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Judge won't drop charges against woman in child's death

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

Carol Poole gasped and cried at the mention of her dead foster child's name, but Kenneth Newman, the toddler's paternal grandfather, said he isn't buying it. "I have no doubt about it," said Newman, referring to the state's accusations that the Canton woman, 42, intentionally killed her 2-year-old foster child, Allison Newman, on Sept. 22, 2006. "We know the truth."



Poole

Poole, who police say gave multiple stories after Allison's death, has been charged with felony murder, first-degree child abuse and involuntary manslaughter. On Friday, Poole's attorney, Mark Satawa, unsuccessfully tried to get Circuit Court Judge Ulysses W. Boykin to toss out the felony murder

and first-degree child abuse charges. Satawa argued the state hadn't presented any evidence at Poole's preliminary examination that suggested she intended for the child to die. "Not only is there insufficient evidence, there's no evidence that satisfies that element," he said. Boykin disagreed and said there was probable cause to bind Poole over, but offered that the evidence presented may not be "enough to sustain any conviction."

After the judge's ruling, Satawa announced he would confer with Poole and possibly appeal the decision. In a separate motion, the defense is asking the court to suppress statements Poole made to police after Allison's death. Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Jerry Dorsey IV argued that Poole was in her right mind when she waived her Miranda rights and spoke to police. Two Canton detectives testified on Friday and another

detective is scheduled to appear before Boykin on July 23 regarding the issue. According to the detectives, Poole offered four different explanations for Allison's injuries, including that she slipped in the shower and accidentally fell from a second-floor balcony during a game of "whirlybird." An autopsy on the toddler showed she had a skull fracture, bleeding over the surface of the brain and brain swelling. The Washtenaw County Medical Examiner

ruled the child's death was of an "indeterminate" manner. Although he testified that Poole said she wanted to die three times during their interview, Canton Detective Michael Steckel said he doubted her sincerity. "She was crying without tears," he said. If convicted on the three charges, Poole could face life in jail.

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Friendship leads to new Village bistro

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

In addition to a longtime friendship, a new restaurant has come out of Eric Gackebach and Andy Orlando's chance meeting at a Plymouth cafe 20 years ago. The two, who met while they were both working at Cafe Bon Homme, recently opened the Canton Village Grill at 22314 Cherry Hill Road. The 5,000-square-foot, smoke-free bistro has been a decade in the making for the two friends, who both have culinary arts degrees from Schoolcraft College. "Around 10 years ago we began saying we should open a restaurant," Gackebach said. "After a lot of preparation and research, we felt the time was right."

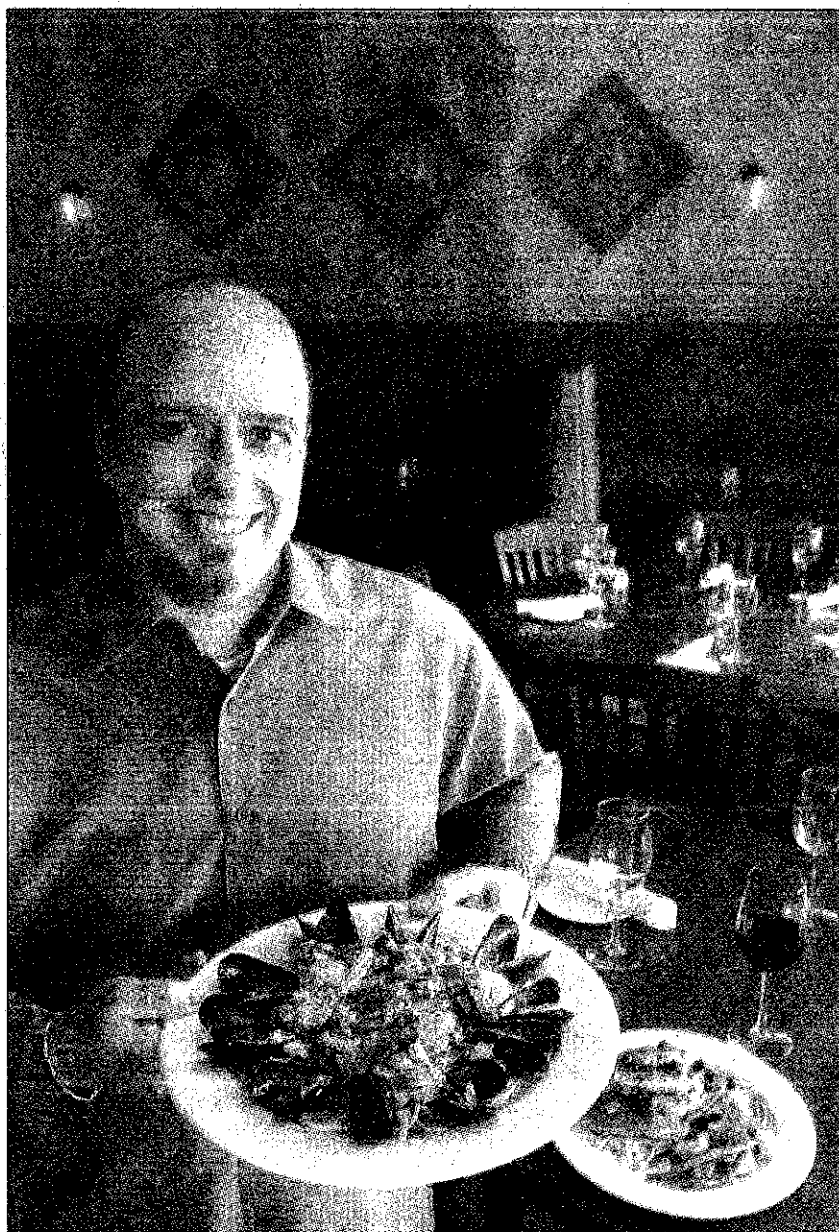


Grand Traverse Chicken with dried cherries, lemon and parsley.

The eatery opened in early April. A ribbon-cutting ceremony attended by township and Canton Chamber of Commerce officials took place June 20.

Gackebach said the business, which has 32 employees, has already pulled in loyal customers. "You can come in more than once a week and find different things to eat," he said, adding that the restaurant's menu will have seasonal changes. Popular dishes include the Pacific rim shrimp salad and the yellow fin tuna, which is grilled and served with pineapple salsa. Other items are influenced by different regions, including the Memphis style ribs and the dried-cherry topped Grand Traverse Chicken. The menu also includes snack

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Canton Village Grill partner Andy Orlando presents Cioppino, with shrimp, mussels, clams, lobster, and salmon, steamed with white wine. The dish on the table is Grand Traverse chicken with dried cherries, lemon and parsley.

Compromises sought as district, teachers set to start talks

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Negotiations on a wage re-opener for the 1,100-member Plymouth-Canton Education Association are set to begin Monday. A four-hour session is scheduled for tomorrow, with an eight-hour bargaining window set for Wednesday. The two sides also have four hours set aside for Thursday, if needed. P-CEA President Chuck Portelli is aware the Board of Education approved more than \$5 million in budget cuts for the 2007-08 school year. However, Portelli said that won't stop him from seeking a pay raise for his membership. "Do I expect a raise? Yes," said Portelli. "The P-CEA is paying for some of these cuts. We've already cut 20 teacher positions, and 30 of our teachers retired. And, we still have 11 teachers on layoff. "We didn't cut bus drivers, we didn't cut a bunch of other positions," he said. "So, yes, we're helping to pay for this reduction." Superintendent Jim Ryan, who takes a personal interest in negotiations as a member of the district's bargaining team, said he's optimistic the five full contracts and the four with wage re-openers that will be negotiated this school year will be settled amicably. "I do believe every single employee and union leader is aware of our financial position," Ryan said. "It's a tough economy, and there's so much uncertainty about negotiations that we really don't know where to begin. "We use interest-based bargaining where we sit down, talk issues and come to an agreement," he said. "It's not like the old days when you'd bring baseball bats and pound them on the table." Ryan said there are ways to give raises, but still improve the financial position of the district. "Last year, the unions received a 2-percent pay raise, but they all moved their co-pays and out-of-network deductibles, which netted out as a 1-percent raise," Ryan said. "There has always been a trade-off in our negotiations."

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Gerri Harmer, owner of the Auction It Today on eBay located in the Coventry Commons shopping plaza, said her business has been down since the closing of Farmer Jack's. Her business allows people to sell items on eBay. She also accepts packing peanuts, so they can be recycled.



Some nearby businesses feeling loss of Farmer Jack's

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

While a salon owner says Farmer Jack's departure hasn't put a dent in his requests for spiral curls, highlights or hair extensions, the owner of a specialty shop says the loss of the grocer has taken a toll on her business. "We're the kind of place you

have to walk by to know we are here — no one goes looking for an eBay store," said Gerri Harmer, owner of Auction It Today on eBay. "Since they've closed, we've noticed a difference already. It's much quieter." Harmer's store is located on the southeast corner of Joy and Morton Taylor in the Coventry Commons plaza. Farmer Jack, which has closed its 66 metro

Detroit stores, was the anchor of the development. "We've tried to offset the loss of foot traffic with advertisements. We've done a commercial and print ads but it has affected us," said Harmer, who's been in the plaza for less than a year. "We're relatively new so (Farmer Jack)

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Canton Leisure Services is sponsoring a Family Camp Out Movie Night in Heritage Park on Friday, July 20. Families are invited to set up tents around the amphitheater and enjoy a movie at dusk in Heritage Park. This year's film will be *Happy Feet*. There will be a \$10 per tent 'camp fee' to be paid on site the day of the event. No advance registration necessary. This Family Camp-Out is always a popular activity and is limited to tents only, no trailers or mobile homes.

Tent set up begins at noon on Friday, July 20. Unloading will be permitted on Veterans Drive until 4 p.m. at which time the road will then be closed to vehicle traffic.

Entertainment begins at 6 p.m. and includes inflatable attractions, strolling entertainment, and a musical family stage show in the amphitheater by Rick Kelley at 8 p.m. The movie will begin at dusk.

'High School Musical'

Destination Theatre sponsors a production of *High School Musical*, a Disney production that has been a huge hit with children and teenagers, July 26-29 and Aug. 2-5 at Cherry Hill Village Theater in Canton.

Performances Thursday-Saturday are 8 p.m., with Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets can be purchased online at www.canton-mi.org/village-theater/performances-search.asp or at the Summit on the Park box office, 46000 Summit Parkway. Box office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

For more information on Destination Theatre visit the group's Web site at www.destinationtheatre.com. For more information on the performance, call (734) 394-5460.

Art exhibition

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is hosting a photo essay by photographer Carol Guregian throughout July. The exhibit, "50 Year Farmers of Southern Michigan," documents a disappearing way of life and features area farmers whose names and families have a long history in the Canton area.

Each of the subjects has lived as farmers for 50 or more years, and in many cases, has lived on the homestead or on the property that has been in their family for three or four generations. Guregian said the project is "meant as a means to stop, look, and listen to the people of this special time in history."

Families featured include Bill and Dottie Van Riper, Alton Grau, Nathan and Ann Alber, Luke and Barbara Schaible, Dorothy and Loren Koengeter, and Norman and

Betty Hinderer. Each photograph is accompanied by a vignette written by the subject and all speak to the hardships and pleasures of farming life, the changes in rural life in their lifetimes, and the affects of technology - from tractors to computers - on farming.

Guregian, a retired public school teacher who grew up on a farm north of Gregory. She began her exploration of Michigan farm life in 2000 with a photo essay called "Vanishing Farm Architecture." This led to a Michigan Humanities Council grant that helped fund the current project.

The show, which runs through July 29, is free and open to the public; Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 7-9 p.m., and Sunday, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Happy signing

State Rep. Marc Coriveau, D-Northville, stands at Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm side as she signed the new Michigan Business Tax into law on Thursday. Coriveau's bill to slash the personal property tax was part of the overall package, and was his first bill signed into law. The MBT replaces Michigan's Single Business Tax, which expires at the end of the year. According to Coriveau, under the MBT, about 75 percent of businesses in Michigan will pay less in taxes. "This is a tremendous victory for our businesses and for the state of Michigan," Coriveau said. "The Michigan Business Tax rewards companies that create jobs for our workers and invest in our state - those are the kinds of companies that we want in our state. The MBT will help jump-start our economy and get Michigan moving in the right direction."

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Granholm: Budget must include new revenue

Gov. Jennifer Granholm is continuing to make her pitch for new revenue sources to balance the 2007-08 state budget.

Granholm met with the *Observer & Eccentric* editorial board Tuesday and said any budget agreement needs to include cuts in government spending, a replacement for the Single Business Tax (the new Michigan Business Tax signed Thursday by Granholm), reforms in state operations and new revenue in taxes and fees.

She says she's confident she'll reach agreement with the Republican-controlled Senate and Senate Majority Leader Mike Bishop unless they have another agenda.

"We thought we had broken the logjam," she said Tuesday. "We approved the (2006-)2007 budget because we thought the reforms would be made. My fear is that there is a strategy to push this off until Oct. 1 (start of the new state fiscal year), to cause a government shutdown. I think that

would be terrible for Michigan. It may be good for him (Bishop) personally, that he held out to the last minute, but it would be bad for Michigan."

Granholm arrived at the O&E office shortly after announcing plans for a trip Aug. 19-25 with the Michigan Economic Development Corp. to Sweden and Germany to attract business investment. Granholm has made several trips to Germany; this would be her first trip to Sweden.

"On the Sweden side, they have a very aggressive policy in place to encourage alternative energy businesses and this is a sector we want to move into as a state, given both our history and geography," she said.

Granholm credited the just-approved Michigan Business Tax, to replace the Single Business Tax, and the 21st Century Jobs Fund as making it possible to successfully attract foreign investment.

"We want to market the heck out of

Michigan and tell them to come here. We have the workforce that is willing and able," she said.

Granholm said alternative energy was a natural development for Michigan because of its unique location, surrounded by the Great Lakes, and its history as an auto manufacturing state.

"No other state has the combination of things that Michigan has to help lead the U.S.' ability to be free of foreign oil and fossil fuels. This is such a natural for us to capitalize on the history of the automobile," she said.

The governor said all these trips were about bringing jobs to the state. She said it was also important to offer training so workers can fill the new positions that are available.

The No Worker Left Behind program will begin in August. This federally funded program will pay tuition for laid-off workers on unemployment to receive job training at a community college.

"I'm not interested in throwing money at retraining if that retraining doesn't lead to jobs," she said.

On the budget crisis, Granholm said term limits may be playing a part in the partisan squabbling that has stalled talks. She has criticized the Senate for taking a vacation over the last two weeks as schools are waiting on a budget agreement. The Republican Party issued a statement criticizing the governor for her planned trip to Europe.

She said without a revenue component, the state can not reach the constitutionally required balanced budget.

"If they don't want to do the reforms or the revenues, then they need to pass a budget that reflects what we have. My guess is that will be impossible for them to do because no one wants to slash public education as would be required because of the size of the deficit we are facing," she said.



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Gov. Jennifer Granholm meets with *Observer & Eccentric* editors.

BUSINESS

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made a difference. People that shopped there would wander in here."

The two Canton Farmer Jacks, including the store at Cherry Hill and Canton Center, have been sitting empty since their parent company, Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company Inc., closed down the operations.

The New Jersey-based company sold off 20 of its Farmer Jack stores to Kroger and independent grocers are expected to buy other locations.

Buzz has been swirling that Livonia-based Larry's Foodland has shown interest

in the Joy Road store, and a banner was put up Friday that says "Larry's Foodland Coming Soon." However, Larry's owner did not want to comment.

"We're hoping it's a done deal," Harmer said of Larry's.

In the middle of town, David Coughlin, the owner of Lucky Hair Co., says the empty Canton Center Road grocery store hasn't affected his business.

"We've been here two years so I think we got a good start," he said. "It would be nice to have a business there but it doesn't affect us one way or the other. I'm more concerned about the people that worked there."

Coughlin's salon is in a small plaza where Farmer Jack was the highlight. Other businesses include Jet's Pizza,

Dairy Queen, Nails & Co. and Blockbuster.

"It's too nice of a place in too good of a location," Coughlin says of the brick grocery store, which sits detached from the other businesses. "Something else will come along."

Terri Schwartz is hoping the same is true for Coventry Commons.

Schwartz is the manager of the Wolverine & Spartan Shop inside the plaza and she's hopeful another grocer will occupy the closed location.

"We didn't get too much business from them but it's nice to keep the place full," she said. "When CVS left about two years ago, that was a big hit to us. If businesses start leaving, it can give a desolate, ghost town feeling and then it will filter down to us."

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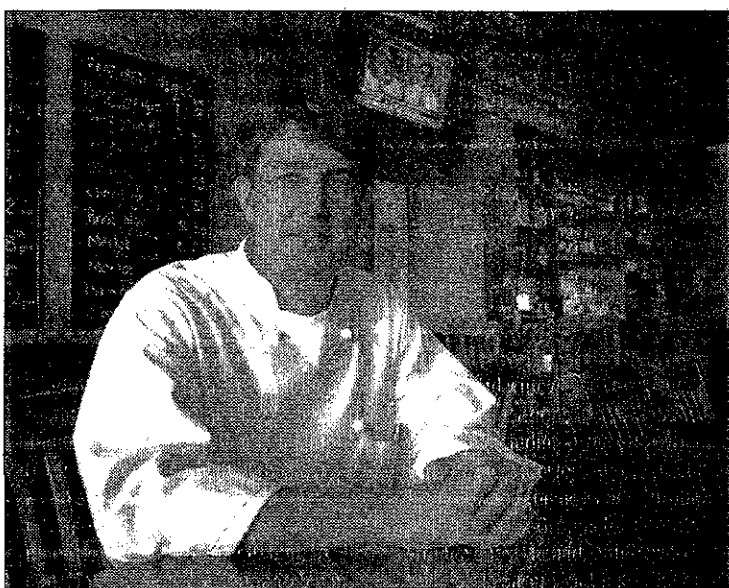
foods such as onion rings and crab Rangoon and a children's section.

Gackenbach's wife, Margie, is also a part of the business and helped design the building's interior. Fabric-clad booths run along the outer edges of the restaurant while cherry wood tables and chairs fill the middle. The walls are decorated with framed pictures, scrolls and flat-screen televisions.

"It's modern and trendy but the bones are traditional," Gackenbach said.


"We wanted the place to give off a feeling that it's always been here and be something that people in the area can call their own."

While Gackenbach mans the "back of the house" keeping everything running smooth in



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Chef Eric Gackenbach is co-owner of the Canton Village Grill. the kitchen, Orlando oversees the "front of the house" working with the servers and maintaining the bar area. "We want to be the neighborhood restaurant," Gackenbach said.





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Retiree should avoid IRA transfer fee

Dear Rick: My husband is retired from GM. We are contemplating moving his GM retirement account to an IRA at a local bank.



Money Matters Rick Bloom

They told us there was a 5.7 percent one-time fee for this to take place. Is this reasonable or should we still be shopping?

You definitely should be shopping around. It

appears that the 5.7 percent is a commission, also known as "load," that the bank is charging you and there is no reason to have to pay that fee. There are many places you can go to avoid having to pay high fees when you invest your money.

When you pay commissions, or loads, it means that money comes off the top of what you have invested. For example, if your husband's GM retirement

plan was valued at \$100,000 and you were paying a 5.7 percent commission that means \$5,700 was coming of the top and what is actually being invested is less than \$95,000. There are ways to invest money so that the entire \$100,000 goes to work for you.

If you want to invest in a diversified portfolio of mutual funds, companies like Vanguard (www.vanguard.com or (800) 997-2798), Charles Schwab & Co., (www.schwab.com or (866) 232-9890) or Fidelity (www.fidelity.com or (800) FIDELITY) can assist you in investing money on a totally commission-free, also known as no-load, basis. Charles Schwab & Co. and Fidelity have branches in the Detroit/Metropolitan area if you want to sit down with someone in person.

If you are a conservative investor and do not want principal fluctuation on your portfolio, you can even invest on a commission-free basis using equity-index annuities. I recommend Jim Hutton from Hutton Financial (1-800-870-

4444). He represents annuity companies on a commission-free basis. Not all financial advisers work on commissions. There are a growing number of financial advisers who are known as fee-only advisers who charge a fee for their advice and then recommend commission-free, no-load funds. For an individual who wants to avoid commissions and get professional, unbiased, advice a fee-only adviser can be a great way to invest. The benefits of using a fee-only adviser is he/she will help you set up a game plan designed for your situation and then help you monitor it. Also, there is no potential conflict of interest between what is right for you and which product will pay the adviser the most because the adviser is paid by you and not by the fund company.

I am not a fan of paying commissions. One of the main reasons I don't like paying commissions, particularly for things like mutual funds, is when you consider the performance of loaded funds (funds that charge

a commission) vs. no-load funds (funds that do not charge a commission), you see the average no-load fund outperforms the average loaded fund. It makes no sense to pay a fee to buy a sub-par investment. As I have mentioned many times in this column, fees and costs do matter and I congratulate the reader for asking about fees before she invests money. Unfortunately, too many investors are either embarrassed to ask about fees or are unaware of the fees and, thus they end up over-paying for investment advice which eventually leads to under performance. The bottom line is the bottom line and that is why before you invest in any investment, you must determine the fees to buy, maintain and sell an investment. Always remember, the fees you save end up in the most important pocket — yours.

Dear Rick: We have twins who will be entering their senior year of high school in the fall. My wife and I recently

attended a seminar about paying for college. The firm that hosted the seminar pushes the idea of using a home equity loan as a way to pay for college. From what I understand, they promote taking equity from your home and placing the money in an account that would grow at a faster rate than your mortgage. Can you identify the pros/cons of this?

This type of program is gimmicky and one you should avoid. In general, I do not have a problem using a home equity loan to help pay for college. In fact, for many people, who have not saved and invested for their child's college education a home equity loan is one of the few options they have to pay for college expenses.

However, the problem in this strategy is you would be using your home equity loan to make an investment. When you look at the interest rate charged on home equity loans, hovering near the 8 percent area, and when you factor in the investment company's costs and fees, they would have to be using aggressive investments to attempt to get the returns they talk about.

Aggressive investments are something you should not be looking at, considering your twins are seniors. Investors should always concentrate on a time horizon and investors with short-term time ought to avoid the stock market.

Another factor to consider is in a home equity loan you have to make monthly payments to the mortgage company. This could cause other problems.

For someone who has a child going to college, I have no problem using a home equity loan to help pay tuition. However, that is different from saying I

would take a home equity loan and invest that money.

Before using a home equity loan, do some homework and check out other places to borrow money, potentially at lower interest rates. There is an excellent Web site called www.finaid.org which explains all the different loan programs.

There are all sorts of federal loans subsidized and unsubsidized means that even though you do not have to repay the loan until after graduation, interest begins to accrue at the time of the loan. The other type of federal loan is a subsidized loan. The provisions of this loan provide that the government pays the interest while you are in school. The two most popular subsidized government loan programs are Stafford Loans and Perkins Loans. In today's world of potentially rising interest rates, home equity loans are not the preferred method of financing a child's college education.

In many cases, if someone did have a substantial amount of equity in their home, I'd consider refinancing the home in its entirety then withdrawing money and using those proceeds to pay for college. I don't recommend investing that money in the stock market but rather using short-term investment vehicles such as CDs. I am always doubtful of seminars and salespeople that promote high rates of returns over short time periods.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at money matters@hometownlife.com For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com. You can hear Rick from noon to 3 p.m. Sundays on WDTK 1400 AM.

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Voice for community drowned out by the anti-tax rhetoric

In 2004, our neighbors to the north voted Tommy Douglas the greatest Canadian in history in a poll sponsored by the Canadian Broadcasting Corp.

He beat out Prime Ministers Pierre Trudeau and Lester Pearson, Alexander Graham Bell, Frederick Banting (the man who discovered insulin), Neil Young and even Wayne Gretzky.

He was the premier of Saskatchewan in the 1940s. More importantly, he was the father of Canada's Medicare universal health program.

Despite the deluge of propaganda that is generated south of Canada's border against their system, Canadians selected Douglas as their greatest citizen by a wide margin.

Douglas and his legacy come up in humorist and provocateur Michael Moore's hilarious and sad new documentary *Sicko*. A Canadian, a member of the now ruling Conservative Party, tells Moore that pretty much everyone in Canada supports universal health care, as do the citizens of most Western European countries. It's a non-issue and a great relief.

Contrast that with George W. Bush's strong denunciation of a proposal to extend a children's health insurance program to cover more lower middle-income families, who often struggle with health bills.

For the president, this was just one more skid on the slippery slope to — gasp — “socialized medicine,” warning of “rationing, inefficiency and long waiting lines.” Not to mention a possible decline in insurance company and drug company profits and the income of medical specialists.

This debate over health care, stirred by the often over-the-top Moore, is part of a larger debate that is being waged in states all across the country about the role of government and our willingness to pay for it through taxes.

The state Republicans are doing their best to demonize all government spending, well almost all. Craig DeRoche, the previous boy speaker of the House, is shocked that the state is spending taxpayers' money on “welfare, Medicaid” and decent wages for state employees. So many buzzwords, all of them meaningless.

The Michigan Democrats seem to be a fairly moderate group from the governor on down, though the Republicans can make even the most conservative Democrat look a little pink.

In a meeting Tuesday with *Observer & Eccentric* editors, Gov. Jennifer Granholm was optimistic that the two parties would reach an agreement on the 2007-08 budget

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before the Oct. 1 start of the new budget year. She is asking for new revenue sources; the opposition wants deeper cuts in state services.

“If they don't want to do the reforms or the revenue, then they need to pass a budget that reflects what we have and my guess is that will be impossible for them to do,” she said. “No one wants to slash public education as would be required because of the size of the deficit we are facing.”

But since the early days of Reagan, many Republicans have adopted a “starve the beast” philosophy. They figure the best way to kill programs that help people be successful is to take away the funding.

The anti-tax, anti-government people have had a long time on the forum and convinced a lot of people who are hurt by their philosophy that they are right. The case for government hasn't been made as forcefully, even by our media savvy current governor.

On Tuesday, she acknowledged that much and offered this view:

“I think since the '80s there has been a very effective voice that says it's your money and you should keep all of it and there has not been an effective voice which says we live in a community and that there are certain things that we have decided to pool our resources to fund.

“It's a tougher argument because it allegedly goes against self-interest, but it may be your money, but it's your schools, it's your roads and it's your public safety and it's your grandparents who are on Medicaid or Medicare and that voice, that collective voice that we've decided to pool, has not been as strong.

“So I don't think the case has been effectively made in a way that counters the other voice, until people see their schools get cut. At that point they say, enough is enough. The question is how far to the brink do people have to be taken before they agree that there are certain things that we pool our resources for.”

And is brinksmanship the best way to run a government?

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Hugh Gallagher

May the 'n' word rest in peace — or will it?

OK, the “n” word is dead and gone. Now what?

Unless you've been living under a rock in recent days, you're no doubt aware of the NAACP's (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) grand symbolic public funeral for the “n” word.

The procession was attended by a wide array of political dignitaries, business leaders and entertainment luminaries.



Chris Campbell

While the spirit behind the symbolic gesture was commendable in its efforts to educate the public about the disparaging origins associated with the word and subsequent bedding of it, the procession was misguided at best and unfocused at its worst for it killed and buried the wrong thing.

Racism still exists in both overt and covert guises, but is no longer the elephant in the room that it was in the 1940s, '50s and '60s, and the funeral merely scratched the surface.

The truth is African Americans as a community are facing much larger problems such as glaring socioeconomic disparities, health care issues, exorbitant insurance rates, high incarceration rates among African American males and a host of other issues that have contributed to a collective self-esteem problem.

Somewhere Martin (Luther King) and Malcolm (X) are turning over in their graves over this funeral for we have gone from promoting social change by marching on the government in Washington to putting words in caskets.

The irony of this newfound consciousness is that it was brought on by the ostracizing and firing of two white men — comedian Michael Richards and radio jock Don Imus.

Symbolism needs to die and real action must take its place. Hip hop culture catches a lot of the flak for the proliferation of the “n” word and rightfully so, but hip hop is not completely to blame.

The NAACP must employ the same veracity it did in addressing the Imus debacle and focus on the radio stations, record labels and

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media conglomerates who support music that embraces the “n” word and its mentality. If organized protests, pickets and public outcries affect their pocketbooks, then dramatic changes will occur. With that said, the “n” word will not entirely disappear until young African Americans stop using it in casual conversation. If youth can better understand the historical import of the word, then they may refrain from using it.

The funeral procession was not a total loss because it dealt with a term that is a “gateway” word — a word that can lead to other negative behavioral mindsets that influence people to equate themselves with things that the “n” word typically stands for and then trying to live up to it.

But while we're dealing with gateway terms, why not take a more universal approach and eliminate words such as “spic,” “honky,” “cracker” or “hymie”? They are all racist, inflammatory and derogatory terms.

Yes, we should have buried the “n” word a long time ago, but placed it on a grave atop all the behavior and equally offensive words that have found their way into the English lexicon.

What should have been buried were the mentalities behind those words with a renewed emphasis placed on fostering cultural dignity and respect.

That truly would have made a more sweeping and powerful statement.

Chris Campbell is president of the Detroit Association of Black Journalists (local chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists). He also serves as communications chair of the Southern Oakland County Chapter of the NAACP. A former Southfield resident, he is moving to West Bloomfield in the fall.

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Dobbyn returns to old form as Hawks clip Cleveland

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Melissa Dobbyn played like the W-League MVP of 2005.

The Livonia Stevenson High grad who is entering her senior year at the University of Michigan, has been battling an offensive slump of sorts, but Friday night she broke loose for a goal and assist as the Michigan Hawks Women avenged their only loss of the season with a 2-1 soccer triumph over the Cleveland Internationals at Churchill High School.

The second-place Hawks, who travel Sunday to play the London Gryphons,

enhanced their playoff chances with the victory, improving to 7-1-1 in the Midwest Division of the Central Conference.

The Hawks will meet the first-place Minnesota Lightning (7-0-1) in a showdown for the division lead, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 21 at Livonia Franklin H.S.

Dobbyn came into the game with only one goal and five assists in seven games, but quickly established herself offensively, scoring the game's first goal just 7:16 into the first half off a feed from Northville's Lauren Hill, who plays for Michigan State.

Dobbyn had three good chances alone during the first half and continued to pressure Cleveland's back line throughout the second half.

After Cleveland's Rose Augustin scored from Danielle Hubka with just 13:41 left in the match to make it 1-all, Dobbyn set up the game-winner, taking lengthy feed down the right sideline from Hill and pushing a pass across to Sarah Bunco, who made no mistake in burying a shot past Internationals goalkeeper Carianne Betts with only 6:22 remaining.

The Hawks then held on during extended time in the waning moments as

defender Stephanie Martin, backing up goalkeeper Kathryn Cumming, stopped a point-blank attempt by a Cleveland shooter to preserve the win.

Dobbyn, meanwhile, showed some of the form that enabled her to be the W-League's top player.

"I've been struggling as far as finishing and scoring," Dobbyn admitted. "It's been a mental thing, the drought. It was good to put one away and I felt good to get off shots. I should have gotten a couple more (goals), but I was happy to get it (the first goal) in."

Please see **DOBBYN, B2**

Sidelines

GCYBSA news

■ The Greater Canton Youth Baseball & Softball Association is currently accepting registrations online at www.gcybsa.com for its fall baseball program (T-ball through 14U).

Programming will begin in mid-to late-August and run through mid-October.

Players and volunteer coaches should visit the Web site for further information or call Coralee Ott at (734) 483-5600.

■ There will be an informational session for GCYBSA travel baseball and softball teams on July 23 at 6:30 p.m. at Summit on the Park in Canton. All — from 9U through 14U — teams will have a representative on site to answer questions about travel baseball and have information on dates and locations of tryouts. For more information, visit www.gcybsa.com.

Grizzly tryouts

The 13U Plymouth Grizzlies travel baseball team is seeking players for the 2008 season. For more information, contact Rob Sudz at sudz190@aol.com.

Glenn football

Westland John Glenn will stage a football camp stressing fundamentals, which is open to anyone in grades 10-12 from 6-8 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 16-20, at the high school.

The cost is \$50. For more information, call Todd DeLuca at (734) 419-2329 or (734) 751-0015.

O&E Golf Open

The men's and women's Observer & Eccentric Open will be Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 11-12, at Whispering Willows and Fox Creek golf courses.

The men's 36-hole medal play is 18 holes Saturday at Whispering Willows and 18 holes Sunday at Fox Creek.

Maximum handicap is 20 and you must have a current USGA index to participate. The women's 18-hole medal play is Saturday, Aug. 11 at Whispering Willows. The fee is \$50.

Entries close at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4.

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

Counting his chips

Massey proves his worth in World Series of Poker

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Westland's Michael Massey acted like royalty and he wasn't bluffing.

That's because he was among 6,358 entrants competing this week in the World Series of Poker, the granddaddy of them all held at the Rio All Suites Casino in Las Vegas, Nev.

And the 26-year civilian employee of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department acquitted himself quite well, lasting three days and accumulating as much as \$125,700 in chips.

Massey captured a seat at the Texas No-Limit Hold'em Main Event, which could have cost him \$10,000, by playing in free, weekly online poker tournament on www.milbestlight.com, which is Milwaukee's Best Light Web site. In addition to paying his entry fee, Miller Brewing Co. paid for his airfare, hotel and gave him \$1,000 in spending money.

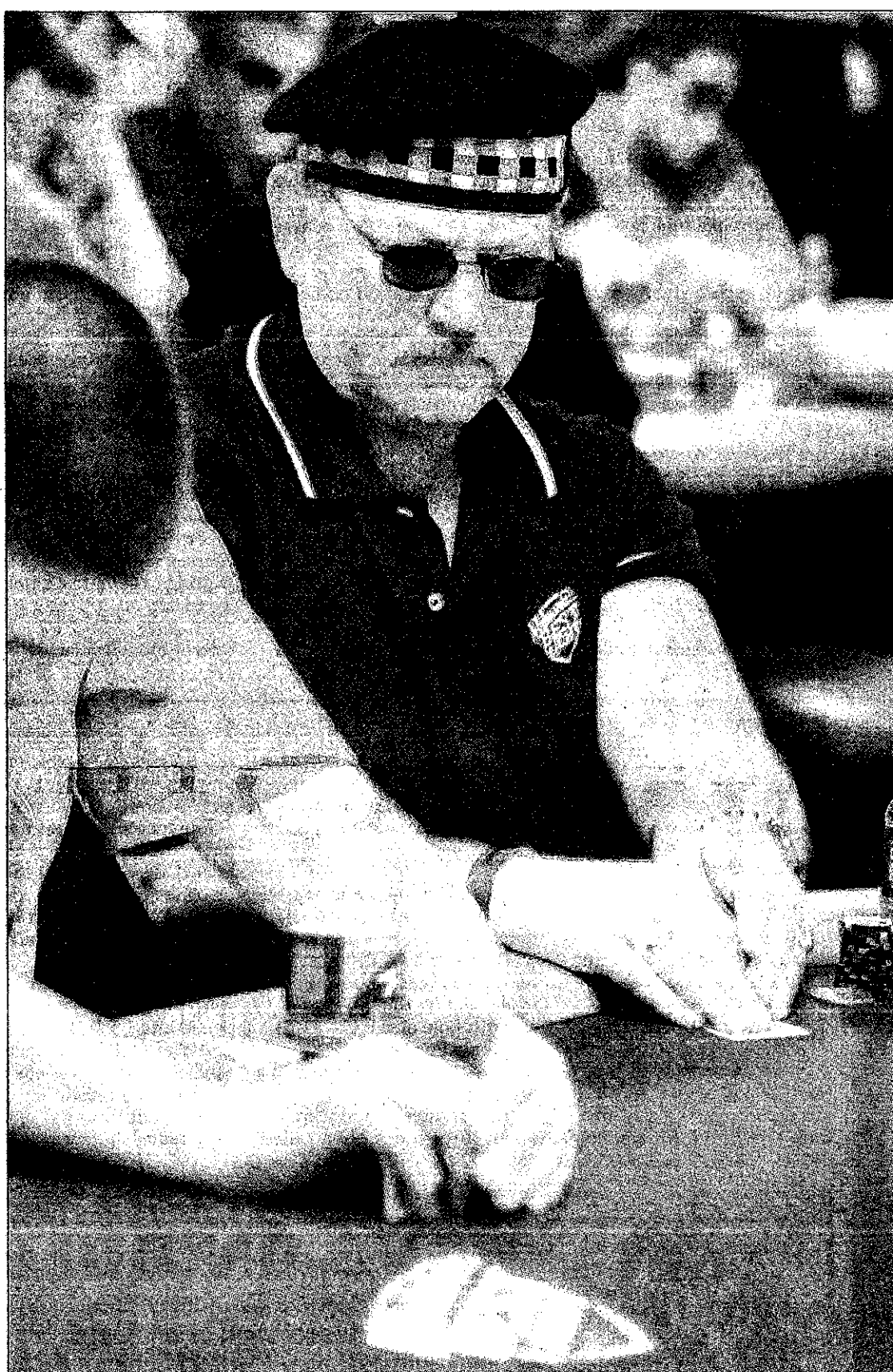
"I'd never been to Vegas, the whole experience was great even though I was just short of the money," Massey said. "It was a one-time shot. The next time I'd have to win another spot. But how could I lose? It was a free trip, a great experience and a met a lot of people. It was the experience of a lifetime and I came close."

And Massey outlasted some of the biggest names in the poker world including 2003 champ Chris Moneymaker (eliminated on day two) and 2004 champ Greg "Fossilman" Raymer (eliminated on day one). He was also just a table away from Chris "Jesus" Ferguson, another former Series champ.

The total purse for the 12-day tourney, which started

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What: 2007 World Series of Poker
When: July 6-17
Where: Las Vegas, NV
Number of entries: 6,358
Entry fee: \$10,000
Total prize money: \$59,784,954
Competing celebrities: Montel Williams, Brad Garrett, Jose Canseco and Jason Alexander

Please see **MASSEY, B2**

Westland's Michael Massey lasted almost three days in the prestigious World Series of Poker held last week at Rio All Suites Casino and Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev.

Local golfers notch pair of aces

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

It took 69-year-old Dick Kleabir over four decades to experience every golfer's ultimate thrill.

It took 10-year-old Kyle Bauer less than three years.

But while the two area golfers' waits may have varied, the level of excitement they felt were equally off the charts when they each registered a hole-in-one three weeks apart earlier this year.

Kleabir's first-ever ace unfolded on May 31 when he found the cup with his tee shot on the 139-yard third hole of the Fox Hills Golf Course's Golden Fox layout in Plymouth Township.

GOLDEN EFFORT

The retired Ford employee and longtime Plymouth resident has played several legendary courses since getting bitten by the golf bug in 1966, including Oakmont Country Club, the site of this

year's U.S. Open.

"But nothing compared to the excitement of getting that hole-in-one," admitted Kleabir, who used a Cobra Hybrid on his unforgettable shot. "I've come close before — probably within three or four inches — but this was my first hole-in-one in all the years I've been playing."

"I heard that the odds are about 10,000-to-1 to get one, so it's pretty unbelievable."

With his three playing companions looking on, Kleabir launched a high tee shot that landed on the front part of the green. The ball then rolled toward its date with destiny.

"The hole was in the back right part of the green and the ball rolled right toward the pin," he said. "I heard a 'clang,' but I thought the ball probably hit the pin and bounced away. But when we got up there and looked in the cup, there it was. We all jumped around and my playing partners gave me a high five."

Please see **ACES, B2**

Ten-year-old Canton resident Kyle Bauer registered a hole-in-one June 20 on the seventh hole of the Fox Hills Golf Course Strategic Fox layout.



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Lefty launch

Rachael Reynolds, 12, of Farmington Hills unleashes a throw during the softball toss during the Redford Junior Olympics. Complete results from the event and more photos will appear in Thursday's Observer.

Bowl-4-Animal Rescue event at Country Lanes set Aug. 11

Sometimes a certain sort of bowler might be described as an animal.

But that's not what Animal Rescue is all about.

This is regarding the second annual Bowl-4-Animal Rescue event on Saturday, Aug. 11 at Country Lanes, located on Nine Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

This is a very special event to benefit the homeless dogs, cats and other pets for the Michigan Animal Adoption Network and the friends for the Dearborn Animal Shelter.

"The mission is to provide loving care and sanctuary to animals, encourage adoptions, and promote respect, responsibility and compassion for all animals," said Michelle Mullen, co-host and pro champ.

The \$25 registration fee includes three games, food, shoe rental, door prizes, Chinese Auction, 50-50 draw-

ing, raffles and ticket for lucky strike pot.

Bowling format is 9-pin no-tap. A cash bar is also available.

You can have fun with PWBA champions Aleta Sill, the first lady ever to achieve \$1 million in prize money, hall of famer and legendary Detroit Dream Team athlete along with Mullen, a four-time champion, USDA Gold Level coach and author of Bowling Fundamentals.

(Let one of these pros throw a strike for you.)

Each person turning in \$125 or more in pledges will get their registration fee back when they come in. Corporate and business sponsorships are available at different levels.

Stop by Country Lanes for pledge sheets and entry forms; or phone (248) 615-9060.

You can also visit www.YourBowlingCoach.com for more information. You must register by Aug. 4. Walk-ins will be accepted if space is available. Registration is at 6 p.m. and bowling starts at 7 p.m.

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In the most recent event held at Belmar 11 Lanes in Trenton, Bob Chamberlain, Jr. of Holly captured the title. He joins his father Bob Chamberlain, Sr., formerly of Auburn Hills and now residing in Florida, in the winner's list. Bob Sr. was a fine bowler and great champion as well.

During the qualifying rounds, Livonia's Mike Norris set a new MMBA record with 1,625 for six games. Averaging 270 with games of 250-289-300-258-238-290. The previous record of 1,599 was held by Nick Wissinger in 2002.

Al Harrison is a resident of Southfield and a member of the Bowling Writers Association of America. Harrison recently was awarded \$225 from the U.S. Bowling Congress after taking the second-place prize in the 2006 USBC's Writing Competition. He can be e-mailed at: tenpinalley@sbcglobal.net.



Winning Wilde

The Michigan Sports Academy 16U girls softball team, which consists of several Observerland-area players, captured first place at the Jim Wilde Memorial Tournament in Toledo earlier this month. The team went 7-0 and allowed just three runs. They defeated the Ohio Peppers, 3-0, in the title game. Pictured (bottom row from left) are Ashley Beal, Jill Brennan (Plymouth), Heather Weidenhamer (Walled Lake Central), Beth Heldemeyer (Plymouth), (second row from left) Alyssa Abramowski (Livonia Ladywood), Katie Martin, Megan Mosher, Jackie Pyles, (third row from left) head coach Mario Mobley, Stayci Cook, Randy Martin, Kaitlyn Kenyon, Lani Ernst, Caleigh Shaw, Jim Beal and Dave Demey. Not pictured are Nikki Hughes, Chelsea Gonzalez and Vivien Reece.

DOBBYN

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The loss dropped third-place Cleveland to 6-3 in the Midwest Division. Only the top two teams in the division make the W-League's post-season playoffs.

"We felt it was a must win because had they (Cleveland) had won, we'd each have two losses," Dobbyn said. "We feel it's a lot of weight off our shoulders and there's less pressure now (to make the playoffs)."

Cleveland, which thumped the Hawks 6-1 at home on July 5, was missing three key performers including UCLA's Damesha Adams, who had four goals in the victory, and Notre Dame's Amanda Cinalli

- both of whom are representing the U-21 National Team at the Nordic Cup in Finland. Also gone was another U-21 National Team pool player Jessica Rostedt (University of Virginia).

"We didn't want them to score so early like they did the last time," Dobbyn said. "That put us down right away and it was a bad feeling. Those Under-21 players work very good together."

Last year's W-League MVP, Kristi Swaving (Oakland University), exited the game after just 14 minutes.

She has been suffering from chronic fatigue symptoms, according to Hawks coach Doug Landefeld.

The Hawks were also without another starter, Erin Doan,

who had a toenail removed. "Some days she (Swaving) can go longer, but today she was sick again," the Hawks coach said. "She ran as long as she could, but was spent after 15 minutes."

"Melissa (Dobbyn) has struggled, but she plays well off other people. (Lauren) Hill has been great. She's been leading our team in scoring (eight goals, two assists). Dobbyn has been thinking a little bit too much, but she knows she can score. With a goal and assist, we'll take that. Finishing comes natural to her and maybe she feels the pressure. But she's been great as far as every other aspect. And if Kristi is healthy, all three would be in the top ten in scoring (in the W-League)."

MASSEY

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July 6 and ends this Tuesday, is \$59,784,954. (Last year's winner Jamie Gold took home \$12 million.)

"I started out well, then I went up and down," Massey said. "I was just short of the money (payouts started at \$20,320 with the top prize \$8.25 million), so that was the only thing that was a little disappointing."

Among the celebrities going out day one include singer and four-time Grammy Award winner Nelly, who Massey played against; former Major League slugger Jose Canseco, actress Jennifer Tilly, actor Ray Romano, former NHL player Rick Tocchet.

Massey also beat out talk

show host Montel Williams and actor Jason Alexander, both day two casualties. (Actor Tobey Maguire was still alive on day three.)

"I had a great time," Massey said. "I outlasted 5,800 people and got beat by a pro. He had aces and fives, and I had aces and fours."

Massey began playing Texas No-Limit Hold'em five years ago at Greektown Casino, where is he a fixture once or twice a week. He is also an avid watcher of the year-long World Series of Poker, which is aired each Wednesday night on ESPN.

"I always played, but not on a consistent basis," Massey said. "What's the secret? It's a lot of skills and a lot of luck. You have to know when to bet and how much to bet because you

can't control the cards."

Massey said he gained some valuable insight while playing against the best in the world.

"You've got to get a read on other people," he said. "It's not managing cards, it's managing people. You have to be intensely aware of everything going on at the table. They study every person intensively."

Massey, who was accompanied on the trip by his girlfriend Sue Tkachuka, spent nearly 15 hours at the table during the opening day. And you'd think that he'd be up for a break after three demanding days.

"I'm here until Saturday," Massey said. "Actually, I'm waiting to get into a game as we speak."

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ACES

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Kleabir said the experience was both exhilarating and a little unnerving.

"I was on 'Cloud 9' for a while," he said. "It also got to my nerves a little, too, because I ended up shooting a 100 when I usually shoot around 90."

An article in a 1999 issue of Golf Digest reported that one insurance company estimated that the odds of a PGA Tour pro recording a hole-in-one were 1-in-3,756. An amateur's

chances were 1-in-12,750, the story said, making Kleabir and Bauer's achievements even more remarkable.

SEVENTH HEAVEN

Bauer, a sixth-grader-to-be at Discovery Middle school, defeated the lofty odds three weeks after Kleabir when his tee shot found the bottom of the cup on the 90-yard seventh hole of the Fox Hills Strategic Fox layout. He used his trusty seven iron to register his first ace.

"I hit it high, it bounced about three times, then rolled

in," he said. "The guys I was playing with told me, 'Nice job.'"

The incredible shot was not enough to move golf past hockey on Bauer's list of favorite sports.

"Hockey is first; golf is tied for second with baseball," he said.

"Kyle called me from the course right after it happened and I could tell he was pretty excited," said his mom, Michelle Bauer. "He has two older brothers and they didn't believe it at first. But one of his friends' mom was with

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Ignition add 15 in Supplemental Draft

The Detroit Ignition selected 15 players during the 2007 Major Indoor Soccer League Supplemental Draft, Ignition President Greg Bibb announced on Thursday.

The Ignition held the ninth and final selection in each of the 15 rounds based on the team's MISL-best 18-12 record during the 2006-07 regular season.

Draft order was determined by a team's winning percentage from the 2006-07 regular season with the league's three expansion teams — the Orlando Sharks, New Jersey Ironmen and MISL Monterrey — selecting first, second and third, respectively.

Detroit tabbed goalkeeper Nicolas Platter with the club's first pick. Platter, 26, is currently playing outdoor soccer for the Minnesota Thunder of the United States Soccer League's First Division.

The University of California-Davis product has allowed just three goals while appearing in five games for the Thunder this season.

The Ignition then selected midfielder Sebastien Le Toux of the USL First Division Seattle Sounders with the club's second pick (18th overall). The Rennes, France native currently leads the Sounders and is tied for 10th in the USL First Division in scoring with 10 points (four

goals and two assists).

"We are very pleased with the talent we are able to add during this draft process," Bibb stated. "We are hopeful that several of the players will be wearing an Ignition uniform during the upcoming season. I look forward to watching them compete for a roster spot with our current signed players and amateur draft picks."

Information regarding Ignition season, group, and individual tickets can be obtained by calling the club at 1-888-436-GOAL (4625); by visiting the team's official Web site — www.detroitignition.com; or by calling TicketMaster at (248) 645-6666.

Rams keep Eagles winless as Collop hurls 2-hit gem

Justin Collop yielded just two hits to pick up the victory Friday at Ford Field as the Michigan Rams earned a 5-2 Livonia Collegiate Baseball League triumph over the winless Detroit Eagles.

Collop, who played high school baseball at Wayne Memorial, struck out six and walked only three in going the distance. Both runs were unearned for the University of Toledo right-hander.

The 20-and-under Rams,

who got two hits, including a homer and three RBI from Drew Churchward, evened their LCBL record at 12-12-2.

Mike Wiseman went 3-for-3 and knocked in a run, while Nick Plinka contributed an RBI and scored twice.

The 22-and-under Eagles, who dropped to 0-24-1, got a double from Ryan Sharp and a single from Otis Young. John Carrier and Tim Cross scored runs for the Eagles in the opening inning.

Losing pitcher Matt Middleton gave up five runs on eight hits over six innings. He struck out six, walked two and hit a batter.

It was the same story Wednesday as the Eagles lost 3-2 to the Rams in an LCBL encounter Wednesday at Ford Field.

Winning pitcher Joe Kennedy, who allowed just two runs on four hits for the Rams. He struck out six and allowed just one walk in seven innings.

Kennedy outdueled Alex Harvey, who gave up only four hits, a pair of walks and two hit batters in six innings.

Offensively, Nick Urban went 1-for-3 with a pair of RBI. Kyle Gendron also hit a hit in two at-bats with an RBI. Mike Wiseman, Collop and Andrew Stafford scored runs for the Rams, who tallied on in the first and two in the second.

Cross had an RBI triple and scored a run for the Eagles. Ali Sarafa also had a hit and RBI.



Ready to roar

The Dick Scott Automotive Group will be co-sponsoring a boat that will compete in today's 2007 Gold Cup Race on the Detroit River. The Scott Group will team up with the Detroit Yacht Club to sponsor the "Miss Formula Boats.Com" entry in the race. The Dick Scott Automotive Group, which has dealerships in Plymouth, Canton, Waterford and Fowlerville, has been a presenting sponsor with DYC for the past three years.

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City Golf Challenge

The 2007 City Championship men's and women's golf tournament will be Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 4-5, at Fellows Creek Golf Club in Canton Township.

The event pits golfers from Canton, Wayne, Westland, Livonia, Romulus and Plymouth, along with an Open Division.

Tee times are noon both days. The \$60 entry fee includes 18 holes of golf and awards (carts not included).

Golfers must reside in the city they represent. Each city must have six golfers or will be put into the Open Division. The tournament is based on actual scores over both days. Golfers will be placed in flights based on first day scores. The top three finishers in each flight from each city will receive trophies. Senior flights available from all cities.

For more information, call Jeff Rutter or Steve Winkelman at the Wayne Community Center at (734) 721-7400.

WWSL Family Picnic

The Wayne-Westland Soccer League's family picnic will be

from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 15 at the Wayne Recreation soccer fields.

Food, which includes hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks, will be served from noon to 2 p.m. with awards at 3 p.m. Families are urged to bring a picnic dish to pass. There will also be a raffle and prizes.

Rock wall climbing and bungee jumping will be available from noon to 4 p.m. for all ages at a minimal fee. An inflatable moonwalk is also available for free.

Elks Soccer Shoot

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will stage the annual Elks Soccer Shoot at 4:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 20 at the Livonia Community Center soccer fields, located at Five Mile and Hubbard roads.

Boys and girls age divisions include 7-and-under, 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13 (determined as of Aug. 1, 2007).

The competition is free. First-place finishers advance to the state finals in October.

For more information, call

(734) 466-2410.

Run Like Wind 5K

The ninth annual Run Like the Wind 10-kilometer run and 5K run-walk starts at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 1 at the Nankin Mills Picnic Area in Hines Park in Westland.

All proceeds will go back to the sport of running through support of youth track clubs and the Michigan Running Foundation Scholarship Fund.

Pre-registration fee (before Aug. 25) for the 10- and 5K events is \$15 (with shirt) or \$10 (no shirt). Race day fees are \$20 (with shirt) and \$15 (no shirt).

Awards and a special prize will go to the overall and masters (40-and-up) male and female winners. Medals will also be awarded to the top three finishers in each age group.

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Motor City Jr. Golf

The Motor City Junior Golf Championship for ages 12-17 is scheduled for Wednesday, July 25 at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia.

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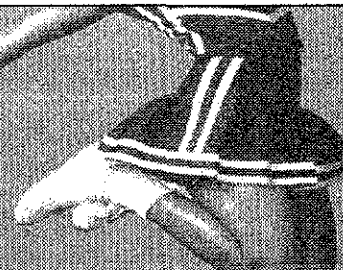
Included in the \$49 entry fee is one practice round (prior to the event), one bucket of driving range balls (the day of the event), lunch ticket and gift pace.

Entry forms must be filled out in full, signed and returned by Wednesday, July 18 to Whispering Willows, located on Newburgh Road just south of Eight Mile Road.

Tee times will be announced after noon on Sunday, July 22.

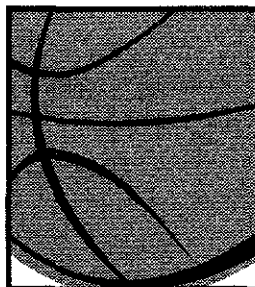
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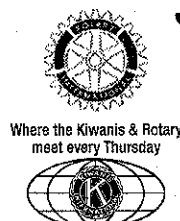
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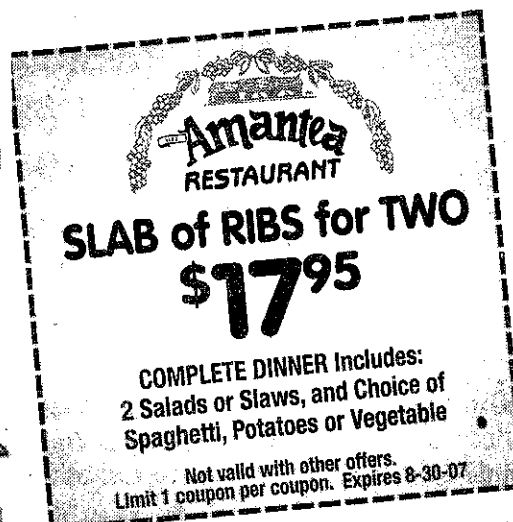
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How to control your anxiety

Anxiety in its worst form is worry. Max Lucado, a noted Christian writer and pastor, tells us that worry, understood in an earlier biblical meaning translates as to divide. Worry divides the mind from itself; it splits us between today and tomorrow. Further, we are anxious about what happened the day before. So living becomes more burdensome because our mind, our energy is divided and not united. We



Chat Room

Paul Melrose

know that this kind of living, this living based on a split mind and focus, called worry, can cause diseases of many kinds.

Lucado also reminds us that Jesus, in Matthew's Gospel, says, "You cannot add any time to your life by worrying about it." (Matthew 6:27)

Yet, at the same time worry is just one kind of anxiety. Anxiety also serves a useful purpose for us. Anxiety is a signal of something to be paid attention to, often of something dangerous. In that sense it is essential for survival. As one writer shares it, "Without it (anxiety) you would cross the street without concern about being hit by a car. Anxiety becomes a problem when it interferes with your life and dictates your decisions. It's the smoke detector when there's no smoke."

So the worry that we are talking about occurs when our anxiety is based on fears. And fears that become out of control lead to the anxiety that is burdensome, or worry. Some simple things we can do to address this kind of anxiety or worry would not be limited to but would include:

See a doctor. Is some kind of anti-anxiety medication needed?

Listen to your body. Author Dr. Michael Bloomfield notes that anxiety can stir up excessive adrenaline which can get out of control and affect many body organs and functions. Pay attention to how you feel physically, not just mentally and emotionally

When you worry too much, avoid caffeine, alcohol and nicotine.

Laugh.

Get plenty of sleep.

Avoid excessive worrying.

Exercise.

Pace yourself

Find ways to release your anxiety, in writing, relaxing, listening to music.

If necessary, find a good therapist.

When your life is so full of worry we might feel like Thomas Merton, noted religious writer. He wrote in prayer-like form, "My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me ... Therefore I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death."

There is a quality of trust necessary to handle worry. The techniques described are ways to reduce the anxiety, and to make it manageable. But the thoughts, fears, emotions that can stir up worry also need care. A sense of spiritual or religious calm, easier to describe than to achieve, helps one to settle into one's life, face the fears that scare us and give us a chance to overcome that split in ourselves so we can move from yesterday, through today, and into tomorrow. Talk, sometimes medication, good self-care, paying attention to your inner self through your faith, your participation in your religious life, all help to calm the nerves of anxiety.

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BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

It's hard to take your eyes off the whirling object attached to the string in Jake Maloney's hand. There's a mesmerizing quality about the yo-yo. While some consider the spinning sphere nothing more than a toy, Maloney uses yo-yos to compete and entertain crowds. In fact, he's become so good at Walking the Dog and other tricks, the 18-year-old Canton teen has been ranked the No. 10 player in the world since 2002.

MIDWEST REGIONAL YO-YO CONTEST

When: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 28, in Kellogg Park on Main Street, between Ann Arbor Trail and Pennington, Plymouth
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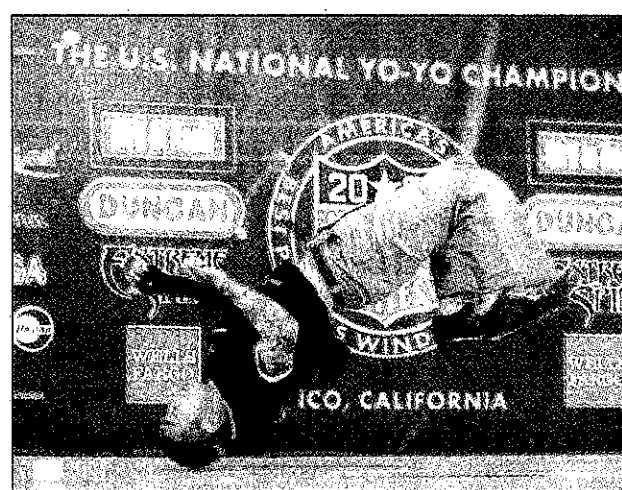
Maloney travels frequently to perform at a variety of venues and compete in National Yo-yo League contests throughout the country. This week, Maloney was in Ohio to do 13 shows at libraries, but local residents can watch him strut his stuff during the Midwest Regional Yo-yo Contest, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 28, in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.

Maloney is organizing the event to promote yo-yoing. It is being sponsored by the city of Plymouth, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., Duncan Toys and other yo-yo manufacturers. The top three winners receive prizes. First place in the 1A division earns a seed (definite spot) at the national contest in October. The Midwest region encompasses Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, western Pennsylvania, Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee.

"It's fun to watch, especially two-handed. You'll see a bunch of people with the ability to be in the nationals. It's rare to see that caliber of yo-yoers," said Maloney, who began competing seven years ago. "There will be yo-yos for sale and people around to help out if you want to learn. Like anything else, you have to practice. I've been yo-yoing nine years and still don't know every trick. It depends on how much you're willing to put into it. Eventually, it comes to a point where it's like breathing."

Maloney picked up his first yo-yo, a \$3 Duncan, as a third-grade student at Bird Elementary. He is basically self-taught and recommends visiting yoyoing.com (which has videos) to learn. Yo-yos are sold locally at stores such as Meijer and on the Internet at www.yoyo.com, yoyoguy.com and yoyonation.com. For begin-

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Rob Kitts of Perrysburg, Ohio, is a favorite with crowds.



Jake Maloney of Canton shows off his skills as the number 10 yo-yoer in the world since 2002.

New Madonna science building will be certified green

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Madonna University is looking to take the LEED in green construction practices for its new \$20 million Science and Media Center, set to break ground this fall and open in 2009.

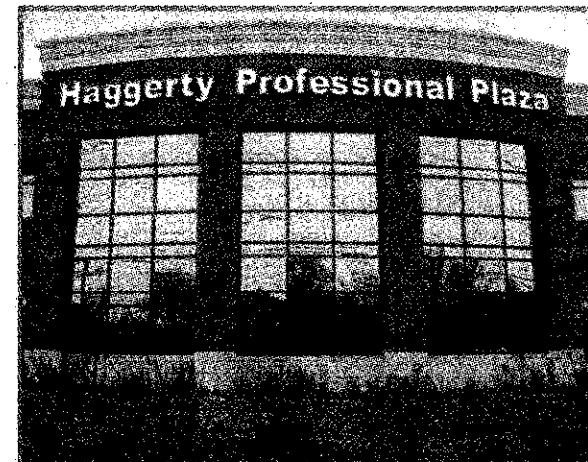
A growing enrollment and changing demand for technical education convinced the university that now was the time.

"Our enrollment in the last five years has gone up 15 percent and our facilities are being used all the time from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.," said Sister Rose Marie Kujawa, Madonna president. "The building has had 40 years of use and we've

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This artist's rendering shows the east elevation for Madonna University's Science and Media Center.



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Rob Kilts (left) Dennis Shatter, John Narum, Jake Maloney (center), and Alex Berenguel demonstrate the camaraderie among yo-yoers.

YO-YOS

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ners, he suggests the Duncan Reflex. He says you can find a really good yo-yo for \$10-\$15. "It was national turn off TV week. I was a real TV junkie. A yo-yo craze came around to my school and I was hooked," said Maloney, who's sponsored by Duncan Toys as part of a crew featuring the country's top players. "I started getting good and thought this could be a big thing for me and it's been a blast. I've met people from England, Japan. We e-mail each other, send videos of tricks over the Internet. Yo-yoing is popular with a lot of people in Japan, Brazil, Singapore and Germany. I like it just 'cause it's fun. Everybody's really supportive of each other. It's been a great experience."

Two \$400 Freehand Duncans will be inside the case of yo-yos Maloney carries to the world competition in August in Orlando. Last year, he placed 10th. Maloney admits he doesn't

practice as much as he did when he was younger.

"Yo-yoing is more popular among the younger kids, ages 7-13. You hit middle school and yo-yoing doesn't pick up girls," said Maloney, who graduated in May from Catholic Central High School, where he was a member of the football and track teams, and band. He enters Central Michigan University this fall. "There are only about three girls I know who yo-yo. It's a male-dominated thing, unfortunately."

Maloney is hoping the regional contest attracts males as well as females. Divisions vary from one-handed yo-yoing to two-handed looping tricks and off-string, where the yo-yo actually separates then returns to the string.

Dennis Shatter, 20, of Livonia shares the judging duties with Maloney. Shatter's been yo-yoing since fifth grade, when a player entertained his class at Hoover Elementary. He gave up competitions in 2005 to "give younger kids more of a chance." A graduate of Stevenson High School, Shatter will earn two business degrees from Schoolcraft College next year.

"I always look at precision,

accuracy," Shatter said. "The really big thing that head judges have told me is for the kids to have fun. If they have fun, you know they'll practice. It shows confidence on their part."

Debra Madonna is especially looking forward to watching Maloney demonstrate his skills. He's one of the reasons Madonna and the Rotary Club decided to sponsor the event spotlighting yo-yos, which have been traced back to 500 B.C. According to yo-yo.com, a Greek vase from this period is painted with the image of a boy playing yo-yo.

"Jake and my son Mark are good friends. His mom Gail taught my children. They used to take Mark with them to yo-yo events," said Madonna, who annually organizes the Plymouth Community Art's Council's Music in the Park series at noon Wednesdays in Kellogg Park. "It's fun and something a little different and the park is the place to do it. On Saturdays, it's packed down there. Last year I had Jake as part of Music in the Park. He entertained six minutes and was a hit. All the kids loved him."

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Women's Resource Center spotlights college employees

The Women's Resource Center opens its fall Luncheon Series with Dancing with the Stars Friday, Sept. 28, in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia.

Bill Peterson, a Schoolcraft College dance instructor, shares his many adventures as a dance enthusiast from getting started in dance to teaching on cruise lines, and the benefits of dance as exercise. Peterson will give a short demonstration so bring your dancing shoes and plan to join in the fun.

Luncheon lectures are \$15 each. The afternoon begins at 11:45 a.m. with lunch followed by a speaker, and concludes at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 11:15 a.m. Seating is limited. Prepaid registration required, no tickets issued. Call (734) 462-4443.

The series continues Oct. 26, with Michael Swope speaking about the history of television. Swope, an adjunct professor of history at Schoolcraft College, has worked as an on-air news analyst, historian, contributor and commentator in radio and television in addition to serving as senior editor for one of

the country's foremost marketing evaluation publications. Swope will share stories about the early years of radio and television.

On Dec. 14, Rodney Johnson talks about the art of welding. If you have ever wondered how a metal sculpture is created the Schoolcraft College welding instructor is the person to ask. Johnson has taught welding at the college since the mid-1980s. He will share insights about welding as an art form and explain how anybody, at any age, can learn to produce metal art for personal satisfaction and extra income as well.

Sports camps come to Michigan

Adidas Jr. Phenom and Phenom 150 Camps are among the top national invitation only junior level exposure camps in the country for highly competitive male and female basketball players.

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Jr. Phenom Camp is for the top 100 middle school players entering the 6th to 8th grade in September of the new school year. Phenom 150 Camp is for the top 150 rising freshmen and sophomores players

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This year Michigan will host the first Regional Camp at the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus. The regional camp is a qualifier to receive an invitation to the prestigious adidas Phenom Camps. Players must attend the regional camp to be considered. There are no exceptions.

The Regional Camp will offer players three games with equal playing time; teams are coached by experienced AAU and high school coaches with daily drills, instruction and written player evaluations. A Regional All-star team will be selected for each grade division to compete on the final day.

The regional camp is a springboard to national exposure for Michigan players. Additionally, it provides a benchmark for player improvement and offers highly competitive games.

The registration deadline is Friday, July 20. The cost is \$165 per player.

Boys camps take place Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 4-5, the girls Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 18-19, at University of Michigan-Dearborn Campus, 4901 Evergreen.

For more information or to register, call Lima Pereira, regional director at (248) 601-4503, send e-mail to lpereira@bballuniversity.com or visit the Web site at www.miadidasjr-camp.com.

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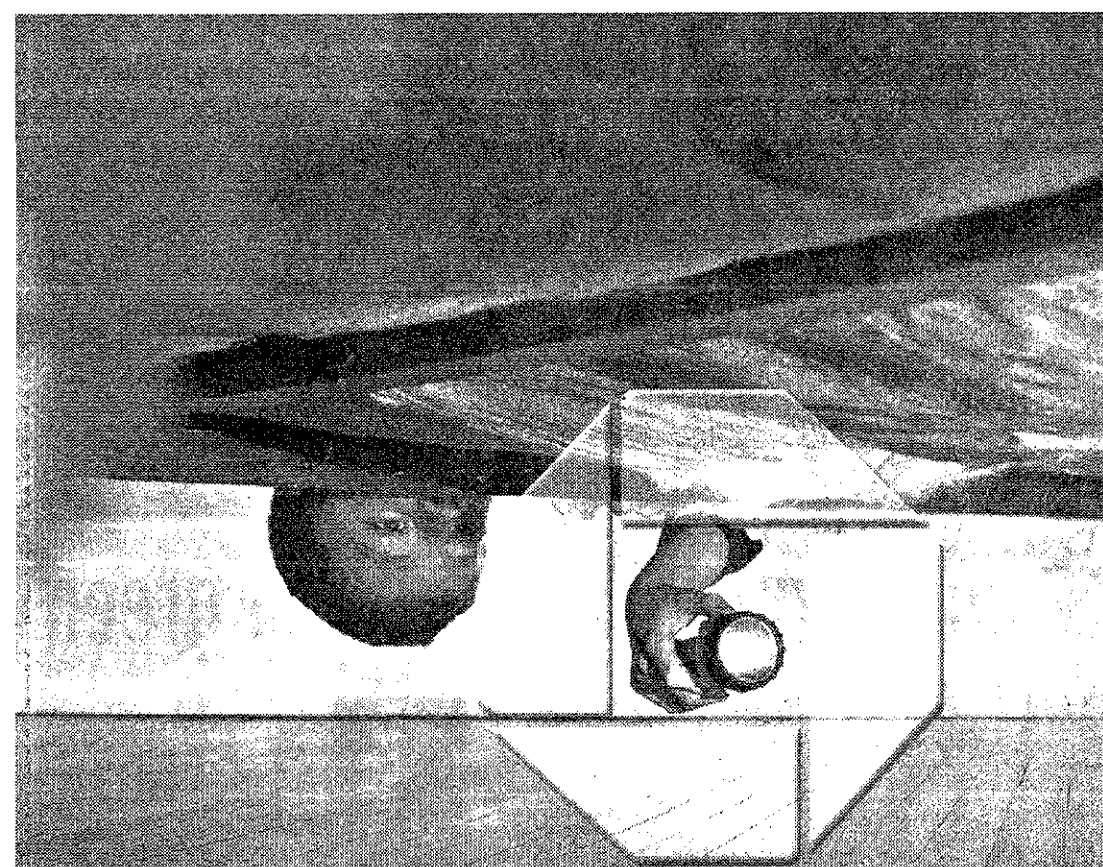
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added to the building to accommodate that growth. The original building was built for 1,000 students.



Kujawa

We now have 4,000 students using it on a regular basis." The university decided the new building would be used for the most technical education, science and mass media, which will require special technical needs and new high-tech equipment.

GOING GREEN

And the new 60,000 square-foot high-tech center will be green, built to LEED specifications. LEED stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. The U.S. Green Building Council has created a certification program that awards silver, gold and platinum status for meeting specified criteria for green construction.

Working with the SmithGroup architectural firm of Detroit and Clark Construction of Detroit, Madonna is committed to making the Science and Media Center as green as possible.

"Recycling and renewing are part of our mentality, part of our Franciscan values," Kujawa said.

Chuck Bisel, who acts as Madonna's representative in discussions with the architect and builder, said the planning process has been going on for more than a year.

"We had interviews with various architects because of the different expertise they brought to the table," he said. "They design college buildings, are very familiar with LEED design to confirm the program we are putting together to be valid. We toured buildings they had completed."

Bisel said Clark is also familiar with LEED design. He said the "bricks and mor-

tar" will cost around \$16.6 million, with the total project coming in at \$23 million. He said current plans put the building at silver certification, but close to gold.

"In our first meeting with the city of Livonia, we were told we'd be the first green-certified building in the city of Livonia," Bisel said.

The center will include research and instructional labs, a tiered lecture hall, a state-of-the-art television studio, classrooms and student gathering areas.

Kujawa said the university has lined up several potential donors, but they haven't allowed their names to be used.

"We have a full-blown campaign with consultants that are working with us," she said. "Money is coming in, but once we break ground, we'll be needing it at a faster pace and we will be floating a bond, the amount to be determined later."

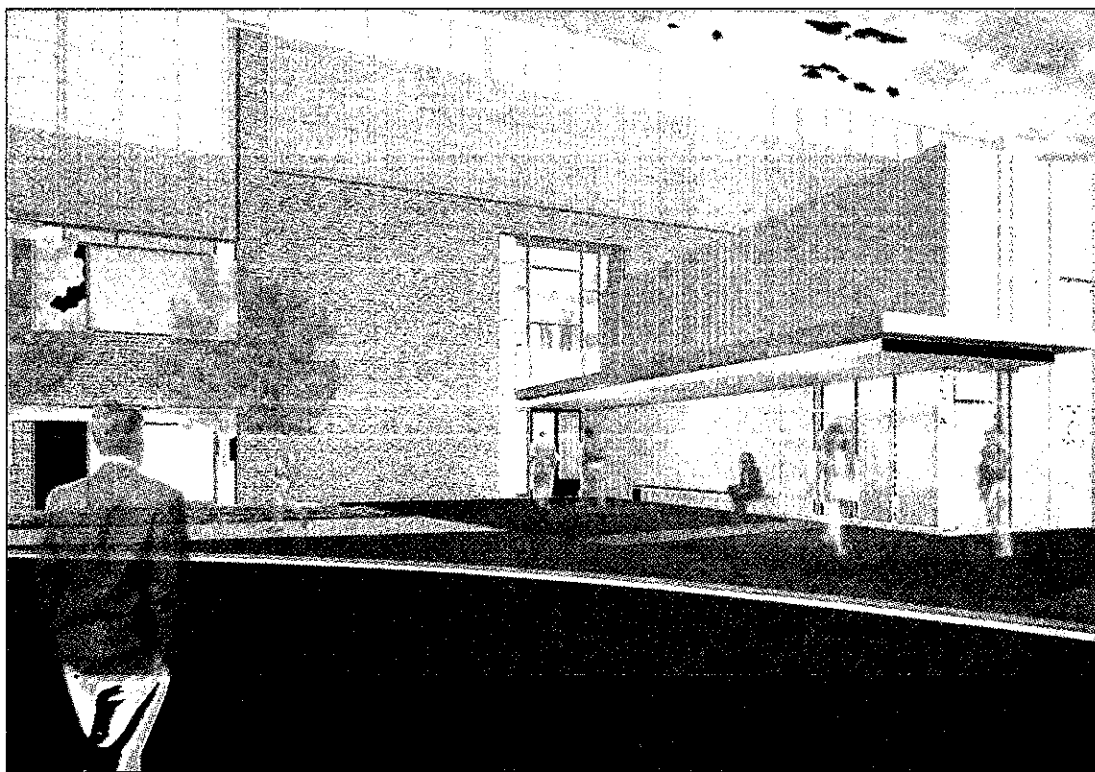
ACADEMIC GROWTH

When the new building is completed, the older building will be renovated.

The new facility will not be connected to the long main campus building, but stand alone in an area west of the campus pond.

The need for a new science facility developed from a master plan the university completed in 1993.

"The labs were built in the '60s and have a '60s orientation, even though they were rebuilt in the '90s. We didn't



This is an artist rendering of the west elevation of Madonna University's planned Science and Media Center, designed by The Smith Group.

really renovate them in a meaningful way," Kujawa said.

The building is part of Madonna's aggressive plans to build on its academic programs, particularly in health and the sciences. An environmental science program is just completing its first year. A forensic science program is three years old.

"We are moving toward a doctoral program in nursing practice," Kujawa said.

Andrea Nodge, Madonna vice president for advancement, said the new programs are in line with Madonna's mission.

"Madonna continually surveys the needs of society and the community and what it can do to serve the community," she said. "We are always trying to educate our students."

For Kujawa, the new building will also be a commitment to society.

"This fits with our Franciscan values; reverence for creation is one of them," she said. "It's a wonderful fit. When we started this building and decided it would be green, we've gotten tremendous support across the

campus that we are moving in the right direction."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AROUND TOWN

Real estate expo

The Greater Detroit Real Estate Expo featuring Taniya Nayak of HGTV's popular show "Designed to Sell," shares valuable information from real estate experts, including professional home stagers, real estate agents, mortgage brokers, home insurance agents and many more, on everything there is to know about buying and selling a home to get the most for your money. The free expo takes place 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 28, and noon-5 p.m. Sunday, July 29, on the Lower Level, Center Court at Fairlane Town Center, Dearborn. For more information, call (313) 593-1370 or go to www.shopfairlane.com

Natural approach

Dr. Carol Fischer, D.C., N.D., presents "Eat Your Way Thin," 6 p.m., Wednesday, July 25, at the Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Road in Livonia. Take a natural approach to a healthier, new you. You can have the body you want and eat too! Learn why diets do not work, ways to avoid weight gain and how to lose weight with diet/nutrition and exercise. When to eat, what to eat and how to eat will be discussed. Learn why eating the correct fat will not make you fat. No charge for this class. Call (734) 756-6904 to make a reservation.

Blood drive

Divine Savior Catholic Church will hold an American Red Cross blood drive 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at the church, 39375 Joy, west of Hix, in Westland. Walk-ins are welcome or donors can call (734) 455-3620 and leave their name.

Mercy scholarships

Mercy High School is granting \$170,600 in scholarship money to students for the 2007-08 school year. Ten full-tuition scholarships from the Sisters of Mercy and 19 named scholarships are being awarded along with \$20,000 in scholarships provided by the Mercy Alumnae Association. Scholarships are awarded based on applications and student-written essays. For information on donating to the Mercy High School Tuition Assistance Fund, or establishing a



Legion honor

Jake Marmul of Livonia accepts the prestigious scholarship award from Robert Sciesky, American Legion Post 390 commander, while his parents look on. The \$5,000 scholarship is handed out each year to an outstanding student from one of 16 high schools in the northwest metro Detroit area. The student must have a parent, grandparent or family member currently serving in or holding an honorable discharge from the U.S. military, as well as a grade-point average of 3.2 or higher. Jake is a graduate of Catholic Central High School who plans to attend Notre Dame in the fall.

new named Mercy scholarship, contact Director of Development Nadine Maynard at njmaynard@mhsmi.org or call (248) 893-3538.

Travel clinics

When traveling to a foreign country, a vaccination and travel consultation could be just as important as a passport. From diseases you may have already heard of such as hepatitis, to the more exotic illnesses like Japanese encephalitis, Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's TravelWise Travel Clinic can provide the vaccinations and information you need to consider. This new service from VNA provides inoculations for many common diseases including influenza, pneumonia, meningitis,

tetanus and diphtheria, in addition to vaccinations specific to your travel destinations such as hepatitis A and B and typhoid. Additionally, VNA is a certified provider of the yellow fever vaccine. In order to prepare for VNA's travel consultation, individuals should bring their anticipated travel dates, itinerary and lodging plans. Past immunization records and a list of allergies and current medications will also help. For appointments, cost, on-site clinics and general information, contact the VNA TravelWise Travel Clinic at (248) 967-8755 or visit www.vna.org.

Heartland Hospice

Heartland Hospice, located in Southfield and serving the tri-county area, is looking for caring and compassionate individuals to register for volunteer training. Evening and daytime classes are available for anyone interested in being a support person for clients and their families during

their end-of-life journey. Office support is also needed. To register, call Mary, (800) 770-9859.

Register for St. Genevieve School

St. Genevieve Catholic School is accepting applications for the 2007-08 school year. The school, preschool through eighth grade, is accredited by the Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools. It's at 28933 Jamison in Livonia, east of Middlebelt, south of Five Mile, and offers full academic curriculum, full- and half-day preschool and kindergarten, extended-day program before and after school, CYO program and more. (734) 425-4420.

Waste to Watts

The Ann Arbor Hands-on Museum has extended the Waste to Watts exhibition through summer of 2007 due to popular demand. Waste to Watts shows how new environmentally friendly technology can turn our trash into electricity. Developed by

Landfill Energy Systems of Wixom, Michigan, this one-of-a-kind exhibit demonstrates how methane gas recovery from landfills can be used as an alternative energy source, ultimately reducing our dependency on other fuels. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For information, visit www.aahom.org or call (734) 995-5439.

Card party/luncheon

Victoria Chapter #290, OES, Livonia Masonic Temple hosts a card party/luncheon noon-3 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month. Admission is \$6; event features table prizes and door prizes. The temple is located at 27705 W. Seven Mile in Livonia. For more information, call (734) 459-6063.

Hospice training

Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, western Wayne, Monroe and Livingston counties. Volunteers provide a variety of services including companionship, light housekeeping, errand running, grief support and clerical services. For more information, contact volunteer coordinator Candice Jones, (888) 973-1145.

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. Call (734) 416-4906 for more information.

Toastmasters meet

Do you have a fear of public speaking? Do you need to do presentations at work and don't know where to start? Or are you terrified of the thought of standing in front of a group of people to present that report? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then Toastmasters is for you! Canton Communicators Club meets every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Canton Coney Island on Lilley, just south of Joy, in the Golden Gate Plaza. For additional information, contact Bonnie at (734) 646-2237.

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.newhopecenter.net.

Post Polio Clinic

Easily fatigued? New, inexplicable physical complaints? History of paralytic or non-paralytic polio? Contact the Post Polio Clinic, 13850 E. 12 Mile, Warren, or call (586) 778-4505. The clinic sponsors support group meetings the fourth Saturday of every month (March through October) at 4328 Livernois in Troy. For more information you can also call (734) 765-8384.

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 Beth Stewart, president, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., by calling (734) 420-4094.

Canton Newcomers

The Canton Newcomers meet the first Wednesday of each month (September-May) for an adult evening of socializing, a speaker or an activity. Additionally, the group hosts more than 20 events during the month including Book Club, Bunko, Playgroups, Creative Kids, Ladies Day and Night Out, Scrapbooking, Walking and many more. Request a complimentary newsletter at cantonnewcomers.org or call Jennifer at (734) 981-1715. You don't have to be "new" to be a Newcomer!

Kiwanis Club

The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Club meets every Tuesday at 7:15 a.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center on Farmer. The Club invites you to their morning meetings to discuss community projects and activities. Be part of the solution and not just a spectator. Call (734) 981-0460 or see the Web site (www.pckiwans.org).

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

David Medley, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD BY-LAWS

By-Law Nos. 0164.1: Regular Meetings - Time, Place, and Notification

Regular meetings of the Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, shall be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month (except on the fourth Tuesday in July, November and December, the second Tuesday of February, and the fourth Tuesday of March; the January 2008 meetings will be held on the third and fifth Tuesdays of the month) at 7:00 p.m. at the following location (except as agreed herein) unless otherwise directed by a majority vote of the members:

E. J. McClendon Educational Center
454 South Harvey Street
Plymouth, Michigan 48170

By-Law No. 0164.2 Special Meetings - Time, Place, and Notification

Special meetings of the Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, may be called by the President of the Board, or any two members thereof, by serving on the other members a written notice of the day, time, and place of such special meetings, or by a majority vote of the Board.

Service of the notice shall be by:

- Delivering the notices to the members personally at least twenty-four (24) hours before such meeting is to take place, or
- Leaving the notice at the member's residence with a person of the household at least twenty-four (24) hours before such meeting is to take place, or
- Depositing the notice in a government mail receptacle enclosed in a sealed envelope plainly addressed to such member at his/her last known address at least seventy-two (72) hours before such meeting is to take place.

Services as above described may be made by a member of the Board or any employee of the Board.

PUBLIC NOTICE of each special meeting and of each rescheduled regular or special meeting shall be given by posting a copy of the NOTICE on the message board by the front entrance to the E. J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, Michigan, at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time of the meeting.

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ADVERTISEMENT OF BID

Date: July 1, 2007
Owner: Charter Township of Plymouth
Contact Name: Mark Lewis
(734) 354-3211
Project Name: Friendship Station Kitchen Renovations
Bid Due Date: Sealed proposals will be received for the kitchen renovation of Friendship Station by the Charter Township of Plymouth, as Owner, until 3:00 pm on Friday, July 20, 2007 at the office of the Clerk, Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170 at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read.

Description of Project: Tear-out existing wood cabinets and fixtures and renovate the kitchen per the drawings and specifications.
Funding for the project work is being obtained through the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project and that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin, in accordance with Executive Order 11246 Equal Employment Opportunity and Notice of Requirements for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity.

The Contractor must comply with the Davis-Bacon Act, July 2, 1964 (Title 40 USC 276A), the Equal Employment Opportunity Act, September 28, 1965 No. 11246, all United States Department of Labor Regulations and Standards Title 29, 1, 3 and 5, and Title 18, USC Section 874, known as "Anti-Kickback Act", and the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 USC 1857 et seq., the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 USC 1251 et seq., and the regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency with respect thereto, at 40 CFR Part 15, as amended.
Plans and specifications may be examined on or after July 2, 2007 at the Plymouth Township Hall at the Office of the Clerk, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Copies may be obtained for a cost of \$20.00 per set.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a Certified Check in the amount of 5% of the bid, payable to the Owner, as security for acceptance of the Contract. A bid bond in The Michigan Standard Form issued by an approved surety company may be furnished in lieu of a Certified Check.

Please fax your intent to bid to Charter Township of Plymouth 734 207 2689 Attn: Mark Lewis.

We will be bidding Yes _____ No _____
Company Name: _____/Bid Category: _____
Phone Number: _____/Fax Number: _____
Estimators Name: _____
Email Address: _____

No bidder may withdraw his proposal within 60 days after the date set for the opening thereof.

The right is reserved by the Owner to reject any or all proposals, either in whole or in part, and to waive any irregularities therein.

Marilyn Massengill, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
1150 S. CANTON CENTER RD.
CANTON, MI 48188

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction, July 17, 2007 at 10:00 AM. The auction will be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI 48185. The vehicles will be sold as is, starting bid is for towing and storage.

YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	BODY	VIN#
1994	PONTIAC	GR. AM	4-DR	1G2NE5536RC712522
1996	FORD	T-BIRD	2-DR	1FALP6244TH103333
1987	FORD	ESCORT	4-DR	1FAPP2597HW330617
1992	MERCURY	MARQUIS	4-DR	2MECM75W2NX682894
1998	PONTIAC	SUNFIRE	4-DR	1G2JB5248W7508040
1996	FORD	EXPLORER	S/W	1FMDU84X7TUA86706
2004	FORD	F-150	P/U	1FTPX045X4KD78384
1994	CHRYSLER	LEBARON	2-DR	1C3EU4531RF308183
1999	MERCURY	SABLE	4-DR	1MEFM50V6XG607423
1998	FORD	WINDSTAR	S/W	2FMZA51U8WBD93719
1996	CHEVY	BLAZER	S/W	1GNCT18W3TK125299
1990	OLDSMOBILE		4-DR	2G3AM54N0L2356026
1995	INFINITI	J30	4-DR	JNKAY21D9SM206213
1995	PONTIAC	GR. AM	4-DR	1G2NW55M4SC766638
1991	DODGE	VAN	S/W	2B4GR55B3MR196187
1992	HONDA	ACCORD	4-DR	1HGCB7654NA173364
1995	DODGE	CARAVAN	S/W	2B4GH2533SR266334

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CANTON DOWNTOWN
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 26, 2007 for the following:

FORD ROAD (M-153) WIDENING WEST OF CANTON CENTER ROAD & TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADES ALONG FORD ROAD (M-153) AT SIX LOCATIONS

Project includes the widening of 571 feet of Ford Road (M-153) west of Canton Center Road. This widening consists of removing existing pavement and curb & gutter, placing 543 square yards of HMA pavement, placing 121 square yards of non-reinforced concrete pavement with curb & gutter, and placing drainage structures as necessary. Also, the removal of existing traffic signals and replacement with new mast arms at six locations along Ford Road.

MDOT pre-qualification is required for all prime and sub-contractors performing work associated with the removal and replacement of the traffic signals.

Bid documents are available to pick up at Northwest Consultants, Inc. (NCI), 44978 Ford Rd., Suite A, Canton, MI 48187. A nonrefundable fee of \$65.00 will be charged for the bid packet. A 5% bid bond will be required.

Bid documents are on file and available for review at Canton Township Hall, Engineering 2nd Floor, NCI, Construction Association of Michigan, Reed Construction Data, McGraw Hill Construction Dodge, and Construction News Service of Michigan, Inc.

The Canton Downtown Development Authority does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

The Canton Downtown Development Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and accept only the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Township.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

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WEDDING



Uryga-Pumphrey

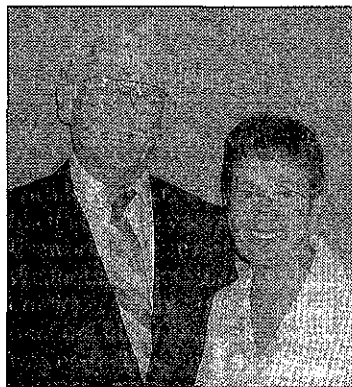
Rebecca Lynn Uryga and Cary Michael Pumphrey were married Sept. 16, 2006 at St. Florian Catholic Church in Hamtramck with the Rev. Tomasz Sielicki officiating. The bride is the daughter of Walter and Elaine Uryga of Canton. She is a 1997 graduate of Canton High School, a 2001 graduate of the University of Michigan School of Engineering and a 2004 graduate of Depaul Law School. She is a patent attorney in Chicago. The groom is the son of Janice Rihn of Grand Island, Neb., and Dr. Harold Pumphrey of Lincoln, Neb. He is a 1995 graduate of Hebron High School, a 2000 graduate of Nebraska Wesleyan University and a 2003 graduate of the University of Denver Law School. He received his Masters of Law from Depaul University in 2004. He also works as an attorney in Chicago.

The bride was attended by Maid of Honor Michelle Elleby, a friend of the bride; Nancy Noonan, Jennifer Barnes and Kathryn Deignan, friends of the bride, and Kylie Ferguson, friend of the groom. Flower girl was Jaclyn Uryga, cousin of the bride.

The groom was attended by Best Man John Messe, Jr., friend of the groom; Anthony Perea, Phillip Romberg and Trent Maly, friends of the groom; Drew Pumphrey, brother of the groom and Steven Bokovitz, cousin of the bride. Ring bearer was Eric Uryga, godson of the bride.

A reception was held at the Laurel Park Marriott in Livonia. The couple honeymooned on a Mediterranean Cruise. The couple makes their home in Chicago.

ANNIVERSARY



Todds celebrate 50th

Jim and Linda (Davenport) Todd of Garden City will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 31, 2007.

The Todds were married in 1957 at Garden City Presbyterian Church. The couple have lived in Garden City since August 1963.

Jim retired from the Ford Motor Co. in 1987 after 23 years. Linda retired from the Garden City Public Schools in 1993 after 30 years. They enjoy spending their winters in Florida, playing shuffleboard, cards and bowling, as well as spending time with their family and friends. Traveling to Pennsylvania every July for a family reunion with Linda's family is also a favorite tradition.

Linda and Jim have two children Mike (Cheryl) Todd and Carol (Frank) Roberts and four grandchildren, Sara, Ian, Chad and Christa.

To celebrate their anniversary their children are planning a family portrait and dinner.



Jim and Linda Todd

ENGAGEMENTS

Del Col-Howey

Frank and Kim Del Col of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracey Del Col, to Stephen Howey of Canton, son of Michael Howey and Roxanne Codog.

Tracey is a 2005 graduate of Canton High School and is working and attending Schoolcraft College.

Stephen is a 2004 graduate of Canton High School. He is also working and attending Schoolcraft College.



The wedding will take place July 27, 2007, at Northville Hills Golf Club.

Following their honeymoon, the couple will move into their new home in Redford.

Harding-Duncan

Robert and Elizabeth Harding of Garden City announce the upcoming wedding of their daughter, Sara Elizabeth Harding, to Christopher Ryan Duncan.

The bride-to-be is a 2004 graduate of Henry Ford Community College. She is currently attending cosmetology school and will finish her training this summer. She is employed at Haircut House of Westland.

Chris is the son of Kimberly Duncan of Westland and Donald Duncan of Miramar, Fla. He is currently attending Eastern Michigan University, majoring in computer information systems. He is scheduled to graduate in April of 2008. The wedding will be held at Tri-City Christian Center in Canton in August 2007.



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Guyot-Kotzian

Paul and Lynn Guyot of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Lauren Guyot, to Kevin Keith Kotzian, son of Ralph and Kay Kotzian of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn and works at Westwood Community Schools and Livonia Little Tots.

The prospective groom works for the state of Michigan Department of Corrections.

A July 28, 2007, wedding is planned for Hosanna Tabor in



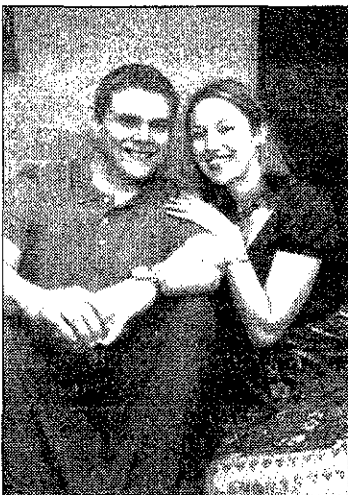
Redford, followed by a reception at the Detroit Yacht Club.

DeWitt-Rosinski

Tim and Alice DeWitt of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracey DeWitt, to Kevin Rosinski, son of Henry and Cynthia Rosinski of Livonia.

Tracey is a 1999 graduate of Ladywood High School. She received a bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University in 2003 and a master's degree from Eastern Michigan University in 2005. She is a speech-language pathologist in the Waterford School District.

Kevin is a 1996 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. He received a bachelor's degree in 2000 from Central Michigan University. He is working on his master of business administration degree at Wayne State



University. He is employed as an information technology specialist at US Farathane Corp. in Sterling Heights.

The couple are planning a 2007 wedding at St. Michael Catholic Church in Livonia.

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.

REUNIONS

Andover High School

Class of 1987

7 p.m. to 12 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 11, 2007, The Fairlane Club in Dearborn. Please register at Classmates.com for more details!

Class of 1957

A 50-year reunion is planned for Sept. 15, 2007, at Great Oaks Country Club in Rochester. Looking for alumni. Call Mary Lou Norkiewicz (Ehrmann) at (248) 375-5406, Jim Greenless at (248) 642-0290 or Janice Turnbull (Lane) at (248) 627-2447.

Berkley High School

Class of 1987

A 20-year reunion is planned for Nov. 24, 2007. Looking for all current contact info for alumni from class of 1987. Contact Kim (DeWilde) Everingham at (734) 422-0087 or e-mail info to kimsiasophia@gmail.com. Reunion website is www.BHSreunion1987.com for further information and details.

Birmingham Groves

Class of 1977

A 30-year reunion 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 28, at Camp Ticonderoga, Troy. \$35 in advance, \$45 at the door. Contact Dan Nelson at (248) 433-3742 or e-mail: Groves77reunion@hotmail.com.

Birmingham Seaholm

Class of 1962

A 45-year reunion is planned for 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, 2007, at Camp Ticonderoga Restaurant, Troy. For information: www.seaholm62.org. Contact: Greg Frontier at gfrontier@aol.com or Charlotte (Bosworth) Foillis at cafolliis@mybluelight.com.

Bishop Bergess

Class of 1977

A 30-year reunion Saturday, Sept. 8, 2007, at George Murphy's, Livonia. For more information, call (248) 685-8747 or by email haningk@yahoo.com.

Class of 1987

A 20-year reunion, Sept. 15, 2007, at the Livonia Marriott. Contact borgess87@hotmail.com for more information.

Burt Elementary and Junior High (Detroit)

Class of 1967

For information contact Contacts: Sandy Rhodes Luoma at sandysgar-den2003@yahoo.com. Sue Smith Nykamp at suenykamp@yahoo.com or Margaret Hadcock Gallagher at edgallagher@prodigy.net

Clarenceville High School

All classes

Sunday, July 29 at Kensington Metro park, shelter T, open to all Clarenceville alumni - grads and non-grads.

Not open to current students unless they are the children of attending alumni. Lunch is potluck (email for division of stuff to bring). For more info, contact: clarenceville_alumni_reunion@yahoo.com

Clawson High School

Class of 1962

A 45-year reunion, 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Hilton Detroit-Troy on Crooks Road in Troy. Dinner, dancing and cash bar. Other weekend events will begin on Friday, Sept. 21, and will continue through Sunday, Sept. 23. For information, e-mail ClawsonHS62@aol.com or call Mary at (248) 593-6182.

Dearborn Fordson

Class of 1952

A 55-year reunion on Sunday, Aug. 5, at the O'Kelly Banquet Hall, 23663 Park St., Dearborn. Reunion begins at 2 p.m. with buffet dinner at 4 p.m. Call Marianne Hoak (313) 274-9064 or Carolyn Haseltine Chambon (734) 420-2591.

Dearborn Fordson

Class of 1957

A 50th reunion picnic, 3 p.m. Aug. 4, 2007, at a party barn. Contact Betty (Minnelli) Reynolds at (248) 553-7618.

Class of 1958

A luncheon at Park Place on Aug. 3, 2007, to celebrate 49 years. Reservations only. For information, call (313) 562-3941 (Fran) or (313) 278-4488 (Joyce or John).

Class of 1969

Planning a reunion for 2007. Please contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kayniniu@aol.com or Kathy Shoebridge at Klivngston@nu-core.com.

Class of 1977

A 30-year reunion, Friday, Aug. 3 to Sunday, Aug. 5, 2007. Contact Val Schulte (Wrenbeck) at msugrad81@cox.net with your current address and phone number.

Dearborn Edsel Ford

Class of 1967

A 40-year reunion 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, 2007, at Doubletree Hotel, Dearborn. Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar, approximately \$35. For information, call Cheryl Riske Brown at (313) 336-0192 or e-mail efhs67@yahoo.com

Detroit Cass Technical High School

Class of 1967

6 p.m. Saturday, July 28, the Fairlane Club, 5000 Fairlane Woods Drive, Dearborn. Cost \$67 per person in advance, \$75 after June 1. No tickets sold at the door. Phone, Nedra (Custer) Friday, (313) 272-6649, email Cassstechreunion1967@yahoo.com or mail inquiry to P.O. Box 43912, Detroit, Mich. 48243-0912.

Detroit Chadsey

Class of 1957

A 50th Reunion is being planned for Sept. 29, at Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor. Looking for January, June and Summer '57 graduates. If interested in attending or know of the whereabouts of other classmates, contact Pat Gorski-Zielinski, (989) 366-9288.

Detroit Cody

Class of 1957

A 50th reunion at the Embassy Suites, Livonia Oct. 5, 2007. Cost is \$90 per person, complete with dinner, open bar, memory book, CD, champagne toast and much more. This invitation is to all 50s graduates. Call 800-859-9502 or email lorel@wideopenwest for details. Cost is \$90 per person, complete with dinner, open bar, memory book, champagne toast and much more.

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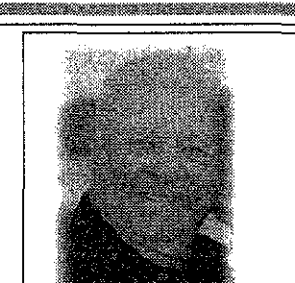
Class of 1957

A 50-year reunion, Sept. 28-29, 2007, Sheraton Novi Hotel. Contact: Sharon (248) 334-7641 or Sue (734) 632-0350. Email: shadden@med.wayne.edu.

Classes of 1967, 1968

Reunion 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007, at Laurel Manor, Livonia. Discounted tickets before March 1. Contact Dave Junquist at (810) 667-9131. Website www.geocities.com/cooleyreunions67. All classmates are encouraged to register for inclusion in memory book at www.classreport.

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Mr. DARRELL IBACH, SR.

Passed away July 10, 2007 at Lee Memorial Health Systems, Cape Coral, FL. He was born August 21, 1935 in Watertown, SD, son of the late Newton & Aria (Manska) Ibach. He attended Belleville High School and later lived in Plymouth and Canton. Darrell opened his 1st business in 1959, D & R Leonard, a Gas Station/Repair Shop in Romulus. He opened his 2nd business in 1976, D & R Auto Parts in Belleville, which he sold in 1999. He was the owner of Pro Tech Auction which opened in July 1995, which he ran with his son Butch. He also owned D & R Rental Properties. He loved to travel in his motorhome, especially to Florida, where he spent many winters in Cape Coral. He loved racing cars and sponsoring them as well. He sponsored the Rick Memorial Match, a Police Pistol Match, Taylor, Darrell was a member of the First Baptist Church, Canton. He was a former member of the Belleville Lion's Club. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Norma (Eldridge) Ibach, two daughters Michelle (David) Schulze and Barbara Ibach, a son Darrell "Butch" (Arlita) Ibach, Jr., all of Plymouth, eight grandchildren, Matthew (Amy) and Eric Immerfall, Nicole, Rebecca, Daniel and Phillip Buzenberg, Chad & Drew Ibach, a brother Roger (Marion) Ibach, Sr. of Gaylord, and numerous nieces & nephews. Visitation Thursday 6-8 PM and Friday 1-4 PM & 6-8 PM at DAVID C. BROWN FUNERAL HOME, Belleville. Funeral Service 10 AM Saturday, July 14, 2007 at First Baptist Church, Canton. Entombment Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock. Memorial to the Bethel Youth Camp, c/o First Baptist Church. Please sign his on-line guest book at www.davidcbrownfh.com



MAXINE OLSON

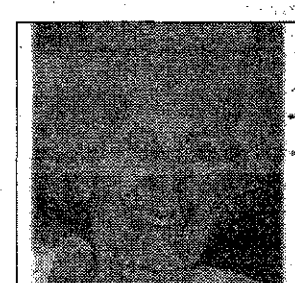
Age 81, died July 4, 2007, after a courageous battle with leukemia. Beloved wife of Paul. Loving mother of Brad (Marcia) Olson and Tim (Karen) Olson. Grandmother of Amy Olson. Sister of Robert (Martha) Glass, Margaret Gall, DeWayne (Shirley) Glass, Shirley (Verie) Lima. Also many nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors. Memorial service at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, Saturday 10am. Memorials appreciated to Board of Deacons at Kirk in the Hills or William Beaumont Hospice.

Obituary at: lynchfuneraldirectors.com



ROBERT M. PRZYBYLSKI

Age 75, of Livonia, MI, died Wednesday, July 11, 2007. Beloved husband of the late Anna Marie Murphy. Dear father of Mark A. (Nancy) of Lake In The Hills, IL, Matthew G. (Beth) of Grand Blanc, Robert M., Jr. (Sue) of Brighton, Ronald R. (Michelle) of Howell, and Catherine A. "Kitty" (Scott) McLaren of Brighton. Also survived by 12 grandchildren. Born May 18, 1932 in Detroit, he is preceded in death by his parents Frank and Sophie (Kroleczyk) Przybylski, brother Fr. Wallace F. Przybylski OFM, brother Richard J. Przybylski, sister Geraldine T. Norris, and brother Ronald R. Przybylski. Retired tool and die tradesman who worked for Burroughs Corp. and Chrysler Motors. A veteran of the U.S. Navy, he served in Guam during the Korean Conflict. Was a coach in the Livonia Junior Football League and also of Connie Mack League baseball in Livonia. Family will receive friends at Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile, Livonia on Tuesday, 4-9 p.m., Rosary at 7:30 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial is Wednesday, 10 a.m. at St. Colette Church, Newburgh Rd. north of Six Mile, Livonia. Interment at Holy Sepulcher Cemetery, Southfield. Family suggests memorials to American Red Cross.



ADELINE LYDIA RAKOZZY

Age 89, died July 10, 2007, in Elk River, MN, formerly of Milford, MI. She was born October 24, 1917. Her husband of 66 years, William Rakozzy died January 6, 2005 in Yuba City. Adeline & William Rakozzy were previous owners of the Yuba City Baskin Robbins 31 Flavor Ice Cream Store for close to 15 years before retirement. Adeline and family were founding members of the Christ Lutheran Church, Milford. For over 20 years she was involved in playing the organ and worked with the church choir. She is survived by three children, Renee W. Stein, Bradenton, FL; William E. Rakozzy, Elk River, MN; Kurt A. Rakozzy, Dubuque, IA. Adeline will be cremated and interred next to her husband William during a family memorial service to be conducted at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery in Minneapolis, MN. The date and time of this memorial service have not been set. Arrangements by: Dafe Funeral Home, 805 Main St., Elk River, MN 55330, 763-441-1212.

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MARY ANN WELCHER (nee Popovich)

Age 70, July 10, 2007. Beloved wife of Bud. Loving mother of Ann-Marie, James, and Dan. Dear sister of Millie Karr, Helen Generalovich, Sophie Racic (deceased), George Popovich (deceased), Donna Tichow, and Dan Popovich. Loving "Mee-Maw" of five grandchildren: Jack, Gavin, Kaitly, and Aeryn & Logan. A Memorial service was held on Saturday, July 14th, at the L.A. Turowski & Son Funeral Home, 9300 Middlebelt Rd. www.neely-turowski.com

BRUCE ARTHUR ZIKMUND

Age 55, Wayne, MI, passed July 10, 2007. Uht Funeral Home

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Paying Tribute to the Life of Your Loved One

Outdoor fire hazards

Keep your family burn-free this summer



BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Too often in the emergency rooms at University of Michigan hospitals, Dr. Edward Walton sees children and adults burned by outdoor fires that were meant to be enjoyed. The sad part is that in most cases the pain and scarring could have been avoided.

Campfires, backyard fire pits and beach bonfires create dangerous situations with the potential of injuring all ages, especially children. Walton cautions adults to set up No Zones where kids aren't allowed. He recommends drawing a line around the campfire or setting up a circle of chairs to keep children away from flames.

For the next four weeks, Walton doesn't expect to treat any children with burns at Bellknapp YMCA Camp in New Hampshire where he serves as camp doctor. There, children are constantly supervised.

"Any time you have an open fire and children in the area, you have risk. Think about a child with a marshmallow. A 3-year-old puts it in the fire and it's a flaming torch so parents need to be very careful about supervising kids when they're cooking anything," said Walton, an assistant professor of emergency medicine and pediatrics at University of Michigan Medical School. Walton is a physician in the pediatric and adult emergency departments at U-M Health System.

"Children don't understand the danger. People go Up North and love their fire pits. We have kids transferred down all summer with burns. We see a lot of fire pit burns at the university. Unfortunately a lot of times it's younger children who ran through the fire or walked through a fire that's been put out on the beach with sand and it looks like a sandbox. We see burns from superficial to so severe they can require skin grafting."

One of the biggest mistakes is not totally extinguishing a fire afterward.

"People just don't know when a fire is out," said Walton. "They'll cover the coals with sand. That hasn't put the fire out that's created an oven which can smolder for up to 24 hours."

DOUSE THOSE FLAMES

Walton recommends dousing the flames with at

least two buckets of water then removing embers from the pit. He says most campgrounds and beaches have a receptacle to deposit coals safely so they're not a hazard to people and animals.

While children primarily suffer burns on the feet and hands, Walton sees adults with face and hand injuries caused by accelerants.

"A mistake all adults make is the fire's not going great and they'll use an accelerant, gasoline and lighter fluid. Once a fire's started you should never do anything like that. I recently saw an injury to someone who had been using alcohol to start a fire," said Walton. "He was severely burned trying to make the fire."

Consuming alcohol, whether around a hibachi or campfire, makes the situation even more dangerous. Holly Bair, a registered nurse, warns adults to take precautions so they don't end up in the emergency rooms at Beaumont Hospitals in Royal Oak and Troy. Every summer, Beaumont Hospitals' emergency centers experience an increase in burns related to people being around fires. As trauma program manager (Royal Oak), Bair oversees the care of patients from the time they arrive in the ER. She says trauma is preventable, especially when it comes to backyard fire pits.

KEEP IT SAFE

"The new fire pits they use on decks are very popular. The problem is they sit close to the ground and decks are made of wood and very flammable. You don't want them on wooden decks," said Bair. "You have embers that pop and squirt. A wooden deck can go up in a matter of minutes but they can be used safely if kept away from wooden structures and anything flammable, and they need to be attended to. Children can put their hands on it and don't realize it's hot. The openings are right at kids level and the wood can spark and cause eye injuries as well as burns to the skin. You have to worry about their clothing catching on fire or accidentally knocking them over."

Bair is always trying to prevent injuries before they happen. As manager of Safety City U.S.A., she oversees an education program to teach kids, teens, parents, and senior citizens about fire as well as other safety issues around the home. Safety City U.S.A., a collaboration between Beaumont Hospitals and the Royal Oak Police and Fire departments, opened in January and offers field trips to schools from Livonia to Richmond.

"During our summer camp, kids (ages 5-12) spend one day doing fire safety," said Bair. "We're set up like a house. Kids learn fire safety in the kitchen. Kids get to practice what to do in case of fire."

For more information about the weeklong camps held in July and August, call (248) 551-0103.

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Divorce support group

Group discussion 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, Patricia Kasody-Coyle will also be available to answer questions in a private setting on a first come, first served basis, in the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. For information, call (734) 462-4443.

Treating allergies naturally

Dr. William Karl, a certified wellness doctor, presents a workshop at 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 11, at the Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Co-sponsored by the nonprofit Foundation for Wellness Professionals. No charge. Seating limited. Call (734) 425-8588 to reserve a seat.

Camp Oasis

The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America, Michigan Chapter (CCFA) host its sixth annual Camp Oasis July 15-21 at Camp Copneconic in Fenton for children ages 7-17 who have Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis. The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for persons with Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis. For information or to have application information mailed, send e-mail to michigan@ccfa.org or call (248) 737-0900.

Diabetes Review

The American Diabetes Association and Great Lakes Medical Supply hold a series of free, one-hour educational seminars, beginning Tuesday, July 17, at the Jewish Vocational Service (JVS), 29699 Southfield Rd. Diabetes Review is designed to educate people with the disease about proper diabetes self-care. A certified diabetes educator will speak to participants about diet, exercise, medications, stress, the importance of glucose testing and the importance of A1C testing.

To register, call Felicia McGee at (888) DIABETES, Ext. 6697. Other locations and dates include 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 29, at Walsh College, 3838 Livernois, Troy; 6-7 p.m. Oct. 9, Royal Oak Public Library, 222 E. 11 Mile, and 11 a.m. to noon Nov. 3, Alfred Noble Branch Library, 32901 Plymouth Rd., Livonia.

Diabetes presentation

Your Game Plan for Preventing Diabetes 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, in Classroom 11 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. No charge, but registration required. Call (734) 655-8961.

Raising health kids

Nutrition seminar on Raising Healthy, Drug-Free Children presented by Dr. Joe Andris of the Chiropractic & Nutrition Wellness Center 7 p.m. Thursday, July 19, at Whole Foods Market, 1404 Walton Blvd., Rochester. For reservations and information, call (586) 731-8840.

Sea salt and your health

Dr. William Karl, a certified wellness doctor, presents a workshop at 6 p.m. Monday, July 23, at Zerbo's Health Food Store, Livonia. Co-sponsored by the nonprofit Foundation for Wellness

Professionals, a nonprofit organization. No charge. Seating limited. Call (734) 425-8588 for reservations.

Free health class

Eat Your Way Thin presented by Dr. Carol Ann Fischer, D.C., N.D., 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 25, at Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Rd., Livonia. No charge. Call (734) 756-6904 for a reservation.

Sharing & Caring

Meditation for Wellness with guest speaker Melissa Privett of Pathworks Center for Life 7-9 p.m. Thursday, July 26, in the first floor classroom in the Beaumont Cancer Center, Royal Oak. For information, call (248) 551-8585. For possible schedule changes, call (248) 551-8588 prior to meeting. Sharing & Caring is an educational support group for breast cancer survivors, their family and friends.

Breast cancer benefit

5-8 p.m. Saturday, July 28, at FIGO Salon, 265 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham. Call (248) 723-7990. The staff and FIGO Salon are donating their services for one night only to raise money for team MALISTA's 3 day Breast Cancer Walk. The salon will offer a haircut and blow-dry package for \$30. Walk-ins only. The \$30 donation is completely tax deductible. If you are unable to attend and would like to make a donation to the walk, visit <http://www.the3day.org/michigan07/malista>.

Fibromyalgia book signings

Sharon Ostalecki signs copies of the book, *Fibromyalgia - The Complete Guide from Medical Experts and Patients*, 1-4 p.m. Saturday, July 28, Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, and 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, Borders Book Store, 43075 Crescent Blvd., Novi. Ostalecki edited and contributed to the book featuring fibromyalgia experts. For more information, call (248) 344-0896 or send e-mail to Smo23915@aol.com.

Thyroid cancer support group

Our free support group meets monthly and is open to all thyroid cancer patients and survivors as well as their family members and friends. For summer meeting dates or more information, call Gwynne at (248) 740-9759.

Treating thyroid disorders naturally

Dr. William Karl, a certified wellness doctor, presents a workshop at 6 p.m. Monday, July 30, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 33000 Civic Center Drive. Co-sponsored by the nonprofit Foundation for Wellness Professionals. No charge. Seating limited. Call (734) 425-8588 to reserve a seat.

H.U.G.S. support group

Help, Understanding and Grief Support Group and counseling for parents who have suffered a pregnancy or newborn loss, meet 7-9 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month, at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. For information, call (248) 937-4847. There is no pre-registration required.

Hospice volunteers needed

Looking for caring volunteers to provide in-home companionship visits to patients with life-limiting illnesses and/or respite support for their caregivers and families. Weekday availability preferred. St. John Hospice provides services in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and St. Clair counties. Mileage reimbursement available. For information, call (800) 248-2298 or visit www.stjohn.org/Hospice.

AA support group

Alcoholics Anonymous and the Al-Anon (for family and friends) groups meet 10 a.m. every Sunday, at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. For information, call (248) 706-1020. No pre-registration required.

Volunteer training

Heartland Hospice Services is looking for caring and compassionate individuals for hospice volunteer training to provide companionship, support and friendly visits for patients and their caregivers. We are located in Southfield and serve the Tri-county area. Evening and daytime classes available. Office support is also needed. To register, call (800) 770-9859.

Cancer support group

The Charach Cancer Treatment Center at DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital hosts a support group for anyone dealing with cancer 7-8:30 p.m. on the first and third Monday of the month, at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. For information, call (248) 937-5163.

UPCOMING

Sharing & Caring

Newly Diagnosed Support Group (diagnosed within past year) with William Beaumont Hospital R.N. Ruth Dein 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 2, in the first floor classroom in the Beaumont Cancer Center, Royal Oak. For reservations, call (248) 551-8585. For possible schedule changes, call (248) 551-8588 prior to meeting. Sharing & Caring is an educational support group for breast cancer survivors, their family and friends.

Golf outing

August 11, 2007, The Huron Valley Regional Council of Parents without Partners is hosting a Celebration of Life Cancer Benefit Golf Outing at Woodlands of Van Buren, 39670 Ecorse Road, Wayne, from 1:30-7:30 p.m., includes 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch at the turn, buffet dinner, 50/50 drawing, door prizes, and more. All proceeds go to the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Research Center. For more information, call Pat Tokar at (248) 478-8977 or Harriet West at (734) 449-2236.

Health camps

Students can learn about their bodies at two camps at the St. Joseph Mercy Health Exploration Center in Canton. For information and to register, call (734) 398-7518. Amazing Me focuses on keeping the body healthy and features demonstrations, dissections, games, crafts, and activities Aug. 6-10 for students completing second to fourth grades.

Awesome Asthma is designed to improve self-image and promote independence in kids with the disease. Campers learn about medications, risk factors and self-management Aug. 13-17 (students in grades 2-5).

Sharing & Caring event

Brassiere Bazaar with bra fittings, information on prosthesis options, complimentary skin analysis by Advanced Skin Care, make-up tips for maintaining a healthy glow 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16, in Nordstroms Lingerie Department, 3rd floor, the Somerset Collection. Reservations required. Call (248) 551-8585.

Post-polio conference

Presented by Michigan Polio Network, a nonprofit providing information and education on the later effects of polio, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 21-22, at Soaring Eagle Casino Conference Center, Mt. Pleasant. Keynote speaker is Dr. Daniel Ryan, medical director, St. John Post-Polio Clinic. Cost is \$45. Pre-registration required. Call (248) 476-2477 or (313) 885-7855.

ONGOING

Our Body exhibit

Our Body exhibit tickets \$24.95, \$22.95 seniors, \$19.95 children. Children ages 12 and under must be accompanied by adult. Advance tickets on sale at www.detroitssciencecenter.org. Exhibit continues to Sept. 3, at Detroit Science Center. For information, call (313) 577-8400 or visit www.detroitssciencecenter.org.

MS support group

Family and friends of those with MS (multiple sclerosis) are invited to attend a new support group held at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at Botsford Hospital's A & E building in Farmington. For directions call (248) 231-1136.

Volunteers needed

Sandcastles grief support program for children and teens needs volunteers for Rochester, Southfield, Livonia and other sites. Sponsored by Hospices of Henry Ford Health System, the programs meetings are held biweekly. Sandcastles also offers a weekend bereavement camp in August which is in need of volunteers. For more information or to register for training, call (313) 874-6881.

Hatha Yoga classes

Beginning and Intermediate continue 5:15-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays to May 22, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. To register, call (734) 655-1145. Hatha Yoga increases flexibility, energy level and strength at your own pace in a non-competitive setting. Includes meditation and breathing techniques. Class participants need to be able to move between a standing position to a hands and knees position with ease.

TOPS

Stands for Take Off Pounds Sensibly, the group meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday evening at St. Thomas a' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Weigh-in is from 6:15-6:55 p.m. It is a weight support group that encourages members to lose weight sensibly and keep it off. For more information, call Margaret at (734) 838-0322.

Running 101

Classes for beginning runner 6:30 p.m. Thursdays in Ann Arbor and Northville, Mondays in Novi, Wednesdays in West Bloomfield, five week course of five sessions presented by Running Fit. Cost is \$39. To register, visit www.runningfit.com.

Gardasil vaccine

Gardasil is the first vaccine developed to prevent cervical cancer, precancerous genital lesions and genital warts due to Human Papilloma Virus (HPV). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend HPV vaccination of girls ages 11-12, girls as young as 9 years old may be vaccinated. The vaccine is also recommended for girls ages 13-18 to catch up on missed shots or to complete the shot series. Gardasil is available at the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan by appointment 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday, in Oak Park at 25900 Greenfield, Suite 600. For information appointment or pricing, call (800) 882-5720, Ext. 8755.

Eating disorders support

Weekly support groups take place 7-8:30 p.m. Monday at Beaumont Hospital, 3601 W. 13 Mile, west of Woodward, and 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday at Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road. Meetings open to all persons with anorexia, bulimia, binge eating, compulsive eating, etc. No registration required. Support groups for family and friends meet 7-8:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of every month, and for parents only on the fourth Wednesday of the month, at Beaumont Hospital. For information, call (734) 324-3089.

Grief support group

New Hope Center for Grief Support is starting a support group for adults who are facing the impending death of a loved one. It meets 7-8:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month at Sunrise Assisted Living Center, 16100 Haggerty, between Five and Six Mile roads, Livonia. For information, call (734) 348-0115. No registration required.

Hospice volunteer training

The Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan hospice program needs compassionate volunteers to comfort and support patients at the end of life in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. A free 15-hour comprehensive training program is provided. Training sessions are held at 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600, Oak Park. For information, call (800) 882-5720, Ext. 8361, visit www.vna.org.

Hospice volunteers sought

Hospices of Henry Ford is seeking volunteers who want to make a positive contribution to people in need. Volunteers are needed to offer companionship and family support for loved ones who are terminally ill in the patient's home, nursing home facilities or in the hospital. For information, contact 1-800-492-9909 or visit www.henryford.com/hospice.

Check on senior citizens during extreme heat

During the hot summer weather, the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA) would like to remind residents to check on their senior citizen neighbors.

Older adults are less efficient at regulating body temperature, which can lead to dangerous health problems. People at a higher risk include those with cardiovascular disease, kidney or lung problems, unhealthy body weight, or those who take certain medications.

Tips for keeping safe and comfortable during higher heat

days include drinking plenty of fluids; avoiding alcohol and caffeine; keeping your home cool by letting cool morning and evening air in; taking a break during the hottest part of the day by going somewhere air conditioned like the movies, mall or library; wearing short sleeved, loose-fitting, natural fiber and light colored clothing; pace your activities; wear sunblock even when the sky is overcast, and check for air-conditioned emergency shelters in the area which may open during periods of extreme heat.

"If you have an opportunity to do so, I suggest peeking in on elderly neighbors. Just say hello and make sure they're all right. Some seniors must rely on their community to look after them and this is a perfect chance to be a part of that," said Ron Borngesser, OLHSA CEO.

For assistance call the OLHSA office at (248) 209-2600. If emergency assistance is needed, call 911 immediately.

Information for this news release comes from caringnews.com and the Right at Home Newsletter.

Gum packages relay anti-drug message

The Detroit-Wayne County Community Mental Health Agency and its substance abuse service providers, the Southeast Michigan Community Alliance and the Detroit Bureau of Substance Abuse are distributing chewing gum packages with an anti-drug use message, statement about the recent fentanyl over-

doses, and help line numbers.

Part of the ongoing public education and outreach efforts by the Agency and the Fentanyl Substance Abuse Workgroup, which has distributed flyers, run public service announcements, made presentations at community meetings, and participated in educational and academic forums to address

an increase in drugs deaths in 2006 related to fentanyl-laced cocaine and heroin.

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Government study: Most workers have some health coverage

Seventy-one percent of workers in private industry had access to employer-sponsored medical care plans, and 52 percent participated in medical care plans in March 2006, the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported recently. Sixty percent of workers had access to retirement benefits, with 51 percent participating in at least one type of retirement plan. These findings are from the Summary, "National Compensation Survey: Employee Benefits in the United States, March 2006." These results can be found on the BLS Web site <http://www.bls.gov/ncs/ebs/sp/ebsm0004.pdf>.

These data are from the National Compensation Survey (NCS), which provides comprehensive measures of occupational earnings, compensation cost trends, and details of benefit provisions. In addition to health and retirement plans, the survey also covered paid leave, disability insurance, and other selected benefits. The following are some of the major findings:

Most employees covered by medical care plans were in plans requiring employee contributions for both single coverage and family coverage. Employee contributions

to medical care premiums averaged \$296.88 per month for family coverage and \$76.05 per month for single coverage.

Employer premiums for medical care plans averaged \$617.18 a month per participant for family coverage and \$266.50 a month for single coverage. Employer contributions were higher for those employees who were not required to contribute than for those who were.

Fifty-one percent of employees participated in a retirement plan. Twenty-percent of employees participated in defined benefit retirement plans, and 43 percent in defined contribution plans. (Some employees participate in both types.)

Paid leave was the most commonly provided employee benefit in the private sector: paid holidays were available to 76 percent of employees and paid vacations to 77 percent.

The release and Summary Report are available by e-mail request at NCSinfo@bls.gov, or on the BLS Internet site, <http://www.bls.gov/ncs/home.htm>. Regional Information offices, listed on the Internet site, <http://www.bls.gov/bls/regcon.htm>, also are available to answer questions.

The findings also found paid jury



duty leave was common, available to 70 percent of workers. Forty-eight percent had paid military leave benefits.

About half of private establishments offered at least one type of retirement plan.

Fifty-two percent of workers had access to life insurance, and nearly as many, 50 percent, participated. Short- and long-term disability benefits were available to 39 and 30 percent of workers, respectively, and nearly all participated.

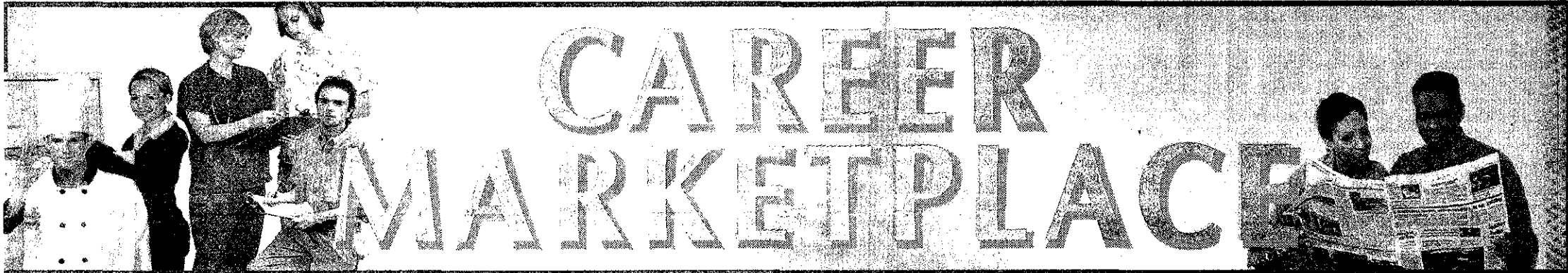
The Bureau of Labor Statistics Web site notes access to and participation

in benefit plans varied by occupational group, full- and part-time work schedule, union status, and earnings. For example, workers in white-collar occupations were more likely to participate in defined contribution retirement plans than were service workers. Union workers had higher rates of coverage for most benefits. Paid leave benefits (vacations, holidays, and the like) were commonly available to workers, but were reported less frequently for part-time and service workers. Paid sick leave, in particular, was less common among part-time workers.

Those workers in jobs averaging \$15 an hour or more were far more likely to be covered by all benefits. The difference in the incidence of long-term disability insurance between these workers and others was particularly striking: only 17 percent of those earning under \$15 had access to such coverage, compared with 48 percent of those in the higher earnings category. The difference in access to all health care benefits between these two employee groups also was substantial.

The incidence of employee benefits varied for full- and part-time employees. In particular, access to life insurance was almost five times greater, and to medical care, almost four times greater, for full-time than for part-time workers.

A higher percentage of larger establishments than of smaller establishments offered major employee benefits to their employees. Almost all larger establishments (96 percent) offered health care, compared with 60 percent of smaller establishments. Larger establishments were far more likely to offer retirement plans than were smaller establishments: 90 percent of larger establishments did so, compared with only 47 percent of smaller establishments.



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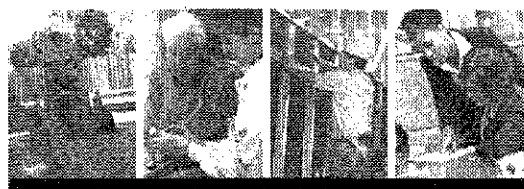
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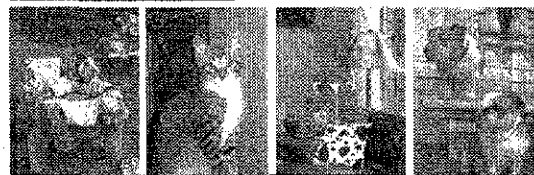
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Garage Sales 7110

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24404 Simmons Dr., btwn Taft & Beck Rd., July 19-20, 9-5, 34 yrs. material & books & household items.

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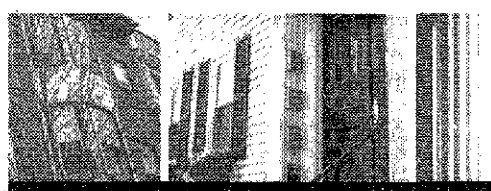
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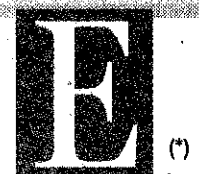
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Mallard's an ideal duplex especially for busy street

Designed to be built on a narrow lot, the Mallard (405-09) is a no-nonsense duplex with 1,129 square feet of living space on each of its two identical sides. Each unit also includes a

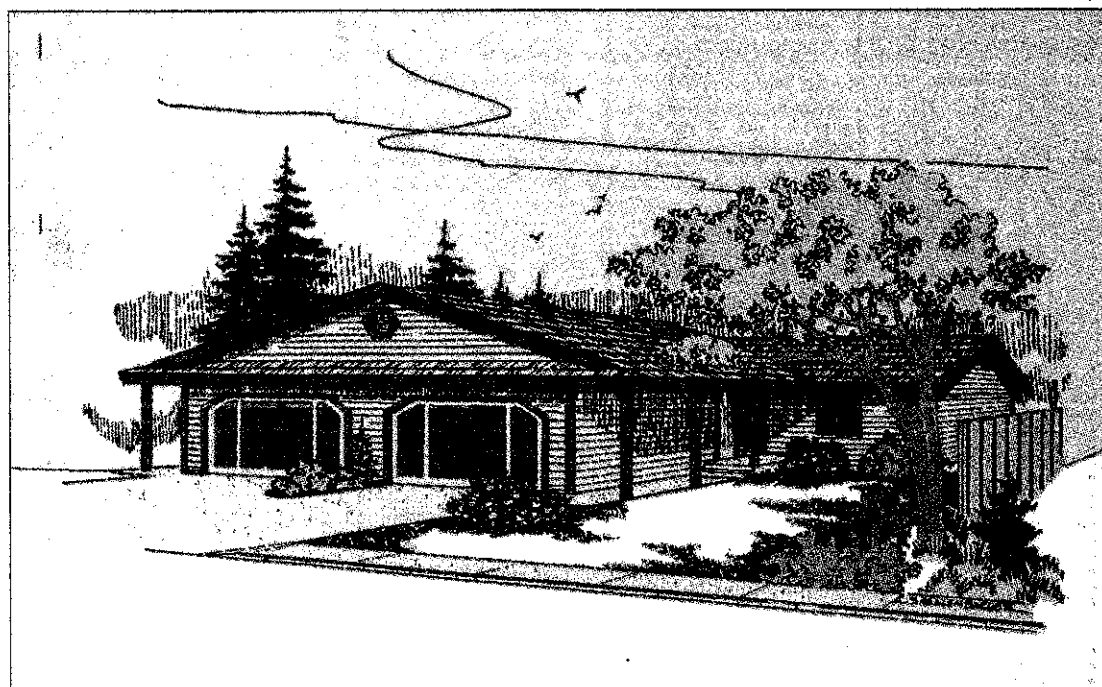
one-car garage, with utilities.

Placement of the garages in front of the units allows them to serve an additional function — that of a sound buffer. This feature is especially useful if

the home is built on a busy street.

When two families live in such close proximity, the overlap in sound environments can sometimes create problems. This floor plan gives a maximum privacy to the bedrooms by placing them on the outer perimeter, as far as possible from the shared wall. A covered walkway runs alongside the garage to a front door that opens near the small kitchen. Filled with colorful pots of flowers and planter boxes of greenery, this colonnade sends a message of welcome to visitors. Another entrance, through the garage, is handy when parking the car at night, or carrying in groceries.

As in any small residence, counter space in the kitchen is minimal. But the long eating bar offers room for expansion when needed. It also provides partial separation between the kitchen and the daily living area, a combination dining room/living room. Sliding glass doors at the far end

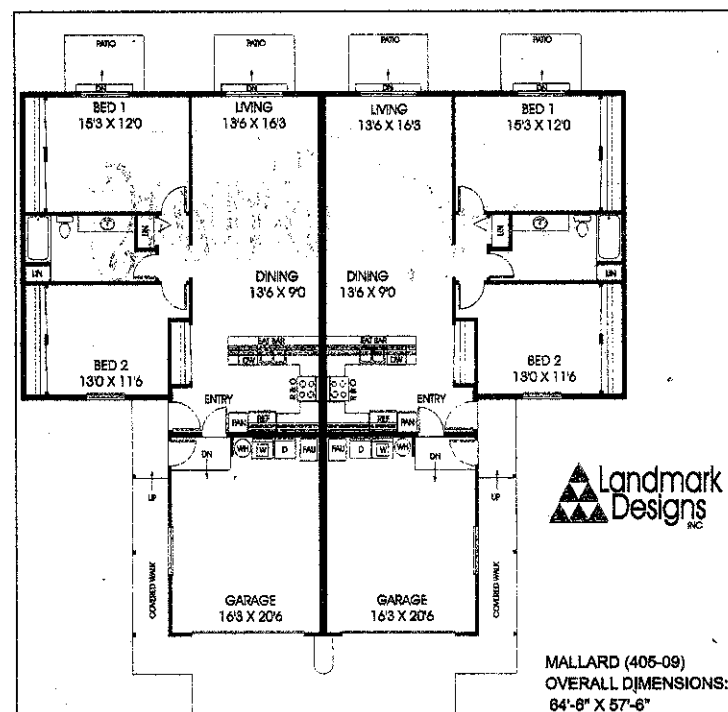


brighten the space and allow access to a small patio.

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Auction July 25

The Auction Services Group of Benj. E. Sherman & Sons, a Chicago-based national real estate auction company, will be conducting the sale of eight single family homes, seven condominiums and

56 home sites throughout metro Detroit. The auction will be held in the ballroom of the Troy Marriott, 200 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 25.

Neumann Homes Inc., a Chicago-based national home builder, has elected to auction these properties to reduce the marketing time necessary to sell them in a slow marketplace. "We have experienced the same slowdown that other builders have experienced throughout metro Detroit," said Neumann President and CEO Kenneth P. Neumann. "We've made a business decision to utilize the accelerated sales method to complete a close-out of

several of our communities which will allow our team members to concentrate their efforts on our most recently developed communities in the four regions around the country that we are building in."

"This will be the second auction that we will have conducted for Neumann Homes in metro Detroit," said Robert Roggeveen, president of The Auction Services Group of Benj. E. Sherman & Sons. All of the homes and condominiums will be open for viewing during the following scheduled open house dates and times: Sunday, July 15, 1-4 p.m., Saturday, July 21, 1-4 p.m.

To receive an auction brochure, call the company auction line at (888) 442-8008.

Builders class

Oakland Builders Institute is presenting a 16-hour comprehensive seminar to give students the help needed to pass the Michigan state builder's license examination. The seminar is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 21 and 22, at the Best Western ConCorde Inn of Rochester Hills, 1919 Star-Batt Drive, Rochester Hills.

The cost of the seminar is \$205 and includes the manual, sample questions and the test

application. A \$25 deposit is required no later than Thursday, July 19, to Oakland Builders Institute, 1277 Dutton Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48306. Call toll-free (800)-940-2014 or (248) 651-2771 to register.

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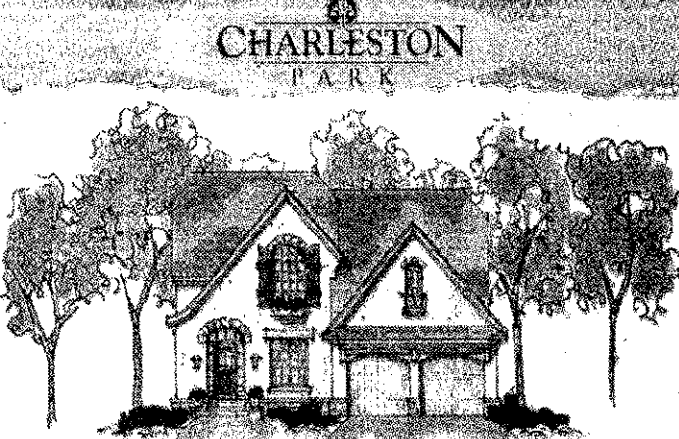
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 Hardwood floors, first floor
 library. Dining room, break-
 fast room. Family room
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 dry. Great area w/sidewalks
 & close to town & schools.
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EXTENSIVE USE OF
 hardwood on first floor. 9'
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HUGE 2,607 SQ. FT.
 home w/5 bdrm, 3.5 baths.
 Updated kitchen, new roof,
 windows & carpet. Master
 suite w/updated bath. Family
 room w/fireplace. First floor
 laundry, 2 car attached
 garage. Private wooded lot.
 \$334,500 MLS 27076854
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ISLAND LAKES VINEYARDS
 home has 4,300 sq. ft. w/4
 bdrm & 3.5 baths. Gourmet
 kitchen w/cherry cabinets &
 granite. Large master suite
 w/fireplace. Dining room,
 library/study, butlers pantry &
 more! First floor laundry, 3
 car attached garage. \$699,900
 MLS 26186611
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NEWER 4 BDRM,
 2.5 bath colonial. Oak kitchen
 w/better island, updates.
 Family room w/fireplace. Extra
 large deck. On a cul-de-sac in
 quiet sub w/sidewalks
 overlooks a large wooded lot.
 Attached 2 car garage.
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STUNNING HOME HAS A
 2 story foyer, large living &
 formal dining room. Kitchen
 w/cherry cabinets, Corian
 counter tops, family room
 w/fireplace. Master suite
 w/jet tub. Finished walkout
 bsmt w/steam shower.
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Plymouth **3347**

By Owner
9511 TERRY
 1217 sq.ft., 3 bdrm, 1 1/2
 bath. Ranch w/attached 2
 car garage. Full bsmt, hard-
 wood floors, beautiful
 kitchen, hot tub. Appliances
 stay. Wallside windows,
 newer roof. \$189,000.
 734-787-0716

By Owner
PLYMOUTH
 42480 Clemons Dr. Like
 New. Built 2003. Custom
 Model Home. 1.5 Story, 3
 bdrm, 2.5 bath, lg.
 Office/Den, 1st Floor Master,
 4.5 Car Garage, Air Cleaning
 System, Stone Waterfall, 1
 blk. to Hines Park. Close to
 Downtown Plymouth &
 Northville. \$450,000.
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MOVE IN CONDITION!
 3 bdrm, 1.5 bath. Dining room
 & living room. Large back-
 yard w/built in BBQ. Gorge-
 ous finished bsmt. Garage. \$142,900
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Redford **3350**

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 fireplace, Florida rm, full
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 foyer & kitchen, upgraded
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South Lyon **3400**
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Troy **3410**

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 scaped. Updated kitchen &
 baths, newer appliances,
 finished bsmt, 1st floor
 laundry. Right location.
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 ting for this nicely updated
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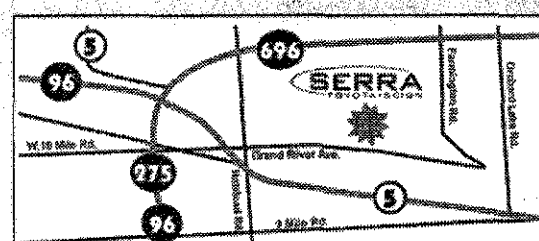
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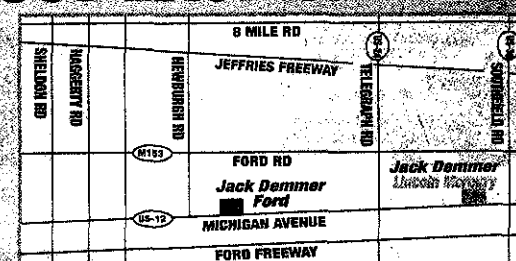
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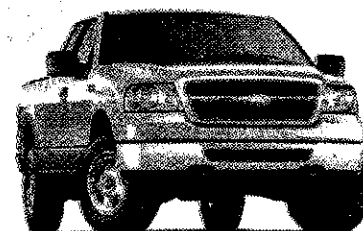
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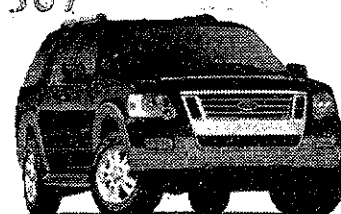
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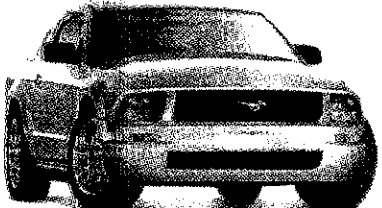


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2007 Ford Fusion: There's a lot to like

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By Dave Menard
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My wife is not really a "car person." It takes a lot to get her to know, or care too much, about the vehicles I drive for this column. That's why I was a mite surprised to hear her compliment the Ford Fusion sitting in the driveway this week. Her comment, "That's a nice-looking car," may not seem like much, but when it comes to her and cars, that's saying a lot.

Ro really likes the Fusion's styling, inside and out. And why not? There are some things to like about the 2007 Fusion SEL - the top-of-the-line version of this mid-size model.

Let's start with the exterior styling. The Fusion has a distinctively modern look to it; it comes with a three-bar chrome grille, 17-inch machined aluminum wheels, fog lamps, power heated outside mirrors and dual exhaust with bright tips.

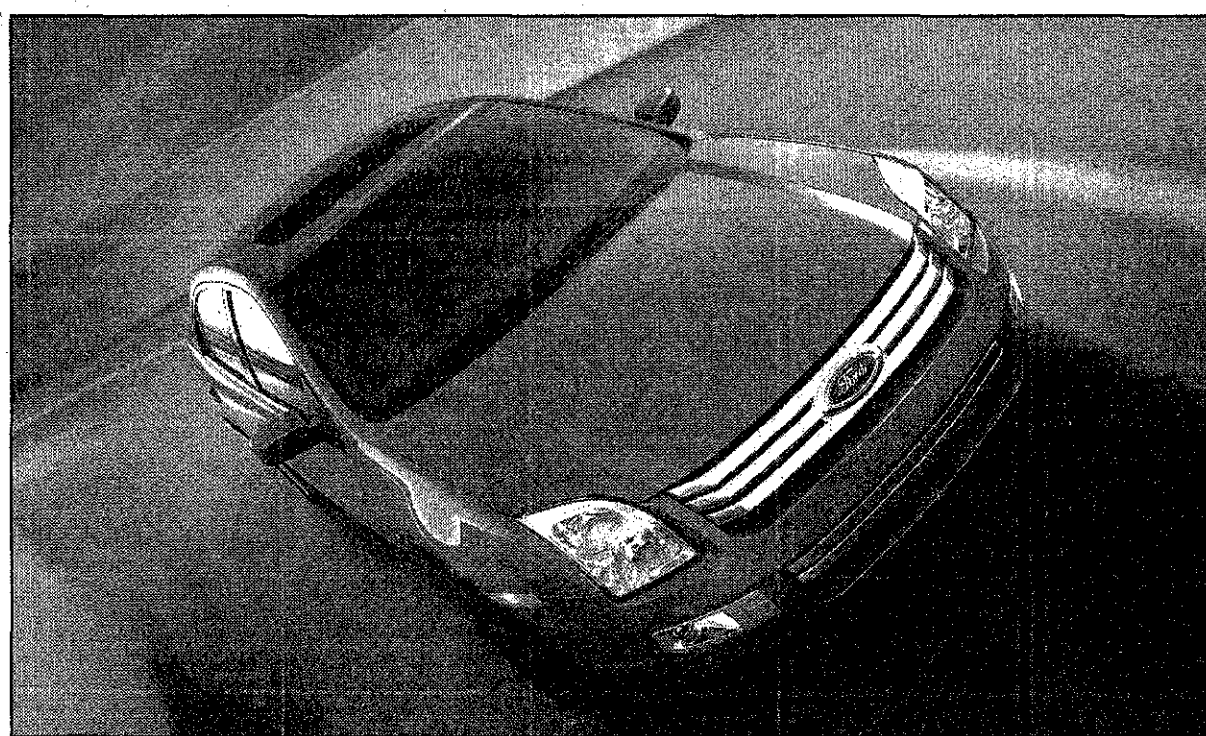
The headlamps use what I can only call a "teardrop-square" shape - the beginnings of a teardrop up top, flowing into a square bottom. Keeping with the modern theme, there's plenty of chrome and aluminum, front and rear. It's a sharp package.

Inside, you have a choice of three interior accent themes: wood, piano black or carbon graphite. The interior layout is simple, but effective. The instrument cluster contains a tachometer, and a coolant temperature gauge, plus a trip computer that will give you information on driving distance, and miles-until-empty. Buttons for the trip computer are on the center dash cluster, right above the audio system, optional DVD navigation system and the climate control system. There are cupholders and storage bins throughout, including a small pop-up bin located on top of the instrument panel.

The Fusion SEL comes with power windows, doors and locks, automatic climate control system, leather-wrapped steering wheel, and auto headlamps. The standard audio system on the SEL version is an AM/FM/six disc CD system with six speakers and an audio-in jack for your mp3 player.

You can add an "audiophile" system (\$420) that gives you more power and two more speakers, and SIRIUS satellite radio is available as an option, too. The optional DVD navigation system (\$1895) is easy to use and features a nice display. Unlike some integrated audio/navigation systems, turning off the audio does not make the navigation system go away - that's a nice feature.

A power moonroof is also available as an option.



Even the test driver's wife likes this new Ford Fusion

Even the top-of-the-line SEL version of the Fusion makes you pay extra for leather seats (\$895). The seats are fairly comfortable and provide good support, but adjusting them properly takes a bit of work. There's plenty of room in the Fusion for both passengers and cargo. The rear seats can actually be used for people, and they also fold down for more cargo room (the front passenger seat also folds down, by the way).

While the base S version of the Fusion is powered by a 4-cylinder engine, the SEL version gets a standard 3.0-liter DOHC, 24-valve V6 engine, rated at 221 horsepower and 205 lb.-ft. of torque, and you get a choice of front-wheel or all-wheel drive. Either way, it's mated with a 6-speed automatic transmission. The powertrain is a bit noisy on acceleration, but you will get off the line pretty well, and the transmission shifts smoothly and quickly. The engine is EPA rated at 19/26.

Handling is pretty solid on the all-wheel-drive version of the Fusion. The front suspension system is an independent short and long arm system that includes a 24-mm stabilizer bar. In the rear, it's a multi-link, fully independent system with lower control arms and a stabilizer bar. The AWD system continuously monitors vehicle speed, throttle input and steering angle to deliver the torque to the various wheels as needed. The ride is solid, without being unduly harsh.

Although the power-assisted rack-and-pinion steering system competently handles the car, the turning circle is very wide, for a mid-size car. Be careful on tight U-turns - you won't be able to do them very quickly.

We're up to 2007 now, and still anti-lock brakes aren't

standard on many vehicles, and that includes the SEL version of the Fusion. To get them, you have to first opt for the all-wheel drive system (which leaves the four-cylinder engine Fusion out altogether), then pay another \$595 to get ABS. That's not good. ABS is just as valuable to front-wheel drive vehicles as AWD vehicles. The ABS brakes do work very well, so if you're getting AWD, by all means get the ABS brakes, too.

In addition to dual-deployment front airbags, the Fusion comes with front seat side airbags, side-impact curtains, and perimeter alarm system.

The 2007 Ford Fusion SEL starts at close to \$24,000. Add the leather seats, anti-lock brakes, audiophile sound system, and navigation system and you're looking at about \$28,000 - add another couple of hundred if you want satellite radio and a few hundred more for the moonroof. And if price is really a problem, you can lose the leather and save almost a thousand bucks.

Packaging quibbles aside, there's a lot to like about the Fusion - it looks sharp, handles pretty well and gives you a comfortable driving environment. And even my wife is impressed.

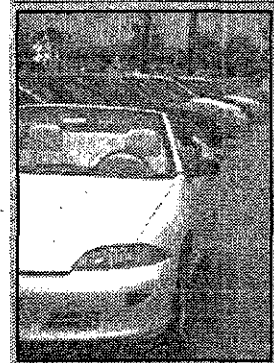
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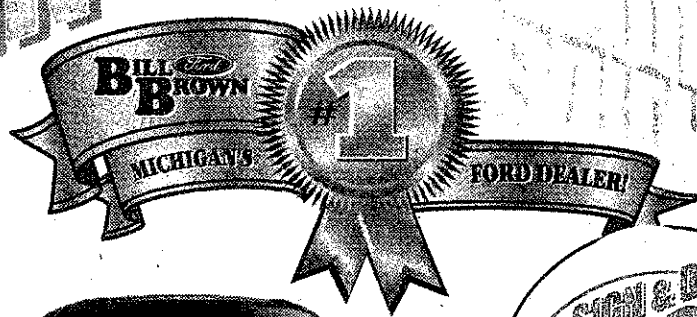
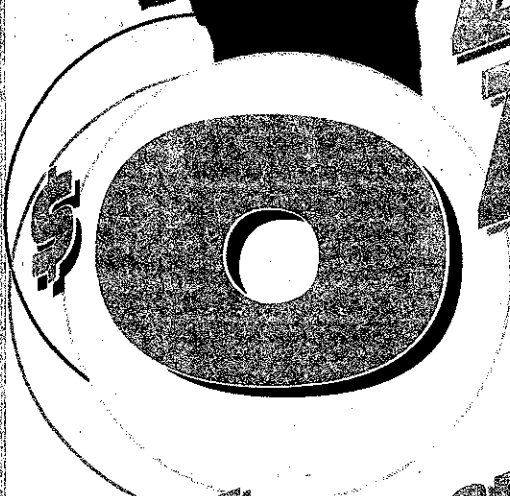
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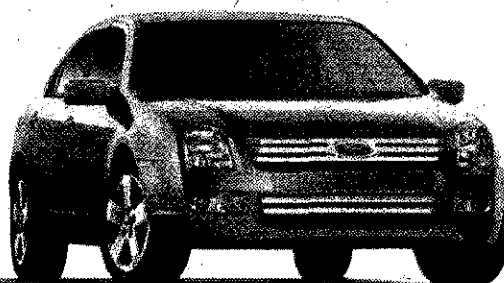


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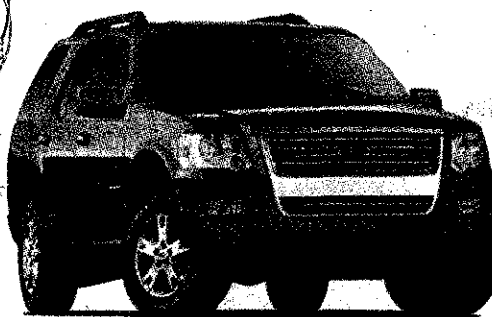
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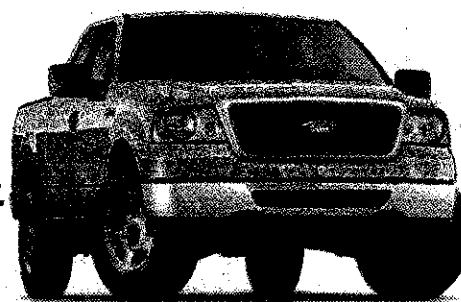
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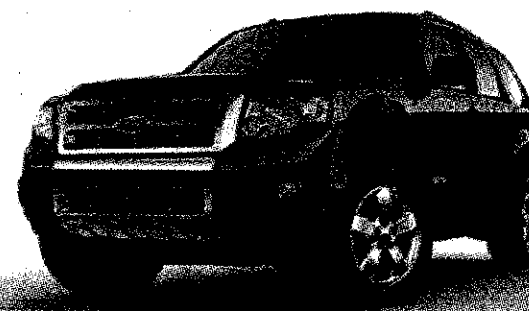
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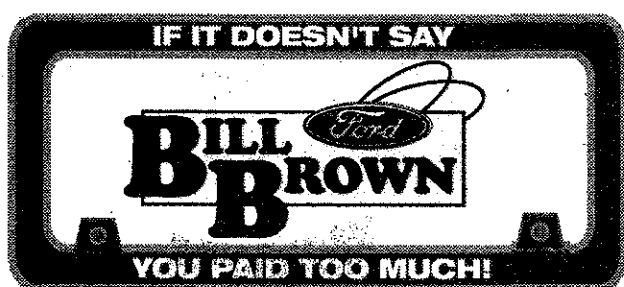
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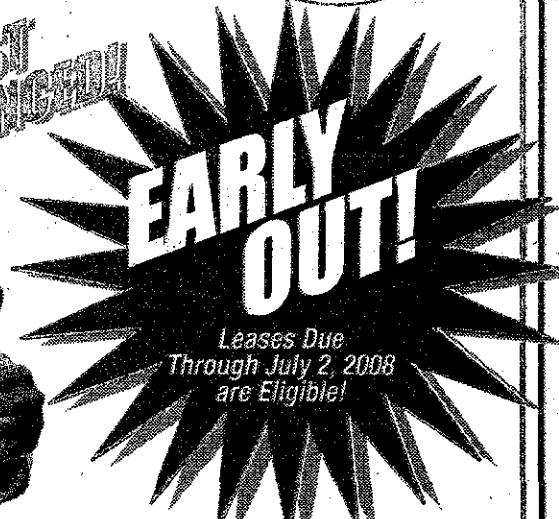
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