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## Putting new faces on the U.S. military

Recruiter takes on task of selling Air Force mission, career

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

Tech. Sgt. Adam Hessler spent the first 15 years of his U.S. Air Force career walking flight lines, guarding aircraft and standing guard over his country as a member of the Air Force's security forces.

Now, Hessler is looking at it from the other side, responsible for finding new recruits to do the work after taking over new duties as the primary recruiter for the western Wayne County areas.

Hessler, 33, mans the Air Force office at the recruiting center on Ford Road in Westland. It's a different experience for a lifer who has spent 15 years traveling to various bases.

"I'm used to being at a base, so it's interesting not to be in that environment," Hessler said of his new assignment. "This community has accepted me and my family. So far, it's been a great experience all around."

Although being a recruiter isn't something he'd thought much about, being a military man has been on Hessler's mind for a long time. A Lake Orion native, Hessler figured he'd follow his brother's military march (his brother joined the Army) after graduating from Lake Orion High School in 1990.

He'd never been out of Michigan and college, he said, wasn't an option at the time. Having grown up, like many kids, valuing police officers as role models, the military security forces seemed like a natural step.

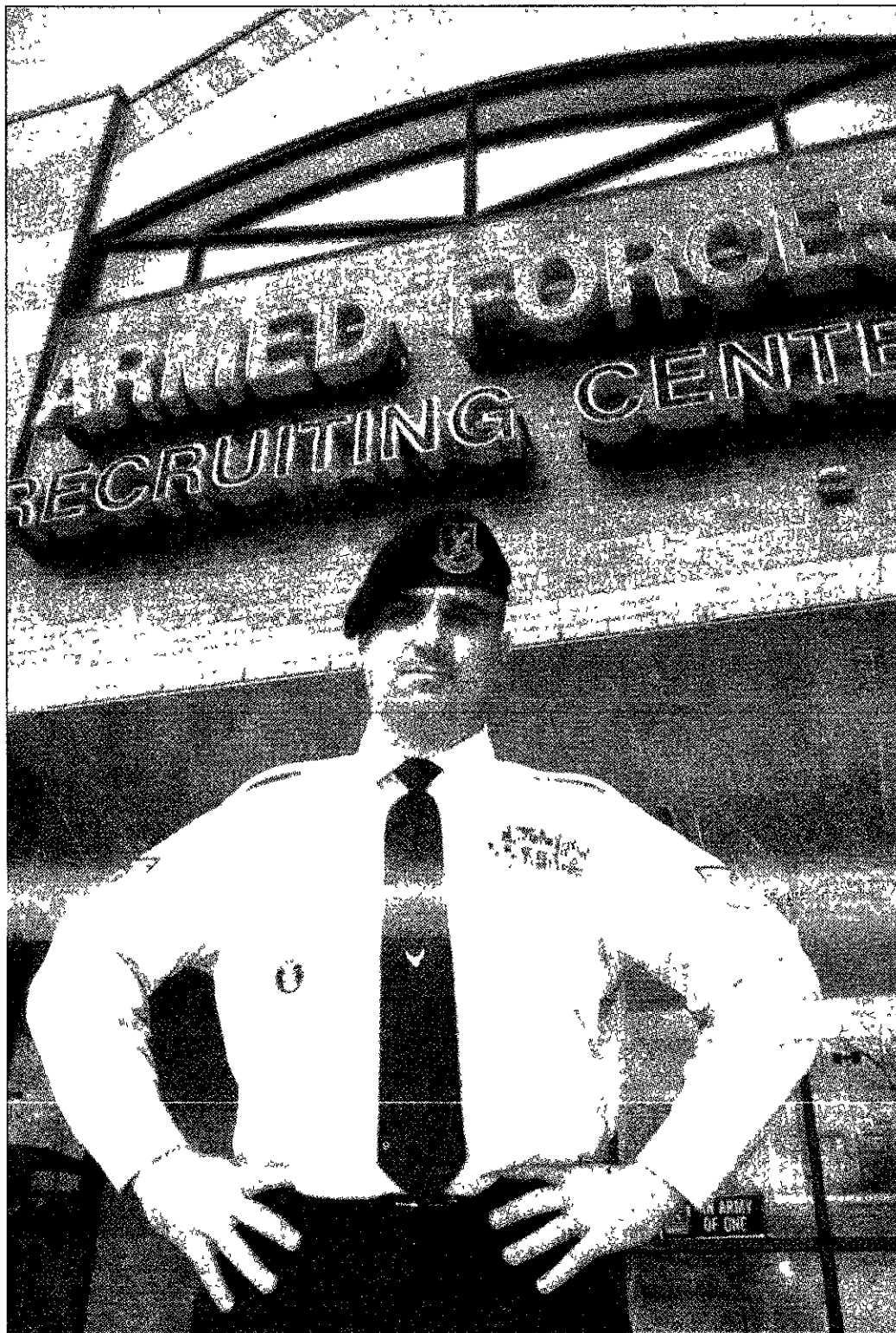
Hessler, 33, says he's still in Canton. "I was one of those role models when I was growing up. I just started looking at all my options, and it was a way to do some things I wanted to do."

He's had three different tours at bases in North Dakota, spent some time at the Pentagon and was sent overseas to Korea. After 14-plus years in security forces, a trip to the Noncommissioned Officers Academy at Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., changed the direction of his career.

"They talked a lot about giving back to the Air Force," Hessler said. "I really love my job, and the Air Force, and I wanted to give back to it."

During a second tour at Minot AFB, N.D., Hessler decided to apply to retrain as a recruiter. After being accepted, he moved his

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Adam Hessler of Canton recently arrived for a three-year tour as the primary recruiter for western Wayne County.

## Nurse fired for turning in thief

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

By the time Chaunta Horton showed up at work the night of Oct. 3, a crime had already been committed. The party store just down Michigan Avenue from Oakdale Recovery, where Horton was an employee, had already been robbed. The evidence was already at the scene. And the suspect was already back at Oakdale, a drug and alcohol abuse treatment center. Horton found him drunk, and trying to wash the mud from his telltale shoes.

It was Horton, a Belleville resident, who called Canton Police to report that the man fit the description of the suspect they were looking for. And last week she was recognized by the township Board of Trustees for making a positive impact on the community.

But Horton's employer was less than impressed with her actions that night, and two weeks after the burglary and subsequent police investigation, Horton was fired from her job.

The night started out like most others, Horton said. She reported for her midnight shift, and because the night shift at the 45-bed facility runs with a small staff, she set the alarms on the doors. She did rounds — a quick head-count to be sure that all the residents were there. She says they were.

"There were a lot of people hanging around the station and that not unusual for the residents."

Sometimes the guys and the girls are trying to hook up, which sometimes happen, so we have to keep our eye on that," Horton said.

### COPS COME KNOCKING

At 12:15 a.m., Horton said she met with staff to get the verbal report from the afternoon shift, and was interrupted by Canton Police officers.

Even that's not unusual, Horton said. The facility has occasional visits from the police, either for incidents inside Oakdale, or for investigations of incidents in the area. Officers told her about the break-in at the party store. They said there was blood at the scene, so she should be on the lookout for someone with cuts or scratches. There were muddy footprints at the crime scene, so she was to watch for someone with dirty shoes. And there was a partial case of beer at the store, so she agreed to do a quick search to see if any of the resi-

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## State trooper injured in freeway accident

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

A Michigan state trooper was pinned in his patrol car and suffered a broken rib after being rammed by a cargo van near I-275 and Ford Road during a snowy Thursday morning commute.

Trooper Billy Davis, a 26-year state police veteran, had just pulled over on the southbound I-275 exit ramp to investigate two vehicles that had spun off the road into a ditch when the van collided with his car about 9:10 a.m., according to Lt. Monica Yesh, commander of the MSP Metro South Post in Taylor.

"He pulled up to investigate two separate accidents. He

had just gotten all the information from the two drivers and was filling out some paperwork when the van hit him on the driver's side door," she said.

Because of the way the van collided with the squad car, rescuers could not open the door to get to Davis, and he had to be extracted from his vehicle with the Jaws of Life, according to Yesh.

Canton fire transported Davis to University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor, where he was treated for a broken rib and other minor injuries. He was released sometime after 5 p.m., said Yesh, who wasn't sure how long Davis would need to recuperate.

"He has a pretty sore back and shoulder," she said. "When he feels like he can come back to work, he will be back on the job."

The driver of the van, Elias Agini of Sterling Heights, was issued two traffic citations — one for traveling too fast for conditions and one for no insurance.

Yesh said her troopers were busy with a number of weather-related accidents during Thursday's commute.

"There's no real way to determine how many accidents we had because some drivers were able to get themselves out of the snow and drive away. But it's safe to say we had a lot of accidents that morning," she said.

## Spanish teacher targets children at an early age

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton resident Jennifer Manriquez greets each of her students by name in a song.

Late one morning last week, 12 toddlers gathered in the basement of a Plymouth church. They took off their hats. They took off their boots. And they tried for a few minutes to sit still, until they got the cue that it was OK to start singing and dancing.

"So many niños today!" said Jennifer Manriquez, greeting her young students with smiles and hugs. The students began to clap and sing the *Welcome Song* before the day's lesson, which was *Feliz Navidad*.

Even though the children — age 18 months to 3 years — didn't know it that cold morning, what they

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## Planning meeting canceled

The Canton Township Planning Commission meeting scheduled for Dec. 19 has been canceled. The Planning Commission will hold its next meeting on Monday, Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Canton Administration Building, located at 1150 Canton Center Road.

## Holiday closings

All Canton Township offices are closed Friday, Dec. 23, through Monday, Dec. 26, and Friday, December 30 through Monday, January 2.

## National honor

Sue Voyles is one of five women who has been elected to the national board for the Association for Women in Communications (AWC) in Alexandria, Va. She will serve for three terms beginning Jan. 1. Board members are elected by the members in good standing of the organization. Voyles, president and founder of Logos Communications, Inc., a public relations and marketing firm in Canton, has been very involved with the AWC Detroit



Voyles

Business Owners (NAWBO)-Detroit Chapter. In 2004, she received the Innovator Award from the NAWBO-Detroit Chapter and in 2005 she was honored with the Headliner Award from AWC of Detroit.

## Canton Newcomers

The Canton Newcomers invite the public to start the New Year's off with an abundance of adult socializing and refreshments at their general meeting on Jan. 4 at 7 p.m. Whether you are brand new to the area, grew up in Canton, or anything in between, this social, civic and charitable organization welcomes you to the Sunflower Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford, (west of Canton Center, between Woodmare and Weatherfield). January's meeting will include a raffle with proceeds going to a local "Mom's in

Waiting" program. Looking ahead, the group's Feb. 1 meeting will feature special guest speaker Jim Ryan, superintendent of the Plymouth-Canton School District.

For more information, including a complimentary newsletter, check out the Newcomers Web site at newcomers.angelcities.com. Contact Karen at (734) 737-0755 with any questions.

## Evening with the stars

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill will host "An Evening with the Stars" on Dec. 30 at 8 p.m. The event will feature professional tribute artists who will impersonate celebrities including Jack Nicholson, Tina Turner, Barry Manilow, Barbara Streisand, Johnny Mathis, Lou Rawles, Neil Diamond Diana Ross and Ray Charles.

Tickets are \$25 and are on sale now at Summit on the Park. Call (734) 394-5460 for more information. To view the complete Village Theater Schedule, visit www.canton-mi.org.

## New Eagle Scout

Kyle Middleditch, an eighth grade student at East Middle School, became an Eagle Scout on Nov. 8. On July 9, Kyle and members of Troop 854 renovated the playground at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton for

Kyle's Eagle Scout project. Kyle installed a ground barrier, retaining wall and 40,000 pounds of artificial mulch. The project took 246 hours and 46 minutes to plan, raise funds and complete. Kyle, 13, is currently the senior patrol leader of Troop 854 in Canton, and is also the vice



Middleditch

chief of Canton/Wayne/Westland for the Order of the Arrow Wsigau Chapter.

## Trash pickup

Residents can expect their trash pickup to be one day later than normal for the weeks of Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, due to the holidays. For more information, call Canton Waste Recycling at (734) 397-5801.

## Station giveaways

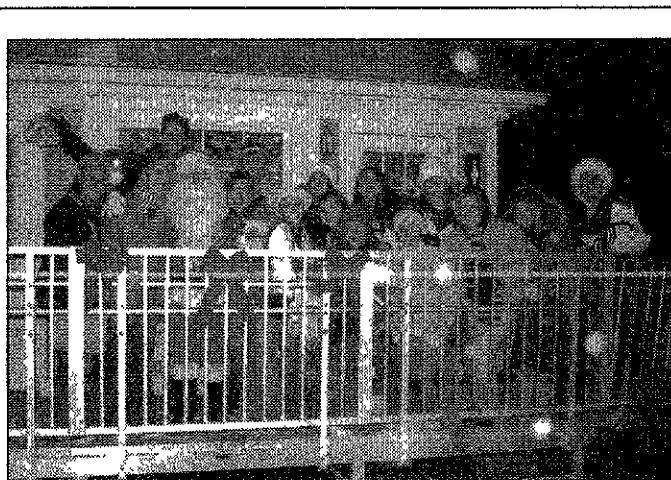
WSDP 88.1-FM, the student-run radio station at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, will host two weeks of giveaways aimed at adding holiday cheer for many listeners, including CDs selected from 88.1-FM's playlist for the past year, tickets to Emagine Theater and Jones Soda.

From Dec. 12-22, each daily winner will be put in a drawing for a chance to win the grand prize: Santa's Sack of CDs, featuring more than 50 CDs from 88.1-FM's playlist in 2005. The grand prize winner will be drawn Thursday, Dec. 22, during Backstage Pass, which airs at 5:40 p.m. Backstage Pass is hosted by Emily Hulscher and features the latest music news, concert and CD updates and music reviews.

## Youth artist competition

The application deadline for the Plymouth Symphony's Youth Artist Competition is Friday, Jan. 30. The competition itself is scheduled to be held on Sunday, Feb. 12 at Evola Music, 7170 N. Haggerty Road in Canton.

Through the generosity of the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs, local service organizations and other sponsors, the Plymouth Symphony recognizes young orchestral talent from the



## Welcome, Santa

Students from the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park choir were on hand when the Plymouth community welcomed Santa Claus back to town recently. Singers led the gathering crowd in carols as they waited for Santa's arrival in Kellogg Park. The choir goes caroling through downtown Plymouth 6-8 p.m. Fridays through the holiday.

greater Plymouth-Canton and surrounding communities through this competition, and offered music scholarships to area youth since 1978.

The competition is composed of three divisions: Senior Instrumental (grades 10-12), Senior Piano (grades 10-12), and Junior Division (combined instrumental and piano grades 7-9). Applicants must be piano, band or orchestra students in the school districts of Livonia, Northville, Novi, Plymouth-Canton, Van Buren (Belleville), Clarenceville, or Wayne-Westland. Celebration Youth Orchestra members and students at Evola Music are also eligible. The first prize winner in each Senior Division shall receive \$500 and the first prize winner in the Junior Division shall receive \$250. If applicable, honorable mentions will also be acknowledged.

Past participants are encouraged to reapply, how-

ever, musicians are eligible to win only one first prize award in each division. Winners may have the opportunity to perform with the PSO or Orchestra Canton.

Applicants must be available to perform at the competition. For an application or more information, please contact Ellen Elliott at (734) 451-2112 or by e-mail at info@plymouthsymphony.org. Applications are also available on the Plymouth Symphony Web site at www.plymouthsymphony.org.

## American Legion

The American Legion - Westland Post 251 meet at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month at the Westland V.F.W. Post 3323 located on Wayne Road at Avondale, just north of Palmer Road. Membership is open to all veterans providing they meet the eligibility dates. For information call (734) 326-2607.

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# Village Theater looking to heat up winter with a variety of shows

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is preparing for its last blast of 2005, and looking forward to a happy new year in January.

"We are almost done with events for the rest of the year, but we do have one more the night before New Year's Eve," said the-ater director Jennifer Tobin.

The event, Tribute to the Stars, will bring together a host of tribute artist who will imitate celebrities such as Tina Turner, Barry Manilow, Neil Diamond, Ray Charles and Diana Ross.

"The guy who plays Jack Nicholson is my favorite. He's almost better than the real Jack," Tobin said.

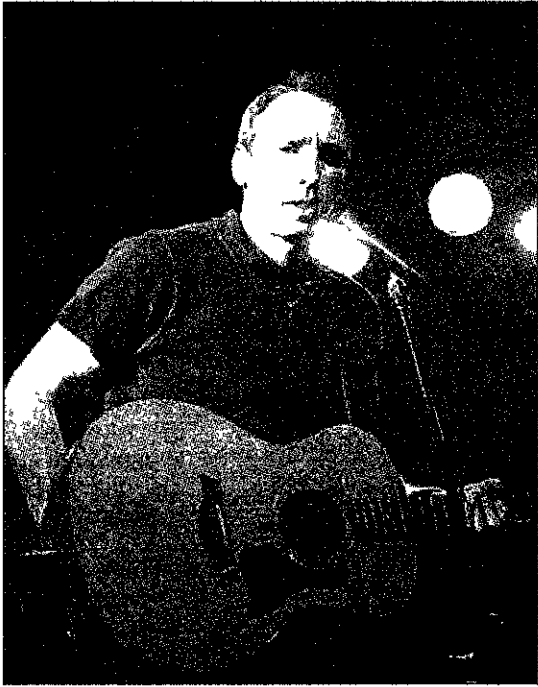
Guests are invited to join the stars and be part of the act by dressing in their very best star-worthy attire.

"We want people to dress up and look, and act, like their favorite celebrities," Tobin said. "We have so many events where you can wear blue jeans to hear a symphony, and people just want to dress up at this time of year, so we thought this would be the perfect event to do that."

Coming up in January are the Donna Holman Trio, and the Gratitude Steel Band. The latter is billed as a mix of Mother Africa, Jamaica and the United States, and blends the harmonies of steel pans, electric guitar, drums and percussion.



Pianist Robin Spielberg, who will play the Village Theater on Jan. 6, is known for theatrical storytelling.



Musician John D. Lamb, a 'rock storyteller,' will play the theater on Jan. 26.

"We think people really need that kind of thing in January. When the snow is falling outside and it's cold, listening to music that warms you up is a good thing," Tobin said.

All of January is piano month at the theater, a new promotion during which Tobin hopes the Endowment for the Arts can begin raising money for the theater to buy its first grand piano.

Evola Music will loan the theater a piano for that month so the theater can highlight local young musicians who will be able to showcase their talent

by playing in the vestibule outside the theater.

Tobin is looking for youth piano players interested in participating, and also inviting piano teachers to inquire about special pricing for events during that month.

Three of the events feature Canton musicians at the keyboard. Neil Donato will take to the stage Jan. 8 to perform pop, jazz and classical numbers.

Andrew Song will perform on Jan. 25, entertaining classical music lovers with selections by Chopin. And Dimas Carabello will fuse together a virtuoso piano recital with a fiesta as he performs Latin American music along with European piano pieces.

"It's amazing that all three of these artists, who are brilliant and talented, have been right here in Canton, right under our noses. It's so exciting to be able to have them here at the theater," Tobin said.

Also during piano month will be a performance by Robin Spielberg, and also by boogie-woogie blues man Mr. B, also known as Mark Braun.

For more information about the theater schedule, or to buy tickets, call the Village Theater at Cherry Hill at (734) 394-5460. To inquire about teacher rates, or about volunteering to play in the vestibule, call Jennifer Tobin at (734) 394-5484.

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# District files deed for Miller Woods

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan has done a good deed — literally.

On Wednesday, Ryan filed a 15-year-old deed restriction on 10.2 acres of the Miller Woods nature preserve in Plymouth Township, protecting it from future development.

However, it wasn't as easy as it seemed, as Ryan's efforts to file the deed restriction last month were stymied because of an error in the legal description of the property.

"We asked legal counsel to proceed and we quickly discovered the original declaration of restrictions was not in recordable form," Ryan told Board of Education members Tuesday. "Counsel also discovered an error in the legal description of the property, and they went ahead and corrected the error."

The school board approved an affidavit acknowledging the changes, and Ryan filed the deed restriction with Wayne County the next day.

The original document was approved by the Board of Education in 1991 for the woods portion of the 40-acre site purchased in 1968; however, no one ever filed it with the county.

When the school board began discussing the possibility of selling the beech-maple climax forest, wetlands and wildlife sanctuary

— on Powell Road between North Territorial and Ridge — the Friends of Miller Woods began putting pressure on the board to file the belated document.

"I'm glad we didn't just attempt to file it because the county wouldn't have accepted it in the condition that it was in," said vice-president Judy Mardigian. "I know it's taken us awhile ... but it was always our intent to file the deed restriction. It just had to be done property with the i's dotted and the t's crossed."

Marcia Fowler, a member of the Friends of Miller Woods, said supporters of Miller Woods can breathe a bit better with the filing of the deed restriction.

"We're grateful the board followed through on filing the deed restriction," said Fowler. "We're hoping that since the deed restriction has been properly recorded, we could discuss with them what else we might do to preserve some of the property around the woods."

"In terms of wildlife and ecology to the property, it's important to consider not just the 10 acres as a nature preserve," she said. "If the board is really serious about maintaining the integrity of the woods, there needs to be some property around the woods. The woods doesn't end with a boundary line of 10 acres."

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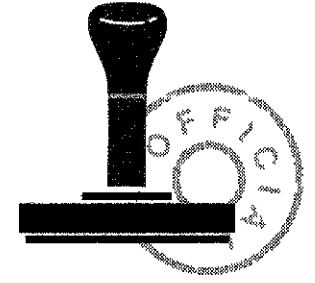
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**Ronald G. Bray**  
Bray, 62, of Clarkston, died Dec. 13.

**Ruth Erickson Brooks**  
Brooks, 90, formerly of Birmingham, died Dec. 7.

D

**James J. Dobby**  
Dobby, 63, of Webberville, died Dec. 8.

**Gordon F. Donaldson**  
Donaldson, 66, died Dec. 15.

G

**Howard E. Gray**  
Gray, 89, of Farmington Hills, died Dec. 11.

H

**Anna Mary Heringhausen**  
Heringhausen, of Garden City, died Nov. 18.

**Jack C. Hutchinson**  
Hutchinson, 89, of Holland, formerly of Birmingham, died Dec. 15.

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**Edward Hodson Lerchen**

M

**Richard S. Mayes**  
Mayes, 50, of Westland, died Dec. 9.

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**Richard N. Miller Sr.**  
Miller, 80, of Livonia, died Dec. 14.

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**Lena M. Nicholson**  
Nicholson, 96, of Birmingham, died Dec. 16.

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**James P. O'Donnell**  
O'Donnell, 91, of Livonia, died Dec. 6.

**Susan Peacock**  
Peacock died Dec. 13.

R

**Sharon E. Rea**  
Rea, 58, of Plymouth, died Dec. 13.

**Ralph W. Richmond**  
Richmond, 49, of Westland, died Dec. 9.

**Robert Paul Russie Sr.**  
Russie, 92, died Dec. 13.


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**Carmen Frank Yaconis**  
Yaconis, 72, of Westland, died Dec. 10.

Lerchen 85, of Grand Rapids, died Dec. 14.

**Eileen Frances Little**  
Little, 89, of Westland, formerly of Belleville, died Dec. 4.

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Student assaulted with knife

Canton police are investigating a Dec. 8 incident at the Canton Charter Academy, after a student at the elementary school there said he was assaulted by a teenager carrying a knife.

The school's principal called police on Dec. 12 to report the incident.

According to police reports, there had been a choir concert at the school on the evening of Dec. 8. At some point shortly after the concert ended, a boy had said someone tried to kill him outside the school.

The boy told police that he walked outside and a teenage boy asked him, "How's it going?" then grabbed him by the collar and held a knife over his head in a threatening manner.

Police questioned the suspect's mother, who said the teenager, a student at Plymouth High School, had told her what happened. He said he had been outside playing with the knife, and a group of young kids saw him.

However, five witnesses corroborated the victim's story.

Police are investigating. It is against the law to possess a weapon on school property.

Prostitution complaint

Canton police arrested a prostitute Dec. 13 at the Barbu motel, 4700 Michigan Avenue.

According to police reports, the department has recently received numerous complaints about prostitution at the motel.

At approximately 11:30 p.m. Dec. 13, an officer saw a woman standing near the

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Michigan Avenue entrance to the Barbu, and she matched the description he heard during roll call that night.

He said he saw a man stop his car and let the woman out the passenger door. The officer followed the car, and stopped the driver when the car straddled two lanes of traffic.

The driver of the car told police he had picked up the woman because he was lonely. The two talked and she asked if he could help her out. The more they talked, the more he began to realize that she was asking for up-front payment for sexual favors.

He told police he didn't give her money, and he didn't have sex with her, but he did drop her off at the motel.

Police later questioned the woman, who admitted that twice that day, she had sex with men, in exchange for money, which she used to buy food and cigarettes. She said she had made \$40 in two transactions that day.

She was arrested for prostitution and will appear at the 35th District Court in Plymouth on Dec. 27.

Snake, cats stolen

A Canton man called police after someone broke into his home on Old Michigan Avenue, and stole three cats and a snake.

According to police reports, the man said between 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Dec. 13, someone broke into his home. When he returned home, he found

someone had taken his television, a Play Station 2 game console, DVDs, his three cats and a boa constrictor.

Badge taken

A Canton firefighter called police after he discovered someone had stolen his chrome badge right from his duty coat.

He said the theft must have occurred between Dec. 5 and Dec. 12, according to police reports. His coat had been hanging in the clothing storage room during that week.

The badge is worth \$30.

There were numerous tour groups that were in the station during that week.

Dog at large

Canton police captured a stray dog running through a neighborhood on Dec. 13, just before 9 p.m.

According to police reports, an officer spotted the large great Dane, which was running loose on Brighton Lane. Officers asked around the neighborhood to see who the dog belongs to, and one resident said he had called Varmint Police animal control service on a couple of occasions, but the dog always ran away before they arrived.

Officers found the dog's owner, who said she was unaware that the dog was at large. Police found the dog and turned it over to the owner, who was ticketed for dog at large and for having an unlicensed dog.

Basketball Planet, sponsor team up

A new private basketball club in Canton has found itself a major sponsor. Capital Mortgage Funding, one of the largest independently owned mortgage banking firms in southeast Michigan, has announced it will sponsor the Basketball Planet club and training center, which is preparing to open early next year.

"We are delighted to be

joining in partnership with Capital Mortgage Funding," said Jamey Petree, president of The Basketball Planet Inc. "Capital Mortgage Funding is an outstanding company, which involves itself with the youth in our community through sports, and prides itself on offering individualized personal attention to each client's needs."

Will Vance, vice president of

The Basketball Planet Inc., said, the new business is beginning to develop a number of community based programs in conjunction with the club's new sponsor.

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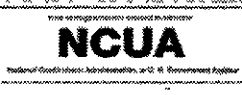
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# Disaster training aimed at drawing Corps volunteers

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Disasters come in many forms, from hurricanes in New Orleans, explosions at an industrial plant or an apartment fire that displaces residents.

When they occur, the Salvation Army leaps into action to help not only the victims, but first responders.

"We respond to any type of disaster: flood, tornado, hurricane," said Ross Myers, who supervises the 13 mobile canteen units for eastern Michigan – from the Mackinac Bridge to the Ohio/Indiana border – from his office at the Plymouth Salvation Army. "We're there to support the people in need, as well as fire and police and anyone on the scene that can't get away for food and drink."

Myers and his volunteers are on call 24 hours a day. There are nearly 30 volunteers on the Royal Oak Corps, and more than a dozen at the Corps in Dearborn Heights.

The Plymouth Corps has only eight, and Myers is hoping to gain more after an all-day training session Jan. 14, paid for with a homeland security grant.

"We'll get them acquainted with the canteen and how it operates, and teach them how to respond to an emergency," said Myers. "If we can get them trained, they can step in and know exactly what to do."

Myers is looking for people who can be called at a moment's notice, like Jeff Jones of Plymouth Township, who has been a Salvation Army volunteer the past three years.

"I had worked as a volunteer for Salvation Army working with distribution, and also the Adopt-A-Family program during the holidays," said Jones. "As I was getting ready to retire, Ross said he had an 'opportunity' for me."

"He was looking for people to work in disaster service," Jones said. "I had the time, and he had the need, so here we are."

Jones said he's been called out in the middle of the night to shuttle the canteen from the Plymouth Township DPW garage to many places in metro Detroit.

"I remember being awakened on Christmas Eve night for a condo fire in Northville," said Jones, "and saying 'Merry Christmas' to people in the cold."

Volunteers will be trained on the history, mission and structure of the Salvation Army, the types of incidents they could be sent on, and determine where they could best serve the Salvation Army.

"Not everybody can do warehouse work, food handling, spiritual care," said Maj. Bill Hogg, commander of the Plymouth Salvation Army Corps. "We'll go through the incidents, and find their niche."

"We always need volunteers, and what these classes do is give us a bank of people to be called upon when something comes up," he said. "We need people who are flexible and understand they will be step-

ping out of their comfort zone. It's not 9-5 work."

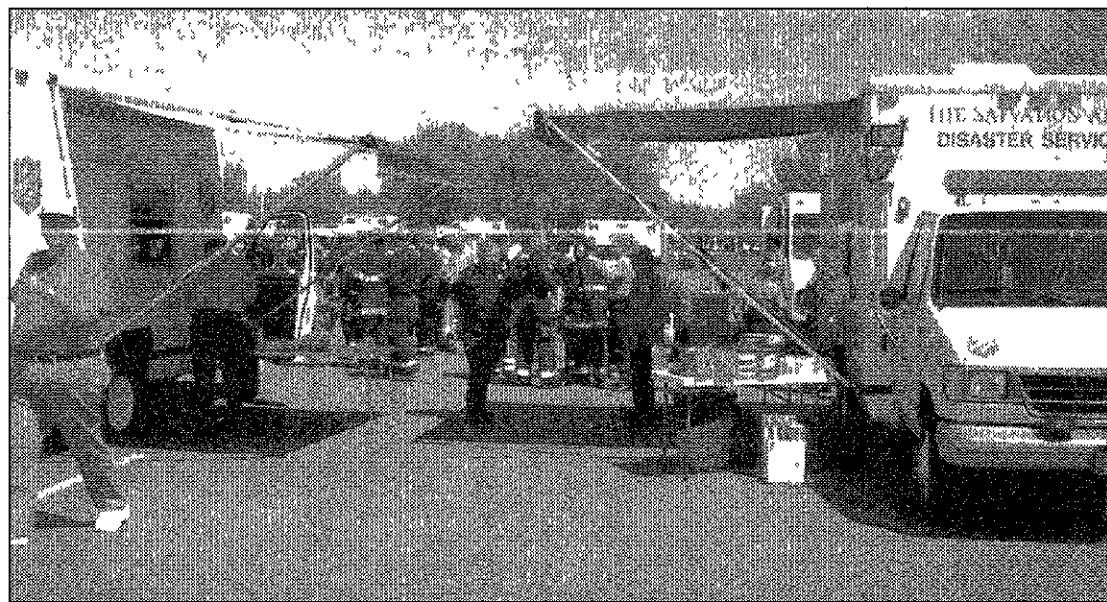
For the retired Jones, being available anytime the phone rings wasn't a problem.

"It's a case of having time once I retired, and wanting to give something back to the community," said Jones, who worked for Ford Visteon in Saline. "There is a lot of reward

and satisfaction in that."

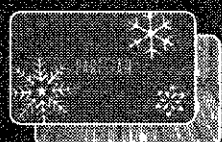
Anyone interested in the Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services class Jan. 14 at the Plymouth Corps, 9541 S. Main St., must register by Dec. 31 by calling Julie Pearson at 248/443-5500, Ext. 314, or via e-mail at Julie\_pearson@usc.salvationarmy.org.

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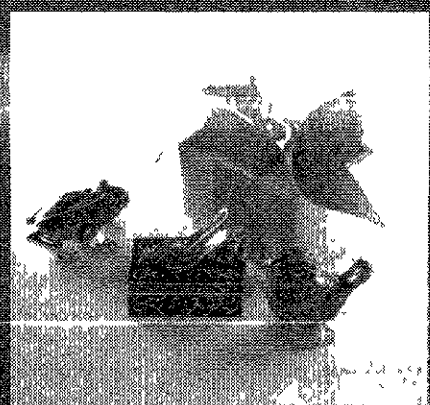
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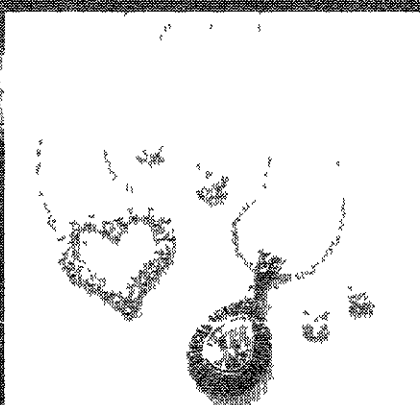
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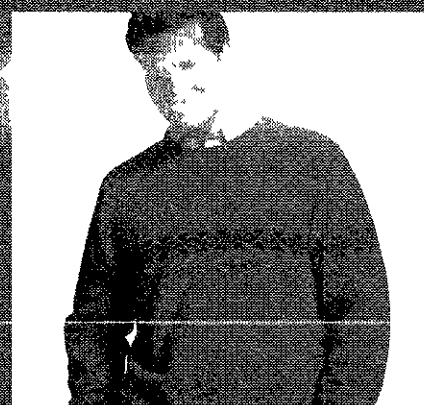
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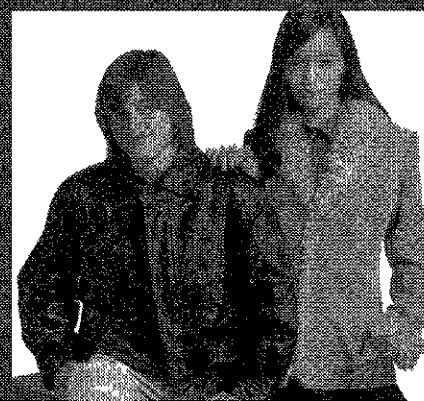
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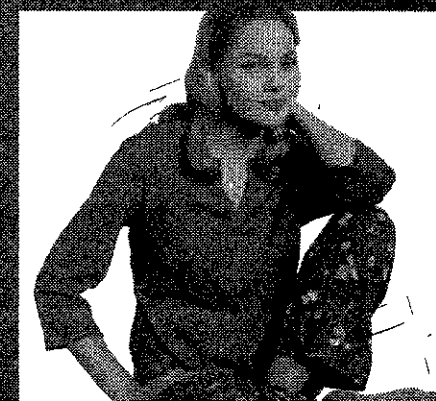
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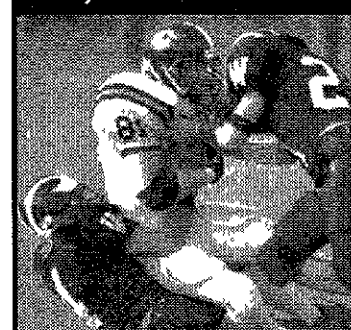
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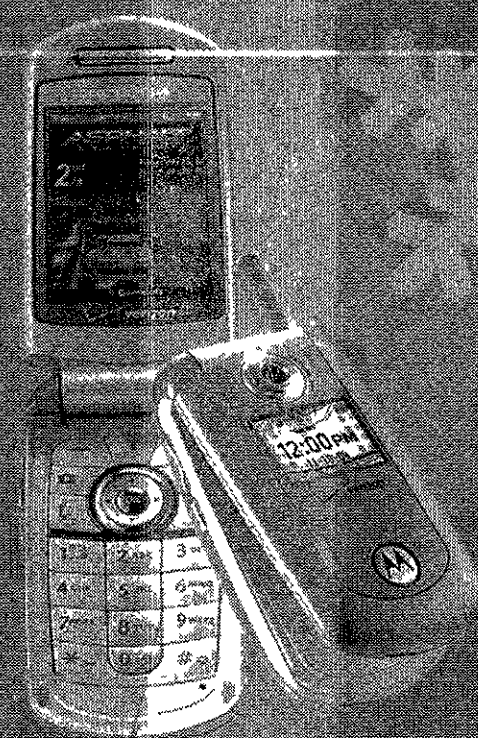
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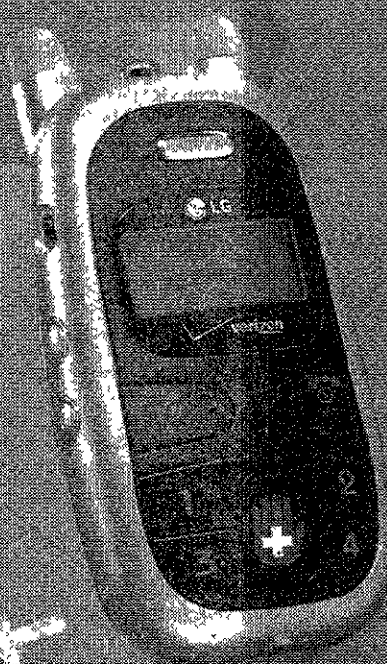
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## Auditions set for Lions Clubs Band

The Lions Clubs of Michigan are seeking area high school students to participate in their annual All-State Band program.

The Internationally acclaimed youth activity has represented the Lions of Michigan for nearly 30 years at the International Association of Lions Clubs International Convention. Since its inception, the Lions of Michigan All-State Band has had more 300 Michigan communities represented by area musicians.

"Our program strives to provide our members with musical and sociological growth, travel and education and exposure to serving those less fortunate, the motto of Lions Clubs," said Roger Weyersberg, director.

He added that the Lions Band program is developed to complement the students' own music program and to return them as "improved performers through excellent music literature and high-quality instruction."

"We also strive to have the students return as better leaders in their own program," said

Weyersberg.

The band program seeks individuals of all performance levels, including visual and drill teams. The band will conduct its annual auditions on Saturday, Jan. 14, at Haslett High School.

It will hold a rehearsal week-end in April and May and, prior to departing on its 10-day tour, the band will hold band camp at Michigan State University June 22-25.

This year's band tour will take students to Gettysburg, Hershey and Philadelphia, Pa., Boston and Salem, Mass., and Cleveland, Ohio.

"Our tour is directed by the location of the International Association Convention, which is scheduled for Boston June 29-July 4," said Brian Shepard, chief executive officer of the Lions Band Program.

Past tours have taken the band to such locations as Hong Kong, Tokyo, Sidney, Beijing and Honolulu.

"The band has provided past students with travel experiences that many may never

have had a chance to do otherwise," Shepard said.

Performances include such venues as hospitals or public parks. The band also will perform in the International Parade and have an opportunity to perform in a mass band concert with other Lions Band programs attending the convention.

Students are responsible for their portion of the tour cost. Students pay for no administrative cost of the program. This year's tour cost is \$1,875. The tour cost includes all meals, including rehearsal weekends, lodging, and transportation while on tour and travel uniforms.

For more tour information or an application visit the Web site at [www.lionsofmi.com/pages/all\\_state\\_band.htm](http://www.lionsofmi.com/pages/all_state_band.htm), call (517) 887-6640, Ext. 13/15 or send an e-mail to [lions@acd.net](mailto:lions@acd.net).

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization. The Lions of Michigan All State Band Charities, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) Organization.

## Regional Chamber launches economic project

The Detroit Regional Chamber announced Thursday that it is launching a first-of-its-kind initiative called "Design Regional Detroit" to develop and implement a blueprint for achieving long-term economic prosperity in Southeast Michigan.

"Design Regional Detroit" is a two-year collaborative project that will marshal the resources and talents of the best minds in the region to chart a decisive course for the next 10 to 20 years and beyond," said Chamber President and CEO Richard E. Blouse Jr.

"This is a massive, unparalleled undertaking. It's ambitious in outlook and bold in scope -- and it's long overdue," Blouse said. "Other metropolitan areas across the country have experienced tangible results through similar initiatives. It's time we did the same. We don't have the luxury of sitting back and simply letting it happen."

Edsel B. Ford II will serve as champion of the project. Blouse praised Ford for heeding the call to serve as the project's official champion.

"The fact that a community leader and business icon has agreed to take on this critical role underscores the impact and significance of this project," he said.

"This is an unprecedented opportunity to shape our future, and I commend Edsel Ford for stepping up and making this commitment for our future."

"Design Regional Detroit" will take an inclusive, broad-based approach and will seek to include established as well as emerging business leaders. Furthermore, it will yield a specific action plan with a long-term vision for the area's future. The goals for the initiative include:

- Identifying regional priorities which offer the great economic and social benefit to the greatest number of people
- Provide measurable objectives for sustained economic growth and prosperity
- Create strategies to meet those objectives
- Design specific indicators for monitoring and evaluating progress

Although the Chamber is spearheading the initiative "Design Regional Detroit" will emphasize inclusion by engaging and involving a wide range of diverse people, organizations, geographical locations and sectors including business, government, labor, civic, religious and nonprofit stakeholders. Ford will lead an advisory committee of energetic, hard-working lead-

ers who, as he put it, "are willing to roll up their sleeves and make things happen."

In his role as champion, Edsel B. Ford II, board director and consultant at Ford Motor Co. and former COO of Ford Motor Credit, will provide leadership for the initiative and involve a broad group of stakeholders and advocates from across the region. This role is a natural extension of Ford's deep commitment to the community. He previously served as chair of Detroit 300, which planned the city's 300th anniversary celebration, and currently is the former chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago-Detroit Branch and chairman of the National Advisory Board of the Salvation Army.

"As a member of a family that traces its roots in this community back more than 150 years, I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to work with the Detroit Regional Chamber and all the stakeholders on this meaningful project," said Ford. "We have a lot of work to do in a relatively short period of time, but I'm confident the results will benefit the future generations in Southeast Michigan, who are depending on the outcome of this collaborative effort."

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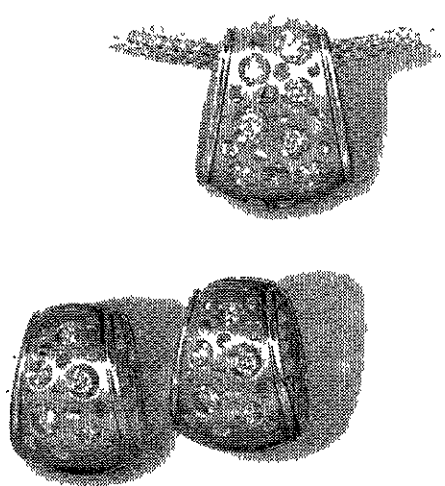
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Beth Ineson of Plymouth Township sits with her 15-month-old daughter, Quinn, and son, Jack, 3, during one of Jennifer Manriquez's Spanish classes.

## BILINGUAL

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were doing could be invaluable to them in the future, according to one student's mother, Plymouth Township resident Beth Ineson. The children are taking classes from Manriquez, a Canton resident, who teaches Spanish to toddlers and preschoolers and their parents.

It's Manriquez's goal to give the youngsters the knowledge base they need to grow up bilingual.

"It's important in the world we live in," Ineson said. "Most people in the world communicate in languages other than English, and our second language in this country really is Spanish. Even if it's just to be sensitive and compassionate to others, knowing how to speak Spanish is valuable."

Ineson's 2-year-old son, Jack, has been in the classes since he was 10 months old. Her 15-month-old daughter has now joined big brother in the classes.

Manriquez started teaching classes three years ago, when her daughter Emily was a baby. A former high school Spanish teacher who is raising her own children in a bilingual household, she recognized the value of teaching language to very young children.

"At this age, they're like a sponge and you have a real window of opportunity to teach them," she said of her youngest students.

When she first started teaching, her classes met in her Canton living room. But they grew so fast and became so popular, she started renting space in a Plymouth Township church.

Recently, Manriquez has expanded the scope of her classes a little further by producing a video, "Bilingual Fun, Spanish for Children."

"I never expected this to make a lot of money or anything. I mostly wanted to do it for my students to use as a learning tool at home. But it's been really taking off. It's selling very well," Manriquez said.

The key to success for her students is repetition at home, which the DVD helps students to do.

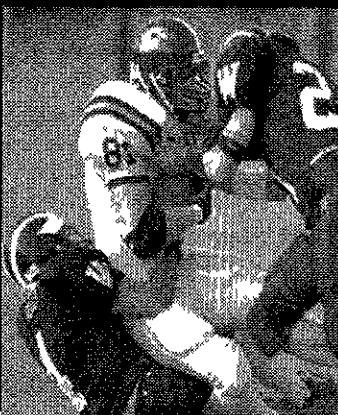
"If it's reinforced and repeated at home, these kids will grow up bilingual," Manriquez said.

The video is the first in what will be a series of videos, structured by theme, just like Manriquez's classes. The first video focuses on colors, numbers, animals and action verbs. They, like the classes, include music and interactive activities.

Classes are held at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth. The cost is \$100 for nine classes. For more information, visit online at [www.bilingualfun.com](http://www.bilingualfun.com), or e-mail Manriquez at [jennifer@bilingualfun.com](mailto:jennifer@bilingualfun.com).

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## New development update

Canton's Planning Services is currently considering the following items:

- Site Plan approval for Fairview Manor Condominiums, located north of Cherry Hill and west of Lotz Roads.
- Site Plan approval for Metro PCS Collocation, located south of Michigan Avenue and east of Lilley Road.
- Site Plan approval for T-Mobile Collocation, located north of Palmer and west of Lilley Roads.

Canton's Planning Commission met

on Monday, Dec. 5, 2005 at 7 p.m. on the first floor of Canton's Administration Building. Items on the agenda included:

### Public hearings

- Bordine rezoning - Consider request to rezone from RR, Rural Residential to R-2, Single-Family Residential. Property is located south of Ford and west of Ridge Roads. Planning Commission recommended approval.
- Cherry Hill PUD Amendment No. 8 and Morton Taylor Estates site plan - Consider request for PUD Amendment

and site plan approval. Property is located on the east side of Morton Taylor and north of Palmer Roads. Planning Commission recommended approval.

### Site plans

- Antonio's Cucina Italiana (formerly Fazoli's) - Consider request for site plan approval. Property is located on the east side of Canton Center Road and south of Ford Roads. Planning Commission recommended approval.
- Napier Woods at Concord park - Consider request for preliminary site plan approval. Property is located on

the north side of Cherry Hill and east of Napier Roads. Planning Commission recommended approval.

■ Concord Park at Cherry Hill Village - Consider request for site plan approval. Property is located north of Ford and west of Morton Taylor Roads. Planning Commission recommended approval.

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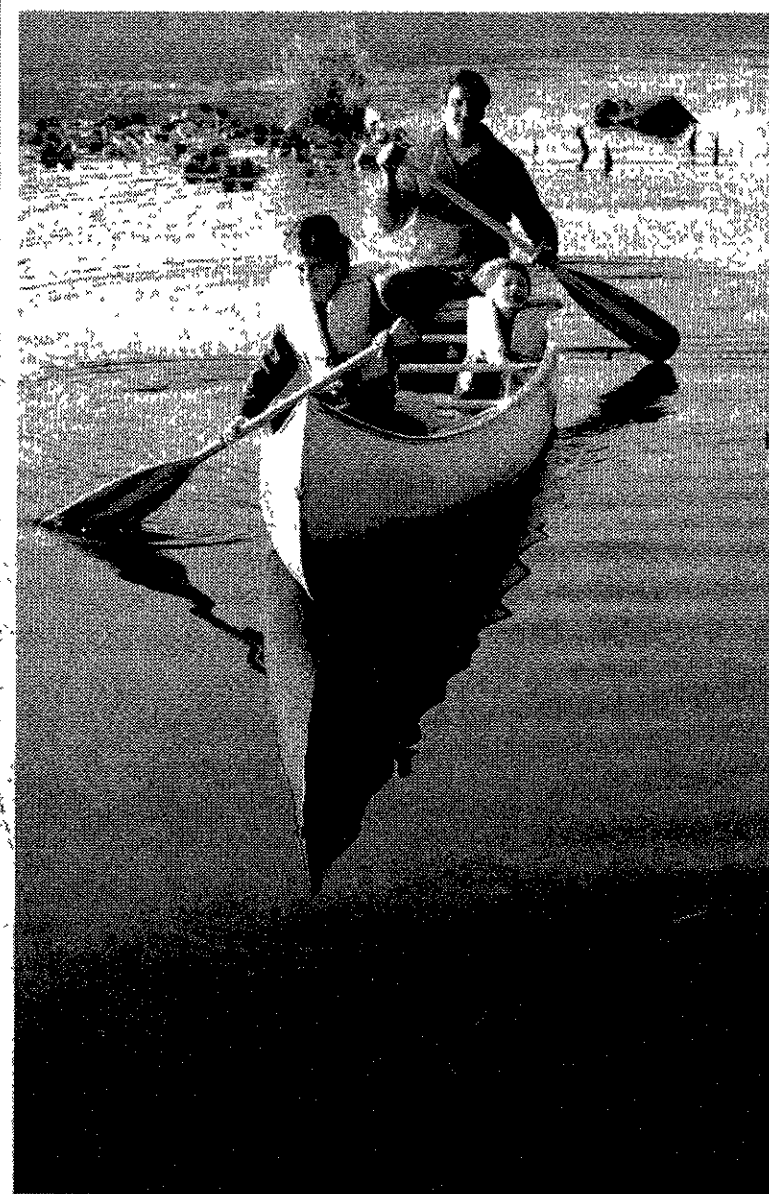
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## The Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive donations off 30 percent

The Salvation Army Eastern Michigan Division's Red Kettle Christmas Campaign is currently \$625,000 short of its targeted pace and is on track to fall short of the \$7 million goal by at least 29 percent.

To date, the campaign has brought in \$2.66 million, just 38 percent of the total \$7 million needed to maintain current service levels in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties in 2006.

The Salvation Army's \$7 million goal represents real need as reflected by the fact

that Detroit has been ranked our nation's poorest city. In Michigan alone last year, 1.2 million people relied on the Salvation Army for basic assistance like food, shelter, and clothing. The Salvation Army's tremendous outreach, including programs serving the elderly, homeless, addicted, and even pregnant teens, is only possible through the use of the funds raised during The Salvation Army's Red Kettle Christmas Campaign.

"Imagine what Detroit will be like next year if we have to

cut services. If people don't give a little more, we'll have to turn people away during a time when more and more people are asking for help," said Russ Russell, executive director of development for The Salvation Army.

"We've got our own tsunami here at home 365 days a year. The Salvation Army helped so many around the world through tremendous disasters this year. But I'm worried that we won't be able to help our own community, which is facing a critical need."

## Students reach out to Latino families

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Alicia Maturen, Jane Spiteri and Andrea Stuecheli all teach Spanish at Plymouth High School.

But, it may be the precepts about life that will be the biggest lesson of all and earn students an 'A' this semester.

Nearly 70 Spanish students from the three classes adopted more than two dozen families from Latino Family Services in Detroit, and on Friday delivered two busloads of food, clothing, toys and other Christmas gifts to people less fortunate than themselves.

"When the teachers first explained it, everyone's eyes opened up," said Ally Ciotti, 16, of Canton Township. "I felt depressed for the rest of the day because so many people don't have what we took for granted. The next day, people were bringing in clothes, toys, everything."

This year's goal was to double the 13 families Maturen's and Spiteri's classes helped last Christmas. With gifts that included simple necessities, students assisted 119 people from 29 families seeking support for the holiday season.

"Sometimes the moms wouldn't list anything for themselves, but wanted things for their kids," said Maturen. "Some asked for food and underwear. One wanted a bed, and we found a used one."

"I want students to understand these aren't poor people somewhere in Mexico who live in boxes," she said.

"They're poor people who live only 20 minutes away."

Students picked up the lesson quickly, collecting clothes, blankets, coats, food and toys.



Plymouth High Spanish students Hanna Bentley, Lauren Koehler and Amy Shoemaker wrap gifts for clients of Latino Family Services in Detroit.

"To realize there are people so close to you that don't have anything," said Ciotti. "It's really important that you reach out to them."

For Katie Fiedler, 16, of Plymouth Township, it was a real eye opener.

"We're giving to families who are less fortunate, and who won't receive any gifts for Christmas unless someone helps them," said Fiedler. "It really opens our eyes to see how much we have."

"I think it's kind of cool you're helping Spanish families with kids from a Spanish class," she said. "It's a connection, so when you actually go visit them, you can use your Spanish and it brings it together for you."

Students did get to visit with the families they collected necessities and gifts for, which is one reason why Maturen started the program last year.

"That's a challenge for them because a lot of the families don't speak any English," said Maturen. "Last year, they were translating through

some of the four- and five-year-olds who spoke English."

Alicia Villarreal, president and CEO of Latino Family Services, says without the help of people like Plymouth-Canton Schools students, there would be many families who wouldn't have Christmas at all.

"It's really nice when youths come together to support families during the holidays," said Villarreal. "It's a strong statement of compassion and caring and giving."

"It's making a difference in someone's lives," she said. "You see tears from people who didn't know if they could meet the needs of their families this year."

Spiteri said she's not surprised by the generosity of Plymouth-Canton students. "Teenagers really are compassionate, kind and considerate," said Spiteri. "They're always fund raising to help out in the community. They're amazing in how they come through."

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# Friends strike deal to purchase Penn Theatre

**BY TONY BRUSCATO**  
STAFF WRITER

When Brian West saw the flyer about efforts to save the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth earlier this year, he was curious about the future of the landmark that's been standing across the street from Kellogg Park since 1941.

"I researched the Penn on the Internet, and there was a posting by Jennifer (Philpot-Munson) about efforts to save the theater," said West, 37, the creative director for an advertising agency. "I thought maybe I could provide some kind of marketing and advertising support."

West, who lives not far from the Penn, wandered to the Coffee Beanery, where nearly

50 other people gathered to talk about what could be done to save the historic theater, which — at the time — was being threatened with demolition.

"There was a lot of brainstorming," remembered West. "Our main objective was to reach as many people as we could, let the people know the building was in danger of being demolished. We had no ideas, at that point, what might be done."

A core group went on to start the Friends of the Penn, a preservationist group whose purpose is to save the Penn from the wrecking ball, and remain a viable venue for Plymouth's family entertainment.

Be careful what you ask for. After months of negotia-

tions, Penn co-owner Chris Knight announced he and his partner, Pat Tortora, have agreed to sell the theater to the Friends for \$1.2 million.

"They have to see if they can raise the money," said Knight, who reportedly paid \$975,000 for the old theater. "If they can raise it, a deal has been struck."

The Friends of the Penn have two months to determine if they can come up with the money. Not only to take ownership, but refurbish the theater, which has been dark for nearly two years. The group put down a \$10,000 deposit.

"We have 60 days for due diligence to evaluate where we are with fund-raising," said West. "Our hope is we're able to do what we can to secure the building without having a

land contract."

Preliminary estimates indicated the group needs about a million more than the purchase price to renovate the theater.

An agreement to purchase the building is only the first step.

"Our advisory board has told us we have a solid plan," said West. "We're not only trying to save the Penn, but make it a first-class venue for affordable entertainment in the center of downtown."

"We're going to encourage a harmonious relationship between all the arts and community groups, so they know we are trying to re-open the theater for the entire community, not just as a movie theater," he said. "By doing this,

we will help secure Plymouth's future as a first-class visitor destination."

West is quick to point out that the Friends of the Penn "haven't done anything yet," because the deal hinges on fund-raising, some of which they hope to get from the 3,000 subscribers to the group's e-mail updates.

"The theater has not been saved, it's merely the first obstacle that's been cleared," said West. "But, it's no denying this is a good thing."

The Plymouth Community Arts Council has been approached about contributing financially to the Penn Theatre project.

"That has been discussed by our board, but we have not yet committed," said Stella Greene,

executive director. "We're exploring all options. Certainly, being downtown and centrally located is a benefit for us and all non-profit cultural programs."

Knight, who remembers going to the Penn to see movies as a child, is hopeful the Friends can come up with the money.

"We (Knight and Tortora) hope they do it, they are a good fit for Plymouth because they will keep it a theater," said Knight.

"Financially speaking, we could have done better tearing it down," he said. "But, being we both grew up here, we wanted to maintain the theater as the center of town."

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## Rotary yule party packs them in

**BY JULIE BROWN**  
STAFF WRITER

Erma Thompson and Larry Slavin were all dressed up with someplace to go last Sunday afternoon.

The Canton residents and friends were waiting at the Plymouth Cultural Center for the doors to open for Plymouth A.M. Rotary's sixth-annual senior Christmas party.

"I think it's lovely," Thompson said. "I think it's very nice."

Slavin agreed, and appreciated the help of the hard-working Youth Leadership Plymouth and Interact students. (Interact is Rotary's high school program.)

"It's nice that they have it. This one I look forward to," he said. "Those teenagers are so energetic. They want to help so much."

The 200 seniors came from Tonquish Creek Manor in Plymouth, Independence Village in Plymouth Township and the community in general.

"We have lots of entertainment," said organizer Steve Alexandrowski, a Rotarian.

There was singer/song-

the Central Middle School eighth-grade girls' choir under director Janine Grady, storytelling by Judge Ron Lowe of the 35th District Court, Miss Harriet's Dancers under the direction of Miss Terry, and Dr. Tom Clark as pianist/soloist.

Evola Music of Canton furnished the piano, said organizer Bob Scoggins, who came up with the party idea years ago.

"We do it to honor our seniors in our community for all they've given to us. We want to honor them with a special night at Christmas time," said Scoggins, retired city of Plymouth police chief and past club president.

The Youth Leadership Plymouth and Interact students do an excellent job, Scoggins said, and seniors respond well to the presence of young people. "It's that energy they bring," he said.

Santa wrapped things up Sunday with a visit and singing of Christmas carols.

Alexandrowski and Scoggins find the party has been a popular event. The party helps "show them how

them," Scoggins said. "We keep them in the spirit."

Rotarians again contributed to the success of the event with such varied tasks as decorating, helping to serve meals and cleaning up.

Rotarian Nick Schultz of Sealant Equipment & Engineering made a contribution, along with Ruth Martin of Remerica Hometown One and Bill Pratt of Management and Tax Services. Larry Bird of Gabriel's in Plymouth provided gifts at cost, and fellow Rotarian Kathy Hosten, who does catering, made the fancy desserts.

"It's an especially hard time of year for many seniors," added Alexandrowski. "I'd say it's one of our best projects. I don't think anything else we do reaches so many people."

Plans are already under way for next December's event, offered free of charge to seniors attending. Plymouth A.M. Rotarians continued their holiday endeavors Wednesday night by hosting a party for Infant and Preschool Special Education Program families at Tanger Center.

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# Senate candidates face off at 'showdown'

BY ALEX LUNDBERG  
STAFF WRITER

Republican candidates to challenge Democrat Debbie Stabenow next November faced off Dec. 5 at the "Showdown in Motown." The Rev. Keith Butler, Jerry Zandstra and Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard attended the candidate forum hosted by the 9th Congressional District Republican Party, to introduce

themselves to voters and air their thoughts on the issues of the day.

The forum was moderated by Republican National Committeeman for Michigan and RNC Vice Chair Chuck Yob, who kicked off the roundtable with a question any Republican could score with — whether or not the budget could be balanced with a tax increase.

"There isn't a deficit because revenues are too low," Zandstra said. "It's there because federal government spending is out of control. It's time to return some kind of fiscally responsible leadership to Washington."

Butler agreed, citing items like the \$450 million bridge project in Alaska as signs that Congressional pork projects are the problem. The bridge funding initiative was championed by Republican Sen. Ted Stevens of Alaska.

Bouchard said the only thing higher taxes would do is tank the economy.

While all three candidates echoed traditional Republican themes — anti-abortion, anti-gay marriage, gun rights and lower taxes — they all said they'd support Arizona Sen. John McCain's anti-torture legislation. President George W. Bush has promised to veto the measure.

"There are a variety of (interrogation) methods that don't use force and with the proper training, you can bring forth information," Bouchard said.

Butler said the United States has to do everything it can to protect the nation, but not things that are outside the law. Zandstra said torture says more about the torturer and sends a message to the world about who we as a nation think we are.

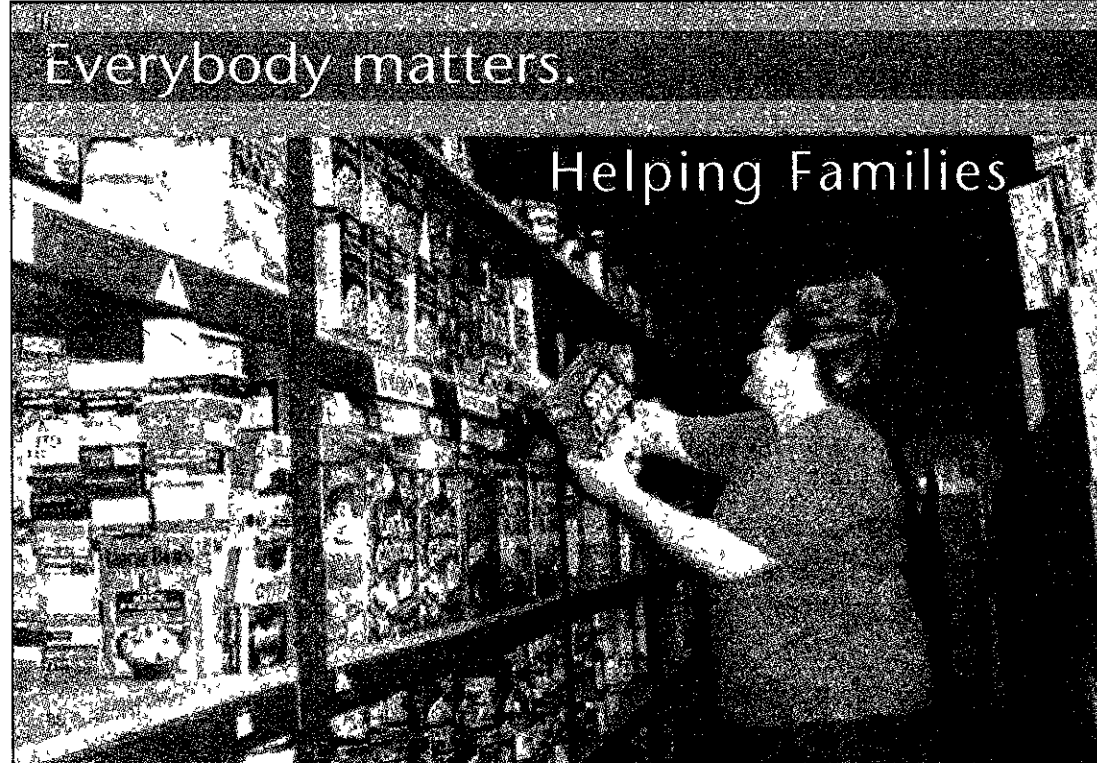
On the topic of curbing illegal immigration, the three agreed that it was at its heart a national security issue.

Bouchard said the problem of illegal immigration highlights failings in border control in general — you can't really protect the country if you don't know who's there. Zandstra said the police have all the technology they need to do the job, all that's lacking is the will to use them.

In a time of increasing legal immigration, Butler said,



Republican Senatorial hopefuls (from left) Jerry Zandstra, Rev. Keith Butler and Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard echoed mainstream Republican themes as they addressed the 9th Congressional District Republican Party at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church Tuesday. One of the three will face Democratic Sen. Debbie Stabenow in the upcoming November election.



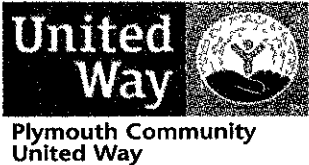
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## In fight for freedom at home, librarians take a lead position

The congressman leaned forward over the microphone and pointed his finger menacingly.

"Let me ask you again," he said. "Are you now, or have you ever been, associated with a librarian?"

"Well, um, uh."

"Let me remind you, sir, that you are under oath and in danger of being found in contempt of Congress if you don't answer."

"OK, OK. I admit it. I'm married to a radical, militant librarian."

It's only a nightmare, it's only the phantom ghost of Christmas yet to be, but depending on how negotiations go in Congress the FBI may continue to be engaged in lethal combat with my wife and other dangerous librarians for the next four years..

Who knew that behind those glasses and conservative dress lurked the seeds of our destruction.

Or at least that's what some FBI agents seem to think.

The House voted Wednesday 251-174 to reauthorize the USA Patriot Act, following a House-Senate Conference agreement Dec. 8 that makes most provisions of the act permanent and extends two controversial provisions — on roving wiretaps and the library cause celebre Section 215. U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, joined his Republican colleagues in voting for the renewal, despite having voiced reservations about some provisions on several occasions.

Sixteen provisions of the act are set to expire by Dec. 31 so congressional action is needed. On Friday the Republican leadership in the Senate was unable to get the 60 votes needed to head off a filibuster. The cloture vote was 52-47. Now intense negotiations begin to provide more safeguards for our liberties in the wake of a New York Times story Friday that the President authorized illegal spying on people in the United States without judicial warrants following 9/11.

Section 215, which allows easier access to business records including bank records, bookstore sales and library records, has become a rallying point for the nation's librarians. Supporters of the act argue that investigative agencies such as the FBI need to see these records to fight terrorism. Opponents say this is an unnecessary invasion of privacy and a potential danger to free expression by allowing government monitoring of what people read.

The section allows investigators to obtain "any tangible thing (including books, records, papers, documents and other items)" as long as they are sought in connection of a "terror investigation."

The Justice Department says the law has never been used against libraries or bookstores, but that's no guarantee that it wouldn't be used. The American Library Association and civil liberties

groups have been fighting since implementation of the act to protect library and bookstore records and to end the frightening "gag rule" that prohibits anyone who receives a Section 215 order from talking about it with anyone.

The conference compromise allows a recipient of a 215 order to speak with an attorney and challenge the order before a judge. The FBI will be required to present facts that show they are conducting a "terror" investigation, but it still allows a lot of leeway for random investigation.

New documents released under the Freedom of Information Act show the frustration of FBI agents seeking warrants from the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court and one agent zeroes in on the true culprits.

The memo which is now a badge of honor for librarians everywhere reads: "The inability of FBI investigators to use this seemingly effective tool has had a direct and clearly adverse impact on our terrorism cases. Quite frankly, agents have spent the last two years screwing around with weak NSLs (National Security Letters) or using made up 'voluntary' NSLs literally begging people to give us information in our terrorism cases .... The fact that this new FISA tool has languish(stet) for two years — with no likely usage in the future — is nuts. While radical, militant librarians kick us around — true terrorists benefit from OIPR's (Office of Intelligence Policy and Review) failure to let us use the tools given to us."

This memo from 2003 has been exhibited by some as a testimony to the restrictions that keep overzealous FBI agents from acting. Others might also see in this memo how easy it is for government agencies to see themselves as above the law, above the Constitution and kicking and screaming to be allowed to use their powers in the "war on terror," which becomes anything they define it to be.

J. Edgar Hoover used his investigative powers in fights against Communism and organized crime to maintain himself in power and black-mail elected government officials. The FBI history, storied as it is, has this dark cloud that rains a warning when they are given too much power.

Terrorism, like Communism and Nazism before it, are terrible things, because they threaten our freedom, "our way of life." The president is always saying that "our way of life" is what terrorists are trying to destroy. Librarians and others argue that if we destroy our own freedoms, we help the terrorists get what they want.

Sacrificing freedom for safety is a poor bargain.

My wife is thinking about wearing a T-shirt with "Radical Militant Librarian" on the front and "We kicked the FBI's butt" on the back.

Tom Paine would be proud.

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## New drunken driving rule is unfair to the accused

On Jan. 1, 2006, a new court rule will go into effect that will require the majority of Michigan drunken driving cases to be resolved by trial or plea of guilty within 91 days.

This is a significant change in the law, because it formalizes and shortens time limits that already exist, and does so squarely at the expense of the rights of the drunken driving accused. In fact, one may



Patrick Barone

argue that as a consequence of passing this new rule, the Supreme Court has inadvertently compromised the very Constitution it is meant to uphold. This is because such short time limits make it extremely difficult and in some cases impossible for the accused to obtain a fair trial.

Our state and federal constitutions both provide that every person who is accused of a crime has a fundamental due process right to know the facts upon which the prosecutor claims the law has been broken. In the context of drunken driving, the necessary information includes, at a minimum, the narrative reports prepared by the police who arrested the alleged drunken driver, any videotapes that may exist and all the information required to show that the equipment used to test the motorist's breath or blood was working properly.

Obtaining this information takes time, in many cases several weeks, and sometimes even months.

Nevertheless, it is only after all of this necessary information is obtained, reviewed and analyzed that a defense attorney and his or her client can determine if any of the motorist's rights have been violated by the police, or if the breath or blood test is unreliable or inaccurate.

There are many reasons why problems with chemical testing may occur, but without adequate research time it is not possible to know if the results can or should support a conviction. Then, if problems that adversely impact the accuracy of the breath or blood test are uncovered, these problems must be brought to the attention of the court. This process is called "motion practice" and requires that written arguments be presented to the judge and prosecutor and sometimes that testimony be taken from witnesses in court.

Motion practice requires additional time, usually several more weeks or months.

Once this process is complete, then — and only then — is it proper to set a case for trial. If the case is immediately set for trial,

there will be no time to for the defense to complete this necessary pretrial investigation.

Devising a system that will assure that the accused will obtain this information quickly enough to satisfy the court rule will require that police departments and prosecuting attorney offices hire more staff to process and disseminate the required information. Realistically, the costs involved in such an endeavor means that necessary staff additions are unlikely. Technology might solve the problem as well, but this represents an even bigger financial investment.

In response to these problems, the district judges are likely to simply set cases for trial long before all the facts are known to the drunken driving accused and, in so doing, place the burden of compliance back on the accused. In other words, the burden will be placed exactly where the Constitution dictates that it does not belong.

The court rule has not yet gone into effect, so it's not entirely clear what the overall effect will be, but it is very likely that this severely abbreviated judicial process will cause extreme pressure on the drunken driving accused to simply plead guilty to the charges. This situation places the accused in an untenable position, because the rule essentially requires that the drunken driving accused make the most important decision they will face in their case, which is the decision to plead guilty or go to trial, long before they have all the necessary information. The end result will be either the drunken driving accused pleads guilty when, in fact, he or she is not, or be forced to go to trial without adequate information or preparation.

Either way, the rule creates circumstances whereby our system of government and ultimately our Constitutional freedoms are in danger of being undermined and eroded, and for no other reason than base expediency.

It is beyond question that drunken driving is a societal problem, and that because drunken driving is such an unpopular crime there will be no public outrage over the unrealistic time limits and probable Constitutional violations this new rule creates. What should cause public concern, however, is that when the rights of the criminally accused are placed into jeopardy, as they are with this rule, every citizen is endangered, whether he or she realizes it or not.

Patrick T. Barone is with the Barone Defense Firm, which exclusively handles drunken driving cases.

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## KVC courts four Western Lakes schools

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

The Kensington Valley Conference is looking to expand and four members of the Western Lakes Activities Association appear to be on the "most wanted" list.

The *Observer* has learned that the KVC has already entered into preliminary talks and has approached WLAA members Walled Lake Central, Western and Northern, along with Northville — about joining for the 2007-08 school year.

The KVC currently consists of eight schools bordering the I-96 corridor — Novi, Brighton, Pinckney, Milford, White Lake, Lakeland, Howell, South Lyon and Hartland.

Two new schools, Howell Parker and

South Lyon East, have already been admitted as members and will start KVC play within the next two years.

Bringing in the four WLAA schools would make the Kensington Valley a 14-team conference.

"It's all preliminary, but they (KVC) wants a decision made by the end of the school year (2006)," Northville athletic director Bryan Masi said. "There are some attractive things and some things which would be hard to leave the WLAA."

"We share a lot of similarities as far as what they do and we do, which are a full complement of sports. We also are associated already in middle school sports, which is a natural. But you have to weigh everything. Everything is preliminary and we don't know which direction we'll go."

The WLAA currently consists 12 schools divided into two divisions including the Lakes: Salem, Livonia Churchill, Livonia Stevenson, Walled Lake Northern, Walled Lake Central and Westland John Glenn; and the Western: Livonia Franklin, Plymouth, Walled Lake Western, Wayne Memorial, Canton and Northville.

Walled Lake Central principal Dave Barry confirmed discussions between his district and the KVC will take place again in February when the principals meet.

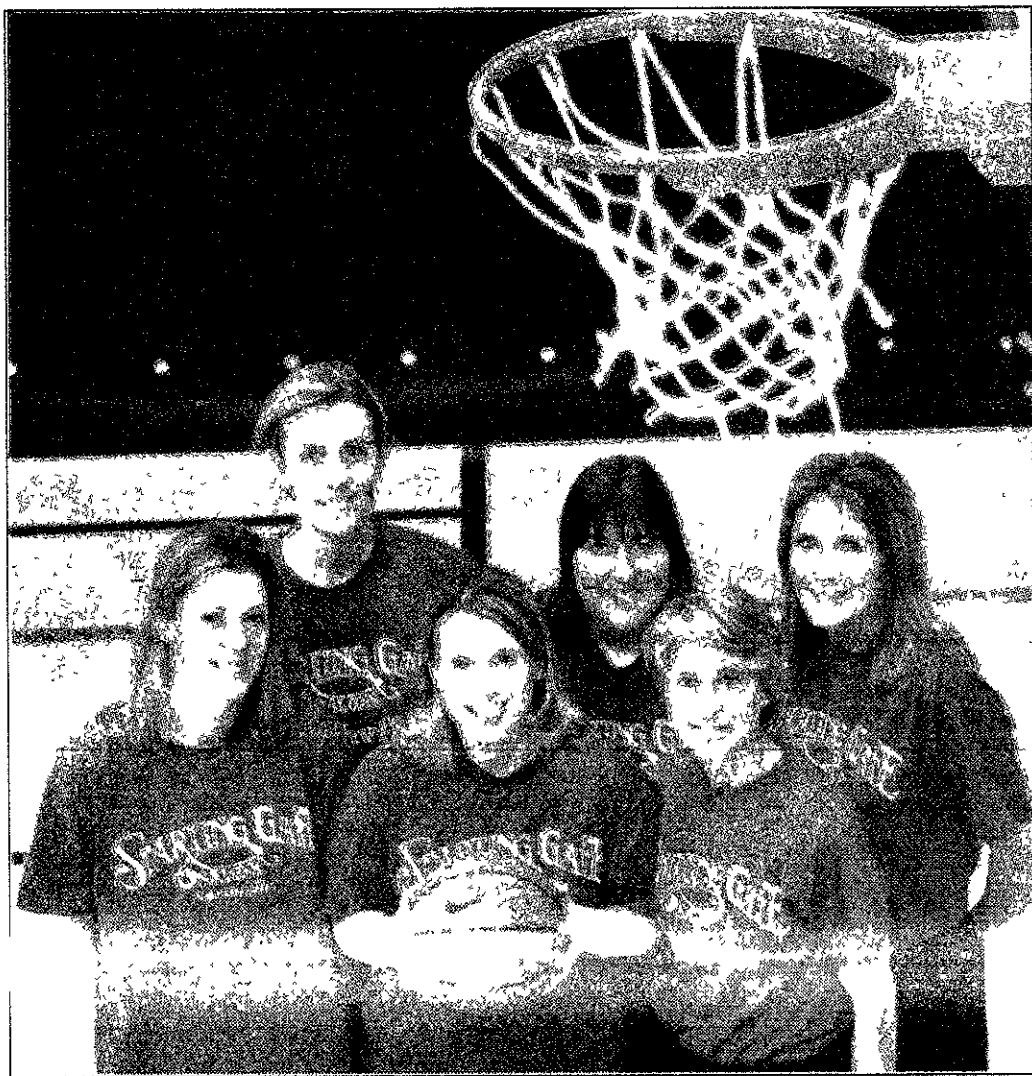
"We were approached and they recently met with our athletic directors," Barry said. "But any decision by us right now is premature. They (the KVC) want an answer by the end of this year."

"As far as analyzing the pluses and minuses? What has to be considered are

travel times, distance and transportation costs.

"Also, there are comparable sports. The Western Lakes doesn't have bowling or lacrosse. There's also figure skating and snow boarding."

During the 2002-03 school year, the WLAA lost three members — Farmington, Farmington Hills Harrison and North Farmington — to Oakland Activities Association, which currently consists of 25 schools. The OAA became attractive to the Farmington schools because it grouped each sport individually into divisions by past performance and strength of schedule. They were replaced the same year by Wayne Memorial (from the Michigan Mega Conference) and two new schools, Plymouth and Walled Lake Northern.



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A group of area women fulfill their basketball fix by competing in two leagues. Pictured (back row from left) are Carrie Dickinson, Diane Ziroll, Lori Moss, (front row from left) Shelly Dunphy, Amanda Hilden and Tami Bealert. The women currently play for the Arena Restaurant in Ann Arbor on Thursdays. Beginning in January, they will double up when their Northville league begins.

## 'Swish'ful thinking

### Local women find full-court enjoyment while playing recreational basketball

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

With heavy snow falling at a relentless pace, driving from Canton to Ann Arbor on the night of Dec. 8 was almost as enjoyable as dribbling through a full-court press with roller skates on.

But the near-blizzard conditions didn't deter several area women from making their weekly trek down M-14 to play in a Thursday night basketball league coordinated by the Ann Arbor Community Recreation and Education Department.

"At times, it was almost like a white-out, but I never thought about not going to the game," admitted 42-year-old Canton resident Lori Moss. "That's how much I love playing basketball. When games do get postponed because of the weather, I get bummed out because I enjoy playing so much."

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### LOOKING FOR A LEAGUE?

If you're a woman searching for a recreation basketball league, check out the following list:

■ Northville Parks & Recreation's winter league, which is set to begin Jan. 31, is looking for one more team. The registration fee — which is due no later than Jan. 13 — is \$400 (\$100 of which is refunded if the team does not forfeit a game). For more information, contact Joe Barberio at (248) 449-9947.

■ The Westland Recreation Department coordinates women's leagues throughout the year. The entry fee is \$350. For more information, contact Lisa Blackburn at (734) 722-7620.

■ The Ann Arbor Community Recreation and Education Department hosts women's leagues. For more information, contact Larry Dishman at (734) 994-2300.

## Cousino triples its pleasure in 67-49 victory over Salem

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Three-mendous.

That's the word that best describes Warren Cousino's long-range shooting during the first half of Friday night's game against Salem.

The Patriots (2-1) treated 20-foot bombs like they were layups, swishing 10-of-15 triples in the first half of their 67-49 road victory over the Rocks.

The loss dropped Salem to 0-3.

"Cousino scored 87 in a game last week, so we knew they could shoot," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "When the other team is draining threes like they were in the first half, you know you're in for a long night. A couple of their long shots were uncontested, which I wasn't happy about. But for the most part, we were right there with them and the ball went in anyway."

The Patriot with the hottest hand was senior guard Danny Schmelzer, who went 6-for-7 from beyond the arc in the first half before finishing with a game-high 22 points. Schmelzer connected on four of his triples from a few feet behind the line with a Salem defender's hand waving a few inches from his face.

Cousino senior forward Joe Rivard also enjoyed a productive evening, netting 15 points. Nine of his points were the result of triples.

"We like to freelance on offense, but we're always setting screens and trying to get Danny and Joe open outside," said Cousino coach Brad Nettles. "We were definitely successful at doing that tonight."

"It really is an honor to play against Salem because Bob is a coaching legend. It looks like he has some nice tools to work with this year. They play very

### TRIPLE THREATS

Salem's basketball team was victimized by a pair of sharp-shooting, long-distance Warren Cousino players in Friday night's 67-49 setback. Following are some of the three-point stats from the game:

■ The Patriots' Danny Schmelzer buried 6-of-7 three-pointers in the first half alone and finished with 22 points.

■ Cousino's Joe Rivard went 3-for-6 from beyond the arc. He finished with 15.

■ As a team, Cousino connected on 10-of-15 shots from three-point land in the first half.

■ On the other hand, Salem struggled with its threes, nailing just 1-of-17 shots from behind the line.

hard, but they're young."

The way the early portions of the game unfolded, it looked as though it was going to be a 32-minute barn-burner. When Salem's John Johnson filled the net with a 12-foot baseline jumper with 5:50 to go in the first half, the Rocks trailed just 19-17. However, the Patriots followed with a 20-2 run over the next four-plus minutes to build a 39-19 cushion.

At the half, the Rocks had outscored Schmelzer, 21-18, but trailed the

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### Stellar season

Salem junior forward Teresa Coppiellie (middle) is pictured above being guarded by Plymouth's Chrystien Guyton (left) and Jalesa Moise. Coppiellie was named to the first team All-Observer girls basketball squad for her stellar play this past season. For a detailed look at the entire team, please see page B5.

## Sidelines

### Sox add Haeger

According to Baseball America, Plymouth native and former Catholic Central High standout Charlie Haeger has been promoted to the World Champion Chicago White Sox' 40-man roster for the 2006 season.

The 22-year-old right-handed knuckleballer just completed a winter league stint with the La Guaira Sharks of the Venezuelan League where he got off to a hot start, earning Player of the Week honors during the third week of the season.

That week, Haeger pitched 16 innings, went 2-0 with a 1.13 earned run average. He gave up two runs, walked four and struck out seven while giving up 16 hits.

After learning he had made the Sox roster, Haeger ended his winter league stint in preparation for spring training with a 4-3 record and 4.74 earned run average in 44 innings. He struck out 17 and walked 23.

The 25th-round pick in 2001 threw over 200 innings in 2005, going a combined 14-5 with a 3.50 ERA as Class A Winston-Salem (N.C.) and Class AA Birmingham (Ala.) Barons.

### Baseball sign-up

The Canton Little League will be holding a pair of upcoming registration sessions for the 2006 season. The sessions will be held from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21, and Saturday, Feb. 18, at the Four Seasons Internet Cafe, located at 3500 Lillie Plaza in Canton. Players from Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township are eligible to play in the Canton Little League. Teams will play a 20-game schedule and compete in a Father's Day tournament and a tournament against teams from Belleville.

For more information, contact Ray Waack at (734) 397-0147.

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If Wright is covering an event at the time of your call, please leave a message and he will return your call promptly.

The deadline for Thursday's *Observer* is Tuesday at 11 p.m. The deadline for Sunday's issue is Friday at 11 p.m.

### Re-broadcast

The Fox Sports Network will be re-airing the Division 1 football final between Canton and Rockford at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8.



## HOOPS

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Mross's passion for the sport is shared by several of her 30-year-old-plus teammates on the Arena Restaurant team, which competes in Ann Arbor on Thursday nights, and the Starting Gate squad, which will open its season in the Northville Recreation Department league in late January.

"They can all relate to the nearly indescribable love for roundball that can only be appreciated by someone who has felt the satisfaction of swishing a 15-foot jumper over the outstretched hand of an opponent, or finishing a three-on-two fastbreak by threading a perfect pass to a cutting teammate.

## NOTHING COMPARES TO HOOP

"Basketball has always been appealing to me and it always will be," said Carrie Dickison, 33, of Plymouth. "I like playing team sports and being active. I'm still a competitive person, so going for a jog is nice, but it doesn't compare to playing basketball."

"After earning three varsity letters at Plymouth Salem during the early-90s, Amanda Hilden stepped away from organized basketball for almost 10 years before hooking up with Mross's Starting Gate team two years ago.

"I really missed playing basketball, so I checked out some Web sites and I e-mailed a couple of parks and recreation departments," said Hilden, 30, whose maiden name is Tubaugh. "It was frustrating because I wanted to play, but I couldn't find any leagues to play in.

"Finally, I hooked up with Lori's team through the Northville rec department. Once I started playing again, I realized how much I missed the competitiveness, the exercise and just running up and down the court. The sport helps keep me young."

"I'm probably better at softball than basketball," Mross explained, "but I like basketball better because it makes me feel good. It's exhausting at

times, but it's a great outlet for relieving stress and just having fun."

## DOUBLE 'DRIBBLE'

Childbirth did not delay this year's hoop season for Dickison and Hilden, who both gave birth in July.

"It's nice to have a night where I can get out and do something to stay in shape," said Dickison, the proud mother of five-month-old daughter Riley. "And it gives my husband (Marc) more time to spend alone with the baby. We already got Riley her first little basketball hoop, so it won't be long before she's playing."

"I was back playing a month after I had the baby," said Hilden, whose son, Coen, turns five months old this month. "The doctor said the best thing to do is get back out there and get active."

While the sport offers the women an abundance of enjoyment and exercise, there's a small degree of frustration involved when they get matched up against a team made up of early-20-somethings.

"We run into some very good teams whose players just graduated from college," Dickison said.

"And you can tell they've played together quite a bit. It can get a little frustrating when you fall behind by 20 points, but then you remember that it's just a rec league and we're out there to have fun."

## YOUNG AS YOU FEEL

Mross said her teams aren't always made up of the senior players on the court.

"Last year in Ann Arbor, we played against a team whose players were all in their 50s," she said. "They didn't win a game, but you could tell they were having a great time."

All of the women said they'll play until their bodies tell them it's time to hang up their sneakers.

For Mross, that day may be a long time coming.

"I want to play until I'm 90," she said, smiling. "And when I get to that age, I'm going to organize the first nursing-home basketball league."

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# Eppler helps Canton de-claw South Lyon

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Nine months after suffering a stinging, last-second loss to South Lyon in a district championship game, Canton earned a little pay-back Friday night with a 55-34 victory over the Lions.

The triumph improved the Chiefs' record to 2-1 while South Lyon dropped to 1-3.

Canton received strong play from a trio of seniors: Andre Bridges netted a team-high 13 points, Andy Larsen netted nine and Rob Eppler added nine points and five steals while holding the Lions' leading scorer, Chad McMullen, scoreless. McMullen had tallied 26 and 33 points in his two previous contests.

Junior guard Eric Thornton also played well in a reserve role for the Chiefs, twining eight points, all in the fourth quarter. Junior forward Steve Paye chipped in with six points and nine boards.

Kurt Carroll paced the Lions

## PREP HOOP

with eight.

Canton led 13-8 after one quarter and 24-16 at the break. The Chiefs extended their advantage to 41-24 after three quarters before cruising in for their second-straight victory.

The Chiefs return to action Tuesday at Ann Arbor Pioneer. Tip-off is slated for 7 p.m.

**PCA 66, BAPTIST PARK 62:** The Eagles scorched the net in the first half when they raced to a 38-25 halftime advantage.

The Wildcats cut their deficit to three late in the fourth quarter, but Plymouth Christian repelled the rally thanks to a key rebound by Scott Brandt and clutch free-shooting down the stretch from Matt Saagman and Trevor Zinn.

Zinn had a career night scoring 21 points. The sophomore drained 11-of-14 free throws and buried two long threes.

Other key contributors for

the Eagles were Matt Saagman (14 points), David Koscielnny (eight) and Devyn Govan (eight points and a team-high six rebounds).

Halston Hodges paced the Wildcats with 19 points. Robby Miller and Caleb Thompson both netted 14.

"Offensively, we did a good job of moving the ball and sharing the ball tonight," said PCA coach Doug Taylor. "We were getting good shots, and we were making them. Defensively, we made them penetrate, then we collapse on them in the middle. We did a good job of filling the gaps."

The Eagles canned 10-of-14 free throws in the fourth quarter and 23-of-33 for the game. Baptist Park was 15-of-24 from the charity stripe.

PCA led 17-9 after one quarter and 38-25 at the half.

**BELLEVILLE 76, WILLOW RUN 42:** The Tigers (2-1) turned a tight game into a blowout with a 23-point second quarter. Leon Freeman led the winners with 21 points.

Mike Donaldson netted 14 points and 10 boards, Carlos Clark scored eight and Darius Hardwick and Randle Green chipped in with seven a piece.

Artie Tomlin was the top Flyer with 13 points.

"It was close for the first four or five minutes," said Belleville coach Mike Krogel. "Then we went on a run toward the end of the first quarter and we played well the entire second quarter. We were moving a little too fast early on and it led to turnovers. We weren't showing the patience we needed. In the second quarter, we turned it around and started getting more open looks."

The Tigers led 36-17 at the half and 56-31 with eight minutes left.

Belleville is idle until Dec. 27 when they tangle with Lansing Sexton in the Ypsilanti Holiday Tournament.

On Dec. 29, the Tigers will travel to East Lansing to battle powerful East Grand Rapids at Michigan State University's Breslin Center.

# Flip-flopping Penguins white-wash Mercy

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

What happens when you move Penguins out of their natural environment?

They keep winning — at least, that's what you could surmise from the results of the Plymouth-Canton-Salem Penguins' 7-0 victory Friday night over Farmington Hills Mercy at Livonia's Eddie Edgar Arena.

PCS coach Lori Callahan moved her forwards to defense and defenders to the front lines during the latter two-thirds of Friday's convincing victory over the Marlins. The move worked just like everything else Callahan and the Penguins have tried during their 5-0 start.

"I thought it would be a good opportunity for the forwards to see what it's like to play defense and for the defensemen to play up, so we changed everything all around," Callahan said. "If nothing else, the girls learned how

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important fore-checking is."

The players didn't seem to have a problem with the role reversals, Callahan said.

"Everyone was fine with it for the most part," she said. "No one complained. A couple came up to me and told that they'd never played the position they were playing, so I told them they could do it, and they did it."

The only Penguin who stayed in her natural habitat was goaltender Kristie Kowalski, who recorded her fifth shutout in five games.

"Kristie didn't have to handle a lot of shots, but she did a great job on the ones that did get through," Callahan said.

Edra Burris and Katie Zimmerman enjoyed an outstanding evening for the winners, notching two goals and two assists each. Single-goal scorers for the Penguins were Nicole Sensoli, Stephanie

Murray, and Annie McTurner, who lit the lamp for the first time.

Dishing out assists were Kelsey Nikkila, Keely Kowalski, Murray, Lisa Ealy and Kristen Schwan.

Ashley Wrobel suffered the defeat in goal for the Marlins, who trailed 5-0 after one period and 6-0 after two.

The Penguins return to action Tuesday when they host Port Huron at the Arctic Edge. The opening face-off is set for 6:30 p.m.

**CHURCHILL 5, CANTON 3:** Five different players scored Friday as Livonia Churchill (1-2-2) earned its first victory of the season against the visiting Chiefs in a Western Lakes Activities Association crossover game at Edgar Arena.

The Chargers scored four times in the opening period and led 5-0 just 31 seconds into the second period on Ryan Oshander's goal from Zac Archer and Dave Graciak.

"The first period was a great period of hockey, we did all the right things," Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni said. "Then when you get a big lead like that there's a tendency to have a let-down."

Churchill, which outshot Canton 42-26, also got first-period goals from Cody Strong from Phil Wendecker (at 2:23); Keith Yackley from Matt Heinzelman (at 7:16); Steve Greco from Kyle Burke (at 10:48); and Heinzelman from Graciak (at 11:15).

Andy Barylski scored Canton's first goal from Kyle Kowalski at 8:34 of the second period.

The Chiefs added two more goals in the final period — Brett Giacchino from Pat Gallagher (at 2:31), and Gallagher from Donnie Barlow (at 8:27).

Churchill netminder Scott Lewan made 23 saves, while Canton used two goaltenders as starter Nick Basel gave way to Kevin Swanberg at the end of the opening period

# Whalers out-shoot Generals, 7-4

John Tavares notched his first career hat trick Friday night, but it wasn't enough as the host Oshawa Generals suffered a 7-4 loss to the Plymouth Whalers in Ontario Hockey League action at Civic Auditorium.

The Whalers, now 17-11-1-3 in the OHL, led 4-1 after two peri-


ods on goals by Joe Gaynor, James Neal, John Armstrong and Gino Pisellini.

Plymouth put it away on goals by Jarred Boll, Ondrej Otcenas and Evan Brophrey.


On Thursday, the OHL's top team, the Peterborough Petes, edged the Whalers, 5-4, on

Jordan Staal's second goal of the game with 4:16 left in regulation before 3,615 at the Memorial Centre. The Petes improved to 24-5-1-0 with the win.

Derek Merlini (second), Andrew Fournier (11th), Steve Ward (ninth) and Dan Ryder (20th) scored for the Whalers.



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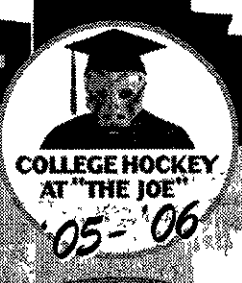
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# Ladywood coach Blazes new trail

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Andrea Gorski's 10th season as Livonia Ladywood's girls basketball proved to be special in more ways than one.

Gorski guided the Blazers to a 22-2 overall record and their first Catholic League A-B Division title since 1984.

Ladywood also captured its ninth Class B district championship in 10 years under Gorski and earned its second Central Division title in the Catholic League and were ranked as high as No. 3 in the state.

The Blazers' lone setbacks came against Detroit Public



Gorski

defending champion Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day, 69-41, in the regional semifinals.

"All 13 kids on the team were great because they worked hard and they liked to have fun," said Gorski, who was named Coach of the Year by the Observer sports staff. "They all had great attitudes and they were all unselfish.

School League champion Pershing in the Operation-Friendship final, 46-63, and to the state's No. 1-ranked team and three-time

They provided a lot of energy in practice. They were highly motivated and competitive. "Sometimes practices would get so intense I'd have to break things up and we'd have to go into some kind of shooting drill."

Gorski, who has a career record of 144-91 at Ladywood, is no stranger to success on the basketball court.

The Dearborn Divine Child High guard played four years at Bradley University (Ill.) where she started three seasons and earned All-Gateway Conference honors as a senior.

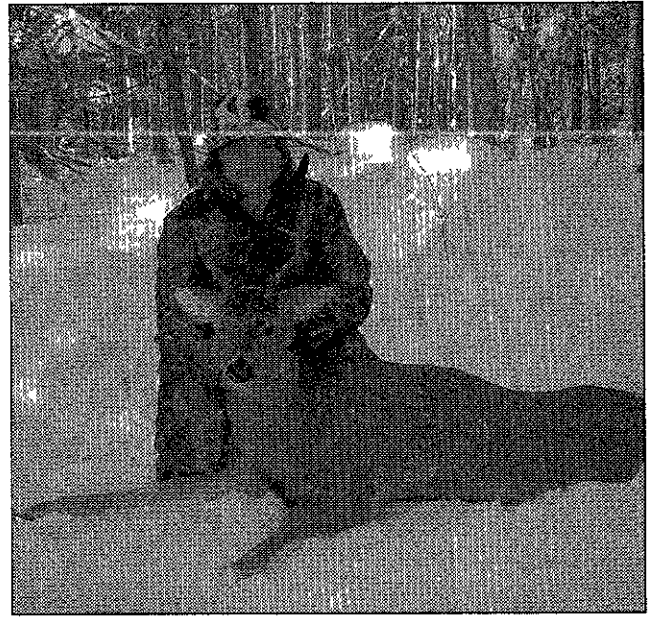
She was later inducted into Bradley's Hall of Fame. The former Andrea

McAllister began her coaching career as a graduate assistant at her alma mater before returning home and going into the Catholic Youth Organization and AAU youth ranks.

When she's not coaching girls basketball, Gorski is a full-time mom. She and her husband Marcus have two children, Kiley, 10, and Luke, 7.

Gorski may be hard-pressed to duplicate Ladywood's 2005 season, but the notion is not far-fetched.

"We're bringing nine (varsity) players back," she said. "We had some sophomores on this team that will definitely help out next season."



## Successful hunt

Adam Payter, 14, of Canton shot this 170-pound, five-point buck Nov. 26 while hunting with his grandfather, 81-year-old William Payter, in the Upper Peninsula's Houghton County. It was the first time hunting with a rifle for the young Payter, who is a student at Discovery Middle School.

# Plymouth's gymnastics team is beaming with optimism

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

## GYMNASTICS PREVIEW

The size of the Plymouth gymnastics team's roster is not the only thing that has grown by leaps and bounds since last season.

So has the level of optimism that surrounds the Wildcats' program.

First-year coach Diane Hodur, a former standout gymnast at the Michigan Academy of Gymnastics (MAG) in Westland, takes over a team that has expanded from four gymnasts to 18.

More importantly, the Wildcats have the stuff it takes to be competitive this season following a 2004-05 campaign

in which they had no chance of winning a meet due to the scarcity of competitors.

"I'm very excited about this season," said Hodur, who excelled in club gymnastics at Eastern Michigan University after graduating in 2000 from Dearborn Heights Crestwood. "They want to learn. They want to be at practice. I don't have to tell them to give 100 percent because they're self-motivated. I can't wait until the regionals and the league meet at the end of the year after we've added some difficulty to their routines.

Hodur remembers a few of her current gymnasts from her days as a competitor at MAG.

"I'd help them out when I was competing there," she said. "They were just little peanuts back then, but even then, you could tell they were going to be talented."

Hodur's top returner is sophomore Jordan Brodehl, who was limited by injuries to performing in just the uneven bars in Wednesday's season-opening 141.325-119.450 loss to powerful Livonia Unified.

"Even though she has a couple of injuries, she still got an 8.55, which was great," Hodur said. "Jordan has a lot of desire and she's probably the hardest worker on the team, which is

why I picked her to be a captain. She makes difficult things look effortless, which motivates her teammates. Some of things she can do are amazing."

The Wildcats' other captain is junior Paige Tofil, who has proven to be a leader on and off the beam, bars and mat.

"The first day of practice, I walked in and Paige was over with a group of freshmen asking them if they needed help with anything," Hodur said. "That tells you what kind of leader she is."

Other key members of this year's squad are seniors Alie Saker, Katie Hale and twins Courtney and Chelsey Pickard.

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Patriots 42-21.

During the intermission, Nettles cautioned his team against getting over-confident.

"The first thing I told them was that we hadn't won anything yet," Nettles said, recounting his lockerroom message. "I let them know they needed to stay focused and not let up. We had a little letdown in the fourth quarter, but overall I was pleased with the way we played."

The Patriots' largest lead came with 3:20 remaining in the third quarter when Joe Ceglarek's four-foot banker made it 50-23.

To the Rocks' credit, they never threw in the towel and actually outscored the Patriots by three points in the second half. The closest Salem got to Cousino in the second half was

57-44 on a layup by Danny Cassidy with 3:12 left in the game.

"I told the kids that playing them even in the second half was the only positive," Brodie said. "But we need to start putting four quarters together and eliminating the mental breakdowns. The same thing happened against Saline — we'd play well for a while, then fall apart."

All 12 Rocks saw action with one secure significant playing time.

"I'm trying to find the players who want to step up and play," Brodie said. "I'm not trying to rotate everybody in. I want to see who is going to step forward and show me they're deserving of playing time."

Sophomore forward Grant Stone paced the Rocks with 17 points. Kevin Burleigh and Billy Leddy were next with six each for Salem.

Junior center Brian

Baumgart had a strong night on the boards, ripping down a team-high 11 rebounds.

Sophomore Bernard led the Patriots by snatching 12 missed shots.

Both teams launched 60 shots from the field. Cousino connected on 26 while Salem

hit 21. The Rocks were 7-for-17 (41 percent) from the free-throw line while the Patriots hit 3-of-6 from the stripe.

Salem returns to action Tuesday when it takes on Allen Park in the Allen Park Holiday Tournament. Tip-off is set for 7:30 p.m.

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# All-Observer girls basketball team shows the Midas touch

**FIRST TEAM**

**Lisa Ealy, 5-9 Sr. F, Canton:** Ealy capped a spectacular high school basketball career by leading the Chiefs to a WLAA tournament title and a Class A district championship. She averaged 12 points and eight rebounds a game, but her biggest contributions may have been with the immeasurable things she brought to the Chiefs' attack, including hustle and leadership.

"Lisa is a great athlete," said Canton coach Brian Samulski. "She has a great ability to attack the basket, get to the rim and score. She's an awesome rebounder, too. Lisa did such a good job of getting to the basket that she went to the free throw line 169 times. She also defended the other teams' best players, including Rachel Folino, Teresa Coppiellie and Jeanine Moise."

**Erica Yost, 5-6 Sr. G, Liv. Ladywood:** The senior point-guard averaged 12 points, five assists, three rebounds and two steals per game for the Catholic League A-B Division champions, who finished 22-2 overall.

Yost was Ladywood's co-Most Valuable Players and an All-Catholic League selection. She also earned All-State recognition in Class B.

"Erica brought a lot to our team in terms of creating easy shots for her teammates," Ladywood coach Andrea Gorski said. "She got the ball up the floor in a hurry and put a lot of pressure on the defense with her ability to score as well as finding the open player."

**Teresa Coppiellie, 5-11 Jr. F, Salem:** Coppiellie, a two-year starter, was voted the Rocks' co-MVP along with Alaya Mitchell. She also garnered All-Conference recognition after averaging 11.9 points, 8.1 rebounds and 2.0 blocks per game. She posted solid shooting percentages: 49.8 from the field and 61.0 from the free throw line.

"Coming into this season, Teresa had already established herself as a tremendous rebounder and outstanding defender," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "This year, she proved to be a consummate player by scoring while doing the other things well, too. Next year I expect her to have an outstanding senior season."

**Jeanine Moise, 5-11 Sr. C, Plymouth:** Moise, a two-time All-WLAA selection, teamed with Kim Olech to give the Wildcats one of the strongest inside games in the area. She averaged 14 points and 10 rebounds per game along with providing strong defense.

"Jeanine has been one of our most consistent players as far as scoring and rebounds the past four years," said Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly. "She's a very physical player who made great contributions to program."

**Lindsay Fletemier, 6-5 Sr. C, Garden City:** Fletemier capped off an exceptional prep career with 319 points (15.2 avg.), 209 rebounds (10.2 avg) and 99 blocked shots (five per game), establishing Garden City career records in all three categories.

According to Cougars head coach Barry Patterson, the 6-5 center "was without question the best player in our league. It wasn't even close."

Fletemier again earned selection to the All-Mega first team and is being honored as the Cougars' MVP.

"Lindsay's one of those rare athletes that come along once in a coaching career," Patterson said. "To have a 6-5 girl with good hands who can run the floor well, and has exceptional skills, that's probably a once-in-a-lifetime thing for a coach in a high school situation. It's probably the equivalent to getting that 6-10 or 6-11 male athlete that comes in."

**SECOND TEAM**

**Chloe Booker, 5-6 Jr. G, Red. Thurston:** The Eagles charged to the Mega Gold title (11-1 league record) in large part to the outstanding and sometimes spectacular play of Booker.

She averaged 21 points, five assists and four rebounds per game but also was a defensive dynamo with an average of four steals per outing.

For her efforts, teammates named her team MVP. She also was named to the All-Mega first team.

"She was our sparkplug all season," said Eagles head coach Bob Ostrowski. "When she was on her game, both offensively and defensively, she was a big threat and someone the opposition definitely had to be aware of."

**Kathryn Berger, 6-1 Jr. C, Liv. Ladywood:** The Blazers' co-MVP (along with Yost) finished the season averaging 10 points, six rebounds and two steals per game for the district champions.

"Kathryn brought a little bit of everything to our team," said Gorski of the All-Catholic League selection. "She could score, rebound and most times, defended the other team's best post player. She is an extremely versatile player who was hard to take off the floor."

**Becci Houdek, 5-8 Jr. G, Canton:** Houdek proved to be a multifaceted star for the Chiefs, averaging nine points, five rebounds, four assists and four steals per game. She earned All-Conference accolades and was a key component in the Chiefs' march to a conference tournament title and district championship.


"Becci has the ability to do everything on the court," Samulski said. "She sees the floor really well and she has a natural ability to find the open player. Defensively, it seems like her arms go on forever and because she anticipates passes so well, she pick up a lot of steals. Becci did a great job of leading the team on the floor, too."

**Kim Olech, 5-11, Sr. F, Plymouth:** Olech combined a soft touch around the basket with a tenacious rebounding style to average 12 points and nine rebounds this season. She bounced back from a serious knee injury early in her high school career to evolve into a post player that several small-college programs covet.

"Kim was the hardest-working player on our team," said Reilly. "She really made a commitment to basketball, both with the time she spent in the weight room and in the gym working on her game. Kim had a big impact on the success of our program the past couple of years. She'll be playing somewhere next year."

**Alaya Mitchell, 5-4 Soph. G, Salem:** Mitchell made her mark for the Rocks in her first varsity season, averaging 7.8 points, 2.5 assists and 2.5 steals per game.


"Alaya had an outstanding year," Thomann said. "She really stepped up her game toward the end of the season. She didn't get to play this past summer due to injury, so next season, with a full year of playing behind her, she has tremendous upside."



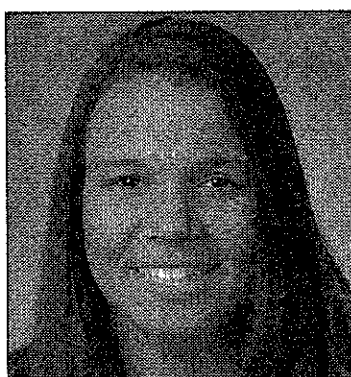
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Melissa Traylor, 5-10 Sr. F, Liv. Ladywood  
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# Schoolcraft bounces back from forfeit, stops Lansing

**BY BRAD EMONS**  
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The Schoolcraft College men's basketball team shrugged off some bad news earlier in the week to beat previously unbeaten Lansing Community College on Friday night, 98-82.

The visiting Ocelots got 18 points apiece from Jarred Axon and Ryan Williams to hand the NJCAA's No. 4-ranked team in Division II its first setback in 10 games.

Seven-footer James Davis and 6-7 DeMario Curry chipped in with 17 and 15 points, respectively, for the Ocelots, who led 52-36 at half-time.

Schoolcraft got off to a 20-4 lead during the first five minutes of play. The Stars cut the deficit to six with just under six minutes to go in the game, but baskets by Curry and Davis, along with timely free throw shooting (21-of-24 on the

**MEN'S HOOPS**

night), secured the win.

"We got off to a good start and they (Lansing) had to try and fight back from that most of the game," Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs said. "Our pressure defense got to them and Davis was a load inside, not necessarily with his scoring, but with his shot-blocking and rebounding."

Ron Banks led the Stars with 14 points. Lansing was 13-of-15 from the foul line.

Schoolcraft's record now stands at 9-2 because the Ocelots had to forfeit their 78-64 win on Nov. 25 over Indian Hills (Ia.), the NJCAA's No. 2-ranked team in Division I, in the Battle at the Beach Tournament hosted by Daytona Beach (Fla.) CC.

In the previous tournament game, a 102-95 win over St. John's River (Fla.), Briggs was ejected and was required to sit out the next game under a new NJCAA rule adopted this season that neither Schoolcraft administrators or the coach were aware of.

Under the previous NJCAA rule, coaches who were ejected from games did not have to sit out.

**MADONNA 73, SAVANNAH ART 70:** Madonna University held on to nip the Cazzie Russei-coached Bees of Savannah College of Art & Design Friday night, at the MU Tournament.

The Crusaders (5-6 overall) led 39-34 at halftime, thanks to some good field-goal shooting (16-for-38, .421 percent).

SCAD (6-9 overall) came back a little during the second half, but could not catch up despite a 17-point outing by guard Gerard Bowden.

Leading the Crusaders to victory were guard Charlie Henry (16 points), forward D.J. Bridges (14 points, six rebounds), Adam Kerfoot (12 points) and forward Derrick Mudri, who only scored two points but led MU with 13 rebounds.

Also in double figures for the Bees were guard Owen Oliver (14 points, 15 rebounds), forward Yuri Watkins (10 points) and guard Shaun Watson (10 points).

The Crusaders faced St. Francis (Ind.) in Saturday's tournament championship final.

## Tigers claw Crusaders on Ky. trip

Madonna University stayed close for both halves Friday, but couldn't get over the hump in a 64-58 women's basketball setback to host Campbellsville (Ky.).

Sophomore forward Martina

**WOMEN'S HOOPS**

Franklin (Redford Union) led the Crusaders (5-7) with 16 points. Senior center Sarah Thomson added 12, while senior guard Lydia Prusinowski chipped in with 10.

Leigh Bolinger and Julija Illic each scored 12 points to pace the victorious Tigers (5-8). Jenny Noort contributed 11.

Campbellsville led by only two at halftime, 31-29, despite shooting 58 percent from the field (11 of 24). The Tigers finished the night at 53.3 percent (24-of-45). They also hit 14-of-18 foul shots.

Madonna shot 40.3 percent from the field (26-of-67) and were only 1-of-11 from three-point range.

The Crusaders had 21 turnovers to Campbellsville's 20. MU was outrebounded, 24-18.

On Saturday, the Crusaders traveled to Lindsey Wilson (Ky.).

## Mechanics drop price of tickets

The Motor City Mechanics of the United Hockey League (UHL) announce that they have lowered ticket prices for the remainder of the season.

The reorganization comes after changing ticket prices throughout the month of December and noticing a welcome change in attendance.

Starting Jan. 1 the Mechanics - who last season featured Garden City native Joe Burton - will be offering Section 1, 8, and 9 (on the blue line) at \$15, all other reserved seats at \$10 and bleacher seats (general admission) will be sold at \$5. All groups over 20 will receive the group rate at \$8 per ticket.

The Mechanics will also be selling season tickets for the remainder of the season starting with the game on Jan. 6 against Danbury. The 24-game season ticket includes all regular season home games from Jan. 6 through April 15.

The Mechanics' previous ticket prices were among the highest in the league but were priced competitively with other sporting and entertainment venues throughout the metro-Detroit area. Changing prices will make attending games more affordable for families.

For more information or to purchase tickets please contact the Mechanics offices at (866) 997-PUCK (7825).

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Linda Chomin

## Charities in need this Christmas

Audrey and Carl Mattson have been delivering food and clothing to the poor for years but are still surprised by the need. Last week, the Livonia couple drove up and down Woodward and Third and had no problem delivering the sandwiches made by members of St. John's Lutheran Church in Redford. Among those they came upon was a homeless man with hands as cold as ice.

Michigan is a harsh place to live in winter, but most of us can retreat to the warm indoors. Others have shelter but little if anything to give their children for Christmas. Every year, the Mattsons and area nonprofits work to make the holidays brighter. The Mattsons have more than 150 requests from mothers whose children need clothes, food and beds. To help, call (734) 522-5077.

The Mattsons deliver food and clothing year to the poor in the Cass Corridor, Brewster Projects, Brightmoor, and Norwayne in Westland in the name of their ministry, Ja'Noah House.

"They need gloves, hats, T-shirts, white and thermal socks, and toys," said Audrey Mattson. "God provides and we never ask for money. It's not like we don't need it but I was brought up not to ask."

### FIRST STEP

It's Amy Youngquist's job to ask for donations so First Step can help domestic violence and sexual assault victims. This is a busy year for the associate director of the western Wayne County agency that assists women and children who flee abusive homes. Their counselors and shelter are busy as well as the assault response teams who assist women at hospitals, emergency rooms and police departments.

Plymouth. "We have a wish list and ask gifts are unwrapped so mom can wrap them herself. We also need gift cards to K-mart, Target, Meijer, and people cards to meet basic needs."

To help, call (734) 416-1111 or visit [www.firststep-mi.org](http://www.firststep-mi.org) for a wish list.

### CAPUCHIN SOUP KITCHEN

Brother Vincent Reyes has seen the number of families seeking help at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen go up this year as well. In the past, 200 families a day would request a Pantry Pack of food to feed a family of four for a week. The average now is 264. To help, call Reyes at (313) 579-2100. Ext. 203.

"The economy is affecting a lot of people," said Reyes. "They need canned and dry goods, blankets, men's underwear, clothing and shoes, and financial help. Like everyone else their heating bills are going up at least 50 percent. They could use gift certificates for grocery stores."

Reyes hopes to raise several thousand dollars at a photography exhibit and auction Jan. 14. It is part of the My Name Is project. For some time now Reyes has captured the images of the poor through his camera lens.

"It's really important to tell the stories. These are just people having a difficult time," said Reyes.

Sister Nancyann Turner is doing her part to help children at the kitchen's Conner location where the Livonia nun directs tutoring and art programs. To help, call (313) 822-8606, Ext. 210.

"We need new winter socks for kids and teens, educational games or jigsaw puzzles less than 200 pieces because kids don't have the patience, and books for teens - fiction, sports stories, biographies," said Sister Turner. "They say, it takes a whole village to raise a child. We could never do this without you."

Linda Chomin is the Observer Life and Health reporter.

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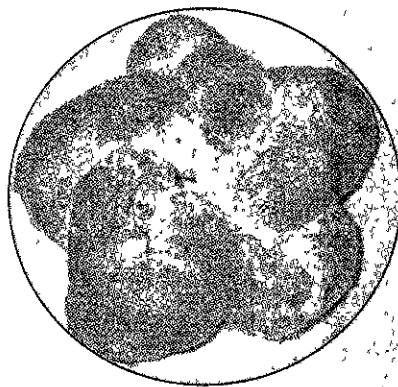
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# Christmas traditions



'Back in Iraq Christmas was a big deal. The Chaldean spent days making Kalecha, the Christmas cookies. People would go from village to village visiting. It was a time to spend with family.'

Vanessa Denha-Garmo

Redford resident, co-publisher of the Chaldean News in Farmington Hills



Vanessa Denha-Garmo (right first row) enjoys the last Christmas with her father Sabri Mansour Denha (center).

## focus on family, church, food



Soprano Vickie A. Kimler rehearses a solo.



Ilene Maki Yanke presents Christmas tarts with prune and apricot fillings.

On Christmas Eve Vanessa Denha-Garmo will be following the traditions her parents brought to America from Iraq. After going to Mass at St. Thomas Chaldean Catholic Church in West Bloomfield, the family returns to her mother's home for a meal of stuffed tripe (pacha). Family, church and food are key to many of the Christmas celebrations carried on by people who have immigrated to the U.S. Denha-Garmo's father, the late Sabri Mansour Denha, went to Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass and would usher at both.

"Mass is really important," said Vanessa Denha-Garmo, a Redford resident who co-publishes The Chaldean News in Farmington Hills. "Our Christmas is about the birth of Christ. Mass is sometimes 1 1/2 to two hours long, in Iraq three to four hours."

"Back in Iraq Christmas was a big deal. The Chaldean spent days making Kalecha, the Christmas cookies. People would go from village to village visiting. It was a time to spend with family."

Tony Boscarino remembers when as many as 35 family members gathered around the table in his parents' Italian home. Today, he and wife Martha incorporate traditions from her Finnish heritage by baking coffee cakes and pies. Both are members of the Finnish American Singers who rehearse at the Finnish American Center in Farmington Hills.

"We all sit around the night before Christmas with the family," said Tony Boscarino, 84, of Farmington Hills. "We eat homemade Italian cookies and go to Midnight Mass then we all sit around the tree and open our gifts. "The tradition is you're never

we would never be alone. My father's sister would come over with all her children along with family from my mother's side. The kitchen was too small so we set up a 12-foot long table."

As a child, Boscarino's cousins lived above them in a flat on the east side of Detroit. On Christmas morning his father and the older men would drag out a toboggan-like sled and take them down the street to play in the snow.

"We really had a ball," said Boscarino. "Christmas afternoon we had a dinner of spaghetti, meat balls, sausage, salads and homemade bread. Mom did a lot of baking and bought 50 pound bags of flour."

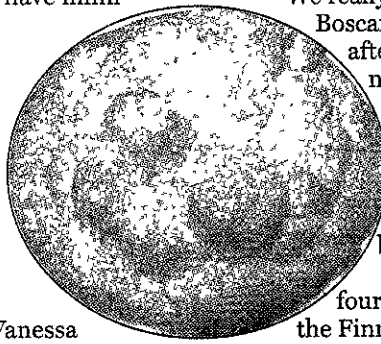
It took Ilene Yanke four hours just to bake the Finnish Christmas cake made with Pulla batter. Then she shaped a Christmas star from the batter in addition to making tarts filled with prune and apricots. The goodies were for the

Scandinavian Holiday celebration at the Finnish American Center in Farmington Hills and Pikku Joulu or Little Christmas at St. John's Lutheran Church in Redford. All of Yanke's grandparents were born in Finland.

"In Finland one of the first things they do is go to the cemeteries that are lit with candles on Christmas Eve and remember their ancestors," said Yanke, president of the Finnish American Singers who give a holiday concert at the center on Dec. 18. Yanke and her husband Bruce sing in their church choir on Christmas Eve and Day.

For more information about the Dec. 18 concert by the Finnish American Singers, call (248) 478-6939. Tickets are \$10 and include a Finnish table full of sandwiches and desserts.

"The Scandinavian Holiday is the party of the year as far as food with roast beef, a fish dish,



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Pulla-nisu is a sweet coffee bread flavored with cardamom above, which also can be made in shapes such as the Christmas star design at top.

## Designer creates sophisticated jewelry for all price ranges

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Elizabeth Alexander never dreamed that one day her custom jewelry would end up on women's tennis stars Venus and Serena Williams.

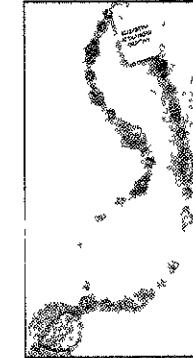
The Livonia designer's path to the big time began humbly in a metal working class at Farmington High School at the age of 17. It wasn't until nearly 25 years later that her bead necklaces, bracelets and earrings would draw the attention of celebrities as well as shoppers at Marshall Field's in Twelve Oaks, Somerset, Lakeside, Oakland and Briarwood malls and Parisian in Livonia and Rochester Hills. Even the boutique in Illusions Salon & Spa at the Willits in Birmingham is carrying her lines.

"I import handmade beads from Venice, venetian or murano glass," Alexander said. "I have all price ranges. Pendants start at \$35, earrings from \$30, bracelets \$60. Pricing depends on shape of the bead and composition of the piece. Triple strands and multiple-colored beads can run to \$500, but necklaces average \$200."

All of the beads are strung together with sterling silver or oxidized Bali silver. Only the best goes into an Alexander



Elizabeth Alexander designed this bracelet with glass beads and oxidized Bali silver.



This turquoise pendant necklace can be worn with any style of dress from casual to formal.

piece. Every other year, she travels to Europe to visit glass artists' studios in search of the perfect bead. The lamp-worked art is created over torches and then slowly cooled in a kiln to prevent cracking.

"From elegant to traditional, funky to artistic, you can wear all black and add different colors depending on your mood," Alexander said. "It's fun, bright stuff to wear. Because all women are different, there are a range of colors and sizes."

Turquoise blue glass hearts form a bracelet.

Pink freshwater pearls and Swarovski crystal boast a classic look in a multi-strand necklace.

"It's all about the glass and color, balance and proportion," said Alexander, who credits the success of her jewelry to the fact it can be worn with everything from casual to dressy. Miss Michigan and Junior Miss Michigan wear her pieces for all occasions.

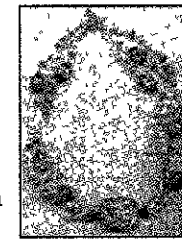
"You can be very feminine or artistic," she said. "You can create your certain piece. I offer plus and petite size jewelry. It's tailored to the individual."

Alexander designs and produces special pieces for brides, mothers of the bride or to go with gowns worn to events such as the North American International Auto Show charity. Some of her most creative work occurs at night.

The flexibility of her chosen career is less stressful to Alexander, who used to practice law. Today, the former attorney works seven days a week, but never complains because she's having fun. When she isn't doing trunk shows, Alexander is exhibiting her designs at art fairs such as Art in the Park in Plymouth and the Ann Arbor Arts Fairs in addition to country club shows.

"This is so much more pleasurable. I started selling to galleries and boutiques and doing trunk shows," said Alexander, who the day before appeared at a trunk show at Marshall Field's at Lakeside Mall, where buyers pick trend colors for the season.

"Designs are always changing because bead makers are always changing shapes of beads. I love making beautiful things and working with these beautiful pieces. I like to have something for everyone, high



Elizabeth Alexander mixes freshwater pearls with glass beads in this multi-strand necklace.

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AROUND TOWN

Entertainment books

Several Plymouth organizations are selling the 2006 Entertainment Books as fund-raisers:

- The Plymouth Optimists are selling the 2006 Entertainment Books, with all proceeds helping children throughout southeastern Michigan. Price is \$25. Books are available at Saxton's Garden Center in Plymouth, or home delivery is available. Call (734) 453-8253 for details.
- The Plymouth Community Chorus is selling the 2006 Entertainment Books to support its charitable and educational activities. The book offers 2-for-1 and 50-percent discounts on restaurants, travel, recreation, hotel stays, entertainment and sporting events. The book is being offered at a special fund-raising price of \$25, and can be delivered, if the purchaser desires. Order books by calling Stan Kovacheff at (734) 459-6829.
- Members of the Plymouth Symphony League are selling the 2006 entertainment book, offering 50 percent discount coupons at hundreds of restaurants and discounts for many other services and events. The books is priced at \$25, with all proceeds to support the Plymouth Symphony. Books can be picked up at the symphony office, next to the Cozy Café in downtown Plymouth, or ordered by calling Mary Thomas, (734) 453-3016. For more information, call the symphony office, (734) 453-2112.

Parenting tips

St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers parenting classes called "Parenting with Love and Logic" 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays. The classes offer a common-sense approach to parenting, teaching parents skills that cultivate confidence and good decision-making in children by offering them choices, empathy and respect while adults avoid anger, threats, warnings or lectures. The Jan. 11 class is for toddlers and preschool age; the Feb. 8 class is a "time-out" refresher for all ages; and the March 8 class is for pre-teens and teenagers. There is a fee for the class. Call (734) 655-1100 to register or for more information.

Senior Dinner and Dancing

The Wayne Ford Civic League will be hosting a Senior Dinner & Dance decorated for Christmas at 1645 N. Wayne Rd in Westland at noon Dec. 18. There will be a full buffet dinner, beer, wine, coffee, and pop with dancing to the music from Solitaire. Tickets for this event are \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members of the league. Memberships are on sale year-round and are only \$5 for seniors. Tickets are available at the door. You can call (734) 728-5010 for more information, you must be 60 years or older to attend.

Genealogical society

The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets 7 p.m. Jan. 5, with guest speaker Linda Wright talking about, "Scandinavian Research." There's a 6 p.m. help session. The meeting takes place at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1041 Grand River in Howell. For details, call (810) 227-7745.

Aline exhibit

The Beili Liu installation ALINE will begin Jan. 6 and run through Feb. 18 in the Ann Arbor Art Center's Exhibition Gallery, 117 West Liberty Street in Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday; noon-5:30 p.m. Sunday. A reception is scheduled for 6-8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13. For more information contact Amanda Krugliak, Exhibitions Director at the Ann Arbor Art Center, (734) 994-8004, Ext. 110.

Childbirth class

St. Mary Mercy offers a six-week Childbirth Education session, "Let's Get Ready to Have a Baby," 7-9 p.m. Mondays from Jan. 2-Feb. 6. Learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery and make the entire experience more rewarding. Classes are based on the "Lamaze" method. There is a fee, and registration is required. For more information, call the Marian Women's Center, (734) 655-1162.

Master gardener

The Michigan Master Gardener Program is a horticulture education and volunteer leader training program offered by Michigan State University Extension. An interest in plants, a personal commitment to vol-



Teddy time

It was a good night all around when the Plymouth Whalers played Owen Sound last weekend at Compuware Arena in Plymouth Township. Not only did the Whalers beat the Attack, but their first goal helped the Plymouth Community United Way with their holiday program. The United Way collected 425 teddy bears in the annual 'Teddy Bear Toss' at the game. About a third went to the Goodfellows for their "No Child Without a Christmas" program; the rest were donated to the Salvation Army.

unteerism and an enthusiasm for sharing knowledge with others are the only prerequisites. To become certified as a Master Gardener, participants must pass weekly quizzes, the final examination, and volunteer 40 hours within one year of completing the class to help MSU Extension educate the public in the horticulture field. Wayne County MSU Extension offers the Master Gardener class at Wayne County MSU Extension Office, 640 Temple, 6th Floor in Detroit, starting 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14. All classes will be taught for 13 consecutive weeks. Applications can be picked up at the Wayne County MSU Extension office 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., or to have an application mailed to your home, please call (313) 833-3417 during the same hours. Wayne County MSU Extension must receive your completed application and a check for the entire course fee made payable to MSU Extension by Wednesday, Dec. 21. Acceptance into the class is based on the application. Those not accepted

will have their checks returned.

Literacy Council tutors

The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for volunteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will provide training to interested volunteers. Previous experience or a bachelor's degree is not required. The council will provide free training and materials, and then match you with an adult student in your area. The next CLC training sessions are from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Jan. 14 and Jan. 21 at the Canton Public Library. Call (734) 416-4906 for more information.

Grief support

Arbor Hospice & Home Care and BraveHeart Grief Services announce a winter grief support group for adults in Northville. Support groups are tailored to meet the needs of individuals who have suffered the loss of someone close to them and are open to everyone in the community. Advance registration is required and all support groups are free of charge, although donations are greatly appreciated to defray program expenses. The group starts 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 17-March 7 at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady in

Northville. To register or for more information about any of our support groups, contact Sandy VanKoevering, (248) 348-4980.

St. Mary's class

St. Mary Mercy sponsors a presentation, "Surviving the Season ... Coping With Holiday Stress," from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 19, at the Northville Senior Center, located at 303 W. Main St. in Northville. Speaker will be St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Darlene Doute, advanced practice nurse in psychiatric mental health nursing. Registration is required; call the Northville Senior Center, (248) 349-4140.

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 the office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support, or visit [www.newhope-center.net](http://www.newhope-center.net).

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 welcome. Contact Tim Phillips, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., via e-mail at [tim@phillipshq.com](mailto:tim@phillipshq.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. It presents speakers on child and family issues, has small-group discussion time, crafts and brunch. Child care is provided. It meets 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](mailto:resha@juno.com)

Moms Club

Moms Club of Livonia-S/Plymouth offers a variety of activities. For more details, call Birthe at (734) 458-8143 or Martina at (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 veterans' hospitals, schools and community service. Call (734) 420-2775 for further information.

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.

Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club

Looking for energetic new members to participate in community service projects. This club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Salvation Army Building on Main Street. The third Thursday is a dinner meeting with a speaker. Call (734) 981-7259 for further information.

Mothers & More

The Wayne County chapter of Mothers & More meets twice a month in Plymouth. Call (866) 841-9140, Ext. 4329, or visit Web site [mothersandmore63@onebox.com](http://mothersandmore63@onebox.com).



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## Churches serve Christmas dinner to anyone alone

There is no reason to spend Christmas Day alone. St. Dunstan is one of the churches inviting people to spend the day with them. They will be serving dinners to anyone who is alone or doesn't have anywhere to go on Sunday, Dec. 25.

St. Dunstan's dinner will be served at 1:30 p.m. (doors open at 1 p.m.), at the Catholic church at 1616 Belton Avenue in Garden City. There is no charge, but reservations are required. Call Mary or John at (734) 425-3282 for reservations or more information.

Unity of Livonia is inviting anyone alone on Christmas Day to dinner as well. Services take place at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. followed by dinner from

noon to 2 p.m. when the 12 Step open meetings begin.

In 1987, the Rev. Dennis Skiles was alone on Christmas Day and had not. **St. Dunstan's dinner will be served at 1:30 p.m. (doors open at 1 p.m.), at the Catholic church at 1616 Belton Avenue in Garden City. There is no charge, but reservations are required. Call Mary or John at (734) 425-3282 for reservations or more information.**

drunk alcohol for almost two years. He attended a church that invited people to share Christmas dinner and attend a recovery meeting if needed. That day changed his life. He went on to become an ordained minister and is currently co-minister at Unity of Livonia. He is still having Christmas dinner now at his church some 18 years later.

There will be a turkey with all the trimmings. If you can bring a dish to share he asks that you please do so. If not, come anyway. To help or donate, call (734) 421-1760.

Unity of Livonia is at 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster.

## TRADITIONS

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Swedish potato sausage, traditional Finnish Rutabaga Casserole, and Limpa Scandinavian bread from the Farmington Bakery. It's just a tradition. People like to come because it's a little bit of home. There will be an almond placed in the rice cream pudding. Whoever gets that is supposed to have good luck in the coming year."

Anna Kimler doesn't do as much baking or cooking for Christmas anymore. Born in Germany in 1929, she's limited by the amount of sweets she can eat because of her diabetes.

Kimler and her daughter Vickie did bake butter cookies and Lebkuchen, a spice cookie with honey and no fat or cholesterol.

"In Frankfurt they decorated stores, book and grocery, and mother would bake cookies but we could not touch anything

until Christmas Eve when the tree was trimmed," said Anna Kimler of Farmington Hills. "I didn't know about Santa and we had only a few gifts. Today we exchange presents and have a nice meal."

The Rev. Larry Zurawski is going to his cousin's Livonia home for Christmas Eve dinner in the tradition of his Polish grandparents. A bit of hay will be placed under the tablecloth to represent the manger. The white tablecloth symbolizes the swaddling clothes in which Jesus was wrapped.

"It's usually a fasting meal, which means no meat, with some traditional foods like fish, pierogi, poppyseed cake, mushroom soup," said Rev. Zurawski, pastor at St. Damian's Catholic Church in Westland. "The important part is the wafer. The youngest member waits for the first star to appear then everyone holds the wafer and the oldest member starts and breaks off the wafer and we wish each other

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. For some it's a time of reconciliation. The wafer is not blessed bread but the symbol of Jesus, the bread of life. Bread is served at every meal. The wafer is an Eucharistic symbol and often sent in Christmas cards to people you don't see."

After dinner everyone goes to the Midnight Mass he'll be saying at St. Damian's. Earlier in the day of Christmas Eve, children re-enact the Nativity scene during a 4:30 p.m. mass for young people. On Christmas morning Rev. Zurawski says two more masses at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

"For Polish people, Advent, the season before Christmas, is very important to observe as a time of preparation," said Zurawski. "Christmas Eve begins the season that continues through January and the baptism of Jesus. Christmas Day is a time for visiting relatives. You really don't need an invitation. You just go and visit. There's lots of food and

singing of Polish Christmas carols in Polish and English. During the week between Christmas and New Year's feast days are celebrated. Jan. 1 is the Feast of Mary, the mother of God and world day of prayer for peace."

The Christmas season lasts from the feast of St. Nicholas on Dec. 6 to the Epiphany on Jan. 6 and then Candlemas on Feb. 2 for Rev. Gerry Bechard, pastor of SS Simon and Jude in Westland. His first language is French Canadian.

"The French will not put baby Jesus in the manger until Christmas," said Bechard who will say a mass for children at 4:30 p.m. as well as Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. Later on Christmas Day morning he says a 10 a.m. mass.

"The French attend mass and eat a special meat pie, especially French Canadians."

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## JEWELRY

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fashion at reasonable prices."

Apparently women appreciate the concept of wearing sophisticated jewelry priced to fit nearly any budget. Alexander's business continues to grow with the help of her husband, Karl Sipfle, a computer engineer. Together, they've hired a marketing firm in Los Angeles to make sure her designs are seen on everyone from tennis stars to celebrities attending the Grammy Awards.

"He is how we stay in business," said Alexander, who married in 2000. "He does everything from financial planning to picking up and delivering stock. I could not do it without him. I create and produce all of the pieces myself. We're about color."

Alexander's colorful designs are what first attracted Janette Noel, manager of the boutique in Illusions Salon & Spa at the Willits in Birmingham.

"It's made very well. It's very colorful. It invites you in," said Noel, a Westland resident. "I have a couple of her pieces, a heart that has gold with a lot of fire in it, and a crystal and white pearl, double-strand necklace that I can wear in the day or evening. It's elegant, very smart. I can put on a black dress and have color. It's very youthful and mature, too. They're timeless pieces."

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Alexander will be at Parisian, in Rochester Hills from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, and Marshall Field's at Twelve Oaks Monday, Dec. 19. For last-minute shoppers, visit her at Parisian in Laurel Park Place in Livonia from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Christmas Eve. For a complete listing of trunk shows visit the Web site.

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## New Year's Eve gala to help Angela Hospice

Start off the New Year in style while helping a good cause. Join Angela Hospice and Laurel Manor as they team up for a Roaring Twenties New Year's Eve Gala.

Enjoy Life will be the theme of the event beginning at 7 p.m. Guests will celebrate with fine dining, a premium open bar, dancing to the nine-piece ensemble Rare Blend, performances by The Cats and the Fiddler and pianist Dan Dombrowski plus roaring twenties inspired décor with authentic 1920s automo-

biles, and photos opportunities with flappers and speakeasies. Guests will also enjoy champagne and New Year's festivities at midnight, and an afterglow with Coney dogs and pizza.

Tickets to Angela Hospice's New Year's Eve Gala are \$125 per person with a tax-deductible amount of \$55 per ticket. Coordinate a table of 10 and the person who places the reservation will receive a \$100 American Express gift card.

For those wishing to make reservations for overnight accom-

modations, complimentary shuttle service to the nearby Courtyard by Marriott will be provided. The hotel is offering a special rate for the night at \$79, which includes champagne and chocolates in the room, and brunch the next morning.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call Alice Barringer at (734) 953-6018, or visit [www.angelahospice.org](http://www.angelahospice.org). Guests must be age 21 or older. All proceeds benefit the many caring programs of Angela Hospice in Livonia.

## Tough times: Church service eases pain of the season

Those coping with an illness or who've lost a loved one aren't necessarily experiencing Christmas joy this December. Even the demands of holiday preparations can take a toll this time of year.

"Not everybody's in the holly jolly spirit of Christmas," said Melissa Arquette, a member of Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton. To help people cope, the church will host a Longest Night Service 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21, at Geneva, on Sheldon north of Ford (west side) in Canton.

"All are welcome," she said. "We're encouraging the congregation to invite others as well." The service is open to all regardless of church background or lack of it.

This is the first year Geneva has offered a Longest Night Service, although Arquette, a Canton resident, noted that other churches have done so. The Wednesday, Dec. 21, service will include prayer, Scripture and music.

Following the short service, there will be light refreshments and time for fellowship.

By Julie Brown



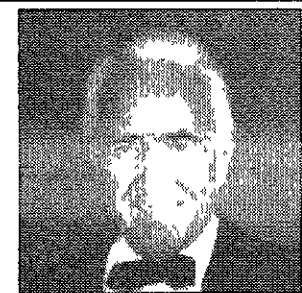
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### LUWANA BOND (nee Wheeler)

Age 81, December 14, 2005. Beloved wife of Lowell. Loving mother of Carol Peters, Nancy (Mike) McCoy and Patricia (Gary) Thomas. Proud grandmother of 8 and great grandmother of 3. Dear sister of Sally Shields. A memorial gathering was Friday at McCabe Funeral Home, 31950 W. 12 Mile Road. Memorial service was held Saturday. Memorials may be made to Redford Presbyterian Church, Gift of Life or P.E.O.



### ROBERT F. BYRNE

December 14, 2005 Age 84 Dear father of Kate Henry. Grandfather of Daniel and Sean Henry. Funeral service was Saturday at A.J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-549-0500. In lieu of flowers family suggests memorial tributes to The Michigan Humane Society, 26711 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 175, Southfield, MI 48034. View obituary and share memories at [www.desmondfuneralhome.com](http://www.desmondfuneralhome.com)

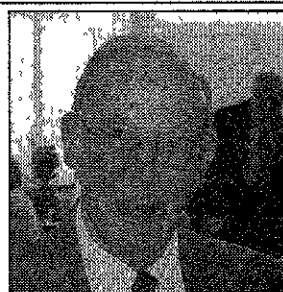
### GORDON F. DONALDSON

Age 66, December 15, 2005. Husband of Frances for 40 years. Father of Roger (Holly) and David. Brother of Roger (Ger) and the late Arthur. Uncle to many nieces and nephews. Retired from Ford Motor Company after 30 years of service as a purchasing agent. Retired Chief Operating Officer at Feblo, Inc. in Livonia. Visitation Sunday 3-9pm and Funeral Service Monday 11:00am at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Livonia. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Angela Hospice.

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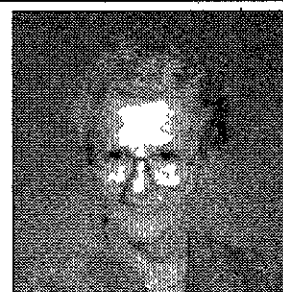
### JACK C. HUTCHINSON

Age 89 of Holland, formerly of Birmingham, MI. and Naples Fl., died Thursday, December 15, 2005 at Freedom Inn of Freedom Village. Jack served with the US Navy during WWII. He owned and operated Hutchinson Lincoln and Mercury of Royal Oak, MI. for over 30 years. In 1999 he moved to Holland to be closer to family. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Dorothy W. and children: John and Susan Hutchinson of Holland, Marcia A Ebaugh of East Lansing, MI., Patricia and Patrick Turner of Dearborn MI. 8 grandchildren, 9 Great grandchildren, Sister-in-law Norma A. Nobel of Grosse Pte. Farms, MI. Also nieces and nephews. No services are scheduled at this time. Memorial gifts may be given to American Red Cross. Arrangements are by the Mulder Chapel, Dykstra Lifestory Funeral Homes, 188 West 32nd St., Holland for more information please visit [www.lifestorynet.com](http://www.lifestorynet.com)



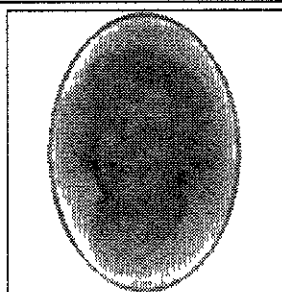
### EDWARD HODSON LERCHEN

Age 85, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, passed away on Wednesday, December 14th, 2005. Mr. Lerchen was born on June 12, 1920, in Detroit, MI, to William Godfrey and Mabel (Hodson) Lerchen. He educated at Brookside and Cranbrook Schools (CS '38) in Bloomfield Hills, MI and went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Amherst College and an MBA from the University of Michigan. He served in the US Navy during WWII, including duty as the captain of a mine sweeper in the Atlantic and Pacific theaters. After the war, he embarked on a successful career that included positions at Watling, Lerchen & Co., Rockwell International, Detroit Bank & Trust, and Cranbrook Schools. At Cranbrook, he started as the Director of the Cranbrook Foundation, served for many years as Vice President and Treasurer, and served briefly as Acting President. He also served on corporate boards including the Kresge Foundation, William Beaumont Hospital, and Standard Federal Bank. Mr. Lerchen contributed much to his community, serving as city commissioner and Mayor of Bloomfield Hills. He also gave generously of his time to the Boy Scouts of America, the Birmingham Community House, Mariners' Church, Detroit, and Christ Church Cranbrook. He was preceded in death by his wife, Joan Muzzy Lerchen, his son, Gray Muzzy Lerchen, and his brother, William Godfrey Lerchen, Jr. He is survived by his children Edward Hodson Lerchen Jr., Katherine Lerchen Nelson, and Carol Lerchen Scheiwe; grandchildren Hadley Hopkins Bay, Megan Leslie Hopkins, Peter Hans Scheiwe, Elizabeth Claire Lerchen, and Edward Reed Lerchen; and two great grandchildren Caroline Leslie Bay and Grant Peter Bay. He was highly regarded, much loved, and will be greatly missed by all. A memorial service will be held at 2:00pm, Saturday, January 7th, at Christ Church Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, MI. There will be a burial service at Graafschap Cemetery in Holland, MI, in the summer of 2006. Memorials may be sent to Cranbrook Educational Community, attn: Development Office/Schools, P.O. Box 801, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303-0801, or to Hospice of Michigan, 1260 Ekhart NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. Metcalf & Jonkhoff Funeral Service, Grand Rapids, MI 616-940-7333



### JONNIE J. LEAVECK

Age 91. Dear wife of the late Michael J. Loving mother of Dorothy F. (Raymond) Barnes; and Thomas I. Beloved grandmother of Linda; Eileen; Roxann; and Joseph. Also survived by eight great-grandchildren and 16 great-great-grandchildren. Funeral was held Saturday at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, with Pastor Fred Hall officiating. Interment Cadillac Memorial Gardens West. To leave a message of condolence, log on to: [www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com](http://www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com)



### LENA M. NICHOLSON

December 16, 2005 peacefully at home in Birmingham. Age 96 formerly of Royal Oak and West Bloomfield. Longtime employee at the Fisher Theater. Dear mother of William J. Mother-in-law of Marysue. Loving grandmother of William C. (Jacqueline) and Nancy Mae Great grandmother of Christopher, Jordan, Mclypaul, Kenan and Miranda Family will receive friends at A J Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile) Monday 3:00-8:00pm. Funeral service Tuesday 11:00am at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Rd., Bloomfield Hills. In lieu of flowers family suggests memorials to The Michigan Humane Society, 26711 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 175, Southfield, MI 48034 View obituary and share memories at [www.DesmondFuneralHome.com](http://www.DesmondFuneralHome.com)

### SUSAN PEACOCK

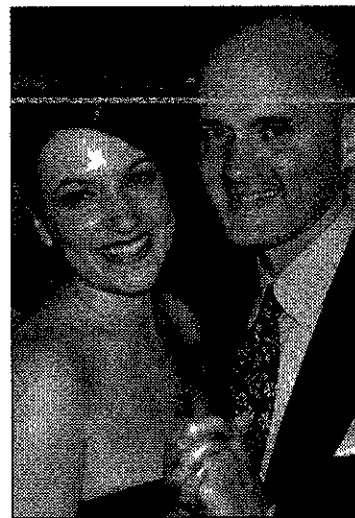
Of Livonia, beloved mother of Douglas and Sandy passed away on December 13, 2005. Susan is also survived by her loving husband Alan, brother Bill and sister-in-law Shirley. Susan was formally employed at Westland Convalescence Center where she worked for fifteen years. Memorial Service will be held at 11am Saturday December 17th at Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville.

### SHARON E. REA

Age 58, of Plymouth, died December 13, 2005. She was born September 18, 1947, in Ypsilanti. She was a resident of the Plymouth community for 28 years, and a well-respected piano teacher for many years. She is survived by her husband, R. Stephen Rea; her children, Elizabeth (Tom Niehus) Rea, Stephanie Rea, and Robert Corey Rea; her sister, Christine White; and her brother, Richard Harvey. A memorial service was held Saturday, December 17, at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth.

### ROBERT PAUL RUSSIE SR.

Age 92, December 13, 2005. Loving husband of Virginia A. Father of Robert, Jr. (Bonnie) and the late Gary V. Grandfather of Dan (Cheryl) and Kimberly. Great grandfather of Kathryn, Megan, Nathan and James. Brother-in-law to Beulah and Cecil. Uncle to Esther and many other nieces and nephews. Laid to rest at Glen Eden Memorial Park.



### Sulak-Brown

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Sulak of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Ann, to Mr. Darin Joseph Brown, of Redford.

Jennifer is a graduate of Ladywood High School, and has earned a bachelor's degree in communications from Madonna University and an M.B.A. from Davenport University. She is currently employed as a change, leadership and learning consultant with Deloitte Consulting, LLP in Detroit.

Her fiancé, Darin, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Brown of Midland. He is a graduate of HH Dow High School, and has a bachelor's degree in engineering from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. Darin is employed as an operations manager for Durr Systems in Plymouth.

Darin and Jennifer are planning a November 2006 wedding in Detroit.

## NEW VOICES

### Madelyn Grace Murphy

Jason and Kimberly Murphy of Westland announce the birth of their daughter, **Madelyn Grace**, on Sept. 17, 2005, at University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Madelyn joins big sister, Rachel, 3 years.

Her grandparents are Dale and Janice Sanlor of Westland, Robert Murphy of Curran, Mich., and Sue Murphy of Westland.

### Satchell-Cahill

Terry and Kay Satchell of Hendersonville, N.C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsay Kristine, to Courtney Francis Xavier Cahill.

Lindsay is a graduate of Wilson High School in West Lawn, Pa. She received her bachelor of fine arts degree from Kutztown University. She is currently a candidate for her master's of fine arts in sculp-

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Nowacki-Drake

John and Carol Nowacki of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Ann, to Michael John Drake of Grand Rapids.

Lisa is a graduate of Kendall College of Art and Design in Grand Rapids. She is a photographer at Studio 630 in Sparta.

Her fiancé, Michael, is the son of Dr. Jerry and Sandy Drake of Northville. He is a graduate of Calvin College. He is the campaign manager for Rep. Kevin Green.

Michael and Lisa are planning a January 2006 wedding, at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville. A reception will be



at The Dearborn Inn. After a honeymoon in Oahu, Hawaii, they will make their new home in the Grand Rapids area.

### Furlong-Burns

Patrick and Sharon Furlong of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynn, to Christopher Patrick Burns of Flat Rock.

Jennifer is a graduate of Wayne State University with a bachelor's degree in both psychology and criminal justice, and an associates degree in liberal arts.

Her fiancé, Christopher, is the son of Mike and Joan Burns of Flat Rock. He is a graduate of Wayne State University with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He is employed as an engineer at Cargill in St. Clair, Mich.



Christopher and Jennifer are planning a September 2006 wedding, at Hawk Hollow Country Club in Lansing.

### Cameron-Charlefour

Linda Olah of Traverse City, and Roger and Lynne Cameron of Marysville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lindsay Ann Cameron, to Brian Marcus Charlefour of Westland.

Lindsay is a 2000 graduate of Port Huron Northern High School, and a 2005 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is a recreational therapist at Heartland-Plymouth Court.

Her fiancé, Brian, is the son of Jack and Kathy Charlefour of Canton. He is a 1996 graduate of Salem High School and a 2003 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a degree in parks and recreation management. He is currently pursuing a teaching certificate



at EMU. Brian is the head junior varsity football coach at Salem High School.

Brian and Lindsay are planning a March 2006 wedding at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth.



## Internet may be a threat to teen

When I came home from college for the holidays my father remarked that mostly he saw the back of my head! I'm nearly 6 feet tall and in my day fashionable clothes for girls of that height were non-existent! My attachment was to my trusty sewing machine!

Today, you may spend the holidays looking at your teen's back and head as he or she sits at the computer. Please give careful attention - this activity can be considerably more dangerous than a messed up seam!

Daniel Broughton, M.D., FAAP, a member of the Communications Committee for the American Academy of Pediatrics, writes: "One of the first things to understand is that being online is the same as being in public. While using the Internet at home may feel safe and secure, there are very real privacy issues.

"Personal information can be obtained easily when children create 'member profiles' with Internet service providers on a Web site or in a chat room. 'Cookies' allow outside sources to see inside one's home computer. This information can be misused in a variety of ways, including marketing directed at children and by child predators."

### INAPPROPRIATE SITES

"Pornography on the Internet is an area of concern



### Teens in 2005

### Alice McCarthy

... These sites generally are found while surfing the web by mistyping addresses, misleading names to Web sites and links from other sites. Pornography also will show up in an individual's e-mail in-box, usually from an unknown or anonymous sender.

"In addition to pornography, there are many other inappropriate sites, including those that promote anorexia/bulimia, racism, or misinformation about such things as birth control and immunizations."

Broughton reminds us that one to two million teens have a serious gambling problem and that there are now more than 2,000 online casinos. The only item needed by your teen to get into serious gambling trouble is a credit card, yours or his or hers.

Broughton tells us that "700 kids were abducted in 2004 by someone they met over the Internet. (Most frequently these are girls ages 12-17.)"

We wrote two columns about bullying early in 2005. Now, teens have discovered the Internet as a convenient

conduit for carrying intimidating or unflattering messages, embarrassing information, photos or stories. Better check on messages sent by your teen.

### BE INVOLVED

Broughton reminds parents of the daily two-hour limit of screen time recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics. He says parents should be able to trace their teen's Web site visits. He notes that filtering devices do not replace parent involvement.

If you missed previous columns, you can access them at [www.hometownlife.com/Livonia/News.asp](http://www.hometownlife.com/Livonia/News.asp). Type "Alice R. McCarthy" under "Keyword Search" for a list of her most recent columns. Columns, written weekly, remain only a short time on this site. All of her columns for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* are on [www.bridge-comm.com](http://www.bridge-comm.com).

**Alice R. McCarthy, Ph.D.**, the mother of five professionals, is a national consultant in the areas of parent involvement in schools; curriculum writing in health, and health publications. She is the author of a widely used text and parenting book, *Healthy Teens: Facing the Challenges of Young Lives*. Write to her in care of the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or at [bridgecomm@aol.com](mailto:bridgecomm@aol.com)



## CLASS REUNIONS

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48170. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact person, and a telephone number.

**Central High**

Class of 1946  
A 60-year reunion is planned for June 4, 2006, at Glen Oaks Country Club. Both January and June classmates

will celebrate over dinner and dancing. January grads contact Al Weiss, (248) 737-9313, or Esther Bornstein, (248) 851-6625. June grads contact Barbara Keidan, (248) 646-7199, or Saul Saulson, (248) 932-5177.

**Churchill High School**

Class of 1995  
A 10-year reunion is planned for 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 22, at 5th Avenue in Novi. For more information, contact Fran Yee at fyee@sussmansikes.com.

**Denby High School**

Class of 1956  
A 50-year reunion is planned for Sept.

16, 2006, at the Club Venetian in Madison Heights. Contact Doreen (McClennan) Weber at dajweb@juno.com or Jerry Love at (586) 739-3840.

**Detroit Mackenzie**

Classes Jan. June and Summer 1956  
A 50-year reunion is planned for Sept. 16, 2006, at the Novi Sheraton. For more information, call Harold Kappen at (734) 261-0325 or okappen@earthlink.net.

**Edsel Ford High School**

A 50th anniversary will be held over the next year with a series of special events. Final activity will be a "Black

and White Ball" on Saturday, May 20, 2006. About the activities www.geocities.com/edsef50th. To contact the committee, e-mail edsef50@gmail.com.

**Epiphany Grade School**

Class of 1966  
A 40-year reunion is in the planning stages for the summer of 2006. Contact Dorothy at (24) 477-9478 or dzsnyder@hotmail.com.

**Franklin High School**

Class of 1969  
Is planning a reunion for 2007. Please contact Kathy Nisun (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kayniniu@aol.com or Kathy

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**Garden City West**

Class of 1970  
A 35-year reunion is planned for April 1, 2006, at Mama Mia Restaurant on Plymouth Road in Livonia. Contact Gordon Adams at (586) 949-7462 for information and reservations.

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**Livonia Franklin**

Class of 1969

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**St. Mary of Redford**

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A 25th reunion is being planned for the fall of 2006. Please send updated address information and inquires to: Todd Richter (trichter26@comcast.net)

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■ **WRITING MY LIFE STORY: A SENIOR WRITING GROUP**, Tuesday, Dec. 20, 4 p.m. — Seniors can share and preserve their life stories with the guidance of Plymouth author, Jane Saylor. No previous writing experience is necessary. Come to either session or both.

■ **ASTRONOMY DISCUSSION GROUP**, Monday, Dec. 19, 7 p.m. — Join lively astronomy popularizer Mike Best in this monthly discussion group. Mike shares his affection for the sky with adults and children over the age of 6. No registration is required. For more information contact (734) 459-BEST or starmikebest@aol.com

■ **AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**, Wednesday, Dec. 28, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. — The holiday season finds the Red Cross in serious need of blood donations. A sign-up sheet can be found in the library lobby — but walk-ins are welcome too. For more information, call (734) 453-0750, Ext. 242.

■ **CONTEMPORARY BOOKS DISCUSSION**, Wednesday, Dec. 21, 7:30 p.m. — Members of this book discussion group are invited to read *The Plot Against America* by Philip Roth. New members

are welcome at any time. For further information, please call Sue Patterson at the library, (734) 453-0750, or e-mail spatterson@plymouthlibrary.org

■ **BROWN BAG BOOK DISCUSSION**, Wednesday, Dec. 28, noon (please note date change for this month only) — This month's discussion invites members to read *Middlesex* by Jeffrey Eugenides. Copies of these books are available at the circulation desk. Bring a lunch; beverages are provided. For more information about Brown Bag Books, ask at the Reader's Advisory Desk, call Dixie Cocagne at the library, (734) 453-0750, or e-mail dcocagne@plymouthlibrary.org

■ **GREAT BOOKS** — Monday, Dec. 19 — This group meets at 7:15 p.m. at the Library in the Gold Room on alternate Mondays. The anthology *Psychological Fiction* compiled by Morris Beja is the basis for study this year. The discussion group is open to anyone who is curious and willing to work with others in developing an under-

standing and appreciation of great literature. Please contact group facilitator Karen Berrie at (734) 453-2454 for the discussion topic and the dates of the meetings. To learn more about The Great Books Foundation, see the Internet Web site: <http://www.greatbooks.org/>

**Youth Programs**

■ **HOLIDAY MOVIE**, Tuesday, Dec. 27, 2 p.m. — Enjoy the family favorite *Because of Winn Dixie*, rated PG and intended for children 5-12. No registration required.

■ **NEW YEAR'S EVE CRAFTS**, Thursday, Dec. 29, 2 p.m. — Make your own party hats, banners and noisemakers and prepare to welcome 2006! This free program is for children ages 5-12.

**Teen Program**

■ **D.I.Y.**, Monday, Dec. 19, 3:30-4:30 p.m. — Just in time for the holidays, make beeswax candles and gingerbread houses. Registration is required and may be made at the Reader's Advisory Desk or by calling (734) 453-0750, #4. Class size is limited to 12.

## Did you know?

■ All Teen Zone programs are FREE — that means it costs you nothing to participate!

■ The Friends of the Library provide FREE snacks and juice for every Teen Zone program

■ All Teen Zone info can be found through the library Web site, [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org)  
All Teen Zone programs are designed for students in grades six through 12. For programs requiring advance registration, register at the Reader's Advisory Desk or by phone, (734) 453-0750, press 4. For more information about any of the Teen Zone programs, contact Cathy Lichtman, (734) 453-0750, Ext. 230 or clichtman@plymouthlibrary.org

**Computer training**

Plymouth residency is required for all attendees of the Library's computer training classes. Please register by calling (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4.

For more information on any library programs, please contact Susan Stoney, Plymouth District Library, (734) 453-0750, Ext. 242 or sstoney@plymouthlibrary.org.

## LIBRARY PICKS

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

**FICTION**

1. "Mary, Mary," James Patterson
2. "At First Sight," Nicholas Sparks
3. "Light from Heaven," Jan Karon
4. "Forever Odd," Dean Koontz
5. "Predator," Patricia Cornwell

**NON-FICTION**

1. "Teacher Man," Frank McCourt
2. "Our Endangered Values," Jimmy

3. "Team of Rivals," Doris Kearns Goodwin
4. "The World is Flat," Thomas Friedman
5. "Marley & Me," John Grogan

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

1. "Ace Lacey, Bug Detective," David Biedrzycki
2. "The Bora Bora Dress," Carole Schaefer
3. "Soft House," Jane Yolen
4. "Grandpa Gazzillion's Number Yard," Laurie Keller
5. "Hetty's 100 Hats," Emma Dodd

## AUDITION

Aspiring young actors and their parents are invited to audition for the Farmington Hills Youth Theatre production of *Alice in Wonderland*. This musical adaptation of the story by Lewis Carroll provides many parts for actors in grades 1-12 and adults. The program is offered by the Cultural Arts Division of the City of Farmington Hills, in cooperation with Sky's the Limit Productions. Auditions are open to residents and non-residents; there is no audition fee. Actors should bring a recent school photo. Auditions for actors in grades 1-12 will be held from 1-5 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 15, at the Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile Road, just east of Middlebelt, in Farmington Hills. Audition schedule is as follows: grades 1 and 2 from 1-2 p.m.; grades 5 and 6 from 3-4 p.m.; grades 3 and 4 from 2-3 p.m.; Grades 7-12 from 4-5 p.m. Auditions for adults ages 19 and up will be held beginning at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 19 at the Costick Center. Actors cast in the play will be required to pay a class fee of \$120 (residents) or \$125 (non-residents) and attend a parent/actor meeting, 7-9 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 24. Rehearsal schedules will be available at that meeting; leading roles require more rehearsals than support. For more information about the auditions, call the Farmington Hills Cultural Arts Division at (248) 473-1857.

# Questions about Medicare?

## Attend a FREE presentation from BCN Advantage.

You've probably heard—and read—a lot about Medicare lately. It can be confusing. Fortunately, you can trust the Blues to provide the facts.

To help you understand the new benefits of Medicare—including prescription drug coverage\*—BCN Advantage from Blue Care Network is sponsoring a FREE presentation in your area. Our experts will provide you with information about our BCN Advantage plans, and show you how we put more care into Medicare. We'll guide you through the ins and outs, show you how to maximize your benefits, and answer all your questions.

## Mark this date on your calendar now!

**December 19**  
Summit on the Park  
46000 Summit Parkway  
Canton  
10 a.m.-12 noon

Don't miss this opportunity to learn about how to make the most of your Medicare with a BCN Advantage plan. It's free, but the information you'll receive is invaluable.

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[www.cantoncinema.com](http://www.cantoncinema.com)

Ford Rd 1 Mile W of I-275 (734)  
**ALL DIGITAL STEREO 844-FILM**

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**TITLES AND TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**SHOPGIRL (R)**  
7:25, 9:35  
FRI/SAT LS 11:45

**YOURS, MINE AND OURS (PG)**  
11:40, 1:40, 3:40, 5:40, 7:40, 9:40  
FRI/SAT LS 11:40

**PRIDE AND PREJUDICE (PG)**  
11:00, 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40

**JUST FRIENDS (PG-13)**  
12:20, 2:35, 4:50, 7:05, 9:20  
FRI/SAT LS 11:35

**CHICKEN LITTLE (G)**  
11:20, 1:20, 3:20, 5:20, 7:20, 9:20  
FRI/SAT LS 11:20

**ZATHURA (PG)**  
12:30, 3:00, 5:15

**JARHEAD (R)**  
11:25, 2:00, 4:35, 7:10, 9:45

**SAW 2 (R)**  
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**FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 Historic Franklin Village Green  
 United Methodist in Affiliation. Ecumenical in Spirit.  
**Christmas Eve • December 24, 2005**  
 7:00 and 11:00 PM  
 All Services include Special Music and Candlelight  
**Christmas Day • December 25, 2005**  
 10:00 AM • Service of Holy Communion  
 Guest Organist: Dr. Larry Hammerling  
 26425 Wellington Pastor James E. Greer  
 (between 13 & 14 Mile Roads • 1 block west of Franklin)

**Trinity Church**  
 10101 W. Ann Arbor Rd. • Plymouth, MI 48170  
 www.trinityepc.org  
**Celebrate Christmas With Us**  
**Christmas Eve Services**  
 4:00 p.m. Family Service  
 7:00 & 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Services  
 (Childcare Nursery-2 yrs. of age available at the 4:00 & 7:00 services)  
**Christmas Day & New Year's Day**  
 10:30 a.m.  
 (Childcare Nursery-4 yrs. of age available)

**First Congregational Church of Wayne**  
 CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES  
 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24  
 FAMILY SERVICE AT 6:30 PM  
 CANDLELIGHT SERVICE AT 11:00 PM  
 Located on Wayne Road  
 between east and westbound Michigan Avenue  
 734-729-7550

**First Presbyterian Church ~ Plymouth**  
 Church & Main Streets ~ 734.453.6464  
 Regular Sunday Worship Services:  
 8:30, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.  
 Christmas Eve Services  
 3:00 p.m. Puppet s Service (childcare available)  
 5:00 p.m. Children s Christmas Pageant (childcare available)  
 8:00 & 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Service of Lessons & Carols  
 Christmas Day Service. 11:00 a.m. only

**LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER**  
 248-644-4010  
 RedeemerBirmingham.org  
 December 24  
 Family Christmas Celebration 5:30 p.m.  
**Candlelight & Carols 8:00 & 10:00 p.m.**  
 December 25  
 Christmas Worship w/communion 10:30 a.m.

**Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church**  
 9601 Hubbard at West Chicago Ave.  
 Livonia, MI 48150  
 Pastors: Rev. Richard Peters and Rev. Kelly Bohlman  
**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES**  
 Family Service – 5:00 PM  
 Candlelight Communion Service – 10:00 PM  
 \* Adult & Children's Choirs & Bells Music Featured \*  
**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S SUNDAY SERVICES**  
 Family Worship Services – 11:00 AM  
 734.422.0494  
 web: www.Rosedalegardens.org

**ORCHARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 30450 Farmington Road • Farmington Hills  
 www.orchardumc.org  
**248-626-3620**  
**Saturday, December 24th**  
 5:00 PM Family-oriented service featuring Orchard youth. Nursery care available.  
 9:00 PM Carols, candlelighting, music by Chancel Choir and soloists are included. Nursery care available.  
 11:00 PM Carols, candlelighting, and Holy Communion are included.  
**Sunday, December 25th**  
 11:00 AM One service of worship, including "Blessing of the Toys." Nursery care for infants and toddlers.

**Covenant Baptist Church**  
**Candlelight Christmas Eve Service**  
 Dec. 24, 6:30 p.m.  
**Christmas Day – Worship Service 11:00 a.m.**  
**"What Would Santa Say?"**  
 5800 West Maple Road  
 West Bloomfield, MI 48322  
 248-855-9191  
 www.covenantbaptistchurch.org

**Antioch Lutheran Church**  
 33360 W 13 Mile Road Farmington Hills, MI 48334  
 Antioch, a congregation of the ELCA, is located at the NE corner of 13 Mile and Farmington Roads in Farmington Hills. (248) 626-7906; website: antiochela.org. Join our celebration of Jesus' birth. God's gift to us all  
**Christmas Worship Services**  
 December 24 (communion at all services)  
 4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas  
 6:00 p.m. Family Worship (pre-service music at 5:45)  
 10:30 p.m. Candlelight Festival Worship (pre-service music at 10:00)  
**December 25 Christmas Day**  
 10:00 a.m. Lessons and Carols

**There's no place like home —**  
**Wellspring Church**  
 36350 W 8 Mile Rd, Farmington Hills  
**248-442-0412**  
 wellspringchurchmi.org  
 Wed. Dec 21st, 7 pm • Blue Christmas  
 Christmas Eve 6 pm • Candles & Carols  
 Christmas Day 10 am • Baptism  
*for the holidays*

**Celebrate Christmas!**  
 Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church  
 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia  
 Just north of I-96 (734) 522-6830  
**Christmas Eve:**  
 7:00pm Family Service  
 11:00pm Candlelight Service  
**Christmas Day:**  
 10:00am Worship  
 http://www.christsavior.org

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**  
**6:00 pm**  
**First Baptist Church of Rochester**  
 6377 Orion Road  
 Rochester Hills  
**248-652-6151**  
 www.thyrochester.org

**Come See!**  
 We've added a new room at the Inn.  
 Toddler Care at 7 pm service  
 7 pm Family Candlelight Service  
 9 pm Candlelight Service/Communion  
**First United Methodist Church**  
 6443 Merriman Road  
 Garden City, MI  
 734-421-8628  
 Sunday Worship: 9:30 and 10:45 am

**Worship With Us This Christmas**  
**ST. OWEN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 6869 Franklin Rd., Bloomfield Hills  
**Communal Reconciliation**  
**Monday, Dec. 19 • 7:00 pm**  
**Christmas Eve Liturgies**  
**4:00, 6:00 and 10:00 pm**  
**Christmas Day Liturgy**  
**10:00 am**

**www.genevachurch.org**  
**Longest Night Service, Wednesday, Dec. 21, 7 pm**  
 A quiet, meditative service for those who are sad during this holiday season. (Please see our website for details or call the church.)  
**Christmas Eve Services, Saturday, Dec. 24**  
 4:00 and 5:30pm - Family Services  
 7:00 and 9:00pm - Candlelight and Communion Services  
**Christmas Day Worship, Sunday, Dec. 25, 10 am**  
**New Year's Day Worship, Sunday, Jan. 1, 10 am**  
**New Year's Blessing Service, Wednesday, Jan. 4, 7 pm**

**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE**  
**7:30 PM Message: "Joy to the World"**  
**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
**10:30 PM Message: "Glorifying and Praising God"**  
 Ministers: Rev. Dr. Mark P. Jensen, Rev. Mary E. Biedron

**Celebrate the Season at**  
**The First United Methodist Church of Troy**  
 6363 Livernois Between Square Lake & South Blvd.  
**248-879-6363**  
**December 21-Longest Night Service**  
 7:00 pm - A Service for all who've experienced loss, grief, death, or feel a little down during the holidays  
**December 24-Christmas Eve**  
 4:30 pm - Family Service with a visit from the Holy Family  
 7:00 pm - Candlelight & Choirs  
 11:00 pm - Candlelight & Communion  
**December 25**  
 10:00 am - Carols to Sing  
 Websites:  
 FUMCTROY.ORG  
 FINDYOURFAITH.ORG  
 PASTOR RICH PEACOCK

**Historic Mariners' Church**  
 A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE  
 Traditional Anglican Worship  
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**Saturday, December 24**  
**The Eve Of Christmas**  
**"The Eve is as the Day"**  
 7:30 and 11:00 p.m.  
 Duplicate Services  
 Festival Choral Communion  
**Sunday, January 1-The Circumcision of Christ**  
 One service only  
 11:00 a.m.-The Holy Communion  
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 Sunday at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.  
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 (313) 259-2206  
 www.marinerschurchofdetroit.org

**The lights are up.**  
**Now what?**  
 You put up the lights, bought the gifts, and sent the cards. Now spend some time enjoying the season! We're planning to relax amidst the craziness of Christmas, and we hope you'll join us.  
**Oak Pointe Church**  
 248.912.0043  
 www.oakpointe.org  
**Christmas Celebration**  
**Dec. 18, 9:30am & 11:15am**  
**Christmas Eve**  
**Dec. 24, 5pm & 6:15pm**  
**Christmas Day**  
**Dec. 25, 10am**  
 All services at Novi High School (10 Mile, west of Novi Rd.)

**St. James Episcopal Church**  
**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**  
 website: stjamesbirmingham.org  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18**  
 5 p.m. Boar's Head Festival & Pageant  
**CHRISTMAS EVE, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24**  
 5 p.m. Creche Procession & Holy Eucharist  
 Carols & Candles  
 Service oriented for children; Nursery provided  
 10 p.m. Choral Eucharist  
 Carols, Christmas Message & Candles  
**CHRISTMAS DAY, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25**  
 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Carols  
 (Downtown Birmingham between Woodward & Southfield, at the corner of W. Maple and Chester)  
**248.644.0820**





**CROWN OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
2975 Dutton Road (at Adams) • Rochester Hills, MI 48306  
Phone: (248) 652-7720 • Website: crownoflifechurch.org

We invite you to join us for worship at these services during this the most Holy of seasons:

**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES:**  
5:00 pm & 11:00 pm

**CHRISTMAS DAY COMMUNION SERVICE:** 10:00 am  
**NEW YEAR'S EVE COMMUNION SERVICE:** 5:30 pm  
**NEW YEAR'S DAY SERVICES:** 8:30 am & 11:00 am

**First Baptist Church of Detroit**  
— A diverse, multi-cultural congregation —  
invites you to join us on  
**Candlelight Christmas Eve Service 7:00 pm**  
Rev. Bill Walker

21200 Southfield Rd.  
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**St. Luke's United Methodist Church**  
3980 Walton Boulevard  
Rochester Hills, MI • 248-373-6960  
(Located across from Oakland University)

**Sunday Worship • 9:00 & 10:30 am**  
**Christmas Cantata**  
Sunday, Dec. 20 - 5:15 pm  
**Christmas Eve Candlelight Services • 4, 7 & 11 pm**

**Servant Church of St. Alexander**  
27835 Shiawassee  
(between Inkster & Middlebelt)  
Reconciliation Monday, December 19th 7:00 p.m.

**Christmas Eve**  
Saturday, December 24  
Children's Play Family Mass 4:00 PM  
Teen Drama Christmas Mass 6:00 PM  
Christmas Carols & Mass 9:30 PM

**New Year's Eve**  
Saturday, December 31  
Mass for World Peace Midnight

**New Year's Day**  
Sunday, January 1  
New Year's Mass 10:00 AM

**Christmas Day**  
Sunday, December 25  
Christmas Carols and Mass 9:30 AM

*Come, Let Us Adore Him*  
**St. John Lutheran Church**  
Farm. Hills, 23225 Gill Rd. 248-474-0584

**Christmas Eve Services**  
5:30pm Children & Families  
7:30 & 10:00pm Carols & Candlelight  
**Christmas Sunday**  
11:00am ONLY

**ST. PHILIP'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
100 Romeo Road • Rochester, Michigan • 48307 • 248.651.6188 •  
info@stphilipsrochester.org • www.stphilipsrochester.org

**December 24th**  
Children's Service including the Christmas Pageant at 5:30pm  
Anthems and Carols at 10:30pm  
Christ's Mass at 11:00pm  
**December 25th**  
Christmas Service at 10:00am

**Farmington First United Methodist Church**  
www.FarmingtonFUMC.org  
33112 Grand River (East of Farmington Rd)  
(248) 474-6573 \*\*Nursery Provided\*\*

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**  
4:30 PM—Family Service  
10:00 PM—Carols & Bells (9:40)

Pastors: Dr. Jeffrey R. Maxwell  
Rev. Sondra Willabee  
Rev. Carolyn Wilk

**Christmas Services**  
**Saturday, December 24**  
12:00, 4:00, 8:00 and 11:00 p.m.  
Music Prelude at 10:30 p.m.  
**Sunday, December 25**  
10:30 a.m.

**St. John's Episcopal Church**  
574 S. Sheldon Road  
Plymouth, Michigan  
www.stjohnsplymouth.org  
734.453.0190

**PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
17029 W. Thirteen Mile Rd  
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*Welcomes You This Christmas Season*

Family Christmas Eve Service Dec. 24th  
with Children's Nativity Play 5:30 PM  
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service  
Traditional Service At 8:00 PM  
Christmas Morning Carol Sing  
Dec. 25th at 10:00 AM  
Join us - Child care &  
Communion will be offered

**NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
36500 Ann Arbor Trail  
Livonia, MI

**CHRISTMAS EVE - Three Services**  
4:30 p.m. Family Service, Carols & Candlelighting  
7:00 p.m. Lessons, Carols, Special Music & Candlelighting  
11:00 p.m. Holy Communion & Candlelighting

*"Christ Our Hope"*  
Orchard Lake Community Church,  
Presbyterian  
"White Church on the Lake"  
Christmas Eve Services  
Musical-Youth Choirs • 5:00 p.m.  
Family Worship/Pageant • 7:00 p.m.  
Candlelight Communion Services  
9:00 & 11:00 p.m.  
December 25th & January 1st  
Christmas Day & New Year's Day  
Worship @ 10:30 a.m.  
Regular Worship 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.  
5171 Commerce Road, Orchard Lake  
(248) 682-0730 • www.orchardlakechurch.org

*St. John's Lutheran Church*  
**A Reconciling in Christ Congregation**  
8820 Wayne Road, Livonia  
between Joy Road and Ann Arbor Trail

**COME JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THIS HOLY SEASON**  
Christmas Eve – Family Worship with Communion 7:00 pm  
Christmas Day – Family Worship with Communion 10:00 am  
New Year's Day – Lessons and Carols 10:00 am

**COME WORSHIP WITH US**  
Season of Advent • Prepare for a Blessed Christmas

**Sunday, December 18th •**  
8 & 10:30 am - Holy Eucharist  
4:00 pm - Lessons & Carols  
• Christmas Eve •  
5:00 pm • Family Eucharist  
10:30 pm • Festival Choral Music  
11:00 pm • Festival Choral Eucharist  
• Christmas Day •  
10:00 am • Holy Eucharist

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**  
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Pontiac • 248-334-4571  
www.allssaintspontiac.org

**AT THE PARK - CHRISTMAS EVE**

**Candlelight Services**  
**4:30 p.m. A Christmas Story**  
For Families and Young Children. Music by The Cherub and Wesley Children's Choirs

**5:00 p.m. Christmas Splendor**  
For Families and Youth Music by The New Generation Youth Choir

**8:00 p.m. A Traditional Christmas Eve Celebration**  
Music by The Chancel Choir

**11:00 p.m. A Sacred Communion Service**

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
25887 WEST 11 MILE ROAD  
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI 48336  
On 11 Mile Road just west of Middlebelt  
248-476-8860  
www.NardinPark.org

**St. Paul's United Methodist Church**  
620 Romeo Street, Rochester  
248-651-9361

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES**  
**5:00 p.m. FAMILY CELEBRATION**  
(Glo-sticks for children; candles for adults)  
Dr. Hal Weemhoff

**7:30 and 11:00 p.m. CANDLELIGHT SERVICES**  
Rev. Jeff Regan

Infant and toddler care available at 5:00 and 7:30 p.m.

**Christmas Day, December 25**  
10:00 a.m. Worship

www.stpaulsrochester.org

**Christmas at Ward Church... A Family Tradition.**

**Christmas Eve Services**  
4:00, 5:30, 7:00 and 11:00 p.m.  
(childcare provided thru age 4 at 4:00 and 5:30 p.m.)

**Christmas Day Services**  
Traditional Christmas Service 10:20 a.m.  
Contemporary Christmas Service 11:40 a.m.  
(Childcare provided thru age 4)

**WARD**  
Evangelical Presbyterian Church  
40000 Six Mile Road • Northville  
(1/2 mile west of I-275)  
248 374-4000

*Come home... for the Holidays*  
*You're invited for Christmas!*  
If you're looking for a church home, please visit us for Christmas.

**Services every Sunday**  
8:30 a.m. Communion ♦ 10:00 a.m. Worship and Sunday School

**Christmas Eve Services**  
5:00 p.m. Family Worship ♦ 8:00 p.m. Communion and Candlelight  
11:00 p.m. Worship and Special Music

**Christmas Day:** One service at 10:00 a.m.

All are welcome here at the big, friendly church. We'll be expecting you!

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**Plymouth First United Methodist Church**  
45201 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth - (734) 453-5280  
www.pfumc.org

*Invites you to:*

**Christmas Eve Services**  
4:30 p.m. - A Children's/Family Celebration  
"The Great Manger Mystery"

8:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m. - Candlelight Services  
"It Isn't Far to Bethlehem" • Dr. Dean A. Klump

Infant and toddler care is available at the 4:30 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. services.

**Christmas Day**  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

**New Year's Day**  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

**CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK**  
CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
Saturday, December 24  
8:00 and 11:00 p.m.  
Holy Eucharist with full choir  
Musical preludes begin 30 min. before each service; child care available at 8:00 p.m.

**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
Sunday, December 25  
10:00 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist

470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills  
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www.christchurchcranbrook.org

**ST. ANNE'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Immemorial Tridentine Latin Rite Mass  
22310 Joy Road, Redford, MI 48239  
(313) 534-2121

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS DAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Christmas Eve	10:00-11:45 pm	Confessions
	12:00 am	Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	9:45 am	Confessions
	10:30 am	Mass
New Year's Eve	12:00 am	Pray The Holy Rosary
New Year's Day	6:45 am	Confessions
	7:30 am	Low Mass
	8:45 am	Confessions
	9:30 am	High Mass

*Pray the Holy Rosary at Midnight New Year's Eve to start the new year.*





**Risen Christ Lutheran Church**  
46250 Ann Arbor Rd.  
Plymouth, MI  
734.453.5252

**WORSHIP TIMES**  
Christmas Eve  
4:30 & 7:00 pm  
Christmas Day – 10 am  
New Year's Day – 10 am

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**  
16360 Hubbard Road  
Livonia, Michigan 48154  
(734) 421-8451  
Web site: www.StAndrewsChurch.net  
The Rev. C. Allen Kannappell, Rector  
The Rev. Alan W. Brandemuhl, Jr., Deacon

**Sunday, December 18**  
7:45 AM and 10 AM Holy Communion  
5 PM Sunday School Pageant and Dinner

**Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24**  
7 PM Special Music and Carols  
7:30 PM Holy Communion (Babysitting Provided)  
10:30 PM Special Music and Carols  
11 PM Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25**  
10 AM Holy Communion

**SALEM CHURCH**  
Downtown Farmington  
33424 Oakland Ave.  
(N. of Grand River, W. of Farmington Rd.)  
Farmington, MI 48335  
(248) 474-6880

**Christmas Eve 8:00 pm**  
Candlelight with Holy Communion

**Christmas Day**  
10:45 am  
With Holy Communion  
Everyone Welcome

**Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran**  
9600 Leverne  
Redford 48239  
313-937-2424  
www.hosannatabor.org

Christmas Eve - Dec. 24  
6 p.m. and 10 p.m.  
Christmas Day - Dec. 25  
10 a.m.  
New Year's Eve - 6 p.m.  
New Year's Day - 10 a.m.

**BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
5631 N. Adams Road • Bloomfield Hills  
248-646-5041 • (Between Square Lake and Long Lake)

**Christmas Eve**  
4:30pm • Children's Service  
7:00pm • Family Service with Orchestra  
10:30pm • Festival Communion with Choir

**Christmas Day and New Year's Day**  
10:00am • Holy Communion

**Regular Worship**  
Saturday 5:30pm • Sunday School 9:30am & 11:00am  
Sunday 8:15am, 9:30am and 11:00am

**Big Beaver United Methodist Church**  
3753 John R • Troy, MI 48083  
248.689.1932  
Jack L. Mannschreck, Pastor

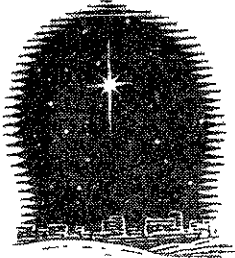
**Christmas Eve Candlelight Services**  
7:00 & 11:00 p.m.  
**Sunday Worship**  
Christmas Day & New Years Day  
10:00 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m.  
No Classes On Christmas & New Years

**First United Methodist Church of Wayne Westland**  
3 Town Square  
Wayne, MI 48184

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**  
**December 24, 2005**  
7:00 p.m.

**Saint Andrew Lutheran Church**  
6255 Telegraph Road  
Bloomfield Hills 248-646-5207



**Family Christmas Eve Service**  
*Voices from the Manger*

**December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm**  
Candle Light, Carols & Holy Communion

Church is located on the east side of Telegraph just north of Maple

**St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (W.E.L.S.)**  
17810 Farmington Road  
Livonia 734-261-1360

**Christmas Worship Services**

Christmas Eve 7:00 p.m.  
Christmas Day 10:00 a.m.

*Come, worship with us!*

Pastor James Hoff

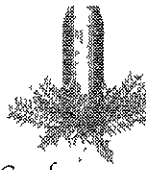
Pastor Eric Steinbrenner

**Northbrook Presbyterian Church**  
SW corner of 14 Mile & Lahser Roads  
Beverly Hills (248) 642-0200

**Christmas Eve Services**

6:30 pm Candlelight Family Worship with Carols  
11 pm Candlelight & Communion Worship

**Christmas Day Service 10 am**



**The Faith Community Of St. Alan**  
**Welcomes ALL To Our Christmas Services**

**December 24th**  
Shepherd's Mass 4:00 PM  
"Midnight" Mass 11:00 PM

**December 25th**  
Masses at 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

**3077 Gloucester • Troy**  
Rev. Gary M. Tierney, Pastor

**St. John's Catholic Church**  
48755 Warren Rd. • Canton, Michigan 48187  
734-451-0444

Rev. Richard A. Perfetto, Pastor

**CHRISTMAS EVE** - Dec. 24th - 4:30 p.m.

Children's Mass (All Saints Gym)

4:30 p.m. Mass (Church) & 10:00 p.m.

**CHRISTMAS DAY** - Dec. 25th - 10:30 a.m. Mass

**SATURDAY, Dec. 31st** - 4:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY, Jan. 1st** - 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

**Carols by Candlelight**  
**Sunday, December 18, 2005**  
6:30PM • Pre-service • Agape Power  
7:00PM • Concert

**Christmas Eve**  
**Saturday, December 24, 2005**  
Children's Program • 4:00PM  
Candlelight Service • 7:00 & 11:00PM

**Christmas Day**  
**Sunday, December 25, 2005**  
Christmas Morning • 10:00AM

**New Year's Eve**  
**Saturday, December 31, 2005**  
7:00PM

**New Year's Day**  
**Sunday, January 1, 2006**  
10:00AM

**Our Shepherd Lutheran Church**  
2225 E. 14 Mile Road  
Birmingham, Michigan 48009  
Phone: 248-646-6100  
www.oursshepherd.net  
Rev. Ray Scherbarth & Rev. Carl M. Gnewuch

**First United Methodist Church**  
1589 West Maple Road, Birmingham • 248-646-1200

**CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP**

4:00 p.m. for Families  
with Young Children

2:00, 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 p.m.

Christmas Lessons and Carols

5:30 p.m. for Families  
with Elementary Children  
Nursery Open

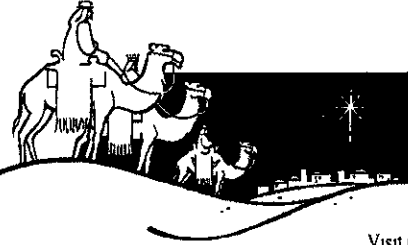
Dr. John E. Harnish preaching

Holy Communion at 2:00, 7:00 and 11:00

Nursery Care at 2:00 and 7:00

**CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP**

10:30 a.m. Family Service with Stories and Carols



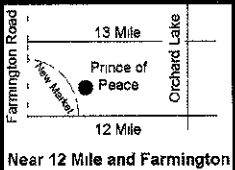
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John E. Harnish  
Lynn Hasley  
Carl Gladstone  
Jeff Nelson  
Carl Price  
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**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**

7:30 pm: Christmas Eve  
Traditional Candlelight Service

10:00 am: Christmas Day  
The Bells of Christmas



248.553.3380

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[www.stjohnsdetroit.org](http://www.stjohnsdetroit.org)  
(313) 962-7358

**Christmas Eve on Woodward Ave**

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10:30pm Carol Prelude Service

11:00pm Festive Holy Communion Service

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**Christmas Eve • December 24th**

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**248.644.8890**

[www.ascensionofchrist.org](http://www.ascensionofchrist.org) • Pastor Tom Zucconi

**Come Catch the Christmas Spirit**  
**Redford Aldersgate United Methodist**

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Services**  
**Dec. 24**

5:30 p.m.

☆ Family Musical: "Twinkle"

A multi-generational choir presents a delightful story with an important message with lights, drama and lively music.

☆ Closing service with individual candles

☆ Nursery provided for preschool children

**Sunday**

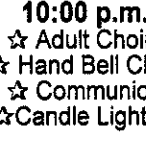
**Dec. 25**

one service

10:00 a.m.

Blessing of the children

& their toys



10000 Beech Daly  
2 blocks south of Plymouth Road  
313- 937-3170

**Kirk in the Hills**

1340 West Long Lake Road - half-mile west of Telegraph Road  
(248) 626-2515 [www.kirkinthehills.org](http://www.kirkinthehills.org)  
Worship services offered each Sunday at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

**Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Services**  
Family Services at 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.

Carols, prayers and a Christmas story for young children.

Music by Children's Choirs. Child care will be available.

Live nativity on the lawn prior to the service.

**Holy Night Services at 8:30 and 11:00 p.m.**

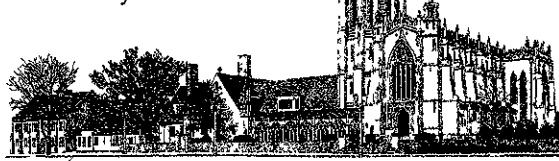
Carols, readings and prayers with a meditation by

Dr. Norman Pritchard. Music by Chancel Choir and harp.

**Sunday, December 25: Christmas Day**

Dr. Norman Pritchard preaching

Only one Family Service will be held in the sanctuary at 11:00 a.m.





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## WOMEN SEEKING MEN

### LET'S LAUGH TOGETHER

SWF, 49, 5'5", full-figured, brown/brown, romantic, lovable, humorous, likes entertaining, traveling, family time. Seeking SM, 40-56, N/S, social drinker ok, who puts God first in his life, for possible LTR. ☎861408

### ARE YOU OUT THERE?

SWF, 42, Aries smoker, never married looking for companion. Seeking good hearted, kind, hard-working SWM, 30-50, ☎819435

### GREAT COMPANION

SF, 65, looks 55, 5'2", unique, bright, w/many talents and interests. I'm well-traveled, very attractive, health-conscious. How about you? Seeking non-smoking counterpart, 62-70, ☎633527

### LIKE HAVING FUN?

SF, 5', 112lbs, blonde/green, looking for a romantic guy, 20-25, who is tall, handsome, nice and knows how to treat a lady. ☎845044

### ENJOYS THE SIMPLE THINGS

Attractive DBF, early 60s, feels much younger, N/S, loves music and dancing, stays physically active, would like to hear from friendly, honest man, 56-68, N/S. ☎672174

### VERY ATTRACTIVE

Classy, slim, young-looking, SWF, 57, with good personality and values, financially/emotionally stable, ISO SWM, 53-64, with same qualities for serious relationship. ☎867073

### SEXY REDHEAD/GREAT LEGS

DWF, 54, 142lbs, 5'6", enjoys blues, animals, gardening, homeowner, no kids. Seeking SM, 5'10"+, N/S, social drinker for LTR. ☎548938

### LET'S ENJOY LIFE

SWF, 57, N/S, seeks intelligent, kind-hearted, young-at-heart WM, 57-68, N/S, who enjoys traveling, camping, boating (Great Lakes or ocean), music book stores, and laughter. ☎759907

### SEEKING LTR

SWF, 21, brown/hazel, enjoys bowling, watching movies, computers, dining out and just having fun. Looking to meet a SWBM, 21-28, who has same interest. ☎873729

### ROMANTIC AND HAPPY

Attractive, outgoing SWF, 50, professional, N/S, secure, young-at-heart, RN, no dependents, WLTW loving man, N/S, with similar qualities, for sharing dinner dates, quiet walks, laughs and lasting love. ☎875822

### STRIKING...

blue-eyed blonde! Slim, sensuous, romantic, fun, caring, seeking attractive, fit, fun-loving male, 48-59. Friendship, LTR. I enjoy movies, walks, music, hugs, laughter, quiet times. Let's get to know each other! ☎962332

### LONESOME

Senior WF, retired, 5'4", active, honest, healthy. Need the attention of a WM, 65-75, enjoys everything, easy to please. So hurry up and call me! ☎449585

### TRY ME!

Attractive SWF, 49, I enjoy movies, dining, skiing and skating. Seeking an attractive SWM, 45-55, who enjoys most activities. ☎869847

### RECENTLY DIVORCED MOM

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

### COULD YOU BE MR. RIGHT?

Are you a big, tall, handsome man? DWF, 47, very attractive, loving, fun, seeks SWM to share life together. ☎443339

### ASIAN MAN WANTED

Pretty, blue-eyed blonde, 55, plus-sized, warm and bright, seeks intelligent, handsome man for dating. Troy area. ☎827007

### ISO GOOD FRIEND?

Possible relationship? Read on. SWF, 47, N/S, enjoys cooking, dining out, art museums, plays, reading, and traveling. Seeking honest WM, 42-57, N/S. ☎857253

### FORMER MODEL

SWF 50 5'6" slender intelligence creativity passion for music and dancing. Seeks partner 38-50, who is attractive and fit, to share this interests and more. ☎600106

### SEEKING SECURE MAN

SF, 5'3", long red hair, semi-retired, Vietnam vet, looking for a real man, 35-60. Must be able to communicate and be affectionate. ☎860537

### MYSTICAL WOMAN

Feminine SBF, 37, loving and lovable, 5'4", 135lbs, seeks creative, compassionate metaphysical, feminine woman for long talks, romantic weekends, love? ☎865148

### SEEKING GOOD MAN

BF, 45, 5'4", 110lbs, secure, looking for a BM, 45-50, with a light complexion, for dating and spending time together. ☎875141

### ATTRACTIVE, HONEST...

SWF, youthful 43, down-to-earth. I enjoy camping, fishing, amusement parks, dining, blockbuster nights, etc. Seeking honest WM, 35-45, for dating, possible LTR. Must have good SOH. ☎865670

### I LISTEN WITH MY HEART

Attractive DWF, late 40s, Cancer, N/S, seeks special, no games WM, 45+, N/S, for caring, quality committed relationship. Let's create sparks and watch them fly. ☎639272

### DOWN-TO-EARTH HOMEBODY

SBF, 37, 5', 160lbs, single mom of 2, nice smile, hard-working, N/S, seeks teddy-bear type SBM, 37-42, N/S, kids a+, for friendship, maybe LTR. ☎848200

### FRIENDSHIP FIRST

SWF, 40, brown/brown, plus-size, likes walks, most movies, reading, cuddling, time with family and friends, more. Looking for WM, 35-48, for dating. ☎859885

### SHALL WE DANCE?

I am a SBF, 58, 5'3", 170lbs, attractive, intelligent, creative, articulate, seeks SWM, 57-73, who is kind-hearted, articulate, who enjoys dancing, walking, traveling, movies, dining out. ☎812098

### ENERGETIC AND HAPPY

Very attractive blonde, refined, fit, full of life, easygoing, well-dressed, professionally employed, affectionate, romantic, kind, early very youthful 60s, 5'3", green eyes, feminine, shapely, enjoys dining, travel, music, theatre, dancing, family and friends. Seeking an honest, handsome, fit, educated, college graduate gentleman, over 55, N/S, with a youthful passion for life. Serious replies only. ☎652360

### LIFE'S AN ADVENTURE

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

### WHERE ARE YOU?

Attractive SBF, 32, loves comedy clubs, movies, concerts, fishing, bowling, rollerblading and amusement parks, ISO SM, 32-39, race open, for LTR. Serious replies only. ☎951115

### SEEKING COMPANION

SWF, 52, young at heart, very personable, fun-loving, great SOH. Seeking SWM, who sweet and lovable for friendship first, hopefully more. ☎873722

### LOVE CAN BUILD A BRIDGE

SWF, 55, romantic, caring, sensitive, N/S, with zest for life, is looking for Mr. Right. ISO S/DWM, 39-60, sincere about togetherness. ☎863279

### BEAUTIFUL REDHEAD

SF, 58, beautiful both inside/out, wonderful smile, dimples and great SOH, with interests in travel, concerts, movies, cooking, gardening. WLTW secure, accomplished, fun-loving SM, 50-70, 5'8"+, with similar interests. Call! ☎870556

### GOOD MAN WANTED

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

### RESCUE ME!

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

### BROWN SUGAR AND SPICE

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

### SOULMATE SEARCH

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

### CUTE AND CLASSY

SBF, mid-50s, seeks attractive gentleman, 50+, with similar interests. I love jogging, walks, concerts, quiet evenings. ☎574342

### VERY OLD-FASHIONED

Widowed BF, 5'8", 185lbs, would like to meet a very nice man to be my good companion. ☎837276

### SLIM AND PETITE

Easygoing, active DWF, retired, ISO fun male, 60+, who likes bridge, tennis, reading, hiking, animals, kids, popcorn, willing to don a tuxedo now and then. ☎271793

### SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP

Loving, attractive SWCF, 74, trim, fun, N/D, N/S, homebody type, seeks lasting friendship and happiness with a quality gentleman in his 70s. Let's talk! ☎794040

### HAPPY & SECURE

DCF, 68, 5'2", long dark brown/brown, N/S, N/D, with positive attitude, enjoys leisurely drives, movies, and dining out. Seeking man, 58-75, for LTR. ☎689606

### GOOD LOOKER

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

### KIND HEART

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

### LOVING LEO

Widowed WPF, 53, 5'9", brown/brown, N/S, nursing home activities coordinator, enjoys boating, swimming, and Michigan State football games. Seeking WM, 50-62, with similar interests. ☎759316

### 59 YEARS OLD ENTREPRENEUR

Pretty, charming SWF, successful, kind, compassionate, lots of fun, looking for her knight in shining armor. Any sincere, Caucasian gentlemen, 55-80, please respond. Hopefully we'll be each others soul mates. ☎592074

### WILDFLOWER

SWF, 63, 5'6", average build, Aries, N/S, enjoys dancing, dining out, seeks WM, 58-75, N/S, with a sense of humor, for friendship, possible romance. ☎720594

### A KIND HEART

SBF, 56, mother, enjoys dining in/out, swimming, horseback riding, camping, picnics. Seeking sociable, honest, fun, employed man, N/S, to share happiness, friendship and possible LTR. ☎780769

### GET TO KNOW THIS...

petite, attractive SBF, 57, N/S, enjoys music, concerts, dining. Looking for SBM, 57-63, for friendship, possible LTR. ☎402995

### ZEST FOR LIFE

SJF, 61, 5'2", attractive, intelligent, sincere, outgoing, easygoing, down-to-earth, romantic, spontaneous, sensitive, with great sense of humor, loves to laugh/smile, enjoys music, plays, concerts. Seeking compassionate, communicative, quality SWJM, 50-70, ☎444319

### A GREAT CATCH

Slim, attractive lady, 69, employed, full of vim/vigor, loves dancing, singing, the opera, concerts, fine dining, cooking in, walks, life in general. ISO loving, fun man w/good sense of humor. ☎860625

### CAN U MAKE ME LAUGH?

Spontaneous SWF, 61, 5'4", average build, happy, independent, humorous, enjoys boating, cards, music, dining, walks, travel, golf. Seeking good-humored SM, w/similar interests, for companionship. ☎962703

### THICK AND HEALTHY

SBF, 30, 5'5", 240lbs, N/S, N/D, no kids, employed. Seeking nice-looking SM, 20-35, w/no kids, N/S, for friendship, possibly more. ☎534802

### HOMEBODY

SBF, 63, 5'8", 155lbs, retired (but does work part-time), very honest and caring, Scorpio, N/S, seeks BM, 58-65, honest and caring. ☎553674

## MEN SEEKING WOMEN

### HAPPY DAD

Single father of three, 37, loves family, outdoors, biking, barbecues, cooking and more. Looking for a lovely WF, 30-45, to share happiness and life with. ☎715711

### COULD IT BE YOU?

SWM, 40s, 6', 175lbs, N/S, homeowner, auto worker, easygoing, honest and secure, enjoys hunting, Harleys and the outdoors. Seeking attractive slim/fit woman, 30-50, N/S, D/D-free, comfortable in high heels-tennis shoes. ☎798519

### I'M A GOOD GUY WHO...

likes to have fun. SBM, 46, 5'4", 200lbs, Taurus, smoker, loves playing pool and gambling. Seeking WF, 30-35, smoker, who likes to have fun, too. ☎858825

### SEEKING AFFECTION AND...

love. DWM, 38, 6'2", 200lbs, blue eyes, lots of fun, likes the outdoors, quiet evenings at home. Looking for a WF, 33-41, for possible LTR. ☎875652

### LET'S HANG OUT

SHM, 35, 5'7", 170lbs, employed. Seeking a single female, 22-52, to develop a friendship, leading to a serious relationship. ☎875460

### SEEKS BROWN-EYED GIRL

Good-looking, friendly SWM, 41, 5'11", 180lbs, no children, N/S, easygoing, enjoys movies, music, travel, dining. Seeking very attractive, pretty SH/AFW, 28-39, friendship, possible relationship. ☎760359

### ONLY THING MISSING IS U

SWM, 24, red/hazel, medium build, employed. Would like to meet a good woman to share my accomplishments with. I enjoy church, movies, pool, darts and would like to share interest also. ☎870463

### FREE TO A GOOD HOME

SWM, 28, 5'8", 185lbs, automobile quality control inspector, smoker, seeks outgoing WF, 23-34, N/S, who enjoys traveling, movies, music, and concerts. ☎876563

### SWM DESIRES SBF

Call me if you desire a nice shape, blue-eyed blonde, 50-year-old, 180lbs. Desires one on one for friendship and definitely romance. ☎777324

### ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN

Single Italian male, 5'7", 160-165lbs, brown/brown, physically fit. Looking for a SF, 25-48, must be attractive, HWTP. I enjoy shooting, darts, pool, bowling, NASCAR and quiet nights at home. ☎875640

### HEY LADIES!

SBM, 29, employed, hard-working, enjoys, movies, playing cards and just hanging out with friends, 23-40, race open. ☎875649

### OPEN TO ALMOST ANYTHING

Optimistic, outgoing SWM, 46, enjoys most activities, yet open to new ideas and adventures, seeks spirited, spontaneous SWF, age open. ☎547524

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### LET'S TALK!

SM, 47, employed, secure, easygoing, fun-loving, homeowner, enjoys sorts, weightlifting, fishing, boating, keeping active. Seeking health-conscious, energetic with similar qualities and interests. ☎818838

### LOVELY & READY

SWM, 49, Italian, heart of gold, Virgo, N/S, seeks WF, 45-55, with a nice build, ready for LTR. Serious replies only. ☎860305

### KIND, HANDSOME TEACHER

SWPM, 53, 6', 220lbs, light smoker, social drinker, looking for one good woman. Please call. Troy area. ☎864792

### LET'S BE FREE TOGETHER

SBM, 6', 220lbs, physically fit, retired, well-educated. I would like to meet a single female 52-62, who is understanding, loving and caring, for a LTR. ☎869189

### WELL, HELLO

SM, very young-looking 50, 5'7", 180lbs, medium build, employed, self-reliant, D/D-free, easygoing and easy to get along with, enjoys biking and cooking. Seeking S/DWF, 40-55, 200-350lbs. ☎597126

### NEW DREAM TEAM?

Spend some time with this bright, enthusiastic, optimistic, yet realistic SWM, who is looking for a nice gal 40s or 50s. ☎550046

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### LOOKING FOR YOU

SBM, 45, seeks attractive, reliable, affectionate SBF, not into games, who knows how to enjoy life and have fun. ☎866435

### IRREGULAR JOE!

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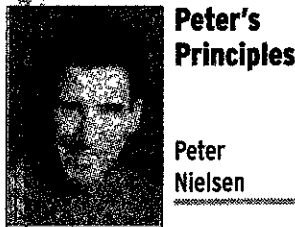
### GET IN TOUCH

SBM, 24, 5'8", humble, down-to-earth and looking to meet a SF, 18-30. I would like to spend quality time with that special person, possibly more. ☎871380

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## Study links hair loss, heart attack

Rich from Milford e-mails  
telling us about his hair  
loss in recent years and  
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underlying health concern.

Rich, many men experience male pattern baldness and current research shows that could raise a red flag. A newly released study looked at 19,000 men and showed that men with middle-aged baldness had a 34 percent higher chance of having a heart attack. The results were even more disturbing for men with baldness and high blood pressure. That group had an 80 percent higher chance of suffering an attack than men with full heads of hair and normal blood pressure. Factor in high cholesterol and the risk of a heart attack increases to a startling 300 percent! The reason for the link isn't exactly known yet. But until more research is done, men with hair loss should be extra careful to keep high blood pressure and cholesterol under control!

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

# Observer & Eccentric HEALTH

## Newfound freedom

### Insulin pumps change children's lives

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Katie Schremser likes to sleep in just like any other teenager. Until age 12 she had to crawl out of bed to take an insulin shot at the same time every day.

A diabetic since before her second birthday, the 17-year-old Plymouth Salem High School student discovered it didn't have to be that way if she wore an insulin pump. At age 12, she was not only able to throw away her sleep schedule but rigid diet as well. The device administers a short acting insulin boost automatically once an hour, but she can trigger a bolus dose before meals and snacks or to correct high blood glucose levels. With Type 1 diabetes, the body is unable to produce insulin to maintain healthy blood sugar or glucose levels.

"If I wanted to I could go out and get a frozen Coke and not have to worry about skipping a meal because it raised my blood sugar," said Schremser. "This whole world opens up when you use the pump. I'm even healthier. It helps you keep it in control."

The first big, chunky pump hung unattractively from her waist. Today's new generation of high-tech devices are about the size of a small cell phone and can be programmed easily. Before, Schremser had to calculate the dosage according to the number of carbohydrates she was about to eat. The pump saves her time which is of the essence with her busy schedule as a member of the student council, National Honor Society and PCEP (Plymouth-Canton Educational Park) Wind Ensemble.

The insulin  
pump fits in the  
palm of the  
hand.

Last fall, she competed with the Plymouth Salem girls swim team and last spring helped coach a middle school swim team in addition to teaching swimming at a local fitness club.

#### COLLEGE-BOUND

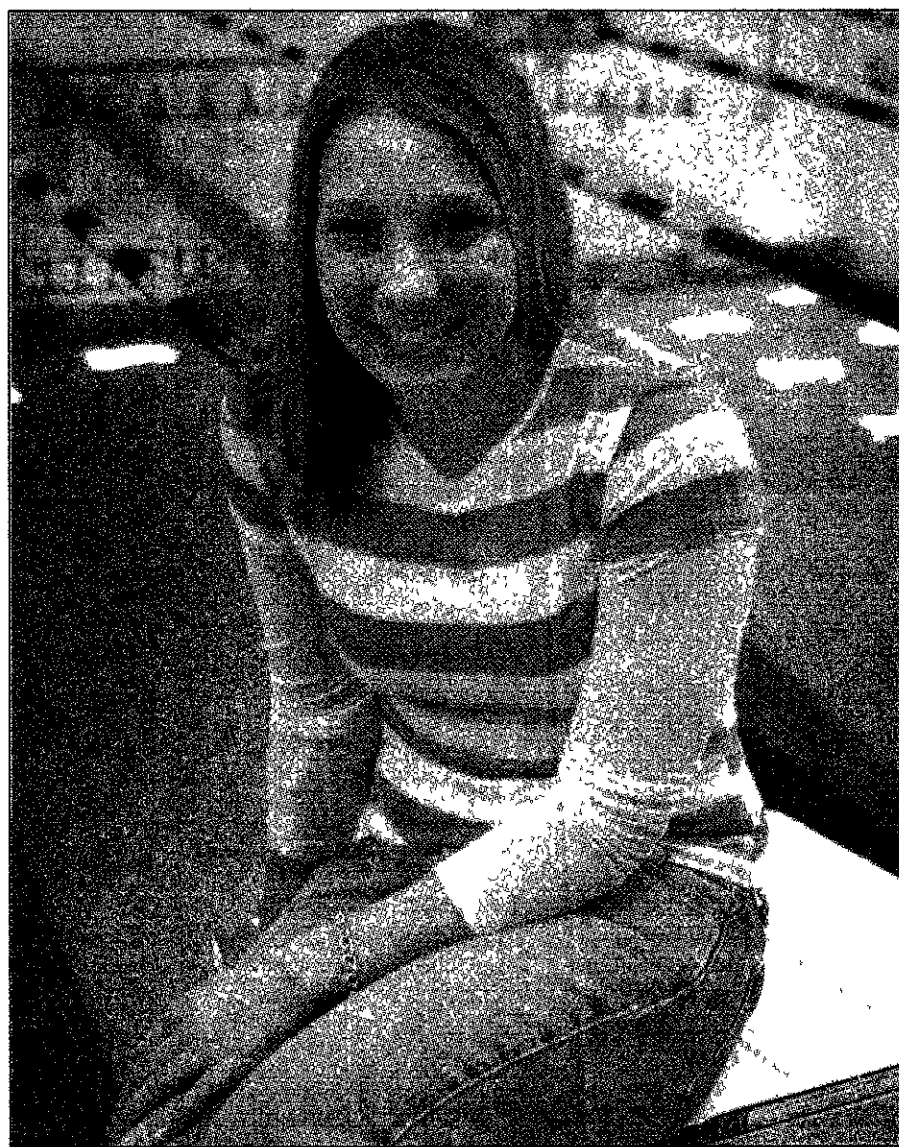
Schremser expects to be even busier next fall. She's been accepted to Purdue and the University of Michigan to study chemical engineering.

"It's a much greater challenge to participate in sports without the pump," said her mother, Gina Schremser. "The pump has simplified her life and made it much more normal."

Kari Ritter has seen the difference the pump has made in 7-year-old son Robbie's life even though he's only worn the device since April. Before that, the Garden City boy had taken injections of four different insulins twice a day since he was nearly age 4. Today, the second-grade student swims, rides his bike and bowls in a league at Oak Lanes in Westland. The pump allows him to program activity before exercising or participating in sports. The only time he removes the pump is before jumping on a trampoline. He can even wear it in the shower because it's waterproof.

"Before he could eat only certain things," said Kari Ritter. "If he didn't, his blood sugar would go too low or too high. The pump means no more shots and his average blood sugar reading has gone down. The pump eliminated the need for long acting insulin. It mimics a person's pancreas."

"It's a new way of looking at diabetes. People think you can't eat sugar. The American Diabetic Association has said, 'a carb is a carb' so they're not as



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Katie Schremser has used an Insulin pump since age 12. She turns 18 on Dec. 28.

restricted. He doesn't feel excluded. It gave him a newfound freedom and he even knows how to program the pump."

Robbie has no problem reading food labels then programming in the amount of carbohydrates in the chips and cookies he snacked on between frames. He says he doesn't miss the shots and feels healthier.

Ritter had been looking for symptoms such as thirst in her five young sons for years before Robbie was diagnosed. She was afraid they would develop the disease like her aunt who has lived with juvenile or Type 1 dia-

betes since age 7. Unlike Robbie, Karen Marvel grew up not eating sweets for 59 of her 66 years. The pump has changed her life.

"It really is a miracle. I carry it in my pocket and can take insulin at any time. I feel better and have a lot more energy," said Marvel, a Livonia resident who received her pump in August. "My sugar has gone down and my kidney function has improved."

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Robbie Ritter runs up to throw his bowling ball at Oak Lanes in Westland. Robbie has been able to become very active now that he has an insulin pump that he carries in his pocket.

## INSULIN

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Nugget Burkhart knows all too well that uncontrolled diabetes damages the kidneys and eyes. The nurse practitioner works in the University of Michigan pediatric endocrinology department's outpatient clinic which follows about 1,000 diabetic children, ages birth to 21. U-M started its pump program in 1998 after taking part in the Diabetes Control Complications Trial, which studied the use of the pump in ages 13 to 39 from 1983 to 1992. U-M and Burkhart now have more than 400 children on insulin pumps including Schremser and Ritter.

"The study proved that tight-

ly controlling the sugar prevents diabetes complications," said Burkhart, an registered nurse with a master's degree in pediatric nursing. She's worked with diabetic children since 1983 and was hired to set up the U-M pump program. "If blood sugar is kept as close to the normal range as possible, the study showed it reduced kidney and eye damage by about 70 percent.

"Today we have much better tools than ever before, very sophisticated technology, fast acting insulin. We know a lot more about the diet and counting carbohydrates. We have a goal of trying to control the blood sugar as well as possible and promote normal growth and development."

It's Burkhart's job to educate the children on how to use the

pump so they can live as normal a childhood as possible.

"About 95 percent of what they do is self-management and they have to do it all day long, every day," said Burkhart. "They have to learn to think like a pancreas. We teach them technical skills, how to program the pump, load the insulin and care for the tiny Teflon catheter that goes in subcutaneously and must be changed every two to three days.

"They have so much to learn. After they begin using the pump, so many families tell us they got their kid back. They act like they used to act. They don't have mood swings and do better in school. These kids are an inspiration to all of us."

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and how to eat and drink to reach your optimal levels of health 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27, at 8524 Canton Center Road, Canton. Guest lecturer is Dr. Michael Brackney, D.C. No charge, but seating is limit. To reserve a space, call (734) 455-4444.

### Eating disorders support

Groups meet 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays at William Beaumont Hospital, 3601 W. 13 Mile, west of Woodward, use east entrance and take central elevators to 10th floor classroom A & B; 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster, between Ford and Warren, use main entrance, take elevators after the gift shop down to

the auditorium on the right. Family and friends support is on the second Wednesday of each month, parents only on fourth Wednesday of each month, at the same time and place as the Monday night closed group. For more information, call (734) 324-3089.

## JANUARY

### Having a baby

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is offering a six-week childbirth education class 7-9 p.m. Monday, Jan. 2 to Feb. 6, learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery, classes based on Lamaze Method and include exercise, relaxation breathing techniques and comfort measures to assist expectant mom through labor, includes information on anesthesia options, medication, nutrition, family adjustment and the importance of the support person's role, in Classroom 1 at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile at Levon, Livonia. To register, call (734) 655-1162.

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You may be right in part, your medicine may no longer be doing its job. Most arthritis medicines work at the cellular level, often controlling intracellular channels that direct the entrance and exit of molecular solutions. Over time the body develops alternative channels that bypass what the drug counteracted. The result is return of inflammation.

Another cause of pain is that your arthritis has progressed, you may hurt because your joints are worsening despite medication. Finally, the pain you experience may be the result of another condition other than the arthritis for which you are under treatment, as for example, new fibromyalgia.

The doctor sees his job as separating out these possibilities since each cause or their combination, requires a different medical response. At times, only changing your therapy in stages will uncover the reason for the flare in pain. You may need patience, just at the time you most want immediate relief.

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## DECEMBER

### Depression lecture

Darlene Doule, an adult psychiatric mental health nursing and clinical nurse specialist at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, gives tips on coping with holiday stress 10:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 19 at the Northville Senior Center. Registration required. Call (734) 455-4444 for more information.

Learn the stress management techniques that indicate when your body is under too much stress 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20 and Jan. 3, learn about three kinds of stress and how to decrease emotional, chemical and physical stress. The workshop also teaches Trigger Point Therapy which is a natural way to relieve tight and sore muscles, at 8524 Canton Center Road, Canton. Guest lecturer is Dr. Michael Brackney, D.C. No charge, but seating is limit. To reserve a space, call (734) 455-4444.

### G.E.M.S.

Group Exercise for Multiple Sclerosis meets 6-7 p.m. Dec. 23 and every Friday evening at the Livonia YMCA on Stark Road. It is a water exercise class for MS patients and their families. Support group meeting from 7:15-8:15 p.m. For information, call Carolyn Davis, (734) 459-9715, or Mike Hickey, (734) 522-0036

### Recovery Inc.

The group meets Dec. 23, and every Friday, in the Southfield Parks & Recreation Building on Evergreen at

## Holiday card sales to benefit cancer patients

Stay in touch with friends and family while supporting a good cause at the same time. Beaumont Hospital's Integrative Medicine program is selling holiday cards to benefit programs for cancer patients at Beaumont.

The cards, one with a snowy, winter scene and the other with colorful poinsettias, are available in packs of 10 for \$15.90. All proceeds from the cards, minus printing costs benefit cancer patients. The greetings inside the cards are generic. The designs were donated by Clarkston artist Jan Mayer, an 11-year cancer survivor. To order, call (248) 551-7837.

Beaumont's Integrative Medicine program offers treatments such as medical massage, healing touch, guided imagery, yoga, meditation, and Reiki to supplement standard therapy. It is part of the hospital's Oncology Services department.



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Dr. Patel - who grew up in Canton - completed a combined Orthopedic and

Neurosurgical Spine Surgery fellowship at New England Baptist Hospital in Boston. He received his medical degree, with honors, from the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine. Dr. Patel's affiliations include an active membership in the North American Spine Society.

Dr. Patel also has a practice in Dearborn located in the Waterworks Building at 21031 Michigan Ave., and has privileges at all Oakwood hospitals.

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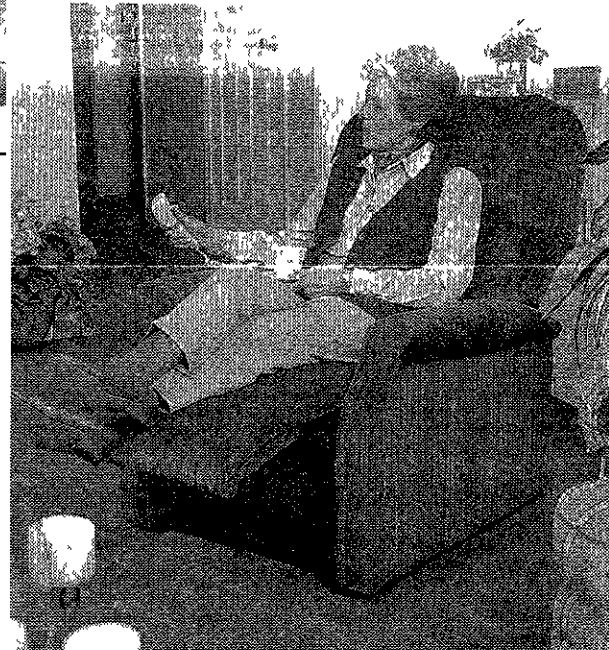
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# Etiquette builds confidence in business

BY SANDRA ARMBRUSTER  
COMMUNITY EDITOR

So you're at a business meeting and about to greet a fellow guest. The guest is taken with a sudden urge to sneeze and does so – into his hand.

Then he extends his hand in greeting to shake yours.

Ew-w-w-w. Besides grimacing, what do you do?

You have some choices, according to Peter Post, who spoke to Troy Chamber of Commerce members at a luncheon.

Among them are refusing to shake hands; say you have a cold and decline to shake

hands; or go ahead and shake his hand.

"It's much worse if you don't deal with the situation," Post said.

The correct answer: Go ahead and grasp his hand. "What etiquette helps us do (is handle) the difficulty in how to shake hands," said Post, the son of Emily Post, the mother of rules of etiquette in the U.S. Post now heads up his enterprise and speaks around the country.

The most important aspect of shaking hands is to do so confidently, he said. "That's the value of etiquette – it gives you confidence."

That confidence is built from standing up at eye level – even if you're a woman – to greet guests approaching a table and offer a firm handshake. "I can't tell you what a difference it makes," he said. "Acknowledging the person is key."

Which leads to Post to comment that business people should participate actively in work-related social events. "The food is secondary," he

**And don't be the first to take seconds from the dessert tray, he added.**

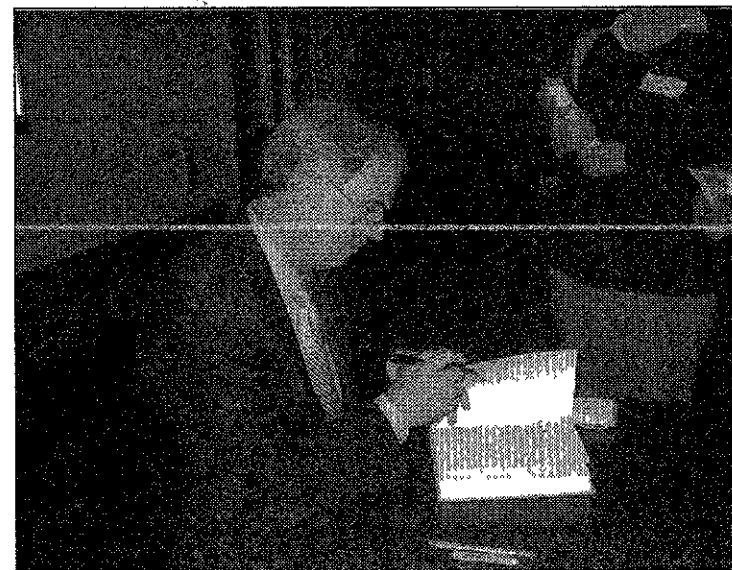
said. And remember what your mom told you: Chew with your mouth closed.

Think that's tough – how about a business-related pool party, pool as in jump in and get wet? That's just what Post doesn't want you to do. "Take your swimming suit in a bag and a towel – just don't be the first person to put a swimsuit on and jump in the pool."

And don't be the first to take seconds from the dessert tray, he added.

Post offered other modern rules of etiquette to the chamber members, including returning e-mail messages. But do it carefully.

Post cited the example of a worker who, at the end of a long day, replies to an e-mail with a few choice comments about his boss. But instead of replying to the sender of the e-mail, the worker replies to all



Peter Post signs copies of his latest book on etiquette for members of the Troy Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon.

in the office.

Ouch. You could start working on your resume, Post said, but there is another option.

"The reason answer (to this dilemma) is to go and talk to the boss and explain the situation and apologize," he said. "How you recover from business mistakes makes a big difference."

The quality of an e-mail is better than its length, and rather than fire off a hot one, it's better to write a draft and save it for later transmission, according to Post.

There were other pointers business persons may have already heard, like dress for

where you want to be, job-wise, not where you are.

"He was terrific – practical and pragmatic," said one chamber member.

Etiquette consists of manners plus principles, Post said. "Manners are what you do and what you expect someone else to do. Etiquette helps you know what to do with confidence" and how to build relationships.

Forget worrying about which fork to use, Post said, that's the easy part. The goal is for people to "think more about what to do before they do it."

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## 'Bed Hogs' named Michigan Reads book

The Library of Michigan Monday announced *Bed Hogs* as the preschool book that captured the most votes for the March 2006 Michigan Reads! one-state, one-preschool-book program.

Written by local author Kelly DiPucchio (who grew up in Rochester and currently lives in Macomb Township), *Bed Hogs* is the engaging story of Little Runt, who grows weary of sharing a straw bed with his parents and siblings and kicks them out one by one. Only when he has the bed all to himself does Little Runt realize it's scary and lonesome without his family around him.

Four other librarian-selected books were in the running with *Bed Hogs* to be the 2006 Michigan Reads! title, including *Imogene's Antlers* by David Small; *In the Small, Small Pond* by Denise Fleming; *Sheep in a Jeep* by Nancy Shaw; and *Stranger in the Woods* by Carl R. Sams II and Jean Stoick.

"Who knew that something good would finally come out of all those years of sleep deprivation? I am absolutely thrilled that *Bed Hogs* has been chosen by my home state as the 2006 Michigan Reads! one-state, one-preschool-book winner," said DiPucchio. "As both an author and a parent, I am honored to be a part of a program that acknowledges the importance of early-childhood literacy in families. 'Hogs and kisses' to our wonderful Michigan libraries and to everyone who voted!"

"Congratulations to Kelly and to all the authors and illustrators whose work was selected to be a part of this year's Michigan Reads! ballot," said State Librarian Nancy Robertson. "The Michigan Reads! program aims to get people excited about sharing words, ideas and stories with our youngest readers. *Bed Hogs* is a terrific book around which libraries, parents and caregivers statewide can create meaningful reading experiences this coming March."

Michigan Reads! was launched in 2004 by the Library of Michigan in partnership with the Michigan Center for the Book to promote the value and benefits of reading early and often to preschoolers; to encourage family bonding through reading; and to increase awareness and usage of public libraries. Learn more at [www.michigan.gov/michiganreads](http://www.michigan.gov/michiganreads).

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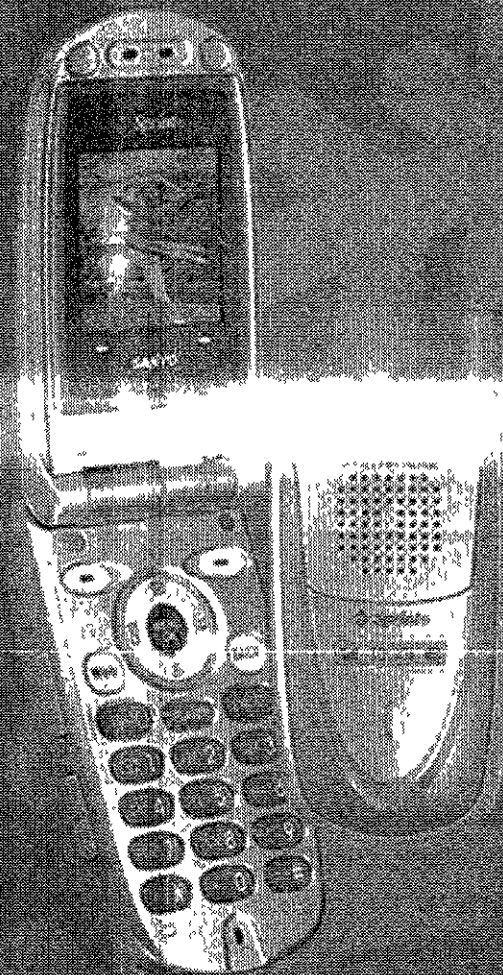


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## You can do it: Selling during the holidays has up side

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The market does slow down during the holidays. However, there are certain advantages you have as well when you are selling in this season.

Some of these are:

■ Less competition. Many sellers are afraid to sell their house during the holidays, as a result they wait until after the season.



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Because of this there is often much less competition. This brings us to the basic law of supply and demand. The smaller the supply, the easier it is to sell your house.

■ Serious buyers are still out there. Even though there are fewer buyers, the buyers that are out there are more likely to buy soon. This keeps you from wasting time with lookers, instead of buyers. The difference between buyers compared to lookers, is that buyers have money, motivation, and urgency. There are going to be fewer lookers out there in the wintertime who want to see your house because they want to get

decorating ideas or because they are nosy neighbors. No matter what the season there are people who need to buy because of their circumstances. There are still buyers who are getting transferred into the area. Also, people are getting married and divorced who need a new home. Many buyers want to be in their new home by the end of the year, as well.

■ The best agents are still working. Many people like to

take off for the holidays. In the real estate industry though the best agents are still working. The way this can benefit you is that if you are working with top-notch agents there is a greater likelihood of getting the house sold in a smooth transaction.

■ Even though there is a mess it can be considered a happy mess. You may be concerned that because of holiday preparations your place may be more cluttered than normal.

Buyers realize this and are more forgiving of holiday clutter.

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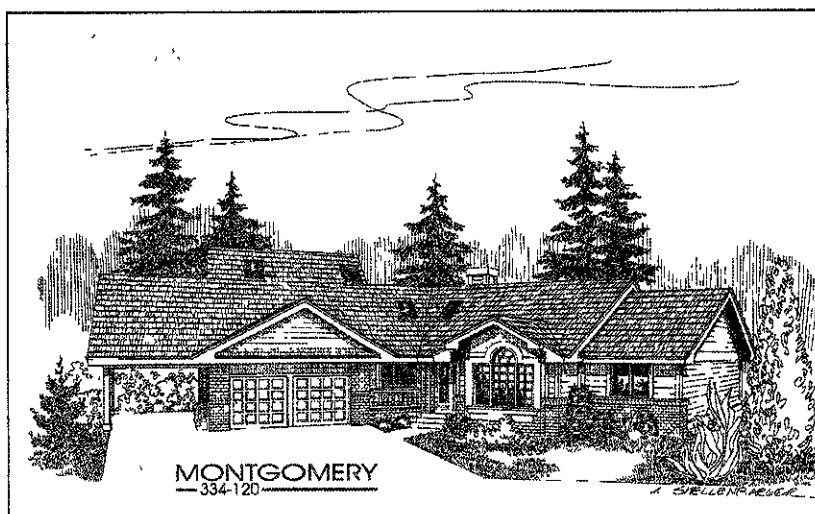
## Older couples would enjoy this 'full Monty' with its spaciousness

Brick detailing, along with attractive lap siding and a wood shake roof give the 2,264 square foot Montgomery (334-120) a rich exterior. This home is perfect for a retired couple that have frequent overnight visitors, or perhaps a family that includes an elderly parent. Whatever the makeup of the household, there is plenty of room here to accommodate.

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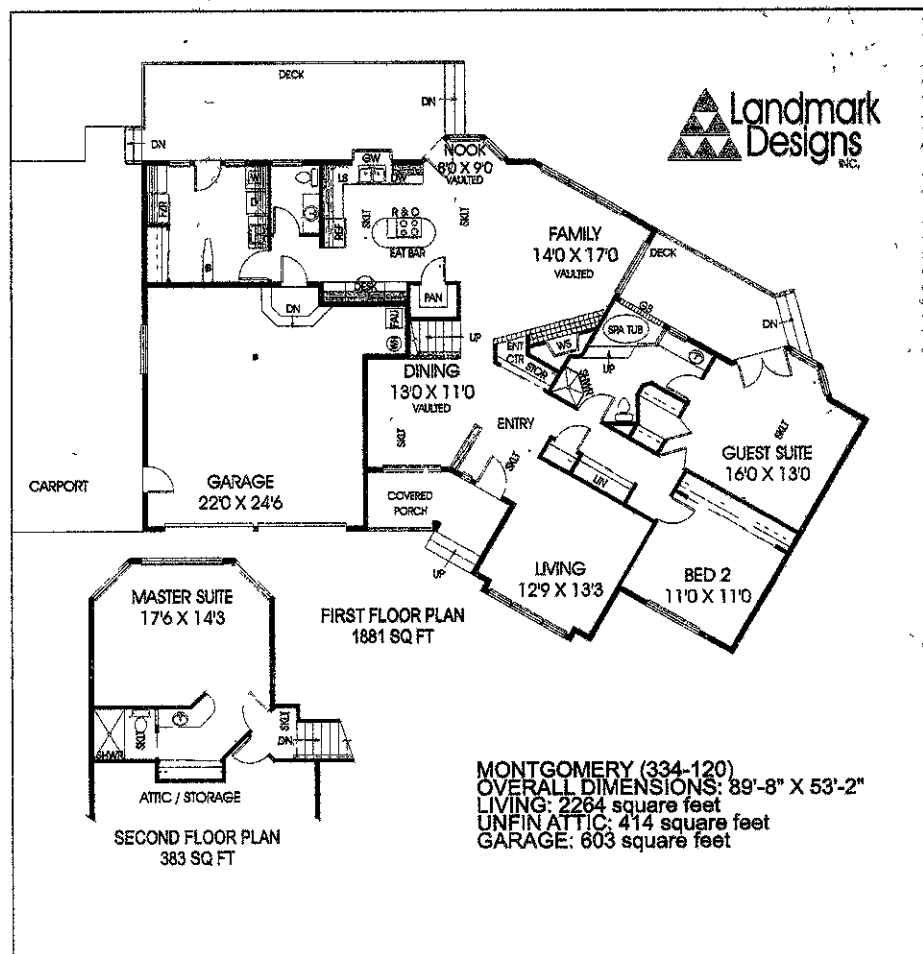
warm summer days.

The large, sky lit family room is the place for everyone to gather in front of the television or play board games while the built-in fireplace warms the festivities. Lots of shelf and storage space is available. The walk-through kitchen is situated so that the cook can easily prepare and serve meals. Vaulted ceiling, skylight, walk-in pantry, eating bar, and handy desk are some of the features. A half-bath and large utility room, with freezer, ironing board and storage complete the first floor plan.

The upper floor is given over to the master suite. Facing the rear

and isolated for privacy, the entire back wall is windowed to present a broad view of the surrounding terrain. An attic provides extra storage space.

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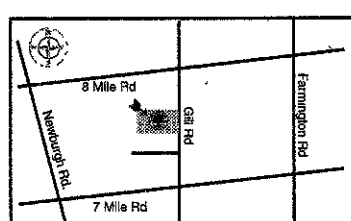
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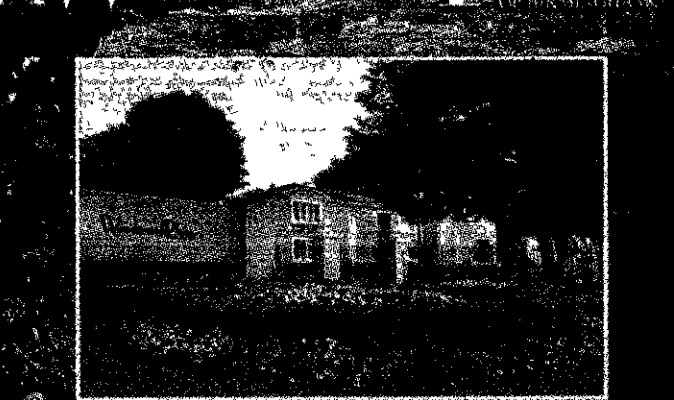
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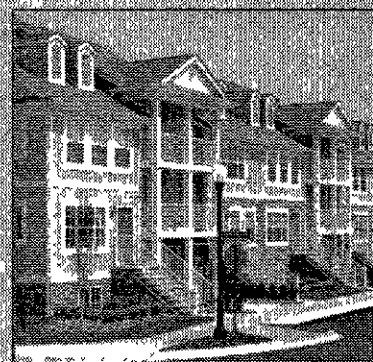
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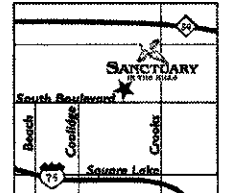
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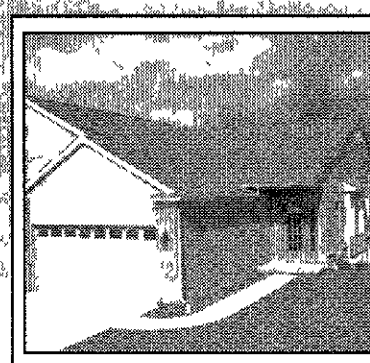
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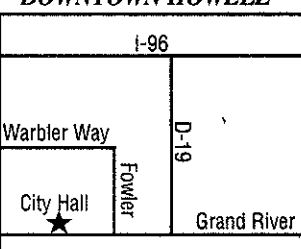
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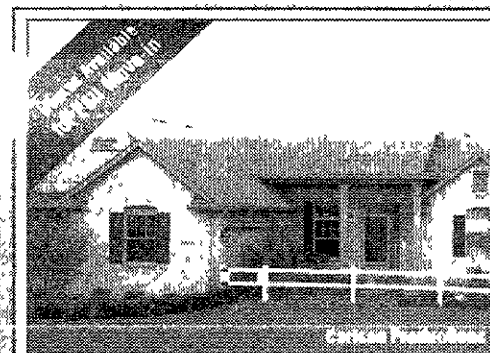
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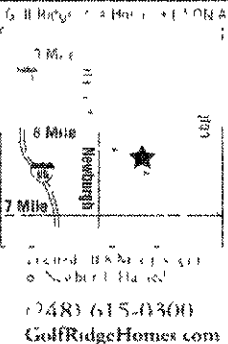


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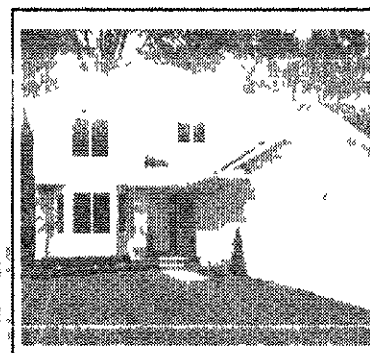
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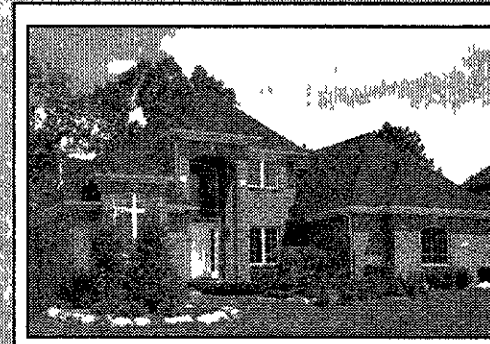
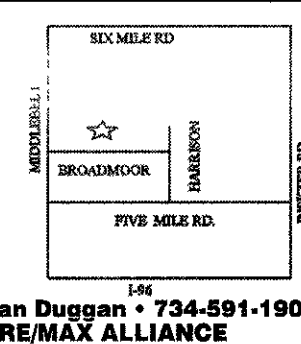
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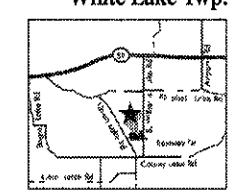
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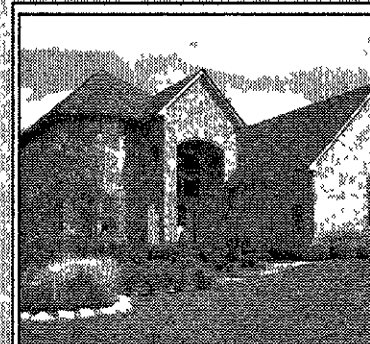
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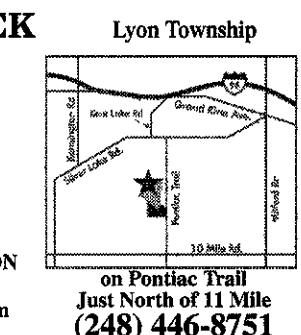


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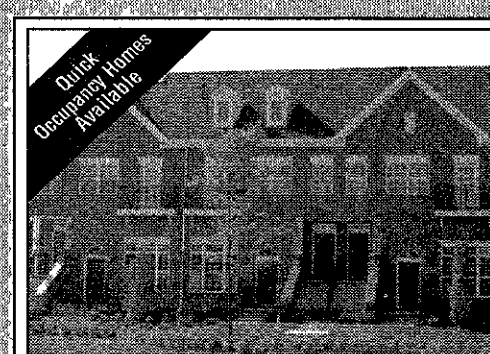
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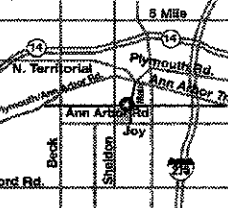
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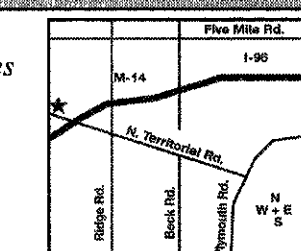
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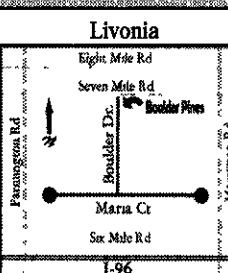
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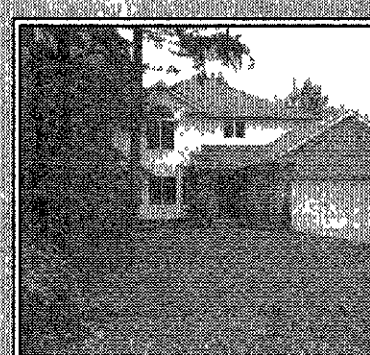
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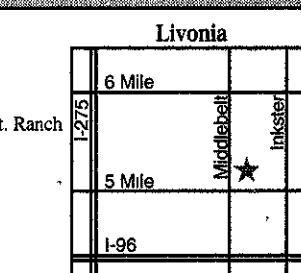
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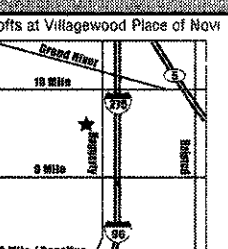


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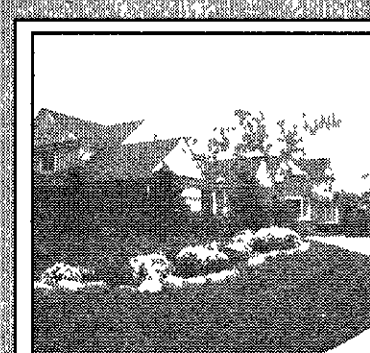
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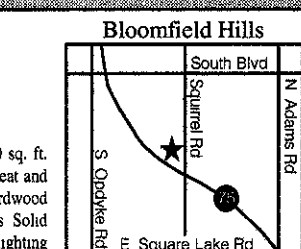
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### WOMEN SEEKING MEN

**LET'S LAUGH TOGETHER**  
SWF, 49, 5'5", full-figured, brown/brown, romantic, lovable, humorous, likes entertaining, traveling, family time. Seeking SM, 40-56, N/S, social drinker ok, who puts God first in his life, for possible LTR. ☎861408

**ARE YOU OUT THERE?**  
SWF, 42, Aries, smoker, never married, looking for companionship. Seeking good-hearted kind, hard-working SWM 30-50. ☎819435

**GREAT COMPANION**  
SF, 65, looks 55, 5'2", unique, bright, w/many talents and interests. I'm well-traveled, very attractive, health-conscious. How about you? Seeking non-smoking counterpart, 62-70. ☎633527

**LIKE HAVING FUN?**  
SF, 5', 112lbs, blonde/green, looking for a romantic guy, 20-25, who is tall, handsome, nice and knows how to treat a lady. ☎845044

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Classy, slim, young-looking, SWF, 57, with good personality and values, financially/emotionally stable, ISO SWM, 53-64, with same qualities for serious relationship. ☎867073

**SEXY REDHEAD/GREAT LEGS**  
DWF, 54, 142lbs, 5'6", enjoys blues, animals, gardening, homeowner, no kids. Seeking SM, 5'10"+, N/S, social drinker for LTR. ☎548938

**LET'S ENJOY LIFE**  
SWF, 57, N/S, seeks intelligent, kind-hearted, young-at-heart WM, 57-68, N/S, who enjoys traveling, camping, boating (Great Lakes or ocean), music book stores, and laughter. ☎759907

**SEEKING LTR**  
SWF, 21, brown/hazel, enjoys bowling, watching movies, computers, dining out and just having fun. Looking to meet a SWBM, 21-28, who has same interest. ☎873729

**ROMANTIC AND HAPPY**  
Attractive, outgoing SWF, 50, professional, N/S, secure, young-at-heart, RN, no dependents, W/LTM loving man, N/S, with similar qualities, for sharing dinner dates, quiet walks, laughs and lasting love. ☎875822

**STRIKING...**  
blue-eyed blondel Slim, sensuous, romantic, fun, caring, seeking attractive, fit, fun-loving male, 48-59. Friendship, LTR. I enjoy movies, walks, music, hugs, laughter, quiet times. Let's get to know each other! ☎962332

**LONESOME**  
Senior WF, retired, 5'4", active, honest, healthy. Need the attention of a WM, 65-75, enjoys everything, easy to please. So hurry up and call me! ☎449658

**TRY ME!**  
Attractive SWF, 49, I enjoy movies, dining, skiing and skating. Seeking an attractive SWM, 45-55, who enjoys most activities. ☎869847

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

**COULD YOU BE MR. RIGHT?**  
Are you a big, tall, handsome man? DWF, 47, very attractive, loving, fun, seeks SWM to share life together. ☎443339

**ASIAN MAN WANTED**  
Pretty, blue-eyed blonde, 55, plus-sized, warm and bright, seeks intelligent, handsome man for dating. Troy area. ☎827007

**ISO GOOD FRIEND?**  
Possible relationship? Read on. SWF, 47, N/S, enjoys cooking, dining out, art museums, plays, reading, and traveling. Seeking honest WM, 42-57, N/S. ☎857253

**FORMER MODEL**  
SWF, 50, 5'6" slender, intelligence, creativity, passion for music and dancing. Seeks partner: 38-50 who is attractive and fit, to share this interests and more. ☎600106

**SEEKING SECURE MAN**  
SF, 53", long red hair, semi-retired, Vietnam vet, looking for a real man, 35-60. Must be able to communicate and be affectionate. ☎860537

**MYSTICAL WOMAN**  
Feminine SBF, 37, loving and lovable, 5'4", 135lbs, seeks creative, compassionate metaphysical, feminine woman for long talks, romantic weekends, love? ☎865148

**SEEKING GOOD MAN**  
BF, 45, 5'4", 110lbs, secure, looking for a BM, 45-50, with a light complexion, for dating and spending time together. ☎875141

**ATTRACTIVE, HONEST...**  
SWF, youthful 43, down-to-earth. I enjoy camping, fishing, amusement parks, dining, blockbuster nights, etc. Seeking honest WM, 35-45, for dating, possible LTR. Must have good SOH. ☎865670

**I LISTEN WITH MY HEART**  
Attractive DWF, late 40s, Cancer, N/S, seeks special, no games WM, 45+, N/S, for caring, quality committed relationship. Let's create sparks and watch them fly. ☎639272

**DOWN-TO-EARTH HOMEBODY**  
SBF, 37, 5', 160lbs, single mom of 2, nice smile, hard-working, N/S, seeks teddy-bear type BM, 37-42, N/S, kids at, for friendship, maybe LTR. ☎848200

**FRIENDSHIP FIRST**  
SWF, 40, brown/brown, plus-size, likes walks, most movies, reading, cuddling, time with family and friends, more. Looking for WM, 35-48, for dating. ☎859885

**SHALL WE DANCE?**  
I am a SBF, 58, 5'3", 170lbs, attractive, intelligent, creative, articulate, seeks SWM, 57-73, who is kind-hearted, articulate, who enjoys dancing, walking, traveling, movies, dining out. ☎812098

**ENERGETIC AND HAPPY**  
Very attractive blonde, refined, fit, full of life, easygoing, well-dressed, professionally employed, affectionate, romantic, kind, early very youthful 60s, 5'3", green eyes, feminine, shapely, enjoys dining, travel, music, theatre, dancing, family and friends. Seeking an honest, handsome, fit, educated, college graduate gentleman, over 55, N/S, with a youthful passion for life. Serious replies only. ☎652360

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

**WHERE ARE YOU?**  
Attractive SBF, 32, loves comedy clubs, movies, concerts, fishing, bowling, rollerblading and amusement parks, ISO SM, 32-39, race open, for LTR. Serious replies only. ☎695115

### SEEKING COMPANION

SWF, 52, young at heart, very personable, fun-loving, great SOH. Seeking SWM, who sweet and lovable for friendship first, hopefully more. ☎873722

### LOVE CAN BUILD A BRIDGE

SWF, 55, romantic, caring, sensitive, N/S, with zest for life, is looking for Mr. Right. ISO S/DWM, 39-60, sincere about togetherness. ☎863279

### BEAUTIFUL REDHEAD

SF, 58, beautiful both inside/out, wonderful smile, dimples and great SOH, with interests in travel, concerts, movies, cooking, gardening, W/LTM secure, accomplished, fun-loving SM, 50-70, 5'8"+, with similar interests. Call! ☎870556

### GOOD MAN WANTED

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

### RESCUE ME!

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

### BROWN SUGAR AND SPICE

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

### SOULMATE SEARCH

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

### CUTE AND CLASSY

SBF, mid-50s, seeks attractive gentleman, 50+, with similar interests. I love jogging, walks, concerts, quiet evenings. ☎574342

### VERY OLD-FASHIONED

Widowed BF, 5'8", 185lbs, would like to meet a very nice man to be my good companion. ☎837276

### SLIM AND PETITE

Easygoing, active DWF, retired, ISO fun male, 60+, who likes bridge, tennis, reading, hiking, animals, kids, popcorn, willing to don a tuxedo now and then. ☎271793

### SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP

Loving, attractive SWCF, 74, trim, fun, N/D, N/S, homebody type, seeks lasting friendship and happiness with a quality gentleman in his 70s. Let's talk! ☎794040

### HAPPY & SECURE

DCF, 68, 5'2", long dark brown/brown, N/S, N/D, with positive attitude, enjoys leisurely drives, movies, and dining out. Seeking man, 58-75, for LTR. ☎689606

### GOOD LOOKER

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

### KIND HEART

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

### LOVING LEO

Widowed WPF, 53, 5'9", brown/brown, N/S, nursing home activities coordinator, enjoys boating, swimming, and Michigan State football games. Seeking WM, 50-62, with similar interests. ☎759316

**59 YEARS OLD ENTREPRENEUR**  
Pretty, charming SWF, successful, kind, compassionate, lots of fun, looking for her knight in shining armor. Any sincere, caucasian gentlemen, 55-80, please respond. Hopefully we'll be each others soul mates. ☎592074

### WILDFLOWER

SWF, 63, 5'6", average build, Aries, N/S, enjoys dancing, dining out, seeks WM, 58-75, N/S, with a sense of humor, for friendship, possible romance. ☎720594

### A KIND HEART

SBF, 56, mother, enjoys dining in/out, swimming, horseback riding, camping, picnics. Seeking sociable, honest, fun, employed man, N/S, to share happiness, friendship and possible LTR. ☎780769

### GET TO KNOW THIS...

petite, attractive SBF, 57, N/S, enjoys music, concerts, dining. Looking for SBM, 57-63, for friendship, possible LTR. ☎742495

### ZEST FOR LIFE

SJF, 61, 5'2", attractive, intelligent, sincere, outgoing, easygoing, down-to-earth, romantic, spontaneous, sensitive, with great sense of humor, loves to laugh/smile, enjoys music, plays, concerts. Seeking compassionate, communicative, quality SWJM, 50-70. ☎444319

### A GREAT CATCH

Slim, attractive lady, 69, employed, full of vim/vigor, loves dancing, singing, the opera, concerts, fine dining, cooking in, walks, life in general. ISO loving, fun man w/good sense of humor. ☎860625

### CAN U MAKE ME LAUGH?

Spontaneous SWF, 61, 5'4", average build, happy, independent, humorous, enjoys boating, cards, music, dining, walks, travel, golf. Seeking good-humored SM, w/similar interests, for companionship. ☎962703

### THICK AND HEALTHY

SBF, 30, 5'5", 240lbs, N/S, N/D, no kids, employed. Seeking nice-looking SM, 20-35, w/no kids, N/S, for friendship, possibly more. ☎534802

### HOMEBODY

SBF, 63, 5'8", 155lbs, retired (but does work part-time), very honest and caring. Scorpio, N/S, seeks BM, 58-65, honest and caring. ☎553674

### MEN SEEKING WOMEN

### HAPPY DAD

Single father of three, 37, loves family, outdoors, biking, barbecues, cooking and more. Looking for a lovely WF, 30-45, to share happiness and life with. ☎715711

### COULD IT BE YOU?

SWM, 40s, 6', 175lbs, N/S, homeowner, auto worker, easygoing, honest and secure, enjoys hunting, Harleys and the outdoors. Seeking attractive slim/fit woman, 30-50, N/S, D/D-free, comfortable in high heels-tennis shoes. ☎798519

### I'M A GOOD GUY WHO...

likes to have fun. SBM, 46, 5'4", 200lbs, Taurus, smoker, loves playing pool and gambling. Seeking WF, 30-35, smoker, who likes to have fun, too. ☎588825

### SEEKING AFFECTION AND...

love. DWM, 38, 6'2", 200lbs, blue eyes, lots of fun, likes the outdoors, quiet evenings at home. Looking for a WF, 33-41, for possible LTR. ☎875652

### LET'S HANG OUT

SHM, 35, 5'7", 170lbs, employed. Seeking a single female, 22-52, to develop a friendship, leading to a serious relationship. ☎875460

### SEEKS BROWN-EYED GIRL

Good-looking, friendly SWM, 41, 5'11", 180lbs, no children, N/S, easygoing, enjoys movies, music, travel, dining. Seeking very attractive, pretty SH/AWF, 28-39, friendship, possible relationship. ☎760359

### ONLY THING MISSING IS U

SWM, 24, red/hazel, medium build, employed. Would like to meet a good woman to share my accomplishments with. I enjoy church, movies, pool, darts and would like to share interest also. ☎870463

### FREE TO A GOOD HOME

SWM, 28, 5'8", 185lbs, automobile quality control inspector, smoker, seeks outgoing WF, 23-34, N/S, who enjoys traveling, movies, music, and concerts. ☎876563

### SWM DESIRES SBF

Call me if you desire a nice shape, blue-eyed blonde, 50-year-old, 180lbs. Desires one on one for friendship and definitely romance. ☎777324

### ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN

Single Italian male, 5'7", 160-165lbs, brown/brown, physically fit. Looking for a SF, 25-48, must be attractive, HWTP. I enjoy shooting, darts, pool, bowling, NASCAR and quiet nights at home. ☎875640

### HEY LADIES!!

SBM, 29, employed, hard-working, enjoys, movies, playing cards and just hanging out with friends, 23-40, race open. ☎875649

### OPEN TO ALMOST ANYTHING

Optimistic, outgoing SWM, 46, enjoys most activities, yet open to new ideas and adventures, seeks spirited, spontaneous SWF, age open. ☎547524

### ROMANCE AND YOU...

over due? If you are a SWF, 40-55, decent-looking, and somewhat romantic, then we might connect. This gentle, optimistic SWM could make you really happy. ☎799032

### LET'S TRY THIS OUT

Nice SWM, 40s, energetic, accommodating. Easy to talk to seeks a good lady to enjoy life and love. ☎254448

### HAPPY GO LUCKY

Dance, flirt and have fun with me! SWM, 40s, seeks friendship with a good-natured, fun-to-be-with SWF, 35-50. ☎283848

### ROMANCE AND REALITY

Handsome gent, SWM, 40s, one-of-a-kind, lots of great interests, willing to share them. Seeking special lady in my life to adore. ☎283228

### JUST SOMEONE TO...

make your day better. Meet me with ease and confidence. Humorous, nice-looking gent, 40s, seeks nice SWF girlfriend. ☎609661

### LET'S TALK!

SM, 47, employed, secure, easygoing, fun-loving, homeowner, enjoys sorts, weightlifting, fishing, boating, keeping active. Seeking health-conscious, energetic with similar qualities and interests. ☎818838

### LOVELY & READY

SWM, 49, Italian, heart of gold, N/S, seeks WF, 45-55, with a nice build, ready for LTR. Serious replies only. ☎860305

### KIND, HANDSOME TEACHER

SWPM, 53, 6', 220lbs, light smoker, social drinker, looking for one good woman. Please call. Troy area. ☎864792

### LET'S BE FREE TOGETHER

SBM, 6', 220lbs, physically fit, retired, well-educated. I would like to meet a single female 52-62, who is understanding, loving and caring, for a LTR. ☎869189

### WELL, HELLO

SM, very young-looking 50, 5'7", 180lbs, medium build, employed, self-reliant, D/D-free, easygoing and easy to get along with, enjoys biking and cooking. Seeking S/DWF, 40-55, 200-350lbs. ☎597126

### NEW DREAM TEAM?

Spend some time with this bright, enthusiastic, optimistic, yet realistic SWM, who is looking for a nice gal 40s or 50s. ☎550046

### SINCERE AND LOVING

Retired, 70s, DWPM likes classy, educated woman, 60-70, 5'3"+, likes family, church, gardening, conversation, winter sun areas. ISO romance leading to loving committed LTR. ☎459777

### LOOKING FOR YOU

SBM, 45, seeks attractive, reliable, affectionate SBF, not into games, who knows how to enjoy life and have fun. ☎866435

### IRREGULAR JOE!

Literate, outdoorsy SWM, bespectacled, 49, 5'10", heavyset, refuses to grow up, honest, kind, passionate, into the arts, cycling, camping, playing pool, dancing, acoustic guitar, Mando Singer/Songwriter. Seeking someone equally Cerebral! ☎858985

### GET IN TOUCH

SBM, 24, 5'8", humble, down-to-earth and looking to meet a SF, 18-30. I would like to spend quality time with that special person, possibly more. ☎871380

### COMPLETE ME

African-American male, 21, 5'7", 180lbs, father of one. I am loving, enjoy movies, music and reading. Seeking a woman 25-41, who is loving w/same interest. ☎871795

### NO GAMES!!

SBM, 23, 5'10", athletic build. Looking for a mature, down-to-earth female, for a committed, mature relationship. ☎871888

### SAME QUALITIES?

DWM, 50s, 5'5", 135lbs, salt-n-pepper hair, three grown children, looking for an intelligent, honest, sincere woman, 45-65, to have in my life. ☎875745

### LOOKING FOR ME?

Adventurous SWM, 44, brown/blue, handsome, humorous, fit, with eclectic interests. Looking for attractive, sexy, some what normal female, 30-50, for partnership. ☎863740

### GENTLE AND CUTE

Active and attractive SWM, 58, good-natured, friendly gent enjoys outdoors, dancing, casinos, estate sales, etc. Seeking sincere, romantic, friendly lady. ☎341899

### HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU

Independent, self-sufficient DWM, 45, sturdy build, carpenter, sociable, affectionate likes boating, walks, drives, cycling, cooking. Seeking a special lady to share the good things in life. ☎855207

### MAN WITH PIZZAZZ...

Sincere, affectionate SWM, 40s, clear mind, fit body, enjoys artsy, cultural events, outdoor activities, seeking witty, pretty SWF, 35-55, for friendship and possible relationship. ☎517123

### ROMANTIC BUT REALISTIC

Youthful, easygoing SWM, 46, likes movies, concerts, boating. Seeking attractive SWF, 40s-50s, with a lively spirit, good sense of humor, friendly, positive outlook. ☎642092

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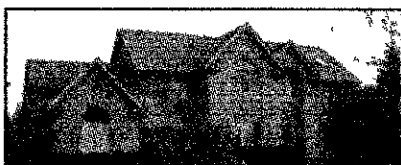
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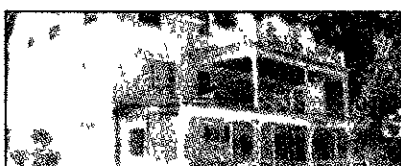
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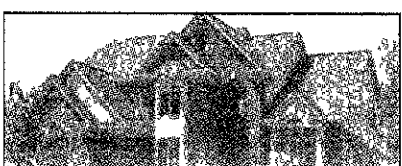
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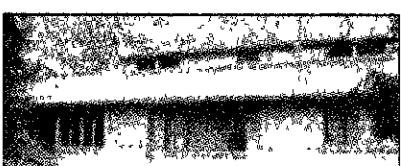
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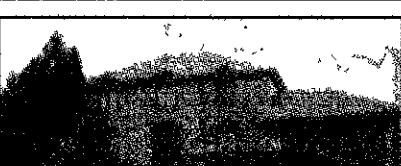
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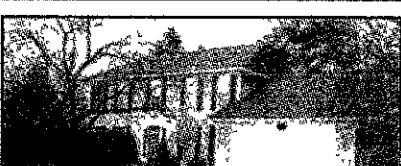
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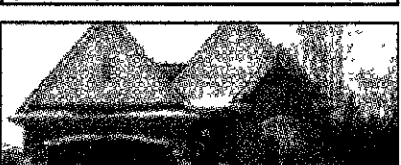
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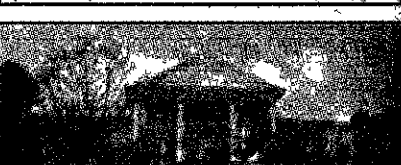
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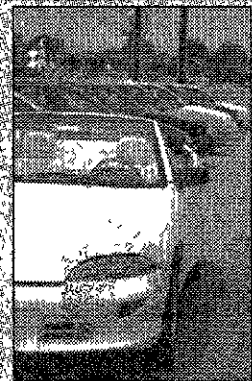
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## Throaty 2006 Ford Mustang GT Convertible Premium is a True Delight

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Anne Fracassa

By Dave Menard  
Avanti NewsFeatures

When it comes to car design these days, two concepts come to mind -- "retro" is in, and "everything old is new again." The trend to look back into car history for new models really started with Chrysler's PT Cruiser and is now spreading like wildfire. In addition to Chrysler, Dodge, Chevrolet, and Pontiac, to name a few, have gone the retro route. Ford, looking not to miss out on the trend, debuted a redesigned retro Thunderbird model in 2002, and followed up with another new take on an automotive icon a few years later -- the Mustang GT. Yep, the original "pony car" is back, and driving the new 2006 Mustang GT Convertible Premium is an exercise in both fun and nostalgia.

The nostalgia starts when you take a look at the car. The design harkens back to the '67-'69 models, complete with C-scoops in the sides, three element tail lamps, and the galloping horse badge in the center of the grille. The GT version features large fog lamps in the grille, and the optional "pony package" gets you a custom grille with pony emblems and larger wheels. The GT actually comes with a choice of four different wheel and tire packages, including two packages that feature 18" wheels. You'll know right away it's a Mustang and you'll want to jump in and put this show horse through its paces. Turn the key and you'll hear the throaty growl of the 4.6-liter V8 engine that comes with the GT Convertible Premium (a V6 is available on other models). The V8 is rated at 300 hp and 320 lb.-ft. of torque, and sounds like it. This car just begs to be driven with a five-speed manual transmission; alas, my test car had the five-speed automatic. Not that it didn't perform. On the contrary, the car jumped off the line and shifted smoothly. It just seems somehow "wrong" to put an automatic in there. At any rate,



2006 Ford Mustang GT Convertible Premium. Type: Subcompact. Where built: Flat Rock, Mich. EPA: 17/23 (regular fuel). Base price: \$31,145. Price as tested: \$36,410

the V8 gives you great performance and still gets a respectable 17/23 mpg. Another bonus -- unlike many cars in this segment, it runs on regular fuel. The steering and suspension are pretty good, too. There is some road feel (this is a sports car, after all), but the ride is comfortable and the Mustang handles curves very well. The front suspension features MacPherson struts with reverse "L" lower control arms and stabilizer bar. Anti-lock brakes and traction control are standard, and the traction control can be deactivated on the dash panel. Inside, the retro feel will hit you again, the cockpit and dash design are, again, based on the late-'60's Mustang models, complete with the dual round instrument cluster. Instrumentation is complete, including oil pressure, coolant temperature, and battery current gauges. The automatic transmission shift lever is a two stalk lever with a retro feel. The standard (on the GT Premium) leather-trimmed buckets provided good support. There's a good amount of leg room for the driver and front seat passenger; the rear seating area is not usable for seating anything except packages. One minor gripe -- the center console is just a hair too close to the driver's right leg. On long commutes you'll begin to feel a pressure point on your right calf as it leans on the

edge of the console. There isn't much in the way of trunk room, either, particularly on the convertible. To make matters worse in that regard, if you get the upgraded sound system on the Premium model, you'll find a huge speaker on the trunk which cuts the usable space even further. Speaking of audio, the standard system on the GT Premium is an AM/FM/six-CD six-speaker Shaker 500 system, featuring 500 watts of peak power and about 250 watts of continuous power. You can upgrade to a Shaker 1000 nine-speaker system which will give you -- you guessed it -- 1000 watts of peak power and about 570 watts of continuous power. Lots of audio muscle for this muscle car. The Mustang GT Premium comes with air conditioning, cruise control, power doors, windows and locks, and rear window defroster. The 2006 Mustang GT Convertible Premium starts at a little over \$31,000. Add the automatic transmission, pony package, upgraded audio system, anti-theft system and a few other odds and ends, and you'll hit about \$36,000. Compare that to the \$2360 base price of the first Mustang and ask yourself, "how much is that retro ride worth to me?" If you've got the dough, it's a trip that's fun to take. Write Dave Menard at avanti1054@aol.com.

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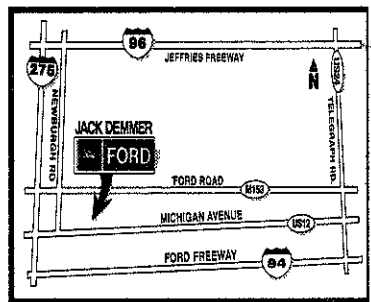
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## The 2006 small business forecast

(NAPSI) — It seems small businesses are bracing for a big year. Two-thirds of small- and medium-sized business owners said they expect their companies to grow in 2006, according to an Administaff Business Confidence Survey — and that's just the start of what could be welcome news for employees. How will these companies invest and in what direction will they grow? Experts offer these predictions for 2006 business trends:

■ **Advancements in technology** — Forrester Research's Ken Vollmer writes that organizations are focusing on "integration-centric business process management" solutions. These solutions involve improving interactions between co-workers, customers and business partners. In plainer terms, this could mean that 2006 is the year of the all-in-one device.

For instance, the C5510n MFP from OKI Printing Solutions is a compact color communications center that lets business teams copy, scan, print or manage documents from their desks or at the machine itself. The technology can be networked, allowing for multiple users and, just as importantly, one MFP can take the place of three or four other machines.

■ **Improved communications** — The availability of color printing technology means the bar has been raised for small business communications. Professional-looking color documents will be the norm, with exceptional documents possibly giving companies a competitive advantage. That is once again where devices such as the C5510n MFP come in. It prints and copies in vibrant color at up to 12 pages per minute — the fastest of its class on the market — and enables



A survey found that 66 percent of small- and medium-sized businesses plan to hire more workers in 2006.

end users to scan hard-copy documents or artwork.

Business meetings are expected to get a boost as well, with new types of software applications turning old-fashioned presentations into interactive experiences. New technology can be used to make presentation slides appear three-dimensional or to add new types of graphics, animation and even music to projects.

■ **More employees** — 2006 may be a good year to work for a small- or medi-

um-sized business. Sixty-four percent of respondents to the Administaff survey said they plan to increase salaries and 66 percent plan to hire new employees. What type of workers will be hired? Companies generally say they're looking for people who are comfortable with technology and with decision-making.

Those characteristics may lead to some good matches. Management consulting firm ECNow.com predicts that employer-employee relationships will "strengthen for the first time in years."

## The art of networking starts now

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Getting the ball rolling, making that initial call or sending the first e-mail is often the most intimidating step. If you don't call people, however, no one is going to call you. Once you start, networking can easily blend into your daily life. Set aside a few minutes every day to network and it will pay off when you least expect.

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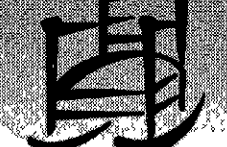
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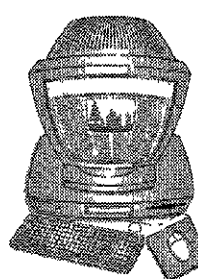
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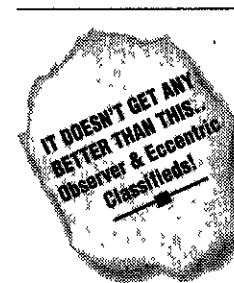
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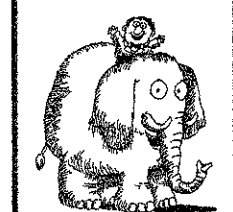
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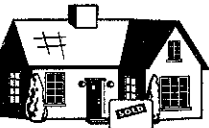
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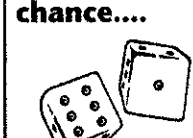
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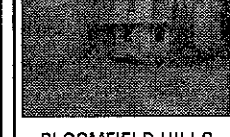
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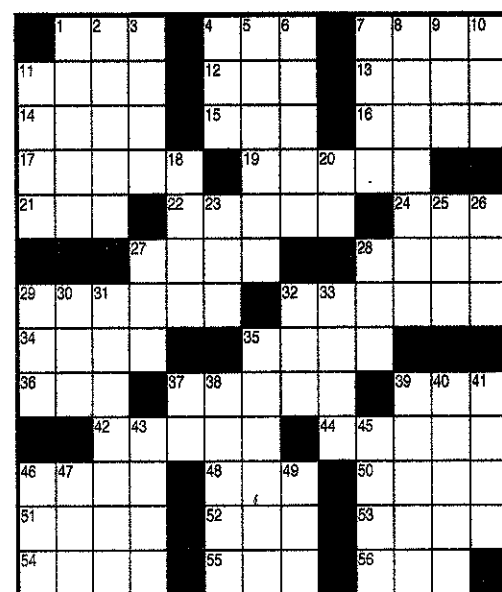
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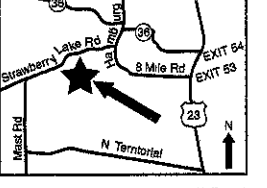
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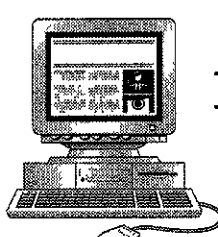
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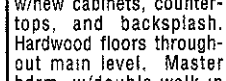
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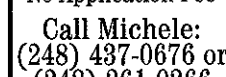
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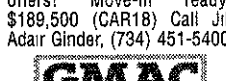
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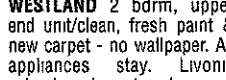
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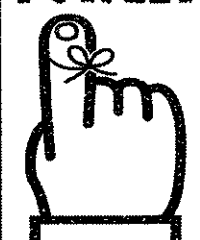
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