50s, seeks attractive gentleman, 50+, with similar interests. I love jogging, walks, concerts, quiet evenings. ☎574342

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

**WHY NOT CALL?**  
Employed SBF, 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

**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

**59 YEARS OLD ENTREPRENEUR**  
Pretty, charming W/FF, successful, kind, compassionate, lots of fun, looking for her knight in shining armor. Any sincere, caucasian gentlemen, 65-80, please respond. Hopefully we'll be each others soul mates. ☎592074

**WILDFLOWER**  
SWF, 63, 5'6", 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

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

**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

**GREAT COMPANION**  
SF, 65, looks 55, 5'2", unique, bright, w/many talents and interests. I'm well-traveled, very attractive, health-conscious. How about you? Seeking non-smoking counterpart, 62-70. ☎633527

**FORMER MODEL**  
SWF, 50, 5'6", slender, intelligence, creativity, passion for music and dancing. Seeks partner 38-50, who is attractive and fit, to share his interests and more. ☎600106

**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

**ENJOYS THE SIMPLE THINGS**  
Attractive DBF, early 60s, feels much younger, N/S, loves music and dancing, stays physically active, would like to hear from friendly, honest man, 56-68, N/S. ☎672174

**HAS ZEST FOR LIFE**  
Youthful blonde, 60, 5'2", with family values, shapely, medium build, professional, N/S, light drinker, enjoys travel, theater, dining out and much more. Seeking well-groomed, financially secure gentleman, 55-68, similar characteristics. ☎697194

**SEXY REDHEAD/GREAT LEGS**  
DWF, 54, 142lbs, 5'6", enjoys blues, animals, gardening, homeowner, no kids. Seeking SM, 5'10"+, N/S, social drinker for LTR. ☎548938

**HAPPY WITH LIFE!**  
SWF, 70, attractive, recently widowed, who likes fun enjoys life. Seeking to meet like-minded male 65-75, to share movies, travel, music, laughter and quiet sunsets. Prefer N/S. ☎777271

**CAN U MAKE ME LAUGH?**  
Spontaneous SWF, 61, 5'4", average build, happy, independent, humorous, enjoys boating, cards, music, dining, walks, travel, golf. Seeking good-humored SM, w/similar interests, for companionship. ☎962703

**SLIM AND PETITE**  
Easygoing, active DWF, retired, ISO fun male, 60+, who likes bridge, tennis, reading, hiking, animals, kids, popcorn, willing to don a tuxedo now and then. ☎271793

**THICK AND HEALTHY**  
SBF, 30, 5'5", 240lbs, N/S, N/D, no kids, employed. Seeking nice-looking SM, 20-35, who kids, N/S, for friendship, possibly more. ☎534802

**HOMEBODY**  
SBF, 63, 5'8", 155lbs, retired (but does work part-time), very honest and caring, Scorpio, N/S, seeks BM, 58-65, honest and caring. ☎553674

**I LISTEN WITH MY HEART**  
Attractive DWF, late 40s, Cancer, N/S, seeks special, no games WM, 45+, N/S, for caring, quality committed relationship. Let's create sparks and watch them fly. ☎639272

**I LISTEN WITH MY HEART**  
Attractive DWF, late 40s, N/S, seeks special, no games WM, 45+, N/S, for caring, quality committed relationship. Let's create sparks and watch them fly. ☎769622

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

## MEN SEEKING WOMEN

**KIND & EASYGOING...**  
gentleman, SWM, 42, 6', 195lbs, Auburn hair/beard, affectionate and considerate, fishing, nature, cats. Seeking honest, good-natured woman, 35-65, race open, who loves romance and affection. ☎693485

**OPEN TO ALMOST ANYTHING**  
Optimistic, outgoing SWM, 46, enjoys most activities, yet open to new ideas and adventures, seeks spirited, spontaneous SWF, age open. ☎547524

**PATIENTLY WAITING**  
SBM, 37, 185lbs, 5'8", no kids, never married. Seeking caring, attractive SF, no kids, never married, for great relationship. ☎710917

**SHARE THE SUNSET**  
SWM, 47, 6'1", 210lbs, N/S, religious, likes to do things outdoors, seeks SWF, 38-54, N/S, who likes to have fun and enjoy life. ☎718471

**GIVE ME A CALL**  
SWM, 40, good-humored, N/S, 6', 200lbs, handyman type, outgoing, good cook, enjoys festivals, concerts, dining, music, rollerblading, park walks. Seeking compatible woman, 20-40, HPTW, to share the good times. ☎736923

**LOOKING FOR ROMANCE**  
ISO attractive, sexy, fit, caring woman, 30-40. Must love beaches, Harleys, romance, laughter, hanging at the pool. Me: 43, original nice guy, attractive, very handsome, fit, single father. ☎774183

**TRY ME**  
SBM, 41, looking for a woman, 18-30, 5'5"-5'7", 120-130lbs, who stays in Detroit, on the east side. If you feel that this is you, get in touch. ☎774240

**LOOKING FOR A BEST FRIEND**  
SWPM, 44, 5'7", dark hair, moustache, father of one, loves children, outdoors. Seeking SWF, 35-46, to enjoy life together. I want to know your inner soul. I'll treat you right. ☎266345

**WELL, HELLO**  
SM, very young-looking 50, 5'7", 180lbs, medium build, employed, self-reliant, D/D-free, easygoing and easy to get along with, enjoys biking and cooking. Seeking S/DWF, 40-55, 200-350lbs. ☎597126

**ONE-WOMAN MAN**  
SWM, 50ish, 5'10", 165lbs, brown/brown, employed, homeowner, no child, looking for attractive woman, 35-50, to build life-long relationship. ☎663251

**NICE GUY**  
SWM, 66, 5'6", 150lbs, manufacturers' representative, Libra, N/S, works out, enjoys movies, restaurants, and summer festivals. Seeking SWF, 50-65, N/S. ☎708126

**EASY ON THE EYES**  
Well-maintained SWM, 58, who enjoys keeping in touch with current events, heart-to-heart talks and silly conversations. Let's meet over coffee and see what develops. ☎259844

**COUNTRY BOY AT HEART**  
Nice-looking SM, young 66, healthy, 6', 190lbs, N/S, N/D, trustworthy, spiritual, ISO attractive SWF, 50-60, slim-medium build for quality LTR. Let's talk. ☎790586

**JOY**  
Retired widower, 80, likes movies, walking, eating out, would like companion, 70-80, to share life's joys. ☎750625

**SEEKS SPECIAL LADY**  
SWPM, 49, tall, dark/dark, N/Drugs, N/S, seeks attractive, sensitive, kind-hearted, good-natured SF, 42-52, N/S, N/Drugs, who enjoys home-cooked meals, nights on the town or home, for dating, possible LTR. ☎785893

**NEED 2 BE TREATED LIKE...**  
a lady? I'm your man. DWM, 49, 6', 190lbs, easygoing, fun-loving, seeks romance with 30-50-year-old woman. Don't miss your opportunity to be treated the way you deserve. ☎781311

**A LOT TO OFFER**  
Handsome SBM, 45, 6', enjoys movies, dinner travel, seeking attractive SF, age & race open. ☎450960

**LET'S HAVE FUN TOGETHER**  
Life's too short to be lonely. Honest, sincere, nice-looking WM, 47, 5'10", 180lbs, seeks slim, pretty female, 30-53, N/S, for one relationship. Must like animals. ☎773705

**MUSCULAR & FRIENDLY**  
SWM, 45, 6'2", 209lbs, N/S, enjoys conversations, college football and new activities. Seeking a down-to-earth SF. Age/area open. ☎982364

**MARRIAGE-MINDED**  
SHM, 46, 5'4", 230lbs, Taurus, N/S, seeks SHF, 35-55, N/S, who wants to meet and see what develops. ☎779663

**TEDDY BEAR TYPE**  
Self-employed, easygoing DWM, 40, 5'7", brown/blue, East Side, N/S, loves selling and car shows. Seeking S/DWF, 28-45, N/S, no kids. ☎763755

**IS IT YOU?**  
SM, 30, 5'11", 215lbs, carpenter, enjoys action films, fitness, playing sports, time with friends. Seeking open-minded, honest, loving, fun SF into the same. ☎790701

**COULD WE MEET?**  
and have fun while getting acquainted? Good-natured, good-looking SWM wants to meet interesting SWF, 30s-40s. ☎764071

**TALL**  
DWM, 47, 6'5", 215lbs, likes music, camping, jazz, cooking, sports, brown/brown, seeking a woman with SOH, compassion, honesty. ☎765375

**MAN WITH PIZZAZZ...**  
Sincere, affectionate SWM, 40s, clear mind, fit body, enjoys artsy, cultural events, outdoor activities, seeking witty, pretty SWF, 35-55, for friendship and possible relationship. ☎517123

**ARE YOU OUTDOORSY?**  
SM, 35, 6', 180lbs, athletic build, enjoys biking, rollerblading and more outdoor activities. Looking for a female, 30-40, H/W proportionate, for dating. ☎750433

**WEST SIDE GUY**  
Easygoing SWPM, 46, brown/brown, tall, slim, enjoys arts, museums, out-doors, more. Seeking slim WF, 35-47, for summertime fun and LTR. ☎749445

**ROMANTIC BIKER**  
SWM, 40, 6'1", 155lbs, brown/hazel, N/S, loves the beach, shooting guns, and dining out. Seeking woman, 18-45, for friendship, possibly leading to more. ☎758605

**WORTH A SHOT**  
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**NICE TO THE BONE**  
SWM, 39, 5'8", 170lbs, smoker, not into bars, seeks nice SWF, 30-45, to become friends with, possibly more. ☎656304

**HAPPY DAD**  
Single father of three, 37, loves family, outdoors, biking, barbecues, cooking and more. Looking for a lovely WF, 30-45, to share happiness and life with. ☎715711

**MUSCULAR AND ATHLETIC**  
SWM, 46, 6'2", 209lbs, brown/blue, degreed, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, workout, new activities, seeks friendly SF, age/location open. ☎531308

**VERY FIT**  
WM, 29, 6'1", 170lbs, light brown/hazel, athletic build, looking for a SF, 18-35, for dating. Race unimportant. ☎769924

**SERIOUS WOMAN WANTED**  
SBM, 46, looking for that special person for LTR, someone who enjoys walks, movies, sporting events, cuddling at home. Please be shapely, independent and know what you want in life. ☎692418

**LOOKING FOR SOUL MATE**  
SWM, 54, 6'2", shoulder-length brown hair, enjoys outdoors, camping, fishing. Seeking SWF, happy, good sense of humor, with similar interests, for possible LTR. ☎619803

**JOIN ME**  
SM, 59, 6'3", 260lbs, engineer, likes the outdoors, square dancing, camping, nature walks. Seeking easygoing, active, spontaneous, fun-loving lady, 5'6"+, proportionate, N/S, to enjoy travel, talks, dates, friendship, fun, LTR? ☎634440

**SIMILAR INTERESTS?**  
WM, 6', 172lbs, likes golf, bowling, the outdoors, camping, movies, dining out, more. Would like to meet a WF, 38-48, who likes to have fun. ☎715842

**ATHLETIC & OUTGOING**  
SWM, 41, 5'9", N/S, steak lover, into weight training and body building, loves comedy and mystery movies. Seeking woman, 25-50, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. ☎719915

**ROMANTIC BUT REALISTIC**  
Youthful, easygoing SWM, 46, likes movies, concerts, boating. Seeking attractive SWF, 40s-50s, with a lively spirit, good sense of humor, friendly, positive outlook. ☎642092

**GENTLE AND SENTIMENTAL**  
Easygoing, agreeable, cute SWM, 40s, eager to please, willing to try new things, seeks fairly attractive and friendly SWF, for dating and relating. ☎210772

**THE QUIET STORM**  
SBM, 33, 5'9", 175lbs, N/S, works out on a regular basis, seeks single woman, 22-35, N/S. ☎740487

**LOOKING FOR A GIRL**  
SWM, 25, smoker, black/brown, likes hip-hop, R&B, and rock music, wants to meet single woman, 20-32. Possible LTR. ☎742655

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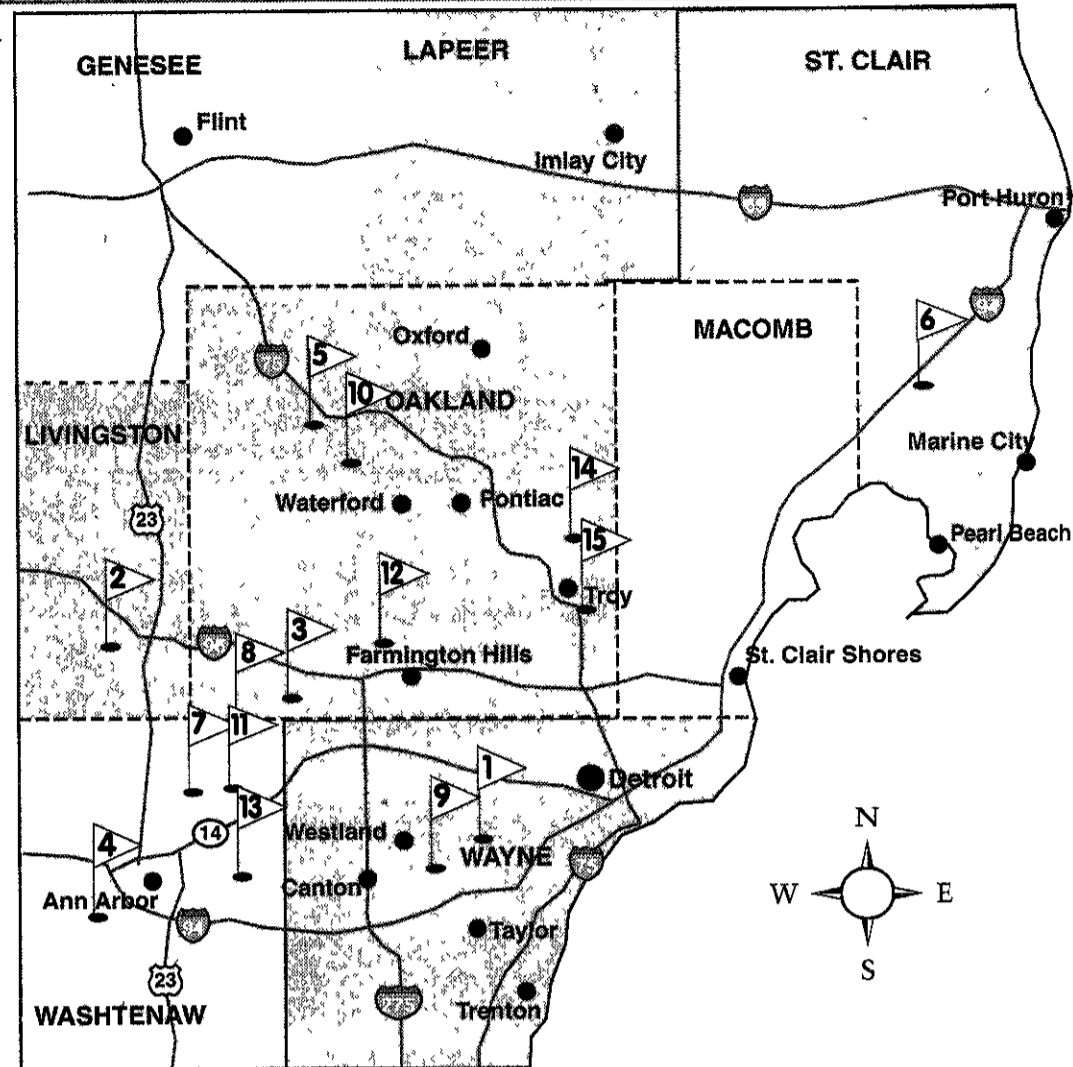


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## HOLE IN ONE!

Here is this weeks list of who hit a Hole in One... and where!

**Inkster Valley Golf Club**  
John Cash on 8/24/05  
Hole #: 4 Par: 3  
Club Used: 5 Iron

**Joe Hubbard on 8/20/05**  
Hole #: 8 Par: 3  
Club Used: 4 Iron  
Comments: First Hole In One after playing 12 years!

**Pheasant Run**  
Michael Warren on 8/1/05  
Hole #: 7 Par: 3  
Club Used: 5 Iron  
Witness: Craig Spence  
Comments: First Hole In One!

**Rolling Meadows**  
Roy Purcell on 8/31/05  
Hole #: 6 Par: 3  
Club Used: 3 Wood  
Witness: Floyd Moyer  
Comments: 6th Hole in One! 68 Years Old Shot a 79!

**Daniel B. Smith on 8/19/05**  
Hole #: 17 Par: 3  
Club Used: 3 Wood  
Witness: Sandy Mily, Jeff Stella & Jim Clouse  
Comments: 1st hole in one ever!

**Ann Marie Hardesty on 7/28/05**  
Hole #: 8 Par: 3  
Club Used: 7 Iron / Nike Ball  
Witness: Lois Faerster  
Comments: Only 20 years old!

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810.229.9581  
[www.jackalgolfclub.com](http://www.jackalgolfclub.com)  
No. of Holes: 18 Par: 71 Yards: 6700  
Manager: Rob Bruhn  
Directions: I-96 to Exit 145. Go east on Grand River to Challis Rd. (right).
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Directions at [hickorystick.org](http://hickorystick.org)
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248.634.1616  
No. of Holes 9 Par 3  
Manager: Gerald Cook  
Directions: Dixie Highway to Davisburg Road (West) to Ormond Road (South) to Big Lake Road (East).
- 6 RATTLE RUN GOLF COURSE**  
7163 Saint Clair Hwy  
East China, MI 48054  
810.329.2070  
[www.rattlerun.com](http://www.rattlerun.com)  
No. of Holes: 18 Par: 72 Yards: 6865  
Manager: Gerry Behayo  
Directions: I-94 exit 157 south to Palms Rd., left to St. Clair Hwy, left 2 mi
- 7 ROLLING MEADOWS**  
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734.662.5144  
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No. of Holes: 18 Par: 71 Yards: 6476  
Directions: Sutton near North Territorial Rd., 2 Miles east of US 23, 2 miles west of Pontiac Trail.
- 8 TANGLEWOOD GOLF COURSE**  
53503 W. 10 Mile  
South Lyon, MI 48178  
248.486.3355  
[www.tanglewoodthelion.com](http://www.tanglewoodthelion.com)  
No. of Holes: 27 Par: 36 Yards: 3636  
Manager: Ann Lewis  
Directions: 10 Mile Road between Wixom and Milford.
- 9 INKSTER VALLEY GOLF COURSE**  
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No. of Holes: 18 Par: 71 Yards: 6033  
Front nine is open & hilly; back nine is tighter with more trees and water.  
Dir: Andersonville Rd near Hall Rd.
- 11 CATTAILS GOLF CLUB**  
57737 9 Mile Rd.  
South Lyon, MI 48178  
248.486.8777  
[www.cattailsgolfclub.com](http://www.cattailsgolfclub.com)  
No. of Holes: 18 Par: 72 Yards: 6436  
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- 12 INDEPENDENCE GREEN GOLF COURSE**  
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# Lady Ocelots topple Windsor Tournament field in soccer

Opponents of Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team are finding out the combination of stingy defense and potent offense is a tough combination to beat.

That was the case again over Labor Day weekend, as the Lady Ocelots won an invitational tournament hosted by the University of Windsor.

Schoolcraft outscored opponents 4-1 over three games, winning two and tying one.

The Lady Ocelots, who have so far

outscored opponents 13-3 this season, got past Ohio State University club team, 1-0, on Sunday to claim the tourney.

For the winning marker, Nicole Saigh capped an outstanding weekend with her third goal of the tournament, assisted by Annie Gabriel (North Farmington).

Saigh scored in the waning moments to cap the victory. Earning a shutout was Jenna Cataldi.

On Friday, Schoolcraft topped the

University of Michigan club team, 2-0.

After a scoreless first half, Saigh (from Gabriel) netted the game winner. About five minutes later, Gabriel scored, on an assist from Stacey Potrykus (Farmington Hills Harrison).

Sharing the shutout were Meagan Farrell (Livonia) and Cataldi.

Saturday, a late penalty-kick goal by Saigh enabled Schoolcraft to tie OSU, 1-1.

## Crusaders win twice

Madonna University also had a good weekend.

On Saturday, the Crusaders rolled to a 7-0 win over Cumberland (Ky.) University, one day after earning a 1-0 triumph over Missouri Valley (Mo.).

Both non-conference contests were played at Indiana Tech.

Against Cumberland (1-1), Kelly Japowicz registered a three-goal hat trick while Liz Sleboznik chipped in

with two markers. Single goals were scored by Rachaelle Mirto and Lacey Catarino.

Madonna (3-0-2) outshot Cumberland, 28-1.

The lone MU goal Friday was scored by Loren Tacconelli, giving goalkeeper Brittany Cervi all the offensive support she needed.

Cervi also delivered the shutout on Saturday, although she did not have to face a shot. She made five stops against Missouri Valley (0-1).

## Schoolcraft sweeps pair vs. Wayne

BY TIM SMITH  
STAFF WRITER

Continuing strong play at the start of their season, the Schoolcraft College volleyball team swept two matches Tuesday from visiting Wayne Community College.

The Lady Ocelots (5-2) won 30-25, 30-22, 30-19 in the opening match. They followed that up with a 30-17, 30-15, 30-26 triumph.

"We've got a lot of potential," said Schoolcraft head coach Tom Teeters. "We just have to make our team more consistent. That's our goal, and to cut down on unforced errors."

His team didn't make too many of those against the Wildcats (2-1), an opponent in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association eastern conference.

In the first match, freshman outside hitter Amy Golem "dominated for us," with 19 kills and three aces. She followed that up with 17 kills in the second match.

Livonia Churchill alum Ashley Cecil also fared well. The sophomore setter and outside hitter chipped in with a combined 41 assists for the day.

Collecting two blocks in the first match was Stephanie Manning, a freshman middle hitter.

Sophomore outside hitter Tenecka Fellows and freshman outside hitter Marcie Hill had four and three aces, respectively in the nightcap while freshman middle hitter Liz Primeau contributed three blocks.

## Trip gives MU spikers tourney title

Reeling off five victories in a row, Madonna University captured the Ozarks Tournament championship Sept. 2-3 at Branson, Mo.

The nationally-ranked Crusaders (9-0), rated No. 1 in NAIA Region VIII, defeated host College of the Ozarks in Saturday's title tilt, 30-23, 30-21, 30-22.

Natalja Tinina registered 19 kills and 17 digs, while Laura Lesko chalked up 10 kills and five digs., Setter Ashley Frost had 48 assists and 13 digs.

Also on Saturday, MU earned a four-game victory over Baker University (Kan.). The Crusaders won the opener, 30-18 before dropping a 30-23 decision. In games nos. 3-4, MU won going away, 30-9 and 30-17.

Freshman Kelsey Mack (Livonia Churchill) was a big reason for the win, recording 15 kills.

Tinina also had 19 kills and 18 digs, while Lesko finished with 17 kills and five digs. Frost contributed 46 assists and 18 digs.

Also in double figures in the digs category were Churchill alum Jacqui Gatt (12), Stefanie Denardin (12), Becci Crane (10) and Amy Szymanski (Redford/Ladywood) with 10.

Earlier in the tourney, the Crusaders (in order) got past Evangel College (Mo.), William Jewell (Mo.) and Mid-America Nazarene (Kan.).

Each triumph required just three games.

Against Evangel, MU won 30-16, 30-20, 30-12. The Crusaders earned 30-15, 30-18-30-19 victory over William Jewell (Mo.). They also defeated Mid-America Nazarene (Kan.), 30-16, 30-20, 30-12.



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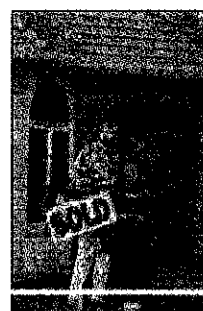
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BY JULIE BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

So you're buying or selling a home. Don't know exactly where to start? How about your public library, where librarians can help you find Web sites and books full of useful information.

Kathy Petlewski, Electronic Resources librarian at the Plymouth District Library, came up with this book list and more. These books are on the adult nonfiction lower level of that library, 223 S. Main in Plymouth, and found in many other area libraries as well.

- 643.2A  
Achatz, Wynne. *How to make your Realtor get you the best deal.* Michigan Edition, c.2002
- 643.12B  
Boyd, Patricia, CFS. *How to buy & sell your home without getting ripped off?* c2000
- 643.12D  
Davis, Sid. *A survival guide for buying a home,* c. 2004
- 643.12E  
Eldred, Gary W. *The 106 common mistakes homebuyers make: (and how to avoid them),* c. 2002
- 643.12F  
Fields, Alan. *Your new house: the alert consumer's guide to buying and building a quality home,* c.2000
- 332.72G  
Garton-Good, Julie. *All about mortgages*
- 643.12I  
Irwin, Robert, 1941-. *Robert Irwin's power tips for selling a house for more*
- 643.7I  
Irwin, Robert, 1941-. *Improve the value of your home up to \$100,000: 50 surefire techniques and strategies,* c.2003
- 643.12I  
Irwin, Robert, 1941-. *Sell your home and save thousands on the commission,* c.2004
- 643.12I  
Irwin, Robert, 1941-. *Home seller's checklist,* c.2004
- 643.12I  
Irwin, Robert, 1941-. *Home buyer's checklist*
- 643.12I  
Irwin, Robert, 1941-. *Home closing checklist*
- 643.12I  
Irwin, Robert, 1941-. *Tips and traps when selling a home,* c.2004
- 643.12I  
Irwin, Robert, 1941-. *Tips and traps when buying a condo, co-op, or townhouse.*
- 643.12I  
Irwin, Robert, 1941-. *Robert Irwin's power tips for buying a house for less*
- 332.722M  
Mungo, Raymond. *No credit required: how to buy a house when you don't qualify for a mortgage,* c. 2004
- 643.12O  
Ordway, Nicholas. *The absolute beginner's guide to buy-*

ing a house.

- 643.12R  
Rejnis, Ruth. *The everything homeselling book*
  - 690.837S  
Salant, Katherine, *The brand-new house book: everything you need to know about planning,* c. 2001
  - 643.12S  
Sindell, Kathleen. *The unofficial guide to buying a home online,* c.2000
  - 643.12S  
Stone, Barry. *The consumer advocate's guide to home inspection,* c.2003
  - 643.12S  
Sumichrast, Michael. *The complete book of home buying,* c. 2005
  - 643.12T  
Tyson, Eric (Eric Kevin). *House selling for dummies,* c.2002
  - 332.72T  
Tyson, Eric (Eric Kevin). *Mortgages for dummies,* c. 2004
  - 643.12W  
Weekley, David. *How to buy a home without getting hammered,* c. 2001
  - 643.12W  
Weiss, Mark B. *Condos, co-ops, and townhomes: a complete guide to finding, buying, maintaining ...,* c.2003.
- The Plymouth library also has a Web site with links to real estate information sources, Petlewski notes, and there's also <http://realtor.com>, a commercial site.
- Tracy Mohaidheen, head of adult services at the Baldwin Public Library in Birmingham, also answers questions about real estate. "It's really not limited to buying or selling," she said. Patrons have questions about investing in commercial property, lease documents and legal research.
- "The resources can be quite expensive," Mohaidheen said. The Baldwin Library has a lot of online data bases, including the Michigan Compiled Laws. "We don't offer any legal advice," she said. "We supply the materials."
- Questions come in on new mortgage options, such as the reverse mortgage. With recent refinancings, many came to the library to seek information. "Foreclosures and probate, too, sometimes come up," she said.
- Marilyn Kwik, department head for adult services at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, fields questions as well. "We have a lot of people asking for transfer of title from one person to another," she said. Estate planning questions including property come up also.
- Nolo law books at the Westland library provide basic information on property. "They also include some forms," she said. Business Forms on File is a binder of business forms at the Westland library with such things as sample leases and is also used.
- "We can certainly point them in the right direction," she said of patrons' real estate questions.

## Read on:

Public library good source of real estate information

## FEATURED HOMES OF THE WEEK

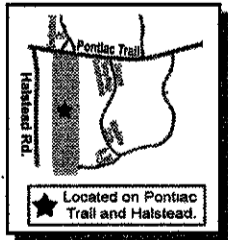


### Oak Grove

#### WELCOME TO OAK GROVE

Oak Grove offers a charming collection of Single Family Homes Subdivision designed in a style reminiscent of a classic neighborhood. Handsome exterior details include brick and accents. Expansive front windows capture maximum natural light, while brass lighting fixtures, covered front porches and generous landscaping set a gracious tone for residents and visitors. This will be a 12 acre development with 9 single family homes. The location is at Halsted Road and Pontiac Trail Road in West Bloomfield.

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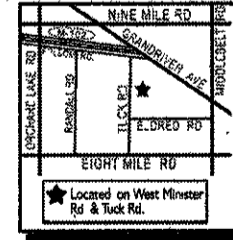


### Kimberly Gardens

#### WELCOME TO KIMBERLY GARDENS

Kimberly Gardens offers a charming collection of Detached Homes Subdivision designed in a style reminiscent of a classic neighborhood. Handsome exterior details include brick and accents. Expansive front windows capture maximum natural light, white brass lighting fixtures, covered front porches and generous landscaping set a gracious tone for residents and visitors. This will be a 14 acre development with 32 detached homes. The location is on Tuck Road, South of Grand river in Farmington Hills.

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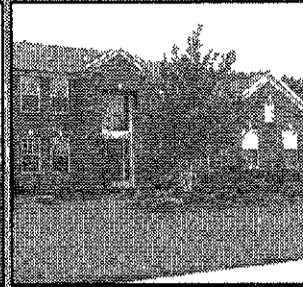

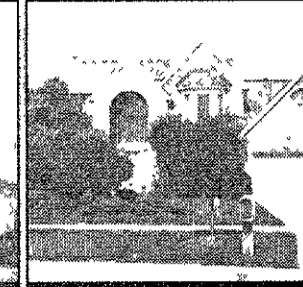





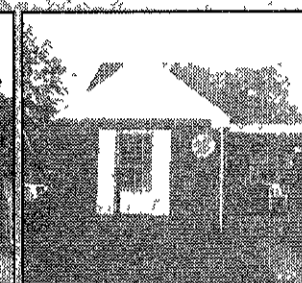
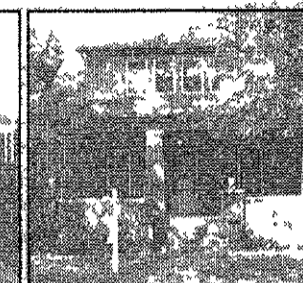

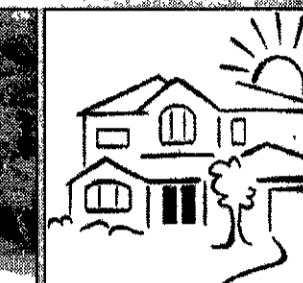


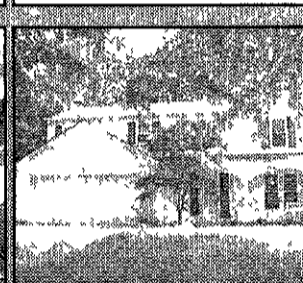

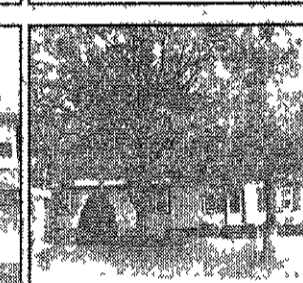
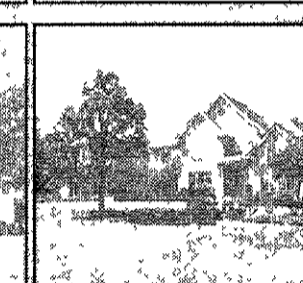

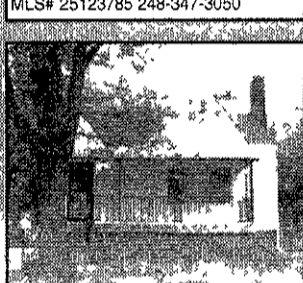
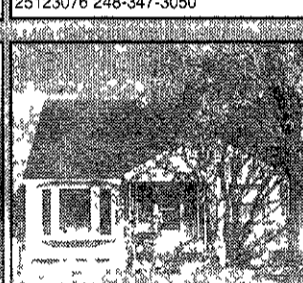
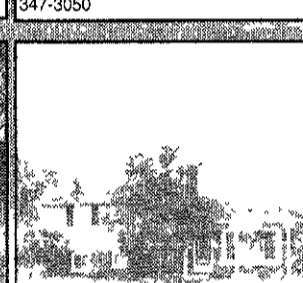
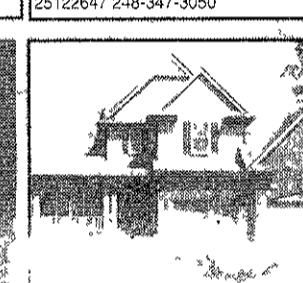
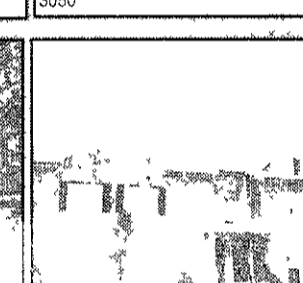
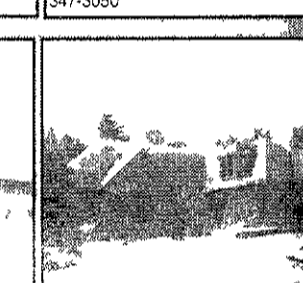
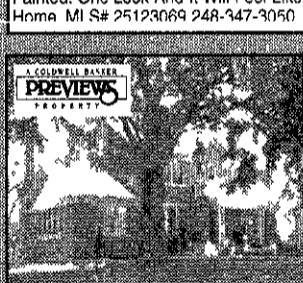



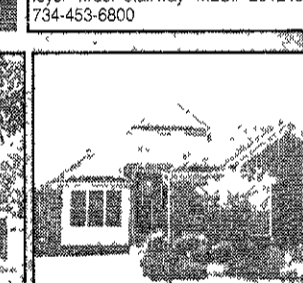
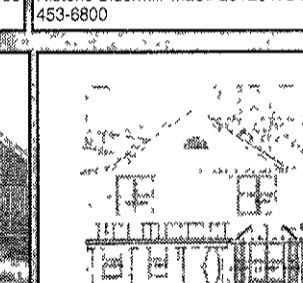

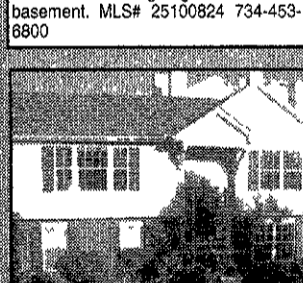

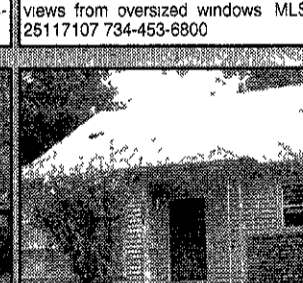

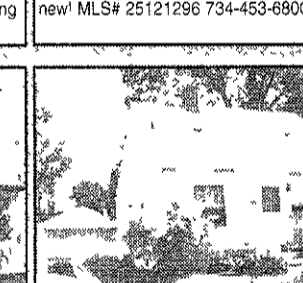
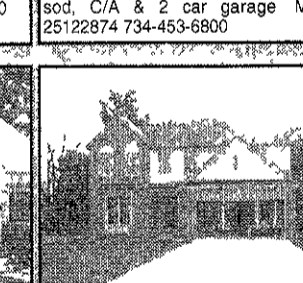
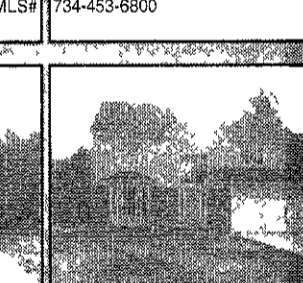
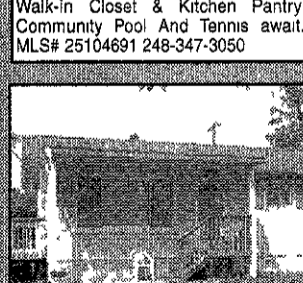



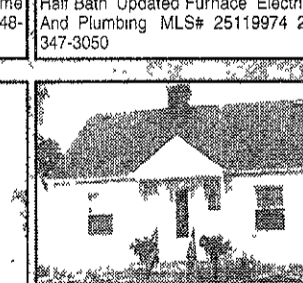
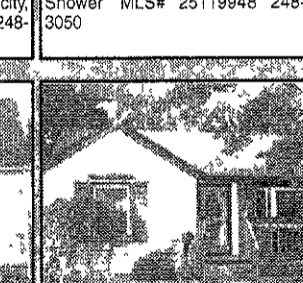
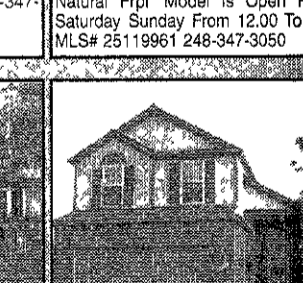
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# The opportunities remain 'real' now

It's bad. Record high fuel prices, lagging economic recovery, hurricanes slashing at the country's underbelly. It's not all "doom and gloom," though.

In fact, if history as any indicator, we can still make some quite reliable "guesstimates" of what the rest of the year has in store for us.

During the course of a typical calendar year, mortgage interest rates remain steady or decline slightly from the time school starts through the cold weather holidays. The real estate market during this timeframe normally tapers off a bit, and many mortgage brokers hibernate until the following spring.

This year, the Dow Jones Industrial Average has strug-



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gled to keep ahead of the 10,000 benchmark. Since mortgage interest rates generally follow the direction of the equity markets, they too have remained somewhat level in spite of the Federal Reserve Board's multiple increases to the Federal Funds Rate since the New Year.

Since bad news for the market seems to be good news for mortgage rates, it appears we should be able to count on rea-

sonable mortgage interest rates well into early-2006. Thus, whether you are a real estate investor looking to bolster your portfolio of properties or a renter itching to your own home, the real estate opportunity for you should remain "real" for several more months.

Members of these groups stand to most benefit from these late-year excellent rates: Any renter regardless of length left on lease; all homeowners carrying credit card balances that they cannot pay-off monthly; all real estate investors; all jumbo mortgage holders; all FHA and VA mortgage holders; any home owner who is currently paying PMI; and everybody who has a mortgage that is "piggy-

backed" on top of another mortgage, especially if the second lien is a home equity line of credit.

Today's TIMBIT! Unless your "crystal ball" shows a much more cheery scenario for our economy from now through year-end, you can bank on steady and attractive mortgage interest rates from now until the warmth of Spring 2006. If you are going to make a mortgage move, do it during the next few months, if possible.

Timothy Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. Visit USWealthAcademy.com for free information online or call him toll-free at (866) 369-4516. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

## HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the weeks of April 18-22 2005, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

City	Address	Sales Price
<b>Canton</b>		
48484	Antique	\$298,000
43009	Arlington	\$230,000
2080	Bellingham	\$210,000
6514	Carriage Hills	\$240,000
7024	Chadwick	\$267,000
1667	Christopher	\$150,000
4017	Cornerstone	\$46,000
40631	Deer Pines	\$85,000
4655	Denton	\$185,000
44721	Dionne	\$263,000
49252	Founders	\$478,000
42254	Hanford	\$221,000
50140	Harding	\$58,000
44700	Heather	\$259,000
1164	Heritage	\$187,000
50141	Heron	\$466,000
2323	Knollwood	\$180,000
661	Merrimac	\$205,000
50492	Monroe	\$69,000
1396	N Morton Taylor	\$273,000
8562	New Haven	\$414,000
44055	Pallsades	\$220,000
1996	Pebble Creek	\$236,000
244	Queen Anne	\$435,000
182	Robert	\$379,000
259	Sheffield	\$224,000
47356	Sherstone	\$297,000
48615	Stonebriar	\$52,000
1430	Whittier	\$180,000
48662	Woodson	\$405,000
<b>Garden City</b>		
28489	Barton	\$137,000
31729	Block	\$110,000
6523	Fairfield	\$165,000
31304	Florence	\$129,000
6624	Henry Ruff	\$156,000
28616	James	\$155,000
28535	Marquette	\$148,000
29480	Meadow	\$148,000
30721	Pierce	\$150,000
6659	Whitby	\$150,000
<b>Livonia</b>		
33074	Allen	\$195,000
10024	Arcola	\$173,000
30224	Brookview	\$234,000
14251	Cardwell	\$185,000
14667	Country Club	\$189,000
32022	Delaware	\$163,000
14452	Fairway	\$251,000
19467	Fitzgerald	\$132,000
34015	Gable	\$241,000
<b>Plymouth</b>		
853	Church	\$300,000
9339	Mapletree	\$320,000
40654	Newport	\$140,000
40544	Orangelawn	\$199,000
154	Pinewood	\$124,000
10782	Red Maple	\$400,000
761	Starkweather	\$188,000
9058	Stone Hollow	\$518,000
325	W Ann Arbor Trail	\$192,000
<b>Redford</b>		
13429	Arnold	\$172,000
20075	Beech Daly	\$126,000
9604	Centralia	\$146,000
15360	Dixie	\$101,000
10028	Inkster	\$138,000
15875	Lennane	\$120,000
11302	Riverdale	\$135,000
17242	Wakenden	\$137,000
20101	Wakenden	\$126,000
9623	Wormer	\$127,000
<b>Westland</b>		
2812	Batavia	\$90,000
34517	Bayview	\$166,000
30805	Beechnut	\$147,000
8119	Creekside	\$288,000
35585	Florane	\$176,000
32144	Genesee	\$110,000
7576	Gilman	\$180,000
30354	Hanover	\$100,000
7338	Kubis	\$159,000
8109	Liberty	\$165,000
32680	Lone Pine	\$161,000
32731	Merritt	\$180,000
38209	Palmaateer	\$173,000
8148	Parkside	\$301,000
8121	Perrin	\$148,000
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Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit [bmeisner@meisner-associates.com](mailto:bmeisner@meisner-associates.com)

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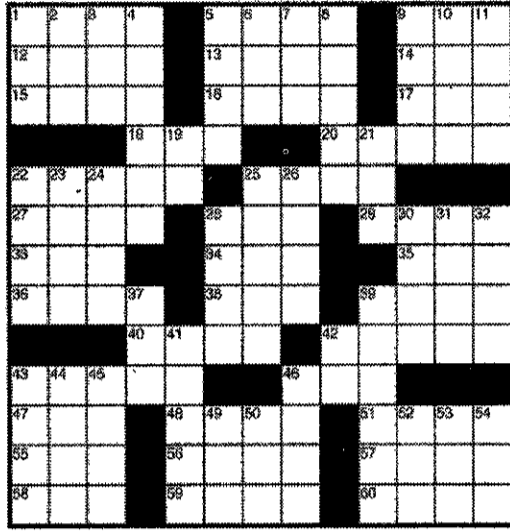
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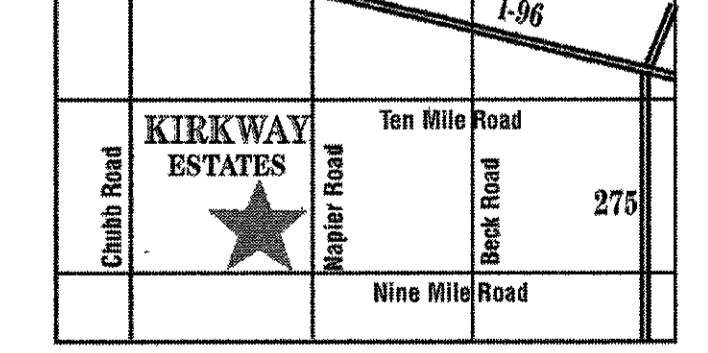
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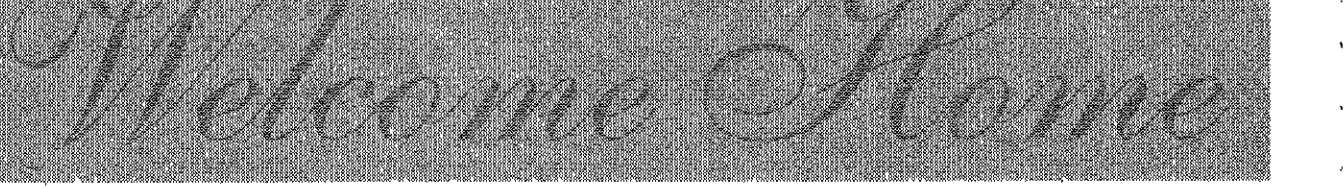
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<p><b>DEARBORN HGTS Appealing Brick Ranch</b> Original owner has maintained this home beautifully. 2 car brick front garage. Finished basement w/wet bar and electric, fireplace and kitchen appliances stay (E42FEN) 734-455-5600 \$159,900</p>	<p><b>CANTON Built In 1991</b> Located on dead-end street this exceptionally well maintained 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial features newer carpet, neutral carpet and spacious master bedroom w/double closets. (E57BRO) 734-455-5600 \$199,900</p>	<p><b>FARMINGTON View In Complex</b> Remodeled 2 BR, 2.1 BA end unit townhouse. LR w/trpic &amp; 2 doorways to deck, formal DR, spacious kit, den, updated BA's. Finished W/O basement w/wet bar. Newer paint, carpet, windows &amp; roof. 2 car gar. (E67THER) 248-349-5600 \$219,900</p>	<p><b>PLYMOUTH Architectural Ecstasy</b> In this 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch. Entertainers delight w/open floor plan blending living room, great room &amp; kitchen. Fireplace, fireplace, professionally finished rec room, 2 tiered deluxe patio, C/A. (E95THO) 248-349-5600 \$244,900</p>	<p><b>LIVONIA Love Me Don't Date Me</b> 3 bedroom brick ranch, finished basement, newer carpet, roof &amp; gutters. Add a 2 car gar, large covered porch &amp; walking distance to park &amp; ice arena. Home is solid &amp; clean, but needs some updating. Move in ready. (E12SUN) 248-349-5600 \$154,900</p>
<p><b>DETROIT Remodeled Bungalow</b> Offers 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, newer roof, windows, garage, baths, living room, dining room w/Pergo floor, eat-in kitchen w/ceramic tile &amp; cabinetry. Huge master suite w/storage, partially finished bsmt, trpic in LR. (E00WAR) 734-455-5600 \$138,900</p>	<p><b>REDFORD Exceptional Home</b> Offers remodeled kitchen w/newer stove &amp; frig, newer flooring &amp; cabinet doors. Newer roof, furnace &amp; C/A, vinyl windows &amp; doors. Refinished hardwood floors in LR, part fin bsmt &amp; garage in this 2 bedroom ranch. (E72CEN) 734-455-5600 \$119,900</p>	<p><b>COMMERCE Clean Classic Colonial</b> 4 BR, 3.5 BA colonial w/Lake Sherwood privileges &amp; private beach area. Updated throughout. Cherry kit w/Granite island. Large Florida room w/hot tub. Finished basement w/6th br, full BA, FR area &amp; 2nd lib. (E10MAR) 248-349-5600 \$354,900</p>	<p><b>FARMINGTON HILLS Honey, I'm Home!</b> This is it! Beautiful 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath brick ranch with attached garage in popular sub. Gorgeous updated kit, newer windows, roof, HVAC, electric &amp; more. Baths updated plus a jetted tub! Fenced yard. Farm. Schs. (E42STO) 248-349-5600 \$164,999</p>	<p><b>LIVONIA Enjoy Livonia Ranch</b> Take one look &amp; start packing. This clean 3 bedroom ranch offers hardwood floors, A/C, finished basement and 2 car garage. Fenced yard has patio and plenty of shade for outdoor entertaining. (E02GIL) 248-349-5600 \$184,900</p>
<p><b>DEARBORN HGTS Sprawling Ranch</b> On double lot, approximately 1500 sq ft, 3 bedroom home w/24x32 2 story garage, updated windows, siding, furnace, C/A &amp; kitchen. Jacuzzi tub in bath, fireplace in LR, large kit, FFL. Walk to all schs. (Dist. 7) (E06HAR) 734-455-5600 \$149,900</p>	<p><b>PLYMOUTH This Is The One!</b> You've been waiting for... and in highly sought after Woodlore Sub, tucked away on serene setting w/4 BRs, 3.5 BAs, GR w/soaring ceilings, trpic, hwdw flrs overlooks treed lot. 3 car att gar, part fin bsmt. (E06WEL) 734-455-5600 \$542,900</p>	<p><b>DEARBORN Dearborn Hills Beauty</b> 3 BR colonial w/lots of updates. Newer furnace, C/A, elec &amp; appls. Nice hardwood floors. Florida room. Nice den could be 4th BR. 2 fireplaces - 1 in finished bsmt. Newer HWH. Quick occupancy. 2 car x-deep gar. (E41HIG) 248-349-5600 \$256,900</p>	<p><b>NOVI Novi-Northville Schools</b> An aggressive price for this 4 BR, 3 1/2 BA executive home. Woodland views from gourmet kit w/granite &amp; hwdw. Dual staircase leads to step up MBR. Fin LL offers full bath &amp; separate wine room. Home warranty. (E88YOR) 248-349-5600 \$540,000</p>	<p><b>LIVONIA A Place To Call Home!</b> This outstanding brick ranch is truly move-in ready. Spacious &amp; open floor plan w/plenty of updating. Check out the finished basement w/laundry. The garage has opener &amp; added storage. Great fenced yard w/deck. (E97LYN) 734-349-5600 \$189,900</p>
<p><b>PLYMOUTH This Home Is Spotless</b> Move right into this 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial w/2 car attached garage, part fin basement, FR w/fireplace, updated kitchen, furnace, A/C, hardwood floors &amp; glass block windows. Backyard filled w/perennials. (E84HAR) 734-455-5600 \$289,900</p>	<p><b>ROMULUS Country Setting</b> You can walk to the downtown historical district from the 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath colonial w/mechanics dream gar, beautiful updated kit, updated furnace, roof, sump pump, vinyl tilt-in windows &amp; newer siding. (E92GOD) 734-455-5600 \$144,519</p>	<p><b>ROYAL OAK Well Kept Colonial</b> With neutral decor. Hardwood floors throughout. Heated sunroom w/skylights, 3 doorwalls, large living room with fireplace. Large dining room with gas fireplace. Pergo flooring. (E04WAS) 248-349-5600 \$254,800</p>	<p><b>FARMINGTON Newly Decorated</b> 3 BR, 1.5 BA ranch w/hardwood floors. New 2005 ceramic flrs in kit, breakfast &amp; 1/2 bath. Lg LR - finished, carpeted bsmt. Front yard nicely landscaped. Doorwall from breakfast room to private backyard. (E52MEA) 248-349-5600 \$185,900</p>	<p><b>SOUTH LYON Golf Course Community</b> Welcome home to this former model home. First floor master patio. Custom window treatments. A must see - great Lyon township location. (E63GRE) 248-349-5600 \$484,900</p>

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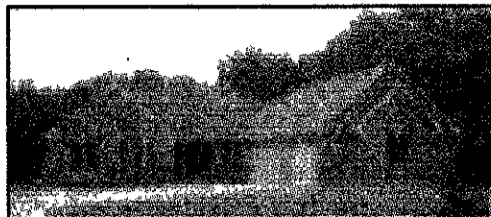


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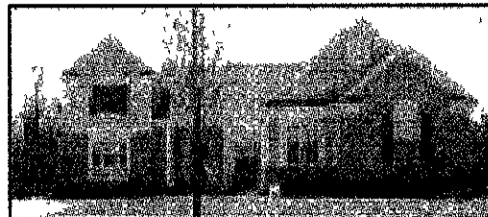
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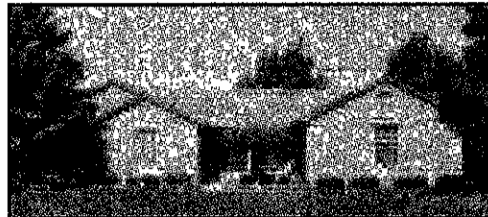
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**NORTHVILLE** 248-348-6430  
OWN A LITTLE PIECE OF HEAVEN 3.5 acres. Beautiful prop. Secluded yet close to everything. Custom blt ranch. Tons of upgrades. Granite kit, amazing LL w/2020 add'l SF. 349-6200 (25107587) \$600,000



**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
PERFECTION AT IT'S BEST Cape Cod. Wooded lot. Watch the deer from your kit. Daylight bsmt, hdwd flrs, entry level sumptuous mstr ste. 2603 SF of pure luxury. (23N8223) \$469,000



**PLYMOUTH** 248-348-6430  
DESIRABLE RIDGEWOOD HILLS RANCH Hurry! 3 BR Bonadeo ranch, open spacious flr, mstr ste w/2 WIC, lg kit w/snack bar, upgrades galore, fin'd bsmt w/FR, office, hobby area & lg cedar closet. 349-6200 (25081792) \$369,900



**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
Open floor plan with cathedral ceilings. Hdwd floors in kit, DR & foyer, designer patio with professional landscaping. 3 BR, 2.5 BA Colonial. (25076793) \$325,900



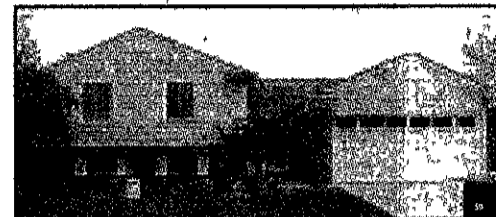
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IT'S ALL BEEN DONE FOR YOU! Popular Sunflower. Lg 4 BR Colonial. 2.5 BA, den, fin'd bsmt and fantastic 18x36 pool. \$27,000 recently invested for your pleasure. (23S45752) \$289,900



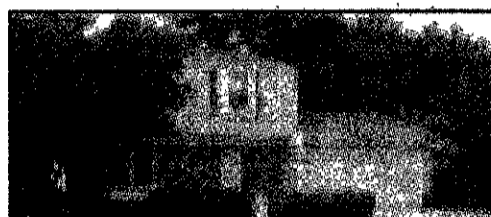
**NORTHVILLE** 248-348-6430  
PEACE AWAITS YOU IN BEAUTIFUL BACKYARD Relax & enjoy Koi pond, fountain, deck & gorgeous gardens. 3 BR ranch w/many updates t/o: fin'd bsmt, newer roof & wndws. 349-6200 (25096833) \$275,000



**OCEOLA** 248-348-6430  
GOOD AS NEW & GOOD TO GO No waiting to build on this less-than-1 yr old home. Beautiful 3 BR, 2.5 BA w/ w/o bsmt. Hdwd flrs, gas flrc, island kit w/maple cab. Sub has pool & sidewalks. (25095225) \$232,000



**CANTON** 734-591-9200  
Great curb appeal on this 4 BR, 1.5 BA. Eat in kit & DR. Deck off mstr BR, natural FP in FR. Close to expressways, great neighborhood (25053205) \$226,900



**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
A DREAM COME TRUE! 3BR Colonial w/ updated kit. Beautiful maple cabs & hdwd flrs. Major updates complete and ready for you to move in. (23D6687) \$218,999



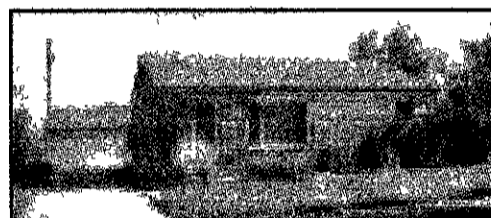
**SOUTHFIELD** 734-591-9200  
New on the market! This 3BR 1.5BA home is in great shape with lots of updates. Located in Southfield deep in a beautiful sub. This home even backs to a park (25069475) \$192,500



**LIVONIA** 248-348-6430  
PEACE AWAITS YOU IN BEAUTIFUL BACKYARD Relax & enjoy Koi Pond, fountain, deck & gorgeous gardens. 4 BR ranch w/many updates t/o: fin'd bsmt, newer roof & wndws. 349-6200 (25096833) \$188,800



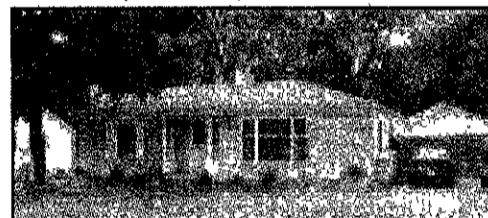
**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 734-591-9200  
North Dearborn Heights Ranch 1680 SF. This place has the best view in Drb Heights. Spectacular ravine setting w/golf course on other side. Lrg rear wndw really bring view inside (25026226) \$179,900



**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
Charming air conditioned 3 BR home has many updates. New kit, BA, roof, beautiful FR, fin'd bsmt w/glass block wndws. 2 car gar w/ a very pretty yard. (25111786) \$179,900



**REDFORD** 734-591-9200  
Brick ranch, 1420 SF of quality living area, 2 BR, 1.5 BA, fin'd bsmt, att gar on double lot. Updates incl rf, wndws, plmb, elec suc, hdwd flrs & new crpt. Fla rm overlooks brick patio (25094558) \$164,900



**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
Country feel. Huge lot. 3 BR ranch on almost 1/2 acre. 2 car gar with circle drive. Maint free exterior. Home has several updates. Call to see. (25106047) \$162,500



**DEARBORN** 734-326-2000  
INTRODUCING CHARM & CHARISMA Updates include fabulous wht kit, gorgeous fin'd bsmt, 3 BR, 2 full BA, newer repl windows, paint & carpet, newer roof shingles, glass blk, 2 1/2 grg (P333) \$152,000



**LIVONIA** 734-326-2000  
CHARMER This beauty is loaded! 3 BR ranch w/ gorgeous fin'd bsmt & 2 car gar. All new roof, vinyl windows, updt electric & more. Open floor plan. Clean & bright. (R191) \$149,900



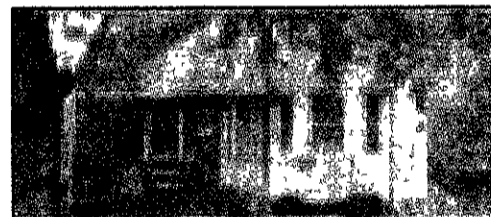
**WESTLAND** 734-326-2000  
JUST TOO WONDERFUL is this 3 BR ranch w/ remodeled country kit, full fin'd bsmt w/ bar & great storage. 2 Full BA, c/a, Fla rm & 2.5 car gar. (P311) \$144,900



**WAYNE** 248-348-6430  
SHARP 3 BR IN QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD Close to school & shopping. Remodeled kit. Hdwd flrs. Part fin'd bsmt w/full BA. Separate office/comp rm. Maint free exterior including 2 car gar. 349-6200 (25097517) \$133,000



**HAZEL PARK** 734-591-9200  
If you want to move into a home & relax, this 3 BR ranch is for you. Wonderful updates thru-out: roof, kit, plbg, elec. Beautifully fin'd bsmt w/1/2 BA, special photo effects in backyard & more (25102517) \$129,900



**REDFORD** 734-455-7000  
FIRST TIME BUYER ALERT! 3BR ranch. Hdwd floors - nicely maintained. Updated kit & BA. Partly fin'd bsmt w/4th BR. 2car gar. Act now. (23R10000) \$127,900



**WESTLAND** 734-326-2000  
ALL DRESSED UP & WAITING Updates include gorgeous oak kit, BA, roof shingles, windows, driveway, stove & doors. Newer flooring, deck off rear nicely landscaped. (S348) 20172 \$114,900



**PLYMOUTH** 248-348-6430  
LESS THAN \$80,000 IN CENTRAL PLYMOUTH 1st flr condo w/view of courtyard. Newer wndws, roof & furn. Pool & clubhouse. Assoc dues inc water, gas, & heat. Some restrictions. 349-6200 (25111105) \$75,000



**REDFORD** 248-348-6430  
VERY CLEAN 1ST FLOOR END UNIT CONDO Payment lower than renting. Includes heat/water, newer wndws/roof. New barber carpet, hdwd flrs in mstr BR w/WIC. Appliances stay. 349-6200 (25119159) \$50,900

**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
APPROACHABLE LUXURY Amazing views from this many windowed condo home in Central Park of Canton. Highly upgraded in every way. Tennis courts, pool & clubhouse. (23V47547) \$329,475

**GARDEN CITY** 734-591-9200  
Cape Cod. Almost New Uniquely decorated, 3 BR, 2.5 BAs, frml DR, brkfst nook, cath cells, bsmt, gar, GR, drwall leading to terrific deck. Must see to appreciate. (25058486) \$234,900

**NORTHVILLE** 248-348-6430  
HISTORIC NORTHVILLE Walk to quaint dwnvtwn. Charming Cape Cod. Two flrcs, DR w/bay window. Updated kit & BA. Mechanics dream gar. Lovely lot w/ many perennials. 349-6200 (25068900) \$329,900

**REDFORD** 734-326-2000  
THE WOW HOUSE! Lots of Bang for the Buck in this South Redford 3 BR brick ranch w/ clean & bright open floor plan. Newer windows, furnace, c/a, carpet, interior paint & more! (25001387) \$95,000

**CANTON** 734-591-9200  
Welcome to this exquisite 2003 built 4 BR, 2.5 BA, 2448 SF, 2 car att gar & bsmt det condo w/maple cabs, corian cnters & a great view. (25057048) \$289,000

**GARDEN CITY** 734-326-2000  
EXPANSE NOT EXPENSE is this remodeled 3 BR Cape Cod w/ 2400 SF, remodeled kit w/ all appliances & BA w/ vanity, deck, 3 car gar & huge mstr BR. (25058076) \$159,900

**NORTHVILLE** 248-348-6430  
END UNIT CONDO ALL ON ONE FLOOR 2 BR, 2 BA all on one floor. Wallside wndws. Pergo floor in kit. Lg laundry room. All appl stay. Newer refrig & self-cleaning convection oven. 349-6200 (25092371) \$145,000

**WESTLAND** 734-591-9200  
Why wait to build? Job transfer forces owner to sell this beauty completed 9/04. Brick, 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2000 SF Cape Cod, 1st flr mstr w/sep shower & tub, oak in in kit. Lrg loft (25080744) \$229,900

**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
HOME AT LAST! 3BR/2.5BA Colonial. Backs to wooded commons. Lg eat-in kit w/center isl. Frml LR&DR. FR w/cath ceiling & nat'l FP. Heated 2 car gar. 2nd Fl laundry. (23A43645) \$259,900

**GARDEN CITY** 734-326-2000  
RELOCATING! MUST SELL!! Lg BR Ranch w/ 2.5 BA & 3 BR FR & 1st flr Indry! Newer crpt, HW, furn, CA. Wallside Windows. Fin'd bsmt. \$200 towards paint. Home Warr. (25081609) \$159,900

**NOVI** 248-348-6430  
DET 4 BR MAPLES OF NOVI CONDO Golf course community. 4 BR, 2.2 BA. FR w/vaulted ceiling & flrc. Step up mstr ste. Fin'd LL. New flr in kit, new carpet in LR & DR. 349-6200 (25065626) \$274,900

**WESTLAND** 734-591-9200  
Welcome home! Clean 1140 SF brick ranch updated kit & BA, fin'd bsmt, 2 car gar w/carport. Westland w/Liv schls. (25108602) \$175,000

**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
RENT A TRUCK..... and start moving. This well maintained condo is waiting for new owners. Back of sub location. Spacious mstr w/private BA. Apprl stay. Call soon! (23L42744) \$124,999

**INKSTER** 734-326-2000  
EVERYTHING IS DONE! Newer windows, roof, gar, furn & c/a. 3BR, 2 Full BA, Part fin'd bsmt. Nice house w/gar & carport. (25074215) \$89,900

**NOVI** 248-348-6430  
HIDDEN TREASURE! "Up to date" 3 BR, 2.5 BA condo. Lg FR in LL. 1st class flooring, new gar w/opener, c/a, & newer windows, furnace, roof, & fresh paint. (23W41778) \$197,000

**WESTLAND** 734-591-9200  
ALL YOU NEED is yours in this 3 BR brick ranch. Livonia schls. Beautifully fin'd bsmt w/plc, 2 car gar w/opener, c/a, & newer windows, furnace, roof, shingles & more. (25090012) \$164,900

**DEARBORN** 248-348-6430  
SHARP 5 BR 2.5 BA HOME Totally remod from the inside out in 2004. New kit, BA, wndw, drs, rf, siding, plumbing, hdwd flrs. 349-6200 (25109453) \$170,000

**LINCOLN PARK** 734-591-9200  
Prime location. Close to park. Large corner lot w/many updates. Brand new kit, new carpet t/o, fresh paint, vinyl windows, & copper plumb finish off this spotless home. (24127607) \$96,900

**NOVI** 248-348-6430  
BEAUTIFUL NOVI CONDO Updates galore! Beautiful new kit w/hdwd flrs, mstr BR w/doorwall, BA w/twin pedestal sinks, part fin'd bsmt, impeccably maintained. 349-6200 (25098169) \$132,500

**WESTLAND** 248-348-6430  
COMFY AND COZY Lovely home w/a light & bright kit & brkfst area, comfortable FR, charming LR, 3 BR, 1.5 BA, newer roof, some hdwd flrs, fenced yard & sidewalks. 349-6200 (25110676) \$159,900

**DEARBORN HGTS** 734-326-2000  
YOU'VE FOUND THE BEST w/ this 3 or 4 BR 2 story 2100 SF Colonial W/2 1/2 BA, FR W/FP, Full bsmt & 2 car att gar. Many newer features & brand new carpeting. (25087537) \$269,900

**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
Beautiful Bicentennial Estates Colonial. 2765 SF, 4BR, 2.5BA, mstr ste, FR, library, spacious kit, DR, 1st flr Indry, XL bsmt, gar, & yard. Many custom features. (25103814) \$385,000

**PLYMOUTH** 248-348-6430  
CUSTOM HOME ON ALMOST AN ACRE 3 BR, 2 BA, 2400 SF ranch w/2000 SF LL & 4 flrcs on almost an acre of private specimen treed setting. 349-6200 (25120918) \$399,900

**WESTLAND** 734-591-9200  
Charming 3BR brick ranch with full bsmt. Home features FR with flrc, deep lot, 2 car gar, hdwd floors, newer roof, glass blk windows and much more. (25104228) \$149,900

**DEARBORN HGTS** 734-326-2000  
WITHIN YOUR MEANS Is this 3 BR Brick Ranch in Dearborn Hgts District #7 Schools, with remodeled kit, c/a, newer Wallside windows and 2.5 car gar. (25098175) \$114,900

**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
This ranch is an entertainer's delight. Loaded with updates & it shows beautifully, fin'd bsmt is built for fun. 2.5 gar is set up to entertain in too. Low traffic street (25038485) \$184,900

**PLYMOUTH** 734-455-7000  
MOVE-IN CONDITION! 1st flr mstr ste. Fresh and neutral. Built in 1997. Open and spacious floor plan. Hdwd floors. 2.5 BA. 2-car side entry gar. Great landscaping. (23W12933) \$315,000

**WESTLAND** 734-326-2000  
MOVE RIGHT IN! Gorgeous 3 BR ranch with 1.5 BA, 2 car gar, FR, heated Fla room. Updated kit, furnace, roof, windows, carpet, paint & more. (25101848) \$139,900

**DETROIT** 734-455-7000  
AN INVESTMENT DREAM! Well-maintained investors dream. Many updates. Full first floor flat with an upstairs apartment. Both units currently rented. (23K19332) \$80,000

**LIVONIA** 734-455-7000  
RANCH ON PARK-LIKE SETTING!!! Bountiful space for boat, mobile home, trailer. 3BR ranch w/3 car gar and workshop, plus peace and quiet. Barbeque and family reunion heaven. (23O39910) \$179,910

**PLYMOUTH** 734-591-9200  
Updtd ranch. Spacious eat in kit. Neut colors. Cer tile & jet tub in BA. New barber crpt. Fin'd bsmt w/an extra rm. Lg tree lined lot and more! (25013288) \$204,900

**WIXOM** 248-348-6430  
CLOSE TO EVERYTHING Great floor plan in this light & bright end unit in a small complex. Eat-in kit & fin'd bsmt. Immed occup. 349-6200 (25050374) \$218,900

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 248-348-6430  
3 BR RANCH-Approx 1200 SF. Newer 2 car gar & fenced yard! Newer carpeting, siding, gutters & wndws. 1 yr home warranty. Farmington schls. 349-6200 (25053657) \$154,000

**NORTHVILLE** 734-591-9200  
3200 SF Victorian w/5 BR and 3.5 BA with period design and accents throughout. Too many high end upgrades to actually list. (25048938) \$794,000

**PLYMOUTH** 734-455-7000  
WALK TO DOWNTOWN 2 BR upper ranch condo w/bay wndw, vtd cell, skylts, oak cabs. Mstr BR has 2 WICs. Andersen wndws, new furn in Aug 05. Seller motivated. (23P331) \$135,000

**WYANDOTTE** 248-348-6430  
DBL LOT COLONIAL Perfect for the new home buyer. Updts: rf, wndws, siding, gutters, paint, carpet, BA, 2 car gar. 349-6200 (25064760) \$182,900

# RESUMES, YEA OR NAY?



**WORKWISE**  
by Mildred L. Culp

Are resumes afterthoughts or integral to a campaign?

On September 1, R.D. Whitney began his job as executive vice president of Business Development at Vicon Publishing Inc., an eight-year-old business-to-business print and online publisher and special events developer in Amherst, N.H. It's his dream job which, he maintains, the job seeker can best create through networking. "I identified a successful company that I wanted to be associated with," he explains, "and I showed them how I could add value. Simple equation: 1+1=3. If you can offer that to someone, the resume is just a follow-up item." He presented it, customized to Vicon, during the second meeting.

"It certified what I had said," he continues. "Of course, everyone would/should assume everything on it absolutely accurate. Gone are the days in senior-level positions where you send your resume out first to try to spark someone's interest. I think it's better to identify what your passion is and what your ideal situation would be and then go get it."

Kevnie Greene-Patterson offers very different perspective. In January, a temporary service negotiated a part-time position for her as coordinator of Traffic and Vendor Services at two Atlanta nonprofit hospitals, Children's Health Care of Atlanta at Scottish Rite and Children's Health Care of Atlanta at Eggleston. She covered traffic for

the marketing departments at both hospitals. Three months later, she was hired full-time for a permanent position by the hospitals, who were impressed by her resume.

Gina Rubin, who's developing a policy manual for financial statements and accounting at the Federal Home Loan Bank Office of Finance in Reston, Va., has relied more than once on her resume. She's been in her current job less than four months. "I didn't know anyone here," she reports. "A lot of my resume reflects my extracurricular activities. They're eye-catching details showing character. I was specific about what I wanted." The fact that a previous employer was a leading mid-sized auditing firm helped, as did the recruiter behind her placement.

## HIDDEN POWER

If there's any power in a resume, it comes not from design, appearance or length. Like any advertisement, it comes from substance. What separates the wheat from the chaff? Information, front and center.

That's the catch. Only the rare resume incorporates the best information. Rather, people are constantly describing what they did, which is pure process. If they do some extra thinking, they then attach the results to the end of the process. That tactic obscures the most important part -- the outcomes of the specific tasks you perform.

How can you possibly think in terms of outcomes? It's an almost impossible challenge to reverse your thinking, unless, of course, you've won contests, awards or promotions, which are

relatively tangible signs of success. Most forms of accomplishments aren't.

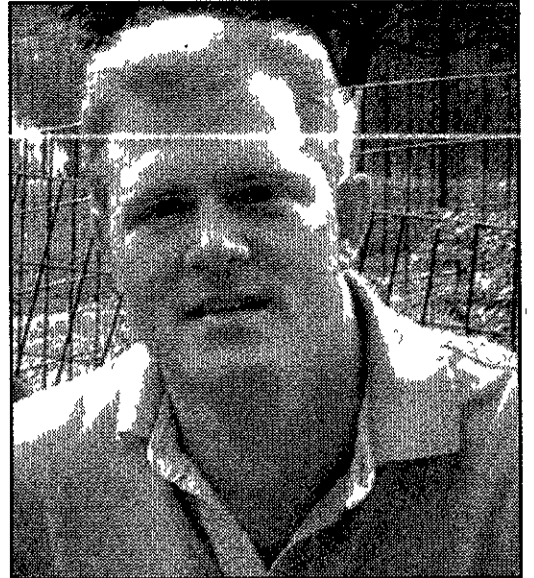
You can expect yourself to:

- develop a list of tasks you performed on the job.
  - ask yourself about each individually, "What happened?"
  - if that doesn't work, try asking, "So what?" and
  - if you're still stuck, demand of yourself, "Who gives a rip?"
- If you don't give a rip, no one else will, either.

Find the middle ground in your use of a resume. Don't make it a mass marketing tool, or you'll get lost in the mass marketing methods of job hunting. These are the worst methods for finding a job. Note that Greene-Patterson used her resume to sell depth of information that she couldn't have covered in her interview for the coordinator's job. For her, it was indeed a marketing tool that sold for her even after she signed on as a part-timer.

However, even if a resume appears to be a mere afterthought in your campaign, give it everything you possibly can. Be certain to place outcomes before tasks. No one will spend half the time you spent on writing reading your resume.

Whitney maintains that about 99 percent of your effort should be networking. "I believe in one-to-one marketing," he says, "and I think you should always completely customize your message to your target audience. A resume should be created as if there is only one perfect job out there for



R. D. Whitney suggests that a good resume is just a follow-up to a letter that shows your passion and value.

you." Rubin agrees about customization but emphasizes that something in a resume needs to prompt an interviewer to want to speak with you. What advice would Greene-Patterson give a job seeker? "Never underestimate the power of a resume," she declares. "You give it out one place and it ends up in other places you'd never even imagine."

In other words, whatever its role in your job search, give it everything you can.

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Sat. Sept. 10, 10-5, Sun. Sept. 11, 12-3 81 Ottawa Drive...

REDFORD TWP. Estate Sale 18416 Beech Daly, Fri, & Sat, Sept 9 & 10...

NOVI 21785 Daleview, near 8 Mile and Taft...

TROY ESTATE SALE By Americana 2553 Coolidge, Buckingham Apts...

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BED - Brand New super pillow-top mattress set...

BED-TWIN King & Twin items, stereo & speakers...

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BEDROOM SET white wash, includes daybed, dresser...

BEDROOM SET 4 piece, mirrored Queen headboard...

BLACK ENTERTAINMENT CENTER, 2 pc Walnut room divider...

CHAIR Henradon Leather, burgandy Exec Cond...

COFFEE TABLE Beveled glass top, black wood surround...

Household Goods

DAYBED BEDDING Bed skirt, spread, 4 pillows...

DESIGNER FURNITURE Moving out of town, must sell...

DINING ROOM SET Thomasville, Cherry, Queen Anne...

DINING ROOM SET 7 piece, French Provincial, LL Walnut...

DINING ROOM SET Includes 6 chairs w/2 leaves...

DINING ROOM TABLE & 6 chairs, Large, solid, medium brown oak...

DINING ROOM TABLE 42 inch round, light oak, 4 chairs...

DINING TABLE & 4 CHAIRS 40x60 in., 2 seats, solid ash...

SOFA Bed Hudson's, new, tan suede, cost \$1250...

FURNITURE All household goods. Kitchen stuff...

Household Goods

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER-Cherrywood, 38.5 (w) x 53 (h) x 20 (d)...

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FURNITURE TV Stand, Teakwood w/wheels, shelf, drawer \$75...

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FURNITURE Entertainment Center, off white, laminate; Glass console table...

DINING TABLE, 54" round pedestal, leaf & 4 Napoleon arm chairs...

FURNITURE All household goods. Kitchen stuff, very good cond.

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FURNITURE 2 entertainment centers, \$200, \$50. Like new, oversized washer/gas dryer set...

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Garage Sales

CANTON Sept 8, 9, 10, Thurs-Sat, 9am-5pm, 2140 Hendrie

CANTON N of Warren, E of Canton Center Daycare items, used bed and desk...

CANTON Condo wood garage sale Cherry Hill Points Condominiums...

CANTON Thurs Sept 8 only, 9am-6pm Oriental decor, dinnets, household 2355 Arbor Dr...

CANTON Sept 8-10, 9-3pm 4218 Edenbrook, E of Lily Pk, N of Cherry Hill...

CANTON Multi-Families Sept 8-9-10, 9-4pm, 44175 Candlewood, Lots of Mens, women and boys left clothing...

CANTON A BIG TENT/YARD SALE - 450+ albums, M&Ms Wed-Sat, 9-6pm only 48763 Gyde, off Beck, btwn Joy/ Warren Rain or Shine!

CANTON Antiques, tools, truck accessories etc 1 Day Only! 9am Sat, Sept. 10th, 8641 Canton Center Rd, 3 houses S of Joy.

CANTON - Sorority Garage Sale Sept 10-11, 10am-4pm, 931 Tyndall, off Haggerty, btwn Ford & Lilye Wide variety of interesting items - must see!

CANTON MULTI SUB SALE Cherry Hill Orchards, Oakdale & Stonegate, N of Palmer, S of Cherry Hill, & E/W of Lilye Sept 15-18

CANTON, tools-tablesaw Guy stuff, Decoys, camo, car top carrier, etc Saturday only 9-5 2417 Hogan Way.

CANTON-Huge yard sale for ananias Missions! Sept 9 & 10 222 John M, 2 Bks N, of 14 1955 Chevy truck, furniture, china, lamps, electric, iron, clothes are \$1/bag

CLARKSTON MULTI FAMILY 6438 Southampton, North off Maybe between Dixie and Sashabaw 9/8-9/10, 9am-4pm

COMMERCIAL Estate sale, Sept. 8-10, 10-4pm, 2590 Laurel, S. of Commerce. Furniture, household items, paintings, tools, patio, an much more.

DAVISBURG Community Wide Sale! 9-9/10, 9:30-3:30pm. Mill Pond Park (In Downtown Davisburg)

DEARBORN Fri-Sun, 8:30-6pm, 23100 Oak, off Outer Dr, btwn Ford Rd & Telegraph Mega liquidation of Antiques, glassware, furniture, collectibles, jewelry, gifts, home dec, records, CD's, Christmas, quilting & craft supplies!

DEARBORN 2915 Parker St, E of Telegraph, S of Michigan, Sept 8-10, Household goods, small appliances, garden tools, fishing tackle & much more!

Garage Sales

DEARBORN HTS. Sept 8-9-10, 10-4pm 5634 Lafayette N/of Ford Rd, W/of Telegraph SELLING EVERYTHING IN HOME

FARMINGTON HILLS, Sept 10-11, 10-4, Huge 3 family, furniture, kids clothes, household, new wood chipper 31740 Homewood 11 & Orchard Lake

FARMINGTON HILLS 1950's chrome table & chairs, toys, clothing, tools, 25762 Kilreth, Sept 16-17 9-4, 11 Mile and Middlebelt

FARMINGTON CHARITY GARAGE SALE EXTRAVAGANZA! Sat, Sept 10, 10am-6pm, at 23023 Orchard Lake Rd & (Shawneese Rd) Bldg G, Farmington, MI There will be furniture, toys, housewares, clothing & more

FARMINGTON HILLS 2-Family Moving Sale Baby clothes, toys, housewares, etc. Fri, Sept 9, 10-4pm, Sat, Sept 10, 10-1pm 33815 Walnut Lane, W of Farmington Road, btwn 13 & 14 Mile

FARMINGTON HILLS Garage/Estate Sale, Thurs, 9/8 to Sat, 9/10, 8am-5pm, 23761 Minglewood Lane, N of 12 Mile, W of Middlebelt.

FARMINGTON HILLS Sub Wide Sale Meadowbrook Hills Fri, 9-9, & Sat, 9-10, N of 8 Mile, W of Halstead

FARMINGTON HILLS Moving/Garage Sale 37060 Tina Dr., 9 Mile & Halsted Thurs-Sat, 9-5pm

FARMINGTON HILLS - Sept 8-10, 10-7 on Lynnoff, off Farmington, btwn 11 & 12 Mile. Lots of stuff!

FARMINGTON HILLS Huge Multi-Family Moving Sale - Furniture, tools, baby/kids, etc. Everything must go! 21106 Collingham, off Grand River, 2 streets W of Bostford Hospital. Thursday-Sunday all day!

GARDEN CITY Garage/Estate sale, 2 family Sept 10, 9-4pm, Sept 11, 9-2pm, 33551 Leona St. Cross streets, Venoy & Cherry Hill

GARDEN CITY 1755 Gillman, off Ford, W of Inkster, E of Harrison, Thurs-Sat, 9am-4pm, 5 speaker stereo system, microwave, rotisserie, Toast Master Oven, lawn mower, vacuum lawn mower, women's clothing (plus sizes), men's clothes & lots of misc.

GARDEN CITY Yard sale, Thurs, & Fri, 8:30-6pm. Misc. items 33442 Kathryn, btwn Ford & Cherry Hill, off of Farmington.

HIGHLAND Lawn mower, dishes, beauty supplies, brushes, tv's, computer parts and more Sat Sept 10, 9-2pm, 2314 Duck Lake Rd, W/ardwood

LIVONIA 2005 two-seater moped, Barbie house, Little Tikes kitchen, games, household Sept 10 & 11, 9am-5pm, 31071 Grandon, E of Merriman, N of Joy Rd

LIVONIA - Sept 8-10, 9-4pm, 32000 Hees, Joy & Hubbard area. Books, clothing, close-out Mary Kay cosmetics, household items.

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LIVONIA Sept 10, 9-4pm SUB GARAGE SALE, Riverside St (S. of 5 Mile, btwn Farmington & Levan) Some sales start Thurs

LIVONIA Moving to FL, must sell! Antiques, housewares, clothing, furniture, tools, outdoor items! Sept 8-10th 9:30-5pm 14024 Richfield 1st street W of Newburgh 3 houses N of Schoolcraft

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PLYMOUTH Group garage sale 42724 Jurdson Sept 10 9-5pm Sept 11 12-5pm

PLYMOUTH Fri & Sat 9-5pm 1340 Hartsough, Ann Arbor Rd & Sheldon. Misc items Clean stuff - No Junk

PLYMOUTH Awesome Garage Sale - 298 Blunk St, btwn Chubb & Farmer Sept 9 & 10, 9am-5pm Art, glass, antiques, art books, jewelry, clothes & accessories & more items from Bloomfield Hills Estate

PLYMOUTH Huge tent sale Antiques, Arts & Crafts, old cars, shutters, pictures Fri-Sun, 9-7pm 41215 E Ann Arbor Rd, Park on Southworth

PLYMOUTH - Antiques, furniture, copper Apple Butter Kettle, Rattan, collectibles, baby clothes, cradle, 41141 Ann Arbor Rd., btwn Haggerty & Lilye. Park on Myrtle. Sept. 9-11, 9-7

PLYMOUTH - DOWNTOWN Antique sale, 9/10-9/11, 10-5pm. Period furniture incl. Victorian, Craftsman, Art Deco-Retro 1950-60. All perfect cond Roseville pottery, antique wicker, folk art, china & collectibles Victorian feathers & hats, 1217 Penniman, E of Sheldon, corner of Arthur, across from OLCG These are not garage sale items

PLYMOUTH- Big Multi-family Sale Old records, clothing, and a wide array of household items, including some furniture Fri-Sat, 9am-3pm, 9390 Colony Farm Ct.

PLYMOUTH-WEDGEWOOD VILLAGE CONDOS. Sat, Sept. 10th, 9 a. to 4. Rain day, Sun. Some open Fri. N of Ann Arbor Rd., 1 block W of Sheldon.

REDFORD Tacumseh Block Sale, 18 houses S of Schoolcraft, E of Inkster, Sept 8-11, 9-5pm. Estate items, furniture, antiques, collectibles, kid's items, ect.

REDFORD This Saturday and Sunday from 9am-2pm. Huge Garage Sale: Baby and Kids clothes, toys, books, videos, Little Tykes cottage and Many Household items. 11384 Marion, South of Plymouth Rd, East of Beach Daily

REDFORD Estate Sale, Sept 8-18, 9am-5pm, 13929 Fenton, N of 96, W of Telegraph.

REDFORD - Sept 9-10, 9-5pm Household, animal cages, walkers, vacuum 9746 Fenton, btwn Beech, Telegraph, Plymouth, W. Chicago

REDFORD HUGS Sale. Tools, old & new, all types of misc. incl. lots of belt buckles 8821 Marion, off of Telegraph & Joy Rd. Fri. 9-5, Sat. 9-5.

REDFORD- 20 YEARS OF HOUSEHOLD CLEAN-OUT! 3 Family Sale! Sept 10 & 11, 9am-5pm, 18817 Seminole.

ROCHESTER GARAGE SALE Fri. Sept. 9, 9:30-4:30. 1043 Pointe Place

ROCHESTER HILLS, HIGS Mt Multi Family, Hickory Hills Ct Off Livernois btwn University and Tenken, Sept 8-10, 9-3:30pm furniture, toys, clothing/ household goods

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FURNITURE Moving, Grandfather clock, cherry dining room set, sofas, Queen Ann chairs, cherry tables, lamps, library table, cherry globe on rollerbase 3 w/antique w/ drop down desk, antique birds eye maple bdrm set, beautiful large antique desk, mission rocker, antique pedestals, antique commode w/ marble top, Saunders computer center, big screen tv, 2 smaller tvs. Many household items and misc., too numerous to list! No reasonable offer refused. 248-474-6396

FURNITURE - Cherry dining room set w/china cabinet \$700. Leather sofa & loveseat \$600. Queen bed set incl dresser, 2 night stands, mirrored headboard & glass shelves \$600. 248-346-3942

FURNITURE - Drexel Heritage Pecan finish Entertainment Center, 8'6", \$950. Dining table 64"x42" w/2" 12' leaves, 6 chairs, \$925. (3) wood & glass top tables, \$300/set. 248-652-7692

FURNITURE - LEAVING STATE Must sell. Will sacrifice house full of beautiful, near new furniture. Includes elegant Italian leather sofa & matching loveseat, cost over \$3000 sell both for \$1550. Also have 13 piece formal cherry, Chippendale dining room suite, four cherry bedroom suites, two 10 piece queen size, two 11 piece king size. Gorgeous, cherry 3 piece entertainment center, cherry office desk, two cherry grandfather clocks, 9 piece cherry kitchen / dining set, three cherry coffee table sets, 5 piece cherry game set, 3 piece cherry pub set. Cherry sofa table, large cherry lighted curio, beautiful decorative lamps, pictures, mirrors, silk trees & much more. Must see to appreciate. All less than 3 months old & in excellent condition. Must be sold as soon as possible. Please call: 248-853-8124

FURNITURE - MOVING SALE Solid maple queen bedroom set, incl triple dresser, chest, 2 night stands, \$600. Solid cherry dining room set, 8 chairs, buffet, & mirror \$1000. 2 living room chairs \$500. Lamp, cherry tables. Patio set, \$100. 248-651-7682

Household Goods 7169

FURNITURE - Entertainment center, \$300/best. Dining room table w/6 chairs, \$150/best. Cash Only. 313-277-2697

GOING OUT OF BUSINESS SALE 50% OFF MERCHANDISE! Art, jewelry, gifts, etc 866-770-0010

HEADBOARD - Solid oak, for double/queen bed, lighted, incl triple mirror, storage in cabinets/drawers of each side. Exc cond. \$450. Also all-glass curio cabinet with arched top, gold trim, \$80. 248-821-5216

LAWRY UPRIGHT PIANO French Provincial Fruitwood, \$1600/best; La-Z-Boy sofa, cream/ multi colors, \$600/best. Both exc. condition. 734-991-0764

LIGHTED DISPLAY CABINETS 2 W/Glass, \$300 each 1 metal/vall glass. \$450. Or best offer. (248) 651-3835

LIQUIDATION SALE Sept 9 - 17 Mon-Sat: 9am-6pm Sun: 12pm - 4pm Ed Maliszewski Carpeting 21435 Mack Avenue St. Clair Shores, MI Over 300 Quality Oriental Rugs, Carpets & Fixtures Terms: Cash, credit card or certified funds only. Call for more info! R.J. Montgomery & Assoc., Inc. 734-459-2323 www.rjmauctions.com

MATTRESS SET King Size, Restonic Comfort Double Pillow Top & Bottom by Sheffield, \$225 Antique Rocker, \$60. 810-333-5457

MATTRESS-PILLOW TOP New in plastic w/ warranty. Full \$160, queen \$195, King \$280. Can deliver. 734-326-2744

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MISC ITEMS- Dining room furniture, Ethan Allen (American Master-piece collection by Hickory) table, 9 chairs (2 captain), buffet, china cabinet & silverware cabinet, \$4800. Lennox china (Eternal) decorative pieces, \$500. Lennox Crystal, serving for 10 (water, wine, champagne & pitcher), \$250. 734-416-8745

MOVING SALE Bdrm set, black lacquer & light wood; sectional sofa, chair, oriental screen, 62 TV, antiques, patio furniture, Football table Farmington Hills, (248) 225-0633

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### Thursday DriveTime



BY DALE BUSS

Even before Katrina, gasoline prices had been pressing ever closer to the forefront of American consumer consciousness. As they crept way past \$1.50 a gallon and, most recently, even way past \$2.50 a gallon, they didn't seem to make too much of a dent in our economic confidence or even in our consumption habits. There were at least two reasons for that: the continued overall strength of the rest of the U.S. economic outlook, including inflation and job-creation trends and rising home equity, as well as the fact that on an inflation-adjusted basis, gasoline prices actually were much higher in the early Eighties. But now -- just as the aftermath of the hurricane burst those two important levees in New Orleans and allowed floodwaters to pour into the sub-sea-level city -- Katrina's effects on the nation's oil and gas production, refining and distribution industries have smashed to smithereens our previous uneasy accommodation of higher gasoline prices. And with \$3.50- or \$4-a-gallon gasoline squarely on the horizon for awhile as industry and government try frantically to get our gasoline matrix back in order over the coming weeks, we're looking around for ways to come to grips with this unprecedented situation.

It may indeed be the time, some consumers are deciding, to take a long, hard look at what they're driving and to begin to move fuel economy way, way higher on their list of considerations in new-vehicle purchases or leases. Such thinking isn't necessarily a concession to what surely will prove to be relatively short-term price spikes related to the current shutdown of the oil industry on the Gulf of Mexico, but more of an acknowledgment that increasingly endemic problems in the globe's dependence on oil may have become a permanent feature of the U.S. automotive marketplace.

And if you're doing that kind of thinking today, allow me to help out by mentioning several vehicles that should make it onto your short list of possibilities, a handful of products that not only offer good fuel economy relative to their segments but significant other attributes as well.



The Chevrolet Malibu Maxx offers so much more than great fuel economy.

At the top of my list of such vehicles is the Chevrolet Malibu Maxx. I drove and reviewed this vehicle several weeks ago, and really liked it then -- and the more I learn about it, the more I like it still. Its attributes only begin with fuel economy of an impressive 22mpg in the city and a key 30mpg on the highway, and those figures on its standard 3.5-liter, 200-horsepower, V6 engine. What's most significant about the Malibu Maxx is what else you get along with great fuel economy. It's plenty peppy and handles and brakes well. It also is loaded with features, including adjustable pedals and an innovative fixed sunroof over the rear seats, which comes complete with a retractable shade. Also, Maxx's front passenger seat folds flat to abet long cargo or even to serve as a desk-like surface for a driver who's got time to waste. For retail prices under \$26,000.

A second favorite fuel sipper is the Hyundai Tucson SUV. It boasts fuel economy of 19mpg in the city and 24mpg on the highway, which by itself isn't all that remarkable for its segment. What sets Tucson apart is the fact that, for a list price of about \$21,500, the vehicle also offers decent power with its 2.7-liter V6 engine, and that it offers four-wheel drive. It also includes an impressive number of safe-

ty features and innovative design touches such as large radio and climate controls that are mounted reasonably high for easy reach.

Of course, no list of fuel-economy champion vehicles would be serious these days without a handful of hybrid-powertrain vehicles. Several are available now, and a few stand out. Among them is Ford's Escape, more than 8,000 of which already are on the road. It seems to go forever on a single tank of gasoline.

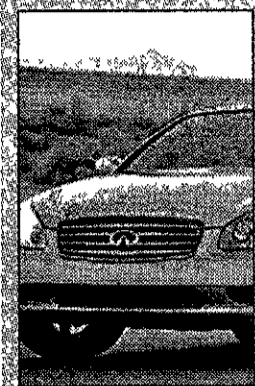
Honda's Accord hybrid is another worthy entrant, delivering 37mpg on the highway and a whopping 29mpg even in the city. The Accord Hybrid engine is actually more powerful than the gas-powered V6 in the conventional Accord, with 255 horsepower to 240, ensuring that you're driving a fully robust vehicle despite the fact that you're running circles around all the neighbors in terms of your environmental responsibility quotient.

Finally, Toyota's Highlander Hybrid SUV is a great way to have it all: performance and cargo-carrying advantages of a big and roomy vehicle along with the leading-edge fuel economy of 27.6mpg overall. For a list price of about \$37,000, you're going to need to have some of that gas money handy!

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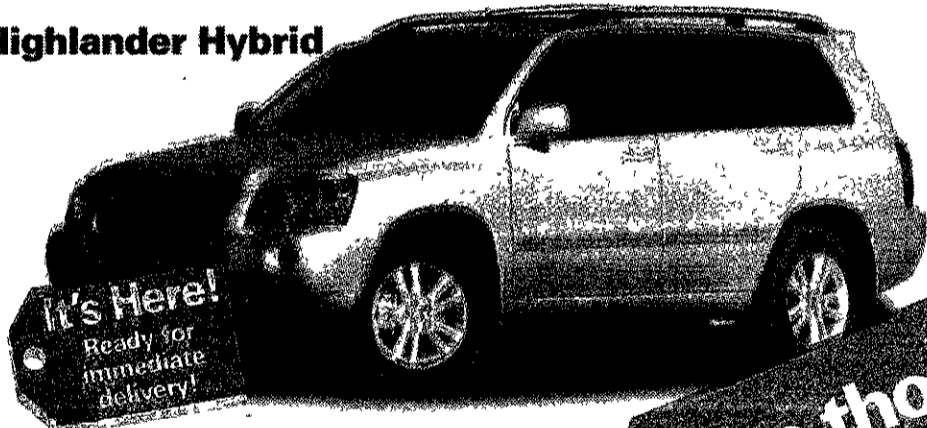
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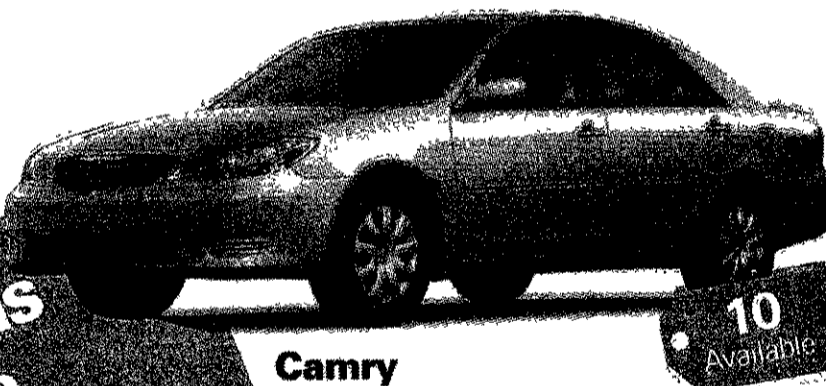
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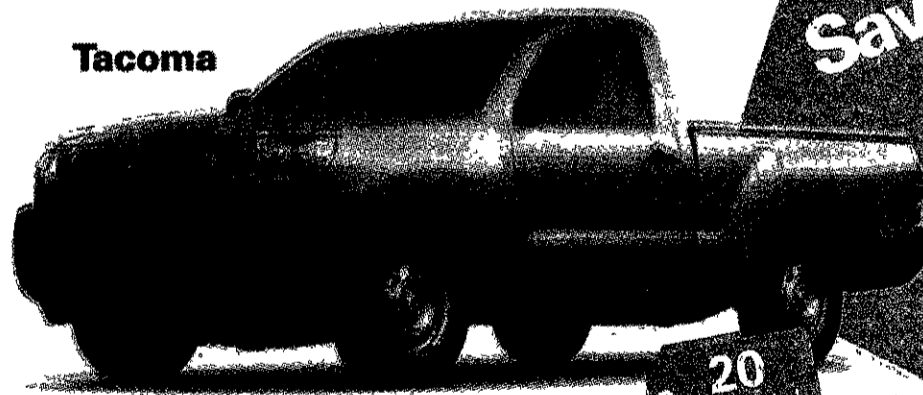
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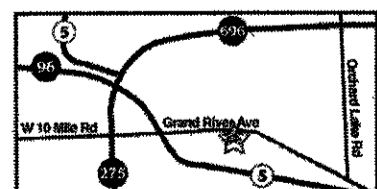
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