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Trip gives Canton early look at Ikea

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

By mid-September, a young man from Atlanta had set up a tent in an empty parking lot in Bolingbrook, Ill. It wasn't until late at night Sept. 27 that he had company, and by morning, some 500 people had joined him, in hopes of being the first shoppers to enter a brand new IKEA furniture store.

In order to get a better handle on managing what could be a week full of the IKEA-crazed in Canton, the Canton Police Department sent Lt. Robert Kerr to the Bolingbrook store opening to observe and meet with IKEA representatives as well as the Bolingbrook Police Department. Canton's IKEA store is scheduled to open next summer, and it will be Michigan's first location.

"The store was really busy,

wasn't very large, probably due to a rain storm that afternoon, and also the Bolingbrook store's proximity to the IKEA in Schaumburg," Kerr said. "We're expecting it

to be much busier here, because there will be more curiosity and fewer people who have ever even seen an IKEA store here."

Bolingbrook is a suburb of Chicago, with approximately 69,000 residents. The police department chose to send Kerr to the Bolingbrook location because it's similar to the Canton community.

"I think it will be busy but manageable," Kerr said. "We expect traffic. A lot of traffic. And people are going to have to make plans to work around that for a few days. And we'll have to manage the traffic as it comes in."

The Bolingbrook store had three off-site parking lots, one for employees and two for customers, with shuttle busses available for those who couldn't get into the store's main lot. IKEA handles everything on-site, in terms of crowd control and parking.

responsibility to handle things like traffic on the streets surrounding the store," Kerr said.

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A new runway expansion plan, as explained by Sean Brosnan, will reduce the flights over Canton.

Flight patterns

County hears concerns
about Willow Run plans

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

Pat McNally stared at the aerial photo of the runways at Willow Run Airport. He cocked his head and traced the line of one of the main stretches of asphalt and said, "My house is right over here," tapping the foam core board with his pen.

McNally, along with dozens of residents who live near Willow Run, wanted to know: How will proposed changes at the airport affect me?

The Wayne County Airport Authority invited those questions and comments at an informational meeting Tuesday in Belleville. The authority updated its

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Plea made for deed restriction

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan said he can't put it more clearly for those who are concerned about the future of the Miller Woods nature preserve in Plymouth Township.

"It wasn't going to be touched, it won't now and it never will be," Ryan said of the 10.2-acre property.

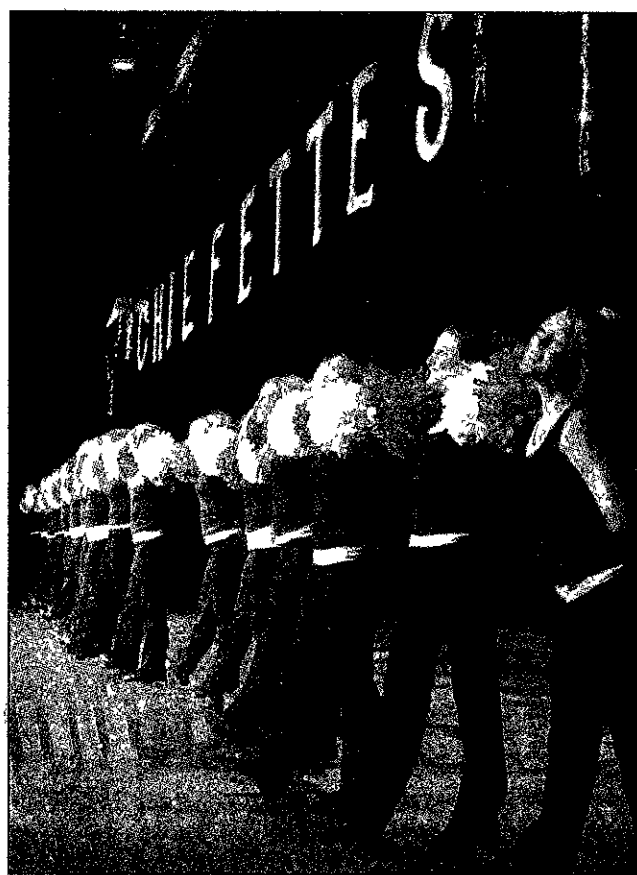
Ryan and the board of education are being pressured by preservationists from the Friends of Miller Woods and others to file a 1991 deed restriction that would for-

ever keep the acreage a nature and wildlife preserve, no matter what happens to the surrounding 30 acres, which is also owned by the school district.

Efforts to prevent the 40-acre woods, wetlands, meadows and wildlife sanctuary from being developed have heightened as the school district considers selling the property — located on Powell Road between North Territorial and Ridge roads — which was purchased in 1968.

The deed restriction was approved by the Board of Education in 1991, but never filed with Wayne County, which — for all

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Chiefette variety

The Mid-American All Stars perform "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" during Act I of the Canton Chiefettes variety show Saturday. The show featured some of the top talent from among the 6,000 students at the high school complex, including singers, bands, hip-hop dance troupes and more. The show also featured the varsity and JV squads, which won Grand Champions awards at this summer's pom-pom camp at Northwood University.

Township passes 2006 budget

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

A cloud of economic gloom hovered over the township board's budget approval meeting Tuesday. With the recent news of Troy auto parts supplier Delphi Automotive filing for bankruptcy and ongoing concern over Ford Motor Co.'s financial status, the township's budget was under an extra-powerful microscope.

Receiving the most scrutiny were pay raises for full-time elected officials, and in particular Township Supervisor Tom Yack's raise. Yack earned \$116,290 in 2005. His 2006 salary will be \$123,394. The township's 2006 operating budget is \$96 million, and the general fund is \$27.5 million, 30 percent of which is made up of tax revenues amounting to \$8.2 million.

"I do not think these raises are justified," said Trustee Todd Caccamo of Yack's pay increase, as well as those of all township elected officials, adding that the average worker during a good year receives a 3-percent raise.

"It's clear that the citizens think we (elected officials) are overpaid, and I agree with that," Caccamo said, citing a newspaper online opinion poll taken in November 2000 regarding elected officials' salaries.

Non-union employee salaries, including those of elected officials, are based upon a cost-of-living increase and a step increase, which is related to the number of years they've been employed.

But Canton resident Ray Van Hoeck said one thing that's not in the equation is job performance.

"This increase is warranted," he said, referring to Yack's 2006 increase, which he said was well-earned.

Canton resident Elaine Jervis said that because taxpayers are facing salary cuts and job loss, big raises for officials may seem extravagant.

"Because the population at large is taking hits," Jervis said, "perhaps public officials might not have to take as high an increase" in their salaries.

Trustee Todd LaJoy noted, however, that once you begin straying from a wage and salary program that's in place, you run the risk of salaries getting out of control.

In 2006, the township will levy 8.65 mills, which is .2 mills less than 2005.

"This is the lowest millage rate we've had since 1978," said Finance Director Tony Minghine. The general fund had decreased by 1.9 percent from 2005 to 2006, and the township will maintain a 12 percent fund balance.

The budget was approved 5-1, with Yack and LaJoy, and trustees Karl Zarbo and Melissa McLaughlin, and Clerk Terry Bennett voting in favor. Caccamo voted against. Treasurer Elaine Kirchgatter was absent.

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Take a look at
this season's
bridal couture

Sweetest day show

The high energy show, "Broadway Spectacular" takes over the Village Theater at Cherry Hill stage 8 p.m. Sweetest Day, Oct. 15.

The show is a musical journey to New York City and Broadway, a dazzling musical extravaganza with a cast of over 25 singers and dancers. The show features musical selections from more than 30 Broadway musicals including 42nd Street, Cats, Oklahoma, Les Miserables, Chicago, Cabaret, My Fair Lady, A Chorus Line, Grease and Mamma Mia.

Organizers offer this Broadway spectacular as "a great alternative to the mundane 'dinner and a movie' date night that most couples plan for Sweetest Day." Tickets are \$45 for the show and a dinner buffet which will be available one hour prior to the show. Tickets for the show only are \$30.

Tickets can be purchased in advance at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. The Village Theater ticket office is open one hour prior to each performance.

New doc

The Michigan Institute for

Neurological Disorders (M.I.N.D.) has announced that Amy M. Kodrick, D.O., has recently joined its practice.

Kodrick graduated from Michigan State University college of Osteopathic Medicine, earning her Doctor of Osteopathy degree in May 2001. She completed her internship and neurology residency training at Garden City Hospital and was the recipient of the 2004 Neurology Resident Scholarship for her commitment to neurological teaching, education and community service.

Kodrick is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the American Academy of Neurology, the American College of Osteopathic Neurologists and the Michigan Osteopathic Association.

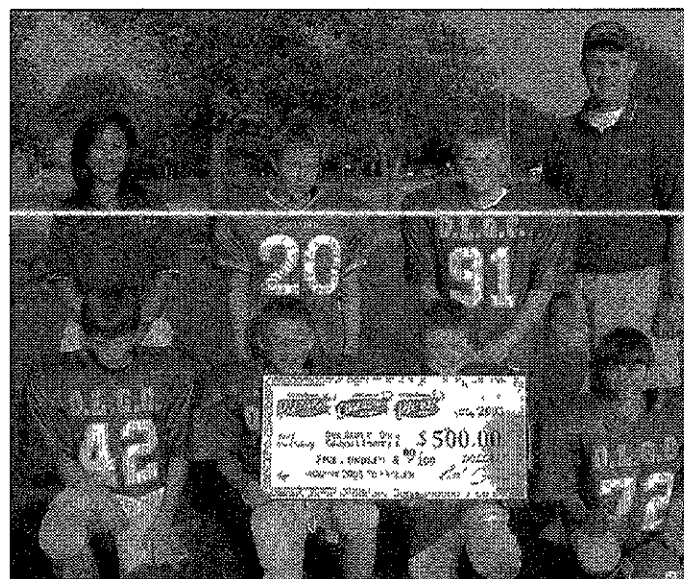
She resides in Canton.

Katrina aid

An outpouring of concern for victims of Hurricane Katrina has prompted donations from a vast number of individuals and organizations, including Community



Kodrick



Money makers

(Front row from left) Louis Wilkinson (tied for 2nd), Drew Misenko (1st), Collin McCormack (4th), and Nathan Forster (6th) and (back row from left) Eileen Nelson, Ryan Jenkins (tied for 2nd), Donovan Romanko (5th) and Mike Nelson helped the Our Lady of Good Counsel football team win a \$500 award for being one of two national top sellers for the Little Caesars fund-raising program during the month of August. The program provided products and services for schools, churches, day care centers, athletic teams and many other non-profit organizations to conduct easy, fun and profitable fundraisers. In addition to raising money for the overall program, OLGC Football raised money to pay for personalized football jackets, windshirts and duffel bags for the players. As part of OLGC Football's spiritual and charitable mission, they also donated pizza kits to the St. Al's Community Center.

Financial in Plymouth.

The credit union matched employee donations to the American Red Cross Hurricane 2005 Relief Fund

during the month of September for a total contribution of more than \$14,000.

"Earlier this year we raised nearly \$4,500 for tsunami vic-

tims," said Community Financial CEO Bill Lawton. "This time we had the opportunity to help at home."

Community Financial has more than 100 employees who regularly participate in a number of community service programs, including promoting financial literacy through 23 student-run credit unions. The credit union also administers a "Jeans for Charity" program that raised more than \$12,000 in 2004.

Membership in Community Financial is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, volunteers or attends school in Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi, Alpena, Otsego and Montmorency. For more information, visit the credit union Web site at www.cfcu.org or call (734) 453-1200 or (877) 937-2328.

Coat drive

Local residents willing to help those less fortunate have a chance with a coat drive being sponsored by the Children's Christian Alliance.

The event is a coat drive to raise 600 coats for kids and families living in public housing in the Detroit area. The coats will be distributed on Nov. 5, 2005.

Donors wishing to help can donate clean, gently used or new coats, hats, mittens and boots. Blankets will also be accepted.

To donate or for more information, call Jill Berry, (734) 953-2170.

Used book sale

The folks at Our Lady of

Good Counsel Church host a "fantastic selection and unbelievable bargains" at their sale of used books, CD's, DVD's, videos and records of all kinds.

The sale runs 10 a.m.-6 p.m. in the OLGC social hall, 47650 North Territorial Road in Plymouth.

Vendor fair

Smith Elementary School hosts its third-annual vendor fair fund-raiser 4-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14.

More than 25 vendors will be participating in the fair, which will include a raffle of assorted vendor products. The \$1 admission and raffle proceeds go directly to the Smith PFO.

Smith Elementary is located at 1298 McKinley, a block west of Harvey. For more information, call (734) 416-0418.

Toastmasters meet

The Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters Club meets at 7:00 p.m., the first and third Monday of each month at St. John Episcopal Church, 574 South Sheldon Road, Plymouth.

For more information call (734) 425-3973.

Movie screening

The award-winning documentary "The Witness" will be shown free of charge at the Canton Public Library at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27.

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Mr. Roboto

Charter students get ready for Robofest

Students at the Canton Charter Academy have started the cogs in their minds turning in preparation for Robofest 2006 this spring.

Robofest teams will choose to enter either the competition, or the exhibition. In competition, the team works together to accomplish assigned robotics missions. In exhibition, the team has complete freedom to show off any creative autonomous robotics project that they can dream up.

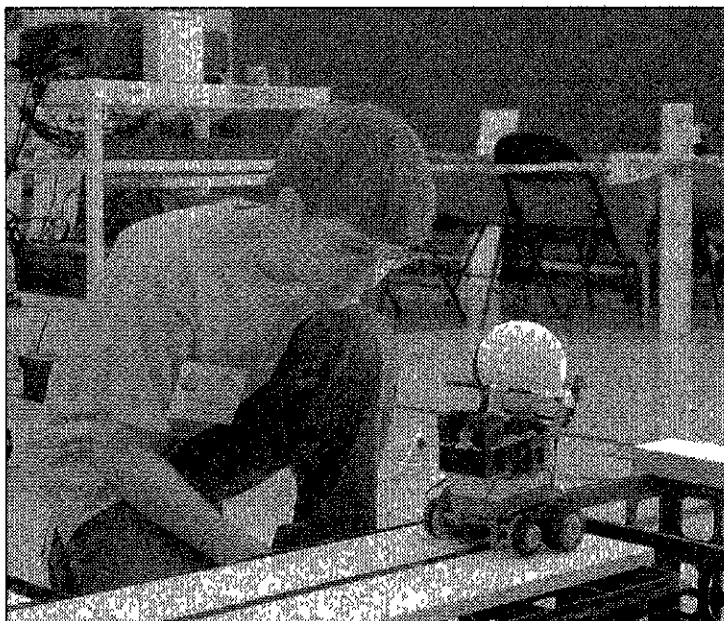
Robofest was started at Lawrence Technological University in 2000 and has grown to include 14 United States and international sites. Locally, Canton Charter Academy has been selected to

be a host site for the April 29, Robofest 2006.

The top teams from each host site will qualify to compete in the 2006 World Robofest Championship. The Championship takes place in May 2006 at the campus of Lawrence Technological University, in Southfield.

For more information about Robofest 2006 see www.robofest.net

John Litwinowicz of the team RoboKnights prepares his robot for competition. He, along with teammates at Canton Charter Academy, will compete at Robofest 2006 at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield this spring.



Canton band gives benefit concert

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill turns into a ghostly palace for a good cause Sunday, Oct. 30.

That's when the Canton Concert Band performs a "Haunted House" concert and Halloween party, with all proceeds going to Habitat For Humanity's hurricane relief effort.

Concert goers are being encouraged to wear costumes, because audience members can enter a costume contest, and parade across the theater stage. Prizes, donated by several local businesses, will be awarded for the best child, teen, and adult costumes.

The band will play a concert of spooky music, including themes from Harry Potter, and some scary surprises. Games and entertainers will fill the theater lobby and classrooms. The event runs 3:30-5:30 p.m.

At the end of the show, children can trick-or-treat through the theater halls, where volunteer ghouls and ghosts will be handing out candy.

"Many local businesses have offered their support for this

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and sent to the Gulf area where they are built on foundations.

"The project is part of our short-term response to this disaster, at a time when there's really no infrastructure - lodging or food - to support teams of volunteers who would normally travel to the area to build the homes," said Karen Haycox of Habitat For Humanity International. Doing 'House in a Box' builds throughout the country also gives volunteers an opportunity to be a tangible part of the recovery process."

Representatives from Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County will have a booth at the Halloween concert to provide more information about the organization and the hurricane relief project.

Admission to the event will be a donation at the door, either cash or a check written to Habitat for Humanity. Suggested minimum donation is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. The first 400 to arrive are guaranteed seats. The Village Theater is located at 50400 Cherry Hill

Road, Canton.

Doors open at 3:30 p.m., and the band will play from 4-5 p.m. The carnival games will be open for the kids to play, even during the concert.

"We just want this to be a fun event for everyone," said director Jim Blough. "All the band members are happy to have a chance to contribute something to those in need in the hurricane areas. The work Habitat for Humanity is doing there will make such a difference to people's lives, and we're glad to be able to help them."

For more information go to www.cantonband.com or call organizer Steve Vassallo at (734) 340-3560. For more information about Habitat for Humanity's "Operation Home Delivery" program, see www.habitat.org/disaster/2005/katrina/

Foundation hosts 'Scary' movie night

The Canton Community Foundation hosts an evening of food, film and fun at their "Imagine a Scary Night at the Movies" at the Canton Emagine Theatre.

The second-annual event starts at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20.

"Last year's event was a great time for the Canton community. The beauty of the event was that it offered something to adults, teenagers, kids and families," said Joan Noricks, president of the foundation. "This year we're offering additions like classic horror films on the big screen and a kids' costume contest."

A Taste Fest from 6-8 p.m. will feature food provided by local restaurants, including Max & Erma's, Red Robin, Carvel Ice Cream, Laurel Manor/Fonte D'Amore, 4 Seasons Internet Cafe, Back Home Bakery, Summit Gourmet, Applebee's, Pizza Hut, Jimmy Johns, Buffalo Wild Wings, and Outback Steak House. Restaurants will compete to be the "Kids' Favorite Restaurant" or the "Adults' Favorite Restaurant" of the evening.

Beginning at 7 p.m., the 18-screen theater will feature first-run movies and several classic horror movies. Guests will have the chance to see more than one movie throughout the evening. One of the

theaters will also feature a band. Complimentary soda and popcorn and a cash bar will be available.

"Where else can you choose from several black and white classic horror movies on the big screen? It's a great way to relive childhood memories and educate younger filmgoers about the classics," Noricks said. Movies will include Tim Burton's "The Corpse Bride," as well as the classic 1931 version of "Frankenstein," and the time-honored classics "The Body Snatchers" and "Night of the Living Dead."

Children younger than 12 can compete in a costume contest with prizes for the winners. Door prizes, including diamond earrings donated by Showcase of Elegance in Canton, will also be awarded throughout the evening.

Proceeds will benefit the Canton Youth Advisory Council, a group of high school students committed to promoting philanthropy, community service, and planning social events for peers.

Individual tickets are \$35 and family four-packs are available for \$100. To purchase tickets or for more information, contact the foundation at (734) 495-1200 or visit online at www.cantonfoundation.org. The Canton Emagine Theatre is located at 39535 Ford in Canton.



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SKF rolls out concept car

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

George Detloff said his company's success is based on change. Apparently his firm, Swedish-based SKF, did some \$6 billion in sales last year, so it's become accustomed to success. And Wednesday, Detloff helped roll out the company's latest baby, a drive-by-wire concept car Novanta.

The company, responsible for some 39,800 jobs globally (some 9,800 in its automotive division), introduced Novanta at a ride-and-drive event at the Plymouth Township headquarters of its North American automotive division.

"Our philosophy is if it looks the same in our plant today, we've failed," said Detloff, president of SKF Automotive Division-North America since January 2004. "We have to change every day."

Change is the whole idea behind Novanta, which SKF showed off at Wednesday's event. The car uses drive-by-wire technology, which is SKF's specialty, to control all major driving systems. The technology replaces weighty, cumbersome mechanical and hydraulic systems with what SKF calls "smart electro-mechanical actuating units."

Instead of a steering wheel, the car is run by a "human-machine



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

SKF's Novanta eliminates mechanical linkages such as the steering column, brakes, shift linkages, and throttle cable, instead using electrical impulses.

interface" unit that stores inside the door until it's closed, then extends in front of the driver. All of the control units for the car — steering, throttle control, braking and transmission — are located in the interface and its support-arm.

"Novanta is the next generation of drive-by-wire vehicle," said Steve Brown, director of the SKF North American Technical Center. "It gets people to think 'what could be.'"

It's nothing new for SKF, which spends some \$100 million annually on research and development. The company got into by-wire technology in the aerospace industry since 1985, when the company's by-wire systems

began replacing hydraulic control systems on commercial airliners.

Ten years later, SKF — with some 80 production facilities in 24 countries — began re-engineering its fly-by-wire technology and adapting it to cars and trucks.

As SKF rolled out Novanta, Brown said the only thing keeping drive-by-wire from wide acceptance by people is the people themselves.

"Drive-by-wire implementation into the market will be more evolutionary than revolutionary," Brown said. "It won't be the technology that holds us back, it'll be the acceptance of the people."

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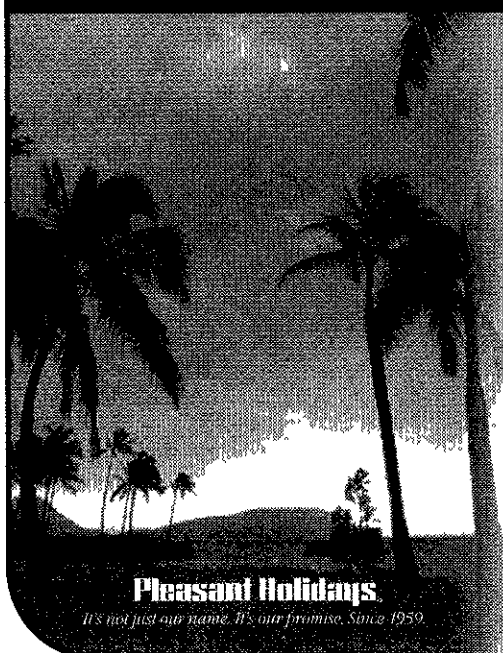
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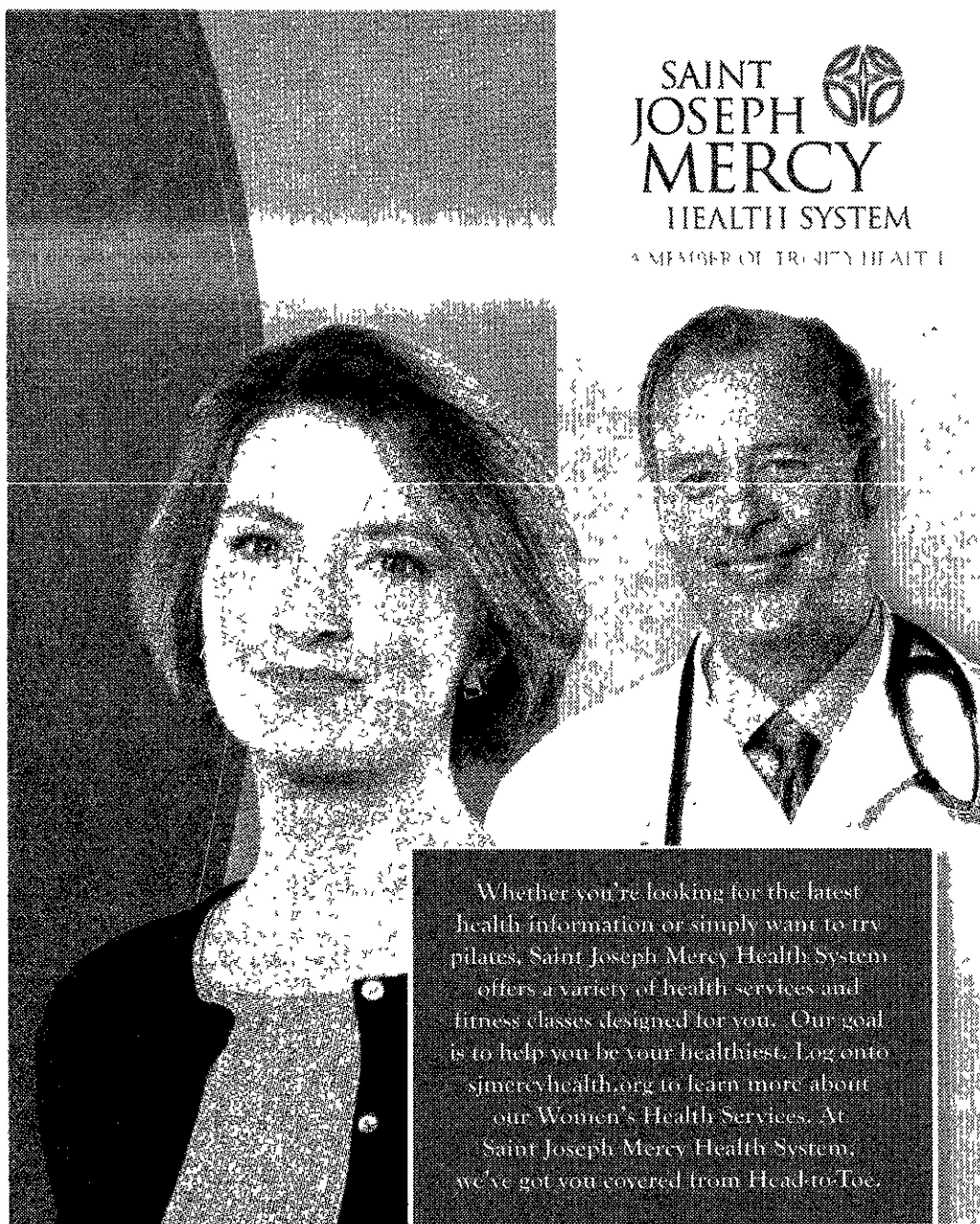
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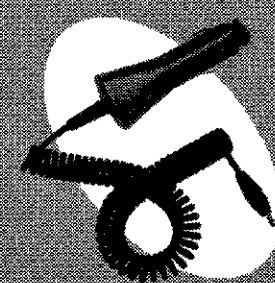
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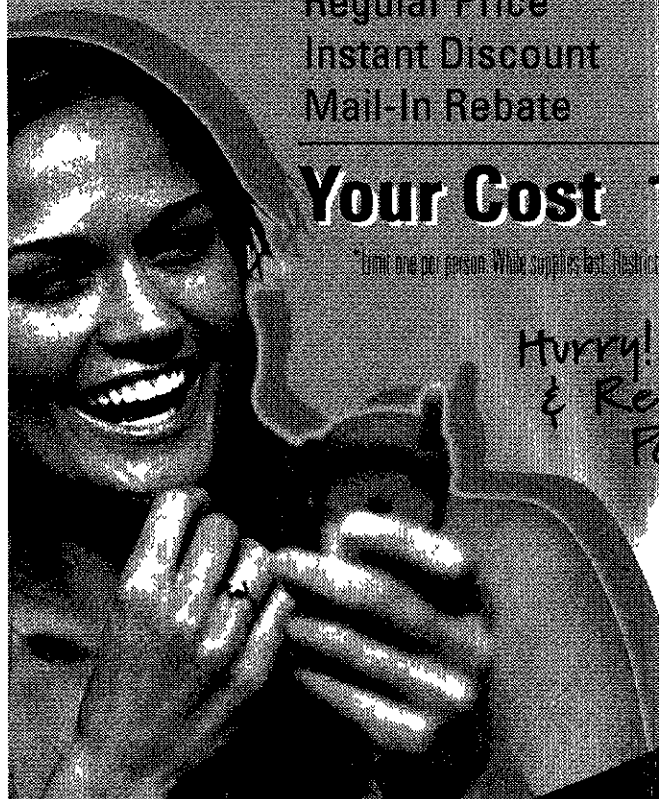
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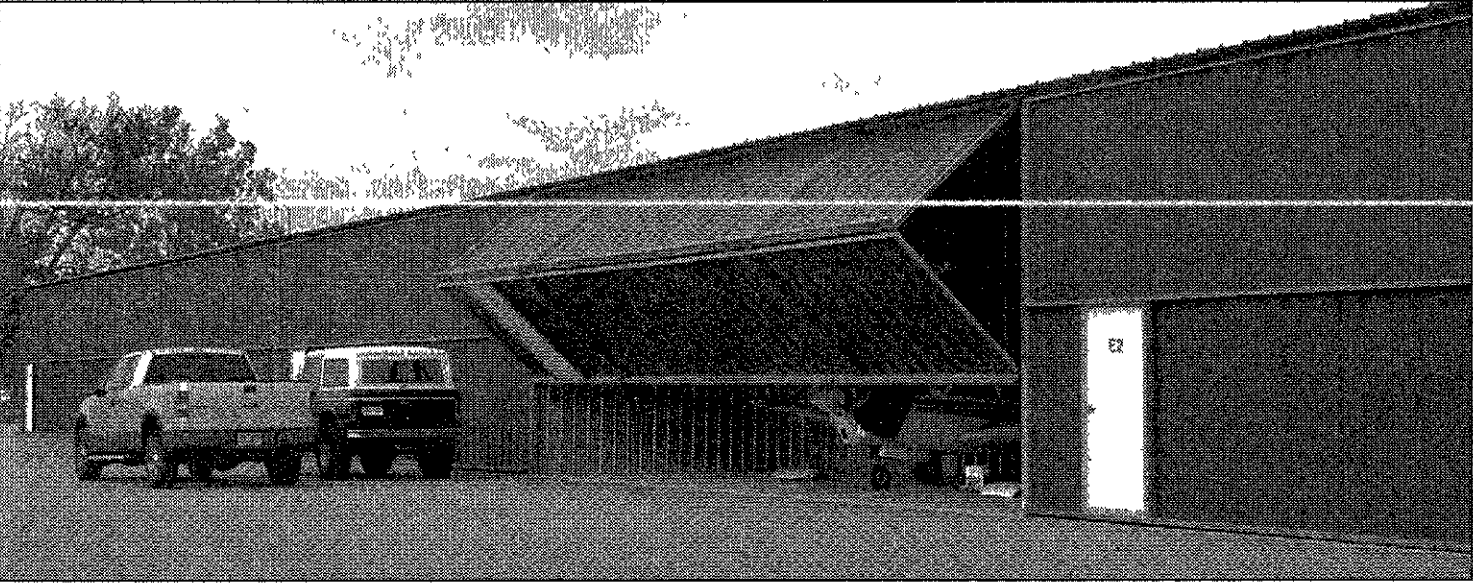
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Willow Run expansion includes additional T-hangars for private and club-owned smaller aircraft.

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AIRPORT

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master plan, and hopes are high that work on reconfiguring parts of the airport will begin in 2007, pending the completion of an impact study.

"I read in the paper that the plan was Canton-friendly, and I said, 'Wait a minute. That goes right over my house,'" said McNally, who five years ago built his house in Van Buren Township near Tyler and Morton Taylor roads.

According to the new plan, two of Willow Run's five runways will be eliminated. One of the remaining three will be shortened slightly. One of the major runways will be lengthened from 7,294 feet to 9,522, and one 7,526-foot runway's length will not be altered, according to Sean Brosnan, Willow Run director.

"There's just too much runway for this airfield," Brosnan said.

The project, if approved, will cost approximately \$77 million, and will be paid for primarily with FAA funds. Willow Run is the third-busiest airport in the state, and second in terms of the weight of total cargo.

Willow Run has some 100,000 operations per year, is home to 420 aircraft, and last year the total cargo was just shy of a half-billion pounds, Brosnan said.

The plan — which would more than double the number of hangars from 110 T-hangars and 10 conventional to 240 T-hangars and 25 conventional, and provide for additional fuel storage, an updated fire station, and enhance de-icing equipment — is the wave of the future, Brosnan said.

"The truth of the matter is this is the future. With Internet shopping and people being able to work at their homes and requiring things like computers and palm pilots



Sean Brosnan has a good view of the airport from his office.

and communications technology, all those shipments are going in the air," Brosnan said. "Things need to come and go quickly, to be competitive with strip malls."

But Canton resident Henry Moore, who as a pilot periodically uses Willow Run, said because so many automotive businesses are shrinking or failing, the changes may be unnecessary.

"From what we know, Delphi is going bankrupt and we've seen the steel industry move and automotive industry move overseas. What's happening here is the area is gently folding up," Moore said. "Northwest Airlines has cut 25 percent of its flights." The airport provides emergency delivery operations, according to Moore, and will never be a global airport.

But Randy Hotton, who is with the operations division of USA Jet Airlines, said that Willow Run is situated within 500 miles of all major parts suppliers in North America. Though USA Jet Airlines is a

major tenant at Willow Run, only 20 percent of its flights originate from the Ypsilanti airport. The rest travel to and from hubs elsewhere in North America, Hotton said. The difficulty with flying in and out of Willow Run, he said, is the length of the runways. They're too short to take off fully loaded with fuel and cargo, so it's not cost-effective to use the airport. USA Jet Airlines' primary customers are General Motors, Ford, Delphi, Toyota, Honda and Nissan, Hotton said.

The last time the airport's master plan was updated was 1982, Brosnan said. Approximately 1,500 people are employed at Willow Run. There will be a minimum of two formal public hearings during the environmental impact study, Brosnan said. Also included in the plan are upgrades such as parallel taxi ways, airfield lighting improvements, instrument upgrades, runway rehabilitation, runway safety area upgrades, a new fire station and a new snow removal equipment building. The improvements will make

the airport safer as well as more efficient, according to Brosnan.

"Based on what I've seen here tonight, this expansion doesn't really bother me. But I have planes coming over my house right now. I don't want to get any worse. I'm just not comfortable with them saying that planes will take off in a certain direction. Plans change. I would feel better if there was something in writing, but I don't think that will ever happen," McNally said.

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DEED

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practical purposes — doesn't make it a legal document. Nature lovers are concerned, and they want the board of education to do what a previous board, for whatever reason, failed to do.

"All we're asking is for you to take control of the situation, finish the covenant of the promise that's been made to the community to totally protect that property and those 10 pristine acres," said Roland Thomas, who was board of education secretary in 1991 when the deed restriction was to have been filed by district administrators, but wasn't. "File the deed restrictions now. Don't build mistrust in this community by waiting and delay."

While current school board members have said they don't want anything to happen to the 10-acre beech-maple climax forest, Trustee Richard Ham-Kucharski would like to see the board pass his resolution to file the deed restriction, keep Miller Woods from being sold and prevent any development that would harm or destroy the woods.

"Just leave the whole 40 acres as it is," said Ham-Kucharski. "I would prefer the property be used as a natural sanctuary and learning environment."

Ham-Kucharski isn't buying the notion the district could sell the property for millions of dollars to add to its fund balance during tight financial conditions.

"It's a short-term fix to a structural budget issue," said Ham-Kucharski. "Selling the property to offset that doesn't make sense. I know I have total support of the board in that none of them want to cut down the 10 acres. I can guarantee you I don't have support around my position not to use the 40 acres in its entirety, except for a nature preserve."

The board has directed Great Northern Land Company in Ann Arbor to develop a plan for the property, after which trustees will then determine if they want

to continue with a possible sale. An original appraisal put the value of the 40-acre site at \$2.5 million.

Ryan said he is hopeful the community will be patient with the process, and in return he'll make certain Miller Woods will live on forever.

"We need to go through the (Plymouth Township) planning commission process to get density for the 40 acres," said Ryan. "If we file the deed restriction, that could cut down the value by \$1-1.5 million of revenue for the district, which could be very important as we look at deficits."

"If we can get credit for the density and they say file the deed restriction, I'll ride my bike down and file it," he said.

Trustee Joanne Lamar said as far as she's concerned, the woods will live longer than anyone looking to save it.

"The woods is not going away on my watch, that's for sure," said Lamar. "We cannot recreate the woods, and it would change the whole complexion of Plymouth if something happened to it. We can't rush into anything. We just want to make sure all our ducks are in order before we do anything that could hinder us anytime in the future," she said.

Marcia Fowler is appreciative of Ryan and the board's interest in saving Miller Woods; however, she noted unwritten promises aren't binding.

"While we certainly have no reason to doubt your sincerity, your tenure on the board is temporary," said Fowler. "The next superintendent and school board may not be as trustworthy, and the welfare of the Miller Woods property will continue to be at the mercy of future owners, if and when the property is sold."

"We're simply asking you to do your job and register the deed restriction with the county, now, without delay," she said.

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Traveling through time

Museum offers comprehensive look at past

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

A tour through Plymouth is easy to find at the Plymouth Historical Museum, especially with plans being finalized for the timeline downstairs at the museum.

The upstairs at 155 S. Main offers a good look at the late 19th and early 20th century but not before or after, said Beth Stewart, museum director.

"We were looking to document things that came before and especially things that came after," Stewart explained.

The permanent exhibit includes the Indians and early settlers, whose first business was a blacksmith shop. It shows how forests gave way to fields and factories, with the railroad coming through in the mid-1870s.

"The train was huge during the Civil War," said Stewart, although local sol-

diers couldn't leave directly from Plymouth. Daisy Air Rifle and other BB gun businesses are included in the timeline, with Stewart noting that Plymouth and Northville had seven such businesses at different times.

The walkway changes as the visitor moves through time, from dirt to a plank road, where in earlier times a toll would have been paid to enter, and then brick. The Alter car, manufactured in Plymouth, is exhibited.

Also covered are the community's two movie theaters, the Penniman & Allen, which opened around the end of World War I, and the Penn, which opened in 1941 a few days before Pearl Harbor.

"Now we're talking about not having any," she said of efforts under way to save the Penn. The older theater burned earlier.

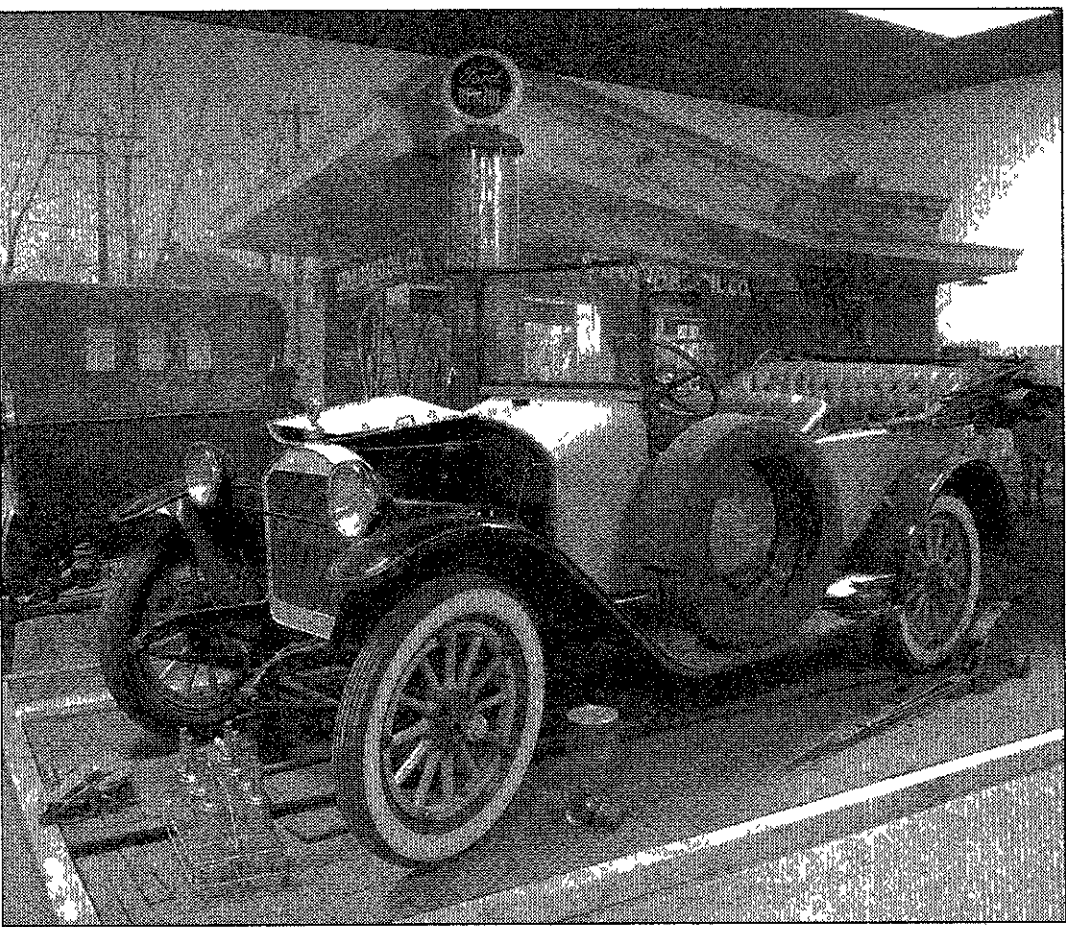
Women in local history are featured, with organizers working with the Phoenix Mill Women's History Museum to tell the story of women who worked in Ford industries.

"We have a lot of Rosies in our community who are still around," Stewart said.

There's an old Cloverdale ice cream shop and Daly's drive-in restaurant sign from more modern times.

"Cloverdale's and Daly's in particular elicit a response from everybody," she said. "They were important parts of Plymouth."

A preview for those who wish to see the timeline starts 6:30 p.m. Saturday,



The Alter car, manufactured in Plymouth, is part of the Plymouth Historical Museum's timeline exhibit, which opens to the public Nov. 2.

Oct. 22. Price is \$50 and ticket information is available from the museum, (734) 455-8940. There will be a dinner and entertainment. Tickets are also available at the Michigan Made and More store on Ann Arbor Trail.

The exhibit opens to the public Nov. 2. Stewart cited collaboration with the museum's radio group, the West

Suburban Stamp Club, 17th Michigan Re-enactors (Civil War) and the women's museum.

Also on Nov. 2, the "Toys of the Generations" exhibit will open and continue through the holidays. Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1 for students, \$7 for a family.

Organizers hope community members will come to see the exhibit.

"That would be something I would be interested in," said Mark Denis, who owns House of Bread in Plymouth Township. He's decorated his business with such "old Detroit" items as a Twin Pines milk bottle.

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IKEA

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"We've been looking at the impact on public safety services, and also on the further development, which has started because of IKEA, and how that will also impact the community," Santomauro said. "We wanted to know what that grand opening event means to the department in terms of dollars and cents and overtime costs."

Santomauro said he has made a formal request of IKEA, asking the store to contribute to the overtime costs involved in the store's grand opening.

"If that's not feasible, we plan to ask the Downtown Development Authority for that," he said. Santomauro has already included in the 2006 department budget \$50,000, which is earmarked for overtime for the IKEA grand opening.

"Of course a third option is for Canton to pay for that, and we've budgeted appropriately for it," Santomauro said.

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- The Plymouth Community Chorus is selling the 2006 Entertainment Books to support its charitable and educational activities. The book offers 2-for-1 and 50-percent discounts on restaurants, travel, recreation, hotel stays, entertainment and sporting events.

The book is being offered at a special fund-raising price of \$25 and can be delivered, if the purchaser desires. Order books by calling Stan Kovacheff at (734) 459-6829.


■ Members of the Plymouth Symphony League are selling the 2006 entertainment book, offering 50 percent discount coupons at hundreds of restaurants and discounts for many other services and events. The books is priced at \$25, with all proceeds to support the Plymouth Symphony. Books can be picked up at the symphony office, next to the Cozy Café in downtown Plymouth, or ordered by calling Mary Thomas, (734) 453-3016. For more information, call the symphony office, (734) 453-2112.

Tree planting
Michigan State University Extension hosts a tree-planting of 19 diverse species of trees recommended for Michigan's Lower Peninsula as replacements for the Ash trees devastated by the Emerald Ash Borer. The event takes place 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5 at the Bennett Arboretum on W. Hines Drive off Northville Road between 6 and 7 Mile. For more information, call (313) 833-3275.

Genealogical societies

- The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center building on Farmington Road just south of 5 Mile. Virginia Bailey Parker will speak on "Ghosts in the Graveyard: Facts, Folklore and Genealogy." The meeting is preceded at 6:30 by a class on Using Legacy-Beginning. The meeting and classes are open to the public free of charge. For information, call Pat Moon, (734) 425-3079.
- The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1041 Grand River in Howell. The topic will be "Using vital records to their full advantage," with speaker Shirley Hodges. For more information, call (810) 227-7745.

Coping with grief
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Craft show funds scholarship program

Educators in the area are busy with the same planning they've been doing for nearly 20 years now — getting ready for the Delta Kappa Gamma Craft Fair to help fund student scholarships.

The show is set for 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at West Middle School in Plymouth Township. The fair offers more than 100 juried crafters, home vendors, an Amish quilt raffle, refreshments and lunch.

Members of Delta Kappa Gamma plan to use the proceeds from the fair to continue scholarship funding. The international society, Delta Kappa Gamma, has more than 60 members in its local Plymouth-Canton chapter.

Since the chapter began in 1982, these women educators "have made efforts to increase educational opportunities for many Plymouth-Canton Community School students by raising money to help fund scholarships," craft show organizers said.

The scholarships are available to Canton, Plymouth, or Salem graduates who are pursuing degrees in education. Students receive yearly awards as long as they maintain the specified grade-point average and are still pursuing an education degree.

Organizers say 12 Canton and Salem High School graduates are being given \$1,000 a year for up to five years from the profits from this show.

West Middle School is located at 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail at the southwest corner of Sheldon. Admission to the fair is \$2.

St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher closure 'wrenching'

BY STACY JENKINS
STAFF WRITER

Soon, 16-year-old John, who has multiple mental disorders, will be moved to his 14th home in seven years.

His mother, Carol Spencer, knows he's in the best place possible, but soon, her son could be moved to another residential care facility three hours away from her Redford home. Her son's name has been changed for privacy reasons.

"It's heart wrenching for my son," she said.

It's just one of many stories that are playing out at the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center in Farmington Hills following Monday's announcement that the residential care, adoption and foster care programs are closing.

Spencer said the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center is the best place she and her son have experienced in the nine years they have sought intensive treatment.

"He has grown to love the people there because they have treated him so well," Spencer said. "This is the worst detriment we could do. (Moving her son three hours away) will harm our relationship and interfere with family (therapy) sessions and visitations."

It's that kind of situation the staff and executives at the center hope to avoid.

"I want to assure you that as we make this transition, the children in our care are our highest priority," Robert Asmussen, chairman of the board of directors at the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center, wrote in an Oct. 3 letter.

ter. "We are working with state and local agencies to make sure we achieve the best placement possible for each child."

There are 26 children, ranging in age from 6-16, currently in the residential program at the center. They are referred to the center and are primarily children who have been abused, neglected or abandoned. The center can care for up to 60 children.

Spencer's son does not fit the above categories, but is in the program because he needs intense therapy and supervision. It was not easy to get that kind of care.

Mental health officials suggested Spencer's son should remain at home with the family, which is a trend throughout the state and the country. It's a good trend, officials said, except in Spencer's case. She said her son is violent and would likely harm someone in the family if he were allowed to remain in the home and she didn't want to take that chance.

So she decided her only option was to place him into the foster care system so he can receive the kind of care he needs.

"Our hands were really tied," she said. "It was the hardest decision we have ever had to make."

But she knew it was the right one when he moved into the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center a year ago.

"We've had some wonderful people work with us in his program," she said. "It has made a world of difference in what they have done for my son. It is so sad to see such a good facility close."

FUNDING ISSUE

Spencer knows first-hand how important it is for the state to fund such programs.

"The whole (mental health) system (in Michigan) is just in real, real bad shape," she said. "I'm crying out to anyone who will listen to please do something about mental health."

The center's programs are closing because the state is referring less children to facilities and more to relatives within their own communities. At the same time, the reimbursement levels from the state are decreasing with the declining residency rates.

"We've been in a slow, steady decline," said Gina Rozier, director of agency relations at the center.

Despite fund-raisers such as the annual Garden Party — which raised \$250,000 last year — and strong donor support, it's just not enough to keep the programs open.

It's the result of years of under-funding from the state, noted Elizabeth Carey, executive director of the Michigan Federation for Children and Families, an advocacy and support organization for children, families and agencies that provides services to children and families.

"It is a chronically under-funded system," she said. "(St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center) raised an immense amount of dollars and they've just barely kept their head above water. It's another one of our partners who decided they can't keep up with the fight."

"We've lost a community partner, a 150-year-old agency with a faith base. We're really

saddened by the loss."

It's the sixth such closure statewide in the past few years, she noted.

Reimbursement rates cover about 75 percent of what it costs to run the programs.

"But we get reimbursed 30 percent less than we did 10 years ago," she added.

State Rep. Aldo Vagnozzi (D-Farmington Hills) said funding such programs did not emerge as an issue during the recent budget cycle in Lansing.

Carey said it needs to be placed as a priority in the Legislature.

"If we see a priority and a need in our society, we need to fill it," she said. "Caring for abused and neglected children is not an unworthy need."

The center sits on about 35 acres at the corner of 12 Mile and Inkster that is leased from the Daughters of Charity, the center's founder.

One program — an outreach program for young parents — may remain, but would be relocated off the current site. The future of the property will not be determined by the Daughters of Charity until after the center is completely closed, said Sister Patricia Dunne, provincial councilor for the east-central province of the Daughters of Charity.

The Daughters of Charity founded the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center in 1851 in St. Vincent's Home at the corner of Randolph and Larned streets in downtown Detroit. The center moved to its current campus in Farmington Hills in 1929.

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Talk radio host Trupiano to run for 11th District seat

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Talk radio host Tony Trupiano announced Tuesday that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination to challenge Republican U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter in the 11th Congressional District 2006 election.



A resident of Dearborn Heights, Trupiano hosted a liberal/progressive talk radio program that was syndicated on the Michigan Talk Radio Network and broadcasted on the Internet. His last show was Sept. 30. Trupiano is also a motivational speaker and media trainer.

Trupiano, 44, said he is running because of, "My passion for this country, fear for the future and lack of hope in

Trupiano said his chances are good despite McCotter's easy victories in the last two congressional elections.

many people I meet -- in the district and across the country."

In a press statement Trupiano said he wants to restore "the values and priorities important to Michigan's working families."

"Priorities such as making health care more affordable, strengthening our public education system and developing incentives to create jobs here at home have been replaced by a web of scandals and culture of corruption, led by former majority leader Tom Delay and his cronies," the release read.

On Tuesday, Trupiano said his chances are good despite McCotter's easy victories in the last two congressional elections. He said some parts

of the district have been ignored and that he plans to reach out to those voters.

McCotter hasn't announced whether he will seek a third term.

"The biggest problem (with McCotter) is that we don't see anything," Trupiano said. "We don't see legislation, we don't see leadership. Maybe it's because he's only a second-term congressman. But, it's time to stand up with passion and purpose. Just look at the economic landscape. Do we see policies that advance real living-wage jobs?"

Trupiano said he has met with labor groups and political leaders and the 11th District Democratic organization. He said his first priority is to begin fund-raising.

Trupiano is a graduate of Lakeland High School in Milford and attended Alma College. He has never run for public office before and has no government experience. He and his wife, Anne, have three children.

Metzger heads to United Way

Kurt Metzger will serve as director of research for United Way for Southeastern Michigan effective Oct. 11. Metzger comes to United Way from Wayne State University's Center for Urban Studies, where he served as director of the Michigan Metropolitan Information Center (MIMIC).

Metzger brings more than 30 years of research and analysis experience to United Way. In his new role, he will be responsible for gathering, interpreting and preparing data to help the organization develop regional strategies to best serve southeast Michigan. He will be responsible for developing measurement tools that monitor the performance of both internal and external progress toward United Way's mission and objectives, ensuring that the organization is continually improving to best serve the region.

Metzger began his career with the U.S. Census Bureau's Detroit Regional Office. There, he served as a geographic planning specialist to develop the map and address files used for the 1980 census. From 1980-1990 Metzger organized and directed the data services program in Michigan, Ohio and West Virginia.

He has spent the last 15 years

at Wayne State University's Center for Urban Studies as a senior research analyst and then as director of MIMIC. In these roles he has overseen the documentation and investigation of trends related to urban population and housing.

Prior to his new position with the United Way,

Metzger served as a volunteer on United Way's Environmental Scan Committee, Research Committee, and the Southeast Michigan Information Center's Advisory Board.

Metzger received his bachelor's and master's degree from the University of Cincinnati. He currently resides in Pleasant Ridge.

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OUR VIEWS

Deed restriction should be filed

Members of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Trustees have been telling anyone who will listen they're determined to save the 10-acre parcel known as "Miller Woods" that makes up a quarter of the plot the district is thinking about selling on Powell between North Territorial and Ridge.

But there's really only one way they can prove that's their intention: File the deed restriction that was supposed to be filed nearly 15 years ago.

Nearly 180 years ago, the federal government awarded title to 80 acres, containing the present Miller Woods, to Peter Teeple. In 1902, Norman Miller purchased the farm and eventually operated 120 acres until he died in 1958.

A decade later, the school district purchased 40 acres of the farm, which included the Miller Woods plot. And, in 1991, a deed restriction was put on the 10 acres of woods — to keep it from being developed — but not the remaining 30 acres.

Nobody can say why the deed restriction was never filed, though the board back in 1991 did pass a resolution that would maintain the 10 acres of woods as a nature preserve. A legal opinion sought by the current board — which is considering selling the 40-acre parcel — determined the resolution has no legal binding.

Plymouth-Canton Schools Supt. Jim Ryan is frustrated by the suggestion the district cares more about its bottom line than the tree line. The resolution passed Tuesday night by the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees demanding the district file the deed restrictions didn't help. Ryan says he's talked a great deal with township elected officials about his sincere desire to save the woods.

And we absolutely believe him. Ryan has proven to be a man of character, a man of honor and a man of his word. Unfortunately, the decision isn't his to make. Decisions of that nature are made by the school board.

And this one has actually already been made. The school board made it 15 years ago when the deed restriction was placed on the woods. A paperwork snafu — there's no evidence of anything more sinister — shouldn't keep that decision from being carried out, whether it's 15 days or 15 years later.

District officials feel the entire 40-acre parcel must be included in the sale to make it palatable to buyers, and they vow to extract a promise from potential developers to leave the woods alone. But such promises are made to be broken, and any developer could either simply ignore the promise or try to get a judge to break it for them.

The political blather of the township board aside, we believe the district wants to save the woods, although it seems to be having trouble convincing others. Actions speak louder than words — and filing the deed restrictions would go a long way toward silencing the skeptics.

Legislative reform ideas have merit

The Michigan Chamber of Commerce is supporting a package of constitutional amendments to reform the state Legislature that deserves serious consideration.

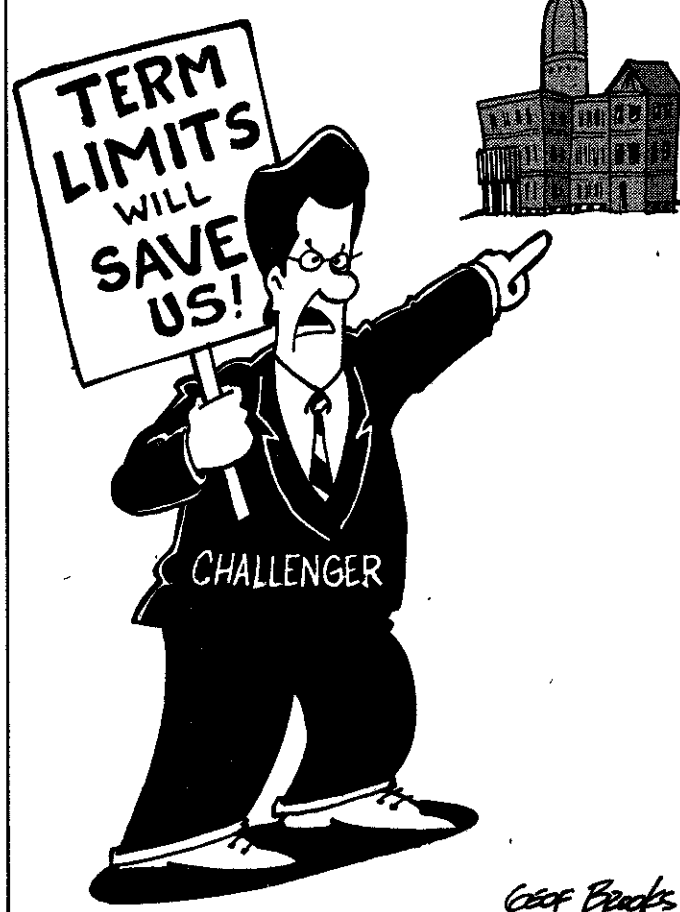
The chamber is proposing that voters be asked to approve reforms that would:

- require annual personal financial disclosure by legislators;
- require all taxation bills before becoming law to be in the possession of each legislative chamber 10 days, and receive a public hearing and committee vote in each chamber;
- limit combined service in the Legislature to a total of 14 years in the House, Senate or both;
- prohibit former legislators from becoming legislative agents for two years after leaving office;
- reduce the salary of legislators on a pro-rata basis for each day that they are absent from session without a compelling reason approved by the membership of that legislative chamber on a recorded vote.

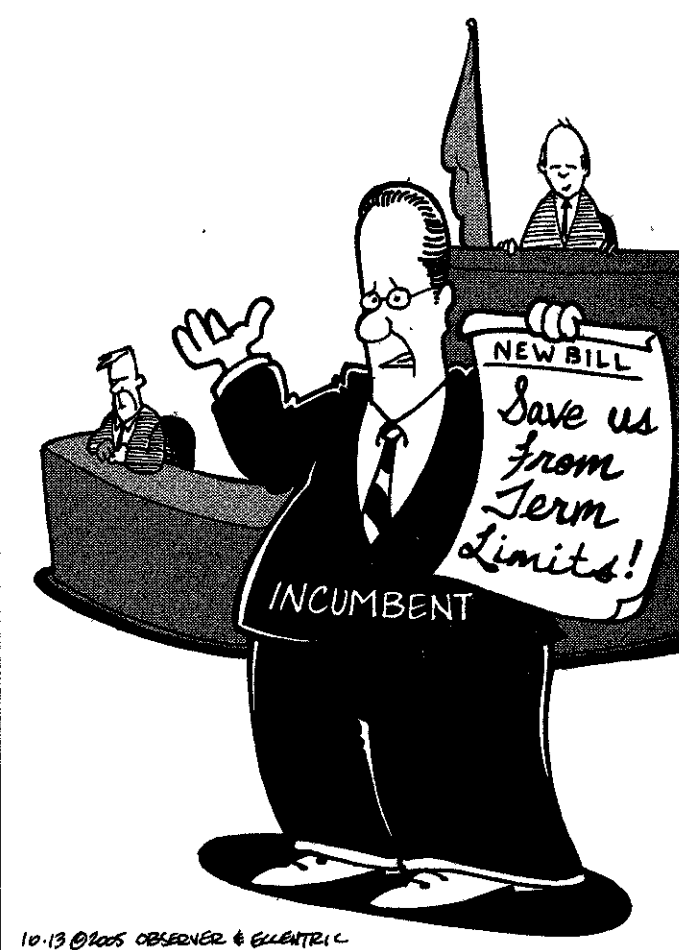
The term limits proposal has gotten the most attention. Term limits were originally touted as a way to rid the Legislature of "professional politicians" in favor of "citizen legislators." Many legislators, including former supporters of term limits, have complained that the current law doesn't allow for the development of a seasoned group of legislative leaders who understand the intricacies of the legislative process.

All of these proposals deserve a full debate. They represent some serious concerns about the legislative process in the state.

Once upon a Time ...



Later...



Reject Miers

Please reject Harriet Miers. Not enough is known about her past record. Not only that, we don't need another crony of President Bush serving a life term on our highest court.

Marcia Moses
Canton

Dangerous vines

Are we going to wait until a child could be electrocuted near Pioneer Middle School?

Approximately three years ago, I reported a problem with vines growing over the electric power lines at the west side of the property near Ann Arbor Road.

The vines were trimmed at that time; however, the problem is worse now. The vines should be killed at the ground level so that they would not again grow up to the power lines.

I have attended demonstrations at home shows put on by the Edison Co. They demonstrated how dangerous it is when even a small branch gets across a power line where the insulation on the power line has worn off. If a heavy, wet vine would be against the wire where the insulation has worn off, there could be a dangerous situation for children playing below.

Luke Kremer
Canton

A plug for academic signs

I have had a question in my mind for a few years now and thought maybe somebody out there could provide me with an answer. I notice that when you enter Canton, or any community for that matter, there are signs that list state championships in sports, pageants, etc.

My son, a 1998 graduate of Salem High School, was on the state championship Quiz Bowl team under Mr. Scott Beaman in 1998. Are there ever any signs posted that are academic-related? The majority of the young men on that team have gone on and made outstanding careers since 1998. They always displayed a serious interest which culminated in their state win in Port Huron. This group of young men then competed at Disney World in Orlando and were ranked high in the nation.

Just thought I'd give a plug for educational honors as well as for sports, (which I have nothing against as my other son was a student-athlete.)

J. Machnacki
Canton

Theory, religion at odds

Regarding the "Movement finding little local support" (*Observer & Eccentric*, Oct. 6), I believe the Dover, Pa., Area School District case can be settled quickly if the following reasoning is considered:

First, I would argue that only an atheist or agnostic could believe in, support and promote "Intelligent Design theory" (i.e., opinion, or hypothesis). For believers, such as Christians, the origin of the universe and life is already a settled question. God created the universe. Therefore, anyone coming before the federal court in Pennsylvania claiming to believe in and

support Intelligent Design must testify under oath that they are nonbelievers in the Christian faith. If they say they are Christians and believers, then by default they are hostile to intelligent design just as they are to evolution.

The question such individuals would have to answer is: Why, then, are they promoting something they don't believe in? It would be unusual for the Dover District School Board to be composed of solely atheists or even agnostics. Equally, it would be unusual for local Dover churches to be casting doubt on Genesis in Sunday sermons, thus turning Christian parents and citizens into supporters of Intelligent Design.

Second, the Intelligent Design hypothesis turns on a general confusion about the words "theory" and "fact." Every scientist knows that a theory is an agreed upon explanation of reality, while a fact is an agreed upon description of reality. In science, "agreement" simply (but profoundly) means that factual and theoretical claims can be replicated. These are ordinary and accurate dictionary definitions anyone can look up for themselves.

To use a simple example, facts about a ballpoint pen refer to its dimensions, features, materials, color, makeup, etc., in other words, its description. But theoretical statements refer to relationships, uses, function, purpose, or the reason for something's existence. Thus, strictly speaking, saying a ballpoint pen is used to write is a theoretical statement.

Of course, people make compromises in their personal beliefs. But when it comes to the reliability of public knowledge that we must trust every day, the Intelligent Design supporters in Dover, Pa., and elsewhere are obviously at odds with both religion and science.

David B. Seemann
retired Canton High School English teacher
Canton

Raise is unjustified

Apparently Tom Yack has inserted a "line item" into the Canton budget for a 9-percent raise for himself.

Terry Bennett is also being provided a well-deserved raise, but Tom's raise seems a bit extravagant.

In the past, Tom Yack has asserted that his job as supervisor of Canton is sort of like being a chief executive officer of a large for-profit corporation. Any CEO of a large for-profit corporation with a division like the Leisure Services Department, which has been bleeding nearly \$5 million in losses, would have done something about it by now.

When Tom Yack retires, he will most likely pull down a salary equal to nearly half of his yearly pay, so these little boosts up may leave him with a retirement salary (paid out of your taxes) that is greater than what most Americans earn actually working.

A lot of older Canton residents pay \$3,000 a year in property taxes. There is no excuse for this abuse.

Are the voters in this township underestimating their power to correct it?

Alfred Brock
Canton

Someone cares

I read with great interest Phil Power's article ("Our state is in shambles; does anybody really care?" *Observer*, Thursday, Sept. 22.).

Yes, Mr. Power, somebody does care. The people of the state of Michigan!

Like you, thousands of us are scratching our heads and asking "what happened?" As many other persons in Michigan, I am one of those 55-plus persons who found herself in "early retirement." I was one of the fortunate ones who was benefited with an outplacement agency.

However, after 28 years as an automotive color and materials designer, I repeatedly was told "what a fine resume, but you are overqualified."

Consequently, I have had to switch gears and start in another industry. I am one of the fortunate ones in this state after being out of work for 18 months. I am thankful, Mr. Power, even though I had to take a two-thirds cut in pay. Please understand I am not complaining. It is better to have work, family, friends, a caring church and not have to go into my pension portfolio as yet.

I believe our corporate leaders in this wonderful state of Michigan have to take the bull by the horns and approach our leaders in Lansing. I also believe if the MEDC would orchestrate "something," you would receive some heavy backing from the voters of Michigan.

Thank you for your straightforward, honest article. It was appreciated. Thanks for caring!

Thelma J. Sibley
Plymouth

News report?

I write regarding "Peacemaker — Sister uses nonviolent actions to fight injustices" by Linda Ann Chomin.

While it may have been acceptable as a column, commentary or letter to the editor, this opinion-laden piece was presented as a news report.

I do not propose to wade into the Palestinian/Jewish conflict, but I think most non-partisans would agree that it is considerably more nuanced than as it is portrayed in this "news report." An even greater cause for concern is that this "news report" somehow survived the editing process.

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"If I was in Canton, I would be very happy about this plan. It is very Canton-friendly."

— Michael Conway, airport spokesperson, on the new plans for Willow Run Airport, including the elimination of the northern runway that leads toward Canton. The Wayne County Airport Authority, which operates Willow Run, presented the plan to the public on Tuesday in Belleville

Finger-pointing time is over; state needs action – and now

Last weekend, the death of the economic world as we have come to know it in Michigan was announced in no uncertain terms. The decision by Delphi Corp., the world's second-largest auto parts manufacturer, to file for bankruptcy is so huge that it would be difficult to overestimate its importance.

Whatever happens to Delphi, everything we have assumed for years and years to be the right and proper order of things in Michigan is going to change.

That includes the role of the domestic auto industry; the solidity of a middle-class lifestyle for hundreds of thousands of UAW members; and the general stability and prosperity of our economy.

All these and more will be irretrievably changed — and maybe lost — over the coming months. The historic business model of our domestic automobile industry — high production, high costs (especially labor) and protected markets — has turned out to be simply unsustainable in a rapidly globalizing world economy.

Until now, the manufacturers and the parts suppliers never summoned up the guts to stand up to the United Auto Workers union over the high costs of labor, health care and retirement.

And the UAW never could see that rigidly insisting on more and more every time its contract came up for renegotiation was a recipe for killing the goose that laid the golden egg.

Well, now that day is here. The goose is expiring fast, and nothing will ever be the same again.

Sadly, I confess great skepticism about whether our public policy and political systems will be of any great help. Many on the left will decry the unbelievably stupid decision by Delphi Corp. to give top execs golden parachute packages, even while countless ordinary workers and retirees are being dumped into financial chaos.

Many on the right will celebrate the “creative destruction” of capitalism and reflexively argue that the only thing to do is cut business taxes. Yet by looking backward, both miss the big point: Where do we go from here?

Much of the process from now on will be ballistic, in the sense that once a ballistic missile is launched, there's not much anybody can do about altering its course or affecting where it will land.

The lawyers will argue, the companies and the UAW will negotiate and the grindstone of economics will proceed on its remorseless course.

But there are things that can be done, some right away:

If Gov. Jennifer Granholm were smart about this, she would call the Republicans who run the Legislature and Dick DeVos, her near-certain opponent for governor next year, and propose a bipartisan summit on the future of Michigan's economy.

Political leaders of both parties have all known



Phil Power

economic disaster was just around the corner for a long time, but they've been shilly-shallying around with minutia, just hoping the roof wasn't going to fall in on their watch. Well, now it has. And now's the time for them to start leading and quit quibbling.

The universities ought to step up and help us all figure out where Michigan needs to go from here and how to get there.

Over the weekend, I talked with President Mary Sue Coleman about the University of Michigan's taking the lead in putting together a series of conferences over the next months helping business, labor and the public policy establishment develop an agenda for creating the next Michigan. She sounded interested.

The brain power and experience in our great universities ought to be put to work — right now — in helping all of us figure out where to go from here.

It seems clear that manufacturing will continue to be the base of our economy in Michigan. But it is going to become much more high-tech and brain-centered.

This means that the recommendations offered by the Cherry Commission earlier this year — double the number of college graduates in our labor force and vastly improve the quality of our K-12 schools — should get absolute top priority in Lansing.

And there are some things government can do to help in the next few months.

The state should immediately follow the lead of Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson in insisting that every city, county and township should be wired for broadband Internet connection.

Our business tax structure, anchored by the archaic and clumsy Single Business Tax, should be overhauled. A good start could be made by repealing the SBT and replacing the revenue by extending the sales tax to services, but at a reduced overall tax rate.

And since much of our economic future is going to come from newly formed companies, why not offer startups a holiday from paying state taxes for the first couple of years?

My gut tells me that over the long run, Michigan is going to thrive on identifying and deploying our basic resources.

Those include the human capital resident in our universities and (potentially) our schools; our extraordinary natural resource base in our water, forests and shorelines; and the energy and vision of those few entrepreneurs who have the guts to start companies and the grit to drive them to success.

I only hope we have the wisdom to concentrate on the long run. What President Bush said in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina is far more true in our case: We really have no time to waste in finger-pointing now.

Phil Power is a longtime observer of politics, economics and education issues in Michigan. He is a former regent at the University of Michigan and a former member of the Cherry Commission. He would be pleased to hear from readers at ppower@hcnnet.com.

If it is fall, it must be the start of the 'silly' season

The calendar says fall, but it's also the start of the silly season in Birmingham, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Livonia and other local communities.

It started some months ago in the city of Detroit. It's the election season, that period leading up to Nov. 8, the date of the general election when charges, countercharges and all sorts of ridiculous claims and statements are made. But, more importantly, it's one of our basic rights in a democratic society to vote for the individuals who we want to govern for us, whether it is city council, mayor or library board.

Let's begin in Birmingham, where three city commission seats are open. In a usually contentious town where issues have been growth or no growth, big foot or “small” foot housing and large garages, only four candidates submitted nominating petitions.

Sounds like a quiet election season — maybe not. Under the surface is information circulating that an incumbent was pressured to not run because his seat was targeted by one of the challengers. One of the candidates has started his own e-mail campaign and from a cursory reading of the e-mails it sounds like he has already been elected. He should be reminded that even Birmingham holds elections and that self-appointment does not work.

Libraries are usually quiet places and library boards even quieter. Nothing much really happens. Not in our towns. I don't know what it is with libraries these days, but they sure have drawn a lot of attention. There is no election for the library board in Bloomfield Township; they're just fighting a battle in court with Bloomfield Hills over who can and who can't use its library and how much they have to pay to use the library.

The library board election in Birmingham looks more interesting than the city commission. Three seats are open. All three incumbents are running for reelection and all are being challenged. There are six candidates running for three seats. One candidate, Seth Chafetz, is a former city commissioner (is this a back door for another run for the city commission?)

I am sure charges of mismanagement, poor fiscal responsibility, undercharging for services such as free DVD rentals (my local Blockbuster charges \$4.49 for a week



Richard Aginian

rental) will surface.

It all arose when the library asked the city to allow it to seek a Headlee millage override. What came to light were the library finances. While the city was exercising good fiscal policy in tight economic times by canceling out-of-state conferences and other cost-saving moves, the library did not. It may not be a lot of money, but optics is just as important as actual dollars.

When a trustee is quoted as saying: “It's clear that some of our procedures are not as tightened up as the cities,” what that does that tell you? I am sure the incumbent trustees have their hearts in the right place, but before you ask voters to ante up, make sure your fiscal house is in order. In this case, it appears not. What else are we missing?

Moving to Livonia, the opt out of funding for SMART (Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation) is on the ballot. In case you missed it, Livonia residents have voted in prior “flush” times to tax themselves to fund SMART. The tax represents 0.6 mills per thousand (\$60 per year for a house valued at \$200,000), not a lot of money, but when times are tough — and if you don't think they are today, just call me — you look for every penny to save and you challenge every spending decision.

It becomes more interesting when studies show that Livonia residents are not the ones who make use of SMART. Now I firmly believe that our area needs a broad regional transit system, especially if gasoline is going to stay around \$3 or higher per gallon. But let's treat the entire area equally; we are either all in or we are all out.

That's part of the story in Livonia. They believe and they are right that everyone is not paying their fair share, so they say, let's get out.

Other communities are watching carefully what happens in Livonia. If opting out of SMART wins by a vast majority, you can bet that others will soon follow. What does this say about the future of a regional transit system?

What ever your views or choices are, understand the issues or learn about the candidates and their positions and make sure your exercise your right to vote. If you decide not to vote, don't complain. You got what you asked for.

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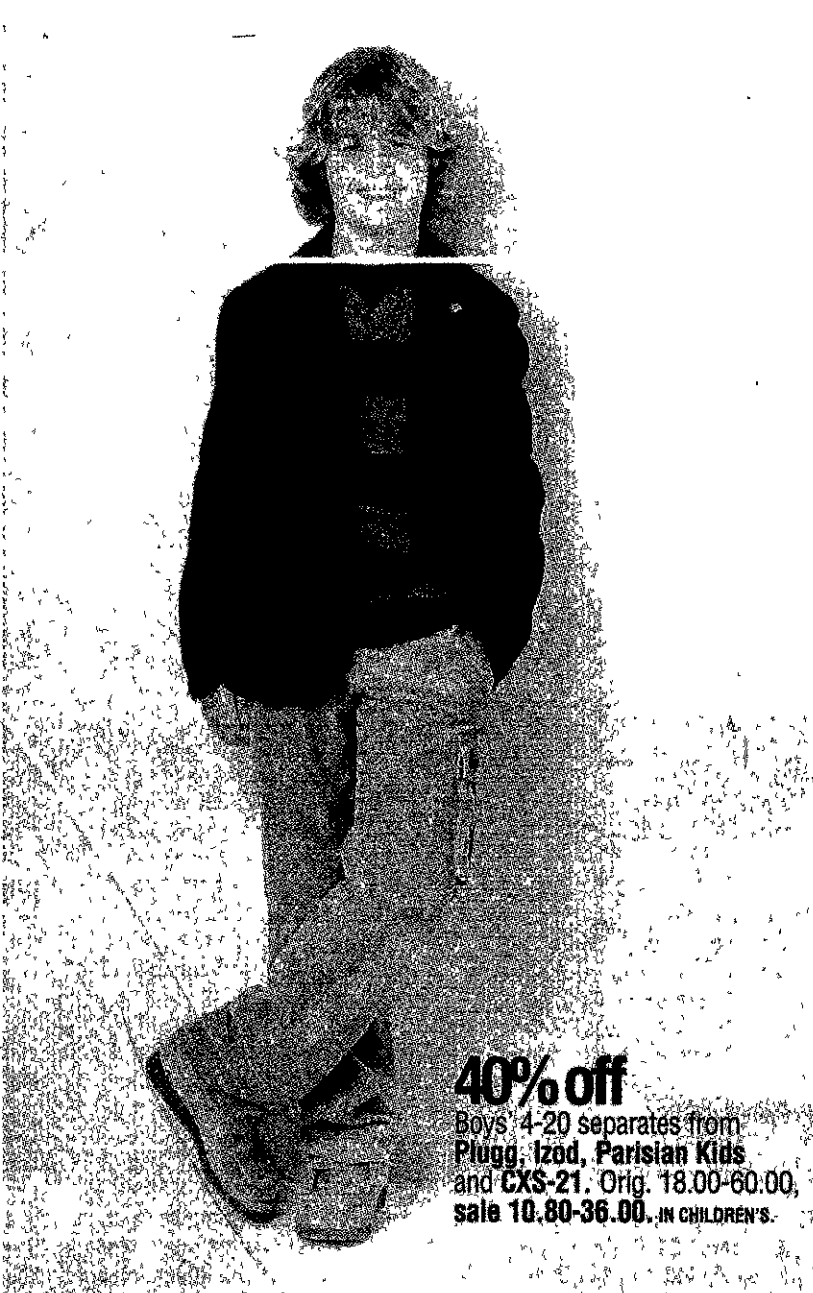
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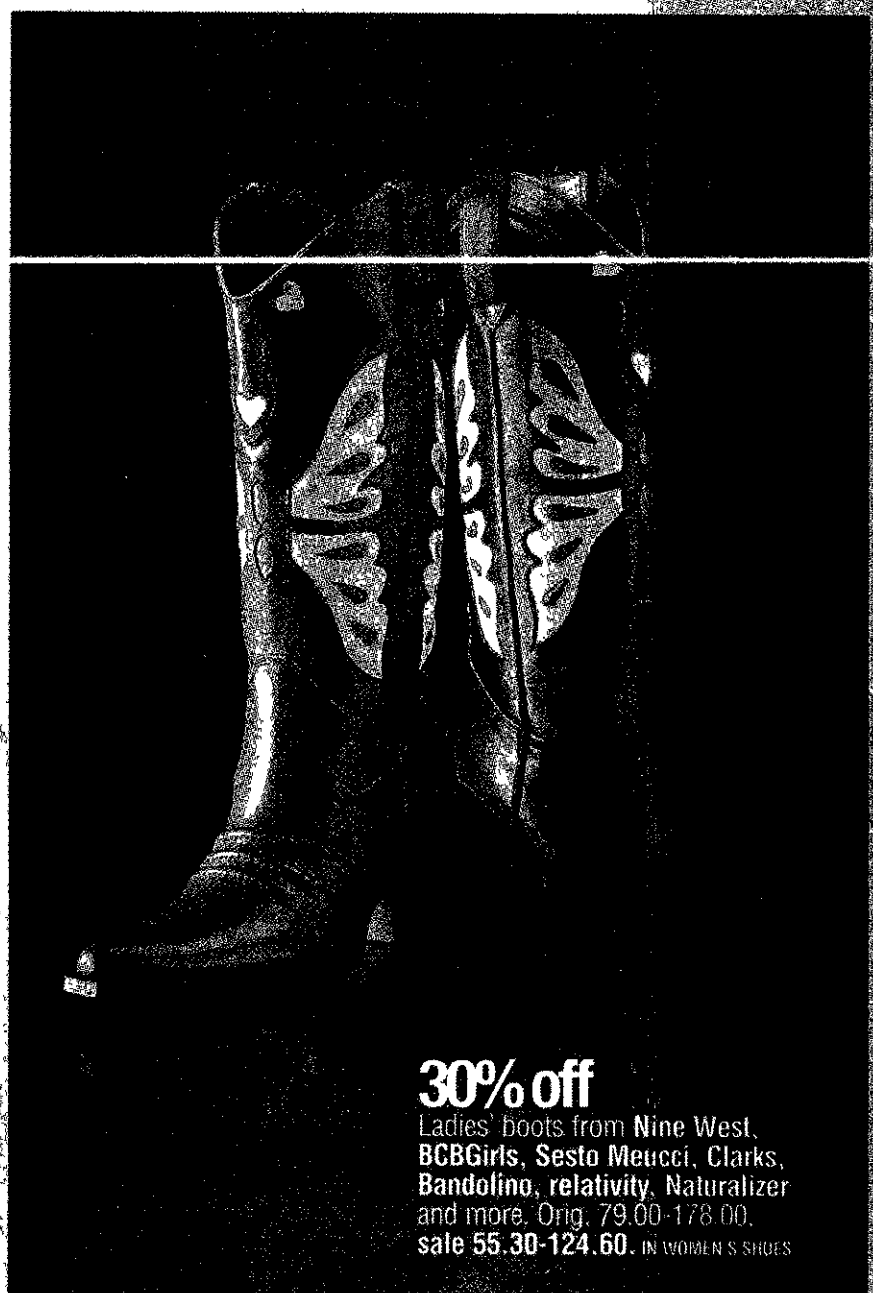
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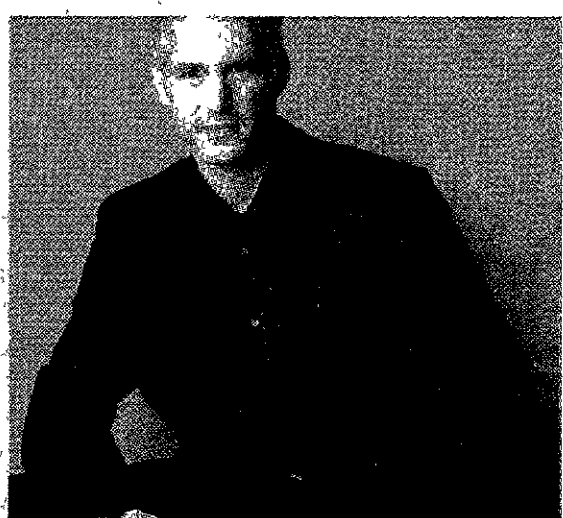
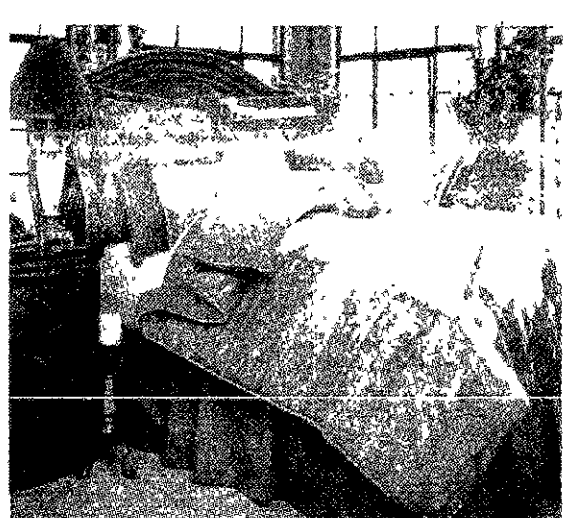
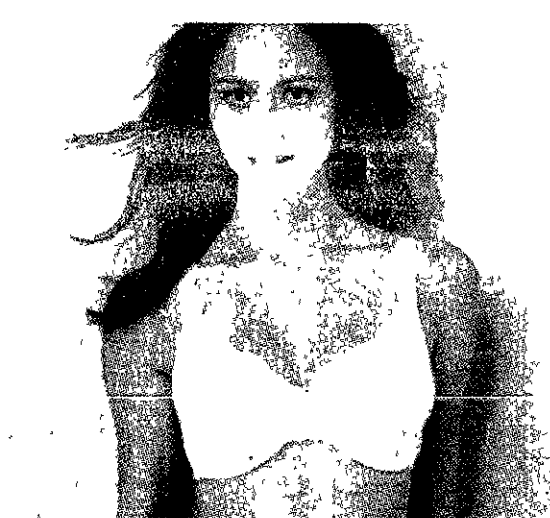
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Living rooms and dining rooms

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Informal overtakes formal

BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY
CORRESPONDENT

Formal dining room furniture is becoming passé, according to Ken McLaughlin of Thomasville Home Furnishings in Novi.

"Some customers still want a more formal dining room set, in such woods as cherry, mahogany and walnut, but the demand for formal furniture is becoming less and less.

"Most customers want something that better fits their home and casual lifestyle," he said. "Also, many of the homes being built today don't have a defined formal dining room. Eating areas are in great rooms or larger expanded kitchens, which are more suited for less-formal furniture."

To address this shift to casual living, Thomasville Furniture has a new line - Color Café - to meet the needs of today's buying public.

This line allows customers to totally customize dining pieces by style, finish colors and stains and types of hardwoods used in construction. In addition to total wood construction, customers can choose granite and tile tops for tables and other pieces.

Also available is the opportunity to combine two woods, for instance a light birch with a darker wood, to create a one-

of-a-kind piece of furniture.

"There is a myriad of choices. There are five styles of furniture - country, French, transitional, casual contemporary and Shaker - and just about any color or stain desired," McLaughlin said.

"Customers can choose the style of legs or pedestals and shape of tables, although larger, 54- and 60-inch round tables are the most popular.

"Although most of the styles in Color Café tend to be more casual, some mimic formal styles, but on a smaller scale. This is because eating spaces in today's newer homes are not as big as the once-popular formal dining rooms."

Thomasville is but one manufacturer of casual dining pieces. Another popular contender - Wrangler, as in denim jeans - is offering a casual line of furniture in collaboration with FlexSteel, an American manufacturer known for its seating for residential, commercial and vehicle use.

According to Noreen Desilets, interior designer, Laurel Furniture in Plymouth, this new line of furniture, which was introduced in 2004, offers uncluttered, simple and comfortable pieces.

In addition to using warm select hardwoods and rich leathers, this casual furniture offers some pieces combining



LAUREL FURNITURE

Wrangler, as in denim jeans - is offering a casual line of furniture with this Chesapeake chair and Buchanan kitchen table.

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Fabulous FURNITURE 2005

Create a mood with lighting

Alter decor with the flip of a switch



BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY
CORRESPONDENT

When it comes to decor, lighting should be one of your first and major concerns.

With a flip of a switch, you can make a room, such as your living room or dining room, warm and inviting and, at the same time, provide the illumination needed for activities in these gathering areas.

According to Dennis Latshaw, owner of Pine Tree Lighting in Lake Orion, glitz and gloss are out in lighting fixtures.

"Painted finishes, replicating bronzes and old English silver, are replacing traditional brass with the shift to casual but elegant growing in popularity," he said.

"Everything is toned down these days in decor and this includes lamps and lighting fixtures."

Although recessed lighting continues to be appealing, the latest trend for living rooms is wall sconces.

"And they are not like your grandma's very ornate sconces. Today's sconces are more contemporary and used not only for lighting, but to help create a mood," Latshaw said.

Combined with the wall lighting are table and floor lamps that coordinate with the sconces to create an overall aesthetic look.

OTHER TRENDS

The three major movements in current lighting trends, according to the American Lighting Association (ALA), are casual elegance (creating warm and relaxed environments with lighting that is somewhat upscale in design); simplified traditional (less decorative and stripped down lighting fixtures in rich antique patinas) and soft contemporary (clean, modern and simple or basic in style and architectural in design).

Lighting that complements a home's architectural design is another popular trend. This is often true when it comes to the dining room, according to Frank Johnson, lighting consultant, Michigan Chandelier in Troy.

Very ornate and traditional brass chandeliers, although still popular, are being replaced by anything but brass.

"It's the customer's taste, decor and style of the home that determines the selection. Today's lifestyle is more casual and lighting fixtures are available to reflect this trend," said Johnson.

Casual elegance is one of three major movements in current lighting trends, according to the American Lighting Association (ALA). This French Creek chandelier is made by Hinkley Lighting.

who has been in the lighting business for more than 30 years.

"What's really the 'hot ticket' these days is whatever the customer wants. With more than 60 different styles available, homeowners want to personalize their living environment."

Among selections are chandeliers with bowl lights, candle lamps, glass or fabric shades and made from a variety of materials, including wrought iron, metals and wood that have a painted or brushed finish.

TIPS

Johnson said that the best way to select a chandelier for the dining room is to consider the height of the ceiling, the dimensions of the room and the size of the dining table.

"After these considerations, decide the look that you want to create," he said. "With the variety of styles available, there are usually a number of selections that will be both functional and decorative."

The lighting consultant stressed the need for dimmer switches on all major lighting sources, including the dining room chandelier.

"Dimmers help set the mood by allowing you to manipulate the light."

Other tips for lighting the dining room:

■ Choose a chandelier that is 12 inches or less than the width of the table.

■ Hang the chandelier 30 to 36 inches above the table.

■ Consider a two-tier model for ceilings that are 9 feet or higher.

■ Select the chandelier first, and then select accent lights, such as lamps for the buffet, to illuminate the room's perimeter and soften the look.

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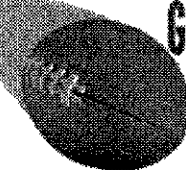
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BY MARY KLEMIC
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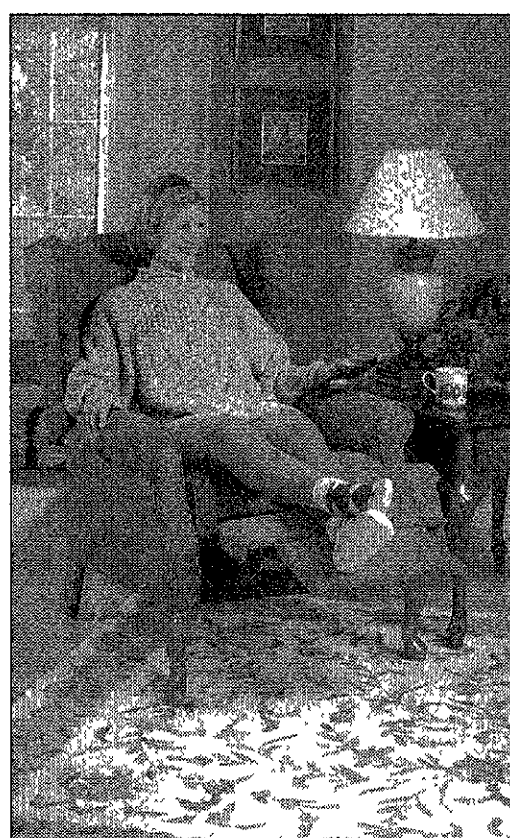


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La-Z-Boy recliners come in a variety of fabrics as well as leather.

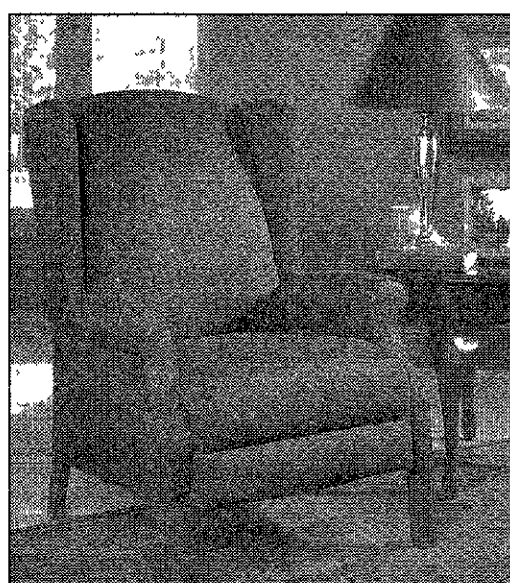


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You can choose a recliner from many styles and options that fit your decor as well as your comfort zone. This recliner is by La-Z-Boy.



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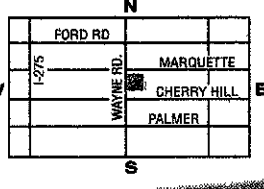
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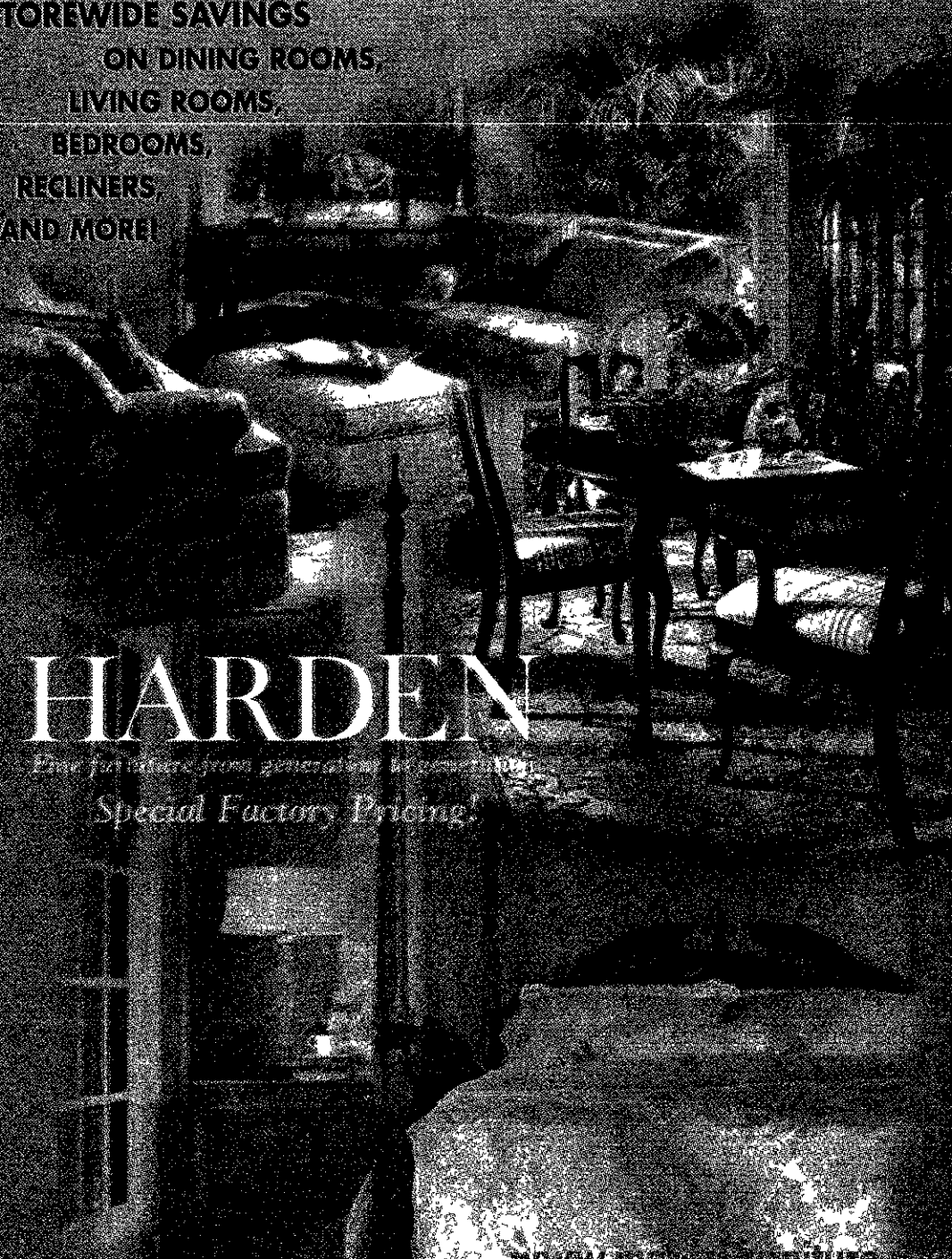
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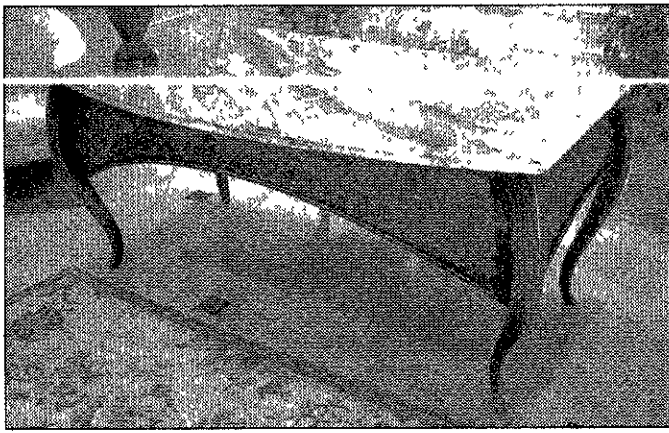
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BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

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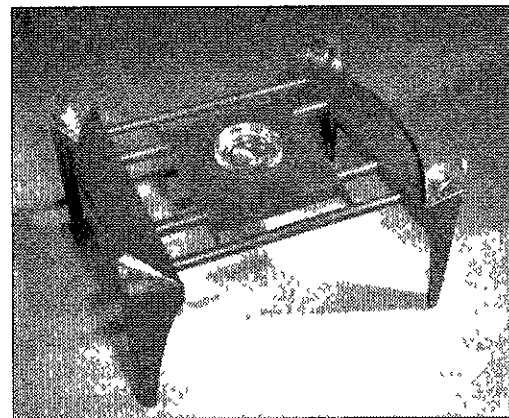
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Art isn't just limited to wall hangings and sculptures.

Brant Lavalla, an Oakland County artist, uses many mediums. He's a painter and a sculptor and he also creates furniture.

Clients often commission him to create desks of marble and wood, tables of glass and metal or intricate plant stands from iron and other materials.

A do-it-yourselfer obviously can't compete with a trained artist. However, you can add some personal touches with items like stained glass. (And why not take a class as a fun way to get through winter?)



Brant Lavalla created this artistic table titled Fire and Ice.

Canterbury Glass, based in Troy, hosts several classes where clients can create functional art pieces for their homes.

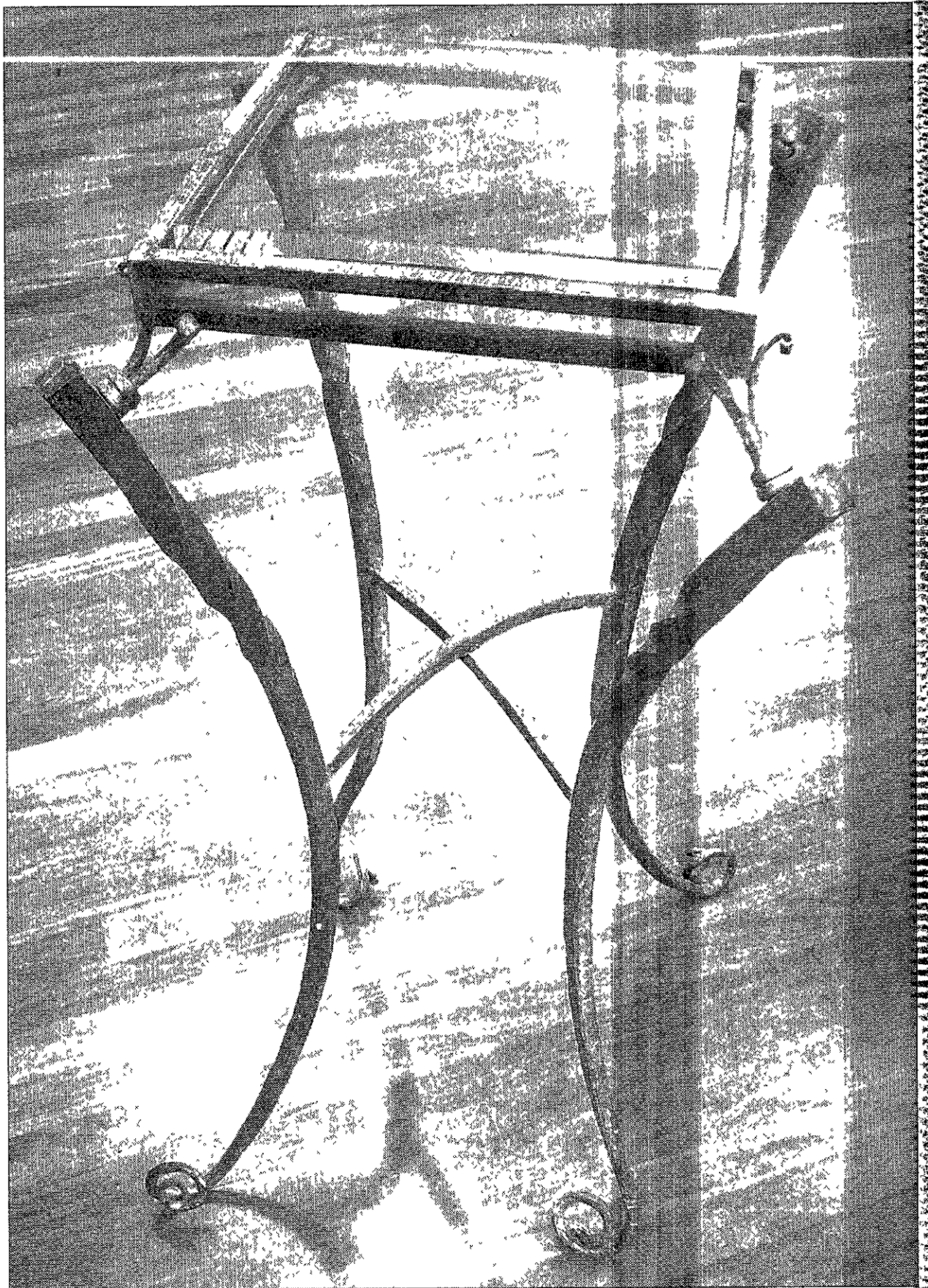
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Pile it on

Be prepared for carpeting success

BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY
CORRESPONDENT

Selecting new carpeting can be an enjoyable chore if you're prepared, according to Tina Marie Sutherlin, program manager, Independent Carpet One in Westland.

"The best way to select carpeting is to bring swatches of your upholstery patterns, wall paint samples, window treatments and accessories and lay them out on different carpets," she said.

"This way you will get an idea of how the carpet will look with your furnishings and decor."

And, according to this expert in floor coverings, you have to take the attitude that the floor to be carpeted is your fifth wall when decorating.

With today's multitude of offerings in carpet choices — "there are so many textures, colors and patterns available that the possibilities can be endless," Sutherlin said — it helps to refine the search by considering the traffic pattern in the area to be carpeted.

"Some carpets, such as patterns, textures, and Berbers, which have multi-level loops, are better suited for heavy-traffic areas because of their wearability."

Velvets, which are plush cut piles with a luxurious look and feel, are better suited for less-traffic areas, such as bedrooms and dining rooms. Patterns and textured carpeting are also good for the library and bedrooms.

"No matter what the choice, homeowners want durability mixed with luxury."

Customers are choosing carpeting that offers a bit more personality and durability than the solid-color Saxtonies that have been popular for years.



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Independent Carpet One has a complete line of hardwood flooring in many widths and choices of wood. Hardwood floors continue to be a top choice for today's homes, offering warmth and distinction in any decor.

"Frieze textures, which are a shorter version of the shag, but with twisted yarns, and carpets with both bold and subtle patterns are currently in vogue," said Dave Ohlinger of Riemer Floors in Bloomfield Hills.

And, according to this sales associate, shags are making a comeback.

"People, who like to sit on the floor, want the comfort that shags provide. Unlike the unruly shags of the past, which were made with yarns 3 and 4 inches long, today's versions have shorter filaments."

ON THE CARPET

Carpeting is a major decorating investment. The following tips will help you get the most out of this warm, insulating, cozy addition to your home.

■ Multi-toned colored carpeting, as well as carpets with designs and patterns, look good longer and are best in high-traffic areas.

■ Carpeting with flecks hide wear better than solid-colored carpets.

■ Commercial carpeting and Berbers work well in areas of high use, such as family and great rooms.

■ Patterned carpets are a good choice for stairs.

■ Although most carpets are stain proofed, it is important to clean up spills when they occur.

■ To retain their beauty and to assure that they last longer, carpets should be vacuumed weekly and professionally cleaned every 18-24 months.

Sandra Dalka-Prysbey

Plaids, stripes, checkered patterns, as well as geometric shapes and designs influenced by nature, such as flowers and leaves, are also currently popular, he said.

"Open-minded homeowners want to make a statement and carpeting is one way to do this."

COLORS

When it comes to popularity, Sutherlin said that neutrals are top choices in colors.

"Customers, however, are going beyond beige. Hues in blue, green and earth tones are becoming the current neutrals," she said.

Ohlinger said that jewel tones, in red, green and blue, are also continuing in popularity.

"Most customers, however, choose the colors they want, whether or not they are popular. There are so many colors and hues available in carpeting that there is something available to coordinate or complement any home decor."

There are four basic requirements that many buyers bring to the showroom when they are in search of carpeting. They want something that looks good, lasts a long time (most carpet has a seven-to-10-year life span), cleans up easily and is affordable.

"With all the choices available on the market, they can find something that meets all of these requirements and still provide the comfort and luxury they want," said Ohlinger.

While professionals can help you select the right carpet for the rooms in your home, based on the space and function it serves, it's up to the customer to decide whether to go with one color throughout or to select different colors in each room.

According to Sutherlin, it is usually best to carry a color theme throughout the home. This makes the house appear larger and the consistency is more pleasing to the eye.

"This doesn't mean that you have to use the same quality or type of carpeting throughout the house," she said. "You can select more durable carpeting for areas with the greatest use."

Ohlinger said that some carpets "ugly out" when they wear out. "There are so many choices these days in more durable carpeting, as well as patterns and textures that help keep the carpet looking fresher longer."

■ Independent Carpet One: 1400 N. Wayne, Westland, (734) 729-6200. Store hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

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In carpet, the flip side is important too

(MS) — Shopping for new carpet can be exciting and overwhelming.

Naturally, the right color and texture are the first things shoppers look for, but it's also important to know something about a carpet's overall construction.

The ingredients that go into

a carpet — like the backing (or bottom) — can have a huge bearing on how it performs over time.

In carpets of good quality, the backing is an integral component of performance. Much like a skyscraper, if a carpet's foundation is poorly built, no matter how beautiful the style,

it won't withstand the test of time.

Although agreeing on color and style may be a challenge, there are a few simple facts that make shopping for a carpet backing easier than ever.

A decade ago, there were virtually no options in carpet backing. All products were

basically the same, and backing was a commodity.

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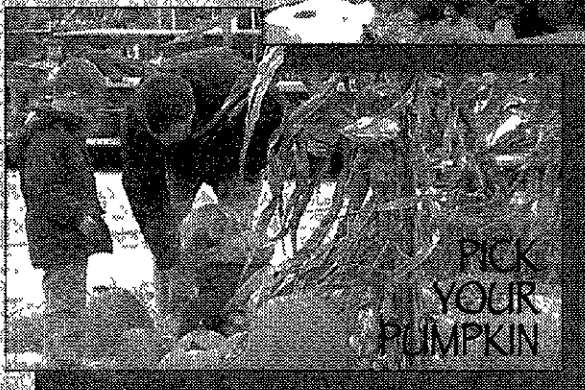
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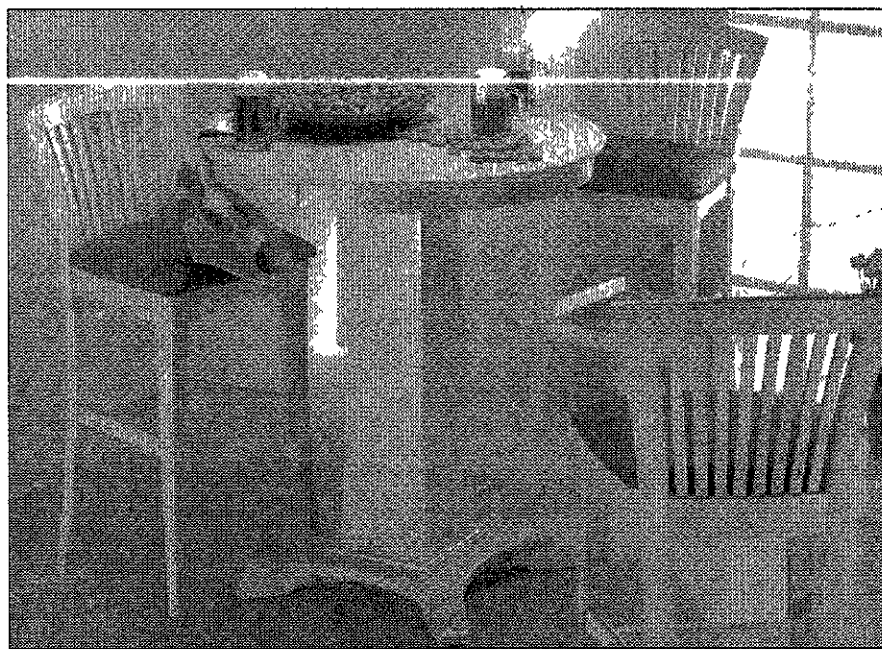
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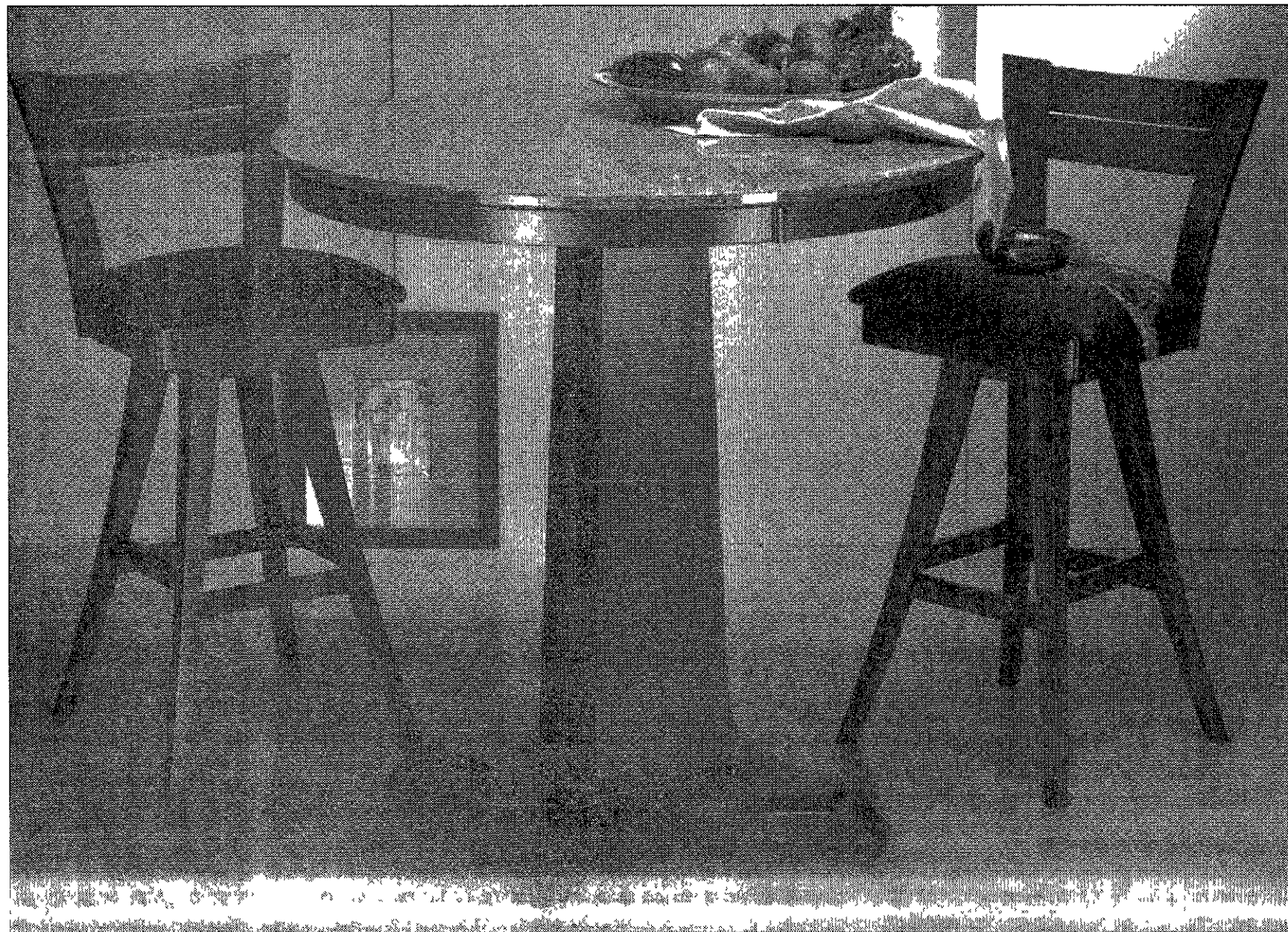


Get a leg up on casual styles for living room, dining room

PHOTO COURTESY OF WALKER/BUZENBERG FINE FURNITURE

Sahara by the Saloom Furniture Company is an example of the pub style seating that is popular today. BY MARY KLEMIC

STAFF WRITER



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Sahara (top) and Giallo (above), both by the Saloom Furniture Company, are examples of the pub style seating that is popular today.

The tables have turned.

In the living room and dining room, casual style and versatility are key features for tables.

Pub or bar tables are popular. They are 36 inches high instead of the standard 30 inches, says David Buzenberg, co-owner of Walker/Buzenberg Fine Furniture in Plymouth.

The store features a variety of casual dining pieces by the Saloom Furniture Company that can be customized.

With these, a customer can select the style, size, shape, materials and color. Materials include granite, ceramic tile, porcelain, Corian, cherry and maple. Among the colors are glazes and paints.

Most sizes of the Saloom dining tables feature self-storing table leaves. Dining chairs feature Soflex seats that have suspension webbing instead of plywood and three layers of foam.

House of Denmark area stores, and its headquarters and central distribution center in Holly, feature Skovby tables that have a patented extension system.

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DINING

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wood and metals.

"There are buffets with metal hutches; there are all-the-same wood buffets and hutches and there are pieces that mix different woods together," Desilets

said.

"Selections include pieces with a time-worn look and others made with distressed wood. There are numerous choices available."

She said that the Wrangler line, although simple and casual in style, offers detail and quality and is reasonably

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Get the hang of it

The art of hanging art is common sense and prep

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Believe it or not, you can hire a professional art installer to hang your favorite watercolor over the couch or group a series of antique prints in the foyer.

But the truth is you probably don't need the assistance, if you can spare a little time, use your common sense and focus on preparation rather than the actual installation.

"It's not rocket science," said Jim Yaw, owner of Fine Art Framers at the Michigan Design Center in Troy and J Yaw Framers in downtown Birmingham.

Yaw has been in the framing business for more than 40 years. So although he knows how simple it is to place and hang art, he's aware that many homeowners feel uncertain about the process and aren't always happy with the results.

What's most important to remember: It's the preparation that counts.

"Like in home painting, you're going to spend a whole lot more time preparing than you are actually painting. The more preparation you do, the better. The preparation is going to show."

So before even considering the mechanics of hanging your favorite piece of art, consider the room and space you're decorating, the contents, and your canvas, which is the wall where you're planning to place the work.

THE ROOM

Keep in mind the style and aesthetics of the room. Is it a traditional and formal dining room, or a casual and cozy kitchen? The feeling of the room should inform not only the type, but also the placement of, art.

"There are private spaces

and public spaces in the house, so you should determine what's your private art and what's your public art and go about it that way."

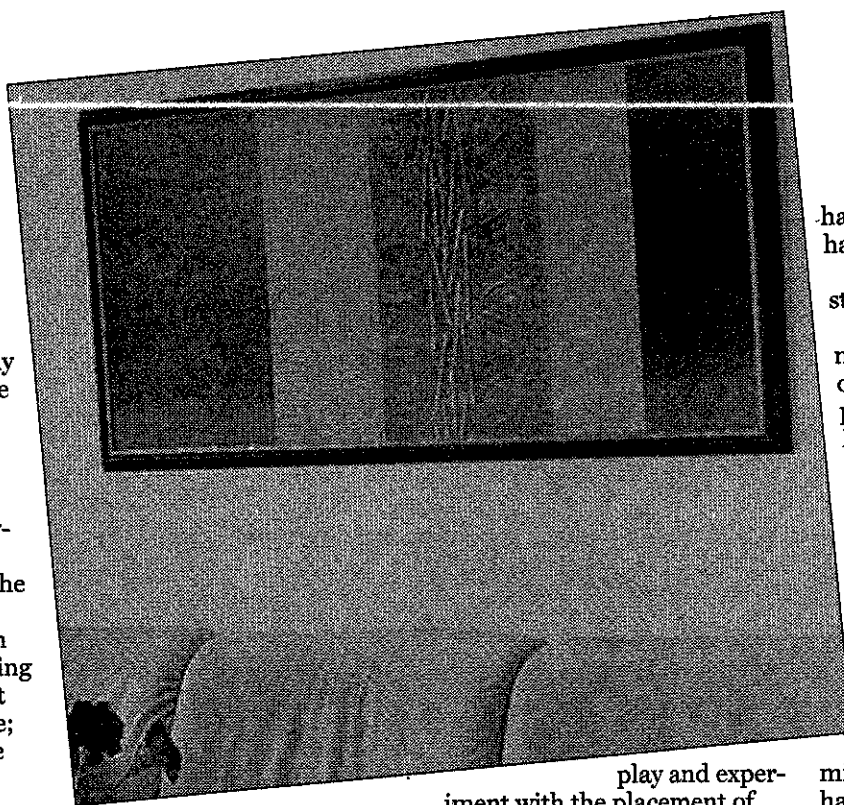
For instance, framed family photographs work best in the bedroom wing of a home, while your most cherished and beloved work of art should be placed where you and others can admire it day-in and day-out.

"Put it where you'll see it the most," said Yaw.

Other principles to keep in mind when selecting a hanging location include: how the art will affect the room's balance; practical considerations, like making sure there's a unobstructed sight line; whether the art is a focal point or a mere accent; and the size of the art relative to furniture and other decorative items.

"Certainly the art shouldn't overwhelm the space," Yaw said. "It should look like it belongs. But it's such a subjective thing that I don't know if you can quantify that."

That's where placement gets tricky for most homeowners. But Yaw insists it's a matter of common sense and personal preference.



"Everybody is a little different. What you may like in a particular space, I may not like and vice versa."

The point is trust yourself and respect what you like.

But don't grab your hammer just yet.

You have to determine what you like and see it before you get to work.

Yaw suggests using old newspapers to form templates in the same size of each piece of art you intend to hang. Then

hammer, nails and picture hangers.

Here's Yaw's simple step-by-step process:

Draw a line on your wall marking where the top edge of the art frame (at its midpoint) will be placed. Measure the length between the top edge of the work and the location of the hanging wire. Measure and mark that distance on the wall.

Then measure the entire width of the piece and divide it by four. Head back to the wall and, using that one-quarter measurement, measure and mark to the right and the left of the

midpoint. That's where your hangers and nails are going. Use the removable tape to make markings more clear. Then hammer in your nails and hang the piece.

"Don't be afraid of putting in more than one nail. The picture is going to be on the wall and hide any mistakes," said Yaw. "And there's always spackling."

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Brush up on it: Decorative finishes made easy

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Here's some advice from the decorative painting

experts at Modern Masters that will make your next project easy and fun.

SPONGING

Sponging involves creating texture and dimension by putting color on the wall using a sea sponge. And it's easy to do.

■ Start by applying a base coat in the color of your choice.

■ Next, select a complementary color to apply by sponge. Mix 1 quart of latex paint with 4 quarts of extender.

■ Lightly dip your sponge in the paint and extender mixture and apply to the wall, tapping paint onto the surface. The sponge's natural hills and valleys will create a unique look with lots of texture and dimension.

For added drama, try sponging on more than one color to the surface.

RAG ROLLING

Unlike sponging, rag rolling involves removing color from the wall with a rag to create a multidimensional effect.

■ Start by applying a base coat in the color of your choice.

■ Mix one quart of latex paint in a contrasting color with four quarts of an extender. Apply to the wall one section at a time with a roller.

■ Using wrinkled, lint-free sheeting rags, or strips of old bed sheets, manipulate the paint and extender mixture - removing as little or as much paint as you want to create texture and dimension.

Tip from the experts: To

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Fabulous FURNITURE 2005

Tuck it in: Slipcovers offer an instant room redo

There are many reasons to use slipcovers in your home.

Perhaps you've just moved, and your current sofa set doesn't quite match the new color scheme. Maybe you've just had a baby and you want to protect your furniture from wear and tear. Or you like the versatility of being able to change the look of a room on a whim.

Whatever the reason, here are some handy tips when considering slipcovers.

SLIPCOVER STYLES

Slipcovers come in different types, varying by fit and price, color and pattern.

The most basic is a loose-fitting cover that can be tossed over the sofa to cover it. There is little tucking required, or shape to this type of slipcover. Typically, this is an inexpensive find carried by most major department stores.

The next grade of slipcover is one that is more fitted. It might be constructed with elastic around the base skirt, and it will probably be a little more tailored to fit the shape of a sofa.

It won't be a custom-fit - you'll still have to do your share of tucking and adjusting

to achieve a look that closely resembles an upholstered sofa - but it will be appealing to the eye. Select department stores carry fitted slipcovers as well as specialty interior design shops.

Custom-designed slipcovers are the priciest of the bunch.

Here, your sofa is measured by a representative from the slipcover manufacturer, interior designer or furniture store, and a slipcover is manufactured to the exact specifications. Oftentimes, matching pillow covers are included as well.

This option gives you a look that most resembles an upholstered sofa, with the convenience of a cover that can in many cases be removed and laundered.

FIT TIPS

Each slipcover manufacturer will offer guidelines on choosing one that is the right size. They will probably carry standard sizes, such as recliner, large chair, love seat and sofa.

Follow the manufacturers' directions for measuring across the width of your furniture to determine the cover that will be the closest fit.

Other ways to achieve a proper fit include:

■ **Tucking trouble** - If your sofa is void of a suitable tucking area, meaning there is no crease between the sofa back and the arms, create neat pleats in the slipcover by folding over sections, and then tuck as usual into where the bottom cushions meet the seat back.

■ **Thin arms** - Beef up the arms of your sofa with some upholstery batting from a fabric supply store or craft center to fill out your slipcover. Most slipcovers are designed to accommodate the thick arms of today's sofa styles.

■ **Slipping and sliding** - If you are placing a slipcover over a leather or vinyl sofa, it may slide around a bit. Use nonskid strips, similar to those used under area rugs, placed directly on the sofa before you put on your slipcover to keep things in place.

■ **Techniques for tucking** -

Use a wooden spoon to tuck into hard-to-reach areas. In addition, use a magazine rolled up and secured with a rubber band, or specially designed foam tubes sold at stores that carry slipcovers. They often may also be ordered directly from slipcover manufacturers. Consult with the store for more information.

■ **Wrinkle reducer** - To take care of wrinkles, throw the slipcover in the dryer with a damp towel for a few minutes. Just check the cleaning and care tag first to make sure the dryer won't damage the fabric. In many cases, the dryer can also be used to shrink the slipcover to ensure a better fit.

SLIPCOVER FABRICS

There are many fabrics and styles used today for premade slipcovers. They're designed to be durable and easy to care for. It is easy to find a cover that will work for your particular design scheme.

Here are some common fabrics and their wearability, courtesy of Kohl's department store:

■ **Cotton blends** - Fiber contents vary. Easy-care, lightweight fabric that drapes beautifully. Fabric becomes softer after just one washing.

■ **Wrinkle-resistant** - remove promptly from the dryer and it needs no ironing.

■ **Cotton duck** - 100 percent cotton. A mediumweight cloth, cotton duck is soft, breathable and durable. It is a wonderful, year-round fabric that retains color beautifully. Machine washable. Perfect for easy decorating.

■ **Damask** - Cotton/polyester blend. A traditional weave with an elegant and lux-

urious texture. Machine washable.

■ **Denim** - 100 percent cotton. One of the most durable fabrics in a twill weave, pre-washed for extra softness. Machine washable.

■ **Olefin blends** - Fiber contents vary.

Olefin is a favorite upholstery fabric because it is strong, lightweight, stain-resistant and colorfast. The blending of Olefin with polyester, cotton and acrylic fibers creates machine-washable slipcovers perfect for everyday family life.

■ **Suede look** - 100 percent polyester. This cloth is characterized by a soft, napped surface. It drapes beautifully and is machine washable.

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Versatile seafood makes healthy eating easy



Americans love seafood.

In fact, on average, we eat about 4.7 billion pounds of seafood a year, according to the latest figures by the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

A great source of protein that is high in heart-healthy essential Omega-3 fatty acids, seafood wins kudos for its contributions to a healthy diet.

In addition to its contributions to good health, seafood also tops the charts for its versatility. It's easy to prepare and amenable to seemingly countless preparations, from the simplest to the most exotic.

If seafood is so easy to prepare, why are some people timid about cooking it at home? Perhaps they fear not getting the freshest fish, overcooking it, undercooking it, or simply not knowing where to begin.

Red Lobster chefs, who prepare more than 141 million meals a year, offer some tips to boost the confidence of even the most timid at-home chefs:

COOK TIMES

Fish are naturally tender and contain very little connective tissue. Unlike meat, they require short cooking times at a high temperature.

Measuring the fish (dressed or stuffed, fillets or steaks) at thickest part:

■ Allow 10 minutes per inch for fresh fish.

■ Allow 20 minutes per inch for frozen fish.

Fish is ready when it is opaque and flakes easily. Be careful not to overcook it.

COOKING METHODS

Fish can be cooked in a variety of ways, depending on the type of fish:

■ Firm-fleshed fish such as mahi-mahi or tuna are great sautéed in a skillet, poached, broiled or grilled.

Side dish

Kitchen safety

"Be careful in your home, especially in the kitchen, where carelessness can result in burns," say Morris and James Carey, writing for AP.

"Do you wear a robe with big sleeves in the kitchen? It's a dangerous practice because sleeves could make contact with a burner and burst into flame.

"Don't use a cloth towel to hold a hot pot handle, either. Loose ends could also touch a burner and ignite.

"Don't store things above the stove like coffee, condiments and spices. Reaching over the cooktop puts you at risk.

"When lifting lids, open the far side first so scalding steam escapes away from you.

"When frying, use a screen to prevent splatters and keep a lid handy to snuff out grease fires.

"Don't let pot handles stick out or you'll bump one for sure.

"Finally, keep a small fire extinguisher handy."

New sausage flavor

Bob Evans Brown Sugar and Honey Links has joined the company's line of fresh sausage.

The new variety joins Bob Evans original, maple and sage link flavors in the refrigerated section of grocery stores throughout Bob Evans' 21-state food products market area.

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Other Bob Evans grocery store products include fresh sausage rolls, links and patties; Bob Evans Express® fully cooked sausage; grilling sausage; frozen biscuits and dinner rolls; refrigerated mashed potatoes, macaroni & cheese, hash browns and home fries; Snackwiches®, a line of convenient sandwiches; and several refrigerated entrees such as chicken and noodles and frozen entrees such as chicken pot pie.

For more information about Bob Evans Farms Inc., visit the company's Web site at www.bobevans.com.

Casserole comeback

With the return to comfort foods and family dinners, casseroles are making a comeback without the weighty ingredients and time-consuming preparation.

The Complete Idiot's Guide to Cover-and-Bake Meals by Ellen Brown is packed with more than 230 tantalizing and tasty recipes incorporating fresh herbs, quality ingredients, terrific pastas and grains, lighter ingredients, and modern, quick twists to yesterday's classics.

The book includes recipes for everything from brunch dishes and breakfast stratas, to beef, poultry and vegetarian entrees, to desserts and more - all of which can be prepared in advance.

Omega-3s from fish and seafood seem to protect against heart disease in several ways. Salmon is delicious grilled with vinaigrette and asparagus.

PLEASE SEE SEAFOOD, B12

Fish, Omega-3 fatty acids and your health

Not all fats are created equal ... especially since research consistently suggests that Omega-3 fatty acids from fish and shellfish boost heart health.

According to the American Heart Association, Omega-3s benefit people with healthy hearts as well as those with heightened risk of cardiovascular disease.

There's a reason why Omega-3s are called Essential Fatty Acids. They have important roles in maintaining a healthy heart and are necessary for cell development and growth.

Since the human body cannot manufacture Omega-3s, they must be supplied through the diet.

For optimum heart health, the American Heart Association recommends eating fish, and particularly fish high in Omega-3s, such as salmon, lake trout, herring, sardines, mackerel and albacore tuna, at least two times a week.

Fish is a good source of protein and doesn't have the high saturated fat that meat products contain.

PLEASE SEE HEALTH, B12

Create some perfect food matches for pinot gris



Focus on Wine

Ray and Eleanor Heald

Alaskan wild-caught salmon is a predictable food harmony for pinot gris, made in a dry style with flavors of white peach, honeydew melon and hints of spice and citrus in the finish.

Grilled, poached, baked or as a salmon mousse appetizer - any preparation you choose will be delicious with a pinot gris.

Trap-caught grilled shrimp, basted with olive oil infused with rosemary and garlic is another simple preparation. For ease, you might

also consider basting a chicken with olive oil and sprinkling it generously with Herbes de Provence before roasting.

Mediterranean fish stew with aioli, such as Bouillabaisse or Bourride, are other perfect matches for pinot gris. Pinot gris pairs well with veal prepared as Osso Buco, braised veal shanks (recipe follows). The traditional lemon, garlic and parsley gremolata garnish

PLEASE SEE PINOT, B12

WINE PICKS

Did you notice in reading Focus on Wine that we made particular reference to fish, such as "Alaskan wild-caught salmon?" For health reasons Americans are eating more seafood but there are risks. Monterey's Estancia Winery is offering a pocket-sized Seafood Watch Guide on bottles of Estancia wine or on its Web site www.estanciawinery.com. Click on the "E-Space page" to download the guide.

Highly recommended PINOT GRIS and PINOT GRIGIO

■ 2004 Terlato Russian River Valley Pinot Grigio \$25
■ 2004 Maso Canali Pinot Grigio (from Trentino, Italy) \$23
■ 2004 MacMurray Russian River Valley

Pinot Gris \$20

■ 2004 Luna Pinot Grigio \$18 (unique barrel-fermented in French oak style)
■ 2003 Morgan Pinot Gris, Monterey \$17.50
■ 2004 Handley Pinot Gris \$16
■ 2004 Gallo of Sonoma Pinot Gris \$13
■ 2003 Leelanau Wine Cellars Pinot Grigio (American appellation) \$12, with low alcohol in an Alsace-like dry style. Pinot gris is delicious from other Michigan wineries:
■ Labeled as pinot gris, try 2004 Chateau Fontaine.
■ Labeled as pinot grigio 2003 Bel Lago, 2004 Fenn Valley, 2004 Bowers Harbor and 2004 Good Harbor.

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.



AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Mushrooms are good additions to one-pot meals, such as this pasta and chicken dish.

Cap off pasta with mushrooms

Good things come in small packages. Like mushrooms.

Mushrooms provide a variety of nutrients with few calories. There are just nine calories in one-half cup of raw diced pieces, or 21 calories in one-half cup of mushrooms cooked without added fat. (They shrink down when cooked, so a half-cup cooked contains a lot more mushrooms than a half-cup raw.)

In recent years, research has increasingly looked at health benefits from the phytochemicals in mushrooms that may stimulate the immune system or block activity that could promote breast cancer in post-menopausal women. Mushrooms also are a good source of the antioxidant mineral selenium, which may offer some protection from prostate cancer.

Both the texture and flavor of mushrooms can differ from one variety to another. The white cultivated, or button,

mushroom available in most supermarkets has a smooth cap and a mild, earthy taste.

Choose mushrooms that feel firm to the touch and are evenly colored. Pass up ones that have soft spots, a darkish surface or are broken. If they are to be cooked, pick those that are the same size so they will cook evenly.

Fresh mushrooms can be refrigerated up to three days. Washing them makes them mushy, so simply wipe them with a damp paper towel just before using.

Mushrooms are good additions to one-pot meals. The following recipe provides enough chicken for two meals, plus one to two servings of vegetables along with a grain.

PASTA WITH CHICKEN IN MUSHROOM SAUCE

1 split, skinless chicken breast with ribs (2 halves)
4 skinless chicken thighs

1 teaspoon extra virgin olive oil
1 medium onion, chopped
1 garlic clove, minced
¾ pound white mushrooms, coarsely
1 can (28 ounces) diced tomatoes
1 teaspoon each oregano and basil
½ teaspoon red pepper flakes, or according to taste
4 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
½ pound whole-wheat pasta, chopped

Coat a large, non-stick skillet with cooking spray. Heat pan over medium-high heat until hot. Brown chicken lightly, about 8 minutes, turning pieces occasionally so they color on all sides. Transfer chicken to a plate.

Heat oil in the pan. Sauté onion and garlic until translucent, about 4 minutes. Add mushrooms. Sauté until they release liquid, about 4 minutes. Add tomatoes with their liquid, oregano, basil, and pepper flakes, if using. Season with salt

and pepper.

Return chicken to the skillet. Simmer until chicken is white at the bone, about 40 minutes, turning it after 25 minutes.

Transfer chicken pieces to plate and set sauce aside. When cool enough to handle, pull the chicken meat from the bones. There will be about 8 ounces of white meat and 6 of dark meat. Wrap the white meat in plastic wrap or foil and refrigerate until ready to use another time. Mix the dark meat into the sauce.

Cook pasta according to package directions. Drain and divide among 4 bowls. Reheat chicken/sauce under low heat until hot. Spoon sauce over pasta. Sprinkle with cheese and serve.

Makes 4 servings.

Per serving: 414 calories, 9 g. total fat (3 g. saturated fat), 57 g. carbohydrate, 29 g. protein, 11 g. dietary fiber, 382 mg. sodium.

Recipe courtesy of the American Institute for Cancer Research.

CALENDAR

Herbal Harvest

The Southern Michigan Unit of the Herb Society of America will present The Herbal Harvest for Use and Delight, a fund-raiser for Historic Cranbrook Gardens, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Trevarrow Inc., 1295 N. Opdyke Road in Auburn Hills. The event will feature two guest speakers (Deanna House and Gloria Rodammer), an herbal boutique, a book signing, a raffle and samplings of herbal confections. Tickets are \$30. For tickets or more information, call Sheila Mohr at (248) 851-6691. Deanna House, a teacher, writer and author of five cookbooks, will share her fabulous recipes and funny stories about life in the kitchen. Gloria Rodammer, from Herballly Yours in Millington, will demonstrate how to use fresh and dried garden herbs to decorate your house and please your palate. Proceeds from the event will help to maintain the Herb Garden at Historic Cranbrook House and Gardens in Bloomfield Hills, as well as promote herbal education and provide horticultural scholarships. The Southern Michigan Unit has maintained the Herb Garden for more than 30 years.

Microbrews

The "Microbrews of the World" series will be featured at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, at the International Institute of Metropolitan Detroit, 111 E. Kirby, across the street from the Detroit Institute of Arts. This first evening, held in cooperation with Cloverleaf Fine Wine and Spirits of Southfield and beer importer Shelton Brothers, features a lecture on traditional beer brewing. Participants will sample precision-crafted, small-batch, traditional brews from Belgium, France, Germany and the more exotic reaches of northern Europe. Light refreshments and

entertainment by pianist Norm Duffy will be provided. Participants must be 21 or over. Program cost is \$25. Space is limited; RSVP is recommended. Call (313) 871-8600.

Healthy Cooking Classes

Vegetarian, whole foods cooking classes with macrobiotic chef Valerie Wilson. Learn how to prepare healthy, delicious meals in a relaxed atmosphere as students get "hands-on" experience preparing the recipes. Each class includes discussions on the healthy benefits of the ingredients. Classes include: Fall 2005 two week series on Oct. 19 and 26, fee \$60 (\$30 each class); and a four-week Beginning Series. The next Beginning Series dates are Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1 and 8, class fee is \$120 (\$30 each class). Details of all classes can be found at www.macroval.com. Classes are 6-9 p.m. in Garden City, visit the website or call (734) 261-2856 for more information.

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. ■ Hands-On Note: Hands-On classes have a prerequisite of the Cooking 101: Skill Development class 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. Basic Cajun & Creole Cooking, two days, 6-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22; Chowder and Bisque Soup Workshop,

5:30-8:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 3; Pasta Recipes, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10; Garde Manger 101- Cold Food Preparation, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 29 and 30.

The Community House

The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, has scheduled fall cooking classes. Unless otherwise noted, each class will take place 7:30-9:30 p.m. at The Community House and has a fee of \$30. To register, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com.

■ Learning to Love Legumes and Lentils is scheduled Wednesday, Oct. 19. Beans are an invaluable source of pro-

tein and fiber and act as a wonderful alternative to meat. In this course, you will learn to prepare delicious hot side dishes and cold salads using legumes and lentils.

Instructor Freeman Gunnell's culinary education has been under the direction of renowned chefs, including Jimmy Schmidt, Wolfgang Puck and Madeleine Kamman. His well-rounded career includes working as chef de cuisine and as a pastry chef in gourmet restaurants as well as corporate and private settings. Gunnell was recently awarded the prestigious International Association of Culinary Professionals pastry award to study at Ecole Lenotre in Paris.

WINE CALENDAR

Wine Exploration

The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, presents a Wine Exploration Series on Wednesday nights. The classes take place 7:30-9:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

You must be 21 years of age to attend. To register or for more information, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com.

Nidal Daher and Marc Jonna are 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 scribe 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 are:

■ Italian Wines, Oct. 26 (\$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 (\$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 (\$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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Schoolcraft College announces that the financial audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, has been completed by Plante & Moran, LLP, Ann Arbor, Michigan. It has been presented to the College Board of Trustees and has been accepted by them.

Notice is hereby given that the audit is available for public inspection in the Finance and Business Services Office in the McDowell Center at the College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia, Michigan, on weekdays, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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SEAFOOD

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■ Oily fish, such as salmon, are better on the grill.

■ Delicate flesh fish, such as grouper or trout, are great fried, poached or sautéed.

Baking, broiling, grilling, microwaving and sautéing in little or no fat are the preferred cooking methods. Poaching or steaming also are two healthy cooking methods since you can steam fish or shrimp in beer or wine and then add your favorite herbs.

Broiling is the process of cooking fish under an open flame or electric element at high temperatures. Here's how:

■ Using fresh or thawed fish, brush each piece with melted butter or olive oil and season it with salt and pepper or your favorite seasoning. Paprika, for example, gives a nice reddish color.

■ Place the fish in a single layer on a well-greased broiler pan, and broil 3-4 inches from the preheated unit. Baste the fish during cooking with the liquid in the pan.

■ Turn any thick pieces over halfway through the cooking time.

■ Serve the fish as is with a lemon wedge and some tartar sauce on the side.

Barbecuing is the process of cooking fish at high temperatures over coals or an open flame. Fish comes out great on the grill, and is a low-fat, low-calorie, low-carb alternative to the usual chicken, steak, hamburger and ribs. Here's how to do it:

■ Buy a wire basket made for grilling fish.

■ Using fresh or thawed fish, marinate each piece. Remember that there is a great selection of prepared marinades at your grocery store.

■ Spray the basket and the grill with non-stick cooking spray, such as Pam.

■ Place the fish in the wire basket on the oiled grill, and cook 3-4 inches above coals or flame, turning halfway through cooking time.

■ Try this method with thick fish - cut into kabobs or foil-wrap fish with vegetables.

Pan frying is the process of cooking fish in an open pan using butter or oil. To cook:

■ Try this method for fish cakes or small fish species such as rainbow trout. Always use fresh or thawed fish.

■ Season each portion of fish and then cover it lightly with flour. Then dip it in a liquid such as milk or a beaten egg, and coat with bread crumbs.

■ Heat the shortening and fry both sides of the fish.

■ Drain on absorbent paper, and serve the fish with lemon and some tartar sauce on the side.

Different ways to enjoy fish are:

■ Substitute fish or shellfish for meat and poultry in your favorite casseroles, stir-fries, Mexican dishes, salads, soups and pasta recipes.

■ Win meat-lovers over to fish by serving them "meatier" types like swordfish, fresh tuna, halibut and shark. These species are great marinated or with barbecue sauce, and then grilled.

■ Season up seafood with lemon and lime juice, herbs (like dill and basil), onions and garlic, ketchup, tartar sauce (made with nonfat mayonnaise), and low-fat sauces.

■ Be adventurous with seafood cooking methods. For instance, instead of traditional baking and broiling, try poaching in wine and herb-seasoned broth, grilling with barbecue sauce, and stir-frying or steaming with a potpourri of vegetables.

With fish and shellfish, the possibilities are endless for healthful eating - at the same time adding variety and great taste to your everyday meals. Helping ourselves to fish is helping ourselves to good health.

Salmon, which is high in heart-healthy Omega-3 fatty acids, is a versatile fish than can be prepared in a number of different preparations, such as in a light, flavorful salad:

BASIL-INFUSED GRILLED SALMON WITH TOMATO-ARUGULA SALAD

4 8-10 ounce pieces of fresh salmon fillets, skinless
kosher salt
fresh ground black pepper
4 lemon wedges

Tomato-Arugula Salad:
8 ounces fresh arugula, rinsed and drained
2 Roma tomatoes, cored and quartered lengthwise

Herb Vinaigrette:
2 ounces sun-dried tomato salad dressing
4 ounces Raspberry Walnut Vinaigrette
1 teaspoon red onion, finely diced
1 tablespoon fresh basil, chopped

Fresh Basil Oil:
4 ounces Boyajian basil oil
¼ cup fresh basil, chopped

Tomato-Arugula Salad:
Place arugula and tomatoes in a large bowl and toss together. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Herb Vinaigrette:
Using a wire whip, mix all of the ingredients in a large bowl until incorporated. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Fresh Basil Oil:
Using a wire whip, mix all of the ingredients in a small bowl. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Salmon:
Lightly brush both sides of the fish with the basil oil, and season with the salt and pepper.

On a clean, hot grill, cook the salmon for approximately 3-4 minutes on each side.

Place the salmon in a baking dish and brush generously with the remaining basil oil.

Add a small amount of water to the baking dish and finish cooking in a 450-degree Fahrenheit oven for approximately 8 minutes or until the internal temperature of the fish reaches 130-135 degrees Fahrenheit.

When the salmon is almost done, pour the herb vinaigrette into a bowl with the tomato-arugula salad and toss gently until evenly coated.

Equally divide the salad and mound on the center of four plates.

Place the grilled salmon atop the salad and serve with a lemon wedge.

Recipe and information courtesy of Red Lobster.

HEALTH

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Omega-3s from fish and seafood seem to protect against heart disease in several ways, including:

■ Making the blood less likely to form clots.

■ Preventing heart beat abnormalities.

■ Lowering high levels of triglycerides (a type of fat in the blood that can increase the risk of heart attacks when its levels are too high).

Baking, broiling, grilling, poaching, steaming, microwaving and sautéing in little or no fat are the preferred cooking methods.

AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND HISPANICS

Heart disease continues to strike a disproportionate number of African-Americans and Hispanics. About 40 percent of African-American men and women suffer from some form of the disease, compared to 30 percent of white men and 24 percent of white women.

For a variety of reasons, African-Americans also are more likely to die from the disease than whites. And while

Hispanics die from heart disease at a lower rate than whites, Mexican-American women are diagnosed with heart disease more frequently than white females.

For people of all races and ethnic backgrounds who want to stay in good shape, eating plenty of fish and shellfish is part of a healthy diet that includes other wholesome foods and plenty of fruits and vegetables.

GRILLED SALMON WITH VINAIGRETTE AND ASPARAGUS

4 8-10 ounce pieces of fresh salmon fillets, skinless
½ cup canola oil
McCormick's Season All
1 pound fresh asparagus spears, medium size
Sun-Dried Tomato Basil Vinaigrette (recipe below)
4 portions of your favorite rice recipe (Red Lobster suggests a wild/white rice blend)

Sun-Dried Tomato Basil Vinaigrette:
6 ounces canola oil
2 ounces red wine vinegar
2 ounces sun-dried tomatoes in oil, finely chopped
½ cup fresh basil, chopped
2 tablespoons red onion, diced
1 teaspoon fresh garlic, minced

salt and pepper to taste

Grilled Salmon:

Lightly brush both sides of fillets with oil and season with McCormick's Season All.

Pre-heat your grill to medium-high heat. When hot, grill the fish for 4-5 minutes until well marked.

Turn the salmon fillets over and continue grilling another 5-6 minutes or until your fresh fish preference is reached.

Grilled Asparagus:

Measuring from the tip, cut the stems off the asparagus about 5 inches down. Discard the stems.

Coat the asparagus in 3 tablespoons oil, adding salt and pepper to taste.

Grill the asparagus for about 1 minute, then roll and grill for another minute (or until tender).


Sun-Dried Tomato Basil Vinaigrette (makes 8 ounces):

In a large bowl, mix together using a wire whip the canola oil, red wine vinegar, chopped sun-dried tomatoes, fresh basil, red onion and minced garlic. The ingredients should be mixed until incorporated.

Whip in salt and pepper to taste.

Warm the vinaigrette slightly.

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PINOT

FROM PAGE B10

is sensational with the wine, eliminating a clash with tomatoes in the recipe, as so frequently happens when a red wine is chosen as a match.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

From Italy, where its style is crisper and lighter, pinot gris is known as pinot grigio. Many California producers also make pinot gris in this style and label the wine pinot grigio. From Oregon, pinot gris will always be labeled pinot gris, never pinot grigio.

Roasted or grilled pork served with a fruit salsa or fruit chutney accents the naturally bright fruit of the Italian pinot grigio style.

Launching into deeper culinary waters, you could home smoke farmed rainbow trout using apple wood (or buy it smoked from a gourmet market) and serve it with a horseradish cream (recipe follows) and a pinot grigio.

HORSERADISH CREAM

Serve with apple wood smoked farmed rainbow trout.
¼ cup whipping cream
½ cup mayonnaise
½ cup prepared horseradish
2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

In a glass bowl, whip the cream with an electric mixer until it forms soft peaks.

Combine the mayonnaise, horseradish and mustard in another bowl. With a rubber

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spatula, fold in the whipped cream.

Season with salt and pepper. Mix well and transfer to a serving bowl. Makes two cups.

Osso Buco

8 veal shanks, tied with string around circumference
4 tablespoons butter
1 medium-large white onion finely chopped
1 cup finely chopped carrots
1 cup finely chopped celery
4 cloves finely minced garlic
Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
White flour
½ cup olive oil
1 cup pinot gris or pinot grigio of choice

1 teaspoon dried basil
1 teaspoon dried thyme
1 cup chicken or beef stock
128-ounce can crushed Italian tomatoes
3 tablespoons finely chopped Italian flat-leaf parsley
2 whole bay leaves

For the gremolata:
2 tablespoons grated lemon zest
2 teaspoons finely minced garlic
6 tablespoons finely chopped Italian flat-leaf parsley

Melt butter over moderate heat in a large Dutch oven with

tightly fitting cover (sufficiently large to hold all the veal pieces in one layer) and add the onion, carrots, celery and garlic. Cook until vegetables are softened and lightly caramelized (about 10 minutes).

Meanwhile, season veal with salt and pepper and roll in the flour, shaking off excess. In a large skillet, heat 6 tablespoons of olive oil until a haze forms. Brown veal, a few pieces at a time, adding more oil if needed. Transfer browned veal to the Dutch oven and lay them side by side atop the vegetables.

Preheat oven to 350°F. Discard fat from skillet, leaving a film on the bottom. Pour in the wine and boil briskly over high heat until reduced to ½ cup. Scrape in any browned meat bits clinging to the skillet. Stir in the stock, basil, thyme, tomatoes, parsley and bay leaves. Bring to a boil and pour over the veal. Add more stock if the liquid does not come half-way up the veal pieces. Bring to a boil again.

Cover Dutch oven and bake in the oven for 1 hour and 15 minutes. Test veal tenderness by piercing one of the pieces with the tip of a sharp knife.

Clip string around each veal shank and arrange shanks on a heated platter (or one per heated dinner plate). Spoon sauce and vegetables from the Dutch oven around them. Top with gremolata. Serves eight.

Serve with Risotto Alla Milanese or plain buttered pasta.

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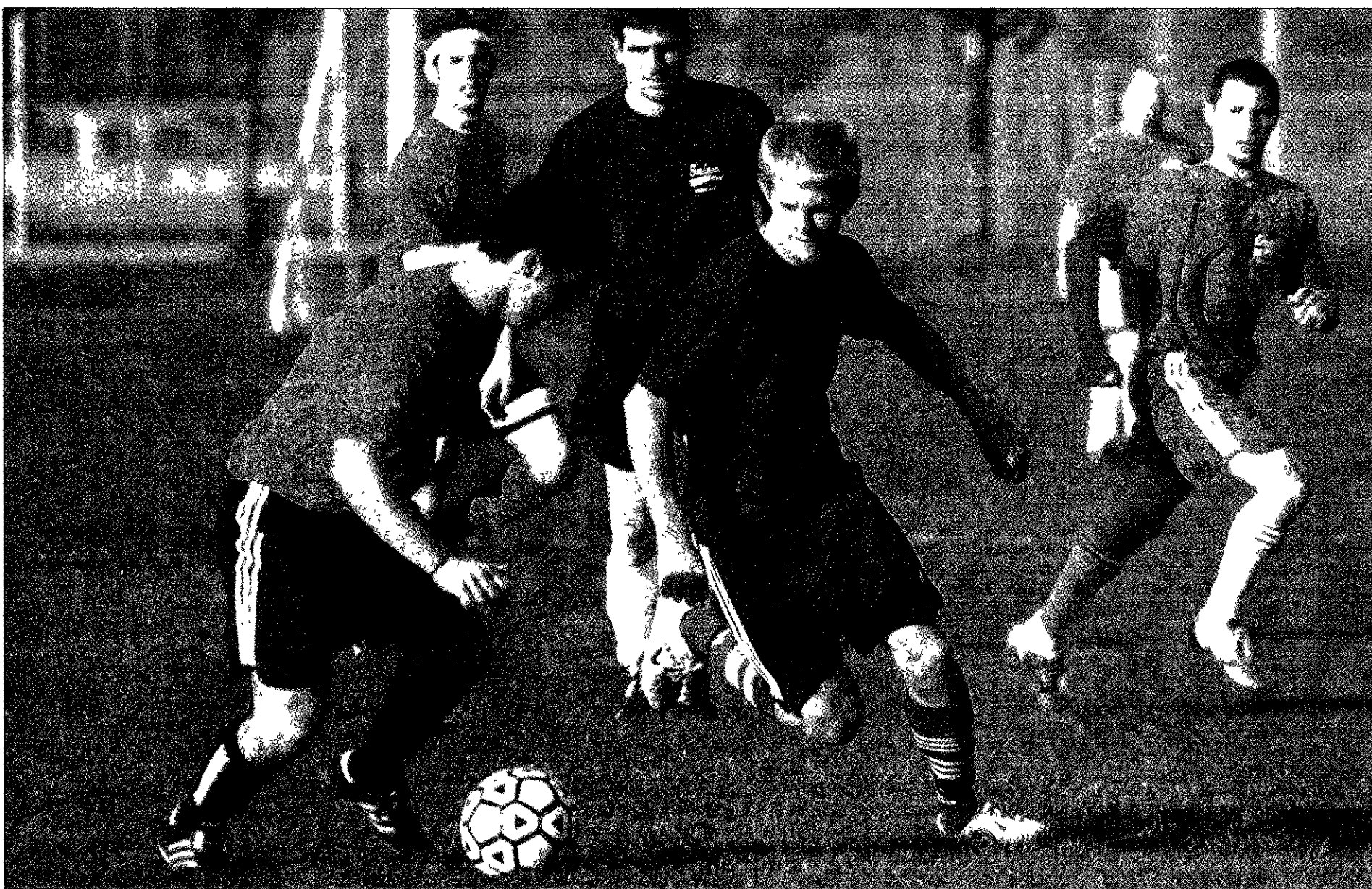
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Sweetest Day is Saturday, October 15th!





Alumni from the Canton and Salem soccer programs squared off Saturday afternoon as part of a 25th anniversary celebration of soccer at P-CEP. Canton won the game, 3-2, on Scott Wright's goal 13 seconds into overtime.

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Play it again

Former Salem, Canton kickers compete in alumni game

Current-day Chiefs upend Rocks, 2-0.
See story on Page C5.

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Revisiting the past turned out to be a kick for more than 50 former Salem and Canton soccer players who participated in Saturday's 25th anniversary alumni game at the P-CEP soccer stadium.

It was also a rush for members of the large crowd in

attendance, who learned that some things never change.

Almost 10 years after graduating from Canton, former All-State goalkeeper George Tomasso proved he can still make clutch saves with the game on the line.

Five years after being named to the "Dream Team," Salem's Scott Duhl displayed dribbling moves that gave defenders nightmares.

And two years after coaching his final high school soccer match, former Canton mentor Don Smith showed that he hasn't lost his winning touch.



Former Canton coach Don Smith guided the Chiefs' alumni team to a 3-2 victory over Salem Saturday afternoon.

PLEASE SEE **ALUMNI**, C4

Football selections pack punch

I believe in the power of the Grid Pick. You would too if you saw and heard the weekly feedback I receive from readers who agree (about 15 percent) or disagree (everyone else) with my high school football picks.

Players have sent e-mails to thank me for believing in their teams when all others did not.

Other players have sent e-mails berating me (in a friendly way) for not believing in them when all others did.

At least a couple of fans approach me at every Friday night game I attend to share their thoughts on my selections, both good and bad.

And as I was walking to my car after one game, an 80-something-year-old lady yelled at me, "How dare you pick against my grandson's team!" She then hit me in the shin with her cane and stomped away.

OK, I'm fibbing about the last one, but judging by readers' passion for Grid Picks, it *could* happen.

How much time and research do myself, Livonia/Westland Sports Editor Brad Emons and Redford/Garden City Sports Editor Tim Smith put into each week's picks? Following is a quick, multiple-answer quiz that should help you

PLEASE SEE **GRID PICKS**, C2



Grid picks

Ed Wright

All net: Rocks roll over Spartans

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Salem played like world-beaters Tuesday night, which proved to be an unfortunate development for Livonia Stevenson.

The Rocks displayed air-tight defense and "Air Jordan-like" offense on the way to a 55-20 triumph in the Salem gym. The Rocks are now 8-2 overall and 5-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. The Spartans fell to 9-3 and 4-2, respectively.

Salem's starting five combined for all but six of the team's points. Teresa Coppiellie paced the balanced attack with 13 points and 11 rebounds. Also making major contributions were Alaya Mitchell and Lauren Kurtz, who had 10 points apiece. Keiyanna Arnold and Tayler Langham both netted eight. Kurtz also pulled down 10 rebounds.



Arnold

last week, their defense was solid, so we beat a good team tonight. Defensively, I thought we did a good job of taking them out of their sets and making them make plays. We're getting better, but we still have a ways to go."

Stevenson grabbed a 9-8 lead with 3:30 left in the first quarter on Smith's triple. However, the Rocks found their comfort zone a short time later and reeled off a 20-1 run to secure the win.

"We held our own in the first quarter,

Danielle Smith scored a team-high eight for the Spartans, who shot just 20.5 percent from the field.

"Offensively, we were definitely in a groove," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "When I saw Stevenson play Northville

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but we fell apart after that," said Stevenson coach Tim Newman. "Salem picked it up in the second quarter and we didn't."

"Salem's the best team we've played so far this year. They have a lot of weapons. We didn't help ourselves tonight, but they played very well."

A slice of the Rocks' proficiency at both ends of the court unfolded during a two-minute stretch of the second quarter when they strung together six straight points on a perfect feed from Carly Sommers to a cutting Coppiellie, a baseline jumper by Mitchell that followed five crisp passes, and a driving lay-up by Langham that followed a steal and dish from Arnold. While the Spartans struggled in the shooting department, the Rocks soared, hitting 57.8 percent of their field-goal attempts.

Plymouth harriers earn 2nd title

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The days of Plymouth's boys cross country team sneaking up on opponents are history.

The Wildcats won't be surprising anyone any more after Saturday's first-place showing in the 22-team Wayne County Cross Country Championships held at Willow Metropark. Plymouth's gold-medal effort came on the heels of last week's victory at the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division Jamboree.

The Wildcats won Saturday by amassing just 64 points, 20 fewer than runner-up Livonia Churchill's 84. Salem (120), Dearborn Divine Child (169), Detroit Mumford (178) and Canton (181) filled out the top six spots.

Three Wildcat runners finished in the top

10: Anthony Scaparo (third in 16:19), Patrick Slavens (fourth in 16:33) and Sean Dillon (ninth in 16:46). Also securing points for the winners were freshman Derek Lax (17th in 17:13) and Justin Huey (33rd in 17:34).

"We may not have the best No. 1 runner, the best No. 2 runner or the best No. 3 runner, but we have the best combination of 1-2-3 runners," said Plymouth coach Lee Shaw. "Everybody on our team is running like I expected them to run all season. And I can't say enough about how our freshman, Derek Lax, is running. He's probably one of the top five freshman runners in the state right now."

Dillon, who also competes for Plymouth's soccer team, has bolstered the Wildcats' depth since joining the team three weeks ago.

"He makes us the only team around with



FILE PHOTO

Plymouth's Anthony Scaparo finished third at Saturday's Wayne County Cross Country Championship at Willow Metropark.

PLEASE SEE **HARRIERS**, C3

Sidelines

Steelers swept

The Plymouth-Canton Steelers varsity squad upended by the Ypsilanti Braves, 35-12, Saturday afternoon. Despite the loss, Aaron Ashton, Michael Charara and Enrique Pardo starred offensively for the Steelers while Scott Bellelli, Derek Draplin and Jordan Brooks played well on the defensive side of the ball.

The Steelers JV team fell for the first time this year, 26-8, to the Braves. Plymouth-Canton' running back Ryan Powell turned in a stellar effort offensively, as did linemen Ben Poirier, Patrick Salo and Josh DeGraaf. Defensively, Tyler Hoeman and Josh Kuhn stood out.

The freshmen dropped a hard-fought 12-6 decision to Ypsi. Kendall Scott, Jacob Gage and Trenton Shelby shined for the offense while Matthew McCoy, Lucas Callahan and Billy Adams led the Steelers' defensive unit.

Lions go 2-1

The Canton Lions varsity football team lost 44-32 to the Dearborn Heights Redskins on Sunday afternoon.

Canton quarterback Jake Peterson completed 10-of-20 passes for 148 yards and three touchdowns. Alex Dixon scored twice while Josh Gatt and Anthony Selling also found the end zone.

The Lions JV unit improved to 4-1 with a hard-fought 14-12 victory over Redskins. The winning TD was scored when Brad Trubowski blocked a punt and Jordan Smith caught it and ran into the end zone. Other defensive standouts were Jack Slater and Eric Haase. The offense was led by Adam Payne, Braden Price (TD), Brandon Cicciotti, Robert Turfe and Clay Behrman.

The Lions freshman squad won its third straight game, improving to 4-1 on the season. The Lions' Malcolm Hollingsworth scored four times in the 27-14 victory over the Redskins. Defensively, Hollingsworth also made two touchdown-saving tackles. Nathan Emminger, Nick Frazier and Western Price had strong defensive performances while Daniel Jipping led the blocking for the offense.

Lacrosse meeting

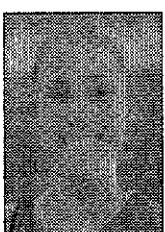
There will be an informational lacrosse meeting for all interested Plymouth, Canton and Salem High School boys and their parents on Wednesday, Oct. 19, from 7-9 p.m. in the Canton High School Library.

Details of the upcoming 2006 spring PCS lacrosse season will be discussed at the meeting. All parents of boys who are interested in trying out for the PCS lacrosse team are encouraged to attend this important meeting. For more information, e-mail Stephanie Saia at sasala@comcast.net; or Pam Uller at Puller825@aol.com.

Big 1st quarter leads Canton to win

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

It's hard to tell who enjoys 20-point first quarter leads more — the leading team's coach or its reserve players,



Martin

who are assured of seeing substantial minutes because of the lop-sided score.

Canton's 21-1 first-quarter advantage over Wayne Memorial

Tuesday night undoubtedly brought a smile to everyone's face who was wearing red and white as the Chiefs went on to post a convincing 63-33 win.

The victory boosted Canton's record to 10-2 overall and 6-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. The over-matched Zebras dropped to 2-9 and 0-6, respectively.

"The girls came out and played with a lot of intensity," said Canton coach Brian Samulski. "We knew they had two good players who we had to stay in front of and finish on defensively. We did a good job of blocking out, rebounding the ball, pushing it up the court and getting some easy scores."

Junior forward Ja'nee Morton paced the winners with 17 points, four rebounds and four steals. Becci Houdek (15 points, nine steals), Marie Martin (11 points and nine rebounds) and Leslie Olech (10 points) also put up big numbers for the Chiefs. Canton played its second straight game without leading scorer Lisa Ealy, who suffered a leg injury last week against Livonia Churchill.

"I thought Ja'nee ran the court really well and she got some easy baskets when Becci got her the ball on the break," Samulski said. "Marie Martin had a good game, too. She's playing with a lot of confidence now."

Wayne was led by LaDwan Jones, who had 13 points, and Trenia Barbee, who contributed 13.

The Zebras made a mini-run during the second quarter,

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when they closed the half-time deficit to 31-16. Canton sealed the deal in the third stanza when it outscored its hosts, 17-10, to secure a 48-26 advantage with eight minutes left.

Lauren Delapaz also had a strong game for the Chiefs, ripping down seven rebounds.

Canton wished 7-of-10 free throws while the Zebras were 4-of-9 from the stripe.

PLYMOUTH 29, W.L. WESTERN 23: The Wildcats spotted the visiting Warriors a 14-4 first-quarter lead before regrouping to earn the victory. Plymouth is now 10-2 overall and 6-0 in the WLAA heading into tonight's game at Livonia Franklin. Western slipped to 1-11 overall and 1-5 in the WLAA.

Kim Olech led Plymouth with 14 points and eight boards. Freshman point guard Jalesa Moise chipped in with seven points while her older sister, Jeanine, had six points and a team-high 10 rebounds.

Malissa Moore paced the Warriors with 18 points, all the result of six three-point baskets. Four of Moore's triples came in the Warriors' first-quarter run.

Western did not connect on one two-point field goal in the game as its remaining five points came from the free-throw line.

"Western played with a lot of excitement and intensity in the first quarter," said Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly. "We were kind of back on our heels early on, then we tried to get it back right away instead of being patient."

"Even though we were down eight at the half, the girls were composed. We stressed being patient and getting good offensive possessions. We played much better in the second half."

After trailing 17-9 at the intermission, the Wildcats outscored Western 8-0 in the third to knot the score at 17-17. They then finished off the Warriors with a 12-6 fourth-quarter run.

PCA 34, Bethesda 21: The Eagles overcame a 9-2 first-quarter deficit to improve their

record to 7-5 overall and 1-4 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference's Blue Division.

Lauren Beckett and Meghan Polera shared scoring honors for the winners with nine points a piece. Autumn McKenzie sparked in her varsity debut, netting seven points. Meghan Greve added five.

Bethesda, which was led by Katie Spellman's 15 points, slipped to 5-5 and 4-1 with the loss.

"Early on, we were getting good shots, but we couldn't put the ball in the basket," said PCA coach Carol Gerulis. "We missed a ton of puppy shots. But we started to shoot better as the game went on and we pulled it out. I thought Meghan Polera played a good game and Autumn played well in her first varsity game."

Bethesda led 9-1 after one quarter, but trailed 14-9 at the intermission. PCA's lead was cut to 17-14 after three stanzas, but the Eagles closed strong, outscoring their visitors 17-7 in the fourth quarter.

PCA connected on 6-of-14 free throws while Bethesda twined 1-of-2.

CANTON AGAPE 40, BETHESDA 35: On Friday, the Wolverines rode the hot hand of Brianna Chrenko (16 points, 14 rebounds) to outlast the Eagles. Madison Miller (six points), Danene Bottiaux (five points, eight rebounds and four steals) and Kaitlin Forman (eight rebounds and three steals) also had productive nights for the winners, who improved to 4-5 overall and 3-2 in the MIAC Red. Bethesda, which was led by Katie Spellman's 18 points, dropped to 6-5 and 4-1.

The host Eagles led 16-3 after one quarter and 19-18 at the break.

Agape surged ahead, 29-27, at the end of the third quarter before hanging on for the victory.

Agape trailed 35-34 with just over a minute to play when Chrenko calmly nailed to free throws to put the Wolverines ahead for good. Agape drained 13-of-27 free throw attempts while Bethesda connected on 11-of-24.



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Ryan Nie, pictured making a save in a game earlier this season, and his Plymouth Whaler teammates will put their two-game winning streak on the line Friday night when they host Oshawa at 7:30 p.m. at the Compuware Sports Arena.

Whalers overpower Spitfires

John Vigilante's second goal of the game on a power play at 4:16 of the third period proved to be the game-winner as the Plymouth Whalers erased 3-1 and 4-2 deficits to defeat the Windsor Spitfires, 6-5, in an Ontario Hockey League game played Saturday night at the Compuware Sports Arena.

Plymouth has won two in a row and is now 3-2-1-0. Windsor lost its sixth straight game after winning Sept. 22 and is now 1-6-0-0.

Vigilante led the Plymouth attack with two goals and an assist, and was named the game's first star. James Neal added three assists while Ryan McGinnis, John Armstrong, Andrew Fournier and Dan Collins scored one goal a piece for the winners.

Paul McFarland scored twice for Windsor, with Brett Liscomb, Brad Snetsinger and Ryan Garlock adding single goals.

The new rules that are affecting the National Hockey League are having the same

effect on the Ontario Hockey League teams that win the special-teams battle usually win the game. Plymouth went 4-for-10 on the power play and went 10-for-12 while killing penalties.

Windsor built a 3-1 lead late in the first period on the two power-play goals it scored in the game by Snetsinger (16:56) and Garlock (18:05). But Armstrong cut the Windsor lead to 3-2 1:09 later when his shot from the right wing beat Windsor goaltender Jake Fischer, who was making his first OHL start.

McFarland restored Windsor's two-goal cushion with his first of the night at 4:36 of the second period, but the Whalers retaliated with three goals to take a 5-4 lead. Vigilante's first of the night made it 4-3 at 7:57. Fournier tied the game at 15:51 and Collins scored his team-leading sixth of the year at 17:00 of the period.

Plymouth's game-winning goal came at 4:16 of the third

period when defenseman Mike Letizia led Neal with a pass through the neutral zone. Neal — a second-round pick of the Dallas Stars — cut hard to the right wing and got a back-hand shot on goal. Fischer made the stop, but Vigilante put the rebound back with a back-hand shot of his own to give Plymouth a 6-4 lead.

McFarland scored his second of the night at 6:29 of the third to cut Plymouth's lead to 6-5.

Windsor head coach Moe Mantha pulled Fischer with 1:14 left to give his team a two-man advantage with Plymouth's Gino Pisellini in the penalty box. But Windsor couldn't find the equalizer.

Plymouth outshot Windsor, 40-39.

The Whalers are home Friday when they Oshawa at 7:30 p.m. at the Compuware Sports Arena.

They will then host Sarnia on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available by calling (734) 453-8400.

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GRID PICKS

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understand that better. I will reveal the answer to the one-question test at the end of the column.

Make sure your No. 2 pencil is sharpened because here goes:

What procedure to the three Observers sports editors follow when making their weekly Grid Picks?

A. At 9 p.m. every Monday night, Emons, Smith and myself barricade ourselves into the Observer's "Grid Picks" research room, which is filled with shelves upon shelves of books that contain every high school football statistic imaginable. Also stored in the room are three super computers that hold the answer to every question we may have regarding that week's games.

When we walk out of the room approximately four hours later, we know everything from what Livonia Franklin's star running back ate for breakfast that week to Redford Union's overall record while playing on artificial turf under a full moon. The research is draining, but we take our picking seriously.

B. Five minutes before deadline, the three of us get a list of that week's games out and proceed to flip coins. If it's heads, we take the home team; tails, the visiting team.

C. Somewhere in between A and B. The correct answer is C, although it's closer to B than A.

I'd tell you more about the comprehensive process we follow, but Emons is informing me that our picks are due in three minutes and I haven't even looked at the games yet . . .

This year's race to the Grid Picks crown is shaping up to be an exciting one. Both Emons and myself went 9-1 last week, which leaves us in a dead-heat at 62-18. Smith stumbled a bit in Week 7 and sits at 58-22 as we head into the home stretch.

FRIDAY'S GAMES

(all 7 p.m. unless noted)

Livonia Franklin (7-0, 5-0) at Livonia Stevenson (6-1, 4-1): The scoreboard operator may be the most fatigued person in attendance when this Western Lakes Activities Association championship game is over. Judging by the two teams' first clash this season — a 53-28 Franklin win in Week 2 — points and breath-taking plays should be plentiful. **PICKS:** Wright (Franklin); Emons (Stevenson); Smith (Franklin).

Canton (5-2, 3-2) at Walled Lake Central (4-3, 3-2): This is a rematch of the Sept. 1 game that the Chiefs won 24-20. It was Canton's first game without three-year starting quarterback

Shawn Little, who missed the next two weeks as well. With Little under center the past three games, the Chiefs have won by an average margin of 44-4. The Vikings need a win to keep their playoff hopes alive; a Canton victory will put them in the playoffs for the seventh consecutive season. **PICKS:** Wright (Canton); Emons (Canton); Smith (WLC).

Plymouth (5-2, 3-2) at Salem (3-4, 2-3): The first time these two P-CEP combatants met in Week 2, the Wildcats cruised to a 42-7 triumph. Since then, Salem has been up and down, netting wins against John Glenn and Churchill, while the Wildcats have been mostly up, at least until last week's setback to Canton. Both quarterbacks — Plymouth's Brent Jones and Salem's Kevin Bradley — can bust a long one at any time. **PICKS:** Wright (Plymouth); Emons (Plymouth); Smith (Plymouth).

Dearborn (4-3, 2-3) at Belleville (2-5, 2-4): This game promises to be a hard-hitting, defensive struggle as the Pioneers are yielding just over 17 points a game while the Tigers are scoring at an 18.8 per-game clip. Both teams are peaking, having ousted longtime nemesis Dearborn Fordson in the past two weeks. **PICKS:** Wright (Dearborn); Emons (Dearborn); Smith (Belleville).

Wayne Memorial (1-6, 0-5) at Livonia Churchill (0-7, 0-5): Pride is at stake for these two struggling WLAA units. It's been an especially tough year for the Chargers, whose record was reversed one year ago today. The Zebras' lone victory was against Churchill in Week 2. **PICKS:** Wright (Wayne); Emons (Wayne); Smith (Wayne).

Dearborn Heights Crestwood (5-2, 4-1) at Garden City (2-5, 2-3): The resurgent Chargers' 30-point-per-game offense will pose a stiff test for the Cougars' defense, which has yielded more than 30 points a contest this season. A victory clinches a rare playoff berth for Crestwood. **PICKS:** Wright (Crestwood); Emons (Crestwood); Smith (Crestwood).

Highland Park (7-0, 5-0) at Redford Thurston (5-2, 3-2): In order to qualify for the playoffs this week, the Eagles will have to solve the toughest defense in the Mega Blue. The Polar Bears have given up just 34 points all season while scoring 199. **PICKS:** Wright (Highland Park); Emons (Highland Park); Smith (Highland Park).

Redford Union (6-1, 5-1) at Taylor Kennedy (1-6, 0-6): The Panthers should put this game away early against the down-trodden Eagles, who have given up 222 points through the first seven games. RU can score against anybody, averaging over 38 points a game. **PICKS:** Wright (RU); Emons (RU); Smith (RU).

Northville (1-6, 1-4) at Westland John Glenn (3-4, 1-4): This matchup will showcase two teams who have seen much better days in the not-too-distant past. The Rockets can still boast a winning record with two season-ending wins, while the Mustangs are playing for pride. **PICKS:** Wright (Northville); Smith (Glenn); Emons (Glenn).

Clawson (4-3, 4-2) at Livonia Clarenceville (4-3, 4-2), 7:30 p.m.: The loser of this Metro Conference showdown can forget about the playoffs while the winner will move on to play another do-or-die game in Week 9. Both teams' defenses have yielded 128 points (18.2 ppg). **PICKS:** Wright (Clarenceville); Emons (Clawson); Smith (Clarenceville).

Roch. Hills Lutheran N'west (4-3, 3-3) at Luth. Westland (3-4, 3-3), 7:30 p.m.: The prized possession "Rusty" is at stake with this game under the portable lights, which currently belongs to Lutheran Westland. The Warriors have lost three in a row, while Northwest is on a three-game winning streak. **PICKS:** Wright (Northwest); Emons (Westland); Smith (Northwest).

SATURDAY'S GAME

(1 p.m.)

Detroit Old Redford (3-4) at Redford Covenant (0-5): The Ravens will be looking to extend the misery for the host Spartans, who have scored just 28 points while giving up 220 this season. **PICKS:** Wright (Old Redford); Smith (Old Redford); Emons (Old Redford).

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CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

Wayne County Cross Country Championships Oct. 8 at Willow Metropark
BOYS RESULTS
Final team standings: 1. Plymouth, 64; 2. Livonia Churchill, 94; 3. Salem, 120; 4. Dearborn Lymie, 129; 5. Detroit Mumford, 178; 6. Canton, 181; 7. Livonia Stevenson, 199; 8. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 215; 9. Lincoln Park, 265; 10. Dearborn Edsel Ford, 277; 11. Belleville, 300; 12. Dearborn Fordson, 306; 13. Wyandotte Roosevelt, 312; 14. Northville, 384; 15. Riverview, 404; 16. Livonia Franklin, 437; 17. Wayne Memorial, 441; 18. Taylor Kennedy, 489; 19. Allen Park, 536; 20. Garden City, 547; 21. Southgate Anderson, 559; 22. Westland John Glenn, 592.

Individual results
Plymouth (64 points): 3. Anthony Scaparo, 16:19; 4. Patrick Slavens, 16:33; 9. Sean Dillon, 16:46; 17. Derek Lax, 17:13; 33. Justin Huey, 17:34; 49. Cristian Chagas, 17:48; 68. Alexander Noble, 18:11.
Livonia Churchill (94): 1. Tim Howse, 16:06; 15. Brandon Grysko, 17:09; 20. Joe Varilone, 17:45; 25. Mark Pilot, 17:24; 26. Matt Hecksel, 17:25; 34. Jim Waterbury, 17:35; 59. Mark Waterbury, 17:59.
Salem (120): 2. Dan Kapadia, 16:13; 22. Andrew Cassidy, 17:19; 29. Kevin deBear, 17:27; 30. Craig Cowing, 17:29; 41. Justin Kane, 17:42; 46. Colin McGorey, 17:45; 80. Robert Curtis, 18:30.
Canton (181): 18. Trey Wolfe, 17:14; 32. Kyle Clinton, 17:31; 38. Derek Hoerman, 17:40; 48. Duncan Spitz, 17:47; 50. Evan Sheppard, 17:49; 56. Greg Reed, 17:58; 70. Aaron McClellan, 18:15.
Livonia Stevenson (199): 24. Daniel Wilson, 17:20; 27. Michael Gibbons, 17:25; 45. Justin Black, 17:45; 51. David Antishin, 17:54; 57. Matt Lipsey, 17:58; 63. Jeffrey Niemi, 18:01.

Belleville (300): 7. Steven Pace, 16:44; 19. Steven Sherman, 17:15; 62. Richard Priebe, 18:00; 113. Emanuel Callahan, 19:20; 117. Stuart Hamlin, 19:27; 125. Nelson Hammons, 19:55.
Livonia Franklin (437): 31. Michael Kracovich, 17:40; 51. Douglas Loh, 18:41; 103. Josh Walker, 19:02; 107. Evan Sirena, 19:05; 114. Peter Walblay, 19:21; 119. Dylan Taylor, 19:28; 128. Sturat Gregory, 19:56.
Wayne Memorial (441): 61. James Holbrook, 18:00; 74. Jordan Janowitz, 18:20; 77. Kelvin Lewis, 18:27; 101. Abraham Mendez, 19:00; 137. Jacob Schofield, 20:33; 138. John Robertson, 20:35; 144. Jacob Hooper, 21:54.
Garden City (547): 60. Michael Nordby, 17:59; 82. David Dane, 18:35; 135. Brandon Coffey, 20:25; 140. Egan O'Callaghan, 21:02; 146. Dan McDermott, 22:10.
Westland John Glenn (592): 81. Mike Jacobs, 18:33; 99. Tim Boes, 18:58; 132. Nathan Scarlett, 20:04; 149. Brandon Nikula, 22:25; 150. Eric Mylar, 22:30; 151. Matthew Jarvis, 22:44; 154. Robert Weck, 23:53.

GIRLS RESULTS
Final team standings: 1. Livonia Churchill, 34; 2. Salem, 40; 3. Canton, 111; 4. Plymouth, 119; 5. Detroit Mumford, 159; 6. Northville, 201; 7. Allen Park, 207; 8. Dearborn Edsel Ford, 249; 9. Harper Woods Regina, 255; 10. Livonia Ladywood, 272; 11. Westland John Glenn, 333; 12. Wyandotte Roosevelt, 335; 13. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 364; 14. Southgate Anderson, 379; 15. Allen Park Cabrini, 384; 16. Livonia Franklin, 398; 17. Riverview Gabriel Richard, 426; 18. Dearborn Divine Child, 451; 19. Belleville, 507; 20. Garden City, 590; 21. Gibraltar Carlson, 618.

Individual results
Livonia Churchill (34): 1. Kylen Cieslak, 18:51; 2. Rachel McFarlane, 18:52; 6. Megan

MacEratini, 19:23; 11. Hannah Otto, 19:53; 14. Erica Hope, 20:06; 15. Amy Drinan, 20:08; 41. Courtney Benson, 21:10.
Salem (40): 3. Hannah Cavichio, 18:53; 7. Marisa Carpinelli, 19:33; 8. Sarah Kosteva, 19:35; 9. Allison Vraniak, 19:37; 13. Allison James, 19:59; 23. Kristen Uonozia, 20:50; 45. Rachel Gizicki, 21:16.
Canton (111): 17. Sarah Thomas, 20:14; 18. Katherine Galm, 20:15; 21. Jennifer Thomas, 20:28; 34. Katelyn David, 20:49; 38. Lisa Clinton, 21:07; 46. Anne Murphy, 21:19.
Plymouth (119): 12. Beth Heldmeyer, 19:54; 16. Paramjit Bhullar, 20:14; 29. Sarah Sherwood, 20:38; 30. Molly Slavens, 20:42; 35. Jacqueline Beeler, 20:54; 75. Marcella Mester, 22:33.
Livonia Ladywood (272): 24. Amanda Field, 20:35; 50. Katie Aurand, 21:30; 52. Emily Bambach, 21:34; 74. Laruan Bou-Maroon, 22:31; 76. Rebecca Zajac, 22:34; 96. Mallory Tomaszewski, 23:23.
Westland John Glenn (333): 28. Stacey Richardson, 20:38; 67. Joslyn DeGroot, 22:03; 79. Megan Nikula, 22:41; 80. Melanie Stawkey, 22:43; 84. Becky Barrett, 22:53; 92. Michelle Gotowski, 23:11; 102. Jaimie Medel, 23:41.
Livonia Franklin (398): 56. Kari Saarela, 21:39; 81. Laura Marshall, 22:44; 82. Kelsey Kaplan, 22:45; 83. Elizabeth Reinke, 22:46; 105. Megan Wilson, 23:46; 117. Anastasia Bending, 24:14; 136. Sabrina Altschuler, 25:13.
Belleville (507): 73. Crystal Ross, 22:29; 108. Gabrielle Boyer, 23:49; 110. Katie McGrogan, 23:52; 116. Jenna Jendritz, 23:59; 125. Erin Hill, 24:32; 135. Cailyn Wolford, 25:07; 141. Kathryn Hottot, 25:48.
Garden City (590): 51. Courtney Plummer, 21:31; 142. Christina Milne, 26:09; 143. Alyssa Chambo, 26:10; 154. Whitney Spencer, 27:10; 157. Amanda Pickworth, 29:58; 158. Carmen Bojanowski, 30:24.

Girls cross country teams excel at meet

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The top of the standings at Saturday's Wayne County Girls Cross Country Championship had a distinctive P-CEP flavor to it. And the flavor was definitely sweet for the trio of local coaches. Livonia Churchill captured the title with 34 points, but the Chargers faced stiff competition on the Willow Metropark five-kilometer course from second-place Salem (40), third-place Canton (111) and fourth-place Plymouth (119). The race was won by Churchill's Kylen Cieslak, who broke the tape in 18:51. Four Salem runners finished in the top 10: Hannah Cavichio (third in 18:53), Marisa Carpinelli (seventh in 19:33), Sarah Kosteva (eighth in 19:35) and Allison Vraniak (ninth in 19:37). Plymouth's top runner was Beth Heldmeyer, who was 12th in 19:54. The first Chief to cross the line was freshman Sarah Thomas, who was clocked in 20:14. "I left the race feeling like a proud dad," said Salem coach Dave Gerlach. "I was proud of the entire team. We've been talking about running with more passion and aggres-

siveness, and the girls did that Saturday. They went into it knowing there would be a lot of fans and family watching, and the girls came through for them. "This was the first time our top five runners all had great races in the same event. Before Saturday, we had races where one or two, or even as many as four, of the girls ran well. But they put it all together on Saturday. They all had personal bests and Hannah broke her own school record." Also contributing to Salem's second-place showing were senior Allison Janda (13th in 19:59), sophomore Kristin Dondzila (25th in 20:36) and sophomore Rachel Gizicki (45th in 21:18). Canton coach Tracy Himmelsbach was thrilled were her team's performance — especially the effort of senior Jennifer Thomas, who finished 21st with a season-best time of 20:28. "Jennifer dropped a lot of time off her previous-best time," Himmelsbach said. "After the first mile, I thought, 'Oh no, she's going too fast,' because she was our first girl through. But then she held on through the second mile and finished strong.

"I thought our entire team ran well. It was a quick course, which helped our times, but I was happy with how things went. I figured Churchill and Salem would be at the top, and I thought it would probably be a toss-up between us and Plymouth. I was happy we were able to beat them by a narrow margin, but their No. 1 runner was out." Scoring along with the Thomas sisters for the Chiefs were Katherine Galm (18th in 20:15), Rebecca McCormack (22nd in 20:29), Katelyn David (34th in 20:49), Lisa Clinton (38th in 21:07) and Anne Murphy (46th in 21:19). Plymouth, which was missing its top runner, senior Amy Ostrowski, was bolstered by the performances of Paramjit Bhullar (16th in 20:14), Sarah Sherwood (29th in 20:38), Molly Slavens (30th in 20:42), Jacqueline Beeler (35th in 20:54) and Marcella Mester (75th in 22:33). "We didn't have Amy, but our top five all ran personal bests," said Plymouth coach Mary Kerwin. "The girls are all peaking at the right time, which is what our training is designed to do for them."

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three guys running under 17 minutes," Shaw said. "Ever since he joined the team, it seems like our other runners are more focused. The other guys don't want to get passed up by the guy who came over from soccer. "I think our guys are over the hump now of running scared against other good teams. We're running with a lot more confidence now." Salem's third-place finish was impressive considering two of its top runners — Jimmy Walsh and Cameron Loftus — were absent because they had to take a test. Stepping up in their teammates' absence were Dan Kapadia, who finished second overall in 16:13, Andrew

Cassidy (22nd in 17:19), Kevin deBear (29th in 17:27), Craig Cowing (30th in 17:29) and Justin Kane (41st in 17:42). "All of the guys PR'ed, so I was pleased with how we did," said Salem coach Geoff Baker. "We may have caught Churchill if we had everybody on Saturday, but I don't think we would have passed Plymouth." Canton continued its vast improvement from a year ago with a solid sixth-place finish. Trey Wolfe led the way with an 18th-place finish in 17:14. He was followed by teammates Kyle Clinton (32nd in 17:31), Derek Hoerman (38th in 17:40), Duncan Spitz (48th in 17:47) and Evan Sheppard (50th in 17:49). Churchill's Tim Howse was the overall winner, covering the relatively flat five-kilometer course in 16:06.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Friday, Oct. 14
WLAA Lakes Playoffs
Plymouth at Salem, 7 p.m.
Canton at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
Dearborn at Belleville, 7 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Thursday, Oct. 13
Westland John Glenn at Canton, 7 p.m.
Wyandotte at Belleville, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at Livonia Franklin, 7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 14
Salem at W.L. Western, 5:30 p.m.
PCA at Inter-City, 7:30 p.m.
Canton Agape at Macomb Christian, 6 p.m.
BOYS SOCCER
Thursday, Oct. 13
Oakland Christian at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 14
Canton Agape at Macomb Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Belleville at Westland John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Dearborn Edsel Ford at Plymouth, 5:30 p.m.
BOYS CROSS COUNTRY
Saturday, Oct. 15
Plymouth and Canton at A.A. Gabriel Richard Invite, 9:35 a.m.
GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Saturday, Oct. 15
Salem and Canton at A.A. Gabriel Richard Invite at Hudson Mills Metropark, 9 a.m.
GIRLS SWIMMING
Thursday, Oct. 13
Salem at Westland John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Wayne Memorial at Canton, 7 p.m.

Taylor Truman at Belleville, 7 p.m.
BOYS GOLF
Friday, Oct. 14
Salem at Division 1 State Meet
Saturday, Oct. 15
Salem at Division 1 State Meet
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Oct. 15
Delta CC at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Thursday, Oct. 13
Schoolcraft at Rochester College, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 15
Madonna vs. Cornerstone at Livonia's Greenmead Field, noon.
Sunday, Oct. 16
Olivet JV at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Oct. 13
Spring Arbor at Madonna, 7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 14
Madonna at Concordia, 7 p.m.
S'craft at Jacksonville (Fla.) Tourney, TBA.
Saturday, Oct. 15
S'craft at Jacksonville (Fla.) Tourney, TBA.
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Friday, Oct. 14
Whalers vs. Oshawa Generals at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 15
Whalers vs. Sarnia Sting at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.
TBA — time to be announced.

SWIM RESULTS

CANTON 103.5
LIVONIA LADYWOOD 81.5
Oct. 11 at Canton
200-yard medley relay: 1. Canton (Allison Schmitt, Alyssa Johnson, Molly Dowd, Alissa Vermeulen), 2:03.25; 2. Ladywood, 2:17.37; 3. Canton (Alex Martin, Erika Baker, Jessica Bielak, Rachael Susterka), 2:28.24.
200 freestyle: 1. Laura Landis (C), 2:09.26; 2. Samantha Santeiu (LW), 2:12.42; 3. Maddy McDuff (C), 2:17.78.
200 IM: 1. Monica Bleasser (C), 2:22.33; 2. Megan Hodges (LW), 2:29.94; 3. Paige McBain (C), 2:31.91.
50 freestyle: 1. Allison Schmitt (C), 24.76; 2. (tie) Alissa Vermeulen (C) and Mandy Nameth (LW), 28.03.
Diving: 1. Mikayla Armbruster (LW), 133.80; 2. Allison Spitzley (LW), 129.55; 3. Janelle Hudak (C), 109.60.
100 butterfly: 1. Monica Bleasser (C), 1:06.18; 2. Kelley Hodges (LW), 1:07.97; 3. Annemarie Brinkman (LW), 1:09.51.

100 freestyle: 1. Alissa Vermeulen (C), 1:00.61; 2. Mandy Nameth (LW), 1:00.95; 3. Lauren Taylor (LW), 1:02.14.
500 freestyle: 1. Laura Landis (C), 5:46.11; 2. Samantha Santeiu (LW), 5:52.72; 3. Megan Hodges (LW), 5:55.10.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Monica Bleasser, Molly Dowd, Laura Landis, Allison Schmitt), 1:48.46; 2. Ladywood, 1:53.12; 3. Canton (Katie Kubacki, Paige McBain, Maddy McDuff, Hannah Maxam), 1:57.30.
100 backstroke: 1. Alyssa Johnson (C), 1:06.24; 2. Kelley Hodges (LW), 1:08.63; 3. Michelle Szymanski (LW), 1:15.51.
100 breaststroke: 1. Allison Schmitt (C), 1:15.87; 2. Ali Lindow (C), 1:18.17; 3. Cailey Ryekman (LW), 1:21.47.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Laura Landis, Monica Bleasser, Molly Dowd, Alissa Vermeulen), 4:03.01; 2. Ladywood (Mandy Nameth, Megan Hodges, Lauren Taylor, Kelley Hodges), 4:13.40; 3. Ladywood, 4:29.75.



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Matt Gold, who played for Salem from 1988-90, surveys the action while waiting to get play another shift during Saturday's Salem vs. Canton Alumni soccer game.

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The Smith-guided Chiefs alumni prevailed, 3-2, when Scott Wright (Class of '99) drilled a shot into the back of the net 13 seconds into the first two-minute overtime.

WRIGHT ON

Wright's goal capped a game that was packed with much more talent and thrills than most reunion-type athletic events that are often played at a snail's pace due to tight hamstrings, expanded waistlines and all the other baggage that accompanies aging.

It was obvious from the opening possession that most of the participants in this game still played, and still played very well.

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HAPPY RETURNS

Judging by the smile that spread across his face for most of the afternoon, Smith wouldn't have missed coaching many of his former players for anything Saturday afternoon.



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton and Salem players battle for control of the ball during Saturday's alumni soccer game at the P-CEP soccer stadium. Canton won, 3-2, in overtime.

"It was great seeing all the guys again," beamed Smith, who coached Canton's boys teams for 14 years before stepping down following the 2003 season. "I've seen some of them around, but this was nice because everybody was together again. A lot of these guys can still play, too."

Canton jumped out to a 2-0 first-half lead on goals by the slick-dribbling Jono Johnson (Class of '00) and Evan Baker (Class of '02).

BOUNCING BACK

Salem mounted its comeback with 19:50 left when Ronny Mashni (Class of '96) scored on

a penalty kick.

"Whoever got to the ball first," a smiling Mashni answered when asked how the Rocks decided who would kick the penalty shot.

Parker Stinar (Class of '03) tied the match at 2-2 when he scored with 15:38 to go.

"This game was an awesome idea," said Salem alum Mike Harkins (Class of '01). "It's fun looking back on the high school days. It seems like everybody is playing hard, too. It's all in fun, but we still always want to beat Canton."

"This is fun," agreed Canton's Baker, a former standout at

Madonna University. "It's the first fall I haven't played in a long time, so it's good to get back out here. And it's always nice to score a goal against Salem."

LOOKING BACK

Two Salem alums — Jeffrey Neschich (Class of '84) and Tim Greenhalge (Class of '83) — competed for the Rocks' inaugural team back in the fall of 1981.

Times have changed, Greenhalge revealed. "Back then, there were no travel or select leagues for kids," Greenhalge remembered.

"There was the rec league, and

that was it.

"We didn't have a nice field like this either," he said, gesturing toward the P-CEP soccer stadium. "They set a field for us behind Salem by the baseball fields. The players weren't as talented as they are now either, but it was still fun."

"The thing I remember the most about that first year was that we were finally going to have a team after waiting for so long," said Neschich, the current coach of Plymouth's boys soccer team. "And, if I remember correctly, we finished 12-2 that first year, so we were pretty good."

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Listed below are some of the players who participated in Saturday's Salem vs. Canton Alumni soccer game, which was played to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the beginning of varsity soccer at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. The players' names are preceded by the year they graduated. Post-season accolades are listed in parentheses following the players' names.

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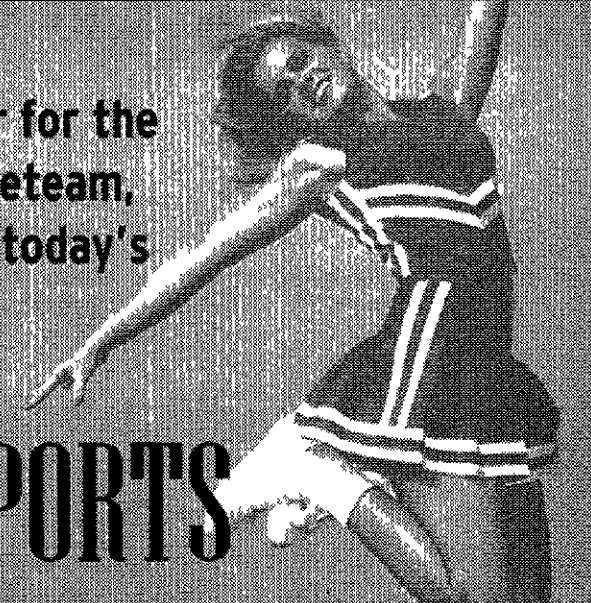
1995 - Jeff Fliss (two-time All-State); Graham Wilk (All-State).
1996 - Anthony Riemma (2nd-team All-Conference); Greg Kilby (All-Conference); George Tomasso (All-State).
1997 - Jason Bennett (All-State).
1998 - Aaron Nephew.
1999 - Michael Bennett; Scott Wright (Dream Team); Rob Barnes (All-Conference); Peter Andreoli.
2000 - Jono Johnson (All-Conference).
2001 - Matt Magers; Mike Zemanski.
2002 - Jeffrey Bennett; Chris Stevanovic; Evan Baker (All-Conference).
2004 - Matt Tomasso; Bryan Baker; Jason Shifferd; Joe Hess; Dutch Morrell.

SALEM

1983 - Tim Greenhalge.
1984 - Jeffrey Neschich (All-Division).
1990 - Matt Gold (All-Division); Jeff Gold (Dream Team).
1991 - Jim Ramsay; Joe Nunez (All Area).
1994 - Ryan Smith.
1995 - Doug Herriman (All-Conference).
1996 - John Larson; Drew Drummond (All-State); Ronny Mashni (All-State); Chris Jaskolski.
1998 - Rob Zdrodowski (All-State); Brett Konley (Dream Team).
1999 - Tim Zdrodowski.
2000 - Scott Duhl (Dream Team); Brett Stinar (All-State); Dan Amos.
2001 - Mike Harkins (All-State).
2003 - Andy Brown (Honorable Mention All-Conference); Brandon Ross; Parker Stinar.
2004 - Matt Adsit (All-District); Chris Conlisk (All-State); Steve Cox (All-Division); Stephen Gizicki (Honorable Mention All-Conference).
2005 - Robby Wallen; David Hail; Thiago Harris (All-Conference); Ross Heidenreich; Sean Williams (All-State).

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Salem's Jon Gibson battles Canton's Paul Newall for control of the ball during Saturday night's cross-campus soccer game. The Chiefs won, 2-0.

Strong 2nd half leads Chiefs past Salem

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Canton's impressive 2-0 victory over Salem Saturday night was ignited by the fastest player on the field and insured by one of the hardest-working.

Sophomore forward Eric Piwowar, a standout sprinter on the Chiefs' track-and-field team as a freshman last spring, broke a scoreless tie when he took a pass from teammate Kyle Gring with 26:21 left in the game and motored down the left sideline before left-footing the ball past diving Salem goal-keeper Brian Field.

The high-intensity match remained 1-0 until 4:45 remained when Canton senior Garrett Fishaw buried the ball in the back of the net to give the Chiefs an insurmountable cushion. Gring also assisted on Fishaw's goal.

"This was a huge win for us tonight," Fishaw said, as he walked off the field following the post-game handshake

with the Rocks. "We hadn't beaten them in a regular-season game in the four years I've been here, so to do it on senior night was big."

Fishaw's goal — his second of the season — brought a smile to the face of Canton coach George Tomasso, who has admired the senior's nothing-less-than-my-best-effort work ethic for the past two years.

"Garrett is one of our hardest-working players, so that goal was very special for him," Tomasso said. "He definitely earned that goal."

The victory improved Canton's record to 11-3-3 overall and 8-1-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Salem dropped to 12-4-3 and 7-2-1, respectively.

The two teams will square off again on Monday at 7 p.m. in a WLAA cross-over match on the P-CEP varsity football field.

"I thought we played a very, very strong first half," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy.

"Our effort was great and we limited Canton to maybe two shots. I was pleased with our offense in the first half, too, but you have to play two halves against good teams like Canton."

"Round one goes to Canton, but we'll be ready to play them again on Monday."

Canton junior goal-keeper Parker Laabs recorded the shutout as he turned away eight shots. One of his biggest stops came with 32 minutes left when he stuffed Salem's Tom Bennett who broke

through the Chiefs' defense on the left side.

Laabs rose to the occasion again with 18:40 left when he squelched a solid scoring opportunity by the Rocks by leaping high above a crowd of players to secure the ball.

Defensively, Canton was led by Ryan Dugan, Eric Zech, Josh Shifferd and Erik McKee.

Jon Gibson and Ryan Rowe played well defensively for the Rocks.

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Engineering Design Services

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Ms. Sandy Forrest
Western Township Utilities Authority
40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187
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All submittals must be received by 1:00 p.m. on November 4, 2005. A public opening of the qualification packages will immediately follow the closing at the Middle Rouge offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, Michigan.


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The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley, ADA Coordinator
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City Commission, City of Plymouth
Wayne County, Michigan

Notice of public hearing on proposed Brownfield Plan on November 7, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., local time at the City of Plymouth City Hall located at 201 South Main, Plymouth, Michigan. At that time, the City Commission of the City of Plymouth will hold a public hearing on the proposed Brownfield Plan for the 377 Amelia Brownfield Redevelopment Project at which time all interested persons will be heard and the City Commission shall receive and consider all written communications with reference to the proposed Plan and a record of that public hearing, including all data presented at the public hearing shall be made and preserved. All aspects of the proposed Plan shall be open for discussion at the hearing. The property to which the Brownfield Plan applies consists of four parcels on both the East and West sides of Amelia Street, between Main Street and Farmers Street in Downtown Plymouth (permanent tax parcel nos. 005-07-0017-000, 005-07-0057-000, 005-07-0021-000, 005-07-0054-000, 005-07-0055-002, 005-07-0012-002, 05-07-0010-000, and 005-10-0111-002).

A copy of the Proposed Brownfield Plan and maps are available in the office of the City of Plymouth City Clerk at the address provided above.

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CANTON LEISURE SERVICES
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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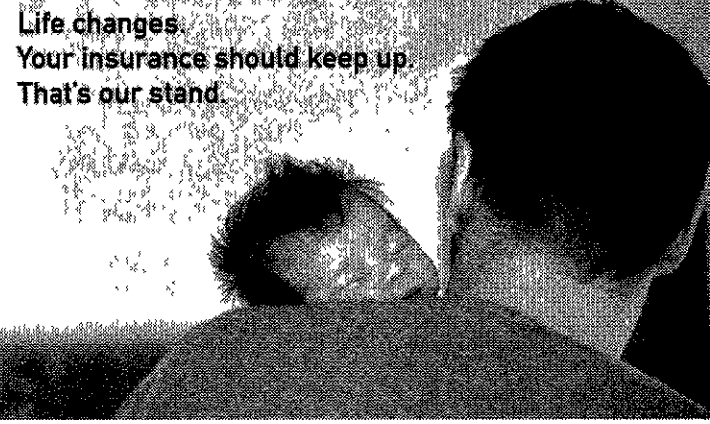
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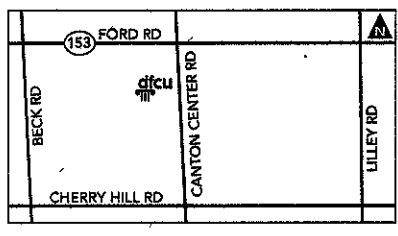
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Harrington's not the QB

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The problem is, this "Carnie" is too tired to walk over to the prize rack to pull your prize down. Sorry, go try the guy over at the "Throw a ball into the clown's mouth" stand. First things first: For the record, who is actually "anti-Joey?" I mean, what Lion fan in his/her right mind would honestly be rooting against him? We should all want him to get the job done considering he was drafted third overall and the Lions have already invested so much time and money on him.

I always get angry when somebody calls in or e-mails me and says that I am "anti-Joey."



Greg Baligian

No way, not me. There is a difference between not liking a guy and not thinking he will ever be capable of getting the job done.

I have nothing against Joey. He seems like a nice guy, actually. Sure, I nicknamed him "Joey-Blue Skies" and it stuck, but doesn't it fit?

ANTI-JOEY?

I guess because I threw my hands up around a year ago and was one of the first to state publicly what so many of us deep down inside feared: That he will never "make it." I guess that makes me "anti-Joey" in some way. I am here to tell you that is not true. I would

love to proclaim on-air one day how wrong I was as Joey leads the Lions into a Super Bowl. I would love to apologize to Joey to his face for ever doubting him. I will never need to do that, at least not here in Detroit.

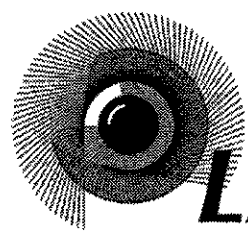
Joey reminds me a lot of Trent Dillfer. Remember him? Drafted to be the savior of the Tampa Bay Bucs over a decade ago, it never happened for him either. He went on to Baltimore, and when asked to just not screw up and make a few plays now and again, he was OK. Now he does OK for Cleveland.

I fear Joey is the 21st century version of Dillfer. How can Joey ever be something he is not? He is not a "savior" or difference maker; so how can we expect him to be one? That is unfair on our part.

I think Joey, deep down inside, knows he is

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done here as well. It might be best for all parties to go in a different direction next year. He is booed incessantly here. People will always look at him as the guy that was supposed to be the answer at quarterback, the first guy to make it to the Pro Bowl since Greg Landry just after the Spanish Inquisition.

Joey also must realize that he and this variation of the West Coast offense are not quick friends either. I'm not going to sit here and write wonderful things about the Lions' variation of the West Coast offense because at times it has been offensive.

Comparing the Lions' version to the Eagles' version of the same offense is like comparing a Corvette to a Gremlin. I guess they are both cars, sure.

NOT A FIT

Joey is not a fit here in this offense, and does not have the tools to be a great quarterback, period. Do you need more proof? Here he is, in his fourth year, and through four games he is averaging 149 yards passing a game, and one touchdown with almost two interceptions. Now it can be said that the Lions are in first place, what is the problem? Well, how much of that is because of Joey? The better question might be, how much of it is in spite of Joey?

I think he may be regressing actually, he still gets that shell-shocked look anytime the blitz comes, can't hit guys in stride very often and looks like a guy with not a heck of a lot of confidence in his own abilities.

If you think I am blaming Joey for all

the Lions' offensive woes, think again. The so called "weapons" the Lions have are anything but at this time. Kevin Jones, Roy Williams, Mike Williams and, of course, the now-suspended Charles Rogers have not offered much support this year. Don't you somehow feel all of them have more potential, more upside than Joey?

I hope I'm wrong yet still. I hope that everybody that reads this can one day e-mail me or call into my show and tell me how wrong I was, and what an idiot I am. I really do. Something tells me that neither you nor I believe it will happen here. I'm starting to think Joey may feel that way, too.

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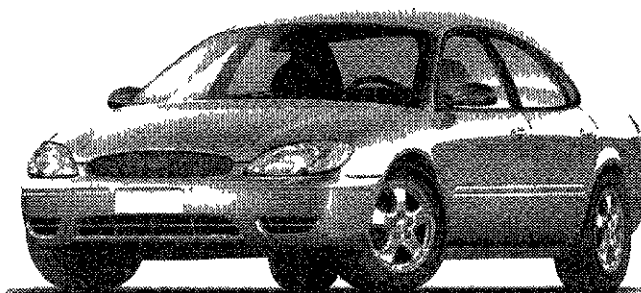
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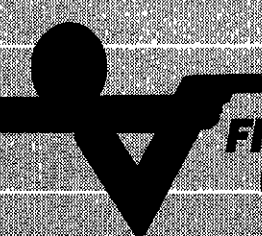


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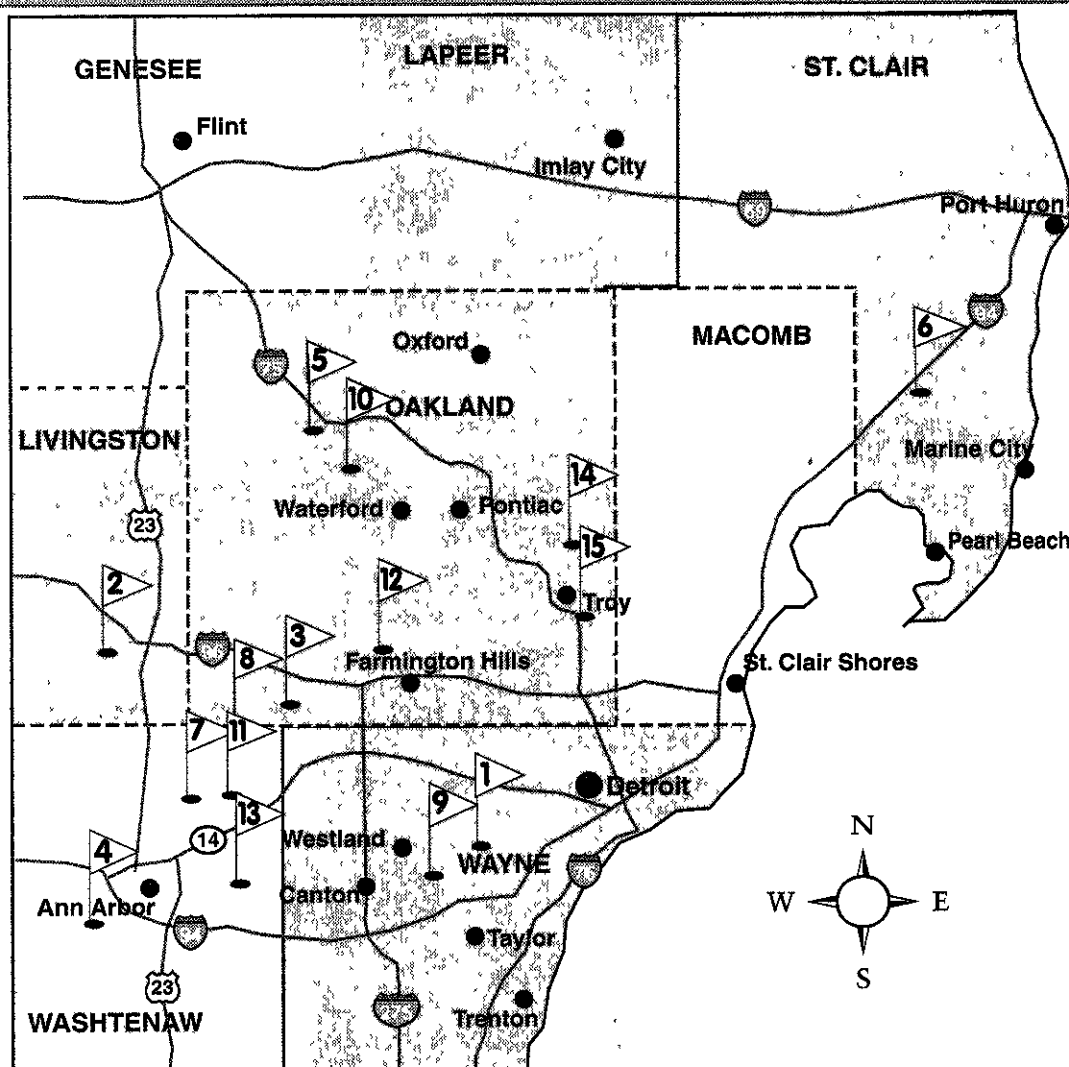
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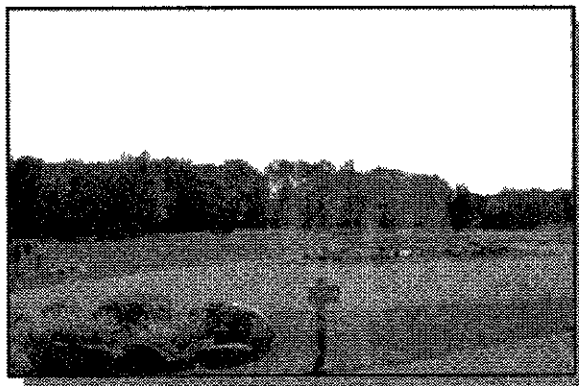
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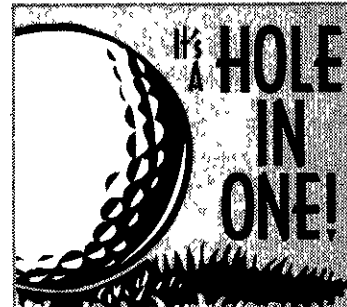
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Inkster Valley Golf Club
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Joe Hubbard on 8/20/2005
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Club Used: 4 Iron
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Club Used: 4 Iron
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Witness: Floyd Moyer
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Club Used: 3 Iron

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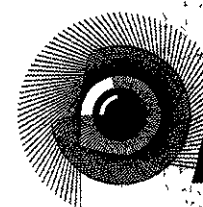
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Lidster's goal difference in win

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

In a game filled with cards (both yellow and red), Salem trumped Plymouth Monday night thanks to a pair of aces. The Rocks' aces turned out to be senior forward Chris Lidster, who tallied the lone goal in Salem's 1-0 victory, and junior goal-keeper Matt Smokevitz, who came up big when called upon against the fired-up Wildcats.

Smokevitz, who was getting a rare start in place of normal first-string goal-keeper Brian Field, sparkled in front of the net. Plymouth net-minder Nick Siekirk also turned in a stellar effort until having to sit out the final 10:54 after getting yellow-carded.

The teams' intensity level was reflected by the number of penalty cards distributed throughout the contest — a total of eight yellow and one red.

"I don't think the number of cards was indicative of what kind of game it was," said Plymouth coach Jeffrey Neschich, whose team fell to 10-6-1. "It was a hard-fought game, but it wasn't dirty. I think the ref called a tight game, as he should."

Salem coach Ed McCarthy agreed with Neschich's assessment.

"Our game the other night against Canton was rougher than this one, but there weren't any cards handed out," McCarthy said. "It was just a matter of two extremes as far as the officiating. Saturday, they let us play, tonight, they didn't. It's up to us, though, to adjust to the way the game is being called."

The game was played on a rain-slicked field that dampened any offensive fireworks that may have went off on a faster track.

"I thought the field conditions played a big role in the game tonight," McCarthy said. "The field was really slippery from all the rain we got today, so the play wasn't as crisp and clean as it would have been if we would have played on the turf field."

"Plymouth played a very, dangerous, controlled game tonight. It made for a very exciting game."

The victory lifted Salem's record to 13-4-3 heading into Monday night's Western Lakes Activities Association cross-over playoff game against Canton, who it fell to, 1-0, on Saturday. Both teams finished second in their respective WLAA divi-

sions — the Rocks in the Lakes and the Chiefs in the Western.

Livonia Stevenson and Northville will square off Wednesday night in the WLAA title match.

Monday night's game was scoreless until the 34:18 mark of the second half when Lidster controlled a pass from Alex Lumley approximately 25 yards out and rolled the ball past a diving Siekirk.

Less than a minute later, Lumley threatened to cushion the lead, but Siekirk made a spectacular save to keep the ball out of the net.

Plymouth's best threat came with 17:51 left when Wildcat forward Colin Rolfe broke through the middle of the Rocks' defense.

However, approximately 30 yards out, Rolfe was tripped up from behind by Salem defender Jon Gibson, who was red-carded on the play. The Rocks played the remainder of the game short-handed, but managed to keep the Wildcats off the board.

The Wildcats will mark Senior night Friday when they host Dearborn Edsel Ford at the P-CEP soccer stadium. The opening kick is set for 5:30 p.m.

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(By the coaches association)

Division 1 — 1. Pinckney; 2. Ann Arbor Pioneer; 3. Lake Orion; 4. Warren DeLaSalle; 5. South Lyon; 6. Rockford; 7. (tie) Clarkston, Monroe; 9. Portage Northern; 10. Brighton. Honorable Mention — Ann Arbor Huron, Livonia Churchill, Grosse Pointe North, Novi-Detroit Catholic Central, Grosse Pointe South, Bay City Glenn, Milford, Novi, Howell, White Lake Lakeview.

Division 2 — 1. Dexter; 2. Fremont; 3. Bloomfield Hills Lahser; 4. Fenton; 5. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern; 6. Sparta; 7. Flint Powers Catholic; 8. Coldwater; 9. St. Clair; 10. Petoskey.

Honorable Mention — Grand Rapids Christian, Birmingham Seaholm, Crosswell-Lexington, Chelsea, Richmond, Carleton Airport, Grand Rapids Northview, Ada Forest Hills Eastern, Dearborn Heights Crestwood, Dearborn Divine Child.

Division 3 — 1. Williamston; 2. Grand Rapids West Catholic; 3. Lansing Catholic Central; 4. Hillsdale; 5. Jackson Lumen Christi; 6. Benzonia Benzie Central; 7. Carson City-Crystal; 8. Shepherd; 9. Allendale; 10. Albion. Honorable Mention — Napoleon, Kent City, Freeland, Stockbridge, Harbor Springs, Hemlock, Macomb Lutheran North, Hanover-Horton, Elk Rapids, Charlevoix. Division 4 — 1. Bear Lake; 2. Pottersville; 3. Vandercook Lake; 4. Hesperia; 5. St. Louis; 6. Colon; 7. Ann Arbor Greenhills; 8. Pittsford; 9. Unionville-Sebewaing; 10. Bath. Honorable Mention — Saranac, Bellevue, Saugatuck, North Muskegon, Mackinaw City, Custer-Mason County Eastern, Mendon, Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian, Ellsworth, Grand Rapids Covenant Christian.

Girls Cross Country

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Division 1 — 1. Clarkston; 2. Saline; 3. Rockford;

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Division 2 — 1. East Lansing; 2. Grand Rapids Christian; 3. East Grand Rapids; 4. Dexter; 5. Grand Rapids South Christian; 6. Chelsea; 7. Gaylord; 8. Hudsonville Unity Christian; 9. Milan; 10. Caledonia. Honorable Mention — Battle Creek Lakeview, Vicksburg, St. Clair, Ortonville-Brandon.

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Top-ranked Spartans topple Canton, 3-1

It took one blemish to get the Livonia Stevenson boys soccer team back on the right foot Monday night.

After No. 1-ranked Stevenson settled for a 1-1 draw Saturday at Warren DeLaSalle, the Spartans bounced back Monday at home with a 3-1 victory over Canton in a Western Lakes Activities Association crossover.

Stevenson is 16-0-1 overall, while Canton falls to 10-4-3.

All the scoring came in the second half as senior forward Bobby Merritt figured in all three Stevenson goals in the win over Canton.

Merritt scored the first on an assist from Dan Pichler.

Merritt also set up Luke Knochel to give the Spartans a 2-0 advantage. Corey Matson then scored to make it 3-0 on an assist from Merritt.

Eric Piwowar's goal in the final minute spoiled the shutout bid by Stevenson goal-keeper Mitch Hildebrandt, who made four saves.

On Saturday, Jay McConnell scored on a through ball from Merritt, but host DeLaSalle (9-3-6) got a goal from Anthony

SOCCER ROUNDUP

Palazzolo to give the Pilots a tie. Hildebrandt was again in goal for the Spartans.

"We did not have it today, little energy or desire in this particular game," Stevenson coach Lars Richters said. "We played a difficult opponent as well."

HURON VALLEY 4, AGAPE 1: Brad Schmidt scored all four goals Tuesday as Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (6-7, 5-3) trimmed host Canton Agape Christian in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference-Red Division game.

"Brad had a couple of spectacular shots, including one outside the box that no goal-keeper would stop," Huron Valley coach Jim Ott said. "He really played well." Assists on the Schmidt goals went to Dave Block, Richard Zabrzinski, Kurt Metzger and John Sharrow.

Brandon Pierson scored in the second half for the Wolverines, who trailed 2-0 at intermission.

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OCTOBER

Holy Day
Yom Kippur services take place 8:45 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, at Congregation Beit Kodesh, a Conservative synagogue located at 31840 W. Seven Mile, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia. Their doors are open to the Jewish community of southeastern Michigan. Members, associate members and nonmembers are all welcome to join. For tickets or more information, call (248) 477-8974.

Bet Chaverim
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 321 S. Ridge, south of Cherry Hill, Canton. Service for Yom Kippur, Yizkor 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, and Closing Service at 6 p.m. Break Fast following service. Call (734) 646-3864 for information or visit www.betchaverim.com.

Yom Kippur
The Workmen's Circle/Arbeter Ring invites the community to a free, progressive High Holiday services. Join The Circle for cultural observances with singing, poetry and prose in English, Hebrew and Yiddish at the Jewish Community Center, 15110 W. 10 Mile Road in Oak Park. The Yom Kippur Observance 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, will feature violinist Jannina Barefield, who has performed with Itzhak Perlman, playing Kol Nidre and other music in this moving program. Free three-month membership to the WC/AR available to new members. RSVP and donations to The Workmen's Circle Educational Center appreciated. Contact Ellen Bates-Brackett at (248) 545-0985 or at micircle@aol.com.

Senior health fair
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, free blood pressure and hearing tests, blood sugar screening, bone density tests, Medicare prescription advising, and sampling of chiropractic massage, at Plymouth First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial. Cost is \$5 in advance, \$6 at the door, includes lunch. Call (734) 453-5280. Flu shots will be available for \$29 or free with Medicare Plan B. The church is looking for nurses to volunteer to administer the shots.

Italian harvest dinner
The Women's Fellowship of Nativity United Church of Christ sponsors the Italian Harvest Dinner 6-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at the church, 9435 Henry Ruff, Livonia (call the church for directions). You must have reservations: Call the church (734) 421-5406 or Marie (734) 421-6589. Donations are \$6 adults, \$3 children ages 3-8, children 2 and under free. Come at 5 p.m. for a Kids ID program where the kids can have their picture taken and finger printed. There will be several packages that you may purchase.

No Man Left Behind
Men's Prayer Breakfast 9-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Canton Christian Fellowship Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road, between Ford and Warren, Westland (inside Good Shepherd Church). Please RSVP at (734) 721-9322, or e-mail info@CantonCF.org or www.CantonCF.org.

Craft show
9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Admission is \$1. Bake sale and hot lunch available. Call (734) 422-1527.

Scrapbook Crop
9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at SS Simon and Jude Church, 32500 Palmer, Westland. Cost is \$35 paid in advance. Call (734) 427-7549.

Pumpkin patch
Opens Saturday, Oct. 15, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, between Merriman and Middlebelt, Livonia. Fall decorations and pumpkins available 7-days a week from noon to 8 p.m. Free gifts for kids. All proceeds go to benefit church programs.

Benefit concert
Duncan Holmes, a renowned blind musician, performs a benefit concert for Seedlings Braille Books for the children and the youth group of Emmanuel Lutheran Church 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, at the Livonia church. Desserts and beverages will be served. For tickets, call (734) 427-8552.

Arbor Consort
Performs 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, at First Presbyterian Church, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 474-6170. The premier vocal ensemble dresses in colorful Renaissance costume. They are well known for their spirited performances of French, German, Italian and English madrigals. No charge. An offering will be received with proceeds donated to aid victims of hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Worldview series
4-6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16 (cost is \$12), featuring Dr. James Grier speaking on "Is the Emergent Church the Dawn of a New Formation?" at Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh, Livonia. Grier preaches at 10:45 a.m. Call (734) 425-2800.

Build a Sukkah
With Builder Bob noon to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, at Congregation Beth Shalom, Oak Park. \$18 per family for 2 children and 2 adults, \$3 for additional child or adult. For children 2-8 years. RSVP to (248) 547-7970 ext. 234, or sgartenenb@congbethshalom.org.

Fall Revival
7 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Oct. 17-19, at Canton Christian Fellowship Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road (between Ford & Warren Rd.) Westland (inside Good Shepherd Church) with Pastor John W. Wells Jr., Sr. Pastor/Teacher of Mountain View Community Church, Temecula, California. For more information, contact church office at (734) 721-9322, or e-mail info@CantonCF.org or www.CantonCF.org.

Rummage sale
9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, and 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 22, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020

Five Mile, between Newburgh and Haggerty, Livonia. \$2 bag sale on Saturday. Call (734) 464-0211. 10-percent of proceeds are given to charity.

Harvest dinner
4:30-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, at First United Methodist Church of Wayne, 3 Town Square. Call (734) 721-4801. The public is invited to come out for a night of fellowship and sharing of the turkey dinner with all the trimmings including beverage and dessert. Pop available for 50 cents. Cost is \$7.50 adults; \$3 children ages 3-12 years; and \$1 for children under 3. There will be a Craft and Stationary table, Bake Sale Table and a SERRV table (products from other countries).

Lutheran convention
The 53rd annual Michigan Southeast District Lutheran Laymen's League Convention will be held on Oct. 22 at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 5885 Venoy Rd., Westland. Guest presenter, Larry Schamerloh, Chief Operating Officer, provides corporate-wide oversight of the finance, creative services, human resources, building services and management information services. The theme is Enlarge The Harvest. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Opening service scheduled for 9:00 a.m. followed by the sessions. For more information, call Art Miller (734) 241-6498.

Matt Watroba
With The Cat and the Fiddlers as the opening act 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. Tickets \$10. Call (734) 421-1760. Halloween costumes optional.

Conference
Sunday School and Church Ministries conference presented by International Christian Education Association Friday-Saturday, Oct. 21-22, at First Church of the Nazarene, Northville. Non-denominational event. Call (248) 557-5526 or visit www.iceaonline.org.

Sisterhood luncheon
For paid-up membership 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23, at Congregation Beit Kodesh, 31840 W. Seven Mile, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia. There will be entertainment by Vick and Rick. No charge for lunch with paid-up Sisterhood membership. New members always welcome. For more information, call (248) 477-8974.

Hallelujah Festival
6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26, at Canton Christian Fellowship Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road, between Ford & Warren, Westland (inside Good Shepherd Church). Come out for food, fun and fellowship as we celebrate this alternative to Halloween. Call (734) 721-9322 or e-mail info@CantonCF.org or www.CantonCF.org.

Family Halloween
Potluck dinner and Trunk or treat 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, east of Middlebelt, Garden City. Wear your favorite costume. Admission is a dish to pass and a big bag of Halloween candy. Call (734) 427-3660 for more information or stop by Sunday school for all ages 9-10 a.m. every Sunday. Worship service at 10 a.m., Alternative worship service 7 p.m. Wednesdays.

Halloween Party
For all ages 4-6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, at Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville Road, Belleville. (734) 699-3361. Get out those costumes and come join the fun. Games, songs, storytelling, refreshments. Everyone welcome. No charge.

Shopping spree
With 22 home party companies 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, at St. Genevieve Church, 29015 Jamison, two blocks east of Middlebelt, two blocks south of Five Mile. Lunch available.

Worship services
All are welcome to attend worship service at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia. Service is held at 10 a.m. every Sunday with an education hour all for ages at 9 a.m. Call (734) 422-1470.

From Broken to Good
An 8-week transformational journey began Oct. 9, at Solid Rock Bible Church, 670 Church, Plymouth. Call (734) 455-7711. We invite you to consider your mind, heart, soul, thoughts, feelings and relationships of your life in need of renovation. Times are 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., child care available both times. All ages wel-

come.
Prayer class
How can positive prayer work for you? Learn at a class with Caroline Trout 7 o.m. Wednesdays through Nov. 23, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 421-1760.

Fall Sunday services
8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, 9:30 a.m. Bible study, and 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Sunday school, at Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, 9083 Newburgh, Livonia.

Sunday services
Continue with traditional worship and children's Sunday School at 10 a.m., and adult Bible study at 8:30 a.m., at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road. The Beatitudes are now the focus of the school curriculum which features music, computers, games and story telling. Nursery care available. Refreshments immediately after the service. The Mustard Seed service at 6 p.m. offers an informal, casual environment. Refreshments afterward. Handicap accessible. Call (734) 421-7620.

UPCOMING

Book and bake sale
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 4-5, in the Fellowship Hall at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman Livonia. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend. The Women of the ELCA are sponsoring this sale as a fundraiser to assist Habitat for Humanity and the Tanzanian Raise the Roof Project. The church holds services 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays with nursery, adult Bible study and Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call (734) 427-1414 or visit http://holycrosslivonia.org.

Change of hours
Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (30650 Six Mile, Livonia) holds services on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. with nursery, and Sunday School for children at 9:30 a.m. The church will hold a book and bake sale Nov. 4-5. For more information, call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org.

Crafts and cuisine
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, and 12:30-3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20, at St. John Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill Road, west of Farmington Road between Freedom and Grand River, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 474-0584 or visit www.stjohn-lutheran.com.

Christian speaker
Mike Scubin, formerly on the popular television show Survivor, will tell of his ordeal after falling into a fire at the 10 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 20 service at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill, Canton. Brunch follows immediately after. For information, call (734) 981-0286. All are welcome.

ONGOING

Trinity Episcopal Church
Sunday Services 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., Wednesday service 6:15 p.m. - Bible Studies and Worship Center for all ages, at 11575 Belleville Road, (four miles south of Michigan Avenue), Belleville. Parents with Young Children Bible Study 6 p.m. Sundays, includes dinner and child care. Call (734) 699-3361.

Shabbat Rocks
A musical celebration precedes traditional Shabbat service once a month at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 851-5100 or visit the Web site at www.adat-shalom.org.

English classes
Conversational English as a Second Language classes are being offered for adults of all ages and backgrounds 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. Tutors will work on a one-to-one ratio to help students better understand and speak the English language. No charge. To register, call (734) 525-0191 or (734) 522-6830.

Scripture from scratch
If you've always wanted to learn about the Bible from square one, here's square one 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Activity Center at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950 to register.

Sunday school
Congregation Beit Kodesh (31840 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia) is registering children, age 4 and un, for Sundav school. Financial assistance available. Special discounts for new members. For more information, call (248) 477-8974.

Services
St. John Lutheran Church (23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills) invites the community to a new worship service 5:30 p.m. Saturdays. Also, Sunday traditional worship services are 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; contemporary service is at 9:50 a.m.; and Sunday School hour for all ages is at 9:45 a.m. Call (248) 474-0584 for more information.

Single Point Ministries
For ages 30 and older, join more than 350 single adults 11:30 a.m. Sundays for fellowship and related topics in Knox Hall at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Coffee, doughnuts, conversations are present. Call (248) 374-5920. Tennis continues 1 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, and 4 p.m. Tuesdays at Rotary Park, Six Mile and Hubbard, Livonia.

Bible talks
4 p.m. Sundays, at the Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Call (734) 728-9157.

Worship services
All are welcome to attend worship services 10 a.m. Sundays at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

Christian women's golf league
Par from Perfect Ladies Golf League at Northville Christian Assembly has a few openings to fill. Game times are 5:45 p.m. Thursdays through September at Hilltop Golf Course in Plymouth. For information, call (734) 981-8757.

The Gap
A new youth Sunday School (God Always Present) at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt, south of Ford Road. Lessons are taught using various media, computers, story telling, games, cooking, music and art, and a small theater complete with popcorn making machine. Adult Bible study at 8:30 a.m. with a traditional service and The Gap at 10 a.m. Child care available. Mustard Seed contemporary service at 6 p.m. with refreshments served afterward. Call (734) 421-7620.

Qigong
The ancient form of Chinese energetic medicine. A safe and effective way to rid body of toxic pathogens and years of painful emotions. Learn the art of natural movement and breath to cultivate vital life energy. Classes at Livonia Unity 28660 Five Mile Monday - movement Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday - Qigong meditation 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday - Therapeutic Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m. Call (810) 813-4073 for more information or send e-mail to gary@energeticarts.org.

Worship services
8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays with an education hour 9:30-10:40 a.m., at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 37775 Palmer, Westland. Social hour follows each service. Call (734) 722-1735.

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Worship services
All are welcome to attend worship services 10 a.m. Sunday at Church of Our Saviour, Presbyterian, 6655 Middlebelt, West Bloomfield. For more information, call (248) 626-7606.

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

Oct. 22 sessions focus on Habitat opportunities

The Apostles Build project brings 12 churches, of various denominations, together to raise the money, provide labor and prayer to build a house with a Habitat for Humanity partner family. Several churches in western Wayne County are already coming together for the purpose of building a Habitat home in Inkster next year.

The Western Wayne County Habitat affiliate has recently obtained four lots on Dunning Street in Inkster. The first house

to be built on the lots is currently under construction and is sponsored by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. The Apostles Build house(s) can be built on one or more of the adjoining lots.

An Apostles Build project calls people to leave the confines of the church building and to serve in the way that the original apostles served. Working on this project gives people of faith the opportunity to be the body of Christ in the

world. Local church communities are invited to participate in this build.

A meeting to answer questions for new churches on this project will be held 9-10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth. At 11 a.m., a separate presentation on other opportunities for individuals to get involved with Western Wayne County Habitat will take place.

All are welcome to attend.



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WILLIAM E. ADAMS

Age 72 October 10, 2005 Dear Husband of Sharon (nee O'Brien), Father of William J. (Marjorie), Nancy Scott (John), Susan Eperjesy (Mark) and John. Grandfather of Kristen, Billy, Kate, Mitchell, Annie and Emily. Brother of Robert J. Adams and Evelyn McAnelly. Family will receive friends Friday 3-9 pm at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel) 32515 Woodward (btwn 13-14 Mile) Funeral Mass Saturday 10 am at National Shrine of the Little Flower Woodward at 12 MI. Visitation begins at church at 9:30 am Memorial tributes to Catholic Central High School or Evans Scholars Foundation. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

JULIA M. MONTGOMERY

Age 90. October 11, 2005. Beloved wife of the late William E. Loving mother of William (Bobbie), Robert (Mary Lynn), Thomas (Karen) Montgomery, and Nancy (John) Smith. Cherished grandmother of 13, great-grandmother of 8. Funeral Mass Friday 10 a.m. (in state 9:30 a.m.) at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, 23815 Power Road, Farmington. Visitation Thursday 2-9 p.m. at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Grand River Ave., downtown Farmington (1 blk. W. of Farmington Rd.). Interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made to Odyssey Hospice.



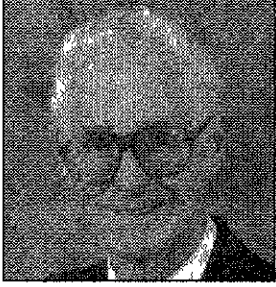
COLIN CHRISTOPHER OLSON

Suddenly, October 9, 2005, age 16 months, of Birmingham. Enjoyed exploring, cartoons and fine dining. Darling son of Chris and Jen. Loving twin brother of Kylie Nicole. Also survived by loving grandparents, aunts, uncles, relatives and friends. Funeral service was held Wednesday 11 AM at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel) 32515 Woodward (btwn 13-14 Mile). In lieu of flowers memorial tributes appreciated to Special Olympics of Oakland County, 25415 John Rd, Madison Heights, MI 48071, Make a Wish Foundation, 3390 Pinetree Road, Suite #20, Lansing, MI 48911 or Children's Hospital of MI, 3901 Beaubien St., Detroit, MI 48201-9932. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



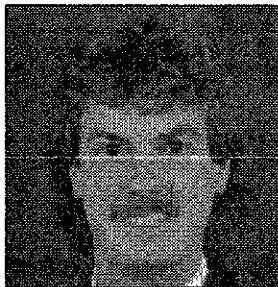
JOYCE BATTLE

61, of New Hudson, Michigan, passed away October 8, 2005. She was born on January 13, 1944, in Barbourville, Kentucky. She is survived by her devoted loving husband Sam A. Battle. She leaves behind her precious loving daughter Sherene (Bruce) Parris and grandsons Kaleb and Seth. Her grandchildren were the sunshine of her life and kept her going when things were very bad. She is also survived by her father Herbert Beddow, her immediate family: Denver (Cindy) Beddow, Don (Jennifer) Beddow, Jewel Walton, Tony (Cathy) Beddow, her step-children: Mark (Donna) Battle, Craig (Linda) Battle, Sharon (Dave) Rice, Katherine (Matthew) Lentz, Michael Battle, eight loving step-grandchildren and loving nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother Anna Mae Beddow. A Memorial service will be held on October 11, 2005 at 5 p.m. at Oakwood Community Church, 5791 Oakwood Road, Ortonville, MI 48462. The family will receive friends at the church from 3-5 p.m. Pastor Robert Service will officiate the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are requested to the Hospice of Michigan at 400 Mack Avenue Detroit, Michigan 48201. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon



ROBERT L. RANDALL

Age 73, October 9, 2005. Beloved husband of Margaret. Dear father of Thomas and Sarah (Darren) Hopkins. Dearest brother of Richard and the late William. Also survived by his grandchildren Alexandra and Chloe. Mr. Randall taught Band and Orchestra in the Livonia Public Schools, and was the Conductor for the Livonia Youth Symphony Society. Gathering Monday, October 17, 10am until time of service at 11am, at St. Andrew Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. Memorials suggested to St. Andrew Episcopal Church Music Fund. Please sign the on-line guestbook at www.rgrgharris.com



G. SCOTT PORTER

Suddenly, October 10, 2005, age 46, of Birmingham. A Birmingham realtor for Cranbrook Associates. Beloved fiancée of Sheila Genna. Dear son of Jean and Ben, Jr. Brother of Ben, III. Nephew of Darrah (Joan), Anna, Margaret Molnar, Jerry Koss (Debbie) and Sandy Konrad (Gary). Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile) Thursday 6-8pm and Friday 2-8pm Scripture service Friday 7pm. Funeral Mass Saturday 11am at St. Regis 3695 Lincoln at Lahser Rds., Bloomfield Hills. Visitation begins at church 10:30am. Rite of Committal Acacia Park Cemetery. Memorial tributes to Fr. Solanus Guild, Brother Rice High School or the Michigan Humane Society. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



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Slebodnik scores 3 to pace MU

Three goals by sophomore forward Liz Slebodnik sparked Madonna University to a 4-2 victory over host Aquinas in Saturday's Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference womens soccer match.

MU (10-1-3, 5-1-0) took control early. Just six minutes into the game, freshman midfielder and Livonia Stevenson grad Caitlin Boyak set up Slebodnik for the opening tally.

At 15:10, the Crusaders made it 2-0 on an unassisted goal by junior forward Kelly Japowicz.

Before the Saints could catch their breath at halftime, Slebodnik struck again. She put a shot behind Aquinas goalkeeper Kristina Gladstone (seven saves) at the 28:24 mark of the first half. Picking up an assist on the goal was senior midfielder and Westland John Glenn alum Lacey Catarino.

Aquinas (6-7-0, 3-3-0) did make it 3-1 with about 20 minutes left to play when Audrey Vanderkamp beat MU freshman goalkeeper and Canton grad Brittany Cervi (four saves).

But the Crusaders bounced back seven minutes later to open up a 4-1 lead on an unassisted tally by Slebodnik.

Jessica Greaney scored on a penalty kick for Aquinas, with just 5:38 remaining for the final goal of the contest.

MU men earn two victories

Both on the road and at home, it was a good weekend for Madonna University's mens soccer team.

The Crusaders earned a 3-1 road victory Saturday against Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference rival Siena Heights. Then on Sunday at Greenmead Field in Livonia, MU defeated St. Francis, 2-0.

Against St. Francis, a goal just 4:09 into the contest by MU junior forward Derrick Mudri was all the offense needed by Crusaders sophomore Darrell Quinn, who made four saves in goal.

Mudri scored his fifth of the year on a header, after receiving a feed from junior forward Endri Xhacka.

That 1-0 score held up almost until the end. With only 2:50 to play in the contest, Xhacka set up junior forward Ryan Montague's ninth goal of the season. Montague's shot clanked in off the crossbar.

On Saturday at Siena Heights, second-half goals by Mudri and Tom Stark broke a 1-1 tie to propel the Crusaders to the conference triumph.

Montague had put the Crusaders on the board with an unassisted goal early in the opening half.

But the Saints knotted the score with 34:15 to play in the half when a Madonna player put the ball into his own goal.

Quinn made seven saves for the win.

Madonna spikers rolling at 28-0

Make it 28 and counting. Madonna University's volleyball team improved their remarkable record to 28-0 with Tuesday's three-game triumph over host Indiana Tech.

The Crusaders defeated the Warriors 30-15, 30-22, 30-25.

Leading the way for MU was senior outside hitter Natalja Tinina, with 15 kills and 13 defensive digs.

Chipping in with 36 assists and 13 defensive digs was senior setter Ashley Frost.

Livonia Churchill products had big days as well. Sophomore outside hitter Jacqui Gatt (12 defensive digs) and freshman outside hitter Kelsey Mack (eight kills, three defensive digs) made their presence felt for the Crusaders.

Senior libero Stephanie DeNardin contributed 19 defensive digs.

Lady Ocelots win another regional title

BY TIM SMITH
STAFF WRITER

After conquering Ohio, it's time to start thinking about Arizona.

The Schoolcraft College women's soccer team might be doing just that these days. On Saturday, the Lady Ocelots defeated host Cincinnati State 5-1 to claim their third consecutive Region XII championship.

Plus, Schoolcraft qualified to compete for the District D title and possibly return to the National Junior College Athletic Association National Tournament to take place in Phoenix.

Despite the score, the win wasn't as easy as it might seem.

Lady Ocelots head coach Bill Tolstedt said the Surge played "very determined and aggressive" against his team attempting to make up for an earlier defeat to Schoolcraft.

Schoolcraft (9-2-3) started marching toward an eighth regional championship in nine years with just four minutes remaining in the first half.

Sophomore midfielder LeighAnne Myers took a pass from sophomore for-

ward Jessica Saba and drilled the ball into the Cincinnati State goal to put Schoolcraft on top.

Then came a goal that undoubtedly deflated Cincinnati State. The Lady Ocelots made it 2-0 with just three seconds to play in the opening half when sophomore forward Nicole Saigh hit the target. Drawing an assist on the marker was sophomore defender Courtney Brady.

Saigh registered her second of the day on an assist from Saba, about seven minutes into the second half to make it 3-0.

Cincinnati State mounted a mild rally attempt, scoring its lone goal against Schoolcraft freshman goalkeeper Jenna Cataldi at the 10-minute mark.

But Schoolcraft took control from that point on. Wrapping up the scoring were tallies from freshman forwards Julia Zilan and Shari Trandell.

Earning assists on the last two goals were Myers and sophomore midfielder Christina Stapleton.



PHOTO BY RENIA LAVERY

Sophomore forward Jessica Saba (right), shown during a recent game, collected two assists to help Schoolcraft College win the Region XII championship game over Cincinnati State.

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OPEN HOUSES

have benefits, drawbacks

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Larry Bird and his family didn't buy the house they'd spotted at an open house right away, but it didn't take long.

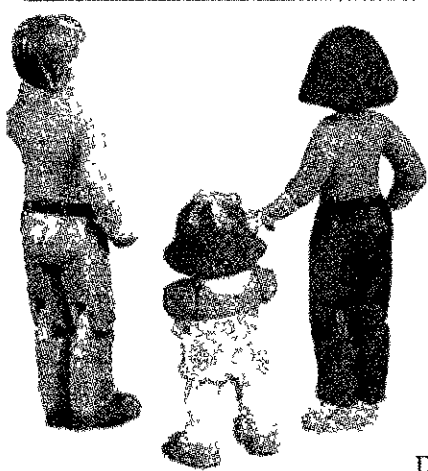
"We bought a house as a result of an open house," said Bird, a Plymouth resident who owns the Gabriela's shop on Main in that community. Their home purchase in 2002 came several months after they went to the open house.

"It was one of those where you can't judge a book by its cover," said Bird of the home, which was short on curb appeal. The interior was remodeled, however, and the home was in move-in condition.

Initially, it wasn't in their price range, but they soon jumped on it after looking elsewhere.

Open houses aren't unusual at properties for sale, particularly now with so many for sale. Some Realtors have found open houses useful, although there are drawbacks.

"They can be beneficial," said Ruth Martin,



the Bird family. For home shoppers, open houses are a good way to see what's available.

Martin finds some clients want to hold open houses, and they can help a Realtor get new business. Sometimes curious neighbors show up - or others with homes on the market who need to vacate the premises during their own open house.

"I think there are more now because of the market," Martin said of open houses. There are some safety concerns, not only for the Realtor but also for the homeowner who could be burglarized.

Safety's a consideration, agreed Joan Downing, broker/owner of RE/MAX in the

Hills in Bloomfield Hills. Realtors often tell homeowners to hide valuables, in addition to having them signing a waiver for theft.

"We've had to alter our business to accommodate that,"

Downing said of safety issues. She doesn't handle many open houses now.

"We have been doing them less and less and less," she said, which her agents typically hold only at a seller's insistence. That could change with the market, for example with a unique property that's in great demand.

"That is only going to happen in a hot market," Downing said. In the local marketplace, some Realtors consider that a waste.

"They only want to look at the cream of the crop," she said of savvy home shoppers.

Downing's conclusion is that the majority of open houses aren't productive, in part because current marketing allows consumers to view multiple photos online.

"They can look at a virtual tour of the house," she said.

There's so much on the market now, Downing said, and the savvy buyer won't run around willy nilly. He or she's working with a Realtor on a list of properties matching criteria.

Sometimes an open house can help a Realtor establish a working relationship with a buyer who doesn't yet have a Realtor. "So it's like a first point of contact," Downing said.

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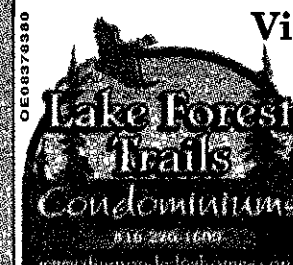
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Shore Mortgage lauded for diversity efforts

On Sept. 22, Shore Mortgage was presented with the Fair Housing Leadership Award for commitment to diversity.

Attorney John Obee, a member of the Board of Directors of the Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit, said on selecting Shore Mortgage that it has long been known for dedication to diversity, a view shared by Shore leaders.

"Our business model is focused on providing loans to everyone, but especially to minorities and people who are new to America. That's one of the reasons we employ minorities and multilin-



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Many of Shore Mortgage's television commercials highlight this attention to diversity by speaking affirmatively about and visually promoting racial and ethnic diversity. Shore Mortgage's customers come from many different cultures and speak a variety of languages. To

aid them in the mortgage process, Shore has taken significant steps to make minorities feel comfortable with the paperwork and legal documents involved in a mortgage.

The award was presented to Robert Rahal at the Renaissance Club of the Renaissance Center in downtown Detroit.

"I am honored to accept the Fair Housing Leadership Award on behalf of Shore Mortgage," said Rahal. "Shore has been committed to racial and ethnic diversity since our inception and will con-

tinue to do everything in our power to help people of different backgrounds become homeowners."

Established in 1984, Shore Mortgage is one of the largest mortgage companies based in Michigan and a leading provider of mortgages to minorities and immigrants in southeast Michigan. Shore's success is attributed to a close association with the real estate community. Known as one of the best FHA lenders in Michigan, a knowledgeable loan origination staff is available for phone and online consultation day and night.

Web site helps in home search

Buying a home is not just reserved for the daytime anymore. Thanks to Oak Park-based Biznet Internet Solutions, Singh Development Company's updated interactive Web site allows customers to conduct their searches around the clock.

Since its re-launch in March of this year, Singh has doubled its sales leads as a result of a Web site that now attracts over 30,000 visits per month, quadrupling its previous totals.

"People rarely go visit a property now without checking out the Web site first," said Singh Special Projects Manager Joe Mifsud. "In the past, a lot of our traffic was generated by people driving past one of our properties and saying, 'Wow, that looks really nice,' and then going in to view it. What we have created with the help of Biznet is that same 'curb' appeal, but on Internet, which is available

for viewing at any time, day or night."

Although its former Web site was good for its time when it was implemented in 1996, Singh's list of properties offered has grown so much recently that the original web site became more and more confusing with each added bit of information. The new version, which includes a very popular "Frequently Asked Questions" section, is much more user-friendly, helping customers navigate through any of Singh's five senior living communities, nine commercial properties, 13 home communities and 16 apartment communities with just a simple click of the mouse.

"People want a lot of information quickly," said Mifsud. "Our site is now much easier to navigate and has a nice balance of strong marketing images and messages. We are not overboard on text. This

assists our prospective home buyers in easily viewing our properties or downloading floor plans, brochures or directions to the physical location of the property."

Realizing the importance of improving its former Web site, Singh is pleased with its selection of Biznet to complete the task.

"As more and more people are becoming web savvy and using it as a true tool to shop, the urgency kicked in for us," noted Mifsud.

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Canton - Beautiful 2400 sq ft colonial that backs to a creek. Great room w/ cathedral ceilings & a natural fireplace, large kitchen w/island & hardwood floors, 6 panel doors, formal dining room, bsmt, large deck, underground sprinklers, C/A Garage, 1st floor laundry, master suite has walk-in closet & master bath. \$319,900 (38RE)

Livonia - Well maintained 3 bedroom brick ranch on a quiet cul-de-sac location. Sprinklers, garage, basement, bay window, updated kitchen. Kitchen opens to generous family room with gas fireplace, doorwall to deck with retractable awning. Appliances stay, lot's of updates! \$234,900 (99BAI)

Livonia - Beautiful 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath brick ranch on gorgeous landscaped corner lot. Open floor plan from kitchen to FR overlooking a beautiful California stone wall fireplace. Patio w/retractable awning, privacy fence, basement, storage shed w/ large loft & electrical, sprinklers. \$259,900 (95BAI)

Livonia - Sharp 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch with hardwood floors. Home warranty, fenced yard, basement, sprinklers, garage. Updated windows and doors. Copper plumbing, C/A, newer HWH, 4th bedroom and bath in basement, ceramic tile floor in kitchen, porch on front of house. \$164,900 (21HAT)

Livonia - 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick ranch. Finished basement w/bath, refinished hardwood floors, newer roof, new windows, doors and garage door. Remodeled kitchen, some appliances stay, garage, fenced yard. \$174,900 (12PER)

Livonia - Freshly painted, 2 bedroom condo. Updates include remodeled kitchen with oak cabinets, newer electrical service with breakers. Newer windows, coved ceilings in L/R and D/R, C/A, basement, appliances stay. Very nice condition! \$91,900 (12MID)

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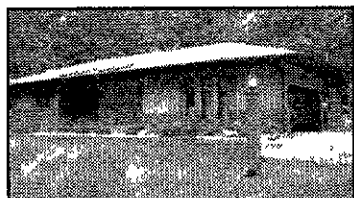
SHARP PULTE STRATFORD On an interior lot with a gourmet cherry kitchen, expansive 2 story family room w/fireplace, a den, master and princess suites with private baths. Extra deep basement, paver patio and walk, sprinkler and security systems. \$459,900 (P-481DE)



EXCLUSIVE CENTRAL PARK ESTATES Loaded with upgrades like crown moldings, dual staircases, a gourmet island kitchen with granite & hardwoods, private study and custom touches throughout. Amenities include tennis, golf and clubhouse. \$439,900 (P-557DE)



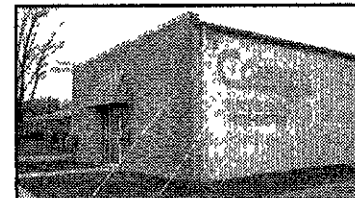
PARK LIKE SETTING For this mint condition 4 bedroom colonial with custom touches and a spacious 2200 square foot floor plan. Upgrades galore, front and back porches overlooking a manicured lawn. \$234,900 (C-420DO)



5 PRISTINE ACRES Come with this fabulous 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath home in South Lyon. Beautifully landscaped and wooded property. New carpeting, updated baths, ceramic tile, Anderson windows and a gorgeous finished basement... \$375,000 (C-302EI)



THE IDEAL CAPE COD Super popular Sunflower with amenities like a common pool, tennis courts and clubhouse. Large lot with 4 bedrooms including a big 1st floor master. Brick fireplace, deck, prof. landscaping, new roof & more. \$254,900 (P-810EM)



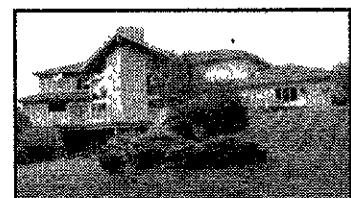
LAND CONTRACT TERMS! Commercial building presently used as a catering business with endless potential. Large open area for workspace and 3 offices in front. Large 22 x 24 garage. Business and equipment also for sale. \$375,000 (P-558FA)



DOLL HOUSE ON A LARGE LOT Plenty of updates in this little beauty with a new roof on the house and garage, new siding, some newer windows and carpeting. Hardwood under all carpeting. New hot water heater too. Great for first time buyer. \$114,900 (C-744HA)



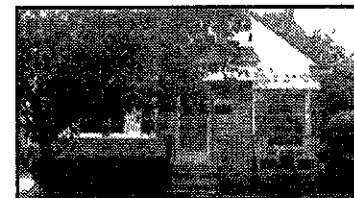
WOODS OF CENTRAL PARK Elegant surroundings in this 4 bedroom palace with dramatic flair everywhere. Chef's dream kitchen, posh master, 3 full upper baths, daylight basement, 3 car garage and numerous upgrades. Don't miss this one! \$479,900 (C-501HU)



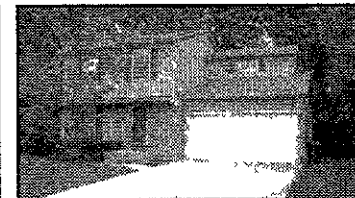
A SPECIAL HOME Custom built on 10 acres at the end of a private road overlooking the pond. Great room w/ cathedral ceiling & massive Fieldstone FP, custom walkout, an elevator to accommodate the handicapped. Truly beautiful. \$1,100,000 (P-551OA)



DESIRABLE COURT LOCATION Spacious and updated Canton colonial with formal living/dining, updated open kitchen, family room fireplace and French doors to the patio. New carpeting, new roof, central air and 1st floor laundry. Walk to elementary. \$269,500 (P-285OA)



DREAMS DO COME TRUE! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, new roof and windows. Updated kitchen with new flooring, partially finished basement, 2 car garage, brick & vinyl exterior, appliances and 1100 sq. ft. for only. \$145,000 (C-355OL)



WESTLAND'S HIDDEN JEWEL Private wooded view on a quiet cul-de-sac backing to Hines! Built in '94 this 3 bedroom beauty offers a spacious neutral floor plan, finished basement, sprinklers and lots more. \$184,900 (C-358PE)



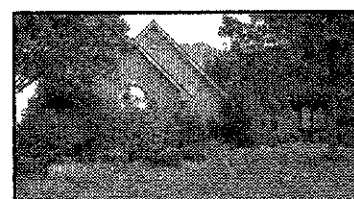
FUSSY BUYERS WELCOME Hard to find detached condo with an excellent open floor plan and quality upgrades throughout. Lower level crown moldings, family room fireplace, 4 extra large bedrooms, luxury master and ground maintenance. \$284,900 (P-134ST)



UNIQUE PLYMOUTH CHARM Walk to town from this cape cod offering hardwood floors, coved ceilings and many built-ins. New Walkside windows, cement work, siding and carpet. Large private fenced yard. 2 natural fireplace. Really nice. \$299,000 (P-302SU)



MANY POSSIBILITIES Charming 3 bedroom home on a huge double lot in Westland. Nice sized living room, country kitchen with a heated Florida room leading to the deck & private fenced yard. Sprinkler system, appliances, shed and garage. \$155,000 (C-134UN)



EXECUTIVE LEVEL CAPE COD Entertain in the open great room w/soaring ceiling, gas fireplace and windows galore. Add to that a private 1st floor master suite, oversized library, hardwood floors & numerous upgrades. A rare beauty. \$524,900 (P-696WE)



AMENITIES GALORE Spacious Livonia ranch on a corner lot with a privacy fenced yard and a solar heated in-ground pool. Beautiful tiled entry, updated roof, windows, interior doors, and family room. Dining room w/full brick walled fireplace. \$259,900 (P-498YA)



HAVE IT ALL! Great lot! Great neighborhood! Great price! Plenty of updates including Anderson windows, siding, roof and carpet. Finished basement w/playroom & office. Huge rear yard w/ deck & shed. \$214,999 (C-807YO)



MAJOR POTENTIAL 1300 sq. ft. ranch with a flexible floor plan. Full basement, possible in-law quarters with 2nd full kitchen. Coved ceilings and some hardwood floors. Price reflect the need for a lot of updating and a thorough cleaning. \$199,900 (C-677RU)

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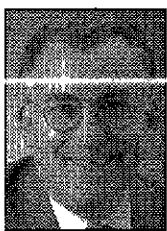
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Chicago provides a lot in upscale living

Q. I am aware of at least a dozen condo buildings being marketed or planned for Chicago's Streeterville neighborhood, are all these condos, in your opinion, going to affect the downtown market, especially at the high end?

A. Based upon my recent visit to Chicago and attendant investigation, there are many upper bracket houses, condos and co-ops from Lincoln Park to the South Loop, including the Gold Coast. It would appear from my investigation that amenities, including those found in new construction, are winning out over location. Thus, it appears that the wealthy buyer of condo downtown property wants everything there without renovation. Apparently the same is the case with respect to



Robert Meisner

the single family market, particularly in the Lincoln Park area. It would appear that the resale market is reasonably saturated. There is a market for new and planned condos with all the "bells and whistles." Your best advised to consult with a Realtor familiar with the area before making any business and/or real estate decisions.

Q. I have heard recently about a lawsuit brought against a Co-op concerning failure to provide reasonable accommodations. Do you have any information regarding that?

A. I believe you are referring to a recent case in the Eastern District of Michigan where the plaintiff received the judgement in excess of \$300,000 dollars against a Cooperative and its agents because the Co-op had allegedly failed to make reasonable accommodations for the member's disability; by refusing to allow her to purchase and keep a dog to help her cope with her disability, and, therefore, enjoy an equal housing opportunity. The Co-op, which had a "no pet" policy, argued that the animal was a "pet" and the co-op had no legal duty to make a reasonable accommodation. However, the jury disagreed, which also confirmed a similar result in another

contest made against the Cooperative for refusing to make a reasonable accommodation for another disabled person who needed a dog as a service providing animal. The lesson here, of course, is to be very careful when restricting dogs in Community Associations where there is some alleged reasonable basis on the part of the pet owner to maintain the dog.

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. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

Care for your credit score the high-tech way

Of the thousands of credit reports I have seen in years past, a mere handful were 100 percent accurate. Invariably, my mortgage clients find at least one error or inaccuracy on their credit report when we review it together.

While some credit reporting blunders are benign, the vast majority of them perceptibly impact clients' credit scores, usually by about 10 to 20 points, on average. In perhaps 10 percent of those files, the errors are significant enough to make a significant impact on their mortgage approval, their interest rate or their loan's terms.

I used to find myself spending as much time coaching borrowers on how to care for their credit as I did originating mortgages. I desperately needed to find a way to help my clients while lifting the time burden from myself.

Fortunately for me and for my clients, I finally found a high-tech credit restoration company that uses state of the art processes to properly service my clients, and they do so while operating with complete regard to the Federal Trade Commission's industry guidelines. (This is huge because there are way more scams out there than there are legitimate companies.)

I feature the company, American Credit Education Services (ACES), on one of my Web sites, www.USCreditAcademy.com, because I have seen the results of their fine work and, frankly, because they offer a money-back guarantee. ACES clients can sign up for services at that website and can check the progress of their credit repair efforts 24/7 via the ACES Web site.

I so much believe in the ACES system that I now offer my needy mortgage clients 100 percent reimbursement of the ACES fee, if they allow me to use their new, improved credit score to get them a mortgage. Of course, other mortgage brokers, automobile salesmen, and even insurance agents could certainly offer their clients who need credit restoration services the same incentive.

Today's TIMBIT! The Fair Credit Reporting Act protects credit users from creditor abuses and negligence. Whether you choose self-help (also available at www.USCreditAcademy.com) or professional services, cleaning up credit reporting blemishes can pay for themselves many times over.

Timothy Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. Visit www.PhillipsHQ.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.

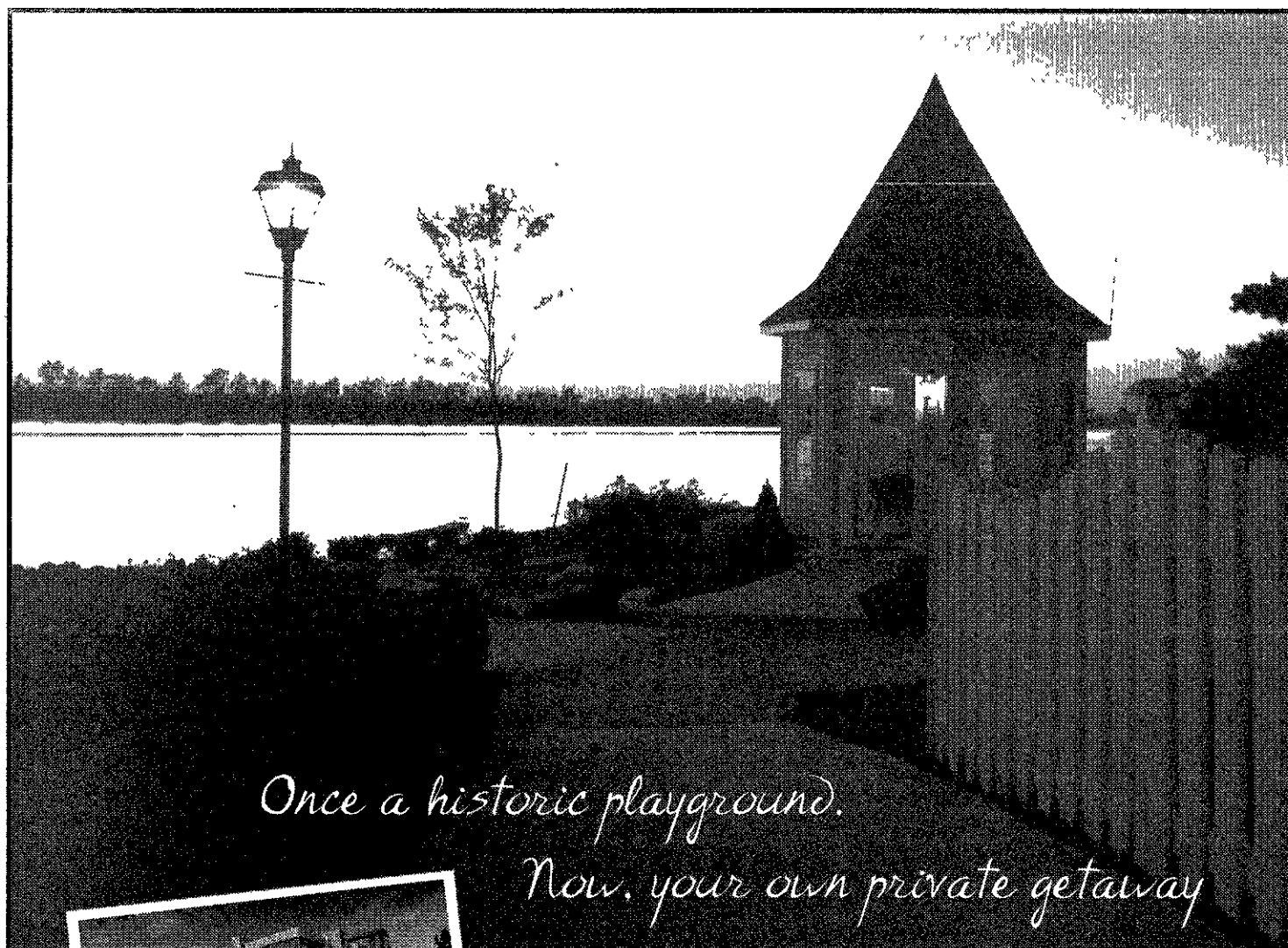


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LIVONIA - Nice 3 bdrm brick ranch in great location offering family rm, lg living rm w/bay window & hardwood floors. Newer windows, C/A & furnace w/air cleaner. Rec rm in basement. Oversized 2 car garage. Beautiful private treed lot! \$175,000 (D56Ang)

WESTLAND - Beautifully maintained 3 bdrm, 2 bath home has neutral decor, hardwood floors under carpet, updated LL w/full bath & beautiful stone FP w/built-in book shelves, eat-in kitchen w/doorwall to deck w/rollback awning + more. \$152,000 (L11Ber)

LIVONIA - Extra nice ground flr condo located in back of complex near woods. Updated white kitchen w/newer counters, sink, & wood-like floor. Hamilton porch enclosure w/glass & screens, newer Wallside windows + extra storage in bsmt. \$77,900 (L85Far)

LIVONIA - Prime Livonia location for this 3 bdrm, 2 bath home. Offers lg room sizes, lovely kitchen w/lrg breakfast rm, fam rm w/FP, master bath + more. Great for in-laws or student back home. Near schools/park, Liv Rec Center & shopping! \$194,900 (L36Me)

LIVONIA - Nice, clean 3 bdrm colonial offering newer furn, H2O htr & A/C, family rm w/FP, master w/full bath, freshly painted w/newer carpet throughout, alarm system + more. Appliances & 1 yr Home Warranty included. \$209,900 (D05Ba)

CANTON - Premier 3600 sq ft home w/4 bedrms, 3 full & 2 half baths, library, dramatic entry w/curved staircase, huge granite kitchen w/hearthrm, 2nd FP & 2nd stairway leading to 2 mstr suites! View of rolling, treed commons from deck w/hot tub! \$466,000 (L69Put)

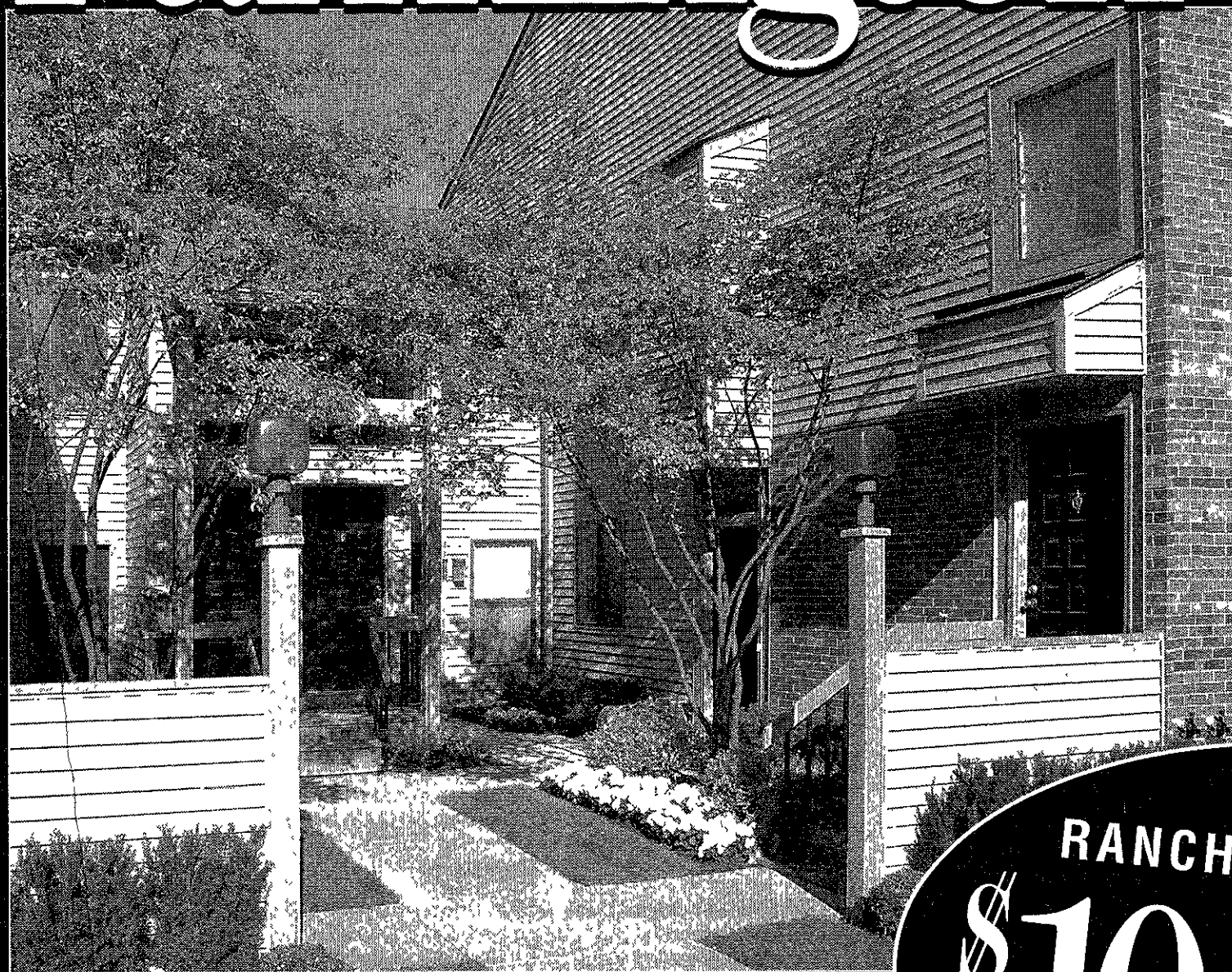
REDFORD - Appealing, clean & affordable 3 bdrm ranch in tree-lined, quiet neighborhood. Updated roof, A/C, sprinklers, H2O htr, awnings & interior paint. Hardwood flrs under carpet. Fin'd basement w/rec rm & bdrm w/closet. Home Warranty. \$129,900 (L27Den)

WESTLAND - Great family home offering 3 bedrms, 2 baths, fabulous master w/huge walk-in closet & adjoining 20x15 sitting rm, huge 130x125 lot w/brick paver patio & walkway. Updates inc: kitchen, windows, shingles, elec box + more. \$164,900 (L40Boo)

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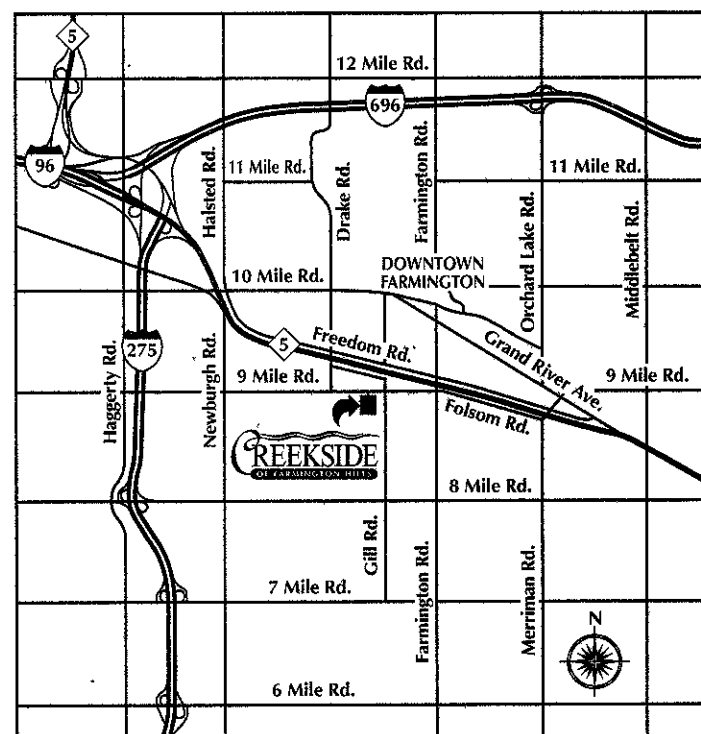
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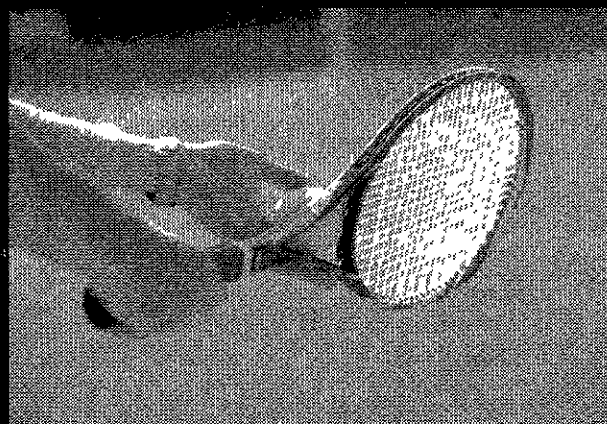
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William C. Ellis has been appointed P.E. Director, Mechanical Engineering for BEI Associates, Inc. Ellis was previously the Mechanical Group manager at Carter and Burgess in the Bingham Farms office. Prior to Carter and Burgess, he was with Giffels Associates in Southfield. He has more than 30 years of experience in design and operation of facilities and support services. Ellis received

a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Kettering University and pursued his graduate studies at Wayne State University.

Buyer's Home Tour

Realtor Paul Schwartz has organized a Buyer's Home Tour to help people working in West Bloomfield to identify and purchase a home within walking distance of their place of employment. He hopes the target clients will park or sell their cars and have some immunity from

the rising gas prices.

The tour is focused on the Fox Run Green Subdivision, featuring six-10 homes priced below \$300,000. Workplaces to be targeted are: Jewish Community Center Campus, Henry Ford Medical Center, Shenandoah Country Club, Temple Israel, West Bloomfield Convalescent Center, and others within 15-30 minutes walk.

The tour is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Oct. 25 at the Sully Sullivan Memorial Park on Walnut Lake Road, between Farmington and

Drake Roads. Registration will begin at 1p.m. or pre-registration is also available by contacting Paul Schwartz at (248) 539-7283 or paul4realtor@yahoo.com. Schwartz has also arranged for Lisa Boettcher, branch manager, Allied Home Mortgage Capital Corp., to be present to pre-approve buyers for a purchase mortgage.

Real Estate Portfolio

A presentation by John Ferguson sponsored by Real Estate Investors Assoc. of Oakland at 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, at Knights of Columbus Hall, 870 N. Main, Clawson. "How to build a diversified real estate portfolio without sacrificing time with your family and friends." Seminar free to members. \$20.00 nonmembers. Call (800) 747-6742 (www.REIAofOakland.org)

Education Seminars

The Building Association of Southeastern Michigan is sponsoring the following seminars:

■ Wednesday, Nov. 2 — "The Best Marketing for New Home Sales" at LaSalle Bank headquarters, 23600 W. Big Beaver in Troy. Registration is free for builders and new home sales reps. (248) 862-1033.

■ 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3 — "Contact/Time Management" at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Registration is \$20 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$40 for guests. (248) 862-1033.

■ 8:30 a.m. to noon Friday, Nov. 4 — Super Leasing Extravaganza seminar at AAM headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Registration fees are \$69 for Property Management Council members, \$79 for AAM or Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan members and \$99 for guests. (248) 862-1033.

■ 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 7, or 6-9 p.m. Nov. 10 and 17 and Dec. 1

and 8 — Builder's License Preparation Course at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Cost is \$200. (248) 862-1033.

■ noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9 — "Building the Dry Basement" at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Registration fees are \$20 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$40 for guests. Bring your own bag lunch.

■ 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9 — "Land Acquisition and Development in a Changing Market," at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Registration fee are \$20 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$40 for guests. (248) 862-1033.

■ 8:30-4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 9-10 — Seminar on "Essential Closing Strategies" at Charter One Bank, 1250 W. 14 Mile, Troy. Registration fees are \$149 for SMC members, \$169 for BIA members and \$180 for guests. (248) 862-1033.

■ 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15 — General membership meeting and discussion at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Registration fees are \$40 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$60 for guests.

■ noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16 — Roundtable discussion featuring 2005 Remodeler of the Year and industry veteran, Robert Johnson of Johnson Building Company, BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Cost is free to Remodelers Council Members and \$15 for guests. (248) 862-1008.

■ 8:30-10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16 — "Filling the Sales Pipeline" at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills.

Registration fee is \$20 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan and \$40 for guests. (248) 862-1033.

■ 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18 — "Insurance Reconstruction" at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Registration fees are \$140 for Remodelers Council Members and \$160 for BIA members and guests. (248) 862-1033.

■ 8 a.m. noon Tuesday, Nov. 22 — "Budget Management and Cost Control" at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Registration fee is \$145. (248) 862-1033.

■ 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29 — "Quality Construction" at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Registration fee is \$140 for Remodelers Council members and \$160 for BIA members and guests. (248) 862-1033.

How To Classes

Oakland Builders Institute will offer the following classes.

■ Builder's Pre-License Class — This course will help those who want to subcontract the construction of their own home, real estate investors, developers and building trades people.

Classes will be held 6-10 p.m., Monday/Wednesday, Oct. 24, 26, 31 and Nov. 2 at Berkshire Middle School, 21707 W. 14 Mile, Beverly Hills, \$190 plus \$20 textbook and sample questions fee, (248) 203-8800; 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday, Oct. 25, 27 and Nov. 1 and 3, at Andover High School, 4200 Andover Road, Room 133, \$199 plus \$20 for course textbook and sample questions, (248) 433-0885; 6:30-9:30 p.m. Monday/Wednesday, Oct. 17, 19, 24, 26, 31, at Kimball High School, 1500 Lexington, Royal Oak, \$199 plus \$20 textbook and sample questions, (248) 588-5050; and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday, Oct. 15-16, at the Best Western Concorde Inn of Rochester Hills 1919 Star-Batt Drive, Rochester Hills, (800) 940-2014.

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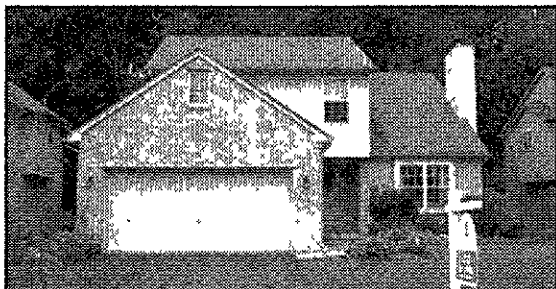
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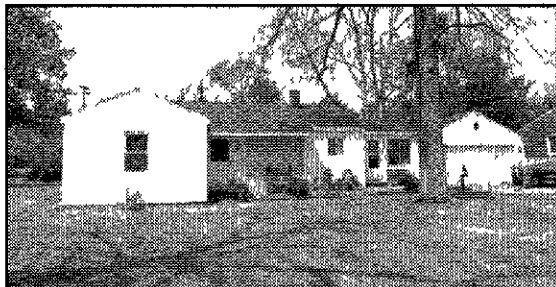
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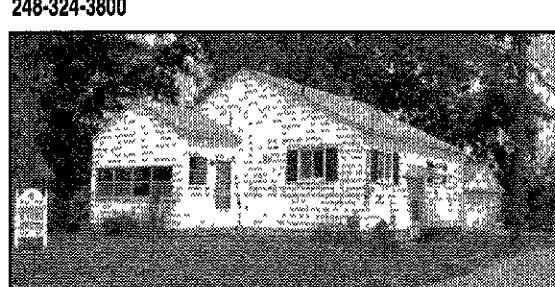
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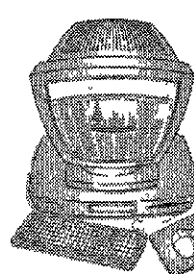
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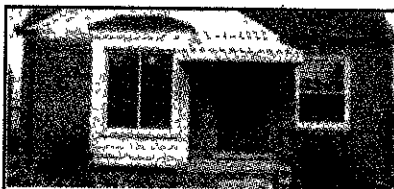
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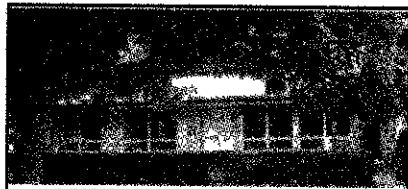
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LIVONIA Updated Ranch
Convenient location 3 bedroom, 1 bath ranch w/lots of updates including: roof, kitchen, crown moldings, hardwood floors living room and family room. 2 car garage, Livonia schools, one year home warranty.
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LIVONIA Non-Traditional Ranch
Rear find in Livonia! Open floor plan, cathedral ceilings, custom floor to ceiling windows. Bright and airy. Hardwood floors T/O. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, basement, move in condition. Beautiful.
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WAYNE Just Move In
This wonderful 4 bedroom cape cod has it all. Remodeled kitchen w/snack bar & track lighting, vinyl windows, steel entry doors, hardwood floors & remodeled bath. Brick paver walkway + 2 car garage.
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LIVONIA This Is The One!
Updated in 2005 this 3 bedroom ranch offers newer kitchen, bath, windows, hardwood floors, interior and exterior doors, vinyl siding, so much more and priced to sell.
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SOUTHFIELD Move-In Condition
Clean, bright and spacious 3 bedroom ranch with updated windows, shingles and exterior doors. Spacious family room, H2O 05. Appliances and home warranty also included.
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SOUTH LYON - Classic Custom Cape Cod
Two-toned cherry cabs, granite counters, upgraded trim and moulding T/O. Two-story GR w/large stone faced fireplace & custom mantle. 4 car gar insulated & finished. Park-like yard w/mature trees. 24 hole golf course.
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PLYMOUTH It's Ready For You
To move right in! This great 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch offers updated kitchen w/appls, hardwood floors, closet organizers, vinyl windows & roof. Finished basement w/full bath, privacy fence & newer landscaping.
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LIVONIA Nestled Deep In The Subl
This spacious home provides a tranquil setting within walking distance of schools. Updated garage door, kitchen, bath, lav, furn, A/C, roof, windows and more in this 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath brick ranch.
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HURON TWP. Gorgeous Cape Cod
On approx 1.75 acres. Built in 1997 offers master BR on main flr w/WIC & bath w/Jacuzzi tub. Eat-in kit w/island & double sided FP between FR & kit. FFL. 2 car att gar, above ground pool w/deck. Vaulted ceilings, den.
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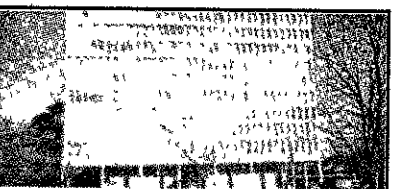
NOVI Super Condo
Exquisite! This one won't last. Impressive upgrades. Ground level 1 bedroom w/wheelchair access. Extra large bath. Neutral decor, freshly painted. View of woods. Shows like a model. Access to Walled Lake.
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WEST BLOOMFIELD Fabulous Walkout
Bring your fustiest buyer to this elegant colonial! Maple cabinets/kitchen, granite in all baths. 2-story family room w/wooded views. Newer deck & brick pavers. 3 car garage. Grand master suite. Freshly painted.
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Outstanding spacious ranch backing to private wooded setting. Move in condition, open floor plan, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car attached garage. Large master suite, large kitchen w/skylights, LVLGR combo. Quality upgrades.
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DEARBORN Lovely City Views
Lots of light in this end unit, along w/great layout, generous room sizes & storage. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, beautiful common pool & patio. All the comfort, ease & security you're looking for in tree setting.
(E00GAR) 734-455-5600 \$120,000



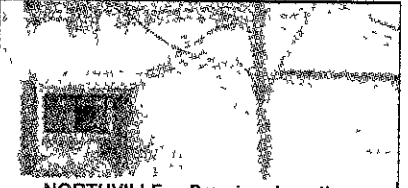
PLYMOUTH 1st Floor Condo
This updated condo offers all appls, newer C/A, windows, bath w/ceramic tile & jetted tub, common basement w/private storage & washer & dryer. Common pool & walking to downtown Plymouth.
(E99SHE) 734-455-5600 \$79,900



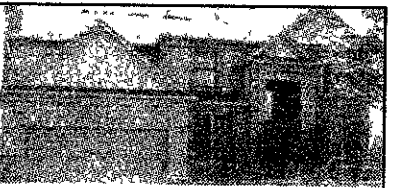
ROCHESTER HILLS Stunning Condo
3 BR, 2.5 BA condo w/attached garage into kitchen. Ground level 1 bedroom w/wheelchair access. Extra large bath. Neutral decor, freshly painted. View of woods. Shows like a model. Access to Walled Lake.
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LINCOLN PARK Great Area
3 BR, 2 BA bungalow w/full basement, oversized 2.5 car garage, Florida room, deck, large covered country porch, newer roof and C/A, all nestled in a quiet serene neighborhood in a desirable area.
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NORTHVILLE Premium Location
2 bedroom, 2 full & 2 half bath condo. Fin w/O has patio & view of tree area w/rock. Newer kit cabs, hwdw flr & appls incl. Double doorwall in LR & DR. Neutral carpet, FFL, att gar. Newer furn, C/A roof, 6 panel drs.
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CANTON Look No Further!
Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial w/2 story foyer, finished basement, 2 car attached garage, hardwood floors T/O kit, LR, FR, FR w/fireplace, 2nd floor laundry extra high ceilings on FR. Open flr plan from kit to FR.
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NORTHVILLE TWP. Spacious Colonial
On beautiful interior lot in Crestwood Manor. Everything from hardwood 2 story foyer w/winding staircase, to full profs fin bsmt. Formal DR, FR w/fireplace, den w/bay window, mstr ste w/WIC's & Jacuzzi, +2 car att gar.
(E10ROL) 734-455-5600 \$684,000



NOVI Ranch - Like New
Accessible w/no steps & 1 car attached garage. Double lot w/privacy fence & above-ground pool. Fresh paint & newer carpet. Jetted tub in master bath. 3 BR, 2 BA. Super location - near freeways, 12 Oaks & sch. Appls.
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GARDEN CITY Beautiful Home
Wonderful 3 BR cape cod sitting on double lot! Mature trees and shrubs accent this incredible home. You will love the spacious floor plan and many recent updates. Large kitchen and DR w/bay window. Home Warranty.
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CANTON Your Own Personal Resort
Offers a large 18x36 inground pool & nicely landscaped. Newer windows T/O, roof & living room bay window, finished basement & 2 car attached garage all offered in this spacious 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial. Must see.
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Affordable condo in Plymouth. Secure upper unit. Pool and clubhouse. Association dues cover gas and water. Kitchen sink and A/C wall unit in '05. Soooo affordable.
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CANTON Updated Sunflower Colonial
Beautifully updated & maintained 4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial w/lib, FF laund & tin bsmt. Newer roof, furn, master BR, lav, All newer windows & doors. Custom shed in fenced yard. Furn & air cleaner '02. FR w/frp/c & wet bar.
(E72ADM) 248-349-5600 \$279,800



NOVI Spectacular Custom Home
Beautifully detailed - offers 4 spacious bedrooms, 4.5 baths. Master suite features fireplace, 2 WIC & granite bath. Gourmet kitchen w/Viking stove, Sub Zero frig. Walkout LL w/hot tub, sauna & full granite kit.
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CANTON One Of 'Sunflower's' Finest
Back to Fellows Creek. Lg MBR. Prof designed brick paver entry. Leaded glass window above entry door. Finished basement & great storage. Premium lot. Oversized kit w/island. Covered screened porch off kit.
(E99MOR) 248-349-5600 \$354,900



WESTLAND Livonia Schools
3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch offers hardwood floors, finished basement, updated, Florida room leads to patio and fenced yard. Nicely landscaped, dining L or eat-in kitchen.
(E05HUB) 734-455-5600 \$162,900



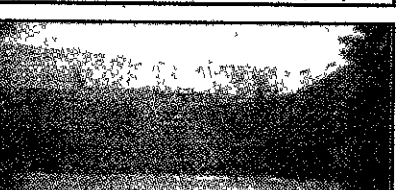
WESTLAND Extra Clean All Brick Ranch
This 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch with an updated kitchen, newer windows, and finished basement is priced to sell. Basement has possible 4th bedroom, game room and bath!



CANTON Sparkling Home
Very well taken care of spacious colonial. Wonderful 4 seasons' room, adorable patio and large yard. Appliances stay. Roof tear off in 2000. Call today! You will not be disappointed.
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NORTHVILLE Walking Distance To Town
Contemporary condo w/many upgrades. Hardwood floors, heated floor in master bath. Large WIC, finished LL w/O. Two large bedrooms, 2 car attached garage on a wooded setting. All appliances. Large deck off DR.
(E00MOU) 248-349-5600 \$320,500



SOUTH LYON Ranch Condo
55+ ranch condo w/clubhouse and beach on Crooked Lake. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, newer carpet and paint. C/A, Florida room, finished basement and covered porch.
(E69CAM) 248-349-5600 \$122,000



LIVONIA Wonderfully Updated Home
Lovely home features wood floors in LR, DR & kitchen. All appls stay. FR w/natural fireplace & doorwall leads to patio & park-like yard. Updates galore includes furn w/elec filtration, roof, bath, siding, most windows, C/A.
(E95SUN) 734-455-5600 \$239,900



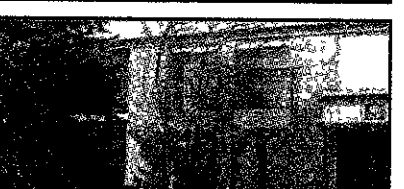
PLYMOUTH Quaint Bungalow
This home features a library off master bedroom, nice bath, vintage woodwork, alcove, hardwood floors, wet plaster walls, covered ceilings, niche, archedways and so much more!
(E50PAC) 734-455-5600 \$229,700



NOVI Spacious Colonial
4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home. Open kitchen to dinette and family room w/fireplace. MBR w/Jacuzzi tub, library, bonus room for playroom, guests or hobbies. Deck includes hot tub. Homeowners warranty.
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WEST BLOOMFIELD Designer Perfect!
House beautiful on a wooded cul-de-sac! Maple cabs, granite and hardwood in this cooks delight kitchen. Grand master suite w/luxury bath, Jack and Jill guest suite, private backyard and 3 car garage.
(E43CHE) 248-349-5600 \$699,900



LIVONIA Immaculate Condo
2 bedroom, 1.5 bath w/newer carpet, updated kit, custom molding & spacious open flr plan. Lg utility rm, newer appls. Cust lighting, Carport & screened-in patio. Custom window treatments. Clubhouse w/pool & gym.
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DEARBORN Lovely 2 Family Home
Spacious clean & updated 2 family home offers 2 bedrooms, furnished eat-in kitchen, large living room, full bath + C/A, newer furnace & HWH & 1/2 of the basement for each unit. A wonderful income property.
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This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home will draw you in with it's gorgeous landscaping, dusk-to-dawn lighting and in-ground sprinklers. Newly finished hardwood floors/newer carpet & ceramic tile. 1 year warranty.
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SOUTH LYON Newer Cape
Beautiful, newer 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath home. Has cathedral ceilings, nice masters suite/large maple kitchen, FFL, formal dining room, library, 9' ceilings, attached 2 car garage, huge, unfinished LL.
(E68GRE) 248-349-5600 \$345,900



DEARBORN HGTs. Just Pack Your Bags!
This 3 bedroom brick ranch home is move-in ready. Updated carpet, paint, electrical and much more. Super location! Garage, fenced yard, appliances and one year home warranty included. Quick occupancy, better hurry.
(E79MCK) 248-349-5600 \$114,900



NOVI The Bee In The West
Convenient location to x-way s& shopping! Awesome 2 BR ranch condo - only attached by garage. Everything's been done: maple kit, bath, HW floors, furn, windows. Lots of storage. Open floor plan w/vaulted ceiling.
(E10GLE) 248-349-5600 \$123,900



REDFORD Pride Of Ownership
Beautifully decorated 3 bedroom, 2 full bath, all brick ranch w/tons of updates: kitchen, bath, windows, roof tear off & newer deck. All this + 2.5 car garage, partially finished basement, most appls & a HPP.
(E59LUC) 734-455-5600 \$152,900



FARMINGTON HILLS Fantastic Cape Cod
Freshly painted! Newer hardwood flooring in foyer, hall & formal DR. GR w/nat brick FP vaulted ceiling opens to lib/FR & formal DR. Sunny kit w/loads of cupboards. Fin bsmt w/elec room, play room & cedar closet.
(E26BRI) 734-455-5600 \$305,900



NOVI Rare Find In Novi
Sprawling ranch on approx 1/2 acre wooded lot. Large floor plan w/many updates. Full basement, 2 car attached garage. Fresh paint. Formal living room and dining room. Huge FR w/fireplace. Novi schs. Warranty.
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CANTON Ranch End Unit
Great location. Newer windows, carpet, neutral T/O. Spacious living room, children's play area. Plymouth Canton schools. Why pay rent, when you can own. A must see.
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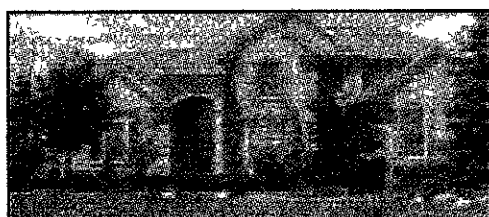


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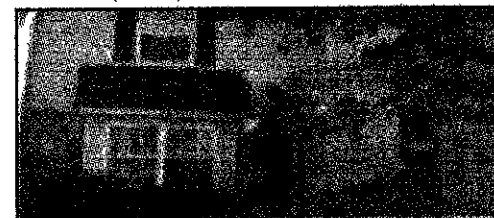
GARDEN CITY 734-591-9200
Gorgeous tastefully decorated dream home. Liv rm with nat fireplace, din rm w/doorwall to lrg deck. Main flr Indry rm. MBR w/WIC & bath, and much more! (25123739) \$236,500



DEARBORN 248-348-6430
BEAUTIFUL 4 BR CAPE COD Kit w/table space opens to FR w/nat frpic. Brk paver patio. C/A 2.5 baths. Partly fin bsmt. 1st flr BR. 349-6200 (25080502) \$229,500



LIVONIA 734-591-9200
Affordable brick ranch North of Five Mile. Ever popular Country Homes Sub offers, 3BR brick ranch w/fin bsmt, 2 car gar & costly updates T/O. Interior lot. (25100660) \$210,900



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WAYNE 734-326-2000
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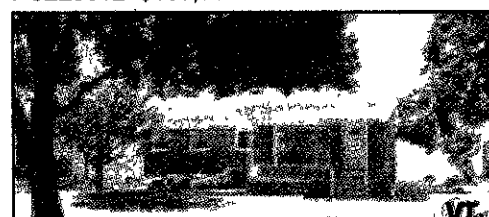
LIVONIA 248-348-6430
BEAUTIFUL BACKYARD Relax & enjoy Koi Pond, fountain, deck & gorgeous gardens. Super 4 bdrm ranch w/many updates t/o including fin bsmt, newer roof & wndws. 349-6200 (25096833) \$188,800



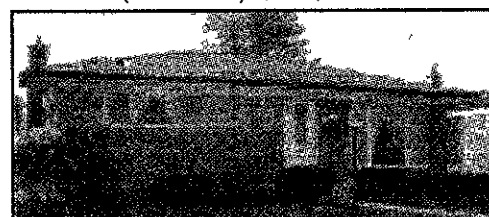
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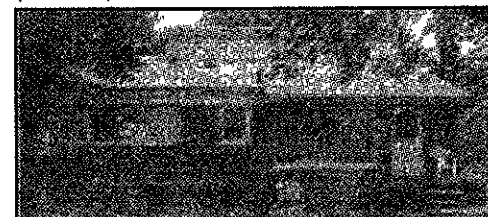
DEARBORN 248-348-6430
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WESTLAND 734-591-9200
Great Starter home 3 BR, 1.5 BA Liv schools, walk to parks, schools & churches. Clean & neat neighborhood. Finished basement w/wet bar & pool table. Large deck w/hot tub (25131493) \$164,900



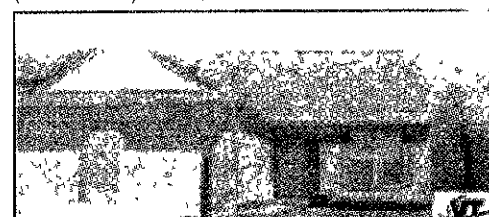
INKSTER 734-326-2000
5 ROOMY BEDROOMS & 2 BATHS for the growing family, many updates including kitchen & baths. Wayne-Westland schools. (S297) PC220192 \$159,900



WESTLAND 248-348-6430
COMFY AND COZY HOME Lovely home w/a light & bright kit & brkfst area, comfortable FR, charming LR, 3 bdrms, 1.5 baths, newer roof, some hrdwd flrs, fenced yard & sidewalks. 349-6200 (25110676) \$159,900



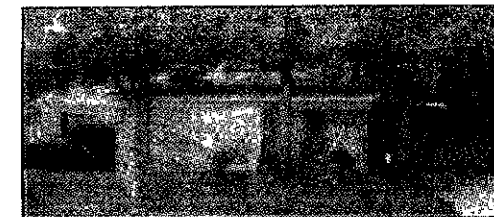
REDFORD 734-591-9200
Lots of home for the money! 3 BR brick ranch, 2.5 BAs, full basement, and enclosed breezeway to attached garage. Put this one on your list to see. (25133401) \$158,900



CANTON 248-348-6430
HUNTERS GROVE CONDO W/COURT LOCATION! Well maintained end unit w/ neutral decor. GR w/vaulted ceiling & gas frpic. Huge loft/bdrm. Bright kitchen. All appliances. 349-6200 (25138703) \$152,500



NORTHVILLE 248-349-6200
CLEAN AS A WHISTLE, NEAT AS A PIN Many updates include kit, custom lighting, ceramic tile, carpeting & vinyl replacement windows, all in beautiful Highland Lakes complex. 348-6430 (25114288) \$149,900



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CRESTWOOD SCHOOLS Sharp, updated 3 bedroom mch w/attached 2 car garage. 2 Sided FP in LR, completely updated kit w/ pergo fir, new windows, carpet, paint, driveway. Spacious rms. (W255) \$147,000



REDFORD 248-348-6430
3 BR RANCH CLOSE TO SCHOOLS Freshly painted, newer carpet, kit flr, windows & a/c make this home move-in ready. Full fin bsmt, 2 car det gar in fenced yard. All this at a bargain price. 349-6200 (25139161) \$142,500



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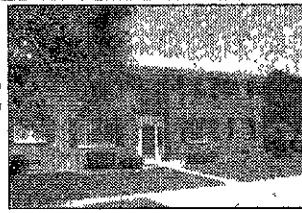
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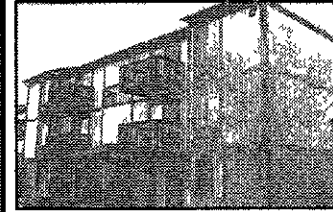
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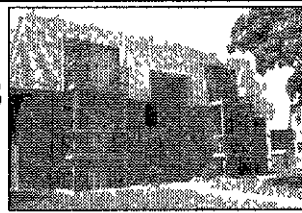
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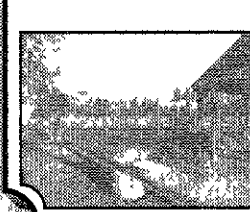
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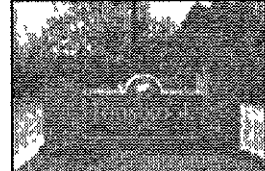
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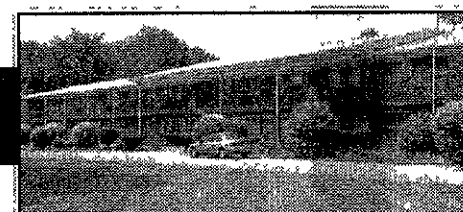
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PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY FIRE DEPARTMENT PART-TIME FIREFIGHTER

The Charter Township of Plymouth is currently accepting applications for the position of Part-Time Firefighter/Paramedic. Applicants must be a certified Michigan Fire-fighter level I and II. Those applying for Paramedic must have a valid license issued by the State of Michigan.

Applications are available in the Clerk's Office, Building #3 Charter Township of Plymouth, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Michigan 48170. During regular business hours 8:00am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday. Application will not be mailed.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/ PURCHASING CLERK
Experienced in job cost shop. Benefits. Resume to P.O. Box 1513, Troy, MI 48069-1513.

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

All Students \$14.50 base-appl.
Ideal for students, customer sales/service, cond. exist. must be 17 & older. Call (248) 426-4405

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
For Detroit Country Day School. NATABOC certification required. CSCS or PES certification and a familiarity with IMPACT concussion testing preferred. Submit resume to: HR Mgr. 22305 West 13 Mile Rd., Beverly Hills, MI 48025, or fax 248-646-2458 or email hr@dcds.edu

AUTO BODY TECHNICIAN
CRESTWOOD DODGE (734) 421-5700

AUTOMOTIVE MECHANICS & MANAGER
Great pay & benefits to the right person with automotive & sales experience. Contact Marty today at 734-574-1185

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AUTO MECHANIC ASSISTANT
Large service contractor is looking for an auto mechanic's assistant to help support company's growing service vehicle fleet. Job duties include performing vehicle oil and filter changes, unskilled vehicle preventive maintenance under the supervision of lead mechanic and general shop cleaning. Benefits available include health, 401(K), profit sharing. Interested applicants should apply online at www.ajdanhouse.com or in person at 31015 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills, MI 48336

AUTO TECHNICIANS
CRESTWOOD DODGE (734) 421-5700

AUTO MECHANIC
Certified, experienced. No weekends, busy shop. Call Stu 734-422-0320

BARBER
Fulltime Good opportunity in Bloomfield Hills. Call at 248-626-9717

Birmingham Family YMCA
Seeking outgoing and social individuals for hourly part-time positions available opening days and weekends.
•Front Desk
•Youth Sports Site Supervisors
•Preschool Enrichment Teacher
•Personal Trainers
Come fill out an application at 400 E Lincoln St-Birmingham

Boring Mill Operator CNC/MANUAL
Exp'd only need apply Day shift, top pay, benefits. Livonia area. (734) 425-3920

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Experienced only need apply, day shift, top pay, benefits. Livonia area. (734) 425-3920

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State of the art Tool & Die related Company is in need of entry level or experienced CAD operators. Ambitious individual should must have CAD experience and general machining knowledge. Position includes full benefits package, 13 paid holidays and great career and advancement opportunity. E.O.E.
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43936 Plymouth Oaks Blvd.
Plymouth, MI 48170
Fax (734) 416-2200
Email
cad@moellerpunch.com
www.moellerpunch.com

CARPENTER - Experienced Kitchen and Bath home improvement carpenter. Must have own transportation. Fax resumes to 248-543-0017 or call 248-895-0890

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3 yrs. experience. Must have own truck. Call: (586) 295-9358

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CHILD CARE PROFESSIONAL NEEDED
•Pre-School Head Teacher
•Pre K Head Teacher
•Transitional Pre-School Head Teacher
Learn While You Earn! The Learning Tree offers employees an Education reimbursement program, on-site training along with 401K Retirement Plan. Medical/Dental Benefits Paid Vacation/Holidays, and Personal Days. Raise Reviews BiYearly Bonus Program. Call 734-261-1951 or apply in person.

CHILD CARE HELPER
Needed for Days or Nights. Must be 18. Full time experience required. 734-891-2973

CARPENTERS RESIDENTIAL ROUGH
Must have at least 5 yrs exp. Call Ryan 734-637-2669

CLEANERS NEEDED
Part time evenings Mon.-Fri., Canton Area. Call 734-479-0550 Ext. 940

CLEANING OFFICES
Novi Mon-Fri. 6-9pm, Sat. 10am-1pm \$8.50/hr Exp 734-981-3541

When seeking out the best deal check out the Observer & Eccentric Classifieds! 1-800-579-7355

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CONSTRUCTION WORKERS
Immediate full time employment opportunities in the growing field of thin brick and cultured stone construction. Union job with benefits. Position avail. at all installation levels. Will train. Must pass a physical with a drug screening. We are a 35 year old employee owned (ESOP) company. Interested applicants should fax resumes to: 313-538-8224 Attn Mike Yetter

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Director of Environmental Services
To manage all Laundry, Housekeeping, Floor Care & Maintenance operations. Must have experience in supervising 20+ union employees, preferably in a Skilled Nursing Facility. Must have knowledge in HVAC, plumbing and electrical systems. Excellent benefits with 5 weeks vacation. Apply in person to: Farmington Health Care Center, 34225 Grand River Farmington, MI 48335 (248) 477-7373

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DON'T MISS
Career MarketPlace on the front cover of the Employment section for more careers!
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DRIVERS
Trucking company looking for Semi and Train Drivers w/ dump experience only. Call Mon-Fri. 9am-4:30pm (734) 455-4036

USA TRUCK®
Has A PAY INCREASE!
\$1,000 Sign On Offered For Experienced OTR Drivers! Dedicated &

'SEASONED CITIZENS' SAVOR FREELANCE WRITING



WORKWISE
by Mildred L. Culp

Bob Pastorio of Swoope, Va., in the Shenandoah Valley, majored in English with French, philosophy and

bio-science minors. After a crushing motorcycle accident, he decided in 1986 to become a freelance writer. He subsequently worked in hospitality and edited a glossy regional publication called "The Virginian." A heart attack in 1988 sent him back home again. Now 64, he comments, "Freelancing has led to some very interesting places."

Diane Leatherman, who majored in Education, retired from her position as executive director of Friends of the Library in Montgomery County (Md.). She has written for two magazines, "Advancing Philanthropy" and "Momento," published by the Catholic Education Association. "I (also) cover, among others, an historical African-American cemetery," the 67-year-old says.

This type of work is conducive to "seasoned citizens," a phrase coined by Peter Bowerman, who want to be or who are working retired. The commute is ideal -- just down the hall; the flexibility and adaptability of the work, incomparable.

Bowerman, a sales and marketing whiz, wrote a fast-paced first book called "The Well-Fed Writer" (Fanove, \$19.95). Highlight throughout; go back over and mark the pages that are most relevant.

The author maintains that "seasoned citizens" have an extremely important asset -- experience -- which you can "re-direct . . . into a profitable writing direction." He's on target. Leatherman developed a long list of contacts she could use, while Pastorio brought marketing experience and knowledge of foodservice and nutrition. He muses over his co-hosted two-hour radio program, a marketing strategy requested of him for a local farmers' market and an invitation to contribute to Oxford University Press's "Encyclopedia of Food and Drink in America."

How can freelancers become well-fed? Bowerman's subsequent "The Well-Fed Writer: Back for Seconds" (Fanove, \$19.95) celebrates the fact that its author built "a livelihood in a field (commercial freelance writing) in which I had no industry background, no prior paid experience and virtually no contacts," during a recession, no less. It's one that doesn't require graphics or detailed computer skills. He uncovers out-of-the-way places to find assignments. By the time you master both of his books, you'll know the difference between end-users (corporations) and middle men (agencies, such as PR or advertising),

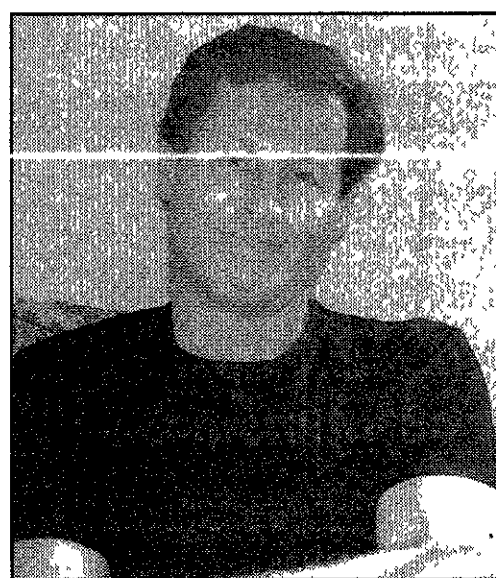
and which job titles to seek out for opportunities. You'll also know high and low work cycles and how to counter them.

After digesting the two "Well-Fed" books, keep reading. No one person can tell you everything you need to know about cracking and thriving in this field. "The Renegade Writer: A Totally Unconventional Guide to Freelance Writing Success" (Marion Street Press, \$19.95), by authorial duo Linda Formichelli and Diana Burrell, will turn your belief system upside down. All a freelancer does is write? Nope. Sell, at least half time. Use the Web to find sources, apportioned at two per 500 words. You'll get connected with one precious contact at a time. The book is filled with humor and information from younger voices, making it a delight to read.

TIME OUT

None of the books mentioned here qualifies as good literature. They're more like how-to books, self-published. Their autobiographical slant can get a little tiring, as the authors detail what they did to get where they are.

However, the information and tips they present will motivate you to become a freelancer -- or not, as Rob Bennett discusses in "Passion Saving" (The Freedom Store, \$24), if status or socializing belong in your daily routine.



Peter Bowerman author of "The Well Fed Writer", coined the phrase, "Seasoned Citizens".

If you hate typing, picking up the telephone, revising copy and promoting yourself, this may not be the new career for you. Bennett caps his freelancing at \$10,000 per year, but he's also selling products. Is that working retired? You bet, for him.

The whole idea is to recognize that there are infinite possibilities for you in freelancing, if you'll only spot them and go to work.

(Dr. Mildred L. Culp comments upon the workplace in national media. Copyright 2005 Passage Media.)

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•CNC Gear Form Grinder
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Delta Research/Tilco Gear
32971 Capital
Phone: (734) 261-6400
Fax: (734) 261-0909

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Starting at \$10/hr. Must have
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Plymouth 734-563-8976

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W/Art Director & Adobe
inDesign skills. Must PDF
resume to office9@gmail.com

GRINDER HAND
For tool & fixture work 7 yrs
minimum exp. Surface grind-
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time, benefits 734-522-4780

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70% or Chair Rental
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wth opportunity. Full/part time
Guaranteed hourly wages +
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RESOURCE
MANAGER
Singh is seeking a full time
Human Resource Manager
to work with in a fun and
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Successful candidates must
have at least 2 yrs of human
resource exp. a bachelor's
degree and exceptional
knowledge of computers
including MS Word and
Excel. Must be a self-starter
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with advanced communica-
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Send resumes to
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on the front cover of
the Employment
section for more
careers!
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INSURANCE
Exp. producer needed for
Nationwide Insurance Office
opening in Royal Oak P&C
and L&H licenses required.
Email resume &
compensation requirements:
kevinflynngrp@hotmail.com

INSURANCE CSR
Farmington Hills agency seek-
ing per lines CSR with some
marketing exp. P & C license
preferred. Flexible hours 2/3
days. Room for growth.
Fax resume to 248-851-6287
or Call 248-851-3901

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20 Positions Available. Even-
ing & Days Part Time. Up to
\$8/hour to start. Auburn Hills,
Troy, Novi, and Plymouth
areas 248-912-1200

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Mature individuals part time
days/eves hrs, 2-3 days/week.
Commercial building in
Livonia/Plymouth area. Call
734-522-0983 9a-5p, Mon-Fri
734-283-6934

LANDSCAPE CO. - Looking
for foreman (m/f) & experi-
enced laborers. Full time. Call
248-489-5955, 248-521-8818

LAUNDRY ATTENDANT
In Romulus, Atwick & Wayne
Rds. Part time, flexible hours
Ideal for retired person. Call
313-278-6745

LEASING AGENT
Full Time for Canton Apts.
Leasing / Customer Service
exp. preferred May work
Saturdays 734-455-7200

LEASING AGENT
Full Time for Westland Apts.
Leasing / Customer Service
exp preferred May work
Saturdays. 734-455-7200

LEASING CONSULTANT
Full-time, for luxury Dearborn
Heights area apt community.
Customer service experience
preferred. Great opportunity
for right person. Please fax
resume to (313) 274-1927

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LEASING AGENT
Needed for Apartment
Complex in Farmington
and in Pontiac. Minimum
two (2) years housing
experience req. Housing
experienced applicants
fax your resume to:
(248) 356-3509

LIGHT & HEAVY
MANUFACTURING
Full time with mechanical and
computer skills needed.
Non-smoking preferred.
Please send resume to:
M. Collins
K. J. Manufacturing
4853 West Rd.
Livonia, MI 48333
Fax: 248-624-4525 Email:
mcollins@2industries.com
No Phone Calls Preferred!

LUBE TECH
Needed. Must have experi-
ence working in a quick lube
Competitive pay
Call 734 637 5648 and I/m

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MODIFICATION
Working foreman skilled fac-
tor hydraulic electrical
machining. Consistent in-
dividual for small company. 10
years experience. Full benefits
NW Area Fax resume/work
history to 248-474-5199

MACHINISTS,
MACHINE BUILDERS,
ELECTRICAL PANEL WIRING
For Growing Machine Builder
Some tools required. Full-time
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Full Time for Canton Apts.
Must have own tools.
734-455-7200

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In
With
Classifieds!
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MAINTENANCE
Needed for Novi apt. com-
munities. Must have basic
skills in plumbing, carpen-
try, HVAC & electrical.
Must have ability to pass a
background check and
valid driver's license. Apt
available after 30 days,
includes benefits and
advancement opportunity
Call Liz at
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have a min of 2-4 yrs experi-
ence in apartment mainte-
nance. Must be HVAC certified
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Excellent pay with benefits
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5955 Edinborough Canton, MI
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Village Green Companies,
one of the area's fastest
growing property manage-
ment firms, has an
immediate opportunity for
an experienced Mainte-
nance Technician for our
Troy apartment community.
All phases of maintenance
experience required includ-
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repair. HVAC preferred.
Excellent benefits, bonus,
housing discounts, training
programs and opportunity
for growth and advance-
ment.
For consideration
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Village Green Companies,
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management and owner-
ship of luxury apartment
communities has an
immediate opportunity for
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service-oriented Mainte-
nance Technician for our
Oak Park townhome
community. All phases of
maintenance experience
required including electri-
cal, plumbing, drywall and
appliance repair. Excellent
benefits, bonus, housing
discounts, training pro-
grams and opportunity for
growth and advancement.
Fax resume to
(248) 547-6808
or send via email
hun@villagegreen.com
EOE
Explore villagegreen.com

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10 years min exp. Own tools
Competitive pay. Full benefits
Overtime. Wayne area.
Fax resume to 734-729-6446

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ASC Certified or Sate
Licensed mechanic needed in
Livonia. Competitive pay
Call 734 637 5648 and I/m

MECHANIC
5 yrs. experience necessary in
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ing applications for a fulltime,
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Salary \$17.22 to \$20.46/hour,
+ benefits. For application &
info www.aaps.k12.mi.us or
apply at Ann Arbor Public
Schools reception desk 2555
South St., Ann Arbor, EOWAE

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Part-Time
Plymouth Goodyear seek-
ing Sales Help for afternoon
+ evening hours. Perfect for
college student. Call Bob
South at: (734) 455-7800

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Loan Officers
West Bloomfield office grow-
ing. Pay up to 65% on compa-
ny-generated, live, local leads.
Call Patrick:
248-932-4080 ext. 249

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full time, heavy duty parts
exp. helpful Computer exp.
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or 248-935-7358 Vicky

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care center, exp. preferred
CDA or Early childhood
degree. Call 248-553-4656 or
fax resume to: 248-553-3962

TEACHERS
The West Bloomfield
School District
is currently advertising
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BUSINESS
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Required qualifications:
Current Michigan certification
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BD & VT endorsements

Posting Dates:
Oct. 13 - Oct. 19, 2005
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Call 248-955-6426
or Submit **scannable resume**
to: OHRC@Oakland.k12.mi.us

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EARLY CHILDHOOD
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getic, teacher for growing
school. Must have early child-
hood exp. Please fax resume
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Detroit MI 48209

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for
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BLOOMFIELD HILLS Huge Garage Sale! Furniture, home decor, collectibles, priced to sell! Sat. only 9-4 30pm 3801 N. Adams, 3/4 of mile N of Big Beaver, W of Adams.

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CANTON 7509 Charrington, N. of Warren btwn. Sheldon & Canton Center. Oct. 13-14-15, 8:30-4pm. Tools, furniture & household.

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DETROIT NW Multi-family Sale! Furniture (tables, chairs, dressers, etc.), small appliances, computer stuff (printers, CDs, software), household items, coats, and more! Fri. & Sat., 10-14 & 15, 9am-3pm, 14804 Piedmont, corner of Eton, Rosedale Park.

FARMINGTON HILLS Multi-family sale Pines of Farmington Hills Sub, N. of 10 Mile, btwn Orchard Lake and Middlebelt. Thurs-Sat., 9-5p.

FARMINGTON HILLS Artist treasures, antiques, furniture, & fun. 25345 Brookview, btwn Middlebelt & Orchard Lk., off 11 Mile Oct. 14-16, 9-6pm

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FARMINGTON HILLS - Big, Big! Something for everyone! 20937 Inkster Road, 1 1/2 blks N. of 8, 9am-7pm. Fri.-Sun.

FARMINGTON HILLS: TANA HILL GARAGE SALE Sat., Oct. 15, 8am-2pm, N side of Grand River, 1/2 mile W. of Farmington Rd.

FERNDALE Estate/Garage Sale 731 Pearson Saturday, 10-15-05

GARDEN CITY Collectibles, antiques, furniture and housewares. Oct. 15, 10-4pm, Oct. 16, 11-3pm. 28436 Donnelly

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LIVONIA 14123 Hubbard, W. of Hubbard, S. of Lyndon. Oct. 14-15, 9-5pm. Household furnishings & garden things.

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LIVONIA 18600 Laurel, Thurs. & Fri., 9am-5pm. Furniture, household, games, misc.

LIVONIA - Thur, Fri., Sat., Oct. 13, 14, 15, 9am-5pm. 14446 Yale, between Schoolcraft & 5, Levan & Farmington.

LIVONIA 36701 W. Six Mile. Thurs-Sun, 9am-5pm. Lots of furniture, Home furnishings, things/Art, everything else, including teaching aids, books

LIVONIA - GARAGE SALE 17260 Levan, N. of 6 Mile, Oct. 13-16, 10-5pm Collectibles, toys, Elvins, Avon, coins, postcards, old sport cards, radios, jewelry, misc.

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REDFORD 11774 Farley, N of Plymouth Rd., E of Beach. Daily. Women Plus size clothing, household items & misc. Fri. 12-6pm, Sat. 10-5pm.

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The 2006 Mazda Miata MX5

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BY DALE BUSS

Mazda is eager to get the word out about its new 2006 Mazda MX-5, and it's little wonder: This tiny two-seat gadabout is about as fun to drive as they come, and when you can put the top down as I was able to do during summer's last embers, there is little in automotive experience to beat the sensation.

Mazda introduced the MX-5 - its name around the world, now - as the Miata in 1989, and it was an instant sensation with "discretionary" car buyers in America. It had a look and a tiny stature that were reminiscent off the British roadsters of the Fifties and Sixties, with a bit of Japanese flair - and manufacturing quality that the British-built cars never could approach. Miata, now the MX-5 Miata, has been a consistent brand standard-bearer for Mazda during the intervening years.

And the new 2006 version is no exception. Its enhancements include extensive use of high-tension steel which has increased the car's "torsional rigidity" by 47% -- meaning that MX-5 is still the same sleek, svelte car that it's always been, and one that is highly responsive to the driver, but that it now weighs less.

All the better for Mazda's all-aluminum, 170-horsepower, two-liter, 16-valve engine, which serves up more power, control and exhilaration than even previous generations of the car did. With 20% more horsepower, MX-5 still is able to deliver nearly seamlessly sufficient torque throughout the power band. Replacing the 1.8-liter, 142-horsepower base engine from last year, the new aluminum powerplant generates fuel mileage of 23 mpg in the city and 30 mpg on the highway, which is an increasingly significant factor with automotive consumers.

One of the car's biggest advantages always has been the feeling of unity that it has produced with the driver. Now, you could argue that is easy



The Mazda MX5 gets 30 mpg on the highway and 23 mpg in the city.

to do when barely a foot separates the driver's posterior from the road surface as he or she is whizzing down the highway. But MX-5 also manages to create this feeling with agile handling and a tenacious grip on the road that have become the car's hallmarks. That is thanks to a track-proven double-wishbone front-end suspension, a responsive multilink rear suspension, hollow stabilizer bars fore and aft, and gas-charged shocks.

Balance and cornering are wonderful. Whatever MX-5 may give up to other roadsters in pure burst, it partially makes up in just how supple and subtle its handling can be, especially with the six-speed manual transmission in the \$25,000 version I drove.

Now, none of this is to say that MX-5 doesn't have some inherent limitations. Of course, the car is tiny, and it's a two-seater. The trunk is barely adequate for two or three satchels, much less full-size suitcases or a bag of golf clubs. And while the new MX-5 is about an inch and a half wider than before, it's not enough to make the vehicle feel spacious inside. So you've got to live with that if you want to have all the fun.

And when you're zipping around in the MX-5 on a dark night just before deer-hunting season begins, with suspicions that one of the huge

beasts might come darting out at you at any moment, it sure would be more comforting to be in, say, a Hummer.

However, Mazda has managed to engineer more amenities into this new version, including two cupholders in the middle console and even bottle holders in the doors. And when you're out for a drive, even with a passenger, the feeling is more cozy than claustrophobic. Chalk all of these trepidations up to the expectations for roominess that have been created over the last several years by mammoth SUVs.

MX-5 sports one feature that I believe is unique, and it certainly is so among the convertibles I've driven over the last few years: a cloth top that is quick and easy to remove and re-attach manually, even with one hand! The car's light little top is secured to the top of the windshield by a single powerful latch. You unhook it and - voila! - you can accordion back the roof to the rear of the passenger compartment in just seconds, with no motor assistance. Then you just as easily secure the cover there with another latch.

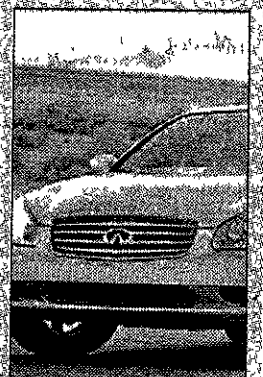
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Another reason to check out this new Mazda.

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