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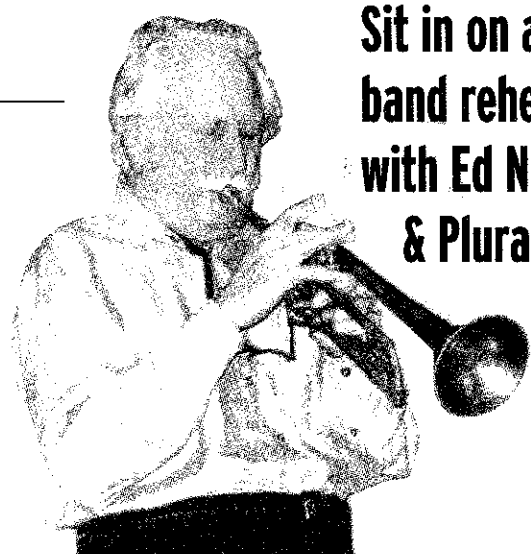
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Giving Circle

Giving Hope Women's Giving Circle will host an educational evening focusing on women's heart health at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, at the Plymouth Arts Council. The event, which will feature Oakwood Health System cardiologist Peter Mancini II, M.D., is open to all women in the community.

The American Heart Association states that cardiovascular disease is the leading killer of women over the age of 25, claiming nearly twice as many women in the United States than all types of cancer, including breast cancer. Dr. Mancini will discuss the risk factors and explain how women can play an active role in achieving and maintaining their heart's health.

The event will begin with light, heart-healthy refreshments. Dr. Mancini's presentation will be followed by a question and answer period, desserts and coffee. The evening should conclude by 9 p.m. There is no charge to attend, but reservations are recommended and space is limited. The Plymouth Arts Council is located at 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. To make your reservation, contact the Canton Community Foundation at (734) 495-1200 or e-mail givinghopewgc@gmail.com.

Giving Hope Women's Giving Circle provides grantmaking initiatives that address the needs of women and families in Plymouth and Canton, creates an endowment fund for the future, and builds a community of women philanthropists. There are currently 63 women in the Giving Circle and new members are always welcome.

Dog park fund-raiser

The Friends of the Canton Dog Park need your help. The group will host its "Dining to Donate" fund-raiser at Applebee's, located at 43500 Ford Road in Canton. The restaurant will donate 15 percent of your bill on April 6-8 to the proposed three-acre dog park in Cherry Hill Village.

Just present your server with an official flier, which are available at Summit on the Park, and your donation will help make the dog park a reality.

For more information, call (734) 394-5310.

Mom to Mom sale

Connection Church in Canton will hold its Spring Mom to Mom Sale on Saturday, April 4, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Table rentals are sold to capacity with more than 75 moms selling their kids' clothes, toys, baby equipment, etc. There is a \$1 admission. Connection Church is located at 3855 Sheldon Road in Canton, just North of Michigan Avenue.



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A new beginning

Amish workers began to assemble a historic silo this week in Cherry Hill Village next to the Cady-Boyer Barn. The silo, which is made of cast concrete plates that fit together and reinforced by steel bands, was recently moved from an old farm near Ford and Ridge roads and is one of the last remaining in the township. For more photos and a story, please see page A8.

Canton, Livonia optimistic about merging dispatch

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton Township and Livonia are moving forward with discussions on the consolidation of police and fire department dispatch centers.

Canton Executive Director John Santomauro said the next step is for consultant Plante & Moran to develop a feasibility study on consolidation.

"They are doing the majority of the consolidation studies, right now, in the state," Santomauro said. "They are gathering some preliminary information for us for the purpose of submitting a grant request through various funding sources to hopefully fund the consolidation study."

Santomauro said there is money available through Wayne County for studies on consolidation of services.

"Our purpose is to evaluate the efficiency of the merger of dispatch and the cost-effectiveness," Santomauro said. "At the end of the day, if we end up with a cost-effective way to deliver dispatch service and both communities are assured the dispatch center is accountable in delivering services, we certainly will move in that direction."

Livonia Police Chief Bob Stevenson said he's excited about the possibilities.

"Such as the synergy that

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

What is your opinion about Canton and Livonia exploring the possibility of sharing dispatch services to save money? E-mail your thoughts to editor Kurt Kuban at kkuban@hometownlife.com or post a comment on our Web site hometownlife.com.

comes with the two departments working together, which allows for the same amount of work to be done, but overall would cost less," Stevenson said. "The reality of today's world is that we no longer can do business as we always have, so we need to look at partnerships."

"We would be doing a disservice to our communities if we didn't look to combine services where we can," he added. "Regionalization of services is driving the bus right now, and this is one of those projects."

Canton Finance Director Rick Eva said it costs the township about \$1.1 million annually to pay salaries and benefits for the township's dispatch center, which has 18 dispatchers.

One immediate common goal for the two communities, which helped spur the discussions, is the fact the Livonia

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Township will use federal money to make buildings energy-efficient

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton Township officials received word late last week the township was awarded \$754,000 in federal stimulus money for energy-efficiency projects. And by Monday afternoon, they had an idea where to spend it.

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program provides grants to local and state governments to fund projects that improve energy efficiency by reducing energy use and fossil fuel emissions. Canton's share came from \$76.6 million in EECBG money given to Michigan.

Township officials originally submitted 26 projects totaling \$41 million for funding with stimulus money.

"We had five areas on our list of 26 projects that we planned to focus on,"

Tim Faas, township municipal services director, said following a Monday meeting to decide where the money will be spent. "That totaled \$10.4 million."

With less than a tenth of that to spend, Faas said the township will whittle the list down to several main areas.

"Energy-efficiency retrofits at our buildings is one," Faas said. "We had targeted \$1.23 million in projects, so our staff is going through and prioritizing them. They include a solar project for the Summit on the Park, parking lot lighting around township facilities, high bay lighting — big spaces that need to be lighted — and heating and cooling controls in our facilities."

Gregg King, facilities coordinator, said some of the money will be used for a solar energy heating and humidity control project for the Summit on the Park, which will include more than

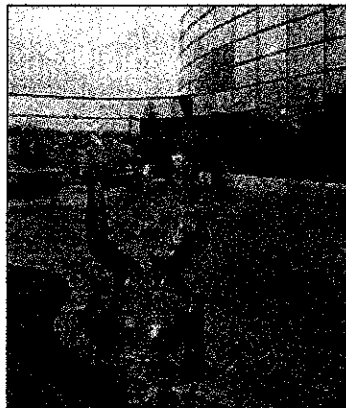
100 panels on top of the Summit.

"The water that goes into the boilers will be preheated so that the boilers won't have to heat the water as much," King said. "Not only to heat the building, but the water for the three swimming pools, hot tub, showers and kitchen areas."

King said the plan will also help capture heat that escapes through the roof.

"We will use that heat to assist us in preheating the water, which — in turn — will keep us for using the heaters as much," he said. "Everything we can do to preheat that water helps us save energy in the long run."

Faas said he confirmed Monday with the Department of the Environment the stimulus money is a 100-percent grant, with no matching money from the township required.



Canton will use federal stimulus money to make township buildings more energy efficient, including a solar energy heating and humidity control project at Summit on the Park. More than 100 panels will be placed on top of the Summit.

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Police don't believe exhumed body is missing Canton teen

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



Kim Larrow disappeared in 1981 at the age of 15. She was last seen alive at the Stroh's Ice Cream shop on Sheldon Road in Canton.

It appears it's back to square one for Canton Township police detectives in a 27-year-old disappearance case of a teen girl.

Detective Kenneth Robinson said nothing definitive came out of last month's exhumation of the body of an unidentified young woman whose body washed up along the Lake Erie shoreline in Monroe in 1981. Canton police were hopeful of learning if the body — wearing only a plaid shirt and a cord wrapped around her neck — was that of 15-year-old Kim Marie Larrow, a recurring runaway who was last seen alive at the Stroh's Ice Cream shop on Sheldon Road in June 1981.

"Basically what we've learned so far, according to the Michigan State Police

person who did the re-creation, is that it appears the person exhumed showed characteristics of being older than Kim Larrow," Robinson said. "We believe it's not Kim, but that's not scientifically verified by DNA."

"The investigation is still ongoing, and we continue to follow up on any leads we come across," he added. "We haven't gotten any new leads from the public. We're still going through the process because you never know what piece is the one that puts it all together."

Robinson said Larrow had been living with her father in Dundee before she went missing. She had been visiting with her mother in Canton for about a week before she disappeared.

"We would like to find out what happened and get closure for the family," he said.

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Rising to the challenge

A group of Plymouth Christian Academy third graders competed in the Destination Imagination Challenge March 7 at Utica High School. The team, comprised of Seth Marano, Phillip Morby, Jenny Seyfried, Ann Stein, Emilee The and Taylor Ufford, along with team manager and teacher Rebecca Ufford, researched wood types and strengths, performed structural analysis, joint analysis, and experimented with different designs. They developed engineering skills while keeping time management and teamwork in focus. The team, pictured here just before taking the stage to present their Academy Award-inspired skit, earned second place at the Region 8 tournament and will advance to the state finals to be held April 4 at Central Michigan University.

Book signing

Canton author and photographer Cheryl A. Vatcher-Martin has published her latest book, *Haiku For You: With Some One Room School House History*. She'll be autographing copies at the Westland Library 2 p.m. Saturday, April 4.

Her latest full-color children's book includes a handful of historic photographs of one room school houses from the 1800s.

Included are photographs of Canton Center School, Canton, Michigan, Cherry Hill School, also of Canton, Perrinsville One Room School House from Westland, Hart's One Room School House in Frankenmuth and District No. One's 1839 One Room School House in Romulus.

The book can be purchased online through Amazon.com and other retailers.

Tax help

Do you know how the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 affects you? Want to know which tax credits you qualify for and how to get them?

The Canton Public Library and H&R Block have partnered to present a free program on April 5 at 1 p.m. to help residents learn how the stimulus package affects them and how to prepare to claim these tax credits on their income tax form.

Phyllis Wood, H&R Block tax specialist, will tell you how to plan for and document tax credits, what information you'll need for your tax return and some of the differences between this year and last year's allowances. You'll receive information on the qualifications for provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and how they might apply to you. H&R Block specialists will also be

available for questions after the talk regarding individual concerns.

"We feel that it is important to inform the public in general about these credits so that they have the correct information to get them at tax time next year. These credits do not affect only first time homebuyers, but the unemployed, low income earners, college students and people making repairs to their homes, to name a few," said Wood.

This free program will be held in the Community Room at the Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Road in Canton. For more information, call the library at (734) 397-0999.

Perennial exchange

Canton's Community Excellence Committee will hold its fourth annual perennial exchange in conjunction with Canton's Farmers Market on Sunday, May 3 from 9-11 a.m. at the historic Bartlett-Travis House, located at 500 N. Ridge Road. The exchange is open to everyone and is an excellent opportunity to exchange plants, meet other gardeners, and share garden designs and ideas.

In order to participate, gardeners will need to thin out their extra perennials and place them in a bag that

is clearly labeled. Tables will be set up at the event to place perennials; however you do not need to bring a perennial in order to participate in the exchange.

In addition to the exchange, Canton's Farmers Market will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will offer fresh produce, organic foods, distinctive edibles, live plants and other merchandise. This will be the third season for Canton's Farmers Market which will be open every Sunday, rain or shine, from April 26 -Oct. 25. To find more information about Canton's growing Farmers Market visit leisure.cantonmi.org or contact the market master at (734) 394-5323.

Adopt-A-Road event

Volunteers are sought to help clean up the shoulders along Geddes Road and Beck Road on Saturday, May 2, at 9 a.m. for the Adopt-A-Road program. Picking up the trash and debris from the roadside and ditches not only makes the area look better, it also cuts down on pollution of the soil and water that occurs during runoff.

Wayne County trash bags and reflective vests will be supplied for the morning event. Call Greg Greene at (734) 855-6192 or see www.gcgreene.biz for more information and to volunteer.

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Four W-W elementaries get media center makeovers

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Four more Wayne-Westland elementary schools will be getting a makeover of their media centers.

The Wayne-Westland school board approved using \$1.71 million from the district's sinking fund for media center additions and remodeling projects for P.D. Graham and Madison Elementaries in Westland, Hicks Elementary in Inkster and Hoover Elementary in Wayne.

The board also approved spending \$187,233 for such furnishings as tables, chairs, bookcases and circulation desks, and \$146,000 to repair an underground steam pipe at Marshall Middle School. Both will be paid for with money from the district's Building and Site Fund.

According to Doug Underwood of McCarthy & Smith Inc., the district's construction manager, work on the media centers at Hicks, Hoover and Graham will begin when school ends in June. Once those projects are completed, the focus will shift to Madison where two court-yards will be filled to create a new office and media center. That work should start around Christmas. Three of the schools also will get air conditioning — Madison, Hicks and Hoover. P.D. Graham already has it.

"That's the No. 1 complaint that I hear from parents is air conditioning," said board President Martha Pitsenbarger.

Underwood added that the district received almost 150

bids for its 25 requests.

"The bids came in very favorable to the budget," Underwood told the board. "This is definitely a buyer's market."

"With a combination of scheduling and what's going on with the economy we are able to keep them on the job longer which makes it more attractive to bidders," added Gary Martin, deputy superintendent for administrative and business services.

In response to a question, Underwood told board members that at least two more schools — Kettering and Elliott — are still in need of media center renovations.

The district is in the sixth year of the 10-year Sinking Fund program. Money for projects like second gymnasiums at John Glenn and Wayne Memorial High Schools and elementary media centers at Patchin, Edison and Schweitzer Elementaries is generated through the 1-mill tax levy approved by voters in 2003.

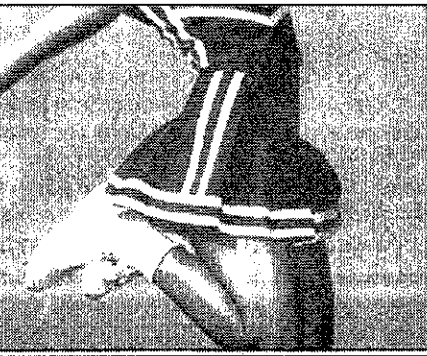
Any useful furniture from the media centers will be reused, however, with the expanded space, new furniture is needed, school officials said.

The work at Marshall will focus on the piping for the boiler system which is starting to fail, Underwood said. The piping is underground in a tunnel that runs to the north-east corner of the school.

"We'll replace some of the structure and all the piping and concrete in the tunnel," he added. "You'll basically have a new system."

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Two businesses cited for selling to minors

The Canton Police Department's Special Enforcement Unit conducted alcohol and tobacco sales checks during the month of March. The department sent a decoy minor into 19 local businesses to purchase either alcohol or tobacco. According to police, two businesses sold to a minor decoy, while 17 refused the sale.

The Sunoco gas station at 42495 Joy Road, and the BP gas station at 45495 Michigan

Avenue, were both cited for selling tobacco to a minor.

The Special Enforcement Unit has performed alcohol and tobacco compliance checks at local businesses for the past several years, and uses a "zero tolerance" enforcement strategy when dealing with violations of alcohol and tobacco sales to minors.

Under local ordinance, alcohol sales to under age persons as the result of an

undercover operation result in a civil infraction ticket being issued to the server or salesperson with a fine of not more than \$100. The establishment is cited for a Liquor Control Commission (LCC) violation, resulting in an administrative hearing with the LCC.

Sales of tobacco products to persons under age 18 result in a misdemeanor ticket being issued to the sales person with a fine of up to \$50.

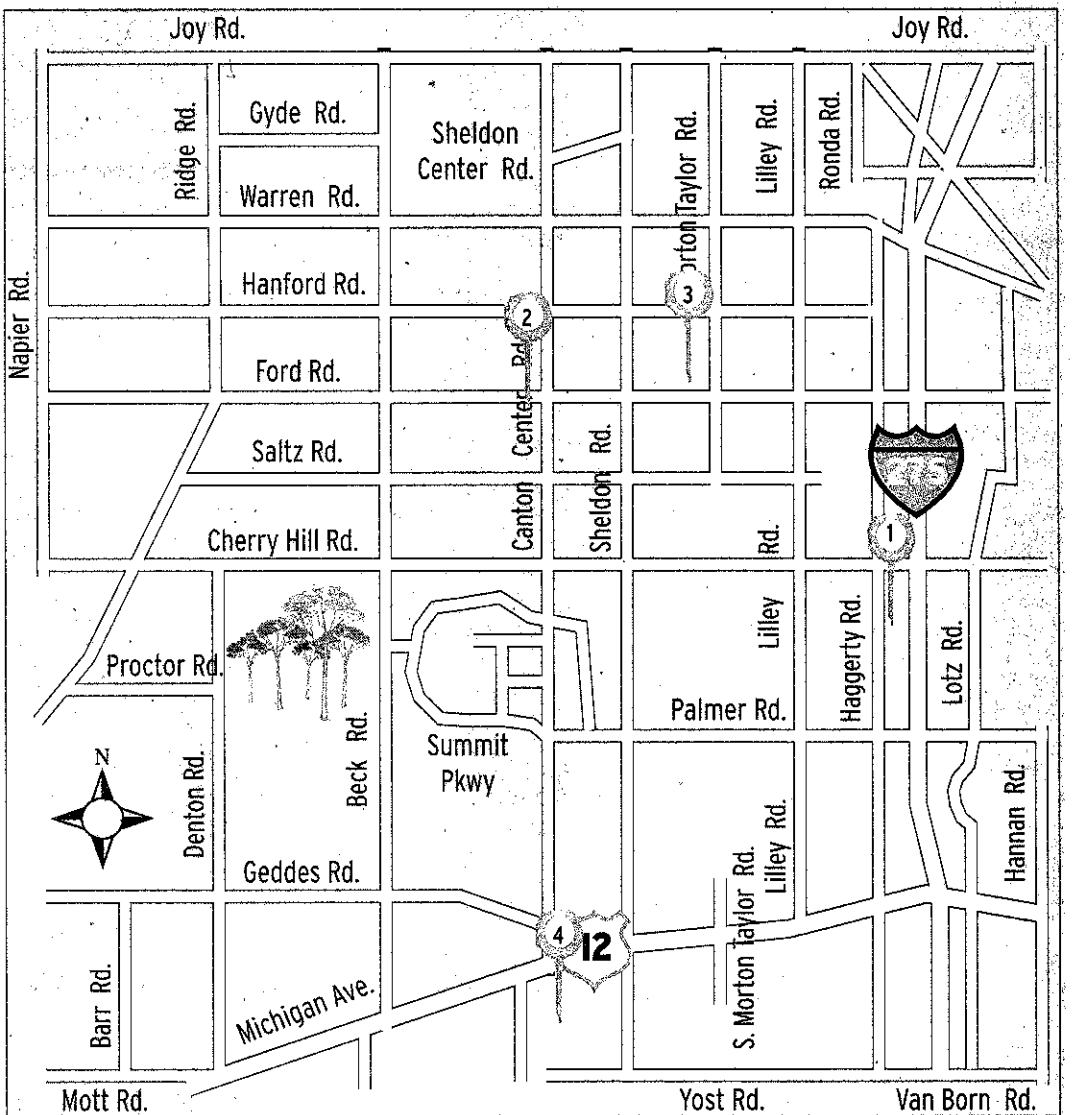
Police investigating another rash of car break-ins

Canton Police reported a rash of larcenies from automobiles that occurred last weekend throughout the township. The suspects entered vehi-

cles which were left unlocked and took items such as wallets, iPods, purses and cell phones.

Canton police caution if you

park in the street or in your driveway take an extra minute to remove all items of value and make certain the vehicle doors are locked.



CANTON COP CALLS

Assault and battery

1 Police were called to the 40900 block of Crossbow Circle on March 30 after a neighbor in the complex reported loud noises and arguing. A 27-year-old man told police nothing occurred, despite the fact he was bleeding from fresh cuts and scratches. A 37-year-old woman also said she didn't know what happened. Police arrested the woman on charges of assault and battery.

Champagne larceny

2 A 19-year-old Canton man was charged with larceny for stealing two bottles of champagne, a "Plymouth Football" fleece and two packages of candy from Meijer, 45001 Ford Road, on March 28.

Designer eyeglasses stolen

3 Police are investigating the theft of nearly \$2,000 in eyeglass frames from Pearle Vision, 43271 Ford Road, in Canton on March 28. A customer told an employee that a man walked in, went to the Gucci case and put four or five frames in his pocket before leaving. The frames were reportedly worth \$400-\$500 each.

Picked up on warrant

4 Canton police stopped a car on Belleville Road near Van Born on March 27 because of an obstructed plate. The driver was taken into custody for driving without a license, as well for an outstanding warrant on the same charge. The officer asked for identification from the passengers and arrested one for an outstanding warrant in Washtenaw County.

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DISPATCH

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Police Department is in the process of replacing its radio system and Canton police are looking to buy one.

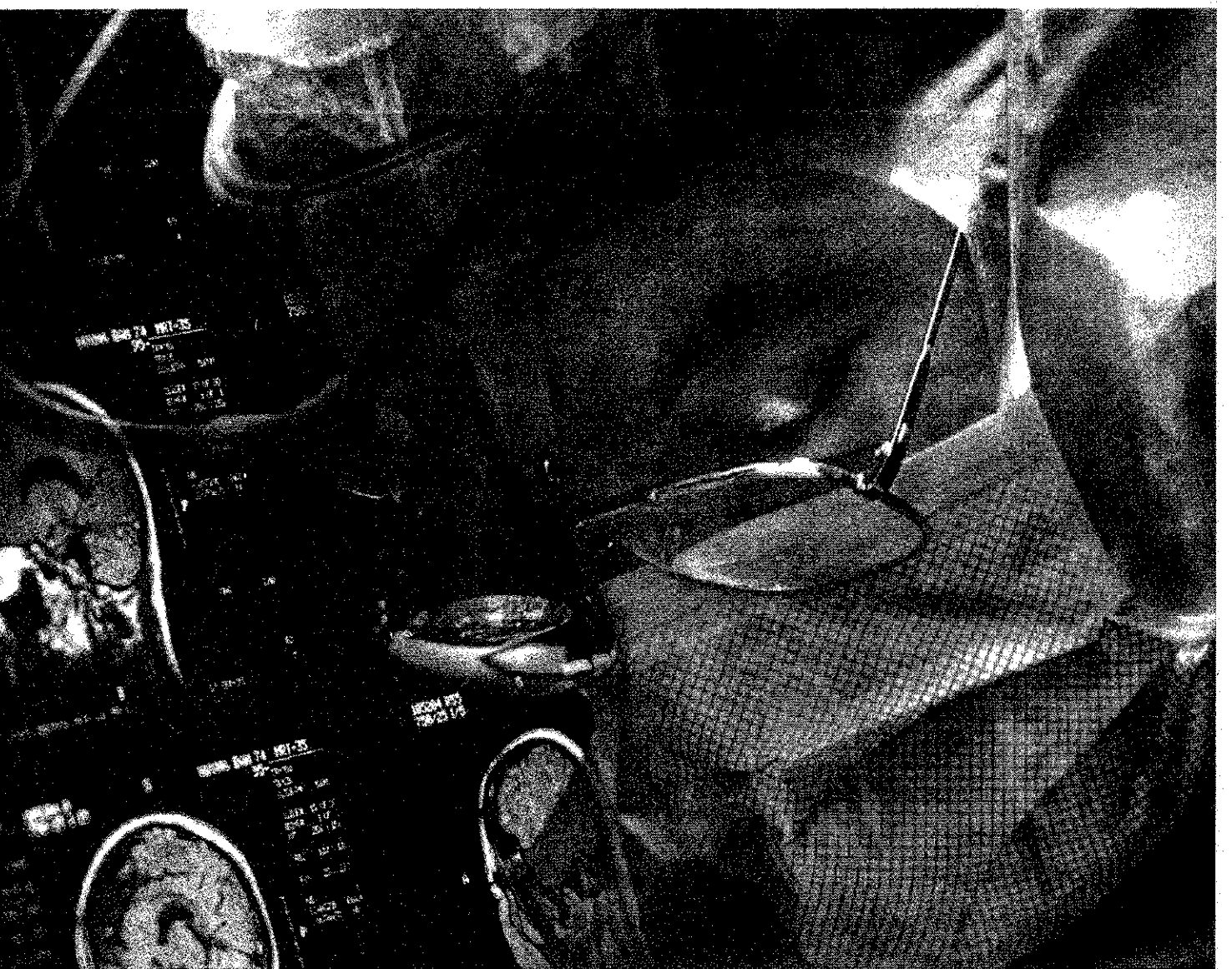
Both Santomauro and Stevenson believe if they can make dispatch consolidation work, it could lead to other combined services and expand to other communities.

"If this concept becomes a reality, we're very optimistic this will open the door for an even larger consolidation of dispatch in the western Wayne County area," Santomauro said. "One natural evolution of central dispatch is consolidation of lockup facilities."

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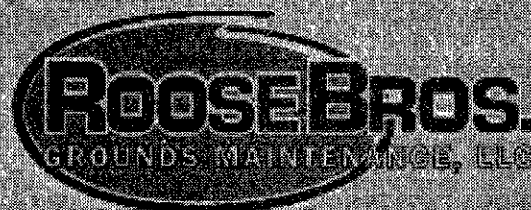


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Non-athletes can learn from sports stars' money mistakes

You can't go anywhere these days without hearing or reading something about the economy. I pulled out my *Sports Illustrated* recently and there was an article — with a different twist — on what's happening in the economy.

The article dealt with athletes and how they go through money and what was a surprise was some of the statistics cited. For example, according to the *SI* article, 75 percent of all NFL players are in bankruptcy or in serious financial shape two years after they retire. Of course, you are asking how someone could be in serious financial shape when



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

have when it comes to investing money. There are some lessons to be learned from their mistakes. What's not surprising is one of the common mistakes athletes made was dealing with unscrupulous financial advisers. It is amaz-

ing how many athletes have been conned out of millions by their financial adviser.

Dealing with the wrong financial adviser is not unique to athletes. It happens to many people. The lesson to learn from athletes is the importance of dealing with the right financial adviser. I believe the majority of individuals should be dealing with fee-only financial advisers. Fee-only financial advisers do not work on commissions. They are independent from investment products. One of the problems many investors have is that they're getting advice from an adviser who has an inherent conflict of interest. When

there is commission involved, you have to ask where is the loyalty. Is it to the product or to the investor? I believe an investor should deal with an adviser whose loyalty is to the investor and only the investor.

Another common subject amid the athlete's stories was excessive fees. Unfortunately, it's not only athletes who are paying excessive fees. For as long as I have been involved in the investment world, I have always preached to investors the need to understand fees. Never buy an investment unless you know what it cost to buy, to sell and to hold. Fees matter and if you don't ask about fees there is no

doubt that you will be taken advantage of. The reality of the situation is high fees equal low returns. Particularly in today's financial environment, high fees make it impossible for an investor to make money.

Another common issue involving athletes and their money is that they get involved in deals that are "can't miss." As far as I am concerned, investments and deals described this way are those to walk away from. All investments have risks. When an investment sounds too good to be true, it generally is.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at money@hometownlife.com. For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com.

Athletes have some unique issues when it comes to investing. After all, very few of us will ever make the money they do. However, we can learn from their mistakes and become better investors. The result of becoming a better investor is that more money stays in your pocket, exactly where it belongs.

You will lose your property if you don't pay taxes

Each week, Wayne County Treasurer Raymond J. Wojtowicz will be using this column as a regular forum to inform you about the tax process and to answer the questions most frequently asked about property taxes.

Always remember that your property is your most precious asset. Do not risk losing it for nonpayment of property taxes. If in doubt, ask questions. Q: If I don't pay my taxes, will I really lose my ownership interest in the property?



Ask the Treasurer

Raymond Wojtowicz

A: Yes. P.A. 123 of 1999 as amended, changed the property tax revision process. Tax years remaining unpaid for two years will be foreclosed and the property will be sold to the highest bidder.

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Rising from the ground up

Amish workers rebuild historic silo in Village to honor farming history

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A 1930s-era silo now sits adjacent to a Civil War-generation barn on seven acres of the Travis-Bartlett property on Ridge Road, north of Cherry Hill, in Cherry Hill Village which depicts Canton's farming history.

The silo was taken down piece-by-piece in mid-March by an Amish crew that was careful to remove the metal roof and 40-pound blocks measuring about 2-feet-by-18-inches from Ford and Ridge roads. The same crew put it back together in reverse order Monday and Tuesday.

"We're probably one of the few companies who still do this kind of work," said Bob Babbitt of Pennfield Construction in Battle Creek, who hired the crew from Quincy, Mich. "This project was pretty easy, but you've got to know what you're doing. It's got to be level and plumb, because if you start it wrong it will be like the Leaning Tower of Pisa."

"We did the (Cady-Boyer) barn two years ago, I love tearing barns down and putting them back up," added Babbitt. "Maybe 200 years from now someone will say your great-great-grandfather Babbitt put that up."

The barn was originally located at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park until Canton resident Bob Boyer paid roughly \$100,000 to move it. Boyer paid in the neighborhood of \$20,000 for the silo to be moved and rebuilt.



The cast concrete plates weigh 60 pounds. They are cleaned so they'll fit together easier, hoisted up to the work platform and then are hand-fit in place.



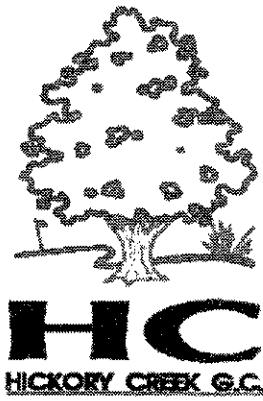
The silo rises next to the Cady-Boyer Barn.



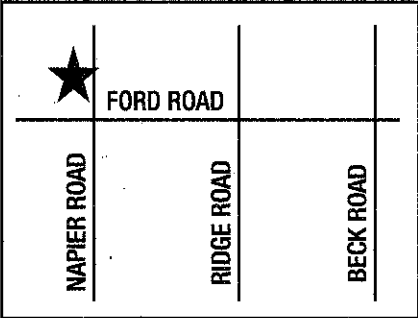
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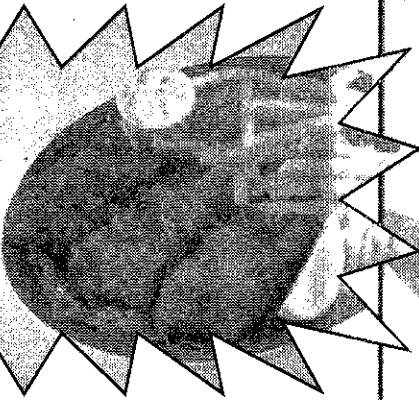


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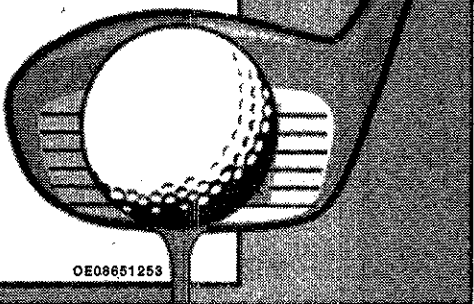


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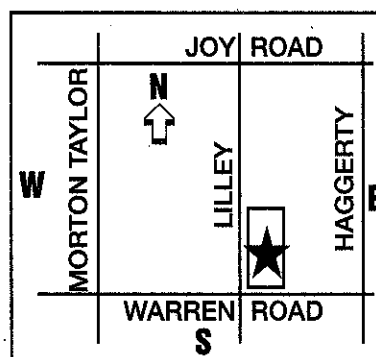
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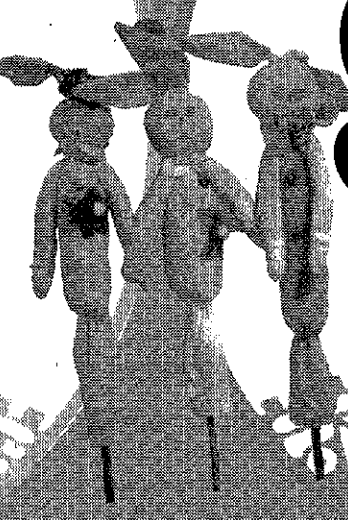
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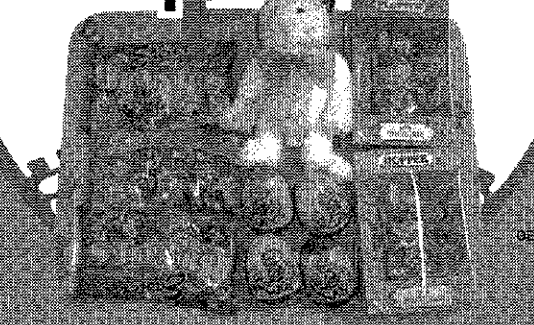
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OUR VIEWS

Battery legislation shows lawmakers can work together

With shock waves continuing to reverberate through General Motors and Chrysler after recent developments in Washington, including the sacking of GM CEO Rick Wagoner, confidence in the American auto industry (and its survival) might just be at an all-time low.

Obviously that doesn't bode well for the state of Michigan, which itself is in the midst of an economic recession not seen for many, many years. Michigan and the automobile industry have always had a symbiotic relationship, so it's no surprise that the fortunes of Michigan are so intertwined with the Big Three.

This week in Washington, the Obama administration shot down the reorganization plans for GM and Chrysler, both of which are hoping to get more federal money to keep them afloat until the economy turns around. Obama's team feels, among other things, that the auto companies need to shift their fleet away from gas guzzling models to a new breed of vehicles that rely on renewable energies. There is no question that battery technology is vital to the future of the auto industry, something the Japanese seemed to have figured out before Detroit.

That is why it is refreshing to see our state Legislature — working on a bipartisan basis no less — passing legislation that will expand the number of Michigan Business Tax credits available for battery cell manufacturers. The legislation, which has passed both the House and Senate, could make the state a leader in this emerging high tech sector, and perhaps even help save the American auto industry.

Republicans in the Senate, including John Pappageorge of Troy and Bruce Patterson of Canton, and Democrats in the House, most notably Dian Slavens of Canton, worked together to get the legislation passed last month, and it now awaits Gov. Jennifer Granholm's signature.

The plan will provide an additional \$200 million in tax credits for companies involved in advanced battery development, including battery pack assembly; research and engineering to support battery use in vehicles; engineering of advanced battery technologies; and capital investment for construction of battery manufacturing facilities.

The tax credits would be spaced out over the next four years, which will ease the tax burden and help the companies develop the new battery technology. In addition, the plan rewards companies even further for using local suppliers, which is good for Michigan jobs, and it qualifies the state to be eligible for \$2 billion in federal stimulus money.

According to Patterson, many experts predict the U.S. battery market could reach \$18 billion a year by 2020 and cell manufacturers could create nearly 40,000 Michigan jobs by 2020.

With legislation like this, it appears our leaders in Lansing are starting to understand the message that voters sent in recent elections — that we want them working for us. It also shows state government can be useful in attracting businesses and strengthening the economy. That's something we can all cheer.



Patterson



Slavens

COMMUNITY VOICE

Where would you like to travel for spring vacation?

Asked of eighth-grade students in Amy Trombley's careers class at Discovery Middle School.



"I would go to Washington, D.C., to talk to the president about passing a bill that people would have to have background checks before they buy an animal so we can stop animal cruelty."

Amy Bhullar, 13, Canton



"Gatlinburg, Tenn., because my family and I go there every year. You can go putt-putt and there's lots of stores."

Kyle Spence, 14, Canton



"I'd go to Hawaii because it's an island, and I want to go swimming and be warm."

Holly Crowther, 14, Canton



"We're going to Myrtle Beach. I've never been there, and I've heard it's fun. I want to go golfing and swimming in the ocean."

Ryan O'Sullivan, 14, Canton

LETTERS

McCotter represents district

I find it intellectually necessary to respond to the comment letter of the gentleman from Farmington Hills, as contained on page A8 of the *Observer/Eccentric* publication of March 12. Therein, the gentleman, not a resident of the district which Thaddeus McCotter represents (11th Congressional District), deigns to claim that Mr. McCotter (in his seven years as our representative) not only voted against the "recovery" legislation but also consistently, in his voting, supports the wealthiest of our citizens.

Although McCotter voted against the Pelosi/Reid pork bill put forth by the Democrats in Congress, the gentlemen from Farmington Hills misstates the premise that the bill is "recovery" legislation. Rather from my studied perspective, the legislation is a wasteful multibillion dollar payback to the powers in the Democratic Party that supported the spending. This payback represents nothing more than fulfilling the wish lists of liberals who could not have gotten their "pie-in-the-sky" agendas passed by a saner Congress.

I have resided in Canton Township for many more years than Mr. McCotter has represented my community and its people, as part of the 11th District. Although I do not agree with him regarding some of his positions, as I consider myself to be a conservative voter, based upon my years of watching him in the media, listening to his communications to his constituents and reviewing his voting record (not the most conservative, in my opinion), I deem him to be the most representative, most thoughtful and most reflective of the economic status of his constituents (including numerous autoworkers who work and reside in this district).

He co-sponsored bills in Congress to assist veterans to obtain employment (HR 2330), to provide for amendment of the IRS Code to permit hardship borrowing from IRAs (HR 5641), he has fought, consistently, for the bailout of the auto industry to protect the employment of his constituents, taking the position that bankruptcy for the auto industry would be wrong, as destructive to jobs and employment in Michigan, he has fought to keep taxes down so that small business could flourish.

I have seen Mr. McCotter on numerous occasions on television, talking up the state of Michigan and its populace. On the other hand, although I have heard of Mr. Peters, whom the gentleman from Farmington Hills mentions, I recall no newsworthy activity on his part with regard to the Michigan public during the time of his tenure.

Thus I ask, possibly rhetorically, that the gentleman from Farmington Hills, support his allusions regarding Mr. McCotter with specific and verifiable facts. Without such, I believe that it would be an injustice to replace Mr. McCotter in 2010 with a less capable and eloquent defender of our concerns. Thank you.

Richard Kudla
Canton Township

New families should fit

I see where Canton is going to use stimulus money to fix foreclosed homes in the

What do you think?

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area. I for one welcome this but I'm also hoping that families that are given the opportunity to live in Canton are going to maintain the property they're being given the opportunity to buy and be good neighbors. My biggest worry is that a family that won't be able to communicate with the neighbors and have different views as to how to blend in with the population in the area they're going to live.

I can only hope the people in the township that put these lower- to moderate-income families in neighborhoods that have families that have maintained and lived in the homes for decades to make sure they fit in with the existing families and not just doing this to increase the township's tax base. With property in the area losing more than half of its value in the past few years and not getting a tax break even with the values going down at least make sure the families moving in are a good fit.

Robert Denstedt
Canton

Same old, same old

After reading the article in Thursday, March 26, *Canton Observer* "Officials compromise on water rate increase" I still have the same questions when this started.

Why a back-to-back double digit rate increase? Does it really cost \$31 million to run the water and sewer system? It was my understanding that when we joined the Western Township Utilities Association (WTUA), these increases would be greatly reduced because we were part of our own, newer system — not controlled by Detroit. What happened?

I think a little more transparency from our township government is in order. Let's see a breakdown of costs and revenue. How can costs go up when usage is down? Every candidate elected, this past November campaigned on a change platform ... sounds like the same old, same old to me.

David Nephew
Canton

Proud of auditorium

I wish to offer some additional information and a potential correction to the article printed in the *Canton Observer* Thursday, March 12 ("Bands on the run — PCA, P-CEP musicians take to the festival stage"). I am certain that the quote from Doddie VandeGiessen is accurate, but her information is incorrect. She states that South Redford Thurston High School has just recently remodeled their auditorium. Actually this is a brand new room and addition to the school. This was part of a bond millage proposal including the auditorium, a fieldhouse, and parking lot at Thurston High School.

Thurston has never had an auditorium

larger than a 65-seat lecture hall in its existence. The new William F. Weber Auditorium publicly opened last April 2008 with the first performance being the Thurston High School Honors Band conducted by Edward J. Lucius. At the May 2008 spring concert, the Honors Band was conducted by the former director of bands at Thurston, Mr. Theodore Smith, who retired from Thurston 20 years ago following a very distinguished and greatly recognized 36-year teaching career in South Redford. At least Ted was able to conduct in this wonderful new auditorium before his passing in August of 2008.

The 750-seat room is quite modern and completely state of the art. The same architectural firm designed the smaller venue Village Theater at Cherry Hill, and its larger cousins — The Center for the Performing Arts in Dearborn and the auditorium at the Monroe Community College. All are beautiful environments in which to enjoy a concert of any kind.

Named after Mr. William F. Weber, the former superintendent and staunch advocate for the arts in South Redford Schools, a long-awaited dream has come true. The faculty, staff, and members of the community in South Redford are pleased to share their gift with students from surrounding school districts by hosting this festival.

Congratulations to individuals and the communities who find performance art enough of a value to fund, design, and construct beautiful performance venues. In times like these when money is not easily given, I applaud those with a vision, a plan, and the commitment to the arts.

Mark R. Waldbauer
Canton

McCotter knows issues

As the owner of a small business located in Plymouth, I was deeply disturbed to read the negative letters written about our representative, Congressman Thaddeus McCotter.

He is one of the few people in D.C. who truly understands the issues Michigan is facing; especially the importance of the automotive and manufacturing sectors to the health of our nation. Unlike some of his contemporaries, Congressman McCotter has been one of the strongest advocates against an auto industry bankruptcy and has fought heroically to preserve the industry — and the millions of jobs it represents.

He believes it to be of "critical importance" to the rest of the economy and to our security as a nation. Just because he questions how the financial institutions have used the TARP funds and how this money has helped to free up the credit market for us "regular people," does not mean he doesn't support a recovery plan.

Congressman McCotter is one of our strongest allies in Washington, D.C. It is too bad that the two gentleman who felt so strongly against McCotter cannot seem to separate him from the GOP stereotypes. Perhaps if they lived in his district, they would see how lucky we are to have a man like Thaddeus McCotter as our congressman.

Wes Smith
Plymouth

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EASTER BUNNY ARRIVES
METRO DETROIT — The Easter Bunny is holding court at area malls through April 11. He has already arrived at Twelve Oaks in Novi, Westland Center in Westland, Oakland Mall in Troy, and Laurel Park Place in Livonia, and The Village of Rochester Hills. Somerset's bunny, Hester Fairweather, will arrive today at the North Grand Court amidst whimsical pop-up book decor and a labyrinth carpet. All locations offer photo packages. Check online for times.



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Today's teens are doing their research when it comes to finding the perfect prom dress. That's according to Claudine Hamm at Alyce Designs, which has been designing dresses for over 40 years — including the one Britney Spears wore to her own prom. "Today's prom-goers have been watching their favorite television shows, ripping out pages of inspiration from fashion magazines and taking notes on what young Hollywood stars wore during the recent award season," Hamm said. So what's hot for prom this year? Hamm shares the top trends: **Metallic mix:** From shimmer satins to silver lame, the gold standard is still metallics. Look for them in burnished tints, from bronzed and coppered satin to softly minted taffetas with a blush of shine. **Animal prints:** The wild side of fashion remains in vogue. If you're not daring enough for a full leopard print gown, try a hint of animal print in sashes, exposed lining or bead details. **Brilliant hue:** Bright, juicy color choices are knocking out the little black dress this year. Whether you favor fuchsia, emerald green, neon yellow or radiant red, no color is too bold for prom night. **Noticeable necklines:** From the recent Academy Awards to fashion runways around the world, varying one-shoulder silhouettes and sweetheart necklines have turned heads. Simple or striking, the necklines can also be embellished with sequins and beads. **Short and sassy:** Cocktail length is completely acceptable for Prom 2009. Try on short dresses with bubble hems, belted bodices, full skirts or tulle for a fun and flirty look. Alyce Designs Prom Collections are sold at over 1,800 retailers nationwide including Star Fashion, Troy; First Lady, Southfield; and Boutique Angelique, Rochester. Visit www.alycedesigns.com.

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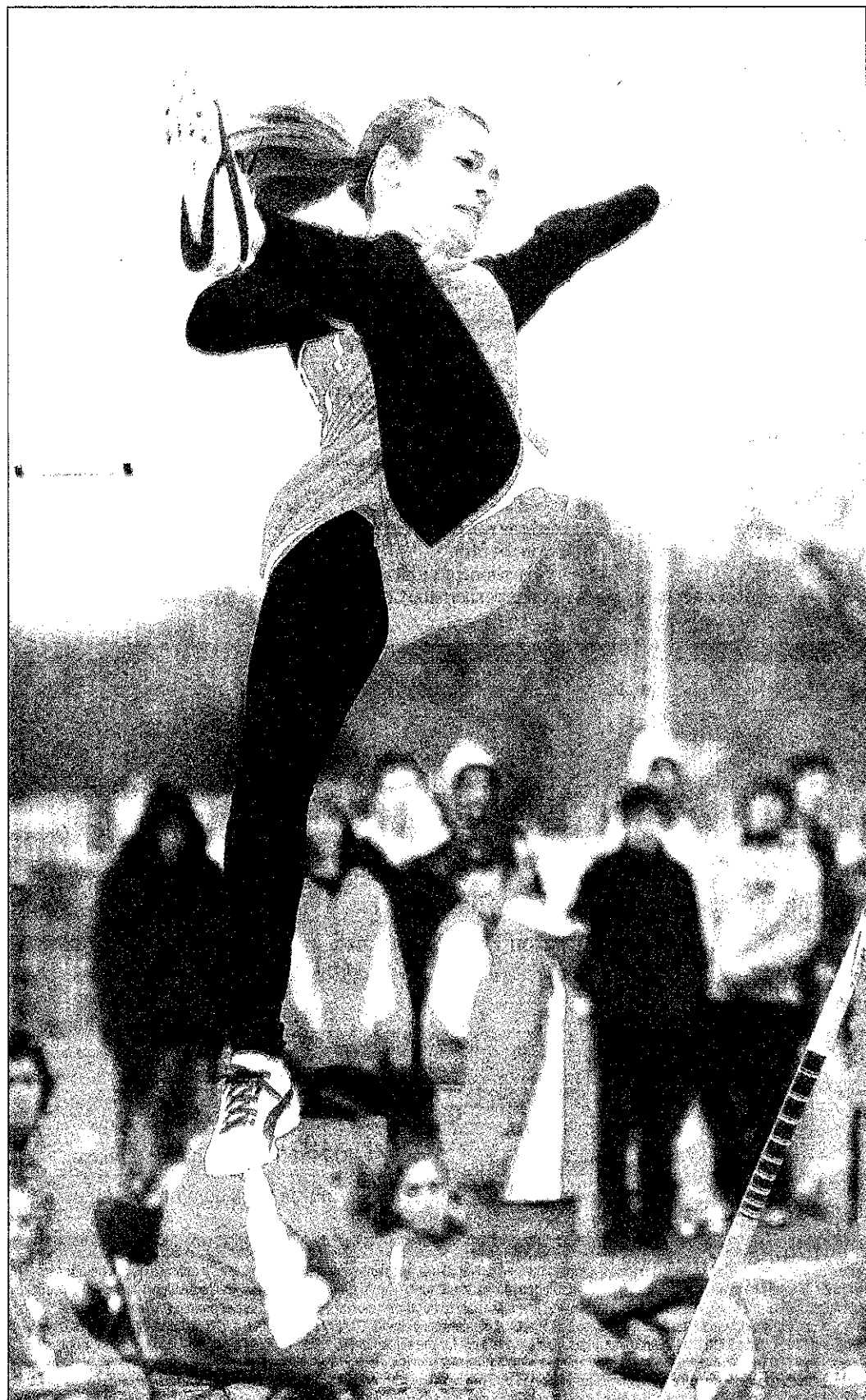
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HOMETOWN LIFE



Above, Canton pole vaulter Kara Bongiovanni cleared the bar at 7 feet, 9 inches to place first in Tuesday's meet against Plymouth. At right, Plymouth's Mandy McManus was focused on the next hurdle during her first-place effort in the 100-meter hurdles event Tuesday against Canton.



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Plymouth's Jordon Birman launches the shot during Tuesday's meet against Canton. Birman won the event with a toss of 41 feet, 10.25 inches.

Split decision

Plymouth boys, Canton girls claim track wins

See complete meet results on Page B4.

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton's girls track team was "relay," "relay" good in its dual meet with Plymouth Tuesday afternoon and Plymouth's boys team was really, really fast against the Chiefs.

As a result, the Chief girls and Wildcat boys opened their seasons with 83-53 and 75-62 victories, respectively, against their cross-campus rivals.

"I couldn't have been more pleased with tonight's meet," said Canton coach Pam Stom. "We had cold temps in the low-40s, wind and rain, and we still had great times and performances."

Keying the Canton girls' triumph were victories in all four relay events. The Chiefs sparked in the sprints, too, as sophomore Lindsay Lipa won the 100-meter dash in 13.31 seconds and junior Ashley Banks captured the 200 with a time of 28.9. Lipa also won the high jump with a leap of 5 feet, 2 inches.

Plymouth's top performer was Mandy McManus, who won the 100-meter and 300-meter hurdle races with times of 18.22 and 53.5, respectively.

In the boys' meet, the Chiefs built a 30-20 edge following the field events, however, Plymouth's superior distance crew — led by Swedish exchange student Elmar Engholm — proved to be the difference.

Engholm placed first in all four events he raced: the 3,200-meter relay, the 1,600-meter run, 800-meter run and the 3,200-meter run.

"We knew it was going to be a competitive meet because coach Kurt Britnell and his staff do a great job getting their kids ready," said Canton coach Bob Richardson. "The weather was challenging for both schools, but I thought the young men stepped up and performed well."

Senior Sherif Hassanien was the Chiefs' leading point-earner as he won both hurdles events and anchored Canton's first-place 1,600-meter relay foursome.

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GAME WRAPS

Hail to the Eagles

The Discovery Middle School boys basketball team captured the overall Plymouth-Canton title for the fifth consecutive year with a 14-2 record. Team members include Devin Slominski, Scott Gring, Chase Winningham, Kyle Cameron, Matt Lawrence, Mike Montgomery, Malik El, Brett Mattson, James Buchanan, Chris Mattei, Jon Malone, Jamal Eiland, Mike Kennedy, Dan Marsden, Josh Mayberry, Kevin Mack, Josh Dennard and Andrew Klenk.

Dave Van Wagoner coached the "A" team while Discovery grad Dominique Washington coached the "B" squad to an 8-0 record.

Chiefs upend 'Cats in boys lacrosse

Canton's boys lacrosse team knocked off cross-campus rival Plymouth Monday night, 9-3.

Following a hard-fought first quarter that ended knotted at 1-all, the Chiefs tallied four unanswered second-period goals. Canton led 7-3 after three.

Jason Avedesian paced the winners' scoring barrage with four goals. Jake Underwood and Jordan Emery both contributed a pair of goals while Matt Rodgers notched a single net-finder.

Canton goalie Sean Walsh was spectacular in net, stopping 16 Wildcat shots.

Scoring for the Chiefs were:

Jason Avedesian for four goals with two assists from Jordan Emery (Captain) and one from Jake Underwood, one goal unassisted.

Canton's defense was sparked by Ryan Dunleavy, Dakota Dark Bird, Bryan Davison and Alec Gilo.

"We only ran two midfield lines tonight; I was hoping they wouldn't run out of gas," said Canton coach Kevin Riley. "Sean (Walsh) really kept us in the game tonight."

Lions tame Lady Warriors

The Plymouth-Canton-Salem girls lacrosse team dropped a 12-4 decision to state-ranked South Lyon Monday night.

"Watching the game, you had the feeling that if we had some offensive thrust, this would have been a close game," said PCS coach Dave Medley. "The girls played hard."

South Lyon outshot PCS, 29-8. Lady Warrior goalie Lexie O'Conner played well in just her second appearance of the season.

Nicole Rottell scored twice for PCS while Edra Burris and Chelsea Olson added single goals.

Coaches: Please report results

Local high school spring sports coaches are encouraged to report their results to Plymouth and Canton Observer Sports Editor Ed Wright — whether their team wins or loses; or they're home or away.

Wright can be reached at (734) 578-2767 or at ewright@hometownlife.com.

The deadline for Thursday print editions of the Observer is 11 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. The deadline for Sunday print editions of the paper is Friday at 11 p.m.

Results of games reported to Wright will appear on www.hometownlife.com the following morning.

Spits decision: Whalers earn semis vs. Windsor

The Plymouth Whalers exploded for six goals in the second period and cruised to an 8-1 victory over Sarnia in an Ontario Hockey League playoff game played Saturday night before 2,876 at Compuware Arena.

Plymouth won the first-round OHL Western Conference quarter-final series in five games over the Sting, outscoring its foes, 21-6, in the series and 21-2 from early in the first period of Game 2.

Plymouth will open its next series tonight in Windsor against the top-ranked Spitfires in the OHL Western Conference semifinals. The other OHL Western Conference semifinal features London against Saginaw.

Whalers captain Chris Terry led the offensive attack with a hat trick and now has five goals in the playoffs. Ryan Hayes scored a goal (his third in three playoff games) and added two assists.

Kaine Geldart, AJ Jenks and Beau Schmitz all scored their first playoff goals this season for

WINDSOR TUNNEL VISION

What: Ontario Hockey League Western Conference best-of-seven semifinal series;

Who: Longtime rivals Plymouth Whalers (37-26-5-0 regular season) vs. Windsor Spitfires (57-10-0-1);

When: Game 1 is set for tonight in Windsor; Game 2 will be Saturday at Compuware Arena; Game 3 will be Sunday in Windsor; Game 4 will be Tuesday at Compuware; Game 5 (if necessary) will be April 9 in Windsor; Game 6 (if necessary) will be April 11 at Compuware; and Game 7 (if necessary) will be April 13 in Windsor; all Whalers home games will start at 7:05.

Tickets: Prices have remained the same as the regular season: \$11 and \$15. Tickets are available by calling (734) 453-8400 or by visiting Compuware Arena in person Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. or on Saturday starting at 11 a.m.



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Plymouth captain Chris Terry (20), pictured during last week's 5-1 win over Sarnia, was voted the No. 1 star in the Whalers' series-cinching 8-1 triumph over the Sting Saturday night.

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WHALERS

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the Whalers, while Joe Gaynor scored his second. Defenseman Leo Jenner added three assists.

Although the Whalers scored 21 goals in the series, defense was a key to their success as well. Matt Hackett stopped 27-of-28 shots on Saturday, keeping his playoff goals against average at 0.98 (five goals allowed in 305 minutes) and his save percentage at .970 (164-169). Both marks currently lead the OHL playoffs.

In addition, Plymouth penalty killers went six-for-six in the game and went 32-for-34 in the series.

Mark Katic scored the lone Sarnia goal, his first of the playoffs.

Although the Whalers scored six goals in the second period, there was an explosion of a different kind in the Plymouth dressing room during the first intermission.

"There was an explosion in the (Whaler) locker room in between the periods," said Mike Vellucci, Plymouth president, general manager and head coach. "I thought it (the first period) was our worst period of the year, to be honest. I thought we were so bad. Our guys thought that Sarnia would roll over and die and they didn't. Sarnia played way better than we did in the first period. So I was glad to see it (six goals in the second period) — I didn't expect that many goals, but we worked hard for them once they started going in."

The second game of the Windsor series is slated for Saturday night at Compuware Arena. Saturday's opening face-off is set for 7:05 p.m.

Windsor defeated Plymouth in six of eight games during the regular season, with two of the Spitfire victories by scores of 1-0.

Late surge lifts Wildcats over Rocks

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

With the sun setting fast in its season opener against Salem last Friday, Plymouth's softball team turned the power on.

The Wildcats turned a pitchers' duel into a home run derby with back-to-back eighth-inning round-trippers from Stacey Klonowski and Amanda Burnard to defeat the host Rocks, 4-1.

Plymouth won the darkness-shortened second game of the twinbill, 7-3.

Sophomore Lauren Smith earned the victory on the mound for the Wildcats, scattering nine hits while striking out two. Sophomore Brianna Lee

suffered the loss for the Rocks despite blanking the 'Cats from the second inning through the seventh.

"We were patient at the plate and made her throw a lot of pitchers; we laid off her rise ball," said Plymouth coach Val Canfield, explaining her team's strategy against Lee. "I was shocked when we hit those back-to-back home runs. It's nice to see the girls hitting so well early in the season."

Early on, the opening game appeared destined to be a slugfest as both teams scored a single first-inning run: Klonowski singled in Erin Rodes for Plymouth while the Rocks countered with Lee's RBI double that plated Schmidt.

Both pitchers then dug in and posted goose-

eggs on the scoreboard until Plymouth's three-run eighth. The frame started when Rodes walked was sacrificed to second by Beth Heldmeyer. Klonowski then rocked a pitch over the center-field fence -- just like Burnard one batter later.

Plymouth defeated Salem, 1-0, in last spring's Division 1 District final at Salem.

In the nightcap, Plymouth scored two runs in the first and second innings and three in the fourth. Salem scored twice in the second and once in the fifth.

Miranda Oliver earned the win. Schmidt pitched the first five innings for Salem before giving way to Lee, who registered the final three outs.

Canton ace Dunleavy throws no-no at Novi

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

To say Canton's Amy Dunleavy was zeroed in Friday afternoon would be an understatement.

The junior right-handed pitcher fired a no-hitter in the Chiefs' season-opening 12-0 rout of Novi in a game shortened to five innings due to the MHSAA's mercy rule.

Dunleavy struck out nine and did not walk a batter. The Wildcats' lone

base-runner reached on an error.

Dunleavy nearly lost the no-hitter with two outs in the fifth, but Canton left-fielder Sam Podorsek made a diving catch to preserve the gem.

"We had to wait a few seconds for the umpires to make the call," said Canton coach Jim Arnold, referring to Podorsek's game-ending web gem.

Arnold said Dunleavy's feat wasn't surprising considering the off-season sweat equity she put in.

"She's been working extremely hard

the entire off-season," said Arnold.

"She had good velocity and her ball was moving. She was hitting her locations well, too. Amy's been ready to pitch for two weeks now, and it showed today."

The Chiefs broke open a close game in the third when they scored seven times to pad their advantage to 9-0. The added one run in the fourth and two more in the fifth.

Pacing the winners' 13-hit attack were sophomore shortstop Carol Ann

Sexauer, who went 2-for-3 with three RBI; Miranda Rysdorp, who contributed two hits and two RBI; and Podorsek, who went 2-for-4 with three runs.

Canton won the second game of the twinbill, 6-2, behind the bat of Sexauer, who went 2-for-3 with a home run and four RBI. Rysdorp also sparked at the plate, going 2-for-3 with a triple.

Dunleavy pitched the final four innings to earn the victory.

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Sporting a career mark of 83-31, Gajowiak was also KLAAs Kensington Conference champion, second at the Observerland Invitational and third at the Novi Detroit Catholic Central Invitational.

"Dustin finished this year peaking at the right time," Glenn coach Bill Polk said. "His fifth-place finish was the result of his work ethic in practice and on the mat in competition. He is also a three-sport athlete for Glenn as well as a good student. He is the most successful heavyweight I have coached thus far and he still has one year of competition remaining. He wants to play college football and we're helping him train for that opportunity. We look forward to great things from Dustin his senior year."

STEVE WAKEFORD, JR., JOHN GLENN (103): The junior, 45-15, took sixth at the state finals after placing runner-up at both the regional and district.

He also won the Kensington Conference crown and was runner-up at both Observerland and Napoleon. He also added third at the CC and Salem invitationals.

"Steve is a competitor and a very good athlete," Polk said. "A lot of kids his size would make excuse why they can't compete with bigger guys, but not Steve. He look forward to taking on all challengers. He is very strong for his size and can lift more than most of my guys that are 145 pounds. He is also on the varsity baseball and football teams. Not many kids are three-sport athletes anymore, but he is competitive in all three. Next year he'll be in the hunt for a title."

NICK KIM, SOPH., SALEM (103): Kim, who finished with a 37-13 record, enjoyed a sensational sophomore season, which was highlighted by a championship performance at the Fowlerville Invitational and an eighth-place showing at the Division 1 individual state meet. The effort earned Kim a spot on the Salem "Wall of Champions."

"Nick is only in his second season of wrestling and he proved what can be done when all the components of the sport are put together," said Salem coach Greg Wooschuk. "We look forward to watching Nick develop even further in the future."

WALEED FARAJ, JR., CANTON (112): The junior went 45-12 to improve his career mark to 82-36. He was the KLAAs individual conference champion at 112 pounds before placed third in the District tournament, second at Regional and eighth at the Division 1 state meet.

"Waleed is one of our talented junior that will be back next season," said Canton coach Corey Mancuso. "It will be exciting to see how he makes the transition to a heavier weight class next season as he tries to improve on this season's eighth-place finish at the state meet."

CARL LUCKE, SR., CANTON (119): Lucke capped a spectacular high school career with a 51-13 record that closed with a stellar seventh-place finish at the Division 1 state meet. He earned second at the District meet and third at the Regional competition. His four-year varsity record was 146-54.

"Carl is nicknamed 'Tank' because he goes after his opponents at a hard pace for six minutes every time he steps on the mat," said Mancuso. "Carl was a captain the past two seasons and one cannot say enough about what he has done for the Canton program. Carl is currently looking for a college where he hopes to wrestle next season."

ANTHONY PAVLICH, JR., JOHN GLENN (125): The junior, 30-11 overall, earned an eighth-place finish at the Division 1 state finals after placing runner-up at the district and regional.

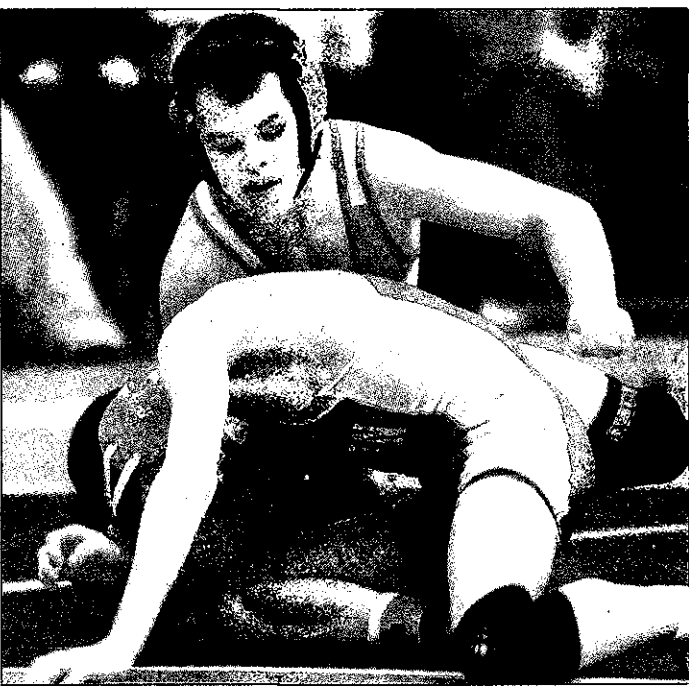
Pavlich, sporting a 115-30 career mark, also took first at the Salem Invitational and second at Observerland.

"Anthony has put a lot of time into this sport since he was in middle school," Polk said. "He wrestles all summer because he has his sights set on being Glenn's next state champion. He has had a humbling year and was able to finish strong medaling for the second time after jumping three weight classes from last year - and two during the season. We're proud of him and look forward to his senior year."

JEREMY FILIPPPELLI, SR., CANTON (130): Filippelli wrapped up an outstanding high school career with a 45-8 record, which improved his overall mark to 101-35. Highlights of his success-laden season were titles at Observerland and the KLAAs conference championship meet.

"Jeremy was the heart and soul of this year's team," said Mancuso. "A vocal leader who helped keep the team together through this transition season. Jeremy is currently looking for a college where he plans to wrestle next season."

JARED STEPHENS, SR., LUTH. WESTLAND (135): The state runner-up, who fell in overtime in the finals, finished the



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John Glenn's Steven Wakeford, a junior, earned first-team All-Observer honors at 103 pounds following an outstanding season where he placed at the Division 1 individual state finals last month at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

season with a 27-4 record.

He was runner-up at the district and Kensington Conference meets, while adding a third at the regional.

He is a three-time state qualifier and two-time state placer who finished 130-39 for his career.

"Jared is the type of person that could make the entire room laugh or have to work extra for the day depending on the situation," Polk said. "Jared is a very intelligent young man that can accomplish anything he puts his focus on. He has had a few setbacks over his career and I'm glad to see him finish with another state medal. I look forward to seeing what Jared becomes in the future."

DONNIE WATKINS, JR., CANTON (135): Watkins is etching his name onto the list of the school's all-time great grapplers following a season in which he won 59 of 62 matches to improve his three-year prep record to 156-19. He won three top-level tournaments before placing first at the District meet, second at Regionals and third at the D1 state meet.

"Donnie is one of our most talented juniors," said Mancuso. "He is a near-fall scoring machine as he broke the records for most two-point and three-point falls in a season. He is a three-time state placer who will look to cap next season off with gold."

JIMMY MANN, SR., JOHN GLENN (140): The transfer from New Boston Huron ended up 43-6 overall, including a fifth-place finish at the state meet.

He also took the district, Kensington Conference, Salem and Napoleon invitationals titles. He was runner-up at the CC Invitational and fourth at the regional.

"Jimmy was the most consistent performer on our team," Polk said. "He's one of our quiet guys that came to practice and got the job done on a daily basis. Every coach enjoys having those guys in the lineup that you can depend on to get the win in whatever situation that is needed."

"He was a great addition to our team and was in intricate part of contributing to our run to Battle Creek. It's tough to replace guys like Jimmy."

BRENT WINEKOFF, JR., CANTON (145): Winekoff was ranked No. 1 at 145 pounds most of the season by MichiganGrappler.com. The junior compiled a 62-2 mark that included first-place showing at the Observerland meet, the KLAAs individual conference tournament, the district tourney and the regional competition. He capped a remarkable year with a third-place showing at the state meet.

"Brent Winekoff is one of our most talented juniors," Mancuso said. "He led the team in pins with 36 and tied his own school record for takedowns in a season with 209. Brent is a two-time state placer and next season will be in the hunt for Canton's second state individual title."

ZAID AMMARI, SR., JOHN GLENN (152): The state qualifier posted a 46-16 record his senior year after placing third at the regional and second at the district.

Ammari also captured the Kensington Conference and Napoleon Invitational crowns. He added a runner-up finish at Salem.

"Zaid is proud of what hard work and dedication can do for you," Polk said. "In his younger days he scrapped with the best kids in our room and took it like a man. Because of all his determination and commitment, he made it to the Palace this season. Zaid is an example of what we want our wrestlers to become year after year. He was very easy to coach because he did whatever we asked him to do."

The two-year captain was 109-70 during his Glenn career.

"His work ethic is second to none and I'm sure it will lead him to many successes in life," Polk said.

STEPHEN KEMP, SR., LUTH. WESTLAND (160): A four-time individual state quali-

fier, Kemp ended his career with a fifth-place finish at the Division 4 finals. He was 45-6 this season and 192-30 for his career.

The team captain was also a district champion and third-place finisher at the regional. Kemp earned Metro Conference MVP honors and won both the Dearborn Fordson and Romulus Summit Academy tournaments, as well as going undefeated at the Franklin Tournament.

"His commitment and hard work is what set him apart from most," Lutheran Westland coach Dennis Tuomi said. "He was a tremendous leader. Kids like him don't come along often."

KEITH ZECH, JR., CANTON (171): Zech sparked in his first full season on the varsity, racking up a 40-18 record to improve his career mark to 69-49. He qualified for the state meet thanks to a third-place showing at the Regional.

"Keith was one of our major surprises this season," said Mancuso. "Last season Keith finished with a record of 24-25 and this season he was a state qualifier. Keith's success on the mat this season is a result of his hard work in the practice room."

AUSTIN ROOT, JR., SALEM (189): Root posted a 31-9 mark to improve his career record at Salem to 63-21. He advanced to the finals in six tournaments, including Observerland and the KLAAs conference meet.

"Austin is by far the best athlete on our team," Wooschuk emphasized. "He is a large part of the success of our upper-weights this year because of how hard his teammates had to work to keep up with his natural ability."

CODY HAY, SR., LIV. FRANKLIN (215): The senior finished the year 55-15 overall, including an eighth-place finish at the state finals following a first at the district and a third at the regional.

He was also the Franklin Invitational champion. Hay's career mark is 100-44.

"Cody turned it on at the right time of the year," Franklin coach Dave Chiola said. "He's not the most physically dominate person on the mat, but he gives everything he has. He's very determined, and very tough to score on. When he's in a match he knows exactly what he needs to do to win. He's come a long way since his freshman year and should be very proud of his accomplishments."

COACH OF THE YEAR
BILL POLK, JOHN GLENN: The ninth-year coach is no stranger to success on the mat as he guided the Rockets to their most successful season in school history.

Under Polk's guidance, Glenn reached the Elite Eight of the Division 1 state team finals in Battle Creek as the Rockets posted a 27-8 dual-match mark.

After capturing the district, Glenn won a thrilling regional tie-breaker over Canton.

"Early in the season we beat some good teams, but we had some injuries, discipline issues and some things we had to fix," said the 35-year-old Polk. "This team came together at the right time and believed in themselves. We had come close the last few years, but everything had to come together for the run we had - and it did. We had a great year, it was fun and rewarding."

The Rockets were also KLAAs Kensington Conference champions and took runner-up team honors at the Observerland Invitational.

"We switched our lineup around, something we did not have the luxury of doing over the year," Polk said. "We had a lot of young kids in the lineup who got beat up, but no matter who we had in the lineup, we were always in the top two or three, which was very encouraging."

Glenn also qualified eight for the individual state individual finals and five placed.

"To say I'm not pleased is one thing, but like any coach I think we could have had more," Polk said. "But I'm still happy with what we accomplished."

ALL-OBSERVER WRESTLING

2008-09 ALL-OBSERVER WRESTLING TEAMS

285 pounds: 1. Dustin Gajowiak, Jr., Westland John Glenn; 2. Mike Modes, Sr., Livonia Franklin; 3. Blake Abbey, Jr., Salem.

103: 1. (tie) Steve Wakeford, Jr., John Glenn; Nick Kim, Soph., Salem; 2. Said Youssif, Soph., Plymouth; 3. Jacob Meadows, Soph., Livonia Churchill.

112: 1. Waleed Faraj, Jr., Canton; 2. Steve Tuyo, Soph., Franklin; 3. Ian Phillips, Sr., Salem.

119: 1. Carl Lucke, Sr., Canton; 2. Josh Austin, Jr., John Glenn; 3. Brad LaRose, Sr., Lutheran Westland.

125: 1. Anthony Pavlich, Jr., John Glenn; 2. Mark Thompson, Jr., John Glenn; 3. Laith Francis, Jr., Lutheran Westland.

130: 1. Jeremy Filippelli, Sr., Canton; 2. Justin Robinson, Jr., John Glenn; 3. Jonny Bannoura, Soph., Churchill.

135: 1. (tie) Jared Stephens, Sr., John Glenn; Donnie Watkins, Jr., Canton; 2. Mitch Gonzales, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; 3. (tie) Tevin Hines, Sr., Wayne Memorial; Bryan Fortney, Sr., Churchill.

140: 1. Jimmy Mann, Sr., John Glenn; 2. Dwan Burris, Sr., Redford Union; 3. Raz Markosian, Sr., Stevenson.

145: 1. Brent Winekoff, Jr., Canton; 2. Elvin Ferreira, Sr., Franklin; 3. Tyler Twigg, Sr., Garden City.

152: 1. Zaid Ammari, Sr., John Glenn; 2. Brandon Billiau, Sr., Franklin; 3. Anthony Abro, Soph., Canton.

160: 1. Stephen Kemp, Sr., Lutheran Westland; 2. Don Stratz, Sr., Franklin; 3. Zach Redden, Jr., John Glenn.

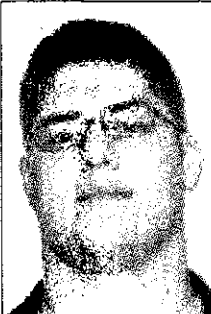
171: 1. Keith Zech, Jr., Canton; 2. Curtis Castleberry, Jr., Churchill; 3. Garrett Hay, Sr., Franklin.

189: 1. Austin Root, Jr., Salem; 2. Andrew Schramm, Jr., Stevenson; 3. Zach Leuenberger, Soph., Franklin.

215: 1. Cody Hay, Sr., Franklin; 2. Sam Lepper, Sr., Salem; 3. Craig Kowalsky, Jr., Lutheran Westland.

COACH OF THE YEAR
Bill Polk, John Glenn

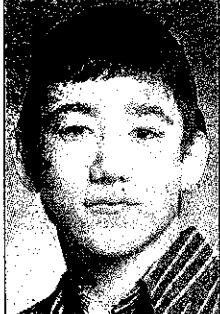
HONORABLE MENTION
John Glenn: Doug Wiley, Mikkel Tipton, Mike Johnson, Jeff Adkins, Kameron Jones, Gerald Powell; Canton: Mitch Wolski, Tyler Bourcier; Salem: John Bills, Colin Gross, Dylan Hatcher, Johannes Olind, Robert Schultz, Joe Williams, Chris Sweet, Adam Turner, James Middleditch; Franklin: Erik Czech, Matt Roos, Justin Jacobsen; Stevenson: Josh Seibert, Matt Greenman; Churchill: Matt Hecksel, Kane Kanouse, Jon Scheckel, Brett Appel, Grant Morgan; Garden City: Jake Johnson, Devin Ashley, Shane Miller; Wayne: Josh Mills, Mike Wallace, Darryl Ison, Tristen, Jarosiewicz; Livonia Clarenceville: Jake Ruth, Derek Robbins, Joe Haapala, Andrew Jasmer, Patrick Walker; Plymouth: Vince Rizzo.



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A strong quartet of captains leads Canton boys LAX team

The 2009 season promises to be a rebuilding and reloading campaign for Canton's boys lacrosse team, according to head coach Kevin Riley.

The Chiefs lost two All-State players and two All-Conference performers to graduation.

"We will be a young team with mostly juniors and sophomores," said Riley, who added the team's roster will run just 18 or 20 players deep.

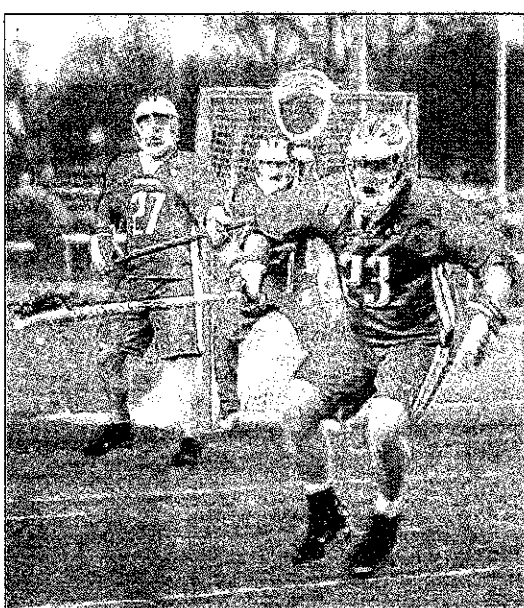
PREP LACROSSE PREVIEW

"This season will be a learning experience for the young players because many are just learning the game with minimal experience."

The Chiefs will be led by senior captains Mark Barath, Jordan Emery, Kyle Dunleavy and Alex Loisel.

Additional players who will be counted on to make key contributions include junior attackman Jake Underwood; sophomore attackman Matt Rodgers; sophomore mid-fielder/face-off specialist Jordan Smith; junior defensemen Dakota Dark Bird and Ryan Dunleavy; and junior goalie Sean Walsh.

"Sean has been working hard to improve his technique and he should be a valuable asset as the season continues," said Riley.



MAGGIE WALSH

Pictured are three key members of the 2009 Canton lacrosse team: (left to right) Ryan Dunleavy, Sean Walsh and Kyle Dunleavy.

Ignition clinches inaugural XSL title

A one-point loss by the Milwaukee Wave Sunday afternoon clinched the first Xtreme Soccer League championship for the Detroit Ignition.

The Ignition finished its first two seasons with the league's regular-season title, but this is the first time the team has clinched the overall league

championship.

"I'm so happy, this was three years in the making for our guys," Ignition Head Coach Matt Johnson said. "This was a team that got along really well and worked hard for each other. It's a perfect example of how the team is more important than its individual play-

ers."

Immediately following the Ignition's final home game on Friday, an on-field presentation will be made to celebrate the team's first championship.

Friday's game is set to kick off at 7:35 p.m. at Computware Arena against the Chicago Storm (7-11).

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL
Thursday, April 2
Trillium Academy at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Novi at Plymouth (DH), 4 p.m.
Friday, April 3
Salem at Franklin (DH), 4 p.m.
Northville at Canton (DH), 4 p.m.
PCA at University of Liggett (DH), 1 p.m.
PREP SOFTBALL
Thursday, April 2
University Liggett at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Novi at Plymouth (DH), 4 p.m.
Friday, April 3
Northville at Canton (DH), 4 p.m.
Salem at Franklin (DH), 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 4
Trillium Academy at PCA (DH), 10 a.m.
BOYS & GIRLS TRACK
Thursday, April 2
Novi at Salem, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 4
Salem boys at EMU Indoor Meet, 10 a.m.
GIRLS SOCCER
Thursday, April 2
PCA at Calvary Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Canton at Novi, 7 p.m.
Friday, April 3
Lutheran Westland at PCA, 3:55 p.m.
Plymouth at Northville, 7 p.m.
Salem at W.L. Northern, 7 p.m.
GIRLS TENNIS
Friday, April 3
Livonia Franklin at Canton, 4 p.m.
Plymouth at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Salem at Northville, 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 4
Canton and Salem at Monroe Olson Classic, 8 a.m.
BOYS LACROSSE
Friday, April 3
South Lyon at Canton, 7 p.m.

Northville at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
Salem at Northville, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 4
Plymouth at Yost/Lincoln, 2 p.m.
COLLEGE BASEBALL
(all double-headers unless noted)
Thursday, April 2
Rochester College at Madonna (I), TBA.
Saturday, April 4
Indiana Tech at Madonna, 1 p.m.
Sunday, April 5
Madonna at Indiana Tech, 1 p.m.
COLLEGE SOFTBALL
(all double-headers)
Friday, April 3
Concordia at Indiana Tech, 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 4
Madonna at Davenport, 1 p.m.
Sunday, April 5
Indiana Tech at Madonna, 1 p.m.

GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

400 dash: 1. Beth Swanberg (C), 1:04.2; Cathy Huang (C), 1:06.4; 3. Lindsay Schmidt (C), 1:06.6.
300 hurdles: 1. Mandy McManus (P), 53.5; 2. Jenna Hamed (P), 54.8; 3. Yuki Krolicki (C), 56.0.
800 run: 1. Kelly Hahn (P), 2:34; 2. Julie Forster (P), 2:38; 3. Bianca Kubicki (C), 2:41.
200 dash: 1. Ashley Banks (C), 28.9; 2. Robyn Piwowar (C), 29.0; 3. Bree Edge (C), 29.0.
3,200 run: 1. Molly Slavens (P), 12:15.59; 2. Paula Green (P), 13:18; 3. Yuki Krolicki (C), 13:59.
1,600 relay: 1. Canton (Lindsay Schmidt, Martin, Cathy Huang, Beth Swanberg), 4:30.12; 2. Plymouth, 4:38.5.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 92nd MARCH 31 AT SALEM

Shot put: 1. Allison Gudeman (LS), 29 feet, 1.25 inches; 2. Shireen Saah (LS), 25-3.5; 3. Becky Holubka (LS), 25-1.25.
Discus: 1. Holubka (LS), 84-10; 2. Julie Saweck (LS), 78-5; 3. Saah (LS), 78-1.
High jump: 1. Kretschmer (Salem), 4-8; 2. Marci Kovsky (LS), 4-6; 3. (tie) Claire LeBlanc (LS) and Belkov (Salem), 4-4 each.
Long jump: 1. Melanie Bauer (LS), 15-3; 2. Kovsky (LS), 15-1; 3. Davis (Salem), 13-3.25.
Pole vault: 1. Michelle Blackstone (LS), 9-0; 2. Lisa Black (LS), 7-6; 3. (tie) Emily Wolfe (LS) and Parvta (Salem), 7-6 each.

100-meter hurdles: 1. Becky Adamcheck (LS), 17.7; 2. Parvta (Salem), 19.1; 3. Nikki Yon (LS), 20.1.
300 hurdles: 1. Adamcheck (LS), 48.2; 2. Kovsky (LS), 54.0; 3. Parvta (Salem), 54.8.
100 dash: 1. Deja Wright (Salem), 12.5; 2. Frye (Salem), 13.6; 3. Stephanie Matter (LS), 14.2.
200: 1. Wright (Salem), 26.7; 2. Stephanie Batshon (LS), 28.4; 3. Belkov (Salem), 29.4.
400: 1. Linda Ling (Salem), 1:05.0; 2. Gudeman (LS), 1:06.4; 3. Katie Glynn (LS), 1:07.6.
800: 1. Courtney Calka (LS), 2:26.7; 2. Christina Joss (LS), 2:38.3; 3. Kelley Determan (Salem), 2:41.3.
1,600: 1. Calka (LS), 5:22.7; 2. Sarah Opdyke (LS), 5:56.3; 3. Moore (Salem), 6:03.3.
3,200: 1. Victoria Tripp (Salem), 13:13.8; 2. Kara Blooms (Salem), 13:22.3; 3. Victoria Saferian (LS), 13:25.7.
400 relay: 1. Stevenson (Megan DeMarco, Alyssa Adams, Erin Erickson, Matter), 36.6; 2. Salem, 58.7; **800 relay:** 1. Stevenson (Erickson, LeBlanc, Kovsky, Batshon), 1:58.0; 2. Salem, disqualified; **1,600 relay:** 1. Stevenson (Batshon, LeBlanc, Glynn, Calka), 4:24.5; 2. Salem, 4:35.4; **3,200 relay:** 1. Salem, 11:16.8; 2. Stevenson, 11:17.2.
Dual meet records: Stevenson, 1-0 overall; 1-0 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLAA Central.

BOYS TRACK RESULTS

400 dash: 1. Kevin Buford (C), 55.0; 2. Jordan Wisniewski (C), 55.1; 3. William Askew (P), 55.4.
300 low hurdles: 1. Sherif Hassanien (C), 40.7; 2. Hyatt Ali (C), 44.8; 3. Doug Deykes (P), 44.6.
800 run: 1. Elmar Engholm (P), 2:02; 2. Warren Buzzard (P), 2:04.5; 3. Keith Zech (C), 2:08.4.
200 dash: 1. Malek Rich (P), 23.6; 2. Victor Hicks (P), 24.0; 3. Ryan Randall (C), 24.5.
3,200 run: 1. Elmar Engholm (P), 10:25.6; 2. Zack Spreitzer (C), 10:31; 3. Derek Lax (P), 11:06.
1,600 relay: 1. Canton (Kevin Buford, Keith Zech, Ryan Randall, Sherif Hassanien), 3:39.0; 2. Plymouth, 3:41.5.

SALEM 80 LIVONIA STEVENSON 57 MARCH 31 AT STEVENSON

Shot put: 1. Dana Baltazar (Salem), 48 feet, 5.5 inches; 2. Ed Mehri (Salem), 46-1; 3. Andrew Nelson (LS), 41-9.
Discus: 1. Baltazar (Salem), 137-0; 2. Courtney Frazier (Salem), 124-5; 3. Mehri (Salem), 109-9.
High jump: 1. Zach Gaskell (Salem), 5-11; 2. Wyatt Stahl (LS), 5-9; 3. Austin White (LS), 5-7.
Long jump: 1. Nate Sergison (LS), 20-1.25; 2. Dominique Williams (Salem), 19-10.75; 3. Austin Root (Salem), 19-6.
Pole vault: 1. Jon Gudeman (LS), 11-11; 2. John Krutty (Salem), 11-8; 3. Henry Weyand (LS), 10-11.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Scott O'Connor (Salem), 16.35; 2. Will Burek (LS), 16.51; 3. Charles Williams (Salem), 17.34.
300 hurdles: 1. O'Connor (Salem), 40.29; 2. Burek (LS), 42.51; 3. C. Williams (Salem), 44.25.
100 dash: 1. Nick Anagnostou (LS), 11.2; 2. White (LS), 11.54; 3. D. Williams (Salem), 11.67.
200: 1. Anagnostou (LS), 22.83; 2. D. Williams (LS), 23.13; 3. Pat Patin (Salem), 23.62.
400: 1. Gaskell (Salem), 52.62; 2. Stephen Pollard (LS), 54.45; 3. Matt Williams (LS), 55.05.
800: 1. Alex Lang (Salem), 2:07.14; 2. Dan Martin (Salem), 2:08.73; 3. Zach Basanese (Salem), 2:10.0.
1,600: 1. Shawn Howse (LS), 4:46.29; 2. Lang (Salem), 4:48.14; 3. Martin (Salem), 4:50.73.
3,200: 1. Matt Devey (Salem), 10:08.01; 2. Howse (LS), 10:08.41; 3. Mike Charara (Salem), 10:13.89.
400 relay: 1. Stevenson (White, Jacob Gudeman, David Simor, Anagnostou), 44.68; 2. Salem, 45.37; **800 relay:** 1. Stevenson (White, Jacob Gudeman, Sergison, Anagnostou), 1:32.67; 2. Salem, 1:36.67; **1,600 relay:** 1. Salem, 3:37.65; 2. Stevenson, 3:41.25; **3,200 relay:** 1. Salem (Basanese, Dan Addit, Devey, Charara), 8:42.02; 2. Stevenson, 8:43.38.
Dual meet records: Salem, 1-0 overall, 1-0 KLAA Central; Stevenson, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLAA Central.

Chiefs tie for 15th at the EMU Relays

Canton's boys track-and-field team tied for 15th at Saturday's EMU Indoor Relays, which were held in Bowen Fieldhouse on the Eastern Michigan University campus.

Ann Arbor Pioneer won the event with 75 points, 9.5 more than runner-up Toledo Rogers. Salem was the top local finisher, placing 11th with 55.5 points.

The Chiefs tallied 10.5 points thanks in large part to sixth-place finishes by high-

jumper Ben Spreitzer, who cleared six-feet even; and pole-vaulter Eddie Koelzer, who set a personal-best height of 11-6.

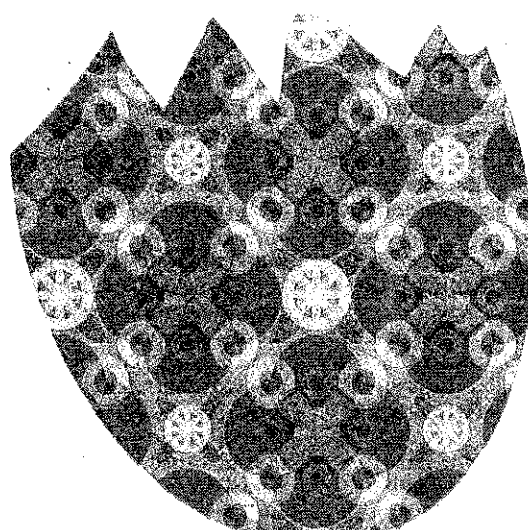
Two Canton relay teams placed eighth: the 3,200-meter contingent of Keith Zech, Josh Hurst, Zack Spreitzer and Duncan Spitz (8:28.0) and the sprint medley four-some of Zech, Ryan Randall, Jordan Wisniewski and Hurst, who were clocked in 3:50.7.

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BUSINESS MILESTONES

Dollar Gallery grand opening

Dollar Gallery, a new retail store located at 7399 Lilley Road in Canton, will host a grand opening from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday, April 4. During the event, there will be a sidewalk sale, as well as a some face painting and tattooing, and free balloons for the kids. From noon to 3 p.m., a hotdog stand will be available.

Oakwood to lease space

LaKritz-Weber & Company, the retail real estate firm, announced Oakwood Physical Therapy will enter into a 4,430 square foot lease in Canton Center Plaza at 4121 S. Canton Center Road in Canton. Adam Goodman and Gabe Schuchman of LaKritz-Weber & Company represented the landlord, Canton Gateway, LLC in this transaction. Lynda Pietryga of The Farbm Group represented Oakwood. LaKritz-Weber & Company specializes in the retail tenant representation for large box users, specialty tenants and restaurant users. Their specialty also includes the leasing of shopping centers and free-standing retail properties as well as the sales of shopping centers, retail use buildings, sale leasebacks and land sites.

Business women meeting

The Canton Business & Professional Women will meet from 6-8:30 p.m., Monday, April 13 at Palermo's Restaurant, 44938 Ford Road, Canton (located in the strip mall behind Murray's Auto Supply on the north side of Ford Road, east of Canton Center Road).

The guest speakers will be the Petticoat Ladies as the "Mothers of Invention." This will be a very educational and entertaining night so ask a friend or colleague to come along with you. No complimentary dinners for this meeting. Please RSVP by Friday, April 10, by contacting June Nicholas at (313) 610 2561 or junenicholas@comcast.net.

Free financial workshop

Community Financial is offering a free workshop, Steps to Financial Freedom, from 6:30-8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22. Community Financial located at 500 S. Harvey in Plymouth. The workshop will concentrate on achieving lifelong financial success and long-term control of your finances. You'll learn how to create your own step-by-step plan that will include setting goals, communicating with family members, creating a budget, building savings and more. Light refreshments will be provided. To RSVP, call (734) 582-8702. Headquartered in Plymouth, membership in Community Financial is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, volunteers or attends school in the Michigan cities, townships or counties of Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi, Alpena, Otsego and Montmorency. With more than 41,000 members, Community Financial provides financial services to members at eight branch locations and through a variety of automated and online services. For more information, visit www.cfcu.org or call (734) 453-1200 or (877) 937-2328, toll free.



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IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A

Local clinic provides state of the art cosmetic services

Observer: Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature.

Christa Bekker: Clearly You provides state of the art cosmetic services for the local community. Why drive to Birmingham or Rochester to get excellent non-surgical cosmetic treatments such as Botox®, Juvederm® and microdermabrasion when you can get it done right here in Canton? We also carry brand name skin care products such as Kinerase®, Skinmedica®, SkinCeuticals® and popular skin care devices such as Clarisonic® and Zeno®. Clearly You focuses on corrective treatments for acne, rosacea, sun damage and aging in a safe and friendly environment.

Observer: What makes your business unique?

Christa Bekker: We are a husband and wife team plus Liz, our licensed aesthetician, and friendly staff. We have a fun boutique with unique retail items and offer interactive events such as the Caribbean Beach Party and Ladies Night Out. We were the first in the area to offer Latisse®, the FDA approved treatment to grow longer, fuller lashes.

Observer: How did you first decide to open your own business?

Christa Bekker: We decided to open our own business almost seven years ago because patients kept asking Dr. Bekker who in the area he could refer them to for cosmetic improvements. We decided to keep the patients in house and increase our services to accommodate their request.

Observer: How did you decide to locate in the Canton community?



Christa Bekker and Liz Gatt of Clearly You.

CLEARLY YOU

Address: 44633 Joy Road, Suite 100, Canton (just west of Sheldon)
Your name: Dr. Jerome Bekker and Christa Bekker, owners
Your hometown: Canton (16 years)
Business opened when?: June 2002 – business opened in Plymouth and outgrew its location. We moved to Canton in September, 2008
Number of employees: 5
Your business specialty: Medically-supervised skin care
Business hours: Opened Monday-Friday, and 1-2 Saturdays per month
Business phone/Web site/e-mail: (734) 453-7475, www.clearlyyouonline.com, ClearlyU@aol.com

Christa Bekker: Clearly You started out with one small treatment room and a corner niche for skin care products. Clearly You quickly outgrew its space and we began looking for a place of our own three years ago. We finally found a brand new building in north Canton that was convenient for our Plymouth and Canton clients.

Observer: Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with our readers about your experience so far as a small business owner?

Christa Bekker: Being a

small business owner is a challenge but the rewards have been great. Our business is very family oriented, most of our patients and clients have seen our kids in the office helping out and being a part of the move to Canton. We hope to become more involved with the high school complex, as we are less than a mile down the street. We have enjoyed working with various business in the local community and make a point of utilizing as many local services and products as possible.



Huntington ribbon cutting

The new Huntington Bank, located at 44530 Ford Road in Canton, held its ribbon cutting ceremony on Monday, March 23. In addition to Huntington employees, the ceremony was attended by Canton Township officials, Canton Chamber of Commerce members and a number of local residents. It is the bank's second Canton branch and 47th in Southeast Michigan. The new office, managed by Janet Volante, will be open Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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CHAMBER CHAT

Computer course

The Canton Chamber of Commerce is offering an "Intro to MS Excel-Part 1" course presented by Canton Computers from 6-9 p.m., Wednesday, April 29 at the Chamber office located at 45525 Hanford Road in Canton. This is one of many computer training courses that have been scheduled throughout 2009. These classes are open to Chamber members and to the public.

"The Chamber is proud to offer educational programs to our Chamber Members, business owners, employees, and residents of Canton," said Dianne Cojei, Chamber president. "We have seen quite a good turn out at these training sessions. The classes we offer are high-quality courses that we feel will help to enrich the Canton business community."

Cost for the seminar is \$25 for Chamber Members and \$40 for non-members. Class size is limited; registration will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. To register, contact

the Chamber at (734) 453-4040.

All 2009 seminars and computer training courses are being sponsored by Showroom of Elegance and Waltonwoods of Canton.

Staff appreciation luncheon

The Canton Chamber of Commerce is hosting its annual Staff Appreciation Luncheon on Wednesday, April 22, at 11:45 a.m. at Carrabba's Italian Grill, 1900 N. Haggerty Road in Canton. The cost for this event is \$20 per person and includes lunch, beverages, dessert and door prizes.

"Every year our Staff Appreciation Luncheon serves as a wonderful opportunity for our members to say thank you to their staff," said Dianne Cojei, president of the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

The luncheon is being sponsored by National City. Seating is limited and reservations are needed. To make your reservation, contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040. Deadline for reservations is Friday, April 17.

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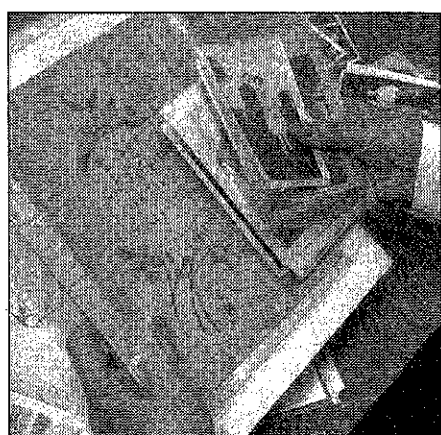
Joanie Schott sorts through photographs of her ancestors. The Livonia woman takes pride in the family whose association with Temple Beth El goes back to her mother's confirmation in 1914. At the time the synagogue was located in Detroit.

Today Schott sits in the second floor climate-controlled archive on the campus of the Bloomfield Hills location where she volunteers every Monday. The historical records tell a story not only of the temple but the Jewish community since 1850 when the congregation was founded by 12 German immigrant families who gathered in the home of Isaac and Sarah Cozens.

It's the job of Jan Durecki as director to make sure the collection is preserved, so once a week volunteers Schott and Marlene Lipman of Southfield spend hours cataloging materials. The rest of the time Durecki is on her own in the archives named after Rabbi Leo M. Franklin who led the temple from 1899 to 1941 and was one of the leaders of the Reform Movement.

"The reason for the archives is to maintain and make accessible for the community administrative documents for auxiliaries like the sisterhood," said Durecki. "Of special interest is families. We have over 800 family files from a complete history to a few documents. It's good to have one safe place instead of being dispersed to cousins."

"I can always visit my aunt and uncle here," added Schott.



Joanie Schott of Livonia looks through her family's historical records now housed at Temple Beth El in Bloomfield Hills. There are thousands of documents at the Rabbi Leo M. Franklin Archives there.

"I can visit this whenever I want. Someday my great grandchildren can come and look in the boxes and have access to all this information. My grandmother's wedding invitation, Emma Epstein, from 1891, pictures of me and my twin brother, my mother and father in the 1920s, poetry my grandmother wrote."

Schott could go on and on about Rabbi Franklin marrying her parents, William and Marguerite Stark, her wedding ceremony to Arthur Schott in front of The Ark in 1956. Durecki is presently researching the craftsman who carved the receptacle which holds the temple's Torah Scrolls. The Ark originally was housed in the 1903 temple at Woodward and Elliot (now the Bonstelle Theater).

Records relating to construction of the present-day temple show Minoru Yamasaki, best known as

architect of the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York, as designer of the building opened in 1973 at the corner of 14 Mile and Telegraph in Bloomfield Hills.

At one point Albert Kahn was a member of the congregation and designed the temples at Woodward and Gladstone in 1922 and Woodward and Elliott. The archive treasures the contributions of members in the area. The war collection features paintings of World War II soldiers, like Roy Green, who died

in service to their country. Last year the temple became archivist for the Jewish War Veterans of Michigan.

"It's an important part of our service to the community," said Durecki. "We have history about Temple Beth El but also the community. We welcome family histories from all congregations. I like to think there's a story to be told."

Schott found eulogies for her mother and father who died in 1954 and 1977 which gave her further insight to her parents. Marlene Lipman is currently making a spreadsheet of more than 2,000 eulogies delivered by Rabbi Richard Hertz from 1953 until 1996. He wrote notes about the deceased on envelopes which sat in filing cabinets for years until Robbie Termin, an intern from Wayne State University, began organizing the material.

"This is history," said Lipman, whose family back-



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Joanie Schott of Livonia, Jan Durecki, and Almont and Marlene Lipman of Southfield (front to back) go through photos and past eulogies at Temple Beth El in Bloomfield Hills. Durecki is director of the Rabbi Leo M. Franklin Archives, and Schott and Lipman are volunteers.



Jan Durecki, director of the Rabbi Leo M. Franklin Archives at Temple Beth El, holds up a painted portrait of Roy Green, one of the synagogue members who died in World War II.

ground is traced back to Europe. Her father was the first to come to this country. "There's a sermon given after President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated. It's been interesting to look back at the death of Abraham Lincoln."

Letters written during the Great Depression from temple members to Rabbi Franklin tug at the heart as they ask for financial assistance. Even though she is not Jewish, Durecki has been moved by the stories.

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JAN DURECKI

"Even if you don't like history as a youngster, as a parent family ties pull at you. Where do you go to retrieve history? A time will come when they want to know more," she said. "You have to put things together for yourself, have to be a history detective, be willing to go down some dead ends and find different ways to approach."

"The archives are like the local Smithsonian," added Lipman.

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RELIGION CALENDAR

To submit an item for the religion calendar, e-mail lchomin@hometownlife.com or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspapers, 615 W. Lafayette-2nd Level, Detroit, MI 48226, Attn: Linda Chomin. Deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday. For a complete listing of events online please go to hometownlife.com.

Open house

Ice Cream Social 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, April 2, at St. Michael Christian School, 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton. St. Michael offers 3-year-old preschool-fifth grade including a Young Five Program and All Day Kindergarten. For information, call (734) 459-9720 or visit www.stmichael-church.org.

All-you-can-eat

St. Michael the Archangel Parish's "All You Can Eat" Lenten Fish Dinners continue 4:30-7 p.m. April 3 in the cafeteria of St. Michael School, 11441 Hubbard, Livonia. Dinners feature hand-dipped fresh Alaskan cod, fried or baked, along with an assortment of side dishes and beverages. Cost, \$8 adults, \$7 seniors, \$4 children ages 3-11, free ages 3 and under. Carryout orders, \$7. Call (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200.

Fish fry

Last fish fry 4-7 p.m. Friday, April 3, First United Methodist Church of Wayne-Westland, 3 Town Square. Choose fried or baked fish with baked potato or french fries, cole slaw, roll, and coffee, tea, or punch, \$8. Kids meals include chicken nuggets, corn dogs and fries, \$4. Call (734) 721-4802 or (734) 891-2523.

Lenten schedule

St. Michael the Archangel Parish of Livonia invites the community to any and all of its Lenten activities including Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 7 p.m. followed by Benediction. Holy Thursday April 9 features the Mass of the Last Supper at 7 p.m. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 11:30 p.m. Good Friday devotions will begin with Stations of the Cross at 12:15 p.m. followed by Liturgy of the Passion at 1:30 p.m. An Easter Egg Hunt begins 9 a.m. Holy Saturday followed by Blessing of Food at noon and Easter Vigil Mass at 8 p.m. Easter Sunday Masses at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., and noon April 12. For information, call (734) 261-1455 or visit www.livonia.stmichael.org.

Kids Easter fun day

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Livonia hosts Kids Easter Fun Day 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, April 4, at the church, located on Five Mile, one block west of Inkster Road. Includes games, crafts, an Easter egg hunt, prizes and more for children ages 4-12. All are

welcome to this free event. Call (734) 422-1470.

Mom to mom sale

Connection Church in Canton is having their Spring Mom to Mom Sale 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, April 4, 3855 Sheldon, Canton, north of Michigan Ave. Table rentals are at capacity with over 75 moms selling kids' clothes, toys, baby equipment, etc. \$1 admission.

Prom dress sale

2-4 p.m. Saturday, April 4, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia. There are more than 80 dresses to sell.

Bethany west singles

■ Saturday, April 4, Monthly Dance at St. Robert Bellarmine, 27101 W. Chicago and Inkster roads, Redford. Two Step dance lesson, \$10, refreshments included. 8 p.m. to midnight; doors at 7:30 p.m. Call (734) 261-5716.

■ Saturday, April 18, Monthly Breakfast Meeting 9:30 a.m. at Leon's, 30149 Ford Road, Garden City. All separated, divorced and singles welcome. Call (734) 513-9479.

Bethany is a Catholic organization under the auspices of the Archdiocese of the Detroit Office for Family Ministry. Bethany provides spiritual, social and educational assistance through peer-to-peer ministry to the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths.

Holy Week music

Kirk in the Hills will present a recital of organ and vocal music by organist Glenn Miller and renowned Kirk Chancel Choir soloists Nicole Greenidge, Lenora Green, Peiyi Wang, Charles Freeman and Tobey Miller, featuring classics, spirituals and contemporary selections, 4 p.m. Palm Sunday, April 5; and a program of choral music for Good Friday by the Kirk Chancel Choir, including music ranging from plainsong, Renaissance composers, spirituals and contemporary works, 7:30 p.m. April 10, 1340 West Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. Free. Call (248) 626-2515 ext. 109, or visit www.kirkinthehills.org.

Lenten vespers services

The Council of Orthodox Christian Churches of Metropolitan Detroit continues 2009 Lenten Vespers services 6 p.m. April 5, Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt, at St. Thomas Orthodox Church, Farmington Hills. The general public, as well as Orthodox Christians, are invited to attend. All proceeds will fund COCC charities and projects. Call (734) 422-0278 or e-mail paschabooks@sbcglobal.net.

Passion play

Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Church Chancel Choir and Friends present "The Passion According to Saint Mark" by Jan Bender 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Palm Sunday, April 5, at the church, 33360 West 13 Mile and Farmington

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SANDRA LYNN BESSERT

Age 63. Passed away on March 27, 2009. She was raised in Plymouth and moved to Harland after her marriage. Her life was spent living and caring for others. Beloved wife of Harold. Mother of Kimberly (John) Maniaci. Grandmother of Luke. Daughter of Frances and the late John Adams Sr. Sister of John Jr. and Jeffrey Adams and Pamela (James) Mason. Services were held on Wednesday at the Schader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth. Contributions suggested to Angela Hospice or the Kellogg Eye Center. Share your special thoughts and memories at www.schrader-howell.com.



VICTORIA LOUISE GEORGE

Age 58, of Bloomfield Hills, died March 30, 2009 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. She was born January 17, 1951 in Detroit. She graduated from Berkley High School, and received an Associate's Degree in Applied Science from Oakland Community College. She had been employed with Interim Occupational Health Care in Bloomfield Hills as an Account Executive since 1996. Victoria was a very kind lady who enjoyed making other people happy. She was very positive, persevering through any difficulties that came along. She enjoyed reading, gardening, traveling, crossword puzzles, sports cars, and watching the Woodward Dream Cruise. Her most favorite pastime was spoiling her grandchildren. She is survived by her children, Melissa Baltz (Douglas) and Mathew George (Melanie); her mother, Roszella Hallmark (the late Owen); and her grandchildren, Gibson, Nolan, and Macabe. Memorial Service Saturday, April 4, at 11 a.m. at A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road (between Maple and Big Beaver). Family will receive friends Friday, April 3, from 2-8 p.m. Memorial Tributes to Quest For Breath or Arbor Hospice Foundation. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

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SHIRLEY JORDAN

Age 61. March 27, 2009. Beloved wife of Lee. Loving mother of Raymond (Toni) Jordan, Eva Jordan and step-mother of Lee (Andrea) McCarthy. Proud grandmother of Jessie, Caitlyn Jo and step-grandmother of Lee Jr. and Katie. Dear sister of Joseph Stasack and Susan Stasack. Dearest aunt of Aisha. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Shirley worked at the Half Off Card Shop in Waterford and Madison Heights. Visitation Thursday, April 2, 2009, 2-4pm & 5:30-8pm at 31950 W. 12 Mile Rd. Farmington Hills. Funeral Service Friday, April 3, 2009, 11:00am at McCabe Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. www.mccabefuneralhome.com

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EVELYN BOYD

Age 87. March 26, 2009. Beloved wife of the late Belvel. Loving mother of Deborah (Brian) Mitchell, Christine (Dennis) Behring, Jeannette (Rodney Owen) Hayward and Jonathan (Michael Hickey) Boyd. Cherished grandmother of Brian and David Mitchell, Eric (Martha) Behring, Rachel Kotlyo, Daniel and Nicholas Behring, and Walter (Sherri) Hayward. Great-grandmother of Marshall, Erica and Kyle. Born in Ilion, N.Y. Attended Plattsburgh State Teachers College, and Eastern MI University. Member of D.A.U., A.A.U.W., and M.E.A. Member of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church for over 50 years. Memorial contributions to MI Humane Society or Herkimer Home, Little Falls, NY.

Paying Tribute to the Life of Your Loved One

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Road, Farmington Hills. The choir and string ensemble will be conducted by Cantor Amy Studt. The work describes the history of the passion of the Lord as written by the evangelist St. Mark. Using the Biblical text of the passion, traditionally read on Palm Sunday, it is sure to be a powerful and meaningful history through the chorales and soloists. Contact Amy Studt at astudt@sbccglobal.net or (248) 626-7906.

Holy week services

April 5, Palm Sunday, Traditional Worship Services 8 a.m. Hess Chapel; 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sanctuary; Contemporary Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Knox Hall; Easter Concert in the Sanctuary at 5 p.m. (childcare through age 4). April 9, Maundy Thursday Service of Shadows and Holy Communion 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary (childcare thru Age 4). April 10, Good Friday noon to 3 p.m. (Sanctuary). April 12, Easter Sunday Traditional Worship Services at 8 a.m. Hess Chapel, 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sanctuary, Contemporary Worship Services 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Knox Hall. All services at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. For information, call (248) 374-7400.

Dining in the kingdom of God

Luke's Gospel revealed in 10 meals that describe different dimensions of the Eucharist, presented by St. Aidan's Faith Formation Director, David Conrad, M.A. Theology, 7-9 p.m. April 8. Free. Call (734) 425-5950.

Midweek Lenten services

Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford, will have mid-week Lenten services at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday evenings. Call (313) 532-8655 or (734) 968-3523.

Lenten services

Passover Seder Dinner at 6 p.m. for \$8 followed by the Maundy Thursday service at 7 p.m. April 9, at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford, Call (313) 534-7730. Easter Sunday Worship Service 10 a.m. April 12.

Lenten services

Evening Prayer 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414.

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday Service, 7 p.m. April 9; Good Friday Service Stations of the Cross, 7 p.m.; and Easter Sunday Events 9 a.m. breakfast, 10:30 a.m., baptisms, 10:45 a.m. worship with music from "The Mass of the Celtic Saints," Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 425-2800.

Holy Week

Maundy (Holy) Thursday, 7:30 p.m. April 9, celebration of Holy Communion concludes with "Stripping of the Altar" as a reminder of Lord being stripped of His power and glory in preparation for crucifixion. Festival Choir and Jubellation Handbell Choir enhance this worship service. 12:30 p.m. Good Friday, April 10, meditative worship service centered on "The Passion of our Lord" and 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae service of darkness with music by Christ Our Savior Festival Choir. 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Easter Sunday, April 12, festival worship services include the singing of favorite Easter hymns accompanied by brass and timpani and the celebration of Holy Communion. Children (up to 8) celebrate Easter at a fair 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11 featuring crafts, Easter video, egg hunt, cookie decorating, and more. Call (734)

522-6830. Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia. www.christsavior.org.

Men's Good Friday breakfast

Former Detroit Lion Quarterback Eric Hipple will be the guest speaker at the 34th Annual St. Michael Men's Good Friday Breakfast 8 a.m. Friday, April 10, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 N. Sheldon Road, Canton. Tickets are \$5 adults, \$2 for boys 10 and under. Call (734) 459-3333 for tickets.

Easter weekend services

1:15 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10; 3:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, and 9:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Sunday, April 12, at NorthRidge Church, 49555 N. Territorial at Ridge, Plymouth. Call (734) 414-7777 or visit northridge-church.com. A weekend series about relationships runs April 18 to May 17.

Fish fry Fridays

4-7 p.m. (or until dinners run out) Friday, April 10, at St. Robert Bellarmine on the corner of West Chicago and Inkster roads, Redford. All you can eat fish dinner is \$8, \$7 seniors, \$4 kids under age 12, \$8 baked cod dinner, \$6 fish sandwich, \$2 cheese pizza. Dinners include choice of fries or mac & cheese, coleslaw, roll and butter, coffee, tea or milk. Carry out dinners do not include beverage.

Easter eggstravaganza

10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 11, at First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile, east of Haggerty. Call (248) 348-7600. Over 6,500 eggs to hunt, plus "Eggciting" show by Two Can and Araya Sonshine; photos with the Easter bunny; games and prizes; hot dogs, chips, cookies and drinks. Rain or shine. Don't forget your Easter basket.

Easter sunrise gathering

8 a.m. Sunday, April 12, in Kellogg Park on Main Street, downtown Plymouth. Revival Outreach Center pastors Shawn and Sonny Hennessy are Plymouth residents and want to offer this gift. Live Band, short message, children's activities, free muffins and coffee provided by Plymouth's Caribou Coffee at Five Mile and Sheldon. Call (248) 719-2380.

Easter festival

Harvest Ministries, 23233 Drake Road, north of Freedom Road will host an Easter Festival Sunday, April 12. Festival includes an egg hunt for ages 3-12 at 9:30 a.m. with prizes. Guests from Servanthands will also be present with inflatables and other exciting items. Food, fellowship and fun for the whole family. All are welcome. Call (248) 478-1511.

All-you-can-eat pancakes

The Ushers' Club of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Livonia continues its 30-year tradition of all-you-can-eat pancake breakfasts 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. the third Sunday of each month in the school cafeteria at 11441 Hubbard. Expanded menu features pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, hash browns and assorted beverages served buffet-style, \$5, adults; \$3, children 4-11; free, under 3; \$15, family (two adults and all children). Everyone welcome.

Registration opens

St. Mary School, 34516 Michigan Ave., Wayne, recognized as a School of Distinction, is now accepting registrations for the 2009-10 school year for grades Kindergarten through 8. Call (734) 721-1240.

New worship schedule

Sunday worship at 8 a.m., Faith Forum at 9 a.m., worship and Sunday school 10 a.m. Wednesday worship at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650

Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414.

Historic Polish church tour

West Side Detroit Polish American Historical Society, a nonprofit organization with headquarters in historic St. Hedwig Catholic Church in Detroit, will hold its second annual west side Detroit historic Polish church pilgrimage and wi conka (traditional Polish Easter meal) Saturday, April 18. The pilgrimage starts at 10 a.m. at St. Hedwig, 3245 Junction, and includes St. Francis d'Assissi (4500 Wesson), and St. Stephen (4311 Central) in Detroit, and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (976 Pope John II Ave.) and St. Stanislaus Kostka (266 Antoine St.) in Wyandotte. The wi conka will be held at Biddle Hall, 3239 Biddle, Wyandotte. The menu includes kielbasa, ham, potato salad, tossed green salad, beet horseradish (cwikla), bread, butter lamb, dessert (variety of cakes, or babkas), and beverages. Coaches do not have wheelchair lifts. Return to St. Hedwig between 5-5:30 p.m. Optional Our Lady Queen of Angels Mass at 5 p.m. and confession at St. Stephen, 5:30 p.m. Advance reservation only by April 8. Call (248) 477-8518, e-mail lpalazzolo@detroitpolonia.org, or visit www.detroitpolonia.org. As a special feature, during dessert a video will be shown about traditional palm weaving by Sr. Cecilia Schmitt, a Franciscan nun in St. Cloud, Minnesota, who wrote "the" book on weaving palms. There will be emphasis on weaving the Polish palm cross.

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And Sciege Fair 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Thursday, April 23, at All Saints Catholic School, 48735 Warren Road, Canton. Call (734) 459-2490.

Landscape project

Trinity Church of Livonia is holding a Native Landscape informational

meeting 12:30-1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 26, in the church library at 34500 Six Mile, next to Stevenson High School, west of Farmington Road, Livonia. The meeting is to discuss native landscape plans for the church property. They have been working with the City of Livonia and the Friends of the Rouge at ways to be good stewards. Goals include reducing air and water pollution, embracing a sustainable aesthetic, and building community. All are welcome. A planting day is scheduled for May 16. The church is also hosting a site at a Livonia Park for the Rouge Rescue set for June 6. Call (734) 425-2800.

Clothing bank

Free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need 10 a.m.-noon on the fourth Saturday of each month, at Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank, 8775 Ronda Drive. The bank continues in April. Call (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org.

Families in action workshops

The National Association for Mental Illnesses 10-week educational program continues at St. Regis Parish School Campus in Bloomfield Hills. The program is for people with a loved one diagnosed with a serious mental illness. The workshop meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays or Thursdays through April 30. \$20 per person, \$30 per couple. Families in Action is funded in large part by the Oakwood Healthcare Foundation and the Oakwood Heritage Hospital Auxiliary. Call (248) 348-7197 to register.

Music at St. John's

The Saline Fiddlers, 6 p.m., Sunday, May 17, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. All concerts free except The Saline

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'Joey' hosts 2 nights of high-flying comedy

BY WENDSY VON BUSKIRK
O&E STAFF WRITER

What do you get when you cross a pilot and a comic? Find out as Joey Bielaska hosts two nights of comedy at Karl's Cabin in Plymouth April 3-4.

Bielaska, a senior captain for Spirit Airlines, gets plenty of fodder for his standup routines from his day job. His act includes a healthy dose of cockpit humor, including a gay flight attendant character named Curtis.

Likewise, the comic isn't shy about using his improv skills in the friendly skies. "Say the plane's a few minutes late. I throw a joke in over the loudspeaker to lighten things up," he said. "Look out the left window and you'll see your luggage. Look out the right and you'll see your stuff."

Bielaska, a Plymouth native, grew up idolizing comics who appeared on the Johnny Carson Show, and first took the stage in 1979 at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle in Royal Oak, where he appeared with the likes of Tim Allen and Dave Coulier.

"Mark was my mentor. All us guys started out there and I decided to take it one step further," Bielaska said.

Partnering with his brother Ed, who now owns Stone Fire Bistro in Brighton,



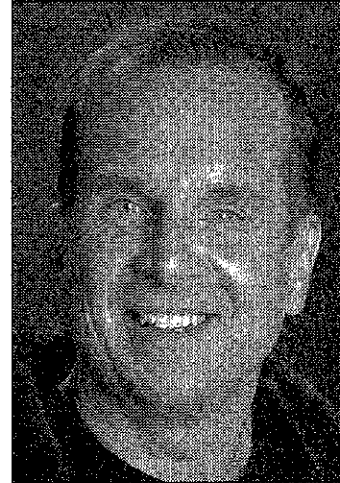
Sal Demilio, "Detroit's Don of Comedy," focuses on his Italian upbringing, current events and his battle with the bulge.

Bielaska eventually operated three comedy clubs in metro Detroit including Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia, which still bears his name.

Bielaska has shared the stage with many talented comics, including Soupy Sales and Bobby Collins, and has performed across the country, including several appearances at the Riviera Hotel Comedy Club in Las Vegas.

With fellow pilot/comedian Mike Orenstein, Bielaska now operates MinneHAHA Comedy Club, which stages comedy at venues throughout Minneapolis.

Bielaska describes his humor as "gently shocking"



Comic Joey Bielaska, founder of Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia, will stage two shows at Karl's Cabin April 3-4.

and "Bill Cosby-ish — real life with a twist."

"It's a set routine with ad lib moments. I like thinking on my feet. That's why I love hosting shows," he said.

Bielaska will emcee the shows at Karl's Cabin, which also feature Sal Demilio, "Detroit's Don of Comedy," whose jokes focus on his Italian upbringing, current events and his battle with the bulge.

Bielaska said he decided to stage shows at Karl's Cabin after being inspired by the atmosphere at the cozy restaurant.

"I came here for dinner with my wife and thought it would be perfect. It's a great venue," he said. "You should

KOMEDY AT KARL'S

What: Comedians Joey Bielaska and Sal Demilio
When: April 3-4; dinner at 8:30 p.m., show at 9:30 p.m.
Where: Karl's Cabin, 6005 Gottfredson Road, Plymouth
Tickets: \$10 in advance; \$12 at the door, available at www.minnehacomedyclub.com
Information: Call (734) 455-8450 or visit www.karlscabin.com

see this place at night."

Set on a rural stretch of Gottfredson Road off M-14, Karl's has a log cabin feel, with twinkling lights accenting the rustic wood interior.

Before the comedy shows, guests will be seated at private tables and booths in the dining room and order off the menu, which includes an extensive wine list and entrees like Herb Roasted Prime Rib, Salmon Chardonnay and Smoked Mozzarella Ravioli (\$12.95-\$19.95).

The laughs start at 9:30 p.m.

Bielaska said he expects good attendance, as people are turning to comedy to get their mind off the economy.

"It's going to be a fun night. I think people need a good chuckle," he said.

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2009-10 BUDGET

In compliance with "Act No. 43," State of Michigan Public Act of 1963, and "Act No. 2," State of Michigan Public Acts of 1968 ("Section 16" of the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act), Schoolcraft College publishes this notification of a public hearing on the proposed 2009-10 College budget. This hearing is to take place at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 2009, at the Grote Administration Center, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia, Michigan. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the above address during normal business hours.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

Jill F. O'Sullivan
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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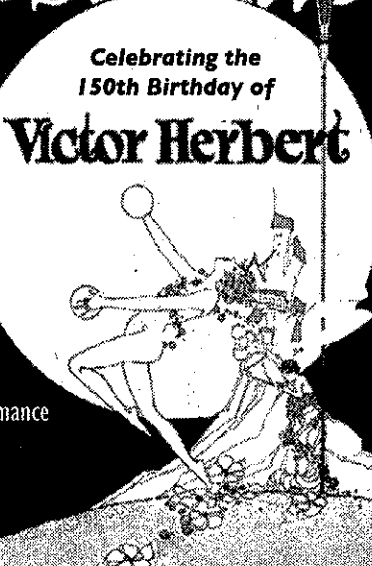
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Sit in on a rehearsal with Ed Nuccilli & Plural Circle

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O&E STAFF WRITER

Ed Nuccilli is like the name of his 18-piece band Plural Circle, never ending. At age 84 he just keeps traveling around the Detroit area playing gigs. The Southfield trumpeter has no intention of stepping down from the stage.

On Sunday, April 19, Nuccilli brings his straight ahead jazz to Schoolcraft College in Livonia from 3-5 p.m. This time though he's donating their talents so the Michigan Jazz Festival can continue to provide fans with an entire afternoon and night of the American art form July 19, on campus. But this isn't any jazz concert — he and the band will let the audience sit in on a live rehearsal.

Nuccilli started studying trumpet at age 12 with his father Peter who played the instrument with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. While the classical music foundation did serve him well over the years, Nuccilli wasn't about to sit and wait for 90 bars to play a few notes. For him trumpet was all about jazz.

"I got exposed to Swing when I went to Cass Tech," said Nuccilli. "I used to go across the street to a confectionery store for Cokes and chips for a nickel, and put a nickel in the nickelodeon. That's where I first heard Benny Goodman and Jimmy Lunford. I started performing professionally at age 14 in a little neighborhood band and began writing arrangements during my junior year of high school."

Nuccilli didn't stop playing even when drafted into the U.S. Army infantry during World War II. He managed to find a group of musicians who shared his love for Count Basie, Woody Herman and the big bands. Nuccilli returned home only to leave again to tour the Midwest and East Coast with Shorty Sherock and Bobby Sherwood. In 1949 he came back to Detroit, this time to stay.

Nuccilli began studies at the

JAZZ CONCERT

What: Ed Nuccilli & Plural Circle Big Band Jazz Orchestra

When: 3-5 p.m. Sunday, April 19

Where: Schoolcraft College VistaTech Center, 18600

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Detroit Institute of Musical Arts, but met wife Jean and decided to raise a family. He took a 4-year hiatus from music in the mid 1950s but couldn't stay away from the trumpet. Nuccilli played nights while first working in property accounting at Ford Motor Co, and then as a Metropolitan Life Insurance Company agent. In 1960 he formed a Latin band and started playing at Elmwood Casino in Windsor where he was asked to become band leader in 1972.

Because of the training his father gave him, Nuccilli was able to read all styles of music and by 1963 was house trumpet for performers like Paul Anka. In 1969 he retired from Metropolitan Life and made the rounds of clubs including the Roostertail.

It wasn't long before he was writing commercials, one of which brought him to Motown in the early 1970s. When the record company moved to the West Coast he decided to stay in Detroit. He formed Plural Circle around 1972.

Nuccilli and the group's CDs will be available at the April 19th concert at Schoolcraft College. The program combines Nuccilli's original arrangements with standard jazz classics. "My philosophy for jazz emanates out of improvisation, creating on the spot. That's what jazz is all about," said Nuccilli. "I enhance it with a lot more horns with the emphasis on improvisation."

Midge Ellis is grateful Nuccilli is bringing his sound



Ed Nuccilli, trumpet, of Southfield and his 18-piece band let the audience experience a rehearsal session in a benefit concert at Schoolcraft College in Livonia Sunday, April 19.

to Schoolcraft College for the fund-raiser. It was she who suggested they hold their regular Sunday rehearsal on campus so ticket sales could go to the Michigan Jazz Festival, which features nearly 200 local musicians. It should be an interesting experience.

"The audience gets to sit in on their rehearsal. Most are closed rehearsals and the audience doesn't know how they got there. Ed is a composer and he's going to bring some new music

and they're going to discuss it and the audience is going to hear that," said Ellis of Livonia. "Our mission with the festival is to get people to appreciate jazz

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The Dirty Americans, joined by the Brian Schram Band, hit Garden City's Rockstarz Karaoke Bar Saturday, April 11. Made up of members Myron, Jeff, Pete and Jeremiah, the Dirty Americans formed in 2001 and released their first album a year later. Their songs have been featured on television (ABC's "Alias"), video games (Playstation's Gretzky NHL 2005, AT V Off Road Fury 3, Gran Turismo 4 and American Chopper), and at Comerica Park during Detroit Tiger home games. They are based in Michigan. Doors open at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$5. 21 and older. Rockstarz is located at 33729 Ford Road in Garden City. Call (734) 522-7744 or visit myspace.com/RockstarzBarandGrill.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. 99.010

TEXT AMENDMENT 004

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TEXT OF PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 99 BY AMENDING ARTICLE XXVII, NONCONFORMITIES, RELATED TO EFFECT OF DENIAL OF A CLASS A DESIGNATION; ARTICLE XXVIII, SPECIAL PROVISIONS, RELATED TO FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS; AND ARTICLE XXXI, ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, RELATED TO PETITIONS PREVIOUSLY DENIED.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Part I. The Zoning Ordinance No. 99 of the Charter Township of Plymouth, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 27.3.6 Effect of Denial of a Class A Designation

The following shall not be eligible for appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals:

1. An application for a Class A designation that has been denied by the Planning Commission.
2. An administrative decision made by the Chief Building Official regarding a modification of a Class B structure or use that has been previously denied by the Planning Commission for Class A status.

Notwithstanding the above, a previously denied application for Class A status may be resubmitted for Planning Commission consideration as a new application after a minimum of three hundred sixty five (365) days have elapsed from the date of denial by either the Planning Commission or Chief Building Official.

Section 28.17 FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS

1. **Definition**
A fire apparatus access is defined as a road (this is a general term inclusive of all other terms such as fire lane, public street, private street, parking lot land and access roadway) that provides fire vehicles access to a facility, building and portions thereof.
2. **Fire Apparatus Access Requirement**
All buildings, facilities and all portions thereof shall be located within 150 feet of a fire apparatus access. This distance shall be considered the maximum distance unless otherwise modified and approved by the Township Fire Chief or his designee.
3. **Additional Fire Apparatus Access Required**
 - a. **Multiple Family Residential**
Every multiple family residential development with more than 100 units must include a second separate fire apparatus access. Subject to the approval of the Township Fire Chief or his designee, the second access road may be permitted to be closed to public access, and may be a locked, gated entrance accessible only by fire and emergency vehicles.
 - b. **Commercial and Industrial**
Every commercial or industrial development with a building exceeding 62,000 square feet, including every facility, building, or portion of a building constructed or moved within the Township, must include a second separate fire apparatus access in the determination of the Fire Chief or his designee.

4. **Length, Width and Turnaround Requirements**
In addition to the requirements above, all access roads shall meet the following requirements:

Length	Width	Turnaround Required
0 - 150 ft.	20 ft.	None
151 - 500 ft.	20 ft. If a hydrant is present, the width shall be increased to 26 ft. for a distance of 20 ft. on either side of the hydrant.	Must have one of the following turnarounds: 1. 120 ft. hammerhead; 2. Y turn; or 3. 96 ft. diameter cul-de-sac
501 - 750 ft.	26 ft.	Must have one of the following turnarounds: 1. 120 ft. hammerhead; 2. Y turn; or 3. 96 ft. diameter cul-de-sac
Over 750 ft.	Special Approval Required	

5. **Vertical Clearance**
The vertical clearance above the fire apparatus access shall be a minimum height of thirteen feet and six inches (13'6") and maintained as such.

Section 31.13 LIMITS ON AUTHORITY, is to be renumbered as Section 31.14. New language for Section 31.13 is amended as follows:

Section 31.13 PETITIONS PREVIOUSLY DENIED

Where a prior petition for an appeal applying to a specific piece of property or a part of such property was denied by the Zoning Board of Appeals, a new application for the same appeal shall not be accepted by the Zoning Board of Appeals for consideration for a period of three hundred sixty five (365) days, unless the Zoning Board of Appeals determines that one or more of the following conditions has been met:

1. There is a substantial change in circumstances relevant to the issues or facts considered during review of the application that might reasonably affect the decision-making body's application of the relevant review standards to the development proposed in the application.
2. New or additional information is available that was not available at the time of the review that might reasonably affect the decision-making body's application of the relevant review standards to the development proposed.
3. The new application is materially different from the prior application.

Part II CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Part III EFFECTIVE DATE. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on April 9, 2009.

Part IV ADOPTION. The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth by authority of Act 184 of Public Acts of Michigan, 1949, as amended, at a meeting duly called and held on March 24, 2009 and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law. The Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Plymouth Township Department of Public Works Building, Community Development Department during regular business hours.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees on March 24, 2009.
Effective Date April 9, 2009.

auction, 6 p.m. April 24, Meadowbrook Country Club, 40941 Eight Mile Road, Northville, \$75-\$100, (248) 478-3242, www.sweetdreamzzzzdetroit.com.

BOOKS/LITERATURE

Borders: Robert Conroy signs "1942: A Novel" (Ballantine Books; Feb., 2009) 2 p.m. April 4, Borders Troy/Oakland Mall; Peter Leonard, w/special guest Elmore Leonard, signs "Trust Me," 7 p.m. April 16, Borders Birmingham; Linda Solomon reads and signs children's book "Jack & Jill: The Miracle Dog with a Happy Tail to Tell" 2 p.m. April 25, Borders Birmingham, www.borders.com.

Community House: "Art from the Mazza," luncheon and lecture by Benjamin Sapp of the Mazza Museum of children's picture books, and Book Beat, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. April 16, benefits the StoryTellers Guild, 380 South Bates St., Birmingham, \$25, (248) 642-9365, www.communityhouse.com.

Oakland Community College: OCC's Children's Literature Conference, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. April 18, Auburn Hills Campus, preregister by April 10, Auburn Hills Campus, 2900 Featherstone Road, (248) 232-4026, www.bvccatherino@oaklandcc.edu.

CHAMBER MUSIC

Birmingham Temple: Vivace Music Series - Pianist Christopher Atzinger, April 4; Charlie Gabriel Quartet with Vocalist Joan Bow, May 2; 28611 West 12 Mile, Farmington Hills, (248) 788-9338, www.vivaceseries.org.

Village Theater at Cherry Hills: Canton Concert Band, "In The Spotlight" spring concert, 8 p.m. April 18, 50400 Cherry Hill Road Canton, (734)394-5460.

Chamber Music Society of Detroit: Guarneri String Quartet, April 11; Pacifica Quartet with Erik Rommark, saxophone, April 18; Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson Trio with the Miami String Quartet, May 16; Yefim Bronfman, piano, May 30. All concerts 8 p.m. Saturdays, Tickets, \$25-\$75, Seligman Performing Arts Center, 22305 West 13 Mile, Beverly Hills, (248) 855-6070 or visit www.ComeHearCMSD.org.

Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings: "String Sundae," 3 p.m. April 5, Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, "Schubert and Spice," 3 p.m. April 26, First Presbyterian Church, Birmingham; Final Concert, 8 p.m. June 20, Seligman Center, (248) 559-2095, www.detroitchamberwinds.org.

CHORAL

First Presbyterian Church: Pipedusters w/ organist Tom Trenney, 7:30 p.m. April 17; Music for a Cathedral, 7:30 p.m. May 22, 1669 W. Maple, Birmingham, (248) 644-2040 x136, ttrenney@comcast.net.
Rackham Choir: "The Armed Man: A Concert for Peace" with original film, April 5, Ford Center for the Performing Arts, Dearborn, www.rackhamchoir.org.

CLASSICAL

Fox Theatre: Andre Rieu and the Johann Strauss Orchestra, May 19, (800) 246-2222, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, Ticketmaster.com (248) 433-1515.

Max M. Fisher Music Center: Slatkin & Boisvert, April 2-4; The Music of Billy Joel & More by Michael Cavanaugh, April 16-19; Slatkin & Mahler, April 23-25; All Beethoven, April 30-May 2; Barbara Cook with the DSO, May 9; Star Trek Meets Star Wars, A John Williams Adventure, May 14-17; A Musical Collaboration, May 21-23; Beethoven & Tchaikovsky, May 29-31; Season Finale, June 4-6; A Midsummer Night's Dream, June 13; 3711 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 576-5111 and online at www.detroitssymphony.com.

Plymouth Symphony Orchestra: Benefit Concert of the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society, 8 p.m. April 24, Penn Theatre, 760 Penniman, Plymouth, (734) 451-2112, www.plymouthsymphony.org.

Schoolcraft College: Cellist Robert de Maine, May 15; \$10, students, \$20 adults. Presentation Room in the ViStaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia, (734) 462-4403.

COMEDY

Fox Theatre: Heavyweights Of Comedy featuring Bruce Bruce & Lavelle Crawford, with special guest John Withersoon and host Sammore, May 23, (313) 471-6611, www.Ticketmaster.com.

Jazz Cafe at Music Hall: "Show Up, And Go Up," 9 p.m. third Thursday of every month, open call, free, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit, (313) 887-8532, www.jazzcafedetroit.com.
Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia: Ryan Belleville, through April 4; Jarrod Harris, April 8-11; Mark Thelobold Special Engagement, April 15-18; Bobby Miyamoto, April 22-25; Shane Moss, April 29-May 2; Mike Veneman, May 6-9; Erik Blake, May 13-15; Colin Moulton, May 20-23; Jimmy Dore Special Engagement, May 27-30, 36071 Plymouth Road, (734) 261-5500, www.kickerscomplex.com.

Komedy at Karl's Kabin: Joey Bielaska and Sal Delmijo, April 3-4, dinner at 8:30 p.m., show at 9 p.m., \$12, \$10 presale, 6005 Gotfredson Road, Plymouth (734) 455-8450, www.KarlsCabin.com, www.minnehahacomedyclub.com.

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle: Open Mic most Wednesdays; 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak, (248) 542-9900, www.comedycastle.com.

The Second City: "Kwame A River: The Chronicles of Detroit's Hip Hop Mayor," through May 31, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi, (248) 348-4448, www.secondcity.com.

St. Andrew's Hall: Louis C.K., April 17, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, (248) 645-6666.

CONCERTS

Clutch Cargo: Jamey Johnson, April 16; The Devil Wears Prada, April 9, Franz Ferdinand, May 3, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac, (248) 645-6666.

The Fillmore: Jack's Mannequin, April 14; Lamb of God with God Forbid and As I Lay Dying, May 6; Tragically Hip, May 29-30; Rise Against, June 24, 2115 Woodward, Detroit, (248) 645-6666.

The Fox Theatre: Flight of the Conchords with Eugene Mirman, April 24; Soul 70's Super Jam featuring The Whispers, The Dramatics, The Stylistics & The Manhattan, April 25; Leonard Cohen, May 9; Unwiggled & Unplugged: An Evening with Christopher Guest, Michael McKean and Harry Shearer, May 29, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, Ticketmaster.com (248) 433-1515.

Macomb Center for Performing Arts: Motown In Motion, April 4; Richie Havens with special guest Harry Manx, April 17, 44757 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, www.MacombCenter.com, (586) 286-2222.

Magic Stick: The Cliks, April 10.

MotorCity Casino Hotel Soundboard: Etta James, May 1; Boz Scaggs, June 17; Sinbad, July 25; Gary Allan, Aug. 21; An Evening With Natalie Cole, Oct. 3, www.ticketmaster.com, www.motorcitycasino.com.

The Palace of Auburn Hills: Billy Joel / Elton John "Face 2 Face Tour," May 21, 1 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills, (248) 645-6666 or Palacenet.com.

Royal Oak Music Theatre: The Magic 80s Prom, April 11; Louis C.K., April 17; TechNow09 Showcase, a benefit for MS Society, April 23; New Found Glory, April 26; Music4Mutts, a benefit for the Michigan Humane Society, May 16, 318 W. Fourth, Royal Oak, (800) 919-6272, www.royaloak-musictheatre.com.

St. Andrew's Hall: Louis C.K., April 17; Lily Allen with Natalie Portman's Shaved Head, April 13; New Found Glory, April 26; Animal Collective, May 18; The Derek Trucks Band, June 9; Robin Trower, June 20, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, (248) 645-6666.

DANCE

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble: Motown in Motion with The Contours featuring Sylvester Potts, April 4, Macomb Center for Performing Arts, 44757 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, (586) 286-2222, www.ede-dance.org.

FAMILY

Canton Cinema: Free Spring Matinee Series, 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Saturdays. "Horton Hears a Who," April 4-5; "Tale of

Despereaux," April 11-12; "Open Season," April 18-19; "Hotel for Dogs," April 25-26, 43555 Ford Road, (734) 844-3456, www.GOTL.com.

Bakers Keyboard Lounge: Jazz for Kids Program, 2-5 p.m. Sundays, 20510 Livernois Ave., Detroit, (313) 345-6300, www.bakerskeyboardlounge.com.

Detroit Institute of Arts: Target Family Sundays, storytelling, performances and more starting at 2 p.m., free with admission, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org.

Greenfield Village: Day Out with Thomas: The Hero of the Rails Tour, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. April 24-26 and May 1-3, 20900 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn, (313) 982-6001, www.thehenryford.org.

Margus Theatre: "Little Mermaid," through April 17, ages 3 and up, 135 E. Main, Northville, (248) 349-8100, www.northvillemarquistheatre.com.

Meadow Brook Theatre: "Charlotte's Web," 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. May 9; on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills (248) 377-0300, www.ticketmaster.com, for more information, visit www.mbtheatre.com.

FILM

This American Life - Live: Canton Cinema and Livonia 20, 8 p.m. April 23, www.fathom-events.com.

Cranbrook Art Museum: Banff Mountain Film Festival, 7:30 p.m. April 23, deSalle Auditorium, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (877) 60-CRANBROOK, www.cranbrook.edu.

Crofoot: Michigan Movie Networking Event, noon-6 p.m. April 4, 1 S. Saginaw, Pontiac, (586) 615-3504, www.michiganmovienet-work.com.

Henry Ford IMAX: "Watchmen: The IMAX Experience Rises," "Journey to Mecca," "Under the Sea 3D," 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn, (313) 271-1570.

Magic Bag: "The Wrestler," April 7-8, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, (248) 544-1991, www.themagicbag.com.

Main Art Theatre: "Slumdog Millionaire," and "Sunshine Cleaning"; Mitten Movie Project, 7:30 p.m. April 7, May 5 and June 2, \$10, \$8 presale, 118 N. Main St., Royal Oak, (248) 263-2111, www.landmarktheatres.com.

Maple Art Theatre: "The Class," "The Great Buck Howard," "Everlasting Moments," 4135 West Maple Road, Birmingham, (248) 263-2111, www.landmarktheatres.com.

Penn Theatre: Bogart Month - "Casablanca," April 2; "In a Lonely Place," April 9; "The Two Mrs. Carrolls," April 16; "Sirocco," April 23; "Sabrina," April 30, shows at 7 p.m., \$3, 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth, (734) 453-0870, www.penntheatre.com.

Redford Theatre: Three Stooges Festival, April 3-4; "The Great Escape," April 17-18; "My Best Girl," silent Film accompanied by organist John Lauter, April 25; "Caddyshack," May 1-2, w/guest Master of Ceremonies Jason Carr of Fox 2, at 17360 Lahser, Detroit, www.redfordtheatre.com.

JAZZ

Jazz Cafe at Music Hall: Ray Vega Quintet, March 27-28, 350 Madison Ave., (313) 887-8500, Ticketmaster.com.

Max M. Fisher Music Center: Dianne Reeves, April 9; Minqus Dynasty Band, May 7, 3711 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 576-5111 and online at www.detroitssymphony.com.

MORE MUSIC

Callahan's: Coco Montoya, April 7; John Gorka, April 19, 2105 South Boulevard, Auburn Hills, (248) 828-9508, www.atcal-lahans.com.

Detroit Institute of Arts: James Dapogny's Chicago Jazz Band, March 27, all at 7 & 8:30 p.m., 5200 Woodward Ave., (313) 833-7900 or see the website at www.dia.org.

Detroit Music Awards: Honoring talent and achievement in the local music scene, with Amboy Dukes, Motown 50th Anniversary Revue, tribute to late Stooges guitarist Ron Asheton and R&B and jazz legend Lyman Woodward and more, 7 p.m., April 17, Fillmore Detroit; pre-show ceremony, 5 p.m. April 17, Cliff Bell's, Detroit; after-parties at Cliff Bell's and the Park Bar, (248) 360-2455.

Magic Bag: Lez Zeppelin, April 3; Kim Simmonds, April 4; Rocco DeLuca and the Burden, April 16; Robyn Hitchcock & The Venus 3, April 17; Soulive, April 25; Noah & The Whale, April 26; Charlie Hunter, May 7; Bruce Int the USA, May 8; Vast, May 15; The Sounds of Seattle Tour, May 30; Neil Innes, June 7; The Cliks, June 23; Leon Russell, June 26, 22920 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030, www.themagicbag.com.

Majestic Theatre: Fischerspooner, May 31, 4120 Woodward, Detroit.

Rockstarz Karaoke Bar: Dirty Americans w/ Brian Schram Band, 8 p.m. April 11, \$5, 21 and older, 33729 Ford Road, Garden City.



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The Trip to Bountiful

Julianne Somers and Mary Benson star in 'The Trip to Bountiful' through April 12 at Meadow Brook Theatre. The American classic, written by Horton Foote and directed by Dennis E. North, tells the story of an elderly woman who sets off for Bountiful, the small Texas town where she grew up. On the road she befriends a young traveler whom she entertains with stories of her past. Tickets, \$24-\$39, are available at the Meadow Brook Theatre box office, on the campus of Oakland University, 2200 N. Squirrel Road, Rochester; by calling (248) 377-0300; or online at www.ticketmaster.com.

GET OUT

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Cranbrook Institute of Science: "Hatching the Past," through Sept. 6; Planetarium shows Friday nights and weekends; 11 permanent exhibits, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 645-3200, <http://science.cranbrook.edu>.
Detroit Institute of Arts: "American Chronicles: The Art of Norman Rockwell," through May 31; "Learning by Line: The Role and Purpose of Drawing in the 18th Century," through June 15; "Representing the Black Male Body in Art," artist's talk by Kehinde Wiley, 2 p.m., March 29; "On Life and Loss: The Polish Photographs of Roman Vishniac and Jeffrey Gusky," April 15-July 12, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. Call (313) 833-7900.
Detroit Science Center: "Leonardo Da Vinci: Man, Inventor, Genius," tickets \$13.95 to \$16.95; "Star Trek: The Exhibition," 5020 John R, (313) 577-8400, www.detroit-sciencecenter.org.
Museum of Contemporary Art-Detroit: New Wave logo design contest for students, enter by April 10, www.mocadetroit.org/new-wave; "Black Is, Black Ain't," "I Repeat Myself When Under Stress," through May 3, 4454 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 832-6622.
Plymouth Historical Museum: "In the Presence of Lincoln," through Nov. 4, 155 S. Main St. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday,

Saturday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m. Admission, \$5; \$2 for students 6-17; \$10 for families. Tour groups can be accommodated, (734) 455-8940, www.plymouthhistory.org.

OPERA

Detroit Opera House: "The Elixir of Love," through April 5; "I Pagliacci," April 18-26; "Carmen," May 9-17; "Nabucco," Oct. 17-24; "A Little Night Music," Nov. 14-21; "Don Giovanni," April 17-24, 2010; "Tosca," May 8-15, 2010, Michigan Opera Theatre, 1526 Broadway, Detroit, www.michiganopera.org.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Green Street Fair: Non-profits, artisans, live music, workshops and speakers focused on benefits of green, organic, and eco-friendly products and services, May 1-3, free, Downtown Plymouth, (734) 259-2983, www.greenstreetfair.com.
Rock Financial Showplace: Michigan International Wine Expo, April 3-4; Spring Home and Garden Show, April 3-5; Comic Con, May 15-17, 46100 Grand River, Novi, (248) 348-5600, www.rockfinancialshowplace.com.
The Big Dance: Three days of concerts, featuring headliners Pussycat Dolls, Fergie, Gavin DeGraw and Staind, with emcee Ryan Seacrest, as well as 40 local bands, as part of the 2009 NCAA Men's Final Four weekend, April 3-5, Detroit Riverfront.

THEATER - COMMUNITY

The Farmington Players: "Sweet Charity," April 24-May 16; 32332 W. 12 Mile,

Farmington Hills, (248) 553-2955, www.farmingtonplayers.org.
Spotlight Players: "The Pajama Game," April 24-May 9, Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton, (734) 394-5300, www.spotlightplayers.net.
Tipping Point Theatre: "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)," April 22-24, 361 E. Cady, Northville, (248) 347-0003.

THEATER-PROFESSIONAL

Fisher Theatre: "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," through April 5; Mandy Patinkin and Patti LuPone, April 14-19; "Stomp," April 20-26; "Annie," May 5-10; and "Grease," June 9-28, 3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, 1-800-982-2787, www.ticketmaster.com, www.broadway-indetroit.com.
Fox Theatre: "Riverdance- Farewell Performances," April 8-12; Oprah Winfrey presents "The Color Purple," April 14, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, Ticketmaster.com, OlympiaEntertainment.com, (248) 433-1515.
Jewish Ensemble Theatre: "Halpern and Johnson" April 21-May 17, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield, (248) 788-2900, www.jettheatre.org.
Meadow Brook Theatre: "The Trip to Bountiful," through April 12; "By Jeeves," April 22 to May 17; "Nunsense 2: The Second Coming," May 27 to June 14, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills (248) 377-0300, www.ticketmaster.com, for more information, visit www.mbttheatre.com.

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Best bets for French wine values

If you read this column regularly, you know that we've been scouring the world of wine to bring readers top wine values available in this market.

This month, the French brand La Vieille Ferme has wines on one of the best sales ever. Don't miss it because if the economy turns around, you may never see such



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WHO ARE THE PERRINS?

Three highly-educated Perrin brothers (Marc, Pierre

WINE PICKS

Prices for California ZINFANDEL, considered an American heritage by aficionados, have gone through the roof. Here are five yummy zins at sensible prices. 2006 Bogle Old Vine, \$11 2006 Ravenswood Old Vine Sonoma County, \$15 2007 Dry Creek Vineyard Heritage, Sonoma County, \$18 2007 Artein Mendocino County, \$18 2006 Ferrari-Carano Dry Creek Valley, \$28

and Thomas), all in their 30s, are the fifth generation running the family wine business.

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La Vieille Ferme 2007 Cotes du Ventoux Rouge comes from vineyards high on the slopes of Mont Ventoux, east of the Rhone River. There the Perrins select grenache, syrah, carignan and cinsault, to a

make a wine reflecting their Chateauf-neuf-du-Pape tradition. It's supple and fruity with blackberry and ripe plum aromas and flavors.

La Vieille Ferme 2008 Cotes du Luberon Blanc comes from the hillside vineyards in the ancient Côtes du Luberon, where the wind known as mistral cools grapes in the heat of summer. Made from four white Rhone varieties, among which 10 percent of the Grernache Blanc is fermented in new Limousin cooperage, the wine is floral, and slightly spicy with a crisp finish.

La Vieille Ferme 2008 Cotes du Ventoux Rose is the ultimate warm weather wine that combines not only a deep pink color, but the richness of a blend of grenache, syrah, carignan and cinsault, grown in the Cotes du Ventoux.

Eleanor & Ray Heald are contributing editors for the internationally-respected Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com.

VISTA GALA PATRONS ON APRIL 4

LIVONIA — The Art of Fine Dining is on tap at the VisTa Gala, 6:30 p.m. Saturday April 4 at Schoolcraft College's VisTaTech Center. Patrons will stroll through Schoolcraft College's six state-of-the-art culinary kitchens, while mingling with world-class chefs and instructors and tasting their creations.

Under the direction of Chef Kevin Gawronski, the college's award-winning Salon Team will prepare Paupiettes de Sole à la Trouvillaise and Golden Oak Roasted Organic Chicken.

Other menu highlights include Chef Dan Hugelier's Morel Mushroom Ravioli with Chervil Cream, and Chef Brian Polcyn's Back and Girth, slow-roasted smoked pork loin and crispy braised belly. Chef Jeff Gabriel will present the Sushi Station; Chef Marcus Haight will prepare Wood-Grilled Lamb Rack; and Chef Joe Decker will fill the dessert buffet with an assortment of tempting pastries.

Tickets, \$150, include valet, photos and silent auction. Call (734) 462-4518 or visit www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation.

CITY BITES

GOVERNOR DECLARES "WINE MONTH"

LANSING — The Michigan International Wine Expo, April 3-4 at Rock Financial Showplace in Novi, coincides with the kickoff of "Michigan Wine Month."

Governor Jennifer M. Granholm has declared April a time to honor Michigan's wide selection of quality wines and the wine industry's significant contribution to the economy, which amounts to nearly \$800 million each year.

Sales of Michigan wines rose 5 percent in 2008, while total wine sales experienced no increase.

"With eight new wineries slated to open this year, Michigan's grape and wine industry demonstrates that our state is ripe for growth and opportunity," Granholm said. "Michigan's wine industry is an important component of the state's \$71.3 billion agri-food business sector and is vital to our tourism efforts."

For more information, a complete list of events or to request a free copy of 2009 Michigan Wine Country magazine, call the Michigan Grape and Wine Industry Council at (517) 241-1207, or visit www.michiganwines.com.

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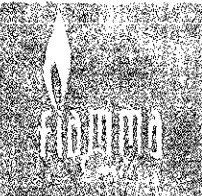
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REAL ESTATE

Building Industry Assn. lauds top pros

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan will honor the top residential industry professionals in southeastern Michigan on Friday, April 3, in conjunction with the Spring Home & Garden Show at the Rock Financial Showplace in Novi. The premier sponsor for the 2008 Leadership Recognition and Awards Night event is Bank of America.

"Throughout this tumultuous period, our honorees have continued to successfully advance our industry and homeownership in Southeastern Michigan," said Darshan S. Grewal, 2009 president of BIA. "These honorees set a positive example for others in the home building industry."

Receiving the highest honor bestowed upon a member, Paul C. Robertson Jr. of Robertson Brothers in Bloomfield Hills, will be inducted into the association's Hall of Fame.

The Builders of the Year award will be presented to Joe Saylor and Roger Saylor of Saylor Building Company in Troy, for their dedication to the association and contribu-

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tions to the home building industry.

Other honors at the banquet include special recognition of BIA's 2008 President Richard Ives of Trinity Management in Clinton Township; Associate of the Year Robert O'Neill of Vista Mortgage Corp. in Livonia; Don Maillho Memorial Award in Banking Eric Burgoon of Bank of America in Troy; Thomas Ricketts Annual Award to the Region's Outstanding Building Official Al Hogan, building official of Lyon Township; Remodeler of the Year William Borchert, CGR, CAPS, of Borchert Construction in Washington Township; and Outstanding Subcontractor of the Year Kristen Shellenbarger of Midwest Cabinet & Countertop in Detroit.

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Roger Saylor



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Awards, including: Norman Finkelstein of Norwood Homes in Farmington Hills for service to the housing industry; Mark Renn of H.J. Oldenkamp in Warren for service to the remodeling industry; and Herbert Lawson of Windham Development in Bloomfield Hills for service to the building industry. "Spike" awards recognizing outstanding membership recruitment efforts are as follows: Builder Spike of the Year to Rich Kligman of Superb

Custom Homes in Plymouth; Insurance Spike of the Year to David W. Curtis of Curtis Insurance Agency in Oxford; and Associate Spike of the Year to Pat Baker of Kohler Company in Sterling Heights.

The evening will begin with hors d'oeuvres and an exploration of the show at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner and awards ceremony. Reservations are \$85 per person for the dinner and program. For more information, call (248) 862-1033. Headquartered in

Farmington Hills, BIA is a trade association representing more than 1,200 builders, remodelers, multifamily property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multifamily residential construction industry. BIA is affiliated with the Michigan Association of Home Builders in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. Membership nationwide includes more than 235,000 individuals and companies.

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Q: Are there any special precautions we should take for foreclosures that we might not normally think about?

A: One of the biggest problems that I learned about at a recent national community law seminar is that there are an increased number of thefts and/or embezzlement by association board members and in some cases the management company. You should be ever more vigilant in terms of monitoring the financial affairs of the association — having multiple signatories be required to sign checks, and otherwise having fidelity bonds not only for the officers and directors of the association, but the management company that is handling your funds having a bond that protects and insures your association.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

BRIEFS

Investors Association

"Flipping" Houses will be presented by Bob Norton, on how to buy, finance and sell Bank-Owned Real Estate (REO's) to homeowners. Presented by Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland 5:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, at MSU Management Education Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy. Seminar free to members. \$20 nonmembers. Call (800) 747-6742. (www.REIAofOakland.com)

Career Seminar

Thought about a career in real estate? Come to a 59-minute Career Seminar 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16. Questions will be answered about commissions, costs and what it takes, and your potential to succeed.

The seminar will be held at Keller Williams Realty, 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, Plymouth. Call (734) 459-4700 to reserve your seat.

Homebuyer Seminar

Keller Williams Farmington Hills will offer Homebuyer Seminars, including one 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at the office, 27555 Executive Drive, Suite 100-S, 12 Mile and Halsted in Farmington Hills. RSVP at (248) 893-1550. Seminars cover real estate basics for today's buyers, mortgage information from Flagstar Bank, title work presentation by Fidelity Title Co., and the importance of an inspection. There will be a seminar following Saturday, May 16, at the same time.

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BIA

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present Green Built™ of Southeastern Michigan Introduction to Green Building on Wednesday, April 8, from 9-10:30 a.m. at 879 Benjamin, Troy, 48098 (house built by Wake-Pratt Construction).

Chris Pratt of Wake-Pratt Construction discusses building with materials and methods that result in Green Built™ certification. Building Green offers a change from selling cost per square foot to making a positive environmental statement. This is the first in a series of five trainings. The training is free for BIA members. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and its National Association of Home Builders Professional Remodelers (NAHBR) will present a seminar, Green: The Right Thing To Do, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills on Wednesday, April 15, from 6-8:30 p.m. Rick Rottschaffer, CGP, Builder will present the seminar. The seminar focuses on material recycling, what's green and what's moldy, "10 tiny table tops teach tasteful builders to go green," top five practical "greens" remodelers can impress with, NAHB vs. LEED certification, and it doesn't take money to be green. Registration fees are \$35 for BIA members and guests and includes dinner. For registration information, call (248) 862-1008 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present another in its series of Certified Graduate courses — "Estimating for Builders and Remodelers" — on Thursday, April 23, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Chuck Breidenstein, CAPS, of Builder Professional Services Group, Inc. will instruct remodelers and small-to-mid volume builders on estimating insur-

ance and profit, quantity takeoff for various materials, labor and equipment productivity issues, and subcontractor bid considerations. The course counts toward Certified Graduate Builder, Certified Graduate Associate, and Certified Graduate Remodeler designations.

Registration fees are \$155 for NAHBR Professional Remodeler members, \$175 for BIA members, and \$200 for guests. For more information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ The Sales and Marketing Council (SMC) of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present "Success Strategies For 2009" on Thursday, April 30, from 9-10:30 a.m. at Association Offices, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Michael Jeffreys of The Yes Network will present the seminar. It will include how to make the decision and commitment to thrive, how to discover your major obstacle and overcome it, how to tap into your hidden potential to stay more motivated, and how to outsmart, outthink, and outperform your competition. Registration fees are \$10 for SMC, BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$25 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Apartment Association of Michigan's (AAM) Property Management Council (PMC) will sponsor a "Leasing 101: The 2009 Tour" seminar on Friday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to noon at AAM headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Led by Kathleen Mabie of Success on Site, the seminar will cover competitive analysis of what is being sold, setting up the close, telephone techniques, Internet and e-mail and meet-greet information. Registration fees are \$69 for PMC members, \$79 for AAM or Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan members and \$99 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

HOMES SOLD

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of Dec. 8-12, 2008, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, plus some from Oakland County. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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49817 Courtney Ln	\$214,000
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16557 Middlebelt Rd

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\$65,000

\$172,000

\$145,000

\$116,000

\$80,000

\$155,000

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\$195,000

\$89,000

\$63,000

\$40,000

\$148,000

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29107 Vassar St

Milford

1646 N Milford Rd

Northville

44812 Broadmoor Cir S

19830 Irongate Ct

16163 Jupiter Hills Dr

45415 Tournament Dr

20210 Westview Dr

16763 Yellowstone Dr

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28037 Hopkins Dr

28039 Hopkins Dr

Plymouth

13951 Covington Dr

11739 E Hills Dr

9081 Elmhurst Ave

40126 Newport Dr

11323 Overdale Ct

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- 12 Wheel buy (2 wds.)
- 13 Twisted
- 14 Poker stake
- 15 Devotee's suffix
- 16 Repair a tear
- 17 Zen riddles
- 19 Make a sound
- 21 Superman's emblem
- 22 Coil or spiral
- 24 Big name in chemicals
- 27 Track prelim
- 28 Name meaning "truth"
- 29 Alaska's capital
- 32 Did some digging
- 34 FitzGerald's poet
- 35 Like
- 36 Pitcher handle

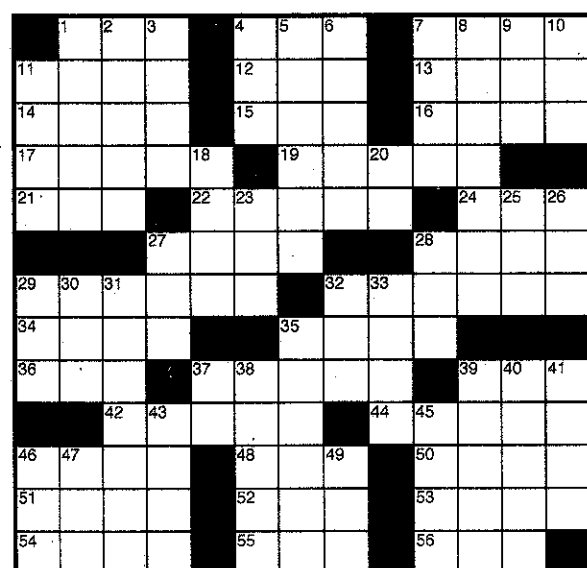
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- 39 Smoker or diner
- 42 Harness parts
- 44 Rush
- 46 Char a steak
- 48 High sign
- 50 Dole out
- 51 Choir member
- 52 Wrath
- 53 Move the puck
- 54 Deep-dish desserts
- 55 Recede
- 56 Type of diving
- 1 Prohibitions (hyph.)
- 2 Smidgens
- 3 Comic-book mutants (hyph.)
- 4 Shogun's yes
- 5 Affront
- 6 LaBelle or LuPone
- 7 Ordered
- 8 Granted

Answer to Previous Puzzle

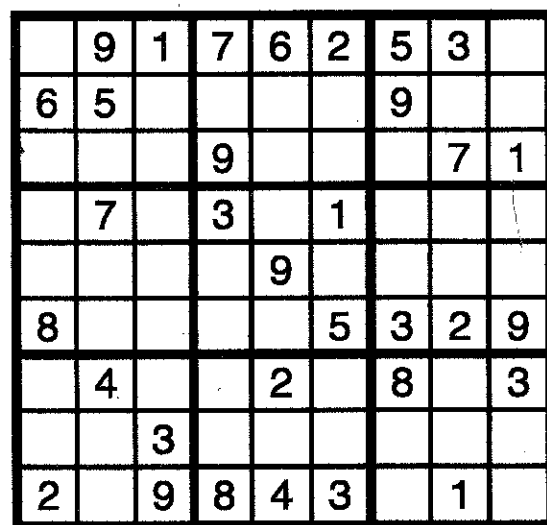
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- 10 Rand of "Atlas Shrugged"
- 11 Garden tool
- 18 Baseball stadium
- 20 Lubbock's st.
- 23 Perfume label word
- 25 Great Lakes cargo
- 26 Fat cat's bundle
- 27 That ship
- 28 Camper, maybe
- 29 Diner coffee
- 30 Ms. Thurman
- 31 Recount
- 32 Travel on powder
- 33 Core
- 35 Sponge up
- 37 Aloha st.
- 38 Daddy Warbucks' ward
- 39 Spooky noise
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- 41 Whiskey grains
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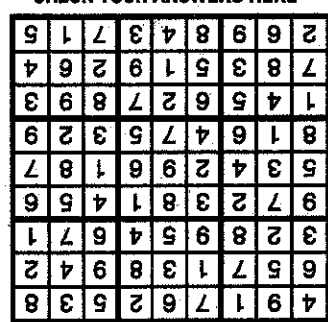
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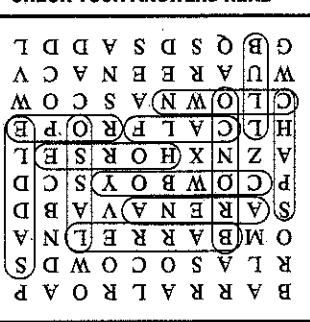
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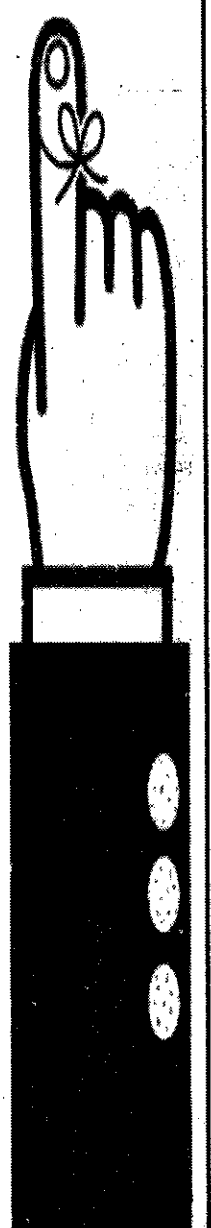
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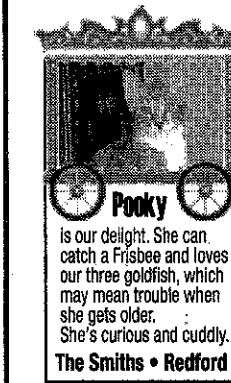
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2009 Green Line Hybrid Offers Great Fuel Efficiency

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Saturn calls its 2009 Vue Green Line 2 Mode Hybrid the world's most fuel-efficient V6 SUV.

This claim is backed by impressive numbers. The Green Line 2 Mode delivers a 50-percent increase in fuel economy over the regular Vue and allows the vehicle to go 500 miles between fill-ups. Wow! What's not to like.

Saturn expects its newest Vue to deliver up to 24 miles per gallon in the city compared with the current regular Vue's 16 mpg. That's also better than the four-cylinder Saturn Aura's 22 mpg city EPA ratings.

Highway mileage will match the current four-cylinder, nonhybrid, front-wheel-drive Vue at 26 mpg.

While traditional full hybrid systems offer only one electric mode that is utilized during low-speed driving, General Motors has teamed up with Chrysler and BMW Group to co-develop the two-mode hybrid system.

Not to be confused with the regular Green Line hybrid that was added to 2007 Vue lineup, this \$30,000 model incorporates a "full hybrid" system.

This patented fuel-saving technology with one mode for city driving and one mode for highway

driving is ideal for SUVs.

The first mode of the system is for low speed and light loads. In this mode, the hybrid system can operate with electric power only, engine power only and any combination of engine and electric power.

When the first mode operates as electric only, fuel consumption is reduced in heavy stop-and-go traffic by shutting off the engine for extended periods of time and moving exclusively under electric power at low speeds.

The second mode is primarily used at highway speeds. In addition to electric assist, the second mode integrates sophisticated electronic controls, such as Active Fuel Management, to allow even more efficient engine operation with an electric motor less than half the size of a traditional "one-mode" hybrid system.

Full V6 engine power is available when conditions demand it, such as passing, towing or climbing a steep grade.

The two-mode system also allows for a four-speed automatic transmission and electronic controls to be used with gas and diesel engines with front- and rear-wheel-drive configurations on other cars, trucks



Not much separates the 2009 Saturn Vue Green Line 2 Mode Hybrid from the regular model. With a reported 50 percent increase in fuel efficiency, the real change is seen at the pump.

and SUVs.

On the Vue Green Line it augments the SUV's traditional V6 engine with an electric motor powered by a battery pack located under the second-row seats. The battery pack powers the electric motor, as well as the electric power steering system. Regenerative braking will charge the batteries.

Saturn says the electric power steering in place of the usual hydraulic assist will help the driver save up to a half-mile per gallon of gas as well as provide more responsive handling.

The two-mode technology was first used in General Motors' full-size trucks and SUVs, including the Chevy Tahoe and Chevy Silverado, the GMC Yukon and the Cadillac Escalade.

The Saturn Vue marks the first use of this system with front-wheel drive and a V6 engine.

Surprisingly, towing power will not suffer like in V8 vehicles with the two-mode hybrid system. The Vue Green Line 2 Mode is able to tow up to 3,500 pounds, just like standard Vues.

On the inside, to show the driver he or she is achieving maximum fuel efficiency, the vehicle has an "efficiency gauge" in place of a tachometer.

A dash-mounted touch screen displays the vehicle's power flow, showing where the juice is coming from. It also displays real-time fuel economy, and when regenerative braking is charging the batteries.

The Vue Green Line 2 Mode has the same standard safety equipment as the regular Vue, including four-wheel anti-lock brakes, electronic stability control, front active head restraints and six airbags.

If the Vue Green Line 2 Mode isn't environmentally friendly enough for you, Saturn plans on eventually adding a third hybrid later -- a plug-in version of the two-mode Vue.

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2009 Saturn Vue Green Line 2 Mode Hybrid

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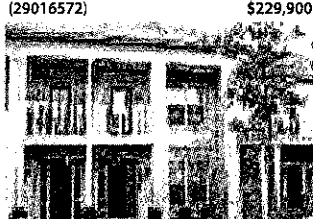
Allen Park 734-591-9200
WOW-1st time h/o move. Move right in now! Updates incl kit, ba, carpet, fin bsmt. Beau add. w/gas f/p, pool, wind over/king the pool & deck. Pool is heated & well maintained. There is no home in this area like this.
(28182370) \$135,500



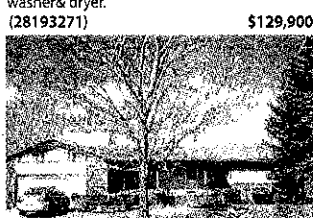
Belleville 734-551-7000
GREAT CONDO! Spacious 2nd fl ranch. 2BR/2 full BA. Cathedral ceilings. Neutral decor. Newer fring, lights & 3 ceiling fans. All appls. Huge closets. Deck overlooks pond.
(29017075) \$99,000



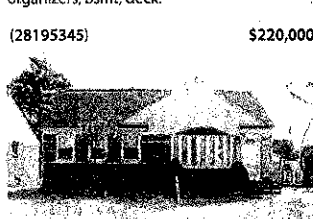
Canton 734-591-9200
Beau hme dwn street frm pk. Wlk to villag theater & main shps. Lg front por & upper balcony. 2 story fam rm, gourmet kit w/stnls stl appliances & high end cabinets. Cust blinds. Hdwd flrs in foyer, kit, brkfst nook.
(29016572) \$229,900



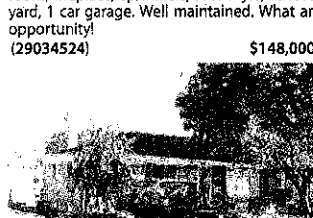
Canton 734-551-7000
SPECTACULAR CANTON CONDO in a golf course community w/2BRs & 2 full baths. Neutral all thru w/custom kitchen cabinets and attached garage w/opener. All SS appls + washer & dryer.
(28193271) \$129,900



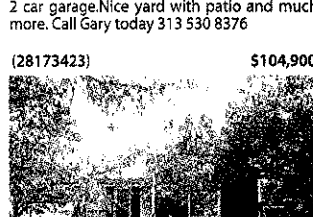
Commerce 248-684-1065
Charming ranch on half acre parcel. Great location, new carpet, 6 panel drs, FR w/FP, neutral decor, FF laundry, MBR w/ closet organizers, bsmt, deck.
(28195345) \$220,000



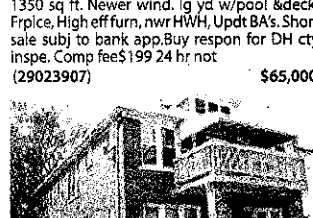
Dearborn 248-348-6430
Brick Ranch Ready To Move in Convenient Location! 3 bed, 2 bath, FIN'D BSMT, family room, fireplace, sprinklers, roof 7 yrs, fenced yard, 1 car garage. Well maintained. What an opportunity!
(29034524) \$148,000



Dearborn Heights 734-591-9200
North Dearborn Hgts Brick Rich w/fin bsmt Updated kitchen, hardwood flrs, vinyl windows, 2 car garage. Nice yard with patio and much more. Call Gary today 313 530 8376
(28173423) \$104,900



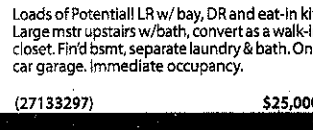
Dearborn Heights 734-591-9200
Lg Nth DH Hme on huge lot w/oversiz garag. Ovr 1350 sq ft. Newer wind. lg yd w/pool & deck. Frpice, High eff furn, nwr HWH, Updt BAs. Short sale subj to bank app. Buy respon for DH city type. Comp fee \$199 24 hr not
(29023907) \$65,000



Detroit 248-348-6430
Four Bedroom Unit Quadplex Great Income Potential! All brick. Updated: Brand new windows, electric system, 2 story deck, new carpet and paint, glass block in basement and parking in rear.
(28168002) \$38,500



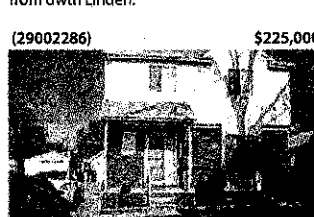
Detroit 248-348-6430
Loads of Potential! LR w/bay, DR and eat-in kit. Large mstr upstairs w/bath, convert as a walk-in closet. Fin'd bsmt, separate laundry & bath. One car garage. Immediate occupancy.
(27133297) \$25,000



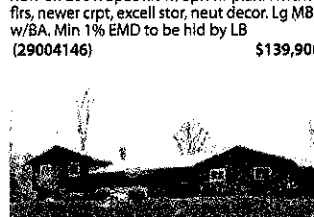
Detroit 248-348-6430
2 acre lot on private road with only 7 other homes on it. Property has a perk and survey. Restrictions and minimums available. Land contract option.
(29007265) \$49,900



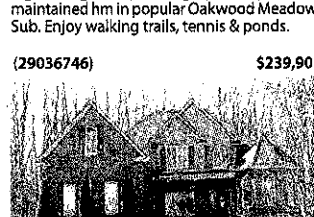
Fenton 248-684-1065
Build your dream home on this fabulous Lakefront acreage! 500 acres of all-sports lakes, wooded, W/O sites, gorgeous views! Minutes from dwtm Linden.
(29002286) \$225,000



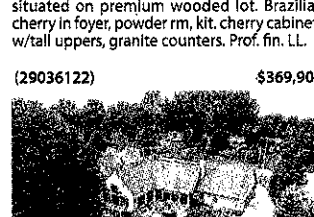
Garden City 734-591-9200
Newer hme built 2001. Move in Ready. Needs no work. Well Maintained in excell cond. Every new on 2001. Spac kit w/opr flr plan. Hdwd flrs, newer cprt, excell stor, neut decor. Lg MBR w/BA. Min 1% EMD to be hid by LB
(29004146) \$139,900



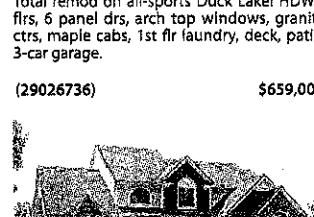
Green Oak 248-437-3800
Is It Summer Yet? Enjoy the beautiful 20'x40' inground gunite pool. Lrg open flr plan, well maintained hme in popular Oakwood Meadows Sub. Enjoy walking trails, tennis & ponds.
(29036746) \$239,900



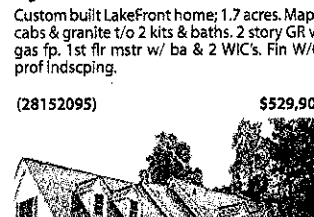
Hamburg 248-437-3800
Stunning Neo-Classic Home! Has 1st fl mstr, situated on premium wooded lot. Brazilian cherry in foyer, powder rm, kit, cherry cabinets w/all uppers, granite counters. Prof. fin. LL.
(29036122) \$369,900



Highland 248-684-1065
Total remodel on all-sports Duck Lake! HDWD flrs, 6 panel drs, arch top windows, granite ctrs, maple cabs, 1st flr laundry, deck, patio, 3-car garage.
(29026736) \$659,000



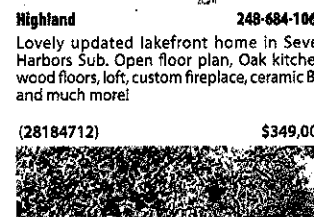
Highland 248-684-1065
Custom built Lakefront home; 1.7 acres. Maple cabs & granite t/o 2 kits & baths. 2 story GR w/ gas fp. 1st flr mstr w/ ba & 2 WICs. Fin w/O; prof Indscping.
(28152095) \$529,900



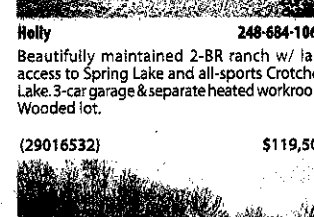
Highland 248-684-1065
Beautiful home! Quality materials & trim details t/o HDWD flrs & staircase, granite & natural cherry kit. 55 appl, bonus 4th rm, 150' on All Sports Duck Lake.
(28198231) \$499,900



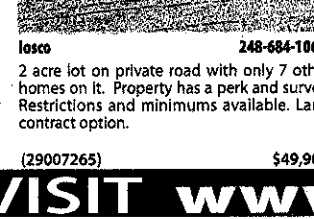
Highland 248-684-1065
Lovely updated lakefront home in Seven Harbors Sub. Open floor plan, Oak kitchen, wood floors, lft, custom fireplace, ceramic BA, and much more!
(28184712) \$349,000



Holly 248-684-1065
Beautifully maintained 2-BR ranch w/ lake access to Spring Lake and all-sports Crocheted Lake. 3-car garage & separate heated workroom. Wooded lot.
(29016532) \$119,500



Isco 248-684-1065
2 acre lot on private road with only 7 other homes on it. Property has a perk and survey. Restrictions and minimums available. Land contract option.
(29007265) \$49,900



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Livonia 248-348-6430
Immaculate Colonial Updated Kitchen... roof, windows, paint, HWH, stainless appls. 2 1/2 car garage, open floor plan, big yard. Close to mall schools (Stevenson High School), Freeway. Make an offer!
(29036454) \$200,000



Livonia 248-348-6430
4 Bed Colonial In NorthWest Livonia 2500 sq. ft. in sought after Stevenson High. Features: updated KIT, bath w/jacuzzi tub, extra large Florida room, new furnace & A/C, att deck and inground pool.
(29036933) \$168,000



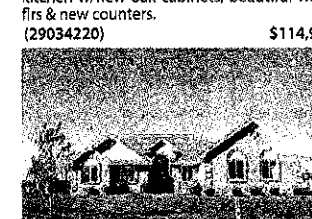
Livonia 734-591-9200
Open flr plan. Mint condit. Kim Oaks Rnch 1500 sq. ft. Beau fam rm w/fieldstone FP & door to priv patio. Lg uidetf oak kit w/ovrsz din area. Fin bsmt. Orig 3BR 1 wall moved to make 2x11 Mstr BR. Fined yd.
(29027488) \$154,900



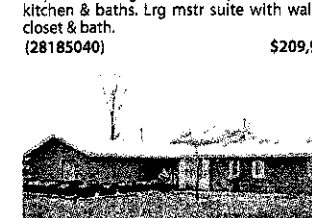
Livonia 248-348-6430
Highly Desirable Northwest Livonia! Features: Updated kitchen, ceramic baths. Stamped concrete walk & patio, bay window, full finished basement, BR and new driveway, 2.5 car garage & much more!
(29001443) \$120,000



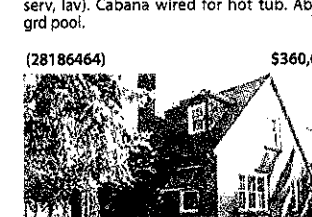
Livonia 248-437-3800
Big Value Move In Ready Home In Livonia! Spend your summer relaxing instead of repairing. Completely renovated. Offering an updated kitchen w/new oak cabinets, beautiful wood flrs & new counters.
(29034220) \$114,900



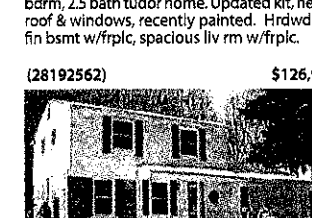
Livonia 248-437-3800
Ready For Immediate Occupancy! Waiting for buyer's flooring & countertop choices. Great flr plan. FP in great rm. Maple cabinets in kitchen & baths. Lrg mstr suite with walk-in closet & bath.
(28185040) \$209,900



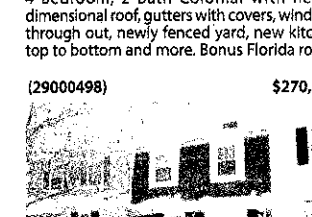
Livonia 248-684-1065
3 BR, 2BA open flr plan brick ranch. 2 pole barns w/ cement flr & 12" reinf. rero. 3-phase pwr serv. lav). Cabana wired for hot tub. Above grd pool.
(28186464) \$360,000



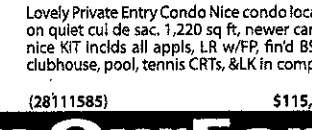
Monroe 248-208-2900
Awesome brick home! Tastefully decorated 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath tudor home. Updated kit, newer roof & windows, recently painted. Hdwd flrs, fin bsmt w/frplc, spacious liv rm w/frplc.
(28192562) \$126,900



Northville 248-348-6430
4 Bedroom, 2 Bath Colonial with newer dimensional roof, gutters with covers, windows through out, newly fenced yard, new kitchen top to bottom and more. Bonus Florida room!
(29000498) \$270,000



Northville 248-348-6430
Lovely Private Entry Condo Nice condo located on quiet cul de sac. 1,220 sq ft, newer carpet, nice KIT Incld all appls, LR w/FP, fin'd BSMT, clubhouse, pool, tennis CRTs, & LK in complex
(28111585) \$115,000



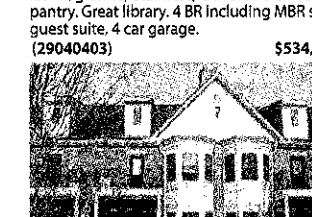
Northville 248-348-6430
Move in condition! 30x21 full flr, bsmt. HDWD flrs, all appl. Included including washer & dryer. 2 1/2 car garage w/ workbench. Home warranty offered.
(28170969) \$112,000



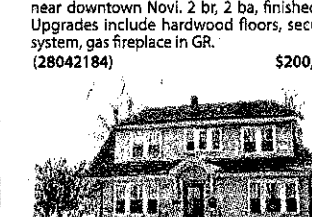
Northville 734-551-7000
THIS ONE'S A HONEY! Freshly listed! Choicest Northville 2BR/2BA walkout ranch condo with views worth painting! Stroll to town.
(29005554) \$105,900



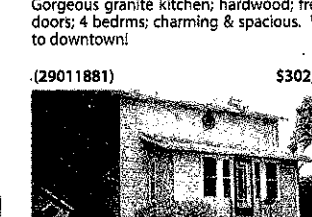
Novi 248-851-1900
BUILDER'S HOME. NORTHVILLE SCHOOLS Custom built '07. 1 acre lot. Gourmet island kit w/granite, stainless, travertine & walk-in pantry. Great library. 4 BR including MBR suite guest suite, 4 car garage.
(29040403) \$534,900



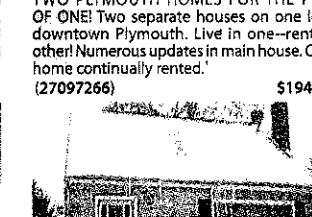
Novi 248-348-6430
Urban hip condo with suburban comfort Beautiful newer condo in great location near downtown Novi. 2 br, 2 ba, finished LL. Upgrades include hardwood floors, security system, gas fireplace in GR.
(28042184) \$200,000



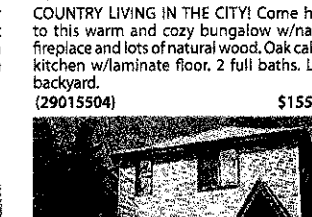
Plymouth 734-551-7000
THE HOME YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR! Gorgeous granite kitchen; hardwood; french doors; 4 bedrooms; charming & spacious. Walk to downtown!
(29011881) \$302,500



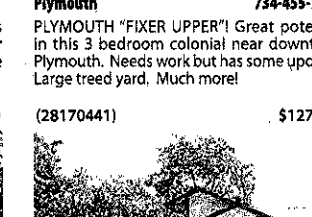
Plymouth 734-551-7000
TWO PLYMOUTH HOMES FOR THE PRICE OF ONE! Two separate houses on one lot in downtown Plymouth. Live in one--rent the other! Numerous updates in main house. Other home continually rented.
(27097266) \$194,900



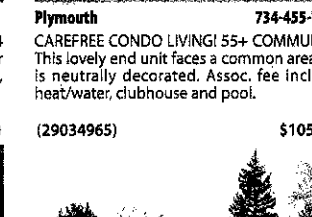
Plymouth 734-551-7000
COUNTRY LIVING IN THE CITY! Come home to this warm and cozy bungalow w/natural fireplace and lots of natural wood. Oak cabinet kitchen w/laminate floor, 2 full baths. Large backyard.
(29015504) \$155,000



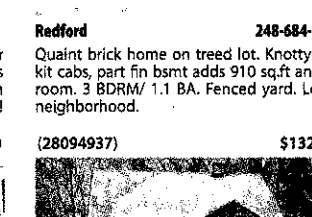
Plymouth 734-551-7000
PLYMOUTH "FIXER UPPER"! Great potential in this 3 bedroom colonial near downtown Plymouth. Needs work but has some updates. Large tree yard. Much more!
(28170441) \$127,500



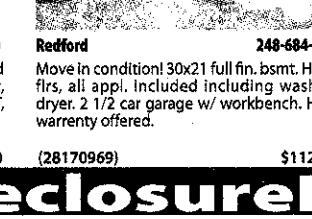
Plymouth 734-551-7000
CAREFREE CONDO LIVING! 55+ COMMUNITY! This lovely end unit faces a common area and is neutrally decorated. Assoc. fee includes heat/water, clubhouse and pool.
(29034965) \$105,000



Redford 248-684-1065
Quaint brick home on tree lot. Knotty pine kit cabs, part fin bsmt adds 910 sq ft and rec room. 3 BDRM/ 1.1 BA. Fenced yard. Lovely neighborhood.
(28094937) \$132,000



Redford 248-684-1065
Move in condition! 30x21 full flr, bsmt. HDWD flrs, all appl. Included including washer & dryer. 2 1/2 car garage w/ workbench. Home warranty offered.
(28170969) \$112,000



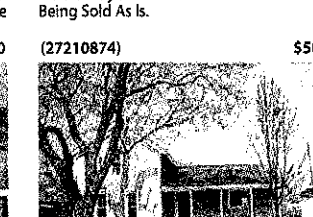
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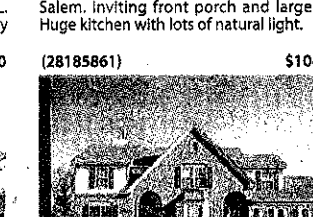
Romulus 248-208-2900
Great Opportunity! Own this 2 yr old home at a great price. 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths. Just needs some elbow grease and kitchen rehab.
(28167307) \$93,586



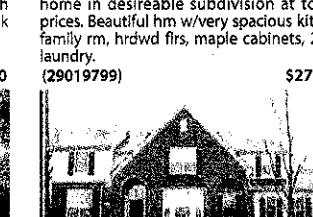
Romulus 248-208-2900
16422 Taft Brick Front Ranch With Newer Vinyl Siding. Quiet Starter Home For A First Time Home Buyer Or An Investor. Bank Owned Being Sold As Is.
(27210874) \$50,000



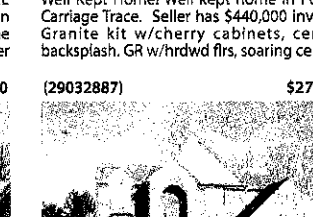
Salem 248-437-3800
Charming Farmhouse Lots of class put into this charming farmhouse in quaint downtown Salem. Inviting front porch and large yard. Huge kitchen with lots of natural light.
(28185861) \$104,500



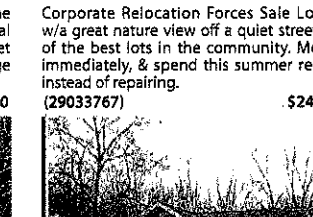
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Transfer Forgoes Sellers to Sell Stunning home in desirable subdivision at today's prices. Beautiful hm w/very spacious kitchen-family rm, hrwd flrs, maple cabinets, 2ns flr laundry.
(29019799) \$275,000



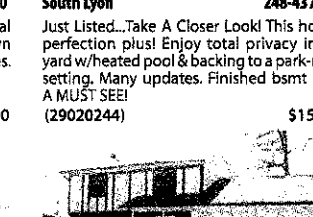
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Well Kept Home! Well kept home in Popular Carriage Trace. Seller has \$440,000 invested. Granite kit w/cherry cabinets, ceramic backsplash. GR w/hrwd flrs, soaring ceiling.
(29032887) \$275,000



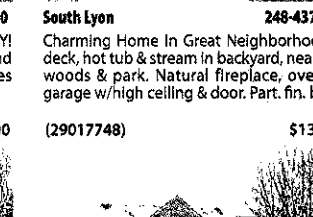
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Corporate Relocation Forces Sale. Located w/a great nature view off a quiet street. One of the best lots in the community. Move in immediately, & spend this summer relaxing instead of repairing.
(29033767) \$249,900



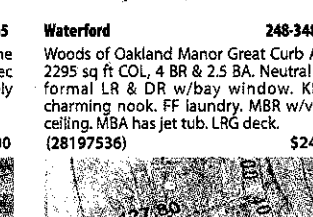
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Just Listed...Take A Closer Look! This house is perfection plus! Enjoy total privacy in back yard w/heated pool & backing to a park-nature setting. Many updates. Finished bsmt w/bar. A MUST SEE!
(29020244) \$159,000



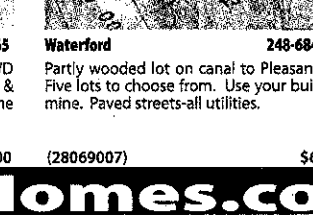
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Charming Home In Great Neighborhood Lrg deck, hot tub & stream in backyard, near trails, woods & park. Natural fireplace, oversized garage w/high ceiling & door. Part. fin. bsmt.
(29017748) \$132,500



Waterford 248-348-6430
Woods of Oakland Manor Great Curb Appeal 2295 sq ft COL, 4 BR & 2.5 BA. Neutral decor, formal LR & DR w/bay window. KIT has charming nook. FF laundry, MBR w/vaulted ceiling. MBA has jet tub. LRG deck.
(28197536) \$245,000



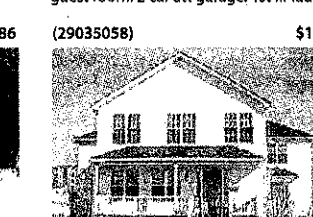
Waterford 248-684-1065
Partly wooded lot on canal to Pleasant Lake. Five lots to choose from. Use your builder or mine. Paved streets-all utilities.
(28069007) \$69,754



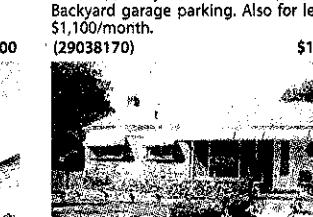
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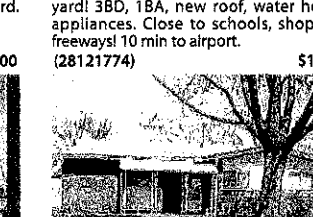
Wayne 734-284-5400
UNBELIEVABLE VIEWS Over 3000 sq ft of living space. Finished walkout basement w/ 3BRx19 great room, full bath, 13x12 library, & 12x12 guest room. 2 car att garage. 1st flr laundry.
(29035058) \$142,900



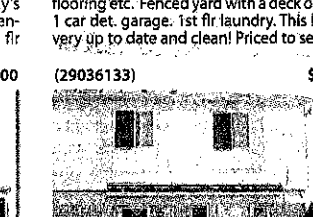
Wayne 248-348-6430
Close to Downtown, Bus and Ford Wayne Plant. Spacious 2 bedroom with MONSTER closets and tiny association fee (\$95/month). Backyard garage parking. Also for lease for \$1,100/month.
(29038170) \$124,500



Westland 248-348-6430
WHERE'S THE PARTY? RIGHT HERE! Great home w/inground pool & beautifully maintained yard! 3BD, 1BA, new roof, water heater & appliances. Close to schools, shopping & freeways! 10 min to airport.
(28121774) \$119,000



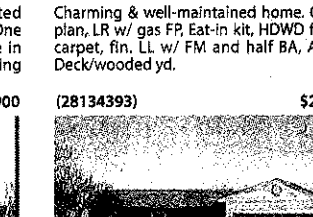
Westland 734-284-5400
MOVE IN CONDITION! Newer roof, paint, flooring etc. Fenced yard with a deck out back. 1 car det. garage. 1st flr laundry. This home is very up to date and clean! Priced to sell.
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Charming & well-maintained home. Open flr plan, LR w/ gas FP, Eat-in kit, HDWD flrs, new carpet, fin. LL w/ FM and half BA. All appl. Deck/wooded yd.
(28134393) \$200,000



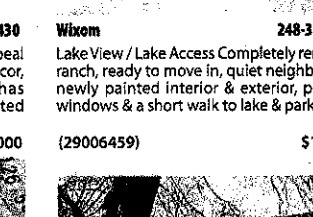
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Absolutely The Best! 3 BD, 2 BA home w/30' Great RM, a granite & maple island KIT, Fieldstone FP & sits on a premium corner lot. Stamped patio, fenced yard & huge carpeted REC room.
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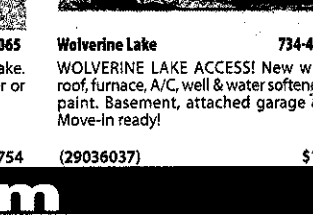
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Nice Home in Fine Neighborhood Nice Home, within walking distance to Loon Lake, HDWD floors entry, kitchen & living room, family room w/fireplace, great wooded lot, deck & quick possession
(27184865) \$164,000



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