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Chinese firm, 200 jobs coming to town

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

It's the kind of business that brings with it good jobs with healthy paychecks, and at the same time doesn't bring negative impact on the community where it sets up shop. And it looks like it's coming to Canton.

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano announced Thursday afternoon that Century Automotive, a division of the China-based Tempo Group, will soon open a research and development facility in Canton. Ficano made the announcement from China, where he is on a trade mission

with the Detroit Regional Chamber.

"From what we understand, the company had been looking at south-east Michigan for some time, and decided, based on a number of factors, that Canton is where they want to be," said Sharon Banks, Ficano's press secretary. "I understand that they have selected a site where they'd like to locate, but at this time we don't have details."

What the executive does know is that Century Automotive plans to build a 425,000-square-foot facility within the next few years. The facility will employ approximately 200 people, Ficano said after meeting with

Tianbao Zhou, the founder and chairman of Tempo Group.

Research and development facilities are the types of businesses that local and state officials have been trying to attract.

"It is a great asset to a community to have research and development businesses," said Canton Trustee Melissa McLaughlin, who also serves on the planning commission and the Downtown Development Authority. "They usually bring with them high-quality, well-paid jobs, and the corporate entity is a clean industrial user, rather than a smokestack user."

The impact on the community is

generally positive, she said, in that the facility is usually attractive, and there's no heavy truck traffic, and the employees who land the new jobs frequently live in the community, so the economic impact is even greater.

Further, research and development facilities seem to be somewhat more stable in a touchy economy.

"That's just my guess, but it seems like they're not as susceptible to economic swings because they're in the business of long-term product development, rather than immediate production needs," she said.

Though township officials said the news was good news, details about

the location Tempo has selected or its client base have yet to be disclosed.

"To be honest, I don't know exactly where a facility of that size would go," said Planning Director Jeff Goulet. "I haven't heard anything specific, but that's not to say there isn't property of that size available." He added that a 425,000-square-foot building would likely require 30 acres of property.

The main building at the Yazaki North America headquarters property at Haggerty and Warren is 411,000 square feet and it's situated on 27 acres.

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House OKs cell phone ban for teens in cars

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Rita Marrow has a 15-year-old daughter, and the "talk" between the Canton Township mother and her daughter has already been held.

"We've already had that discussion," said Marrow. "She won't be using a cell phone in the car. I told her how dangerous it is, and it only takes a split second to get into a car accident."

"I don't use a cell phone in the car," added Marrow. "I don't think anybody should use a cell phone while driving."

Marrow's daughter hasn't even scheduled driver's education class yet. However, by the time she gets her driving permit, the state may reinforce the lessons

her mother has already taught her.

The state House passed legislation that would bar drivers younger than 18 from using cell phones and other interactive devices while driving. If passed by the Senate and signed by the governor, teens caught chatting on cell phones could receive a \$50 fine.

The legislation bars only hand-held devices, which means hands-free cell phone connections would be legal.

"Me being a teenager, my first impression would be to say it's not a good law because I use a cell phone when I drive," said Kelsey Mattea, 16, a Plymouth

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New high school search narrowed down to two sites

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

The preferred sites for a new high school in Belleville have been narrowed down to two, and the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education could select a site as early as Monday. Then will come the hard part - getting voters in the district to approve paying for construction, which will cost at least \$97 million.

"We've been getting a

steady stream of e-mail and phone messages from residents throughout the district," said Superintendent Pete Lazaroff. The district also held six town hall meetings to gather information from residents. On Tuesday about 10 people showed up in spite of a power outage, and Wednesday approximately 25 attended. There has been fairly equal resident support for each of the two sites - one at

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Amanda and Josh Kline pose with Bob 'Frankenstein' Boyer during the Canton Community Foundation's 'Scary Night at the Movies' Thursday at Emagine Theatre.



Pint-sized Captain Hook, Peter Merckx, is ready for the costume contest during the Scary Night at the Movies event Thursday.

Now that's scary 'Spooky' benefit draws 400 people, will aid youth programs in community

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

The Emagine Theatre played host to pirates, Frankenstein and an assortment of other monsters Thursday evening. And not just the ones on the silver screen.

Roughly 400 people, including many costume-clad children, attended the Canton Community Foundation's second annual "Imagine a Scary Night at the Movies" event, which benefited the Canton Youth Advisory Council.

The evening included a costume contest for children 12 and younger, a taste fest featuring the food from 11 local restaurants, and the opportunity to watch a number of classic horror films on some of the theater's 18 screens.

"It was a successful evening. We were thrilled with the participation," said foundation President Joan Norricks. "There were some great costumes, and it was just a fun event."

Proceeds from the event will go into an endowment fund for the fledgling Canton Youth Advisory Council, which will provide grants to youth-oriented programs in the community. Members of the advisory council, which is made up of local youth, will actually make the determination which projects get funded. Projects could include programs for Canton's youth center, or anything else related to the community's youth, Norricks said.

"It's a kid-to-kid kind of benefit," she said. "This is really a process of teaching these kids about the concept of philanthropy."

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CORRECTION



DIANE HANSON

This photo in the Oct. 20 *Observer* should have said color guardist Jessica Eimers expertly tosses and catches her saber during P.C.M.B.'s preliminary performance at the regional championships Oct. 15.

Food donations

United Home Health Services, a home care agency in Canton, is sponsoring a food drive for Michigan Harvest Gathering, which is a food and fund raising program of the Food Bank Council of Michigan and sponsored by the Michigan Health & Hospital Association. This year marks the 15th anniversary of the Michigan Harvest Gathering campaign. Joey Harrington, Detroit Lions quarterback, serves as the honorary chairperson this year.

Since 1991, Michigan Harvest Gathering has raised over \$4.3 million and 6.6 million pounds of food for hungry people throughout Michigan. Approximately 1 million people in Michigan will need to use a food bank this year. The need for emergency food is increasing. Some regions of the state are reporting a 25 percent increase in the number of people seeking help with food this year.

United's food drive will be held from Oct. 24-31. The community is invited to participate in United's effort to help feed local senior citizens, children, and families in need. Food may be dropped at their office, located at 2200 Canton

Center Road, Suite 250, between 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Most requested items include canned tuna, canned stew, and peanut butter. However, all non-perishable, boxed or canned food items are needed and welcome. For more information, please call (734) 981-8820.

Interactive theater tour

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is scheduling interactive theater tours for school field trips, which are designed for schools but can be for any group. The tour is a two and a half hour theater experience with education and fun as its goals. There must be a minimum of 40 students, and maximum of 200 students. All ages welcome. Dates are flexible, and there is a cost of \$5 per student (paid on tour day by check to Canton Township or cash).

The tour includes a 30 minute prologue and overture, an 80 minute main production that includes a complete tour of the theater's facilities, an intermission that includes

refreshments, and question and answer period.

The tour is fully accessible, and can handle students with special needs. Call Jennifer Tobin, Canton arts coordinator, to schedule a tour or for more information at (734) 394-5484, or e-mail her at jto-bin@canton-mi.org.

Dinner and auction

The Canton Historical Society's annual Harvest Dinner and Pound Auction will be held at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29 at the Cherry Hill School located at the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge Roads. This will be a food opportunity to raise funds for the Society, enjoy good food and make or renew old friendships.

Each guest is asked to donate at least one useful and/or non-useful gift to be auctioned off. It should be gift wrapped so that bidders won't know what's in store for them.

Each person is asked to bring a dish to pass according to the first letter of their last name: A - H bring dessert; I - P bring salad; Q - Z bring a vegetable.

The Society provides the meat, bread, and beverages. You will need to provide your own table service - plate, cup and silverware.

To RSVP, please call Bonnie Berg at (734) 495-0811. If you need more information, please call the museum at (734) 397-0088.

Canton wins award

Canton's Finance and Budget Department was recently presented with the

"Most Innovative Use of Technology" award at the first annual Michigan Excellence in Technology Awards, which recognizes outstanding achievement in state and local government technology.

Canton earned this distinction with the implementation of paperless board packets. This innovation takes all agenda items and respective background materials and information and provides it electronically, thereby eliminating paper use as well as assembly time.

All government organizations in Michigan were invited to submit nominations in the various categories, which included Most Innovative Use of Technology, Demonstrated Leadership in Management of Information Technology, Demonstrated Excellence in Project Management, Visionary Award, and others. Nominees were reviewed by an Evaluation Committee consisting of technology professionals from state and local government. Awards were then given to recognize leadership, innovation, collaboration and project excellence.

The awards program is a result of collaboration between the Michigan Department of Information Technology and Government Technology magazine. The judging for the awards took place last month, and the presentation was held on Wednesday, Oct. 12 during the Michigan Digital Government Summit.

Annual Women's Expo

On Saturday, Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Canton Leisure Services dedicates a day to

women. The 4th annual Women's Expo is designed to provide women with all of the latest information on women's health and wellness as well as resources that women can use to help with the stresses of everyday life. Women's Day will feature:

- Health screenings
- Women's health profile
- Chair massage
- More than 40 exhibits including food, jewelry, skin care, non-profit organizations that provide health care, money management experts and more
- Door prizes
- Gift bags
- Refreshments

Women's Day is appropriate for women ages 16 and up. The event will be held in the Summit on the Park Grand Ballroom. Tickets can be purchased at Summit on the Park and are \$5 in advance and \$10 at the door.

Senior safety seminar

Canton Senior Citizens are invited to attend the annual Seniors Safe, Sound & Secure Seminar, Wednesday, Nov. 16, from noon-3:30 p.m. The seminar will be held at the Summit Ballroom, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton. Check-in begins at 11:30 a.m.

This year's seminar will feature Canton's Community Relations Sergeant Scott Hilden presenting "Cons & Scams for Senior Citizens," and Fire Marshal Frank Barrett talking about home fire safety for the holiday season. Special guest speaker is Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano. Lunch will be provided.

Registration is required and can be done by contacting the Canton Senior Citizen program at (734) 394-5485.

White elephant and bake sale

The Canton Place Seniors are hosting a White Elephant and Bake sale on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Community Room at 44505 Ford Road (corner of Ford and Sheldon). The public is invited to attend. Homemade baked goods and refreshments are available for purchase. Proceeds benefit the Canton Place Resident Association.

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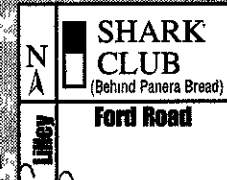
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Taking care of the veterans

2-day event aimed at helping homeless vets

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Maj. Bill Hogg knows the Salvation Army's efforts to help U.S. veterans dates back before World War I.

That's why Hogg, commander of the Plymouth Salvation Army representing Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Belleville, felt right at home this week supporting the two-day Southeastern Michigan Veterans Stand Down at the UAW facility on Michigan Avenue in Canton.

The event, started in 1996, is designed primarily to help homeless veterans get away from life on the streets, at least for a little while, get a nice meal and some help with other needs.

"(The stand down) helps the veterans get back in contact society," Hogg said. "It takes them away from the stresses of the street."

The first Stand Down took place in 1996 and, according to Michael Bethune, president of Southeastern Michigan Veterans Stand Down, the two-day event is designed not only to feed the homeless veterans, but to allow them to have other needs tended.

They get their medical needs met, are given warm clothing to help them get through the upcoming winter and have other social needs taken care of.

Among the groups represented at this week's event were the Veterans Administration, a huge partner in the event, according to



Army Reserve MSgt. Ed Stokes serves lunch to veteran Grantonio Grant during the two-day Veterans Stand Down at the UAW facility in Canton.

Bethune; the Social Security Administration; the American Red Cross, Alcoholics Anonymous; and a variety of health-care professionals.

The event, which used to be held in Detroit, is now moved around to allow it to reach homeless veterans in areas outside the city.

"Ours isn't a black-and-white thing, it's a veterans thing," Bethune said. "We started moving it around to accommodate veterans not only in the city of Detroit, but in areas beyond the city. We want to give the homeless a day of rest."

Bethune said the group contacts homeless shelters and other agencies in advance of the event, but publicity for the event is "word-of-mouth, believe it or not."

Transportation is provided by military units at Selfridge Air National Guard Base. That's how 73-year-old Johnny O'Clock Henderson heard about the event. Henderson, a mortar instrument operator who still remembers his service number, was undergoing dialysis at the VA facility in downtown

Detroit and overheard people there talking about it.

And there he was Wednesday, in line for the barbecue luncheon and talking to fellow veterans.

"This is nice," said Henderson, who received an honorable discharge after serving two years in the U.S. Army back in the 1950s. "It's good for them to take care of veterans like this."

Wallace Edmonds of Detroit, who takes dialysis at the same VA facility as Henderson, agreed the event was nice, but wishes it had been made more public to give more veterans a chance to take advantage.

"This is good if enough information gets out where veterans can find out about it," said Edmonds, 67, who was stationed in Germany from 1958-1960. "I wouldn't have found out about it if I hadn't been going to dialysis three times a week."

Bethune said the group does fund-raisers throughout the year to help foot the \$18,000 tab for the Stand Down, which he said draws some 350 people, not all veterans.

"We also get non-veterans, but we don't turn them down," said Bethune, pointing out the non-veterans get everything but the clothing, which is saved for veterans. "We feed them and help them. It's about goodwill toward your fellow man, no matter who he or she is."

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High School junior who was headed to her car after classes Thursday.

Mattea said she uses a headset when using her cell phone while driving. "I guess it's good logic, but the longer you've been driving the more second nature it is to talk and drive," she said.

Kim Killion, a senior at Salem High School, says while she has a hands-free set, she can live without using her cell phone while driving. However, the Canton Township teenager said the law should be extended to all who sit behind the steering wheel.

"I don't think it should just be teenagers, it should be for everyone," said Killion. "It would help cut down on accidents."

Leonard Schemanske, a 25-year veteran of the Canton police department, is also owner of Advanced Driving Academy in Canton.

Schemanske said he teaches young drivers about the distractions of cell phone usage.

"I support the proposed law," said Schemanske. "The more distractions you have while driving, the more likely you could be involved in a crash. The fewer distractions, the more opportunity you have to stay focused while driving."

"At the Canton police department, we get a lot of calls about possible drunk drivers," he said. "When we catch up with the driver, many times we find

they were just on their cell phone."

Schemanske said, in reality, parents are the biggest influence in getting teens to stay off the phone while driving.

"Driving instructors are with students for six hours, while teens will be driving with their parents for many months," he said. "If parents are using cell phones in the car, then they're more apt to let the kids use them."

Canton Township resident Anne Bykowiec has 20- and 17-year-olds in her household already driving, with a 16-year-old who is set to get his license in two weeks.

"I like them to be able to have the phone for emergencies, but they're not supposed to use it while they're driving or answer it when it's ringing," said Bykowiec. "I don't want them to get distracted. I think the law is a good idea."

State Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, had introduced a bill to ban the use of cell phones by all drivers. However, it has little chance of passage.

"This is a good starting point," said Stewart. "Most importantly, this provides greater safety by focusing on our driving."

"As a commuter to and from Lansing, some day I would hope to see my legislation passed which would only allow for 'hands-free' usage on a cell phone while driving, as is the case in the states of New York and New Jersey," he said.

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Johnny O'Clock Henderson gave the Veterans Stand Down event a thumbs up at the UAW facility in Canton.

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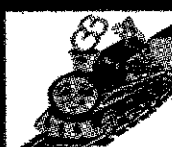
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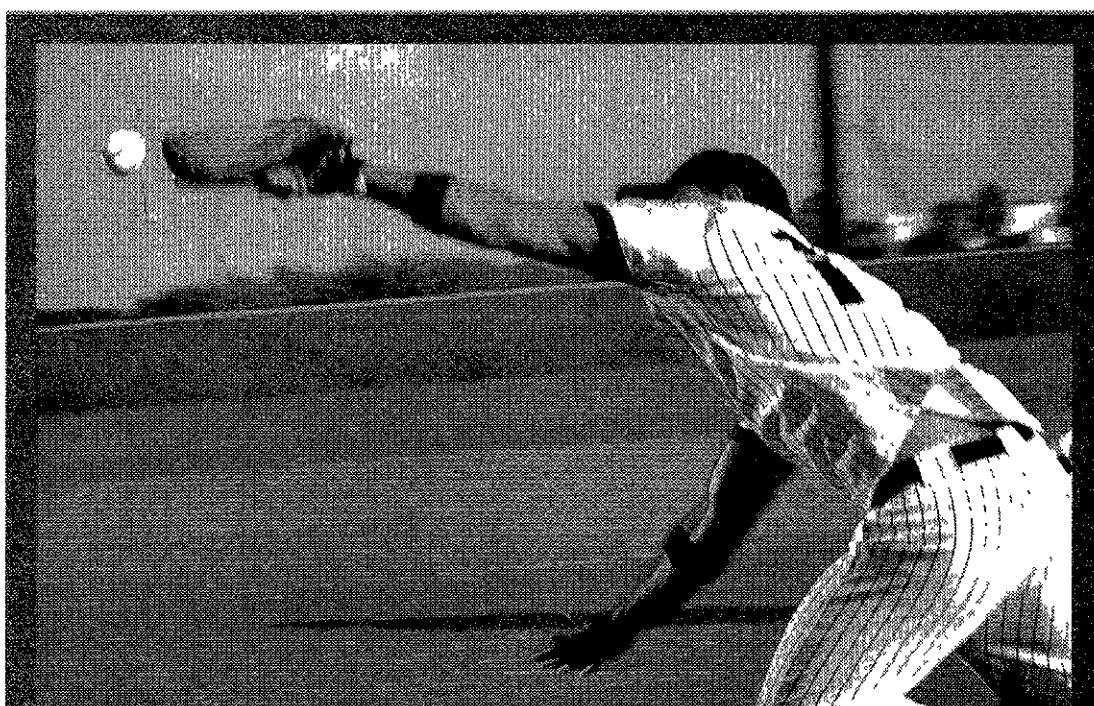
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Club helps cancer survivors put pieces back together

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

Lisa Mininni and Janine Krasicky sipped coffee and spoke in a rapid-fire code understood only by other members of their club. It's not that they had to learn a language or secret passwords to be in the club. It's just that the club's members all know the language of survival.

The club is called The C Club, and it's a coaching program developed by Mininni to help those who've conquered cancer navigate through a difficult period of change (the C in C Club doesn't stand for cancer, but rather for conquer, Mininni said).

"It started with a conversation I had with a colleague," said Mininni, who is also a business coach.

As a business coach, clients and peers share their aspirations and their dreams with Mininni, and they also share life-altering experiences with her. From time to time, she'd hear from clients about how cancer had changed their lives, but that change was often a struggle, just as it's a struggle when they were in the process of changing careers.

"So I shared my own story about my experience with cancer, and some people told me I should really consider coaching people to help them through the cancer transition too," Mininni said.

Krasicky was making both transitions at the same time when she entered the C Club program.

"I would not know I had cancer if I hadn't lost my job," Krasicky said. She was facing her second layoff in as many years back in 2003, and made an appointment to get a physical while she still had health insurance, she said. Her doctor found



Lisa Mininni (right) of Canton and Janine Krasicky of Ferndale turned their own personal experiences with cancer into the C Club.

some irregularities while running routine tests, and in less than a week she was having a biopsy of her thyroid. It was cancer, and she had surgery to remove her thyroid.

The treatments that followed made it difficult to look for work (when you lose your thyroid, you also lose your metabolism and most of your energy, Krasicky said), but she networked, trying to land freelance and consulting public relations jobs. In just months, she realized that there was no sense looking for a full-time job because she was already working full-time for the clients she'd been able to pick up. It was time to start her own company,

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Then last spring she met Mininni at a workshop and the two arranged to meet to discuss Krasicky's new company.

"It was so strange because at the time, I wasn't telling anyone I had cancer," Krasicky said, "but somehow it came up in conversation that I'd just had surgery and Lisa came out and asked, 'Do you have cancer?' I didn't know if I should answer that."

But she did. And the women found out they had more in common than they'd thought. Mininni started her business coaching company, Excelerate Associates, in 2002 after a layoff by her former employer. The two

had similar experiences professionally, as well as sharing the experience of conquering cancer.

Krasicky started doing some work for Mininni, but even more valuable to her was the opportunity to join the C Club program.

"It's changed my life," she said. "I've written a life vision, which I am living today. I'm definitely in a better off place than when I started."

Program membership includes a quarterly newsletter, The Catalyst, a C Club pin, and access to specialty workshops and teleclasses that help cancer conquerors move ahead with their lives, rather than getting stuck during the transitional period. Coaching communities are part of the program, and the most intensive option for members is the C Club specialty coaching program, which is a one-on-one training program designed to

help all new cancer patients.

For more information about the C Club, call (734) 223-3938 or e-mail info@excelerateassociates.com.

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the current Belleville High School location, and the other at Sumpter and Hull roads in Sumpter Township.

"Some people like the Sumpter-Hull site because it's on 103 acres and there's room for expansion there," Lazaroff said.

Those who favor the current high school location support its lower cost (the Sumpter site would run about \$116 million, compared to \$97 million at the other site), as well as maintaining tradition. The current high school is roughly 80 years old.

However, building on the property where the school is now located would be very disruptive while students are attending classes during the two years or more it would take to build the school, and would displace parking for 600 students and staff members, Lazaroff said.

But there is no getting around the factor of cost. If the cheaper of the options is approved by voters, a homeowner with a \$200,000 house would pay approximately \$255 per year on the 30-year bond.

The costs are nowhere near set in stone, Lazaroff said. They're preliminary estimates based on costs per square foot. He said he looked at the costs to build other high schools - such as Plymouth High School in Canton, which opened in 2002, and Northville High School, which opened in 2000. Those schools' construction costs were \$53 million and \$52 million respectively.

"But those schools were bid before 2000. Factored in today's dollars versus costs pre-2000, we're looking at apples to apples in terms of costs," Lazaroff said.

The land at the Sumpter-Hull site would add an additional \$6.59 million to the cost, he added.

"I wish I could have bought land prior to 1998, but now it's just very expensive," Lazaroff said.

If the new school is built at the current site, the plan would include razing much of the old building, but preserving the cafeteria, the fine arts wing and the auditorium.

The fine arts wing was renovated in 1998, after voters approved a 1.3 mill sinking fund. The cafeteria was built in 1992.

At either site, the school will be just less than 500,000 square feet, Lazaroff said. It will accommodate 2,000 students.

Plymouth High's 300,000 square foot houses some 1,700 students and Northville's original 350,000 square foot building was expanded by 52,000 and now accommodates 2,400 students, according to Northville Schools Assistant Superintendent David Bolitho.

Bolitho said the district is going to construct another school, but he's expecting costs to be at least 7 percent higher than they were five years ago. Due to high energy costs, increasing prices of petroleum based products, and the rising costs of construction materials, costs could be as much as 25 percent more than they were during the last round of construction, he said.

The Van Buren board must choose a location Oct. 24 if the district is going to move ahead with a millage election in February, Lazaroff said. Approximately 300 students from Canton attend school in the Van Buren district.

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It is now more than a year since the possible threat of coronary artery disease from non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs came to the attention of the public, and the medical profession. Before that announcement, the non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs found use not only for swollen joints, but were the first choice for pain relief.

Initially, the Federal Drug Administration focused on the hazards posed by the Cox-2 drugs: Bextra, Vioxx, and Celebrex. Later, the government came out with advisories on the Cox-1 drugs such as Motrin and Naprosyn to the list of medications requiring restricted use. Some experts in the area of non-steroidal drugs stated that all drugs in the Cox-1 or Cox-2 category were hazardous to the coronary arteries.

You still have options if you want a non-steroidal for pain relief. One drug that remains useful is aspirin. The side effects of gastritis and ulcer remain, but the vast majority of people can take aspirin on a regular basis with no such threat to their health. Furthermore, coated aspirin is very safe, substantially reducing the risk of stomach ulcer. A related compound, salsalate, is similar to aspirin but does not carry the risk of stomach ulcer. The evidence from the medical literature is that salsalate is as effective for pain relief as aspirin or any of the Cox-1 or Cox-2 medications. For recurring aches, acetaminophen (Tylenol) is an excellent choice. It is not old fashioned, rather, its staying power attests to its utility.

None of the above drugs, except aspirin, are strong against inflammation. For now, no new non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications are on the way; the quest awaits new concepts from researchers working in the biological sciences.

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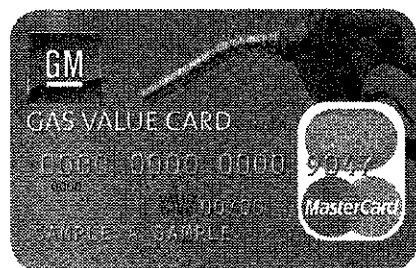
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Fashion show adds 100 more guests to benefit gala

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

It was a bittersweet night for Sherri Fletcher. She was excited about selling 101 more tickets to this year's Circle of Hope Gala, but it would be the last she would oversee as director of development for St. Mary Mercy Hospital. After 21 years, she's retiring. She'll be leaving the hospital more than \$150,000 richer. Proceeds from the Oct. 14 benefit will go to cardiac services.

"Isn't this fun? The evening goes so quickly. It probably won't hit me until I kick off my shoes at the end of the night," said Fletcher.

The evening began with hors d'oeuvres and cocktails followed by a gourmet dinner and fashion show which was the hit of the evening, as physicians, staff and special guests from the community strutted down the runway.

Fox 2 sportscaster Dan Miller provided colorful commentary



Socializing during the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Circle of Hope Gala are, from left, Julie Vaishampayan and her husband, Dr. Sanjeev Vaishampayan, and Nayiri Misirliyan and her husband, Dr. Roy Misirliyan. Both doctors are cardiologists.

for the fashion show presented by Doncaster Collections and Pam Szmazdzinski, and Mammo Clothing and Tailoring of Dearborn.

Earlier in the evening John Landis presented the Sister Mary Modesta Leadership Award to the Congregation of St. Felix of Cantalice in honor of Blessed Mary Angela, who gave spiritual birth to the reli-

gious community. It was accepted by Sister Mary Renetta, Provincial Minister of the Presentation of the Bless Virgin Mary Province for the Felicians of Livonia. The Felicians are celebrating the 150th anniversary of the founding of their congregation.

The evening was truly a gala celebration in honor of the 45th anniversary of the hospital. CEO



PHOTOS BY JENNIFER KENNEDY

Modeling clothes during the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Circle of Hope Gala fund-raiser Oct. 14 are Diane Zelmanski (left) of the Michigan Lung & Sleep Specialists and Cynthia Aks, DO, a St. Mary Mercy Hospital breast surgeon.

and president David Spivey led the crowd in a rousing rendition of Happy Birthday. Earlier he talked about the hospital's efforts to provide the latest in technology. In January, St. Mary Mercy Hospital started offering emergency primary angioplasty for patients suffering acute heart attacks.

Spivey recognized the contributions of the Felician sisters who donated 125 acres of land

and more than \$400,000 in 1953 to build St. Mary Hospital after a fire at the General Motors plant dictated the need for a local facility. Today, the hospital consists of an emergency center and 304-beds that serve 1 million people annually. Their cardiac services for treatment of heart attack, heart failure and atrial fibrillation recently received five stars in a study released by

HealthGrades, the nation's leading provider of independent hospital rating.

Roy and Judy Asher of Plymouth had their son Matthew in the Birthing Center in 1999.

"The event's terrific, great food, great fashion show," said Roy Asher. "I don't think I've ever seen a fashion show."

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Fun event keeps Angela Hospice lighting up lives

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Four hours after Sister Mary Giovanni greeted the first of her 570 guests she was finally able to twirl a strawberry under the chocolate flowing from the fountain at Laurel Manor Special Events Center on Sunday.



Sister Mary Giovanni gives the Rev. Moses B. Anderson an award in recognition of his pioneer efforts on behalf of Angela Hospice during the Light up a Life benefit Sunday evening.

The 20th anniversary celebration for the founding of Angela Hospice provided a full afternoon and evening of fun in addition to raising nearly \$200,000 to assist terminally ill patients and their families. Sister Giovanni estimates that more than 5,000 patients and their families have received

end-of-life care since she founded the organization. This was the 18th annual Light Up a Life benefit.

"It's absolutely fantastic. We have 100 nuns from four continents" said Sister Giovanni, founder of Angela Hospice in Livonia.

"After all the intense work of the planning committee, it was gratifying to see so many people present for this annual event. I am truly grateful to God and to all our benefactors whose generosity have enabled us to care for so many."

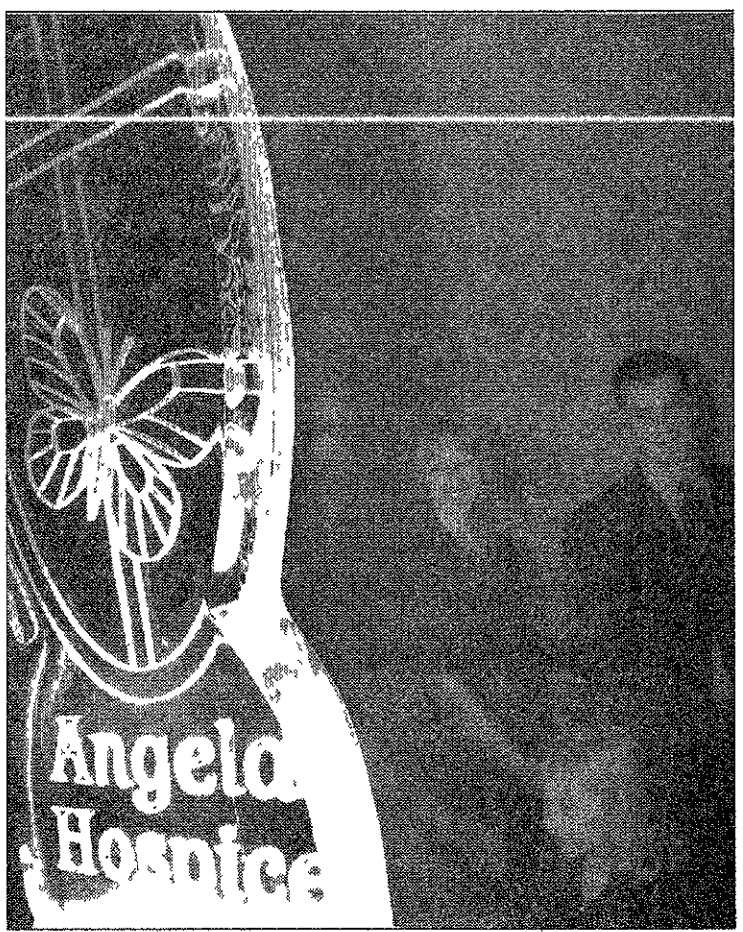
While Tom Coyne, his wife, Rose, and friend Anna Mae Savage enjoyed the dinner and silent and live auctions, they came primarily to support Angela Hospice. Coyne would have come even if he hadn't received a wonderful dinner and gifts that included the softcover book *An Ordinary Life Lived in an Extraordinary Way*, the story of Felician founder Blessed Mary Angela Truszkowska, and a hardcover book featuring the art collection of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

"This is our third fund-raiser," said Coyne of Livonia. "We started coming after the death of my mother who died before she was able to enter hospice. I was impressed by the compassion extended to me during the intake process. For the children of those who are terminally ill, it's nice to have someone to talk to who understands. Just walking into the place, it gives you the feeling that people care."

Coyne watched intensely as a video saluted the work of Angela Hospice staff and volunteers. Sister Giovanni was especially grateful to Bishop Moses Anderson and presented him with the first Pioneer Award. She said it was "a great thing to answer the call of people in distress."

Bishop Anderson made it possible for Angela Hospice to secure a \$40,000 grant from the Archdiocese of Detroit to allow Sister Giovanni to initially provide hospice care in a patient's home in October of 1985 and then later in the building on Newburgh. She also recognized the late Sister Mary Francilene and then Provincial Sister Mary Cynthia for their contributions.

Today, the nonprofit is able to offer in-home and in-patient hospice, pediatric and pre-



Samantha Paulson, 4, looks at the Angela Hospice ice sculpture during the 20th anniversary Light Up a Life benefit Sunday at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Behind her are Kelly Harris and Russ Hardy.

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and spiritual care, and grief support groups. The Good Samaritan program enabled Ronald Fulmer, the nephew of Robert and Janet Smith, to receive hospice care at St. Mary Mercy Hospital until his death without charge.

"It was excellent care. The nurse came every day," said Robert Smith who later made a contribution in his nephew's name. "They do excellent work."

State Sen. Laura Toy couldn't agree more about the compassionate care provided by Angela Hospice. Toy brought a special official tribute with her to recognize the nonprofit's 20 years of service.

"I've been coming to the event since its inception," said State Sen. Laura Toy. "I strongly believe in what they do, how they help families in time of need, families that don't experience death every day."

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One political season ends as another one gears up

We were exchanging e-mails about a column that ran a couple weeks ago about the low social studies scores on the state educational assessment test. He is a seasoned "elected official."

I wrote that I didn't think "politician" was a pejorative term. In fact we need more people willing to be politicians and involve themselves in our political process to keep it vital. He objected to the term politician, preferring elected official, public servant or statesman and argued that his job is governance not politics, even though he comes to his job through the political process.

Politics is on everyone's minds lately. Municipal elections will be winding up in a couple weeks. Some civic minded people have stepped up to seek offices that guarantee only headaches. There is no fame, glory or (despite what some cynics think) financial reward for those who serve on city councils, school boards and the various appointed boards.

Some office seekers do enjoy bathing in the glow of local news coverage and recognition. Some enjoy a feeling of empowerment. Some just like the sound of their own voices. But most seek public office to serve the public or to pursue some issue that they believe is most important (only to discover all the other important issues they have to deal with as well).

Whether they do serve the public and whether their service is productive is something that voters decide every two

or four years.

The number of "new" faces that step up for the glory of long nights, cranky calls, negative newspaper editorials and political games is understandably small. A dependable group of political regulars offer themselves time and again. Some will swear off for an election or two and then return to the arena.

In flush times, being a politician isn't so bad. Voters applaud as you walk by in the Fourth of July parade. It's easy to say yes - yes to higher wages for hard working public employees, yes to better health care benefits, yes to innovative city services that set your community apart from others, yes to smaller class sizes and better computers.

Unfortunately, these haven't been flush times. These are times when the revenue stream has dried to a trickle. The choices become harder, the complaints louder, the headaches more severe.

Still, candidates are already lining up for next year's big election. Next year is a congressional election year, the mid-term election during which members of Congress either embrace the president or run against him.

Sometimes even members of a president's own party find it politically wiser to run apart.

For Michigan this will be a busy season. The governor, attorney general and secretary of state are up for election. State legislators will face voters for House and Senate seats. One of our U.S. senators (Debbie Stabenow) is up for re-election. All U.S. members grind back into political mode again after a short break to actually serve in office. In Wayne County, the county executive's position will be up for the vote.

In the 11th District, two Democrats have stepped up to

challenge Republican incumbent Thaddeus McCotter. Talk show host Tony Trupiano and small business consultant Ray Raczkowski are both hoping that the district isn't as solidly Republican as state legislators planned when they drew new districts after the 2000 census. But McCotter took 57 percent of the vote in 2002 and 2004. In 2004 he ran a little ahead of President Bush in the district. (Bush, of course, lost the state but won the nation - for the first time.)

We always anticipate these kind of elections as we anticipate major sporting events. We want to see if Keith Butler can really draw votes from Detroit to defeat Debbie Stabenow. We wait to see if Dick DeVos will push just a little too far to the right in his race against a shaky Jennifer Granholm. We relish the fireworks of the always unpredictable Geoffrey Fieger in his battle against the Marine rigid Mike Cox.

But as my friend the "public servant" says, it isn't really about the politics, it's about governance. When the political games are over and the winners realize what they've gotten themselves into (again), it will be time for them to really think about governing, about making tough choices on what needs to be done and how we're going to pay for it.

That kind of governing courage has been a little thin lately. But that's the glory of elections. We have the power to mix things up a bit, keep the good ones and throw the bums out. Of course, we don't always agree on who's who. Ain't that America!

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degrees, and more than 10 percent below states that lead the nation in educational attainment and economic growth.

By keeping tuition increases to a minimum, Walsh College strives to deliver on the commission's mandate to double the number of Michigan college graduates over the next 10 years. According to the commission, increasing the number of college-educated adults in Michigan by 5 percent will increase overall economic growth by 2.5 percent over 10 years, and the real wages of all Michigan citizens by 5.5 percent.

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Keith Pretty is president of Walsh College in Troy.

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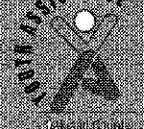
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Schoolcraft library redesigned for 21st century

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Schoolcraft College's Bradner Library has undergone a major renovation that encourages a collaborative learning environment and accommodates the latest information technology.

"It was a 20th century library trying to meet the needs of 21st century students," said Deborah Daiek, associate dean for academic and assessment services. "It wasn't relevant. Students weren't attending the library or using its services at all because it wasn't relevant."

Daiek led a process that began more than a year and a half ago to involve staff, faculty and students in the redesign of the library, working with Hobbs and Black Architects of Lansing. The renovation cost about \$3.5 million, using funds from the land-lease payments from the College Park and Seven Mile Crossing projects. The construction manager was J.M. Olson Corp. from St. Clair Shores.

Daiek was assigned the leadership position as part of a plan to merge assessment services and the library staff and move the Learning Assistance Center to the renovated library.

"This is really forward-thinking, as many libraries are folding in the learning assistance area with the library," Daiek said. "So students can not only access the information, but can get assistance in learning how to organize the information, remember it and understand the content by gathering it all in one space."

Daiek said the old library was out of date and out of step with modern educational needs.

"It did not facilitate group learning, there was no place for students to gather. Many of our books were outdated. We obviously had a wonderful collection, but many of our books were not checked out, so we had to do a vigorous weeding process," she said.

TEAMWORK

A core team of 15 met each week for a year, bringing in others for their input. Team members visited libraries at Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Franklin College and other community colleges.

Team members visited Wayne State University's electronic library.

"We knew we didn't want to go to that extreme," Daiek said. "We thought at one point we might want primarily electronic and, although our databases have increased by 400 percent, we still realized we needed to keep the texts." The volumes in

the library's book collection were reduced from about 86,000 to 46,000-50,000. The computer databases were increased by 400 percent.

The new library features:

- six study ready rooms for students and faculty with a computer in each room
- two classrooms with state-of-the-art instructional electronics
- open space for students and faculty to work collaboratively
- wireless Internet access throughout the library
- 30 computers with Internet access
- private carrels for students who prefer quiet and independent study space
- a tutoring center that is twice the size of the former center
- a book borrowing program, MILE, that gives the library access to books at colleges around the state

Daiek said the new library will have a different atmosphere than traditional libraries.

"Students said the library was outdated, they didn't feel comfortable going into the library, no place to study, too dark, overcrowded," she said. "We don't want partying going on in the library, but we do want students to talk and work together, which is a little different than the mindset of the old library. Now we hope they'll be excited about learning."

Daiek also hopes to encourage faculty to use the study rooms as classrooms, especially for English research classes.

"I'm hoping faculty will realize that librarians are an incredible resource for students and they will work more closely with them," she said. "They can create common assignments using library skills to complete a research paper and we're hoping faculty will drive students into the center, but we believe in word of mouth. We think the fact that we are creating one-stop show for learning will promote it."

Nick Scarfone, project manager for Hobbs and Black, said it was a challenge to bring all the functions that Schoolcraft wanted together. The new library is 24,300 square feet, with just 2,200 square feet added to the existing site.

"The school is really pushing toward the future," Scarfone said. "We wanted to make a fun place for students, serious but fun."

He said the new space is much brighter than the old library and more comfortable. Students have been using a

temporary library in the Waterman Center. Librarians began moving to the new facility last week and the building will be open to students Monday. A campus-wide grand opening is scheduled for Nov. 10; the theme will be Celebrate Learning in the Library.

The Schoolcraft Board of Trustees recently approved DSA Architects of Bloomfield to begin design and engineering work on a new 45,000-square-foot classroom building.

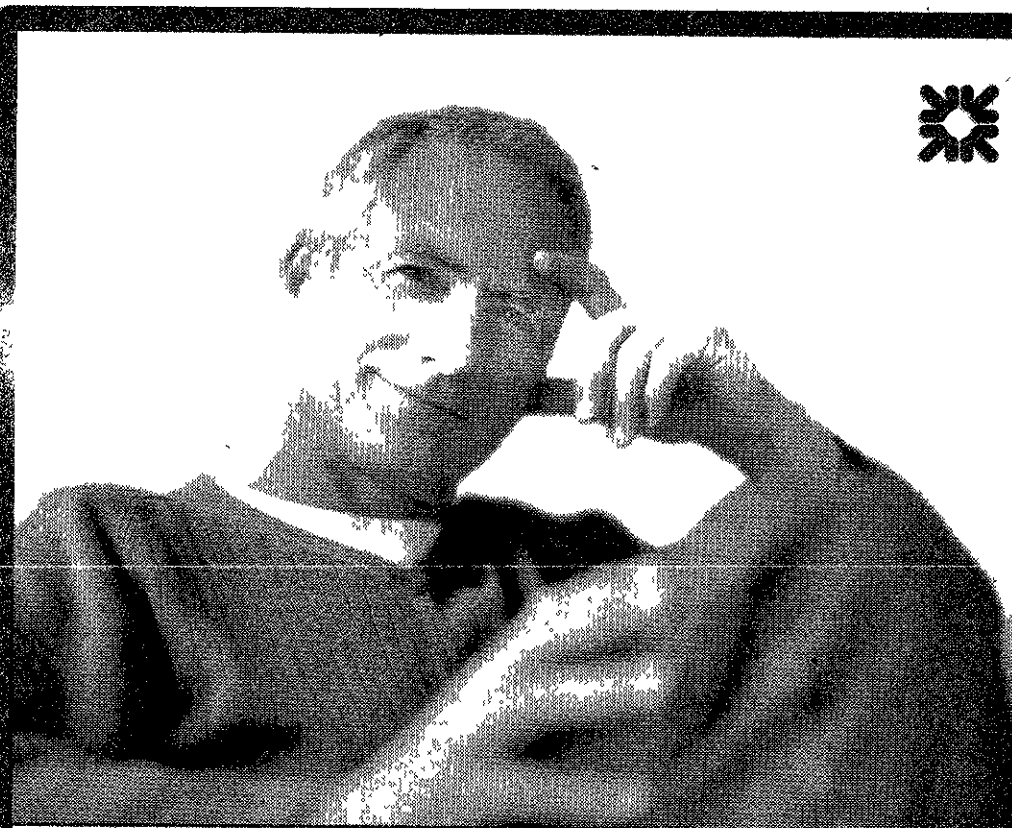
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Deborah Daiek of Schoolcraft College talks about the new computer system that has been installed in the renovated Bradner Library.

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Canton sprints past Salem, 33-12

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

PREP FOOTBALL

A pair of Canton running backs proved Friday night that bigger is not always better.

Juniors Chris Woudstra and Deshon McClendon, whose combined weight is equal to the weight of some individual defensive linemen they'll be eluding in the upcoming Division 1 playoffs, posted big numbers in the Chiefs' 33-12 victory over Salem. The 5-8, 150-pound Woudstra rushed for 54 yards on four carries and reeled in a 76-yard TD pass from Shawn Little, while the 5-6, 165-pound

McClendon churned out 136 yards and a three touchdowns.

"It just shows you that if you're strong and quick, you can be successful in our offense," said Canton coach Tim Baechler. "The reason why I like this offense is that it's conducive to running backs of all sizes. In fact, the smaller guys can kind of get lost in all those big guys sometimes and it's hard for the defense to find them."

The victory boosted Canton's record to 7-2 heading into the Division 1 playoffs next weekend. The Chiefs' first-round

opponent and the time of the game will be revealed this afternoon at 5:30 p.m. on Fox Sports Detroit.

"I'm not real happy with our defense right now," Baechler said. "This was the second-straight week we've started slowly. I don't know if it's my coaching, if our scout teams aren't good enough, or what the problem is. We have to play better defensively in the first quarter in the playoffs."

The loss left the Rocks at 3-6 for the second consecutive season.

"We had a few mistakes that killed us again tonight," said Salem coach Bob Cummings. "You can't make mistakes

against good football teams like Canton.

"I'm very proud of our seniors, though. They played hard every play and every practice this season. I thought our offensive line had a great year, too. Three of them started last year, too, when Steve Lake rushed for 1,300 yards, and they helped Kevin Bradley rush for over 1,000 yards this season."

Canton, which punted just once all night, scored touchdowns on its first three possessions: a 41-yard McClendon run with 8:44 left in the first quarter, the 76-yard Little-to-Woudstra hook-up four

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Double trouble

Moise, Olech too much for Chiefs

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth's one-two punch of Jeanine Moise and Kim Olech recorded another knockout Thursday night.

The potent low-post duo combined for 32 points and 17 rebounds to lead the Wildcats to a 42-29 victory over visiting Canton before a large and enthusiastic crowd in the Wildcats' gymnasium.

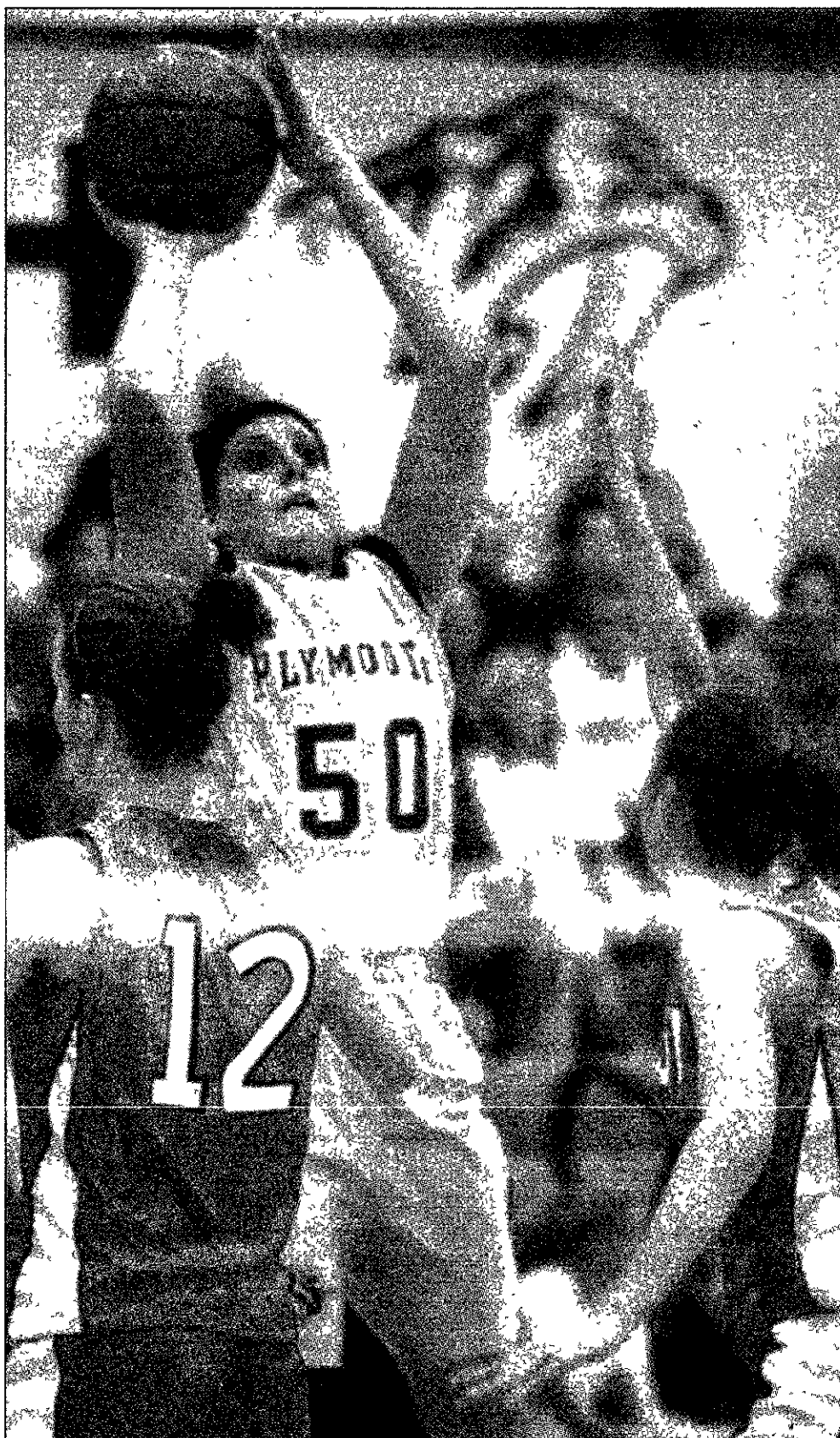
The win boosted Plymouth's record to 13-2 overall and — more importantly — 9-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. The Chiefs slipped to 11-4 and 7-2, respectively.

Plymouth holds a one-game lead over Salem heading into the two teams' Tuesday-night showdown at Plymouth. Northville and Canton are tied for third with two losses each. The Wildcats travel to Northville on Thursday.

"This was a redemption game for us," said Moise, who registered 17 hard-earned points and 13 rebounds. "This was probably our team's biggest win. Canton beat us twice last year so we wanted this one. I was confident before the game, but I was a little nervous, too, because Canton has a good team."

Thursday night's game was unique for Moise and Olech in that the Chiefs deployed a man-to-man defense. Most teams have opted to set up in a zone against the Wildcats, sagging on the two high-scoring forwards while sacri-

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Plymouth's Kim Olech (50) releases a fade-away jump shot during the second quarter of Thursday night's 42-29 victory over Canton. Olech finished with 15 points and four rebounds.

Chiefs' flat-four 'D' yields few goals

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Although the Canton boys soccer team's defensive alignment is called the "flat four," scoring against it has been about as easy as scaling a steep, rocky mountain for the Chiefs' opponents.

Heading into Monday afternoon's Division 1 district opener against Pinckney, the 12-5-3 Chiefs have yielded just 13 goals while registering 12 shutouts. That's a paltry goals-against average of 0.65.

The primary components of the "flat four" have played like the "Fab Four" this season: seniors Erik McKee and Josh Shifferd; and juniors Ryan Dugan and Eric Zech. On the rare occasions opposing teams have been able to penetrate the spoon-shaped row of defenders, Canton's final line of defense — junior goal-keeper Parker Laabs — has been able to keep the ball out of the back of the net.

"Our defensive line is like a mini-family playing inside of a bigger family," said Canton coach George Tomasso. "All four of them do a great job of working together and helping each other out. They complement



The Canton soccer team has yielded just 13 goals in 20 games this season thanks in large part to its four primary defenders. Pictured (left to right) are Josh Shifferd, Erik McKee and Ryan Dugan.

GAINING NOTICE

All four Canton defenders' stellar efforts this season were recognized by opposing coaches at a Western Lakes Activities Association coaches meeting earlier this week. McKee was voted to the All-Conference unit, Zech made the All-Western Division

team while Shifferd and Dugan both garnered honorable-mention consideration.

"We had a good defensive line last year, but I think this year's is just as good, if not better," said McKee, the lone returning starting defender from the 2004 team. "All of us know

PLEASE SEE FOUR, B6

'Cat gridders drill Oilers on 'Senior Night'

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Playing on the surface where it all began, Plymouth's football team capped a 7-2 regular season Friday night with a come-from-behind, 24-21 victory over visiting Mount Pleasant.

The game was played at the P-CEP junior varsity football stadium, where many of the Wildcats tasted success early in their prep careers.

"The boys have never lost on that field going back to their freshmen and junior-varsity days, so they were excited to play on the grass field again," said Plymouth coach Jay Blaylock. "We came out a little flat in the first half and we made some mistakes, but we made some adjustments at halftime and the kids played hard the final two quarters."

The 4-5 Oilers scored first when quarterback Mike Mankowski scored on a two-yard run mid-way through the first quarter to make it 7-0. Plymouth quarterback Brent Jones kicked off what would be a spectacular "Senior Night" when he brought the Wildcats to 7-6 with a 34-yard TD run with 3:30 left in the opening quarter. Jones would finish with 197 yards rushing on 17 carries and 41 yard passing. Mt. Pleasant cushioned its lead to 14-6 with 10:36 remaining in the first half when Mankowski retrieved a high snap, scrambled away from a group of pursuing Wildcats, then heaved a 24-yard scoring strike.

Plymouth tied the game at 14-14 on its opening possession of the second half when Jones sprinted 67 yards to paydirt. He then connected with Josh Le Duc on the two-point conversion. The Wildcats grabbed their first lead with 5:20 to go in the third on Jeff Harrison's two-yard run before the Oilers bounced back less than four minutes later to tie it at 21-21 on a Mankowski TD run. The game-deciding points came when Plymouth's Brian Leighton booted a 22-yard field goal with 9:46 to play.

Salem's Kapadia wins WLAA title

See complete WLAA meet results on Pages B2,5

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Salem cross country runner Dan Kapadia appears to be peaking at the right time.

The Rocks' senior captain turned in his best-ever high school performance Friday afternoon on one of the biggest stages — the Western Lakes Activities Association conference meet held at Willow Metropark.

Kapadia won the race with a personal-record time of 15:52, which was 13 seconds faster than runner-up Jake Hill of Walled Lake Central. Led by their captain, the Rocks finished with 89 points, which was good enough for a second-place tie with Plymouth. Central won the title with 47 points.

"Dan ran an awesome race," said Salem coach Geoff Baker. "It was a hard, flat course and the conditions were good, so I told him to go for it."

Kapadia credited Baker and the team's training regimen for his success.

"The way we train helps us peak in the important meets at the end of the season," Kapadia said. "Coach Baker does a good job of preparing us for the big ones."



Kapadia

Sidelines

Selection Sunday

The announcement of the 256 schools qualifying for the Michigan High School Athletic Association football playoffs and the first-round pairings will be unveiled at 5:30 p.m. today on Fox Sports Net Detroit.

Pairings will also be posted on the MHSAA Web site (www.mhsaa.com) following the 30-minute broadcast.

The playoffs begin Friday, Oct. 28, and conclude with the championship games in eight divisions Friday and Saturday, Nov. 25 and 26, at Ford Field in Detroit.

Two local teams — Canton and Plymouth — have qualified for the post-season.

Katrina donations

The Canton Soccer Club and Canton Construction will team up today to help victims of Hurricane Katrina, which caused widespread destruction in Louisiana and Mississippi.

Canton Construction will have a trailer available today at Independence Park. Items can be brought to the park, located on Denton Road between Geddes and Cherry Hill roads, at any time and loaded into the trailer.

Donations of dry goods, non-perishable food items, canned foods, diapers, baby formula and toiletries such as toothpaste, shampoo, razors and soap (items that people use on a daily basis) are being accepted. Clothing will not be accepted because it is too difficult to distribute.

For more information, contact the Canton Soccer Club at (734) 480-7046.

OLGC runners shine

The Our Lady of Good Counsel boys and girls cross country teams ran away with virtually all of the team and individual awards at the CYO Championships held Oct. 15 at Cass-Benton Park in Northville Township.

Led by first-place finisher Zack Spreitzer, the boys team captured its third-straight title. OLGC's Jimmy Eiben, Michael Falvey and Mitch Clinton finished second, third and fourth, respectively. Also earning points were Keegan Sullivan, Joey Weishaar and Ben Spreitzer. Evan McCarthy, Tom Patterson, Tyler Schwaegler, Patrick Sheahan, Tony Thibodeaux and Aidan Yee also made contributions throughout the season. The OLGC girls team defeated St. Michael's of Livonia by one point in its first-ever CYO Championships action. Sarah Falvey finished third in the fastest time ever run by a sixth-grader in the meet. She was followed by teammates Mackenzie Rogers, Kristina Klusek, Kate Watson and fifth-grader Mandy McSwen. Jenna Mizzi and Sara Wright were also on the team, but unable to compete in the championship meet due to injuries.

Livonia teams battle for WLAA girls cross country supremacy

See boys races, Page B5

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Only five aggregate seconds separated Livonia Churchill from Livonia Stevenson in Friday's Western Lakes Activities Association girls cross country meet.

But when the final point totals were added up, Churchill emerged the winner, 47-55, to end Stevenson's three-year run of WLAA crowns.

The Chargers, who had edged Stevenson by three and

one point, respectively, in two previous Lakes Division jamborees, got a clutch second-place performance from senior Kylen Cieslak and placed four others in the top 20 to earn the title.

Salem, which was expected challenge both Churchill and Stevenson for first place, slipped to fourth with 107. Lakes Division teams captured the first four places as Walled Lake Northern moved into third with 100.

Stevenson freshman Courtney Calka was the individual winner, covering the 5,000-meter course in 18 minutes, 34.11 seconds.

Cieslak, who passed two runners in the final 100 meters, clocked an 18:48.03 to earn runner-up honors.

"I gave it everything I had because every place counts," Cieslak said. "I felt pretty good."

A pack of seven runners were bunched together through two miles before Calka took off.

"I was expecting a pack because there were a lot of good runners, then it separated," Cieslak said. "In my head I just had to toughen up and finish. We were unsure at first who won (the meet), then we realized we had won. Stevenson is a strong team and it was nice to win. Our whole team stepped up."

Other Chargers figuring in the scoring included sopho-

more Rachel McFarlane, fifth (18:58.83); freshman Alyssa Mira, ninth (19:11.53); junior Megan Macerati, 12th (19:18.22); and freshman Hannah Otto, 19th (19:44.67).

All seven of Churchill's runners broke 20 minutes including Amy Drinan (28th) and Erica Hope (29th).

"Kylene's work ethic, competitive drive and leadership helps set the tone for the team," Churchill coach Sue Tatro said. "And the consistency of Rachel McFarlane and Megan Macerati help provide the depth to win a meet like this."

"I'm really proud of the way all seven runners were ready to compete. They were hungry for the victory. Anytime you can beat a great coach like Paul Holmberg (of Stevenson), it feels good. And we continue to

enjoy the rivalry from week to week."

Stevenson junior Kristen Frey added a fourth (18:52.01), while senior Lisa Arrowsmith took eighth (19:11.02).

The Spartans' other two scorers were junior Stephanie Perez, who took 17th (19:34.77), and sophomore Denée Meier, who was 25th (19:55.0).

The Spartans' strategy was to hold Calka back with the pack as long as possible.

"Up and down I thought we had good performances," Stevenson coach Paul Holmberg said. "We're not 100 percent healthy. I wasn't sure (Kristen) Frey could even finish a race two days ago. She has tight quadriceps, but we had to keep her in the race. With three teams that close, our strategy was pack running. We had to try to take what we can because we have a lot of hurt runners."

Calka's performance was just

20 seconds slower than her personal best of 18:14 at the Portage Invitational.

"Our coach came up with a strategy and I just tried to take it out strong the last mile," the ninth-grader said. "It was one of my better races."

Calka succeeds former Stevenson runner Heather Sirko as WLAA individual champion.

"She can outkick everybody at the end, she's the real deal," Holmberg said. "She's 100 percent coachable, a pure talent who fit into this team like she's been there her whole life."

The two teams will square off again this Saturday at the Division I regional hosted by Schoolcraft College.

The top three teams advance the following Saturday (Nov. 5) for the state finals at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

"Our goal is to stay healthy and continue to focus on what lies ahead," Tatro said.

ADVERTISEMENT OF BIDS CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LAWN MAINTENANCE SERVICES

The Charter Township of Plymouth is currently accepting bid proposals for Lawn Maintenance Services for one season commencing in April, 2006 through October, 2006 with the option of a one year extension. The Request for Proposal may be obtained in the Office of the Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Bldg. #3, Plymouth, Michigan, 48170. Sealed bids are to be delivered to the Office of the Clerk by November 10, 2006 no later than 3:00 p.m.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Data, Voice and Video Wiring for the New Elementary School at Cherry Hill**. Bid documents will be available for pickup on or after October 17, 2005 from the District's technology consultant: Innovate located at 37558 Hills Tech Drive, Farmington Hills, MI 48331 or via email at info@innovatetec.com (request document #05-1017-01). A pre-bid meeting will be held at the District's E.J. McClendon Educational Center on November 4, 2005 at 2:00 PM. Sealed bids will also be received at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center and must be clearly marked "NEW ELEMENTARY CABLING BID" and received no later than 2:00 p.m. local time on Friday, November 11, 2005 at which time they will be read publicly. The PCCS E.J. McClendon Educational Building is located at 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. For additional information, phone Dan Phillips, Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416-2746. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids and to waive any bid irregularities, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
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WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION CROSS COUNTRY MEET Oct. 21 at Willow Metropark

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Churchill, 47 points; 2. Livonia Stevenson, 55; 3. Walled Lake Northern, 100; 4. Salem, 107; 5. Northville, 114; 6. Canton, 139; 7. Plymouth, 155; 8. Walled Lake Western, 176; 9. Livonia Franklin, 296; 10. Walled Lake Central, 301; 11. Westland John Glenn, 305; 12. Wayne Memorial, 354. **Individual winner:** Courtney Calka (LS), 18 minutes, 34.11 seconds (5,000 meters).

TEAM-BY-TEAM FINISHERS
Churchill (47): 2. Kylen Cieslak, 18:48.03; 5. Rachel McFarlane, 18:58.83; 9. Alyssa Mira, 19:11.53; 12. Megan Macerati, 19:18.22; 19. Hannah Otto, 19:44.67; 28. Amy Drinan, 19:57.5; 29. Erica Hope, 19:58.21.
Stevenson (55): 1. Courtney Calka, 18:34.11; 4. Kristen Frey, 18:52.01; 8. Lisa Arrowsmith, 19:11.02; 17. Stephanie Perez, 19:34.77; 25. Denée Meier, 19:55; 33. Amber Cicala,

20:06.54; 57. Meghan Burke, 21:34.0.
W.L. Northern (100): 3. Rachel Quaintance, 18:48.85; 16. Ashton Williams, 19:33.55; 21. Kristen Olsen, 19:48.98; 24. Cassandra Adamson, 19:53.63; 36. Lauren Quaintance, 20:26.62; 50. Stephanie Baugher, 21:49.6; 53. Jaime Minshall, 21:25.6.

Salem (107): 6. Hannah Cavicchio, 19:03.47; 10. Marisa Caripinelli, 19:13.56; 26. Allison Vranjak, 19:56.3; 30. Allison Janda, 20:01.7; 35. Sarah Kosteva, 20:12.54; 49. Rachel Gickick, 21:12.06; 58. Kristen Donzila, 21:37.86.
Northville (114): 13. Bryn Smetana, 19:18.72; 15. Mary Sprader, 19:32.69; 27. Sarah Aquino, 19:56.3; 30. Jennifer Murphy, 19:46.92; 39. Meghan Keiffer, 20:43.42; 40. Karina Puskorius, 20:44.72; 47. Megan Sheremet, 21:10.5.

Canton (139): 11. Sarah Thomas, 19:17.8; 14. Katherine Gaim, 19:24.41; 31. Jennifer Thomas, 20:04.2; 32. Rebecca McCormack, 20:05.21; 51. Lisa Clinton, 21:22.67; 54. Kristin Ward, 21:27.28; 59. Anne Murphy, 21:55.36.

Plymouth (155): 18. Beth Heldmeyer, 19:39.67; 22. Amy Ostrowski, 19:50.14; 34. Paramjit Bhuller, 20:09.62; 38. Molly Slavens, 20:33.33; 43. Sarah Sherwood, 20:04.03; 44. Jacqueline Beeler, 20:48.62; 55. Elizabeth McLaughlin, 21:29.55.

W.L. Western (176): 7. Jessica Lupinacci, 19:03.95; 23. Rachael Wessel, 19:51.4; 46. Chelsea Burke, 21:08.43; 48. Anna Kotov, 21:11.36; 52. Carolina Guimaraes, 21:24.03; 56. Dasha Dokshina, 21:30.19.

Franklin (296): 37. Meghan Morgan, 20:30.52; 60. Kari Saarela, 22:00.68; 64. Laura Marshall, 22:29.81; 66. Kasey Kaplan, 22:44.24; 69. Elizabeth Reinke, 22:55.3; 75. Jacquelyn Cover, 23:36.06; 79. Megan Wilson, 24:35.79.

W.L. Central (301): 42. Ashley Liebe, 20:47.6; 45. Stephanie Walden, 20:50.14; 61. Katie Woods, 22:06.24; 76. Cimon Saifian, 23:38.32; 77. Jamie Hill, 23:39.44.

John Glenn (305): 41. Stacy Richardson, 20:45.75; 62. Megan Nikula, 22:15.38; 63. Joslyn DeGroot, 22:19.21; 68. Jessica Savolainen, 22:54.25; 71. Becky Barrett, 23:16.42; 72. Melanie Stawkey, 23:24.01.

Wayne (354): 65. Krystal Nichols, 22:42.08; 67. Claire More, 22:46.2; 70. Melissa Smith, 23:03.6; 74. Kathryn Trudeau, 23:36.06; 78. Shawnee Baughan, 23:44.21.

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Walled Lake Central, 47 points; 2. Salem, 89 (won tiebreaker); 3. Plymouth, 89; 4. Livonia Churchill, 107; 5. Northville, 110; 6. Walled Lake Western, 164 (won tiebreaker); 7. Walled Lake Northern, 164; 8. Livonia Stevenson, 173; 9. Canton, 182; 10. Wayne Memorial, 272; 11. Livonia Franklin, 305; 12. Westland John Glenn, 359.

Individual winner: Dan Kapadia (Salem), 15 minutes, 53.63 seconds (5,000 meters).

TEAM-BY-TEAM FINISHERS
W.L. Central (47): 2. Jake Hill, 16:06.33; 3. Sean Maxwell, 16:14.07; 4. Tony Sanfilippo, 16:19.04; 17. Scott Stevens, 17:05.244; 21. Alex Roth, 17:16.76; 66. Shad Servo, 19:07.43; 72. Kevin Stolla, 19:42.52.

Salem (89): 1. Dan Kapadia, 15:53.83; 14. Jimmy Walsh, 16:57.29; 20. Craig Cowling, 17:16.32; 25. Andrew Cassidy, 17:20.86; 29. Cameron Loftus, 17:27.51; 32. Kevin deBear, 17:30.48; 54. Erik Donzila, 18:15.25.

Plymouth (89): 8. Patrick Slavens, 16:35.1; 9. Anthony Scarpato, 16:37.12; 10. Sean Dillon, 16:37.85; 26. Derek Lax, 17:22.13; 36. Justin Huey, 17:37.74; 45. Justin Magill, 17:53.55; 56. Cristian Chagas, 18:22.41.

Churchill (107): 6. Tim Howse, 16:24.98; 11. Brandon Grysko, 16:49.53; 16. Joe Varilone, 17:00.25; 34. Matt Hegsel, 17:33.18; 40. Paul Folk, 17:44.08; 42. Jim Waterbury, 17:47.3; 47. Brian Robertson, 17:57.59.

Northville (110): 12. Nicholas Kolbow, 16:53.47; 19. Thomas Sugawara, 17:15.95; 33. Thomas Farrell, 17:32.32; 41. Jacob Myers, 17:45.46; 50. Neil Das, 18:04.69; 60. Andrew Middlemass, 18:45.65.

W.L. Western (164): 7. Todd Bowmar, 16:29.3; 28. Brian Cheadle, 17:25.72; 38. Jason Mahanian, 17:41.61; 39. Christian Schnaible, 17:42.85; 52. Mark Mehinger, 18:11.11; 64. Jonathan Rhodes, 19:03.87; 67. Michael Chou, 19:14.66.

W.L. Northern (164): 11. Ryan Jara, 16:54.07; 15. Mihkey Maves, 16:58.74; 22. Joshua Robertson, 17:17.26; 55. Patrick Keenan, 18:16.53; 59. Daniel Stecher, 18:41.69; 68. Gregory Watson, 19:21.14; 73. Charles McMahon, 19:53.37.

Stevenson (173): 18. Dan Wilson, 17:08.08; 27. Michael Gibbons, 17:24.48; 31. David Antishin, 17:29.0; 48. Matt Lipsky, 17:58.35; 49. Justin Black, 18:02.81; 51. Jeff Niemi, 18:10.42; 61. Bryan Betke, 18:48.47.

Canton (182): 23. Charles Wolfe, 17:19.25; 35. Kyle Clinton, 17:35.4; 37. Evan Sheppard, 17:38.37; 43. Derek Hoerman, 17:49.21; 44. Duncan Spitz, 17:51.18; 57. Gregory Reed, 18:26.8; 58. Aaron McClellan, 18:32.93.

Wayne (272): 30. James Holbrook, 17:28.21; 46. Kevin Lewis, 17:55.99; 53. Jordan Janowitz, 18:12.89; 69. Abraham Mendez, 19:25.34; 74. John Robertson, 19:53.95; 78. Christian Smith, 20:42.1.

Franklin (305): 24. Michael Krcatovich, 17:20.22; 63. Peter Walllay, 18:56.33; 70. Josh Walker, 19:31.5; 71. Dylan Taylor, 19:36.54; 77. Gregory Stuart, 20:24.99; 79. Evan Sirena, 20:43.56; 81. John Church, 20:54.94.

John Glenn (359): 62. Mike Jacobs, 18:50.75; 65. Tim Boes, 19:05.51; 75. Nathan Scarlett, 20:08.9; 76. Shawn Long, 20:12.55; 81. Matt Jarvis, 21:57.55; 82. Eric Mlynar, 22:08.23.

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ficing open perimeter shots to Plymouth's guards.

"We haven't played zone all year," said Canton coach Brian Samulski. "Our strength has been our man-up defense. It came down to who did what better and they were the better team tonight. They have two really good players inside who we had a hard time stopping. When we did stop them, we couldn't convert on offense."

While the Wildcats treated each one of their first 14 games before Thursday's with equal levels of importance, the match-up with the Chiefs was still highly anticipated.

"All season we've talked about how we wanted to be in a position where this game meant something," said Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly. "The girls have done a good job of getting the job done leading up to tonight, and they did a good job tonight. They were excited and they proved they were up to the challenge."

"Our strength is our post play and we felt that if our guards took care of the ball and were able to get it inside to Jeanine and Kim, we'd be successful."

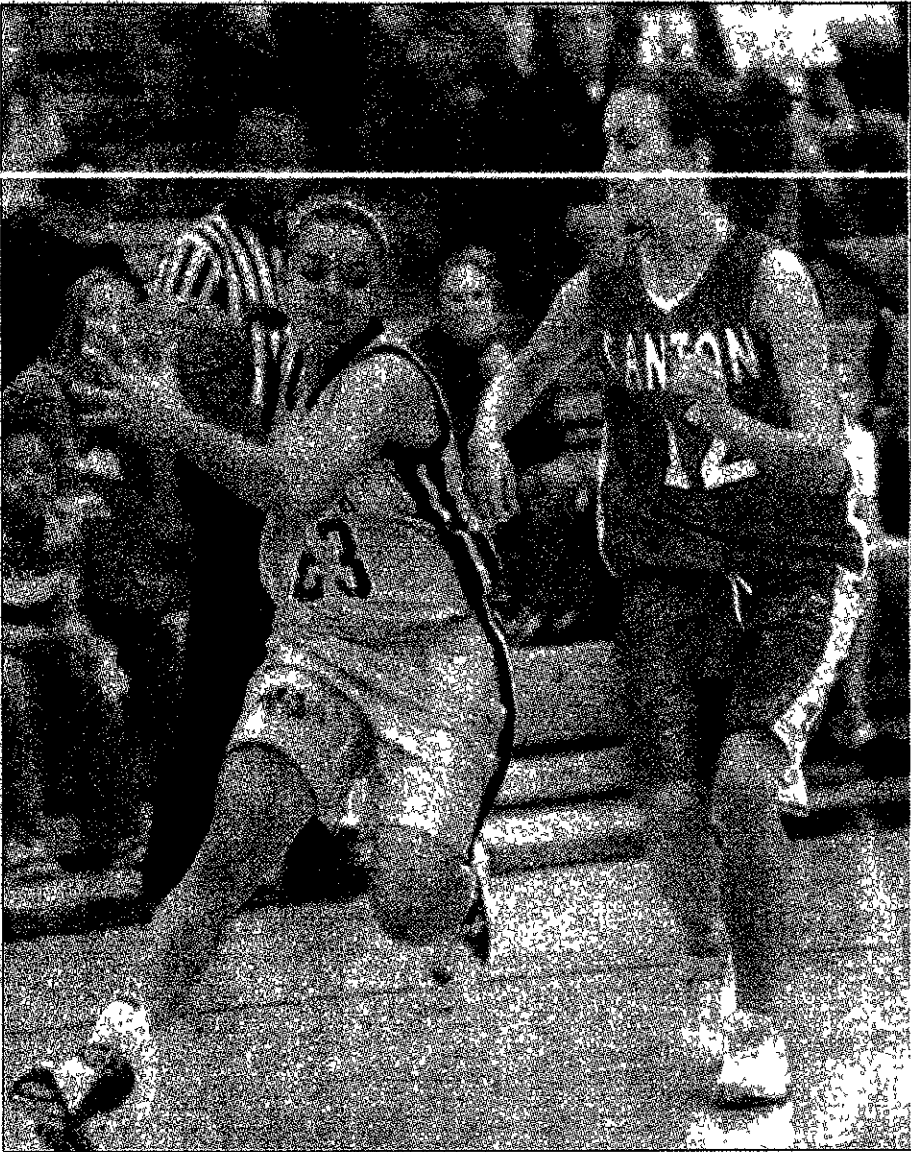
Canton was handicuffed by injuries to its two leading scorers. Senior forward Lisa Ealy, who suffered a leg injury two weeks ago, was less than 100 percent, and starting point guard Becci Houdek left the game for good after suffering from an adverse reaction to medication with 4:57 left in the first half.

Samulski did not use his team's aches and pains as an excuse.

"Injuries are part of the game," he said. "Lisa was only about 50 percent tonight and Becci went out early, but you have to keep playing. The rest of the team needs to step up and make plays."

While Moise and Olech delivered most of the big blows to the Chiefs, freshman point guard Jalesa Moise (Jeanine's younger sister) contributed several stinging jabs. The younger Moise tallied five points, five steals and four assists.

"Jalesa is very composed out there for



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Plymouth's Jalesa Moise (23) drives past Canton's Kelsy Zemanski during Thursday night's cross-campus showdown. Moise scored five points in the Wildcats' 42-29 win.

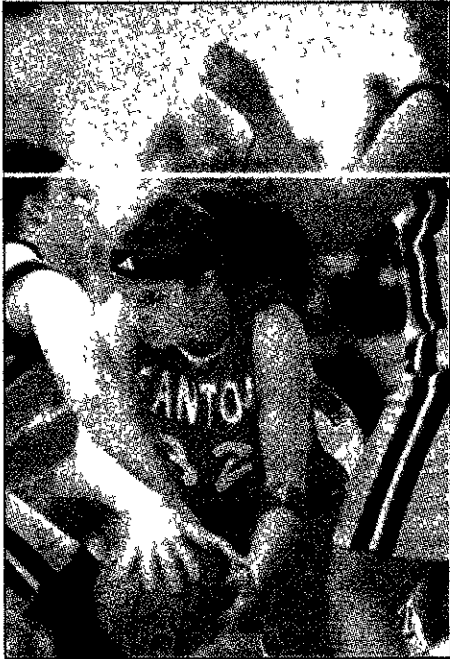
her age," Reilly said. "She did a great job handling the ball tonight."

Plymouth led 13-9 following an entertaining first quarter. Olech and Moise established themselves early, combining for 10 first-quarter points. Houdek was effective on the offensive end for the Chiefs, posting all six of her points in the opening six minutes.

The second quarter was divided into

three mini-runs. After Canton cut its deficit to 13-11 on Ealy's fast-break lay-up with 7:30 left, the Wildcats countered with an 8-0 streak to seize a 21-11 advantage. Jeanine Moise accounted for six of the points during the run.

Undaunted, the Chiefs cut it to 23-17 on a pair of Kelsy Zemanski jumpers and a highlight reel-caliber twisting scoop shot by Ealy. Plymouth closed out



Canton's Lisa Ealy is double-teamed by Plymouth's Kim Olech (left) and Jeanine Moise.

the half with two baskets — one each from the Moise sisters — and led 27-17.

Plymouth opened the second half like it was shot out of a cannon, tallying the first seven points to build an insurmountable 34-17 lead.

The closest the Chiefs could get in the final eight minutes was 39-29 when Ealy drained a jumper with 1:00 left. With 5:45 remaining, Plymouth shifted into a clock-devouring, no-shoot weave offense, making Canton's comeback efforts that much more difficult.

Ealy finished with a team-high eight points, five rebounds and four steals. Zemanski and Houdek both twined six while Ja'nee Morton added four points and three rebounds.

Plymouth out-rebounded Canton, 24-21.

The Wildcats shot 41 percent from the field and 70 percent from the free-throw line. Canton hit 36 percent of its field goals and half of its shots from the stripe.

The Chiefs committed 16 turnovers — six in the first 4:30 of the game. The Wildcats turned the ball over 12 times. ewright@oe.hometownlife.com | (734) 953-2108

THE WEEK AHEAD

- PREP FOOTBALL**
Friday, Oct. 28
Canton and Plymouth in Division 1 playoffs
- GIRLS BASKETBALL**
Tuesday, Oct. 25
Salem at Plymouth 7 p.m.
Livonia Stevenson at Canton, 7 p.m.
Canton Agape at Baptist Park, 7 p.m.
Warren Zoe at PCA, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 27**
Plymouth at Northville, 7 p.m.
W.L. Northern at Canton, 7 p.m.
Salem at Wayne Memorial, 7 p.m.
- Friday, Oct. 28**
Bethesda at Canton Agape at United Christian, 7 p.m.
Southfield Christian at PCA, 7:30 p.m.
- BOYS SOCCER**
Monday, Oct. 24
Division 1 District Tournament
Canton vs. Pinckney at Saline H.S., 5 p.m.
Salem vs. A.A. Pioneer at A.A. Pioneer, 7 p.m.
Plymouth vs. A.A. Huron at A.A. Huron, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, Oct. 26**
Division 1 District semi-final match-ups at Saline H.S.
Saturday, Oct. 29
Division 1 District final at Saline H.S., 1 p.m.
- BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**
Saturday, Oct. 29
Plymouth, Canton and Salem at Division 1 Regional meet at Schoolcraft College, 10 a.m.
- GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**
Saturday, Oct. 29
Plymouth, Canton and Salem at Division 1 Regional meet at Schoolcraft College, 10 a.m.
- GIRLS SWIMMING**
Thursday, Oct. 27
Plymouth at Canton, 7 p.m.
Salem at Livonia Churchill, 7 p.m.
- MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**
Tuesday, Oct. 25
Madonna at Indiana Tech, 7 p.m.
Schoolcraft vs. Macomb CC at Canton H.S., 7 p.m.
- Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 29-30**
Schoolcraft at Region 12 Tourney at Cincinnati State (Ohio), TBA.
- WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**
Wednesday, Oct. 26
MSU Club at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.
- WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**
Tuesday, Oct. 25
Madonna at Cornerstone, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 27**
Madonna at Warner Southern (Fla.), 7 p.m.
- Delta CC at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.**
Saturday, Oct. 29
Schoolcraft in MCCA Tourney at Grand Haven, TBA.
- ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE**
Friday, Oct. 28
Whalers at London Knights, 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 29**
Whalers vs. Guelph (Compuware), 7:30 p.m.
TBA — time to be announced.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Public Act 263 of 2001 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 7, 2005 in the **First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m.** on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT - TEXT AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT BY ADDING LANGUAGE AS FOLLOWS:

OBJECTIVE 1.5: Mixed Land Uses (NEW)

Canton Township shall identify and recognize areas within the community which currently have or may be conducive to a mix of zoning and land uses. These areas are generally located along the Michigan Avenue Corridor and require flexibility in order to respond to changes in market demands within the community. These changes include the nature of Michigan Avenue as a regional transportation corridor, growth in the industrial sector in the southern part of the community, and future residential development in the southern portion of the Township as the community reaches build-out.

Policy 1.5.1 (NEW)

Establish a **Mixed Use** designation on the Future Land Use map which may include, but not be limited to, certain areas along Michigan Avenue to allow for flexibility.

Policy 1.5.2 (NEW)

The Mixed Use designation shall allow for the consideration of Light Industrial Research (LI-R), Office (O-I), Regional Commercial (C-3), and Multiple Family Residential (MR) zoning, pursuant to the standard criteria for rezoning, and property transitions from one zoning district to another shall be maintained.

Policy 1.5.3 (NEW)

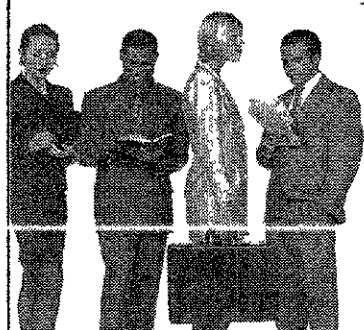
Use of the Planned Development District (PDD) option is encouraged to allow flexibility of use, layout and design. The PDD option also promotes clustering to foster preservation of open space and natural resources. Maximum residential densities shall be based on the maximum allowable density permitted by the underlying zoning district, calculated by the net acreage in each zoning district.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to November 3, 2005 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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W.L. Central boys earn redemption with crown

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

CROSS COUNTRY

Last year, Walled Lake Central's boys cross country team was so close to winning the Western Lakes Activities Association conference meet, the Vikings could taste victory. Friday afternoon, Central not only tasted victory — it feasted on its WLAA counterparts, out-distancing co-runners-up Salem and Plymouth by 42 points in the meet held at Willow Metropark. Technically, the Rocks finished second thanks to the sixth-man tie-breaker format.

"We would have won last year, but our fifth runner passed out with 50 meters to go, and we only had five runners, so we finished sixth," recalled first-year Central coach Justin Schumacher. "Because they were so close last year, I think the boys wanted it even more this year. I thought it was going to be a four-team race between us, Livonia Churchill, Plymouth and Salem. I was surprised we won by as many points as we did. We got phenomenal senior

leadership out of Scott Stevens and Sean Maxwell."

Three Vikings were among the top four finishers and all five Central runners finished in the top 21. Jake Hill finished second in 16:06, 13 seconds behind overall winner Dan Kapadia of Salem. Hill was followed closely by teammates Maxwell (third in 16:14) and Tony Sanfilippo (fourth in 16:19).

Kapadia's gold medal effort was complemented by fine performances from teammates Jimmy Walsh (14th in 16:57), Craig Cowing (20th in 17:16), Andrew Cassidy (25th in

17:20), Cameron Loftus (29th in 17:27) and Kevin deBour (32nd in 17:30).

"At the one-and-three-quarter-mile mark, I thought we were done," said Salem coach Geoff Baker. "It looked like we were running heavy. But the last mile-and-a-quarter, the boys really came back and ran well."

"I just read something that said if the athletes believe in themselves, the system and their training, they will do well. Our guys must believe because they ran great today."

Plymouth, which was riding the momentum of two WLAA

Western Division jamboree victories, was led by Patrick Slavens, Anthony Scaparo and Sean Dillon, who finished eighth, ninth and 10th, respectively. Freshman Derek Lax crossed the line in 26th and Justin Huey was 36th.

Canton finished ninth, 135 points behind the Vikings.

"I'm not happy we finished ninth, but I'm extremely happy with our times," said Chief coach Bill Boyd. "We had five kids run in the 17's, led by Trey Wolfe (17:19) and Evan Shepherd (17:38). Trey and Evan both ran personal bests and the other four were all

within five seconds of their best times. The kids ran well. The league was just very fast this year."

Northville's Jasen Turnbull finished fifth in 16:21, just ahead of Churchill's Tim Howse, who placed sixth in 16:24. Howse's effort helped the Chargers finish fourth. The Mustangs were fifth and Walled Lake Western sixth.

The conditions for the meet were ideal: a relatively flat course with cool temperatures, sunny skies and a slight breeze.

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Garay-led Whalers triumph, 3-0

The Plymouth Whalers are continuing to adjust to the new Ontario Hockey League rules quite nicely.

Justin Garay pitched his first-ever OHL shutout and the Plymouth penalty-killers frustrated a normally efficient Kitchener power play en route to a 3-0 victory Friday night before 6,055 at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium.

Plymouth killed off all 16 Kitchener power plays while going 1-for-14 on its own power play. The Whalers have scored 22 power-play goals in their seven victories this year.

Plymouth has now won six straight games and remains in

first place in the OHL's West Division with a 7-2-1-0 record, good for 15 points, three points ahead of Sarnia (6-4-0-0), which defeated Sault Ste. Marie, 5-4, Friday night. Kitchener has lost four out of five and is 5-5-0-0.

In stopping 29 Ranger shots, Garay lowered his league-leading goals against average to 2.17 while raising his save percentage to .933, which also leads the OHL.

Neither team scored through the first two periods although referee Ryan Carroll sent a constant parade of skaters to both penalty boxes. Garay was particularly sharp in the first period

when Kitchener outshot Plymouth, 7-1, through the first 10 minutes of the game.

Plymouth started to turn the game around in the second period and broke through with three unanswered goals in the third period.

The game-winning goal came at 5:05 of the third period when

Jared Boll skated behind the Kitchener net, went to the left goal line and shot the puck to the side of the Rangers' goal. The puck caromed off a couple of players out in front and pin-balled past Kitchener goaltender Dan Turple. The goal was credited to Mike Letizia, his fifth of the season.

WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Section 18, chapter IV, Act 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, seven or more freeholders have petitioned the County of Wayne to absolutely abandon and discontinue:

All of that portion of Leopold Street (50 feet wide) adjoining Lots 46, 47 & 51, inclusive, and also that portion adjoining the previously vacated 18 foot wide public alley, as dedicated to the use of the public in the SHELTON PARK SUBDIVISION, being a subdivision in the N.W. 1/4 of Sec. 34, T.2, S., R.8 E., Canton Twp., Wayne Co., Mich., as recorded in Liber 43 of Plats on Page 96, Wayne County Records.

Therefore, it has been decided a Hearing be held on Wednesday, November 30, 2005, at 10:00 a.m., at the Wayne County Department of Public Services, 415 Clifford Street, 3rd Floor, Detroit, Michigan 48226, and that a Hearing Examiner of the county shall hold said hearing and obtain all necessary facts and information concerning the advisability of either granting or denying said petition, and shall report all findings of fact to the Board of Wayne County Commissioners.

True copies of this notice are to be served, posted and published in accordance with the provisions of said Act No. 283 of 1909, as amended.

WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT
OF PUBLIC SERVICES
Real Estate, 3rd Floor
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Detroit, Michigan 48226
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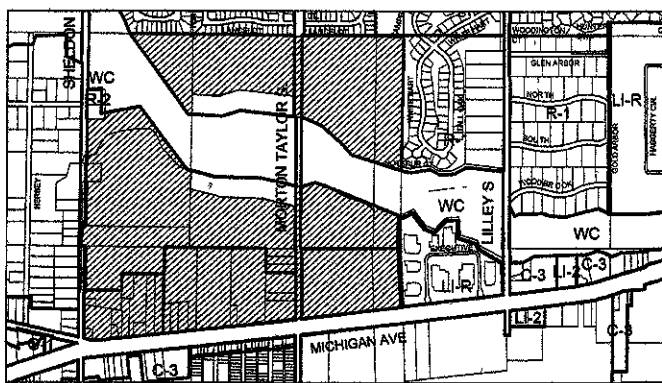
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Public Act 263 of 2001 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 7, 2005 in the **First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m.** on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

TWP INITIATED (MICHIGAN AVE/MORTON TAYLOR) FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO MIXED USE FOR PARCEL NOS. 103-99-0001-003, 133-99-0001-001, 133-99-0001-002, 133-99-0001-003, 133-99-0001-004, 133-99-0002-000, 133-99-0003-000, 133-99-0004-000, 133-99-0005-000, 133-99-0006-000, 133-99-0007-000, 133-99-0008-000, 133-99-0009-000, 133-99-0010-000, 133-99-0011-000, 133-99-0012-000, 133-99-0013-001, 133-99-0013-002, 133-99-0015-000, 133-99-0016-000, 133-99-0017-001, 133-99-0017-002, 133-99-0018-002, 133-02-0053-000, 133-02-0054-000, 133-02-0055-000, 133-99-0004-000, 133-99-0005-000, 103-99-0002-001 (SOUTH OF ROUGE) AND FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL FOR PARCEL NOS. 108-99-0001-004, 108-99-0001-706, 108-99-0001-708, 133-99-0018-703 AND FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL FOR PARCEL NOS. 103-99-0001-001, 103-99-0002-001 (NORTH OF ROUGE) AND FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO COMMUNITY FACILITIES FOR PARCEL NOS. 108-99-0001-703 (PART OF), 108-99-0004-007 AND FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO COMMUNITY FACILITIES FOR PARCEL NO. 108-99-0004-005. Property is located north of Michigan Avenue between Sheldon and Lilley Roads.



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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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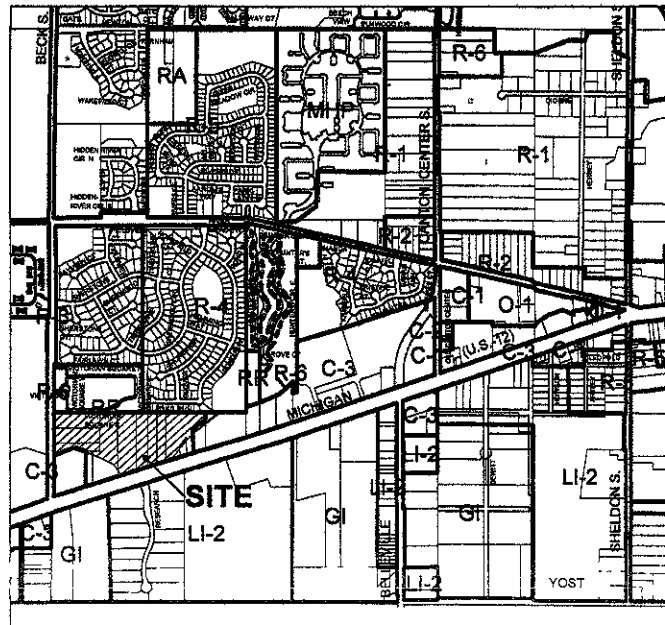
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SCHAFER DEVELOPMENT / CANTON TOWNSHIP FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (RESEARCH) TO REGIONAL COMMERCIAL FOR PARCEL NOS. 13 1 99 0001 000, 13 1 99 0002 000, 13 1 99 0003 000 (PART OF), 13 1 99 0004 000 (PART OF) 13 1 99 0005 000 (PART OF), 13 1 99 0006 000, 13 1 99 0007 000, 13 1 99 00 12 000 (PART OF), 13 1 99 00 14 000, AND 13 1 99 001 5 000. Property is located north of Michigan Avenue and east of Beck Road.



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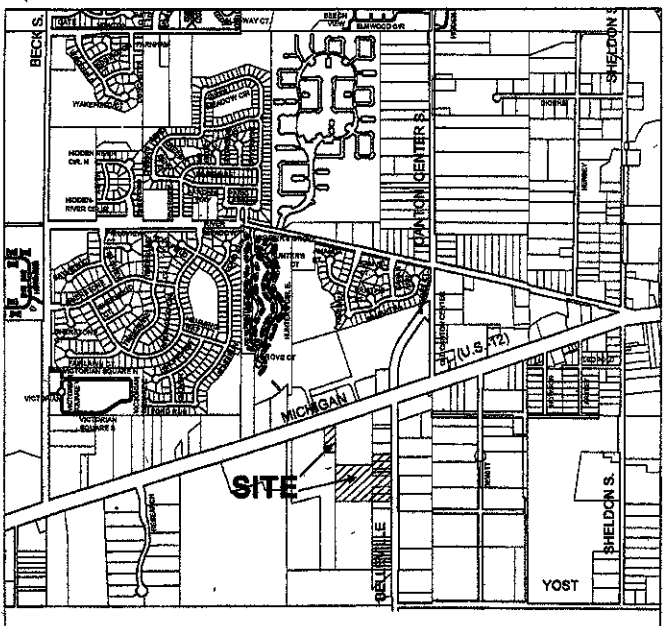
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TOWNSHIP INITIATED FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT (BELLEVILLE / MICHIGAN) - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL FOR PARCEL NOS. 132 01 0012 000, 132 01 0014 000, 132 01 0016 000, 132 01 0017 000, 132 01 0021 000, 132 01 0023 000, 132 99 0002 002 AND 132 99 0003 702 (PART OF). Property is located south of Michigan Avenue and west of Belleville Road.



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5027	Heiferty	Oldsmobile 98 Royale, LaZBoy, couch, grill, end tables, TV, file cabinet, bags + boxes
1014	Willis	TV, 25+ boxes, 15 plastic totes, desk
3027	Moore	Furniture, wood, school furniture, tools, shelving
3029	Wilder	Tires, weights, refrigerator, dresser, desk w/hutch, recliner, snow shovel, dozen boxes, bed
5257	Papow	Small electronics, appliances, boxes, bags

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1200	Douglass	Household
1220	Fowler	Household
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3099	Catlin	Big Screen TV, bike, dining table, briefcase, file cab.
3102	Darby	Storage Cab, mattresses, table, TV, end tables
3113	Smith	Bedroom set, stereo, dining room table, luggage
3115	Stein	Fencing, vacuum, computer desk, garden tools
3122	Floring	Patio chair, couch, glass end table, wall hangings
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3070	Leach	Econoline Van
5120	Burnham	Clothing racks, 4 wooden cubes, 5 shelves
3214	Salisbury	2 chairs
6030	Johnson	Vacuum, end table, kids stuff, totes, furniture, large TV, 6 chairs

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1033	DePriest	TV, sofa, work table, fridge, motorcycle parts, ramps
1035	Reyes	Household
1056	Moore	Lamp, wall hanging, shop vac, bedset, end table, weights, 10 boxes
2007	DePriest	ski set, stereo, TV, loveseat, 12 bags, boxes, tent, crates
4051	Bagnell	boxes, dental chair, display rack, electronics. 20 boxes

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what our roles are and we all played together last year, so we all know what the others are going to do in certain situations. "The 'flat four' formation is shaped like a spoon. When one of the outside defenders pushes the ball up the field, the defender on the other side of the field slides back. It sounds easy, but it takes a lot of practice to get it right."

"There's always somebody backing us up if one of us makes a mistake," Shifferd emphasized. "The first half of the year we worked on defense a lot in practice and all the work has been paying off."

COACH'S DREAM

Tomasso has high praise for all four of his starting defenders. "Josh is a true leader out on the field," Tomasso said. "He definitely brings an element of leadership to the back."

"Ryan is very composed; he never seems worried out there. He calms down the others by

being composed.

"Eric Zech leads by example. He's very fast and he's always working hard."

"And Erik McKee has a high level of talent combined with a lot of soccer knowledge. He's probably the most knowledgeable when it comes to the (flat four) system and the game of soccer."

GOLDEN GOALIE

McKee said it's re-assuring to have a talented goal-keeper playing behind the defense just in case an opponent's shot penetrates the flat four.

"Parker has stepped up huge for us this year," McKee said. "He's been a tremendous help to this team. Steve Mischung did a great job for us last year, so we weren't sure how Parker would do without a lot of varsity experience. But he's come up big."

None of the defenders has experienced the feeling of winning a prep district title. They're hoping the flat four can change all that next week.

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FOOTBALL

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minutes later, and a 22-yard TD burst from McClendon with 3:25 left in the first half.

The Rocks narrowed their halftime deficit to 19-6 when Bradley hit Chris Sorensen from 41 yards out. They nearly found paydirt on their previous drive, which stalled at the Canton 15.

The Chiefs put together a nine-play, 64-yard drive on their opening possession of the second half. Andy Rossow, whose 74-yard TD run was nullified by

a penalty seven plays earlier, scored from one yard out to make it 26-6.

Bradley connected with Jon Pomorski on a 49-yard TD pass with 7:35 left to make it 26-12. McClendon's third TD — a one-yard dive — closed out the scoring.

Canton amassed 389 yards of offense while Salem racked up 254. Bradley rushed for 63 on 19 carries and completed 3-of-11 passes for an additional 71 yards. Kyle Boling was also an offensive workhorse for the Rocks, picking up 51 yards on 17 attempts.

Saline to host soccer districts

The road to a state title for all three P-CEP boys soccer teams will go through Saline. That is the host site for the District 6 tournament that includes Salem, Canton and Plymouth, as well as Pinckney, Saline, South Lyon, Ann Arbor Pioneer and Ann Arbor Huron.

The Rocks will open Monday at 7 p.m. against Ann Arbor Pioneer at Pioneer High School. In the other half of the bracket, Canton will take on Pinckney Monday at 5 p.m. at Saline High School. The district championship game is set for Saturday at 1 p.m.

Salem cagers' title hopes alive

BY EN WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Salem's hopes for a Western Lakes Activities Association title are alive and flourishing following Thursday night's impressive 41-28 victory over Northville.

The Rocks will take their 8-1 WLAA mark (they're 11-2 overall) into the Plymouth High School gymnasium Tuesday night when they take on the 9-0 Wildcats. The opening tip is set for 7 p.m. Northville still has an outside shot at the league crown — or at least a share of it — after dropping to 7-2 (10-5 overall).

"The first quarter started fast — super fast," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "They came out pressing, but we moved the ball well and got a lot of good looks at the rim. Once we started making a few of our shots, they changed their defense to a 2-3 zone."

"I think Northville may have been a little emotionally drained after their win over Canton Tuesday night (Northville edged the Chiefs,

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26-25). But our girls played well at both ends."

Junior forward Teresa Coppiellie led the Rocks' charge, netting 15 points and 10 rebounds. Tayler Langham (14 points), Lauren Kurtz (eight points, six rebounds and four assists) and Alaya Mitchell (four points) also made huge contributions for the winners.

"Tayler had a nice game," Thomann said. "She hit a couple jump-shots and she made some nice slashing moves to the basket. Our guards, Alaya Mitchell and Brianna Clarin didn't score much, but they did a great job of breaking Northville's press."

Sarah Comai and Danielle Toney both netted six points for the Mustangs.

Salem surged to a 19-7 first-quarter lead and 27-14 half-time advantage. The Rocks led 33-19 with eight minutes left before cruising in for the victory.

The Rocks were a perfect 5-for-5 from the free-throw line. Northville connected on 6-of-8 shots from the stripe.

HURON VALLEY 33, AGAPE 13:

It was a sterling defensive effort Thursday as Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (5-8, 4-4) downed host Canton Agape Christian (5-7, 1-5) in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference-Red Division game played at Garden City United Christian.

The Hawks led 11-2 at half-time and outscored Agape 12-5 in the third period to put the game away.

Senior forward Renee Wendland paced Huron Valley with 10 points. Amanda Gruenewald added six points and five steals.

Nichole Nicholson led Agape with five points, while team's top inside player, Brianna Chrenko, was limited by the Hawks' defense and got into foul trouble.

Agape didn't help its own cause, missing 15-of-17 free throws.

Huron Valley was 1-for-8.

Romulus gridders tame Tigers

Belleville's football season came to a frustrating end Friday night when the Tigers finished on the short end of a 27-14 decision to visiting Romulus. The setback left both teams with disappointing 2-7 records.

Romulus lit up the scoreboard first when quarterback Larry Horn snuck in from one yard out. Cedric Smith's extra point made it 7-0. Belleville knotted the game at 7-7 when Carlos Clark rumbled in from five yards out and Jacob D'Onofrio split the uprights on the extra point.

The game remained tied until the Eagles' Larry Farrow scored on a two-yard run. Smith's extra point was blocked by Clark, leaving the score 13-7 Romulus.

Belleville notched its first lead of the night with five minutes remaining in the third quarter on a one-yard run by Waseem El Awadi and D'Onofrio's extra point. Romulus earned the win with a pair of fourth-quarter touchdowns, the first on a one-yard run by Horn and the second on a 31-yard scamper by Farrow.

Dajuan Roberts led the Tigers' offensive attack, gaining 94 yards on just five carries.

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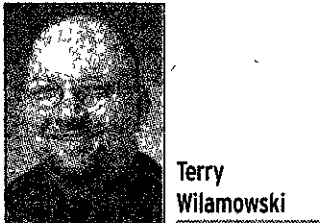
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Turn TV off,
work with
spouse

My children are ages 11, 9, 6 and 3 and they are usually very good. The only time that I have any real trouble with them is on weekday mornings. It seems that they are too busy watching cartoons to get ready for school. They play at the breakfast table and take forever to finish their food. They do not get dressed until the last possible moment and then we are in a mad rush to get to school on time. We are late several times each week. I have tried to use consequences, but this never seems to work the way that it is supposed to. My kids do not cooperate. My husband says that I need to make them listen to me, but when he is home from work, he can't seem to get them ready on time, either. What can we do to fix this problem? It is really out of hand.
Joan, Novi
Let's be clear. You and your husband need to work together and provide your children with structure. The problems are not specific to one parent or the other, but rather for the family as a whole. Your children's chronic tardiness is problematic and needs to be addressed by both parents. The division between the two of you weakens your parental authority. The following suggestions are for both of you. If you truly want to get your children ready and to school on time, turn off the television and keep it turned off until after school. In the morning, there are more than enough responsibilities to keep them busy and occupied. The TV only serves as a distraction. Without it, your children can focus on the task of getting ready. Assign time limits for each morning chore and enforce them. Determine realistic amounts of time that it should take children to complete the given task. And then set the schedule into motion. Allow them plenty of time to eat, clean up, get dressed and arrive at school well before the first bell rings. For example, wake them an hour before school starts. Allow them 20 minutes to eat. If they do not finish in this time frame, remove their food and usher them to the next chore. If they are still hungry it will not harm them. Instead, it will serve as a reinforcement to eat more and play less the next day. Give them 10 minutes to brush teeth and 15 minutes to get dressed. When they have five minutes left to dress, warn them that you will be leaving shortly and whatever they are wearing at the time of departure will be their clothing for the day. They will either scramble to get dressed before you leave or they will test you by not getting dressed at all. If this happens, take them to school

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The ghost hunter

Westland woman uses sixth sense to solve murders

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Kristy sees dead people. Her idea of a good time is visiting cemeteries in search of these spirits. The 34-year-old Westland woman has used her sixth sense to communicate with those who've physically left this world since she was age 3, but only recently began helping private investigators and police departments to solve missing persons cases and murders. "I ask for the name of a victim and then meditate. Night time is not a restful time for me with a line of spirits coming to me," said Kristy who uses astral traveling and remote viewing to reach locations without physically leaving her bed. She pulls up her sleeve to reveal bruises on her arm. She says they are from traveling through the woods to reach the murder sites. She is currently working on five cases in California, Ohio, Illinois, and Wisconsin. "The first time I was sleeping and woke up to someone in my room. She'd been murdered and her body hadn't been found. Eventually I overcame my fear of being seen as crazy and finally called police and they did find her body." Private investigator Brad D. Kelly was involved with the Julie Popovich case in Ohio. He said the information was good that she (Kristy) gave, although the killer hasn't been caught. While Kristy doesn't fear spirits, she is afraid of the living. She asked that her surname not be used in the story. "My mom and dad were very frustrated with my imaginary friends. I believe they were spirit

guides like guardian angels," said Kristy. "Today there are several shows about the paranormal. The Ghost Whisperer conveys a misconception that spirits are those who haven't crossed over. A relative can come and visit because they love you." For years, Kristy doubted her sanity after visits from her deceased grandparents. She consulted a psychiatrist, psychologist and neurologist who all reassured her that she was not crazy. Still, Kristy hesitated to "come out of the closet as psychic," a word she doesn't like to use. Instead, she refers to herself as a spirit medium. "There are lots of positive spirits," said Kristy. "They can be playful ones or low level spirits like when you play with a Ouija board. I tell people never to play with them because you just don't know who you'll contact." Kristy warns against trying to communicate with the other side without the help of a professional, but beware of frauds. "Someone should give you specific details, an object or date. I don't look at the person or their hands for wedding rings. Don't wear one and see if they can pick up on that. Look sad if you're happy and see if they can tell. Spirits do have jobs to do on the other side. They're not always available to us. Only ask for spirits of truth and light. I had a lost spirit who moved the table across the room, but never had a spirit hurt anybody." An encounter with a negative spirit did frighten Kristy when she was investigating a relative's Minnesota farm house in June. "It was built in the late 1800s after another farm house burned

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Kristy took this photo of an orb above a grave marker in Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville. She believes it is an entity or spirit, not a dust particle on the lens.

Sisters-in-law keep it all in the family in transplant

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Melissa Shelton doesn't think it's extraordinary that she's donating a kidney to her sister-in-law Stacy Shelton. The young women probably would have been good friends even if Stacy hadn't met and married Melissa's brother Dan. When Stacy bursts into tears from the stress of waiting on the transplant list for three years, Melissa is there to comfort the 28-year-old Redford resident with a hug. "When doctors told Stacy they wanted to do a transplant I wanted somehow to help so I organized a blood drive which is the easiest way to find out if you're a match," said Melissa Shelton, a 26-year old Canton resident. "I was the last person I thought would be a match. As soon as I found out it was a possibility, it's what I knew I had to do." Stacy's been through dozens of kidney surgeries since doctors discovered a birth defect at age 5 - but this one



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Stacy and Melissa Shelton will have more in common than their Donate Life bracelets after their Nov. 9 surgeries, could give her a normal life. On Nov. 9, the two will enter University of Michigan Hospital to undergo surgeries after passing physical and psychological testing. Stacy returns on Dec. 19 to have her remaining native kidney removed. Her right kidney was removed at age 12. If the operations are successful it will mean that Stacy won't have to return to the hospital every three months as she

has for the last 4-1/2 years for surgery to replace a stent which allows her kidney to continue functioning at 16 percent. "I'm extremely nervous," said Stacy Shelton. "I'm afraid for Melissa. She doesn't know what it's like waking up from anesthesia hurting and she'll only have one kidney. I'm afraid of rejecting the kidney and having to go on dialysis, and for my husband having to go through this for his wife and sister." Dan Shelton isn't worried. He knows that the surgery will be successful for both women. And to ensure that it is, he's checking to see that Stacy takes all of her medication every night. Dan grew up in a close family where he looked out for not only his twin brother Jim, but sisters Melissa, and April McLeod. When he met Stacy three years ago she was still grieving the death of her mother, Diane, the year before. Dan took her home and she became part of the Shelton family. Dan's sister Melissa has moved back home so their mother Karen can take care of her after surgery. It will be

about four to six weeks before Melissa can return to her job as a medical biller at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Karen is always in the kitchen even though her four grown children no longer live at home, except for Melissa. So it seemed only natural that she volunteer to cook spaghetti for a benefit to raise money not only for medical bills not covered by insurance, but living expenses since Stacy will be unable to return to her secretarial position at Edward Rose & Sons Co. in Southfield until next year. Instead of two incomes, Stacy and Dan will have to make ends meet on one. The event takes place 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 39100 Schoolcraft in Livonia. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under age 12, and available in advance or at the door. For more information, call Karen Shelton at (734) 455-9341. Donations are still being sought for

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raffle items. So far several local restaurants and movie theaters have given passes and vouchers for a raffle.

"We've put out letters asking for donations and all of the girls, aunts and my co-workers are working on a quilt to be raffled," said Karen, a floor supervisor at McDonald's in Plymouth. "I always take Stacy to get her stents since they were engaged three years ago. The transplant surgery is scary of course. It's a long time to be under anesthesia. Some days are harder than others. It affects the whole family, but God sent Stacy to us on purpose.

"We had a daughter who was born March 27, 1977, and died that same day and year. She's like the daughter that never came home with us. She's just a part of our family."

As usual, Melissa's father Tom will be doing whatever he's asked to do to make the fund-raiser a success. All of the family is involved including April's husband David McLeod who'll be helping in the kitchen.

"It's Melissa's decision to do

this," said Tom Shelton. "We all wished we could, but it didn't turn out that way."

Stacy's father Garry Durocher wanted to donate one of his kidneys, but he wasn't even considered due to his high blood pressure. An older and a younger brother were not a match either.

"What Melissa's doing is one of the most fantastic things that someone can do. It's a fantastic gift," said Garry Durocher. "I can't put into words how we feel about Melissa. I can't express my gratitude for something like this. Everyone will definitely get thank you letters from me after the surgery."

In the meantime, the Sheltons and Durocher are working hard to make the fund-raiser a fun event. Instead of guests bidding on silent auction items, they'll have plenty of chances to win prizes by purchasing raffle tickets.

"I'm just concerned because it's not a good time to be asking for donations," said Karen, "because of hurricanes Katrina and Rita everybody's given."

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down next to it," said Kristy. "It was a really creepy house. We heard children's voices, a piano played and a telephone rang that had been disconnected for years. None of us answered it. We all ran because we were scared. The original farm house had burnt to the ground and many children died."

One of Kristy's most recent cases involves Ashley Lyn Howley, a woman who grew up in Livonia, went missing from Columbus, Ohio and is thought to be dead. A friend of Howley's contacted Kristy in search of help after the woman disappeared in June 2004 at the age of 20. Jackie Stanton, Howley's mother, is going to Ohio next week to meet with a philanthropist who put up a \$100,000 reward in addition to the \$2,000 from Central Ohio Crime Stoppers for information leading to her whereabouts. To learn more, visit the Web site www.ohiomissingadults.com.

"Right now I'll take any help I can get," said Jackie Stanton of Ohio. "All I want is to bring her home."

Kristy will talk about the Howley case and murders she's currently working on at a lecture 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, at Mystiques-West, 36356 Ford Road in Westland. She believes everyone has a sixth sense that can be developed. Admission is \$5 plus a dish to pass. Call (734) 729-8019.

"We're not witches. I mostly work with Catholics, Lutherans. I go to church, sing the hymns. I see it as a gift that

God gave me," said Kristy who earned an associate's degree in science from Schoolcraft College and works as a human resources person at a local public institution.

Ray Fraser believes Kristy does possess special powers. He's seen her communicate with the dead at Monday night seances at Mystiques-West. He's been a professional spirit medium for 30-years.

"She is able to give names of the spirits of people who are coming through," said Ray Fraser, co-owner of the metaphysical center. "She's a very strong intuitive."

Photographs of a cemetery at Cherry Hill and Ridge roads in Canton and Rural Hill in Northville tell her story as a ghost hunter. Streaks of light stream across the dark images. While non-believers say circles of light are nothing more than dust particles, Kristy believes the orbs are spirits or entities.

"I've always been fascinated by cemeteries, especially the older cemeteries," said Kristy. "They're not there to hurt you. I want people to experience what I experience, to not be afraid of it."

"Old houses and cemeteries aren't the only places spirits visit. There are homes in Tonquish sub in Westland because it's built over Indian burial grounds, and new houses where spirits can attach to the land."

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in their pajamas. They will see that you mean business and not test you the following day. You can even allow them to come home and change and then take them back to school as long as they get the idea that this second chance will only happen on this first day. If they test you

again, send them in their pajamas and make them stay that way.

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In addition, inform the children that on any day that they arrive at school prior to the first bell, there will be a reward. Involve the children in the selection of these rewards.

Terry Wilamowski is a therapist specializing in the treatment of children and families at Davis Counseling Center in Farmington Hills. Questions can be sent to parents@daviscounseling.com.

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Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running, grief support and clerical services. Volunteer training begins Nov. 5. For more information, e-mail 4621offices-taff@hcr-manorcare.com or call Ann Christensen, (888) 973-1145.

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 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

BraveHeart Grief Services, in collaboration with Arbor Hospice & Home Care, will offer a workshop, "Coping with Grief at the Holidays," to address the range of emotions that may come at this time of year and offer helpful suggestions for those trying to cope with the holidays. The program is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17 at the Arbor Hospice & Home Care office, 331 Center in Northville. There is no cost to attend the workshop, but interested individuals need to register by calling Sandy Vankoeveering, (248) 348-4980, or e-mail her at svankoeveering@arborhospice.org.

Livonia Youth Philharmonic

The Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan is looking for student musicians ages 5-18 to join one of its five concert groups. Rehearsals are held Saturday mornings at Churchill High School in Livonia. Wind ensemble, string orchestras, flute choir and full Philharmonic orchestra spots are available. For more information, e-mail auditions@lypm.org or call (248) 476-6341 or (734) 464-8704.

ABWA craft fair

The American Business Women's Association Maia Chapter of Ann Arbor and the Pioneer High School Women's Athletics Teams co-host the 18th-annual Holiday Art & Craft Festival, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5 at Pioneer High School, 601 W. Stadium Blvd., Ann Arbor.

The event features more than 150 artisans featuring pottery, ceramics, paintings, jewelry, tole painting and more. Proceeds go to ABWA Maia Chapter Education Fund for scholarships for local college students and to Pioneer High School women's athletic teams. For information, call (734) 663-0671.

Ann Arbor women

The Ann Arbor Women's City Club hosts its 22nd-annual Holiday Art & Craft festival 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29 at the ASWCC, 1830 Washtenaw between Devonshire and Hill. There will be 50 juried exhibitors from Michigan in attendance. Admission is \$3, children 12 and younger admitted free (no strollers). For information, e-mail Sylvia Stetz at stetzpinckney@aol.com or call (734) 878-9044.

Wine event

The wine event "Taste Michigan" takes place 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16 to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation-Metro Detroit. The Royal Park Hotel at 600 E. University Drive, Rochester, will host the Annual "Taste Michigan" - A Wine Event with hors d'oeuvres, musical entertainment and silent auction. The cost is \$125 per person, which includes tasting of several different wines from Michigan wineries. Tasteful and creative hors d'oeuvres will be provided by The Royal Park Hotel, along with musical entertainment by Dr. Dave Bauer. This event also features an impressive silent auction, which will feature items from the tasting and other items. Sponsorships are still available at several levels from \$500 to \$5,000. Anyone interested in purchasing tickets or sponsorships should call Jill Katynski at the CF Foundation (248) 269-8759.

Holiday craft show

The 19th-annual Holiday Magic Craft Show at Leonard Elementary, 4401 Tallman in Troy (north of Wattles, west of Rochester Road) is set for Saturday, Nov. 5. Admission is \$2. The family-oriented, juried show is seeking crafters and artists, but doesn't need jewelers. Cost is \$50 per space, food is available. Contact Pat Larson via e-mail at patlarson@sbqglobal.net or call (248) 689-6944.

Grief support

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian-based bereavement outreach and resource center located in Northville. Age appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in southeastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 4 through the teen years. Groups for parents who have lost a child, adults who have lost a parent, pet loss, and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year.

All services for adults and children are

offered at no cost to the participants. If you are grieving or know someone who is, please call our office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support, or visit www.newhope-center.net

Halloween Soup

The Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville presents "Halloween Soup" through Oct. 30. "Halloween Soup" tells the story of how the creepy lawyer, Fleasom, plots to evict the "Ghoul" family from their beloved mountain retreat. Performances are Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. with an 11 a.m. performance Oct. 29; Sundays at 2:30 p.m.; and a 7 p.m. performance Friday, Oct. 28. Tickets are \$7 each; no children under age 3. For school reservations, birthday parties, group rates and other information, call (248) 349-8110.

CLUBS

Rotary A.M.

The Plymouth Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. New members are always wel-

come. Contact Tim Phillips, president, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., via e-mail at tim@philipshq.com or call (734) 451-8267.

MOPS meet

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meets twice monthly from September-May for moms and their children, newborn-kindergarten, at Lakepointe Bible Church in Plymouth. For more information, call Crystal Johnson, (734) 459-1861.

Mosaic

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

Moms Club

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

DAR

The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter-Daughters of the American Revolution meets the third Monday of each month except January, July and August. A group with ancestors who fought in American Revolution. Members participate in community work involving veteran's hospitals, schools and community service. Call 734-420-2775.

German/American Club of Plymouth


Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road, Plymouth. Call Mary Ann at (734) 420-0857 for further information.

American Legion

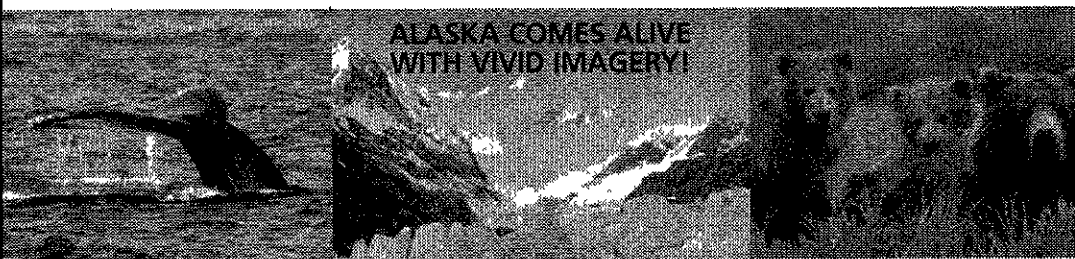
Beasley-Zalesny Post 112 meets at the I.O.O.F. Hall on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. All veterans that served during any of the wars are eligible. Contact (734) 459-7324 for further information.

Women's Farm and Garden Club-Plymouth

Meets every second Monday of each month from September through June. Persons interested in joining may contact club president, Linda Coughlin at (734) 459-7478.



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YWCA to honor achievements of local women at awards ceremony

The YWCA of Western Wayne County will host its 14th Annual Women of Achievement Awards and 50th Anniversary Celebration on Oct. 27 at the Dearborn Inn, 20301 Oakwood Blvd., in Dearborn.

The Women of Achievement Awards honor outstanding women from Western Wayne County.

New this year is a silent auction and a special recognition of all past women of achievement. The silent auction begins at 11 a.m. and

ends at noon. The awards ceremony begins at 12:15 p.m. Doors open at 10:45 a.m.

"The YWCA of Western Wayne County has been committed to helping women and their families for the past 50 years," said Karen Murphy, CEO of the YWCA of Western Wayne County.

"The Women of Achievement Awards honor women who go above and beyond their call of duty throughout their communities. The community needs to

come out and show their support for these wonderful women."

Keynote speaker is 2005 Woman of the Year, Kathleen Ligocki. Ligocki is President and CEO of Tower Automotive. She is also a founding member of the Women's Leadership Forum, a teaching/charitable organization affiliated with the Women's Economic Club of Detroit.

Mistress of ceremonies is Eleanor M. Josaitis, CEO and co-founder of Focus: HOPE.

She was the YWCA of Western Wayne County's Woman of the Year in 2004. Josaitis will honor women in the following categories: arts/communication, business/industry, government/law, professions, senior woman, volunteer service, and young woman (age 16-23).

Tickets for the event are \$40, and \$400 for tables of 10. Call the YWCA Women of Achievement Department at (313) 561-4110 for reservations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stemp-Hanson

Jennifer and Stephen Stemp of Redford announce the wedding of their daughter, Michelle Lynn, to Eric Barton Hanson, the son of Barton and Diane Hanson of Canton.

The couple was married July 1, 2005 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton, with the Rev. George Williams officiating. The reception was held at Joy Manor in Westland, and the couple honeymooned in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

The bride, an Eastern Michigan University student and 2000 graduate of Crestwood High School in Dearborn Heights, was attended by Julie Landelius, Samantha Smolen, Lora Montgomery, Lisa Hanson and Leah Hanson, with Anna Hanson serving as flower girl.

The groom, a 1999 graduate of Canton High School and a



full-time mechanic at Firestone in Canton, was attended by Ken Kirwan, Jeff Hanson, Scott Hanson, Stephen Stemp and Kenneth Stemp, with Dylan Hanson serving as ring-bearer.

The couple resides in Garden City.

Columbia University neurologist to speak

Dr. Elan Louis, neurologist and medical researcher at Columbia University in New York, will share the latest information on the first-ever centralized brain bank for the study of essential tremor, a common neurological movement disorder that affects 10 million Americans. Co-sponsored by the International Essential Tremor Foundation (IETF) and the Michigan Tremor Support Group, the meeting will take place 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at Temple Israel in West Bloomfield.

This is the first time Dr. Louis has addressed a Michigan audience. The brain bank study offers medical researchers the opportunity to determine the exact cause of ET, which is unknown, as well as develop better treatment options and a cure.

The meeting is free of charge

and is open to anyone who wants to learn more about the brain bank and essential tremor, which causes uncontrollable, continuous shaking in the hands, head, voice and sometimes other body parts. Essential tremor is often misdiagnosed as Parkinson's disease, which in comparison affects about 1.5 million individuals in the United States. ET researchers believe about half of all ET cases are the result of a genetic predisposition.

The average age of onset is 45, and ET is more prevalent in people over 65. Anyone, however, can develop the disorder - even children. The tremor also progressively worsens with age. Although ET can be managed, it can become disabling for many.

"We should have treatments that will work for the majority

of ET patients, rather than the minority, and be able to almost completely control the symptoms of ET within the next 10 years," said Dr. Louis who also serves on the board of directors for the Kansas-based IETF and is director of the only Essential Tremor Brain Repository in the country.

The condition causes patients understandable frustration and often, so much embarrassment that they become reclusive. The IETF has formed support groups across the country like the one Shari Finsilver leads in West Bloomfield to give ET sufferers a place where they can be themselves, get tips on how to live with their condition and share their experiences.

"Dr. Louis is providing hope to millions of ET patients through his unique research brain bank. We are privileged

that he will be speaking to us directly about the brain bank, his work and how we can help," said Finsilver, who serves both as president of the IETF, as well as leader of the Michigan Tremor Support Group.

For more information or to register for the Michigan Tremor Support Group meeting, contact Finsilver at fmsilver@earthlink.net or (248) 683-4138.

The IETF is the only worldwide nonprofit organization dedicated to providing educational and support services to individuals whose daily lives are challenged by essential tremor, their families and health care providers. Founded in 1988, IETF also funds research. To learn more, contact the International Essential Tremor Foundation toll-free at (888) 387-3667 or www.essentialtremor.org.

Allen-Terp

Mr. and Mrs. Volker Terp of Bornitz, Germany, announce the marriage of their daughter, Sandy, to David Matthew Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Allen of Redford. Sandy and David were married on April 16, 2005, at the Dearborn Inn before the Honorable William Hultgren. A reception was immediately following at the Dearborn Inn.

Attending the bride was Cynthia Featherngill, sister of the groom as matron of honor.

Attending the groom were Don Becker as best man, Michael Featherngill and Pete Arceris and Ryan Featherngill as ring bearer.

Sandy is a graduate of Merkur Akademy International, Halle, Germany. David is a graduate of the



University of Michigan-Dearborn. He is employed by the United States Senate.

The new Mr. and Mrs. David Allen are making their home in Livonia.

NEW VOICES

Erin McKenna Featherngill

Michael and Cynthia Featherngill of Livonia, announce the birth of their daughter, Erin McKenna, on June 1, 2005, at Providence Hospital in Southfield.

Erin joins big brother, Ryan Michael.

Her grandparents are Raymond and Linda Allen of Redford, and Russell and Linda Kula of Redford.

Connor Michael Davey

Jason and Kelly Davey of Garden City, proudly announce the birth of their new son, Connor Michael, on Sept. 2, 2005, at Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. He weighed 9 pounds 11 ounces, and was 22 1/2 inches long.

Connor joins big brother, Blake Anthony, 2 1/4.

His grandparents are Gerald Van Gorp of Garden City, Christine Van Gorp of Detroit, Linda Davey of Garden City and Leo Davey of California.

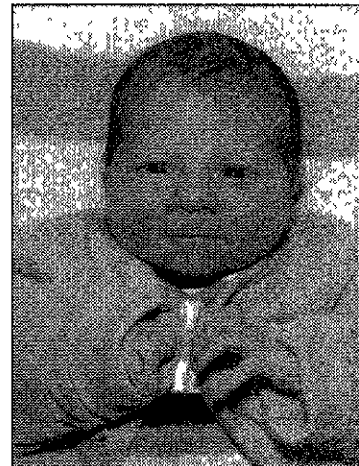
His great-grandparents are Anastasia Rogacki of Livonia, Judith Van Gorp of Garden City, Gerald Karpinski of Chesterfield Township and Helen Davey of Tucson, Ariz.

Benjamin Richard Van Horn

Matthew and Jennifer (nee Bargowski) Van Horn of Canton announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Richard, on Sept. 24, 2005, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. He weighed 8 pounds 7 ounces, and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Benjamin joins big brother, Joshua, 4, and big sister, Makenna, 2.

His grandparents are Richard and Donna Bargowski of Canton, Ron and Gail Van Horn of Boyne, and Clark and Cathy Keller of Howell.



Halloween comes to gardens

Trick or treat in the Henry Ford Estate Gardens 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, in front of the historic garage on the campus of the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

This fun outdoor event is presented by the estate's garden volunteers. The cost is \$5 per child. Reservations/pre-pay required. Call (313) 593-5580 or (313) 593-0514. All proceeds benefit garden restoration.

The children will follow a loop route through the gardens with 10 trick or treat stops along the way. Children should come dressed in costume any time during the event. Please bring a flashlight and bag to collect treats. No strollers please. In case of heavy rain, the program takes place inside the estate's visitor center.

An adult must accompany participating children.

Cranbrook Gardens Fall Sale

The Garden Auxiliary at Cranbrook's Annual Fall Sale is 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 28 and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 29. All proceeds will provide funds for maintenance, restoration and renewed plantings of the more than 40 gardens at Cranbrook.

The Cranbrook workshop for a unique selection of original art including Photography, clay leaf designs, stony birdhouses, hand knit accessories, natural wreaths and topiaries, spring-flowering bulbs and Siberian iris plants, gardening books, tools, hand painted gift tins, handbags and more. Stop by the greenhouse to see the doghouse with a living roof, unusual orchids and bromeliads, and the cacti collection.

The "Trash to Treasures" will sell gently used garden items for bargain prices. Free admission. Shuttle service is available from Christ Church parking lot. Call Mary Ann or Colleen at (248) 645-3149 with questions.

Gloria Dei
A craft show will be Oct. 28-29 at Gloria

CRAFTS CALENDAR

Dei Lutheran Church, 2600 Pontiac Road, Auburn Hills. Call (248) 332-9647 for more information.

Holiday Art Fair
The Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans presents its 30th Annual Holiday Art Fair from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday Nov. 5 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday Nov. 6 on the Oakland Community College Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Admission is \$5. Children under 12 are admitted free. Parking is free.

The fair presents the work of 130 juried artists who will be present to discuss their inspiration, techniques and completed pieces. Whether it is hand-crafted toys, one-of-a-kind jewelry, hand-woven clothing, or home accessories, the fair offers a multitude of original gifts for Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanza, plus handcrafted ceramics and textiles for an artfully set Thanksgiving table.

The Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans is a non-profit organization that also produces the award-winning

Ann Arbor Summer Art Fair. The fair will be in Building H. Campus entrances are on Orchard Lake Road and Farmington Road, south of I-696 (734) 662-3382 or visit www.michigan-guild.org online.

Holiday Bazaar
Beverly Hills United Church, 1000 N. 15 Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan, from 5-9 p.m. Friday Nov. 11, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12. A craft and boutique shop, bake shop and attic treasures area will be open. A Chuckwagon Supper is available Friday evening and Lunch Cafe on Saturday. The church is on the northeast corner of 13 Mile and Evergreen. For more information, contact Debbie at (248) 540-9775.

Fairview Fall Bazaar
The 2nd Fairview Bazaar-Craft Show at Fairview Early Learning Center, 28500 Oak Crest Drive, Farmington Hills is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 12. For questions, call Lynette Koehler at (248) 785-2059, or e-mail fairview-bazaar@earthlink.net.

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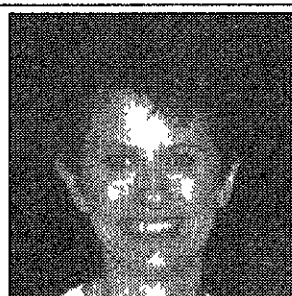
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ERNESTINE "GRANNY" COLVIN

Age 92, October 19, 2005. Beloved wife of the late Arthur P. "Bud" Colvin. Loving mother of Virginia Lois (Art) Wood, and Beverly (Bill) Yarber. Also survived by seven grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. A Celebration of Life service will be held at The R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, MI, Sunday, Oct. 23, 11am.



KIM FORSTER

Age 42, of Plymouth, died Oct. 20, 2005. She was a registered Labor and Delivery Nurse at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. She came to the Plymouth community in 1984 from Rockwood, Michigan. She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. Her three daughters were the most important people in her life. She is survived by her husband, Michael; her daughters: Kaitlin, Elisabeth, and Julia; her parents, Al and Mickey Skuratovich; her mother in law, Geraldine Forster; sister, Jean (Jeff) Brower and brothers, David (Robin) Skuratovich and Michael (Kathy) Skuratovich. Visitation will be at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main on Sunday, Oct. 23, 2005, from 2-9 and on Monday, Oct. 24, 2005, Plymouth from 10-10:30 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth, with a funeral service at 10:30 a.m. The family would like to say, "Thank You" to the many family and friends in the Plymouth Community for their wonderful support.

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Dances
MSP dances from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Top 40 DJ, cash bar, hors d'oeuvres (8-9:30 p.m.) and door prizes. Admission \$5/members, \$9/non-members, unless otherwise noted. Attire is dressy casual (no jeans or tennis shoes) unless otherwise noted.

Halloween Dance
Friday, Oct. 28, at the Double Tree Guest Suites-Novi, Novi Road at I-96, Exit 162. \$15. Attire: semi-scary, costumes optional/casual. For directions only (248) 348-5000. Prizes for best costumes.

Friday Dance
Friday, Nov. 11, at the Holiday Inn-Livonia, 17123 Laurel Park Dr. N., 6 Mile at I-275, Exit 170. For directions only call (734) 464-1300.

SINGLE POINT MINISTRIES
Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church is at 40000 Six Mile Road, the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty, in Northville.

Sunday Fellowship
Meet at 11:30 a.m. every Sunday in Knox Hall for fellowship and encouragement. Coffee, doughnuts, conversation and Christ are always present. For more information, call the SPM office at (248) 374-5920.

Walking Club

Meet in the Single Point office of Ward Presbyterian Church at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Open to all fitness levels. (248) 374-5920.

Volleyball
Meet at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Knox Hall. For further details regarding any sport, contact the SPM Office at (248) 374-5920.

Biking
10 a.m. Saturdays Bike rides are geared toward the tourist-level rider, however all ability levels are welcome. Helmets mandatory.

Bible Studies-Prayer Nights
■ Men's Bible Study - 7 p.m. Mondays in Room A101.
■ P.A.C.S. - 7 p.m. 2nd and 4th Mondays in Room C309.
■ Praying Together - 7 p.m. Tuesdays in the Sanctuary at Ward Church.
■ Learner's - 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in Room A101

Lighthouse Café
Friday, Oct. 28, from 7-10 p.m. in Knox Hall. An evening of relaxation and fun listening to live entertainment by other Single Pointers. \$5 games, fellowship, music, snacks and specialty coffees. Free childcare.

Stepping Stones
A recovery program for children of divorce will begin Thursday, Nov. 3, from 7-8:30 p.m. for six consecutive weeks (excluding Thanksgiving Day).

Laugh Out Loud
Friday, Nov. 4, at 7:30 p.m. Comedian, Justin Fennell in Knox Hall. Tickets are \$5.

Lifeworks
Friday, Nov. 11, at 7:30 p.m. in Knox Hall. Rev. Dick Bont will speak on a topic of importance to single adults in today's society. Refreshments will follow. Free childcare.

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Psychologist warns about marketing to children

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Karen Magoon notices how her grandson squirms when the commercials come on television and how he runs to his mother asking for this and that. "It definitely gives them the gimmees," she said. "I notice the noise level is much higher with kids."

Magoon of Livonia, a property manager at Westland Mall, isn't sure what parents and grandparents should do about the commercial assault on children.

"I definitely think parents have to take a proactive role in limiting the amount of TV a child watches and pay attention to commercials out there," she said.

According to psychologist Susan Linn, proactive adults are an important first step in fighting a dangerous commercial assault on children. Linn is the keynote speaker at *Metroparent* magazine's forum, *Reclaiming Our Kids: How to Reassert Your Influence in a Threatening World*.

The forum is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at



Linn

call Metro Parent Events at (248) 398-3400 or visit www.metroparent.com.

Magoon will be attending with her husband, and she hopes to hear how parents can work together.

"It's relentless, escalating exponentially, and it's off people's radar screens," Linn said. "It permeates every aspect of a child's life. People no longer think of marketing as just commercials. What the industry is doing is insinuating brands into every aspect of a child's life."

Linn, associate director of the Media Center of the Judge Baker Children's Center in Boston and an instructor at Harvard University, is the author of *Consuming Kids: Protecting Our Children From The Onslaught of Marketing &*

Advertising. A review in *Publisher's Weekly* says, "savvy enough to avoid sounding 'like someone's maiden aunt,' Linn presents a socially conscious account that deserves wide exposure."

Linn, who grew up in Detroit and graduated from Cass Tech High School, said she began noticing the impact of marketing when she was raising her daughter through the '90s. She said in the last 20 years, marketing to children has grown by 150 percent into a \$15 billion industry.

From Saturday morning cartoons to product placement in every TV show and movie children attend, marketers are targeting children from infancy to their impressionable teens.

"It's illegal to place products in shows aimed at children, but shows like *American Idol* attract large audiences of children," she said.

Even schools aren't immune from commercials. Several schools have contracts with companies like Coca-Cola and Pepsi. Some schools have even considered selling naming rights to corporations.

Linn said marketing has

gone beyond commercials into one-on-one 'buzz' campaigns like Procter & Gamble's Tremors and Girl Intelligence, where teens are hired to create a buzz about a product with other teens. Children psychologists are being recruited to

advise corporations on how to play on a child's vulnerabilities. One report even identifies which kind of parents are most likely to cave in to nagging. "I have no idea how they justify it," Linn said of the psychologists. "I think it's disgraceful. What they tend to say is we just provide the service, but it's disingenuous."

Linn believes that one avenue in fighting the problem is for government to curb commercial speech, especially when targeted at children. "A corporation is not a person," she said. "I'm of the opinion that corporations shouldn't be afforded the same rights. Commercials aimed at children should not have the same protections as political speech."

She said the pervasive influence of corporations is actually a danger to free speech. She said it is also a danger to a child's health, especially the

influence of the food industries at a time when childhood obesity is at an all-time high.

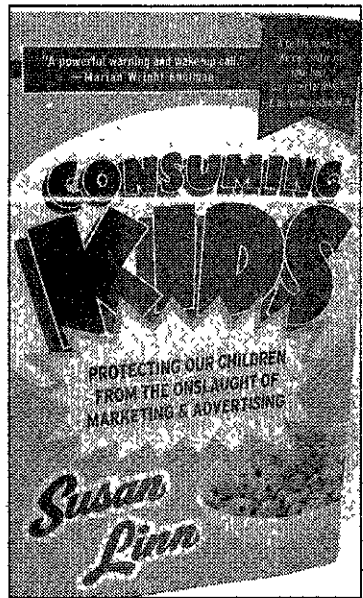
Linn has a background in television, where she occasionally appeared with Fred Rogers on *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*.

"He was my mentor. It's ironic, what I got (from him) was the extraordinary potential of the media to help children and enrich their lives. That's the environment I grew up in and was hopeful about as a young adult," she said.

She said she saw Rogers shortly before his death and that he, too, deplored the commercialization of children.

Linn is concerned that children aren't being exposed to the arts without some hidden commercial message. "It's unfair," she said.

"Essentially there isn't a popular culture for children anymore without commercial culture. It's a dilemma for parents. It's harder to be a parent today than ever because the culture is so toxic." She urges parents to become activists, monitor what their children watch and limit their access to the media. The *Metroparent* forum will



Susan Linn's book has been called savvy and passionate by reviewers.

hear Linn's address at 9:30 a.m. and then divide into break-out sessions on Sex and the Media, Parental Peer Pressure, Character Education: Building Moral Intelligence, When To Say No: Setting Boundaries with Your Kids (and Sticking to Them), Choices and Challenges: Helping Your Kids Make the Hard Choices and Age-Appropriate Decision Making.

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Big Hair Ball to benefit children with hair loss related to health

Two million American children suffer from medically related hair loss.

Children With Hairloss, Inc., a non-profit organization, is dedicated to helping parents with children who have lost their hair due to medical reasons. Many of these children must endure painful chemotherapy, radiation and rehabilitation in order to become well enough to simply attend school and interact with other kids. Often the return to school and peer groups for a child who has lost their hair can be more traumatic than the physical treatment itself. CWHL helps improve a child's self-esteem and confidence by providing natural, custom wigs and professional

styling at no cost to those who are financially challenged.

Because Children With Hairloss, Inc. operates entirely on tax-deductible donations and grants, the Big Hair Ball is an important fund-raising event. This year the event takes place at 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at Western Golf and Country Club, 14600 Kinloch, Redford.

There will be numerous high-end items up for silent and live auction as well as \$10 raffle tickets for a VIP Roush Racing experience.

Tickets are \$200. Call (734) 379-4400.

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Racing. Remember how great you felt when you walked out of the salon, after your last haircut? Now imagine being asked to pay \$3500 for that visit. For a child with medically related hair loss, the cost to look and feel like a "normal kid" again with the gift as simple as a hair can exceed that \$3000. However, the strength and confidence a custom-created wig can bring to an already courageous child is immeasurable. Simply said, by covering heads, it is possible to heal young hearts.

Regina Villemure, founder and chairman of CWHL knows the healing power of hair. After years of replacing adult's hair, she recognized the need to help children

look and feel their best, especially in medically-related situations.

Her mission was to create quality wigs, products and compassionate services for children who suffer from medically related hair loss. Villemure was the first stylist in the area to specialize in hair replacement.

Her 30 years of experience as a hairdresser, combined with volunteer work with cancer patients led her to create the successful Wigs for All Kids program in 2000.

Today, Children With Hairloss, Inc. is led by Villemure and a diverse board of dedicated directors, including national spokesperson and former Miss America (1998) Kaye

Lani Rae Rafko-Wilson who is a registered nurse committed to increasing awareness for CWHL and the needy children it supports.

Since its inception, CWHL has become a resource for people directly involved and/or affected with medically related hair loss.

The network of medical professionals, hair care experts and various support groups serve to inform and educate those afflicted through awareness and fund-raising campaigns.

Specifically, CWHL offers assistance in the form of hair replacement to children suffering from any form of medically related hair loss including chemotherapy, radiation, burns, accidents, scarring,

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trichotillomania (compulsive hair pulling) and all variations of alopecia and hypomelanoses of ito. Recipients are offered a wig, wig care kit, a hat with attachable hair and styling services at no cost.

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Peter's Principles

Peter Nielsen

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Lisa from St. Clair was recently injured while exercising and wants to know things she should try to be careful of during her workout. According to the American Council of Exercise, the top five most common workout mistakes are:

- 1) Not stretching enough before you begin. Warm muscles are far less likely to be injured than cold ones.
- 2) Lifting too much weight.
- 3) Not warming up enough before an aerobic activity. Rather than hitting the treadmill running, take five minutes to walk and build up to a light jog.
- 4) Not cooling down after a workout. Always take a few minutes to lower your heart rate and stretch your muscles.
- 5) Not drinking enough water. Try to drink three ounces of water every 20 minutes throughout your entire workout.

If you have a health or fitness question, e-mail Peter at www.peternielsen.com.

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Scary holiday

Planning a safe Halloween for children's teeth

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Ruth Cangialosi isn't taking any chances with her daughter's health this Halloween. In addition to checking



Livonia orthodontist Dr. Nawaf Masri talks to 12-year-old Amanda Cangialosi about how her teeth are growing in and their proper care, especially with Halloween just around the corner. Cangialosi expects to have her braces before the scary holiday.

candy for tampering, the Livonia mother is taking out all of the chewies so 12-year-old Amanda doesn't break her braces.

Amanda hasn't decided whether to go trick or treating in her neighborhood or attend parties at Grace Chapel in Farmington Hills or Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville, but her mother knows this scary holiday won't harm her teeth. Participating in activities and a costume contest at Riley Middle School will especially be fun for Amanda who plans to go as a cheetah.

"I'm just probably going to have chocolates," said Amanda Cangialosi during a checkup at Fordson & Masri Orthodontics in Livonia last week.

There will be a lot of candy in the Cangialosi home with four children trick or treating this Halloween, but Ruth has a strategy to reduce the chances of decay or breakage for the two who do wear braces.

"I go through all the candy and then I make a big bowl from which they can choose," said Ruth Cangialosi who donates the leftovers to a children's orphanage or charity. "They have to ask and then brush. We keep track of fruit and vegetables to make sure it's balanced. Then I put the chocolate in the freezer so we still have candy at Christmas. We make it last and pass on the extra stuff."

Chocolate is definitely on the list of candy Dr. Nawaf Masri recommends to his patients. While he doesn't worry yet about 9-month-old daughter Zayna breaking her two, tiny teeth, Masri expects to be treating 40- to 50 more emergencies a day after Halloween. On average during the rest of the year he only sees about one or two emergencies among the 80 to 110 patients between the ages of 7 to 70. That's why Masri recommends avoiding bubble or stick free gum, caramels, taffy, suckers, gummy bears, fruit roll-



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With Halloween just around the corner, 12-year-old Steven Keith of Farmington Hills is shown the proper way to take care of his braces by Dr. Nawaf Masri.

ups, popcorn kernels, or anything sticky or gooey. Cut up those apples. Don't bite into them even if you don't have braces.

"They eat hard candy, chewy candy and break the brackets or get the wire out of the bracket and sometimes chip the teeth," said Dr. Masri, the West Bloomfield resident who took over the practice after Dr. Raymond Fordson retired in October of 2004. "We give them a list of food, please avoid this stuff. Chocolate is fine except for hard candies, caramels and anything that needs to be chewed. Chocolate is fine as long as they brush."

As an incentive, Masri passes out wooden nickels to patients when they do brush. The idea is to promote hygiene and make it fun. Once patients accumulate a certain amount of nickels they can choose from a variety of prizes in the office's showcase.

Steve Keith is working on brushing

longer, not only at Halloween but all year long. He doesn't want to do anything to break his braces and lengthen the time of treatment so he'll let his favorite candy, Smarties, melt in his mouth. Keith is dressing up in his father's old uniform and going as an "army guy" around his Farmington Hills neighborhood to collect candy with his buddies. The 12-year-old's favorite part of the holiday is "scaring little kids who don't see me when I'm hiding in the bushes because of the camouflage."

"He's very good about brushing," said Vinka Keith, his mother. "He's not a big candy eater. We've never had a problem."

Vinka only wishes Steven would brush longer.

"He's always flossing but needs to brush longer."

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Hunters urged to follow safety tips

Every year media reports include stories of hunters suffering heart attacks while in the woods. If you're not prepared, haven't had a physical and haven't exercised much since the last hunt, you may be putting yourself at a risk of a heart attack.

"Hunters rarely consider that their sport is actually an athletic event and that the excitement and exertion take a toll on their bodies," says Peter Nielsen, a fitness trainer and owner of Peter's Principles and volunteer for the American Heart Association. "Hunters should start training and conditioning months before they 'perform', but most don't and their heart and circulatory system sometimes suffers the consequences."

Nielsen writes a weekly column for The Observer & Eccentric.

Hunters, who have not been to their doctor in the year since the last hunt, should take this opportunity to get a checkup. "People should take a look at their major risk factors for heart disease regularly," says Nielsen. "Ask your doctor to check your blood pressure, cholesterol levels and make sure that strenuous exercise is recommended."

Smoking is another major risk factor for heart attack and heart disease.

Smoking is another major risk factor for heart attack and heart disease. Other tips include avoiding a heavy breakfast before heading out into the woods, making a plan to move a heavy animal and avoiding hunting alone. Bring a cell phone to reach emergency services if needed and inform family or friends of your location and scheduled return.

Preparing early will not only help with physical fitness come deer season, but also with overall general health. Studies show that being physically fit lowers heart disease risk even in people who have other risk factors like high blood pressure and high blood cholesterol.

Warning signs of a heart attack are an uncomfortable pressure, fullness, squeezing, or pain in the center of the chest that lasts more than a few minutes or goes away and comes back again. Also pain spreads to the shoulders, neck and arms and is often accompanied by lightheadedness, sweating, nausea and shortness of breath.

Stroke is also a concern while hunting and its warning signs include a sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, and a sudden dizziness and loss of coordination. Both heart attack and stroke are medical emergencies and 911 needs to be accessed immediately.

Since 1924 the American Heart Association has helped protect people of all ages and ethnicities from the ravages of heart disease and stroke. These diseases, the nation's No. 1 and No. 3 killers, claim more than 930,000 American lives a year. The association invested more than \$439 million in fiscal year 2003-04 for research, professional and public education, advocacy and community service programs so people across America can live stronger, longer lives.

For more information about starting a physical fitness program, the American Heart Association has a program called "Just Move" available at americanheart.org or (800) AHA-USA-1.

OCTOBER

Breast cancer bouquet

Featuring hot and light pink carnations, white daisy chrysanthemums, pink miniature carnations, baby's breath and pink Breast Cancer Awareness bracelet for \$8.99, \$1 of which will be donated to the American Breast Cancer Foundation from Thrifty Florist. Available at all 14 metro Detroit Thrifty Florist locations. For locations visit www.thriftyflorist.com.

Flu shots

St. Mary Mercy Hospital will offer priority flu shots to community members, who meet the Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines until Oct. 24. Afterward, the flu vaccine will be available for everyone. Priority flu vaccinations will be given to persons age 65 years and older, with and without a chronic health condition, residents of long-term care facilities, persons ages 18-64 with chronic health conditions, pregnant women, health care personnel who provide direct patient care, household contacts and out-of-home caregivers of children. Cost is \$20. Appointments required. Call (734) 655-8950. St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile in Livonia.

Menopause workshop

Botsford General Hospital partners with the city of Farmington Hills to offer the women's health workshop "Menopause and Beyond" 5:30-7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24, at the Costick Activities Center, 28600 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Registration required, call (248) 473-1830. Cost is \$5 residents or \$6 non-residents. Dr. Judith Joslin-Page, a veteran Botsford physician and Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetrics and Gynecology, discusses the stages of menopause including giving tips on weight, nutrition and exercise, staying vital and energetic, and having fun during and beyond this important stage of a woman's life.

Divorce support

Marie Pulte JD, Board member and vice president of the Michigan Council of Family and Divorce Mediator discusses the mediation process in assisting couples in negotiating their divorce, post-divorce and co-parenting issues 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, at the Women's Resource Center in Room 225 of the McDowell Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. Call (734) 462-4443.

Hormone replacement therapies

Managing menopause the natural way, presentations by Jerrold Weinberg, M.D., founder of Michigan's first

menopause clinic, and Mimi Kuykendall, 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26, at the Farmington Community Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. Space is limited. Call (248) 469-1573, Ext. 304, for reservations. No charge.

Recovery Inc.

The mental health support group meets 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, the group meets every Friday, in the Southfield Parks & Recreation Building on Evergreen at 10 1/2 Mile. For more information, call (734) 464-0027.

Wellness seminar

A program for weight loss is offered 3-5 p.m. or 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26, at Providence Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile at Newburgh, Livonia. The program combines the power of hypnosis with behavior modification. Participants learn to lose weight without feelings of deprivation or denial in one convenient session. The first 45 minutes of each session is a free orientation. If the participant feels comfortable with the program, they pay a one-time fee of \$69. Save \$10 by registering at the Web site www.easylifepower.com. No reservations required. For more information, call (800) 848-2822.

There will be additional seminars to stop smoking 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 29, and to lose weight 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at Crittenton Hospital Medical Center, 1101 W. University Drive, Rochester (main entrance, second floor).

UPCOMING

De-stress your holidays

Learn a variety of methods to calm you and boost your immunity against winter illnesses during a presentation by Marian Schulte, LPN, aging specialist, 1-2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8, in the dining room at American House-Southfield, 27577 Lahser, north of I-696 between 11 and 12 Mile roads. No charge. Call (248) 353-5835.

Caregiver support group

Meets 10-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, meets regularly the second Thursday of the month, at The Village of Redford, 17383 Garfield. Respite services provided for free during the session. For more information, call Linda Peak at (313) 843-2550 or the Redford Senior Department at (313) 387-2788.

Depression lecture

Darlene Doute, an adult psychiatric mental health nursing and clinical nurse specialist at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, presents a lecture 10:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 21, at the Northville

Senior Center, 303 W. Main St. Registration is required. Call (248) 349-4140.

Parenting classes

St. Mary Mercy Hospital presents parenting classes at the Marian Women Center, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Registration required. Call Mary Jane Peck at (734) 655-1100 or send e-mail to peckm@trinity-health.org. Time Out for Parents: Time to Think, Rest and to Plan 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14 (\$10 per family). Individual consultations also available at St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

ONGOING

Group fitness classes

Start thinking about your fall fitness plan. The Center Fitness Club at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield offers senior fitness, water exercise, yoga, Pilates, step, spinning, and back care classes at convenient times year-round. For more information, call Marni Stone at (248) 432-5427 or the membership office at (248) 432-5404.

Lite fitness classes

Senior Fitness Specialist Marni Stone and the Sports Club of West Bloomfield are starting a fitness program for beginners, mature adults and people struggling with illness or injury 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at 6343 Farmington Road. Call (248) 626-9880, Ext. 4050.

Arthritis classes

Began in September in Canton, Garden City, Livonia, Westland and other locations throughout Michigan. For more information about locations, schedules and fees, call the Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter at (800) 968-3030 or visit www.arthritis.org. Classes include a warm-water exercise program, a land-based exercise program formerly known as P.A.C.E. (People with Arthritis CAN Exercise), a graceful, flowing sequence of movements from Sun-style tai chi, and a six-week series that provides participants with the keys to successful arthritis self-management. Arthritis Foundation programs are suitable for adults of all ages with arthritis in its more than 100 different forms. The exercise programs also present a wonderful option for people who are seeking a gentle exercise alternative, and people who are new to exercise.

Therapy choir

Of Broe Rehabilitation Services Inc. located in Farmington Hills is opening membership to volunteers from our community. The choir is comprised of men and women recovering from

traumatic brain injuries. Volunteers with or without disabilities are welcome as singers or helpers. Good singing ability not required. Call (248) 474-8802 for details.

Meningitis vaccinations

University of Michigan Health System's Michigan Visiting Nurses are offering meningitis vaccinations by appointment at the Ann Arbor office. Appointments can be scheduled by calling (734) 677-0020. Meningitis (Menactra®) immunizations cost \$155 payable by cash, check or charge (Visa or MasterCard). A proof of vaccination record and receipt of payment are provided at time of immunization. Students younger than 18 must attend the clinic with a parent or guardian and all patients must be older than 12. For more disease and vaccination information, visit www.umvn.org.

Meningitis shots

Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan is administering the life-saving meningitis vaccination. The shot costs \$105 and is available by appointment 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday, at VNA of Southeast Michigan at 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600, Oak Park. To learn about bacterial meningitis or schedule an appointment, visit www.vna.org or call (248) 967-8755.

Parkinson's support

A new group has formed at Crittenton Hospital in Rochester and meets 7 p.m. Wednesday. Call (248) 433-1011 or (800) 852-9781.

The Waterford/West Bloomfield group is moving to Canterbury on-the-Lake, 5601 Hatchery Road (between Airport and Crescent Lake roads), Waterford, MI 48239. They meet Monday at 7 p.m. Contact person is Warren Oberlee, (248) 887-8840.

Qigong

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Arthritis Foundation Class

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

Documentary focuses on diet, disease connection

November is National Diabetes Awareness Month. In Michigan, diabetes touches the lives of many. About 8 percent of adults have diabetes, and 40.1-percent of adults ages 40-74 years have what is now called "pre-diabetes". In honor of National Diabetes Awareness Month, the Millennium Medical Group of Southfield and Key Diabetes Supply of Livonia are sponsoring a showing of the movie, *Pure Health*. The movie will be presented 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at The Birmingham Temple, 26111 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills, and 9-11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 11, at

Star Theatre of Southfield, 25333 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield.

The movie is free to patients of the Millennium Medical Group and members of The Birmingham Temple. There is a charge of \$2 for others. Advanced tickets are not required; seating is first come, first serve. More information is available by calling (877) 541-7930, Ext. 303.

This event was organized by diabetes nurse practitioner Caroline Trapp, MSN, APRN, BC-ADM, CDE, who will be on hand to answer questions. Books will be available for purchase.

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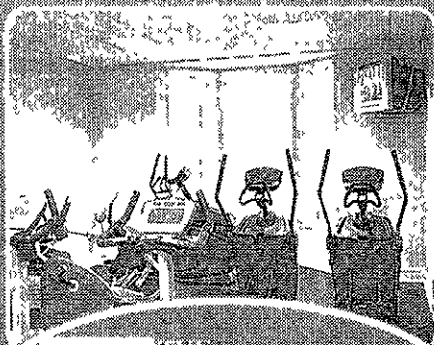
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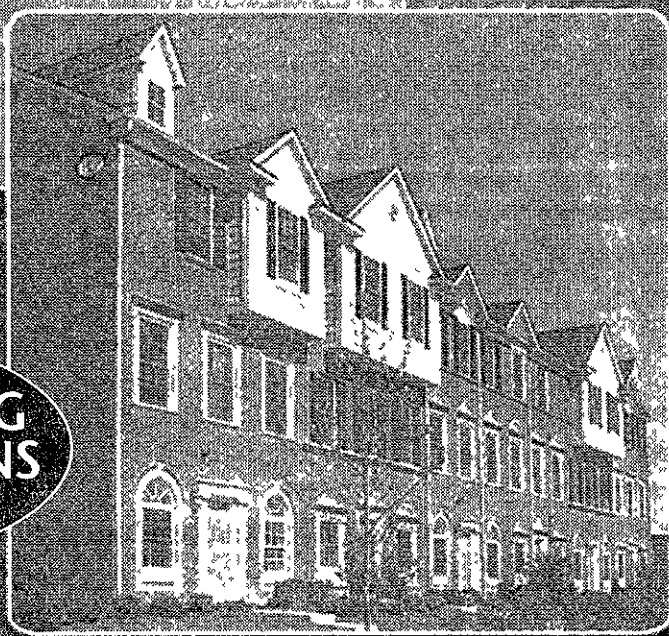
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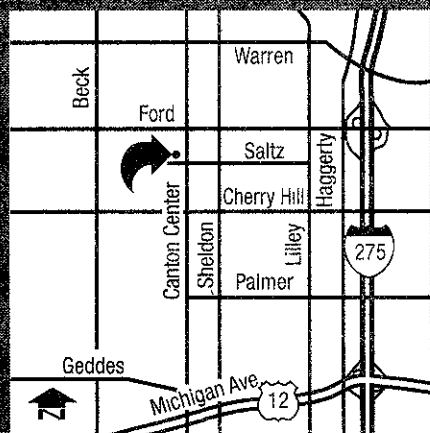
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Peter Falk speaks to the crowd at the Town Hall, basically playing his old character Columbo.

'Columbo' kicks off sold-out series

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

The opening lecture of the Livonia Town Hall series was one big celebration on Wednesday, Oct. 19. Not only did the entire season sell out, but Livonia Symphony president Tom Bjorklund was there to receive a \$15,000 check from Town Hall president Dee Dittmar.

"We want to continue to spread culture and musical education to the citizens of Livonia," said Dittmar, referring to the lecture series and LSO concerts.

The orchestra's board is in the process of bringing programs into the school to educate future audiences. On Nov. 18, they'll hold a benefit dinner, concert and auction at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Tickets for Music of the Seas are \$50 per person. For more information, call 421-1111.

"We need contributions to continue our mission of providing classical music," said Bjorklund.

June Kendall knows first hand about the difficulty of meeting the orchestra's annual

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Westland resident

operating budget. The retired Livonia public schools teacher serves on both the symphony and Town Hall boards.

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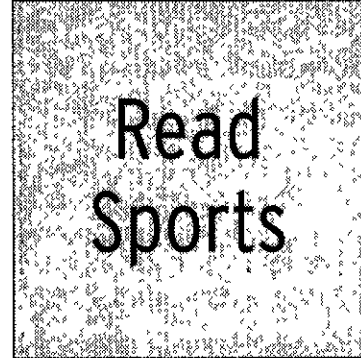
Of course, Kendall was excited about the Town Hall series as well.

"It's a new year and a new season," said Kendall. "We have a dedicated group of volunteers that put so much time into the series."

Volunteers stood throughout the hall and entrance to St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia in anticipation of the arrival of the first speaker Peter Falk. Best known for his Columbo television character, the 79-year old actor told stories and bumbled through his lecture.

"Was he acting?" asked Dittmar.

"I couldn't separate Falk from Columbo," said Sallie Wisecarber, a member of the



When teens drive with teens, danger increases

With whom is your teen riding?

The answer to that question may be a matter of life and death. The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development of the National Institutes of Health cautions parents and their teens to be aware of the tendency that teens appear to have toward risky driving when other teens are in their vehicle, and to be extra vigilant against unsafe driving when a friend is in the car, Suburban, or Jeep.

How did NICHD come to make such a broad statement? They did a comprehensive study that revealed that teen risky driving increases in the presence of teen passengers, particularly male teen passengers.

To conduct the study, the researchers positioned observers at the parking lot exits of 10 high schools in the suburban Washington, D.C., area. The observers took notes on the make and model of the departing vehicles, as well as the age and gender of the driver and passengers. A second group of observers was stationed 1/2 to 3/4 of a mile away from the parking lot, and used video recording equipment and a laser-assisted radar



Teens in 2005

Alice McCarthy

device to measure traffic flow. This second set of observers charted the speed of the vehicles and measured vehicle headway (an indication of how closely vehicles follow the vehicles in front of them). The study authors defined vehicle headway as the time (in seconds) between vehicles as they passed a fixed point in the roadway.

More than 3,000 passing vehicles were recorded at the second site. Of these, 471 were teen drivers (245 male and 226 female). No passengers were present in 232 of the teen vehicles, and one or more passengers were present in 239 of the teen vehicles.

Both male and female teenage drivers were most likely to drive faster than the general traffic and to allow shorter headway if there was a male teenage passenger in the car. In fact, when a male passenger was in the vehicle, a quarter of teenage drivers exceeded the speed limit by at least 15 miles

an hour.

Similarly, both male and female teens drove faster and allowed shorter headway in the presence of a male teenage passenger when compared to teens who had either no passengers or a female teen passenger.

At typical driving speeds of around 40 mph, a 0.3 seconds difference is equivalent to traveling slightly more than one car length closer to the vehicle ahead. Of the 14.9 percent of teen males engaging in risky driving, 21.7 percent had a male teen passenger in the vehicle.

Of the 13.1 percent of teen female drivers showing risky driving behavior, 12.9 percent had a male teen passenger, and 15.5 percent had a female passenger.

The current study could not identify why teens were more likely to engage in more risky driving behavior in the presence of teen passengers. Teen passengers may distract the driver or change the driver's attitude or emotion in ways that are not yet clear.

The Centers for Disease Control's Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System recently showed that motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death in young people, ages 10-

24.

A conversation with your teen about this study could save your teen's life or that of his or her friend. Don't put off that talk.

For more information: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
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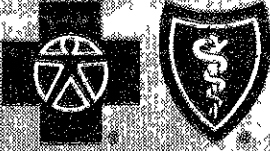
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What is a U.S. merchant mariner?

(NAPSI) — If you've ever been at sea when looking for a good definition of what a merchant mariner does, here's one that will keep you from getting too far adrift. The Merchant Marine is composed of men and women who crew U.S.-flag commercial vessels on the deep seas, inland waterways and Great Lakes. Although civilians, they are often referred to as the nation's "fourth arm of defense."

Since the founding of the United States, merchant mariners have played a vital support role in the nation's conflicts. For instance, some of the vessels they work on transport troops and military goods.

One of the more recent missions of the U.S. Merchant Marine was Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). During the initial combat phase of OIF, more than 5,000 American mariners sailed aboard hundreds of U.S.-flag ships in support of our troops. They executed what has been described by top government and military leaders as the most efficient sealift operation in history.

The U.S. Merchant Marine also plays a crucial role in America's peacetime economy by crewing the many vessels involved in international trade. U.S.-flag ships can be seen regularly in the major ports of the world. Crew members serve on



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all types of vessels, including container ships, tankers, bulkers, passenger vessels, tugs and much more.

At a time when higher-education costs continue to rise, there's actually a vocational training facility that does not charge entry-level students for tuition, room or board. Plus, it assures a first job for its graduates. The Paul Hall Center for Maritime Training and Education, affiliated with the

Seafarers International Union, prepares students for successful careers in the U.S. Merchant Marine.

The entry-level program includes a mix of hands-on training and classroom instruction. It features state-of-the-art training tools and also includes a phase spent working aboard an actual vessel.

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Expo to attract employers, human service providers

Nearly 200 public and private stakeholders from across southeast Michigan are working together to put on what may be the largest employment expo in the region. The Southeast Michigan Partnership group will hold the "Southeast Michigan Employment, Training & Family Resource Expo" from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, at the Michigan State Fair Grounds & Exposition Center.

The expo will be much more than a job fair — it will be an opportunity to:

- receive training and tools necessary to secure and retain a job;
- learn about employment opportunities both locally and beyond our community;
- find out about human service resources that are available to assist individuals and families achieve independence;
- and succeed in life.

The Southeast Michigan Partnership hopes to secure up to 260 employers and 100 human service providers. The expo is free and open to everyone, including hurricane evacuees who have relocated to southeast Michigan. More than 10,000 participants are expected to attend the expo.

In addition to employment opportunities, the expo will

EXPO FACTS

What: The Southeast Michigan Employment, Training & Family Resource Expo

When: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28

Where: Michigan State Fair Grounds & Exposition Center, Woodward Avenue just south of Eight Mile Road, Detroit

Who: More than 200 employers and 100 human service providers will be on hand to share tools and resources to help people secure and retain employment and build better lives for themselves and their families.

provide workshops in resume preparation and skill development, as well as utility assistance. It will also share information to overcome challenges such as substance abuse, domestic violence and other issues that could prevent someone from gaining and retaining employment.

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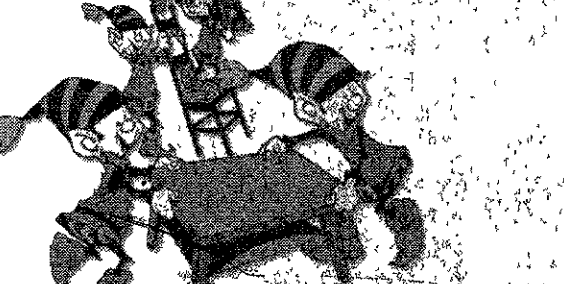
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Homes at Northville Hills Golf Club Selling Quickly Ravine View Home Sites in Private Enclave Now Available

Toll Brothers, the nation's leading luxury home builder, has announced the release of their final home sites at Northville Hills Golf Club, the area's most prestigious public golf club and recipient of the 2001 Community of the Year award by the Southeastern Michigan Building Industry Association (BIA).

For home buyers contemplating a new home purchase, now is the time to visit the Toll Brothers sales centers at Northville Hills. "The golf course views will last a lifetime, but the opportunity to live here will not," said Colleen Weber, Sales Manager for The Estate Collection. Offering single-family homes and luxury condominiums, buy-

ers have several choices.

The Estate Collection features single-family home located on and around the golf course between Five and Six Mile Roads and Sheldon and Beck Roads, priced from the upper \$400,000s. For those searching for more privacy and scenic views, the Prestwick Estates enclave located east of Sheldon Road and on the north side of Five Mile Road offers single-family homes - many of which offer walkout lower levels on breathtaking ravine home sites - priced from the mid-\$500,000s.

The Villa Collection of condominium homes, starting in the upper \$400,000s, is perfect for those desiring luxurious low-maintenance living. Several home designs

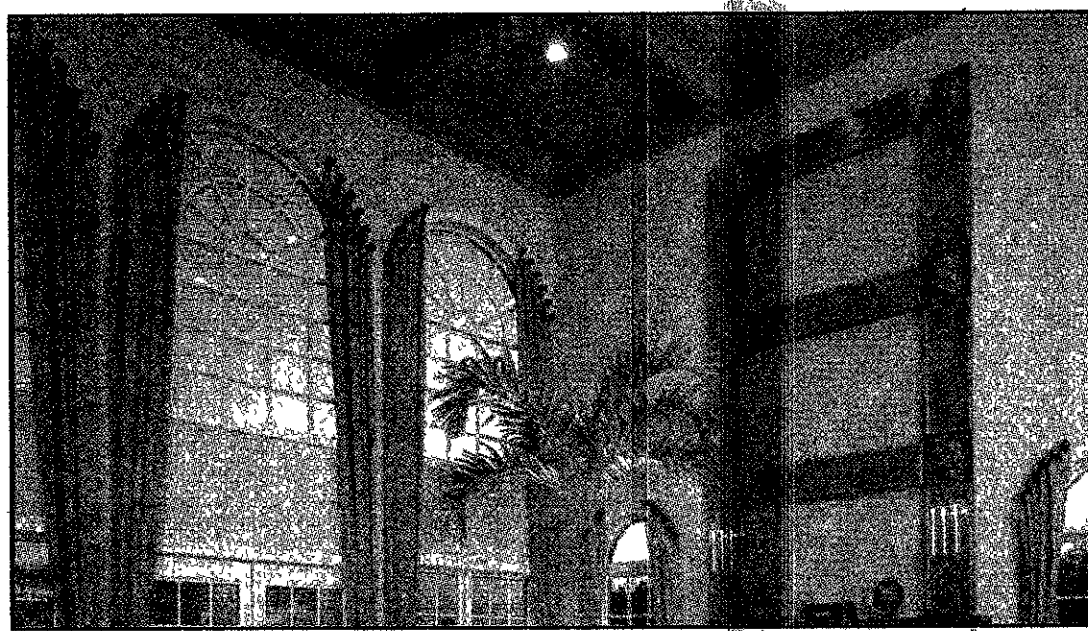
are available including a first-floor master suite plan.

"We have several homes under construction and available for quicker occupancy," said Lynn Phillips, Sales Manager for The Villas. "We encourage buyers to stop in for a tour and see for themselves why our condominium homes have sold so fast."

Every Toll Brothers home includes outstanding features such as dramatic architectural trim, 9 ft. first-floor ceilings, two-story foyers, and opulent master suites. Hundreds of pre-priced options are available such as sunrooms, conservatories, and game rooms. To sample these options, visit the company's online design program at DesignYourOwnHome.com.

Northville Hills Estates residents enjoy resort-class amenities including tennis courts and a Swim & Fitness Center with a resort pool, separate kiddie pool, and fitness center. Villa homeowners enjoy the luxury of their own cabana, outdoor pool, and fitness facility.

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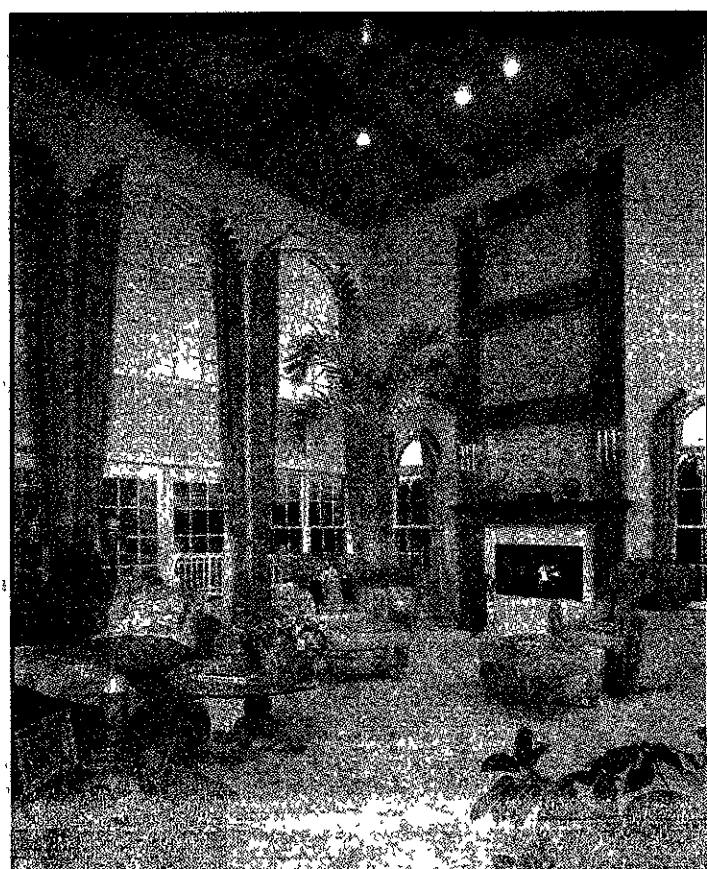


southeast Michigan, Northville Hills was designed by the legendary golf great Arnold Palmer with Palmer Course Design Co. Complementing the course is the clubhouse with a pro shop, driving range, locker rooms, restaurant, and banquet facilities.

If you want to sample the lifestyle, don't miss Northville Hills Golf Club's Annual Fall Festival going on today Oct. 23 from Noon to 4 p.m. The public is welcome to enjoy model home tours, a horse-drawn hay

ride, and free pumpkins, plus a cooking demonstration at 2 p.m. by the executive chef of Morton's The Steakhouse.

Toll Brothers' Sales Centers are open everyday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call The Estate Collection (734) 254-9100, Prestwick Estates (734) 416-9220, or The Villas (734) 667-9400 or visit northvillehills.com.



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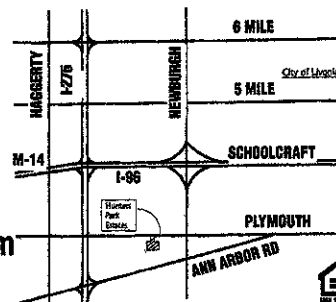
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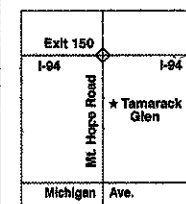


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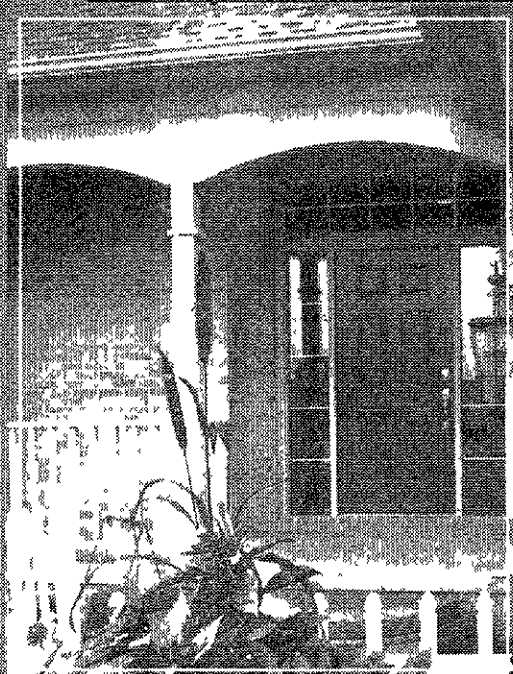
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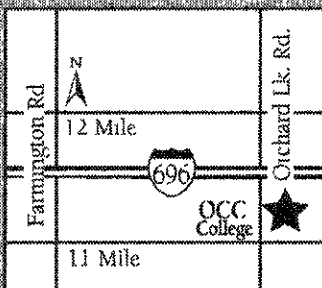
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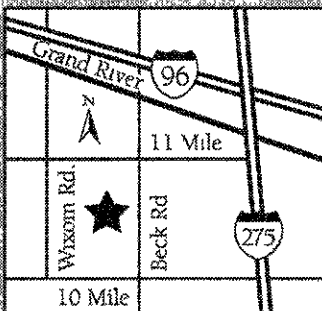
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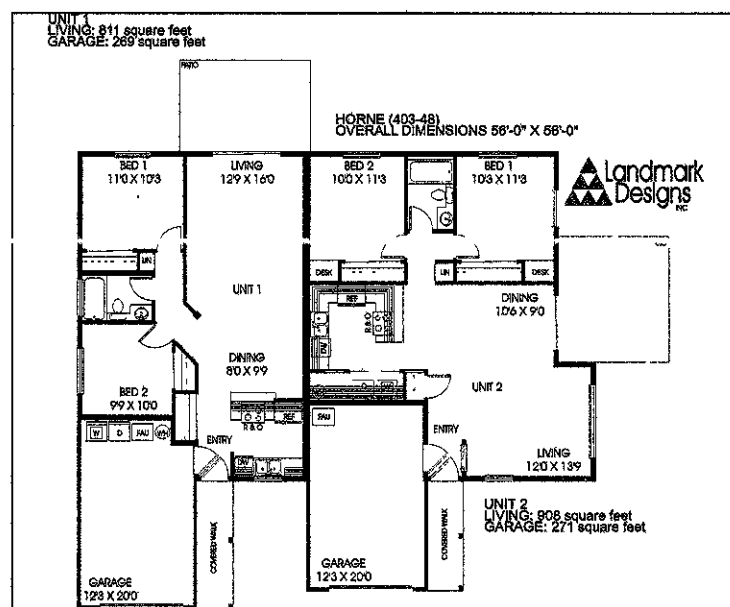
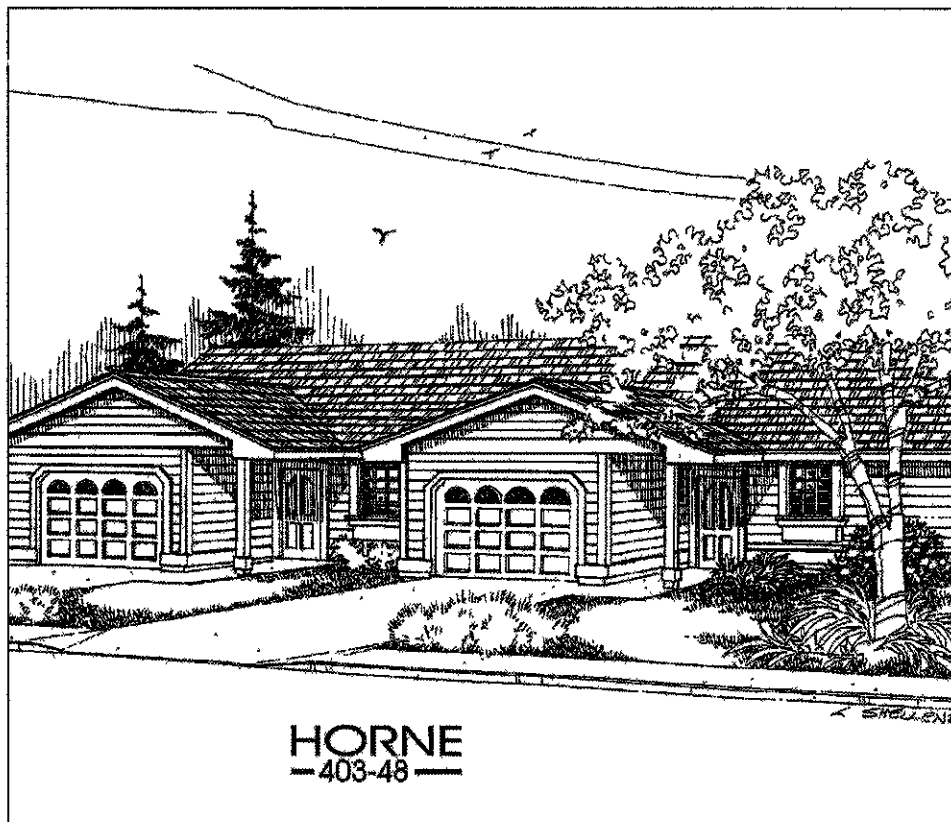
Comely wood exterior and covered porches add a quiet charm to the Horne (403-48). The placement of the garages creates a private entrance for each unit. Unit one, positioned to the left, is slightly smaller than the second unit. The 269 square foot garage has room for a washer and dryer and provides a convenient entrance to the house. Groceries can be unloaded with minimum effort in a safe atmosphere.

The floor design of unit one has the kitchen to the front and it features a full range of built-in appliances. The dining room and generous living room are open to each other, with sliding glass doors leading to a back patio. The two bedrooms, separated by a full bathroom, each contain liberal closet space and a large window. Linen storage is available in the hall.

Although unit two has only 908 square feet of living space, it seems much larger. The two good-sized bedrooms are located in the rear of this floor design. A full bathroom separates them and each features a handy built-in desk and a big closet. The walk-in kitchen, complete with built-ins, is roomy and has an attached utility closet.

The dining area and extended living room is open, providing ample room for entertaining. The nice-sized patio is a great place to soak up the sun or break out the barbecue. The garage is accessible from inside the unit.

For a study plan of the HORNE (403-48), send \$15.00 to Landmark Designs, Inc., 33127 Saginaw Rd. E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424. Compact disks, with search functions are free of charge, to help you search our portfolio for you dream home (\$5.00 shipping and handling will apply). Or you may order or search online at www.ldiplans.com.



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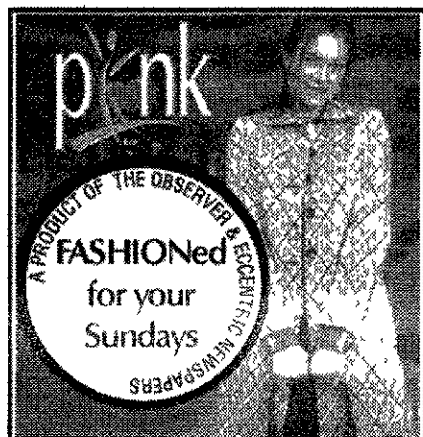
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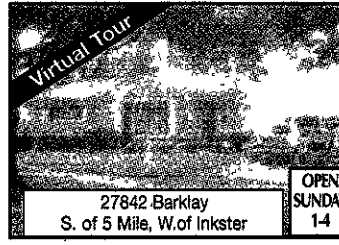
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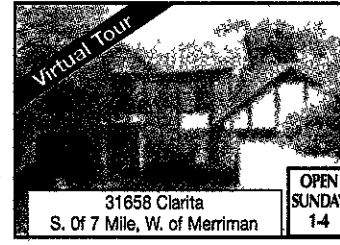
WESTLAND – Why wait to build? Job transfer forces owner to sell this beauty completed 9/04. Brick, 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2000 sq. ft. cape cod has 1st floor master with separate shower and tub. Oak eat-in kitchen, 1st floor laundry, and fireplace. Call Sylvia Florence Albert

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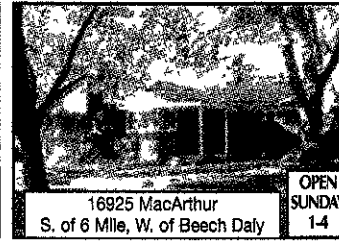
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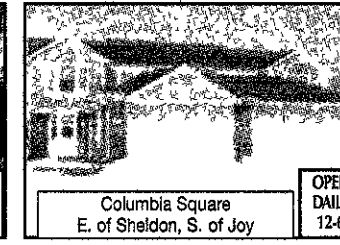
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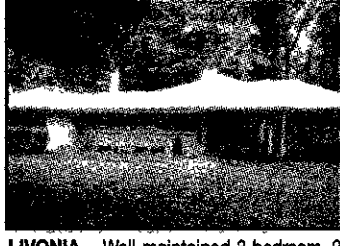
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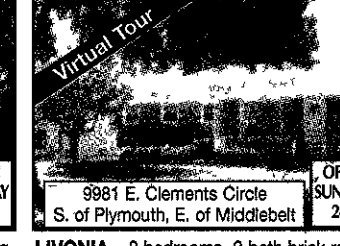
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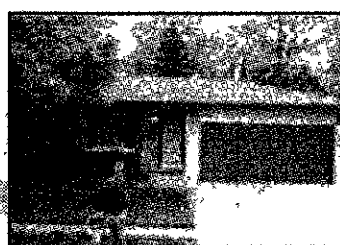
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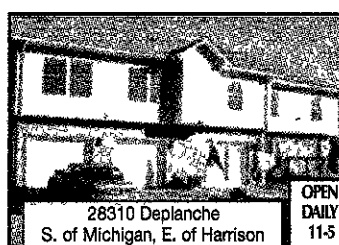
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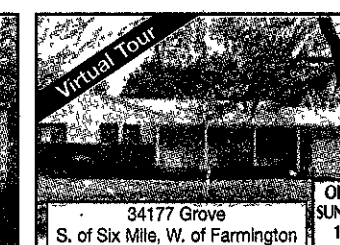
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Know whom your agent represents when you buy home

I am going to buy a home. When I use an agent who does the agent work for, the seller or me?

That is a complicated issue. There are usually four different types of real estate agents: A seller's agent who works for the seller; a buyer's agent that represents the buyer; a dual agent that works for both, and a transaction coordinator that is responsible to neither.

The two main categories of agents are seller's agents and buyer's agents.



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The duties that the seller's agent has toward the seller are:

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The buyer's agent responsibility is similar but his/her allegiance is to the buyer.

Now what happens if you make an offer directly to the agent that represents the seller? Whom does he/she represent? The seller's agent's loyalty is still to the seller. In other

words, be careful what you tell the seller's agent because if the information is confidential and could affect the negotiation he/she is legally obligated to tell the seller.

Let's say you make an offer for \$230,000 and the asking price is \$250,000. You may be ready to go as high as offering the asking price of \$250,000, however, you don't want the seller to know this. I suggest don't share this information with the seller's agent because

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Does this mean that you should never make an offer directly to a seller's agent? Not necessarily. The job of a seller's agent is to get a ready, willing, and able buyer. Therefore the seller's agent needs to be sensitive to your needs as well. Also, since the seller's agent already has a relationship with the sellers, if there is a difficult issue he/she may have more ability to resolve that problem.

It's very important to know

whom your agent represents. The best way to find out is to ask.

Michael Aldouby is sponsoring a free home buying class at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at 32961 Middlebelt at 14 Mile Road in Farmington Hills. Topics will include how to get started looking for home, finding the right house, making an offer, buying foreclosures, and different mortgage programs. Please RSVP by Oct. 27 by calling (248) 851-4100, Ext. 449, or e-mailing michaelaldouby@hotmail.com.

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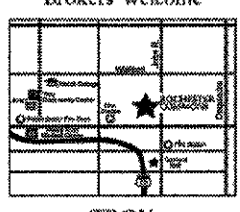
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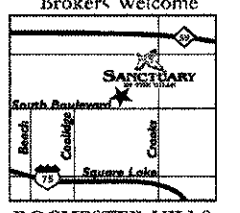
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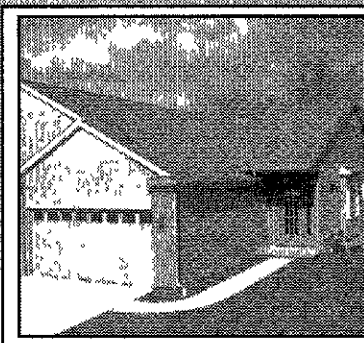
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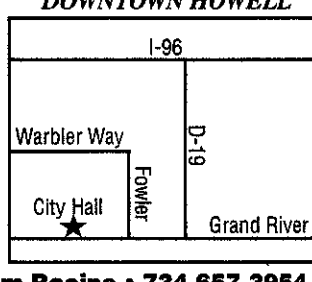
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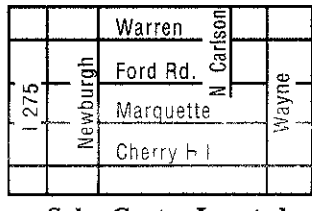
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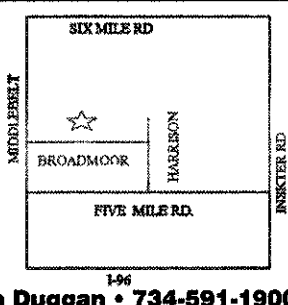


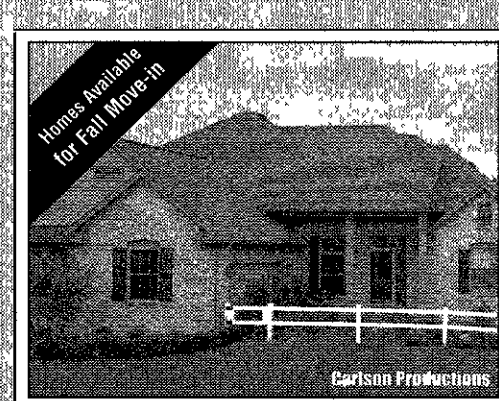
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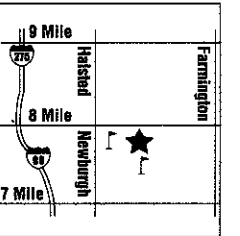




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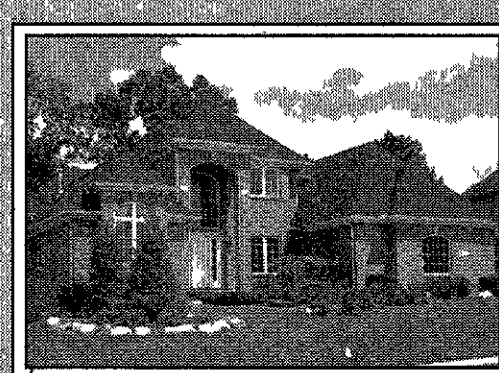
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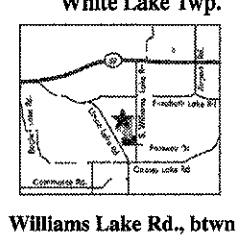
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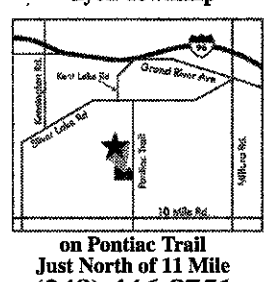
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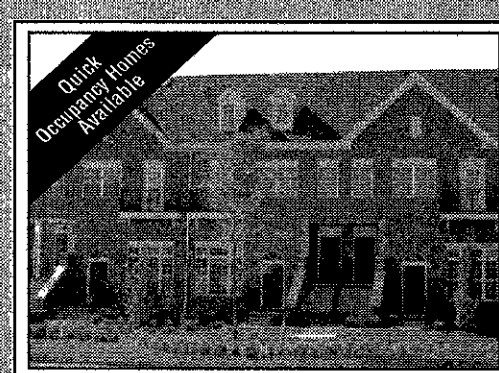
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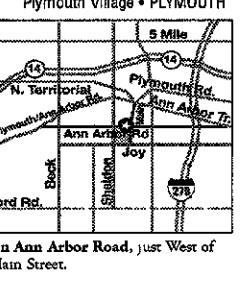


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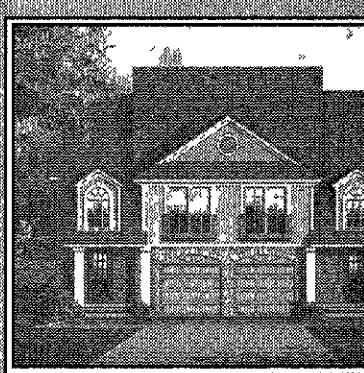
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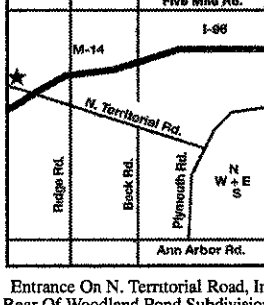


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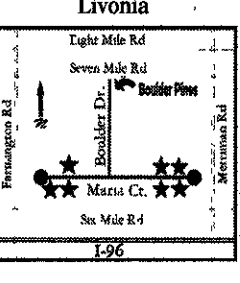


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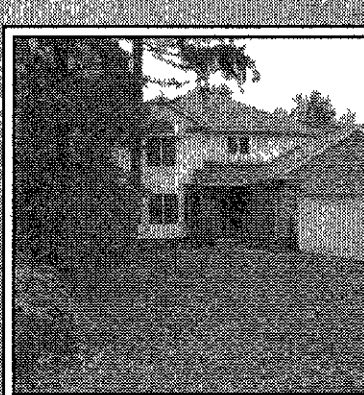
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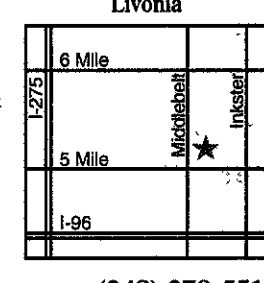


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PRNewswire — With many Americans experiencing an energy crunch as winter approaches, Whirlpool Home Appliances and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) are reminding consumers that small changes around the house can make a big difference in energy use — without sacrifice.

And as consumers become more energy conscious, they are demanding more energy efficient products that also deliver on performance and style.

"October is Energy Efficiency Month, so it's a per-

fect time to remind people of simple ways to save energy in their homes," said Kathleen Hogan, director, Climate Protection Partnerships Division, for EPA. "This year, in the wake of two major hurricanes, it's more important than ever that Americans do everything they can to use less energy. The good news is that it doesn't have to be a hassle."

Hogan said that things like using a programmable thermostat, sealing leaks in your home, and upgrading to ENERGY STAR(R) qualified appliances can significantly impact energy use, without

compromising comfort or performance.

"Most people don't realize that appliances and electronic equipment in your home account for about 20 percent of your energy bill," said Hogan. "If your appliances are more than 10 years old, that percentage can be much higher." As an example, an ENERGY STAR(R) qualified washer can save more than \$100 a year on utility bills.

Six-time ENERGY STAR(R) partner of the year, Whirlpool Corp., strives to manufacture appliances that exceed federal energy standards, while still

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"The Duet washer/dryer pair is a perfect example of the kind of appliances that consumers want," said Joe Foster, director of Whirlpool Fabric Care. "Its performance and capacity are superior, and at the same time it is highly efficient. In fact, a normal cycle in the Duet washer uses only 16 gallons of water versus 44 gallons in a conventional washer — that's enough water saved during a year to fill a large swimming pool."

Following are five steps to take to save energy at home:

■ Replace the bulbs in the five most used lights in the home with bulbs that have earned the ENERGY STAR(R) label.

■ Have your heating and cooling equipment serviced annually and replace air filters regularly. Use a programmable thermostat, and when it's time to replace old equipment, choose an ENERGY STAR(R) qualified model.

■ Look for the ENERGY STAR(R) and EnergyGuide labels. ENERGY STAR(R) is a program of the EPA and the Department of Energy (DOE) designed to help consumers

identify energy-efficient appliances and products, available in more than 40 product categories

■ Seal air leaks in your home, add insulation and choose ENERGY STAR(R) qualified windows.

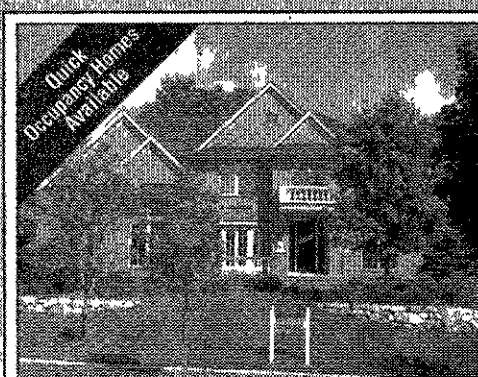
■ Tell friends and family, to help spread the word that energy efficiency is good for the home and the environment.

Consumers can visit <http://www.energystar.gov/> for more energy-saving tips.

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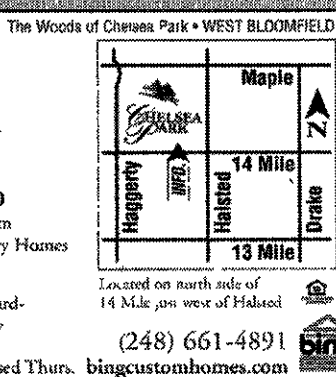
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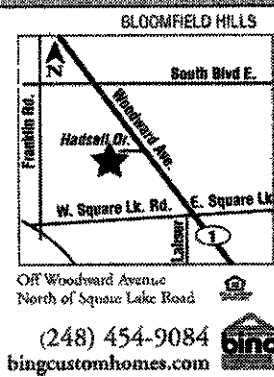
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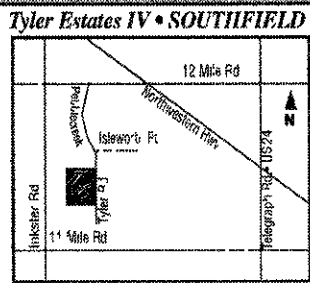
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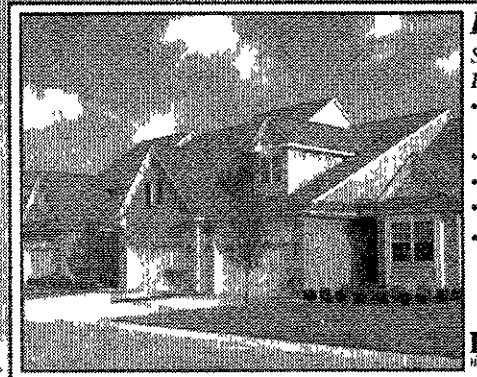
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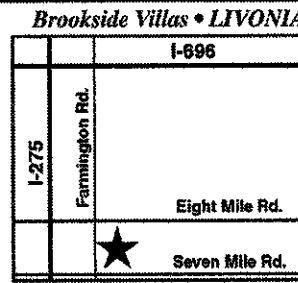
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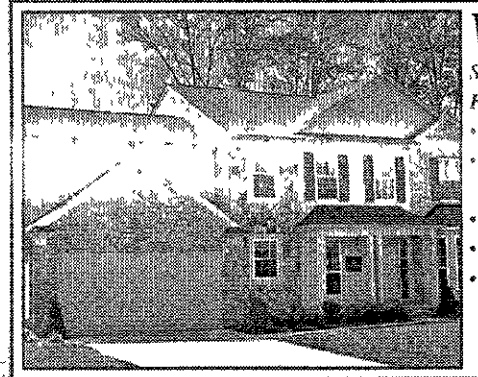
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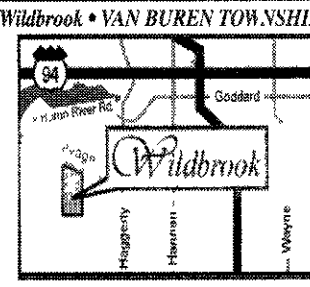


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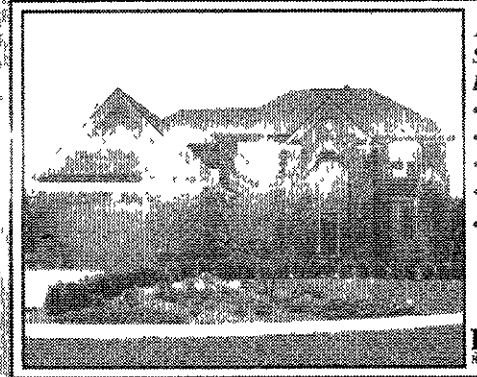
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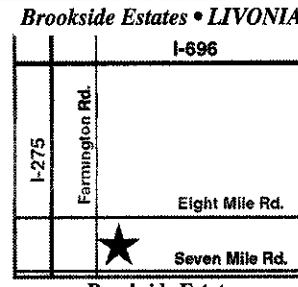


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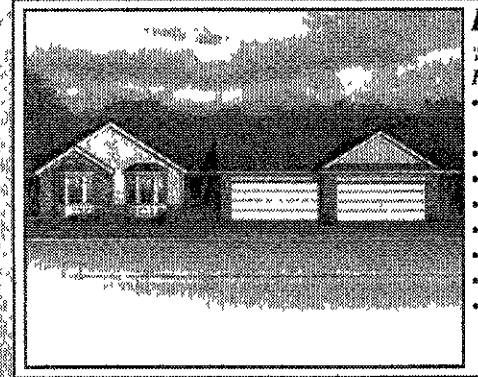
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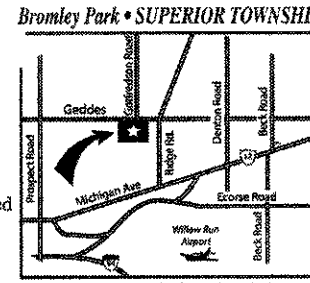


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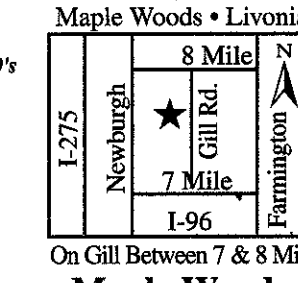


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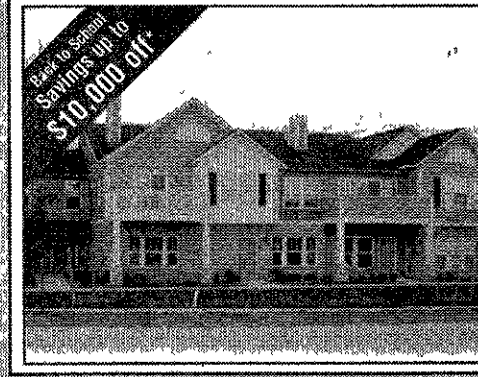
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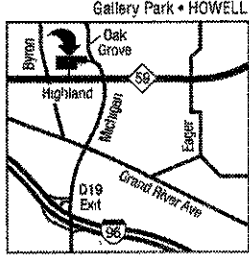
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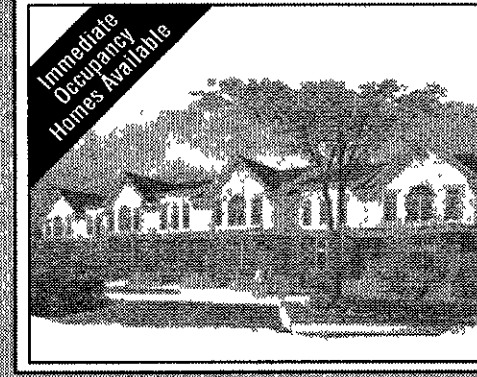
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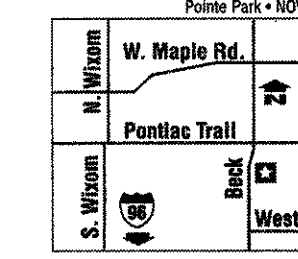


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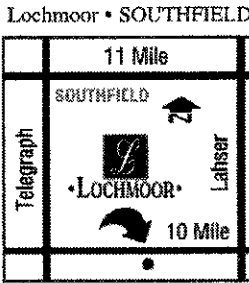


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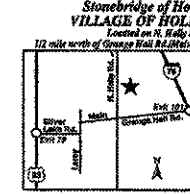
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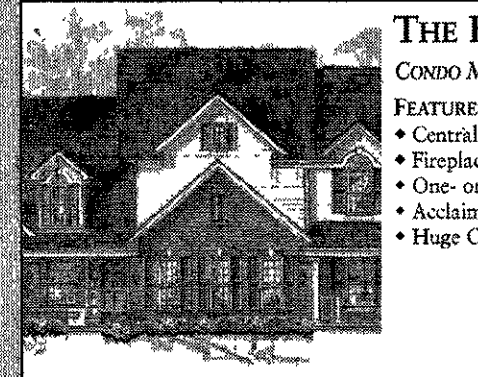
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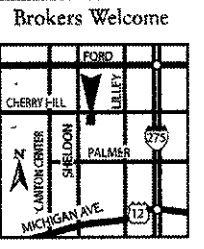


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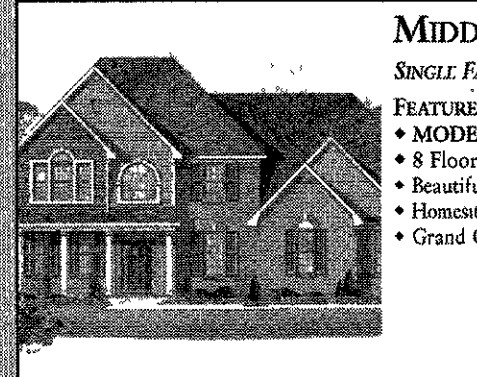
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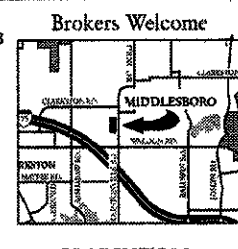


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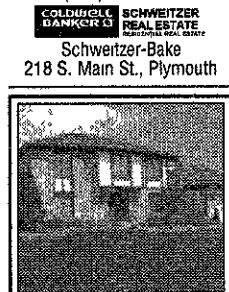
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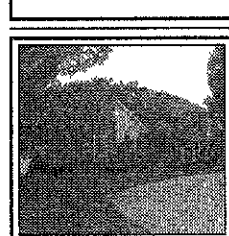
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II examines constitutional law concepts in land use, endangered species, Clean Water Act, wetlands regulations, the American With Disabilities Act and Fair Housing Act. Both sessions are held at BIA offices, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Registration for each session is \$20 for BIA members and \$40 for guests. Continental breakfast is included. (248) 862-1033.

■ Wednesday, Nov. 2 — "The Best Marketing for New Home Sales" at LaSalle Bank head-

quarters, 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 — "Contract/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) 362-1033.

■ 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) 203-3800; 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; 6-10 p.m., Tuesday/Thursday, Nov. 1, 3, 8 & 10, Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn Heights Campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights, \$189 for residents plus \$20 course textbook and sample questions and nonresidents are \$208 plus \$20, (313) 317-1500.

■ Basement Remodeling Class — The seminar is designed to help people make better use of valuable space in their homes by planning and completing a successful basement remodeling.

Classes are: 6-10 p.m. Monday/Wednesday, Oct. 24 and 26, at Adams High School, 3200 W. Tienken Road, Rochester, \$99 plus \$10 textbook and materials fee, (248) 726-3165; 6-10 p.m., Tuesday/Thursday, Nov. 1 & 3, Tinkham Center, 450 S. Venoy, Westland, \$95 plus \$10 textbook and materials fee, (734) 419-2426; 6-10 p.m., Tuesday/Thursday, Nov. 1 & 3, Walled Lake Middle School, 46720 W. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake, \$99 plus \$10 for textbook and materials, (248) 956-3000, 6-10 p.m., Tuesday/Thursday, Nov. 1 & 3, The Community School, 30415 Shiawassee, Farmington, \$95 plus \$10 for textbook and materials, (248) 489-3333.



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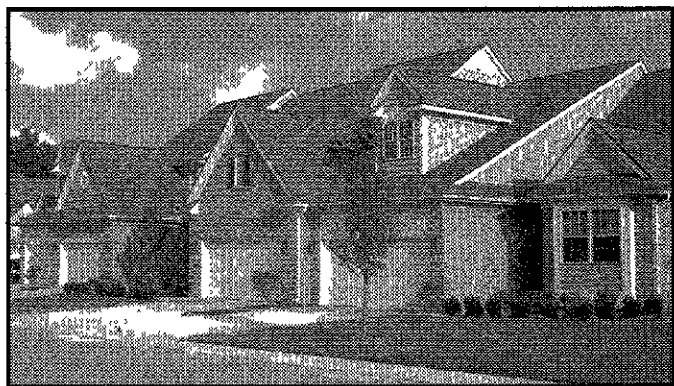
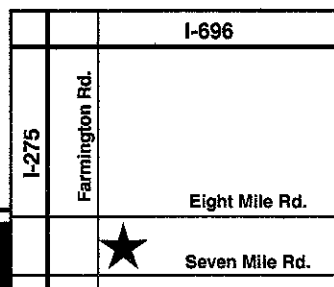


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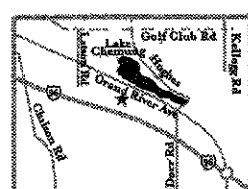
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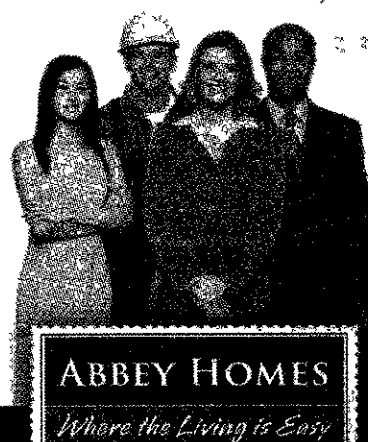
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BEVERLY HILLS Fabulous Colonial
Four BR, 3 BA secluded jant pool, spa, stone p, u & o. 1st floor kitchen, 1st floor laundry, 1st floor sun room, 3 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths and finished basement. Kitchen with granite, great room with vaulted ceiling, master bedroom with dressing area, tub & shower. Nice location in great family sub.
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NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP Specious Colonial
Beautiful interior lot in Crestwood Manor. Everything from hardwood 2 story foyer with winding staircase to full p.d. finished basement. GR, FR with FP, den with bay window, master suite with walk-in closets & Jacuzzi + attached garage.
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TROY Absolutely Stunning Colonial
Two story, level formal living room, living room, large family room, gas fireplace, 1st floor laundry, 1st floor sun room, 3 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths and finished basement. Kitchen with granite, great room with vaulted ceiling, master bedroom with dressing area, tub & shower. Nice location in great family sub.
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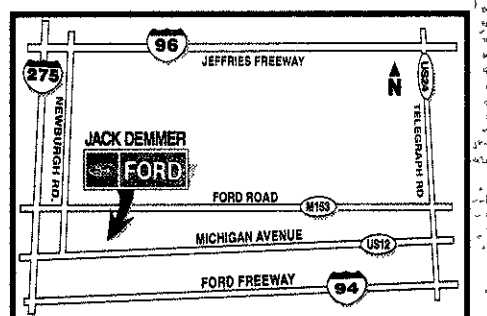
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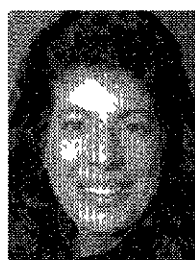
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By Marty Majchrzak
Avanti Newsfeatures

The Adventurer is Class A motor home that took on a whole new look for me since the last time I drove one. My contact at Winnebago told me that we will be driving a 37-foot gasoline Coach. At first glance I thought they made a mistake, "It's huge" and at a 12 feet overall height it can only be one thing, a diesel. But I was wrong. It's a gas Coach with an 8.1-liter GM motor on a Workhorse Chassis. At that height it has to give you more headroom on the inside.

The outside was painted the color Salsa, which is a combination of three different colors and an optional color for this Coach. The closest way I can describe these colors are Burgundy, Pewter and a Gold that turned a lot of heads as we drove down the road. My wife Donna and I just loved not only the colors but as you will see, everything about this Motor Home.

Lots of basement storage that is almost standard on all Winnebagos, it will store anything from barbecues to as many folding chairs you can pack. One of the first things I like to do is check out the basement storage because I like to bring everything we can think of.

Our trip to Walt Disney world was in first class as we drove in 37 feet of pure luxury. The inside took on the same color scheme as the Salsa color on the exterior. As you look at the back of the Motor Home from the entry door you can see the bedroom door that caught both mine and Donna's eye.

The bedroom door was not the usual sliding door but a hinged door with a French door look, (very

nice). The ceiling has changed since I seen it last, not only more headroom but it went from cloth to padded vinyl. It makes it easier to keep clean. The layout of the Coach is something that we could not stop talking about. We both agree that this is the Motor home for us.

Thank God our trip is here, time to saddle up and move on down the road. Speaking of moving on down the road this chassis is built like a diesel and rides like one to. Right out of the gate I cranked this Coach up to 70 miles per hour, turned on the GPS- navigation system, adjusted the seat and just relaxed. Yes a GPS by Alpine that worked just great, we missed our exit off the Florida turn pike and the unit recalculated or routed, then told me what I needed to do. It comes with a two disk set for east and west U.S. that also covers north and south.

Well, we just checked in at Fort Wilderness Walt Disney World, it is 97 degrees and humid. Pulling up to our camp site my son Jason said, boy Dad how are you going to get this thing in there. After stopping and looking it over I have to admit I had my doubts. Each Campsite is cut into a field of trees so some of these sites can be pretty tight for 37 footer.

Jason and my older son Matthew got out of the motor home and guided me as I took a shot at getting this baby in there.

Standing at the back of the Coach I could see them in the rear camera, with the volume turned all the way up I could here every word they said.

The Adventurer handles like a dream, first try and I'm in, plugged the 50 amp service, hit the automatic leveling jacks and got that air conditioning on. Went to the bedroom and slid out both the bed and the wardrobe area that makes one big bedroom. Moved back to the front and slid out the living room and it's almost like I never left home.

At night when it is time to get ready for bed you can close the shade on the French door so everyone could take their turn in the shower, and I could watch



2006 Winnebago Adventurer. Vehicle class: Class A motor home. Power: 8.1-liter fuel injected V8. Mileage: 7.5 mpg on a 3,000-mile trip of mixed driving. Where built: Forest City, Iowa. Base price: \$149,241. As tested: \$172,492.

the 24 inch Sony Trinitron. If that's not good enough you could move to the front and watch the 27 inch until it was time to shower.

After 10 days hot, hot weather at Disney it was time to move on. The ride back to Michigan was just as good as the ride down as we averaged 7.5 miles per gallon at an average speed of 70 miles per hour.

One night stay back at home and it was off to Lake Leelanau RV Park just outside of Traverse City, on Lake Leelanau. Find this on the web and make it a point to stop by. These folks work hard to keep the park clean and make sure you have a good time.

As I drove through the park I noticed people just staring at the Motor home and one mans jaw hit the ground. I told Donna look that guy is drooling all over himself.

After hooking up again we shocked the neighbor when I opened the awning by remote control. The awning also has a wind sensor so if it gets windy, and your not there it automatically rolls up and saves your awning for another day.

The only thing I did not have was a boat, I got a line on a 1998 Sea Ray with 30 hours on it and on the way home I bought it for my next trip to a lake. What a great time at both vacation sites and with the help of Winnebago it made it first class.

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