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School board: The Van Buren Public Schools board meets at 7:30 p.m. in the administration building, 555 West Columbia, Belleville.

TUESDAY

Mandala class: Learn to access your own inner creative symbols to create colorful luminous mandalas in a 90-minute class beginning at 7:15 p.m. at the Plymouth Community Arts Council on Sheldon. There is a cost. Call Cathy Dyer at (734) 451-9953 for further information.

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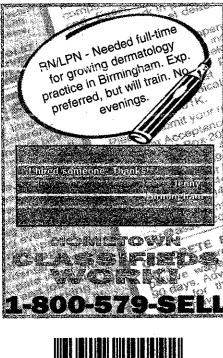
Eating for Lent: A fish and pasta buffet dinner is available Fridays at Summit on the Park Banquet and Conference Center through April 13. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children under 10. Doors are open from 4:30-7:30 p.m. No reservation necessary.

Sports banquet: The Plymouth Christian Academy presents "Have a Ball," a night of food entertainment and mingling with sports celebrities at Compuware Sports Arena. For ticket information on the fund-raiser, call the school, (734) 459-*3505*.

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Road solicitors prompt crackdown



Complaints from Ford Road drivers about solicitations at intersections have prompted Canton Police to take action and township officials are looking at ways to curb the practice.

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Since last fall, Ford Road drivers have been dodging what some call overzealous solicitations from members of a Florida-based religious organiza-

But beginning this month, anyone in the middle of Ford Road may be ticketed the moment they set foot out of the crosswalk. More rigid enforcement of the universal traffic code by police is,

in part, a response to complaints about the members of Deeper Life Christian Churches.

The Detroit and Pontiac churches are affiliates of The House of David, based in Tampa.

"We have previously allowed service clubs to solicit in the roadways," said Canton Public Safety Director John Santomauro. "But based on the volume and type of complaints, we had to make a move. Our motivation is traffic safe-

The Rev. Danny Williams, of the Detroit church, said the church raises money to "help people that no one else will, the dregs of society."

He explained he was for 27 years a crack cocaine user until being delivered by the church.

"Many of those people you see out there were also drug users, and were criminals and stealing things until God delivered them and now they're out

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District bus chief resigns

PLYMOUTH-CANTON

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

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Two years after he was hired to correct major problems in the Plymouth-Canton Schools transportation department, Director of Transportation Marv Bartal is resigning.

"I tried to correct the problems and it didn't work," Bartal said.

Bartal, who is leaving his position June 30, admitted there are major problems within the department that haven't been solved. But, despite his credentials, it's time for someone else to attempt solutions.

"It was like jumping right into the fire," said Bartal. "Every time something went wrong, the finger was point-

"I don't think I can contribute more to transportation than what I already have, so maybe it's time for someone else," said Bartal. "The day I resigned I went home and got eight hours of sleep."

Bartal's problems escalated twice this winter, once with parents and another with drivers. Both times, administration involvement was necessary to remedy the situations. Privately, some say that's what led to Bartal's

Parents in the rural areas of the district complained in January about buses not traveling the rural routes during poor weather, and not receiving

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First-graders get carded at the library

Round-up: **Taylor** Leipold reads at the Canton PublicLibrary as classmateAndrea Marshall looks on. First-graders from Tyler Elementary in Bellville visited the Library to learn about it, take a tour, see a puppet show and get their first library cards. During March, elementary schools from the Plymouth-Canton and Van Buren districts scheduleround-up sessions to introduce the

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Performing Arts Center tweaked during session

By CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER cmarshall@oe.homecomm.net

Planners announced earlier this week the Canton Performing Arts Center would move around Cherry Hill Village before it settled in its final location. The

made its first move.

Tuesday night, architects and village planners unveiled preliminary ideas for the center, which would sit at the end of a street which had come to be known as the Avenue of the Arts.

By Thursday afternoon, the site

day after the presentation, the center where the avenue had been situated missioner Catherine Johnson. "That's was on paper a parking lot, and the Performing Arts Center was placed at the northeast corner of Cherry Hill and

> Ridge roads. "There's got to be flexibility all the way around, or we won't get anywhere," said Canton Township Planning Com-

just part of the process."

The reason for the change included concerns about how retailers would fit in the village alongside the theater, explained Cherry Hill Village planner

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Dodson on schedule for fall



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHMANN

Site review: Principal Cheryl Clason talks with site supervisor Tony Rook inside of George Dodson Elementary School in Canton last week. The construction project will open to students next fall. The two talk in front of the future media center along the school's main corridor.

Spring home workshop features Observer's 'Appliance Doctor'

STAFF WRITER

Spring is finally here - and that means it's time to start sprucing up vour home.

Canton's Building and Inspection Services Division is hosting a free workshop for homeowners to help residents with their home improvement

There is a lot of interest in modernization and home improvement," said Canton Building Official John Weyer.

The workshop, slated for March 31, brings together a variety of experts in the field, as well as Canton township officials to assist residents with their projects.

"We have a lot of information and resources available within our community," Weyer said.

Joe Gagnon, the "Appliance Doctor,' is the featured speaker and will be pro-

There is a lot of interest in modernization and home improvement.

> -John Weyer, Canton Building Official

viding advice on home appliances and consumer issues.

Gagnon writes a weekly column in the Observer's At Home section, hosts a popular talk show on WJR-AM and Comcast Cablevision, and has also written several publications.

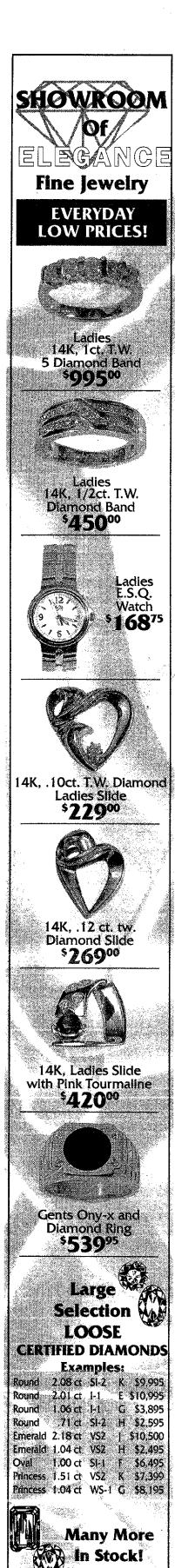
His new book, First Aid From the Appliance Doctor, is an in-depth look at the appliance industry and how to defend yourself in the marketplace.

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CARRIER OF THE MONTH: CANTON

Katie Gutkowski, 16, is Canton's Carrier of the month for March. The daughter of Chris and Gerry Gutkowski, she has one brother, Jim, 14.

A 10th grader at Divine Child High School, her favorite subject is Spanish. Her plans are to major in physical therapy. She enjoys dance and pom pon, for which she was a participant in the award for State Pom Pon

She likes seeing and helping the nice customers on her Observer route and says she has learned responsibility and dealing with money.

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Katie Gutkowski

Bentley teacher named Extra Miler by district

Alice Chrenko, Bentley Elementary School classroom teacher, was awarded the Extra Miler Award at the Board of Education meeting March 13,

Chrenko was cited for her positive approach to teaching. She allows children to be creative and to use their imaginations. She is very willing to try new ideas herself and is highly motivated and engaged with her profession as she continues to excite, surprise and endear herself to parents and students

Rachelle Benner states, "Mrs. Chrenko is very energetic and has implemented new and exciting things in her classroom. She shows great concern for her students and communicates wonderfully with her families!"

Parent Martin Hershock further states, "It is abundantly clear to anyone who spends even the smallest amount of time with Alice Chrenko that she is a truly gifted teacher. And, as with any great teacher, her students' welfare and progress are always foremost in her mind. She is accessible at all times. Parents are welcomed into the classroom. She has devoted her life to teaching and nurturing her students and an entire generation of children are the better

Alice Chrenko received a certificate of recognition, a pin of the Flag of Liberty and Learning, and a dinner gift certificate presented by Board Trustee Roland Thomas.

Police arrest woman with stolen narcotics

When Washtenaw County Sheriff deputies arrested a 30year-old Canton woman last week, they discovered she may had stolen \$400 worth of prescription drugs from the Farmer Jack Pharmacy at 225 S. Canton

The deputies said the drugs were in her possession when they arrested her, and she admitted stealing the drugs from an Ypsilanti Farmer Jack. However, the Canton Farmer Jack's store number was printed on the four bot-

The woman had allegedly pilfered 300 Xanax pills, 100 Tylenol with codeine, 100 Vicoden pills and 300 Alprazolam pills.

Farmer Jack employees told Canton police someone had apparently broken a lock to obtain entry to the area of the pharmacy where the prescription drugs are stored.

The woman was lodged in Washtenaw County Jail for an unrelated charge.

Child endangerment

Canton police stopped a drunk driver on Ford west of Lotz Road late on St. Patrick's day after **COP CALLS**

they spotted him driving 60 mph in a 45-mph-zone. The motorist then ran a red light.

When police officers pulled him over, they smelled intoxicants. The man's 4-year-old son was a passenger in the man's vehicle.

He was given a field sobriety test, which he failed, then arrested. He also failed his breathalyzer test, with a .157 percent blood alcohol level.

Police also noted he was drinking a beer while driving.

Just after midnight, Canton police stopped a woman motorist on Ford near Morton Taylor Road after observing her cross the center line twice.

Police noted she smelled like alcohol. According to police reports, she stated she doesn't drink, had not had anything to drink, and "insisted she would never drink and drive with her son in the vehicle."

She failed a field sobriety test and was arrested. Her blood alcohol level was .17 percent.

The woman's 13-year-old son was a passenger in her vehicle.

drunk driving and issued citations for child endangerment.

Disturbing the police

Canton police were called to a Mystic Court home to investigate a rude neighbor.

The victim, a 44-year-old man, told police his neighbor was peering with binoculars into his home.

When officers approached the neighbor, who was sitting in his back yard watching a portable television and drinking liquor, he bombarded them with expletives and told officers to leave him alone.

When police told him he couldn't look into his neighbor's window with the binoculars any more, he again swore at the offi-

He misidentified himself twice when officers asked his name, then told an officer that his brother-in-law is a U.S. Senator representing Ohio, and could have the officer fired.

The officer attempted to deliver a ticket for disturbing the peace but he wouldn't come to the door. Officers delivered the ticket to the man's wife.

The theater's entrance will be

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Jim Constantine.

"One of the biggest constraints regarding that plan," he said, "is how viable that commercial district going to be."

Constantine explained the district's retailers would more likely succeed if they were situated on a major thoroughfare like Cherry Hill rather than tucked away on an unfamiliar new side street.

"The focus has to be on creating

viable retail in the village. The only thing worse than no retail is retail that isn't viable. There was always a question as to when these commercial businesses would become viable," he said. "In five months, in five years?"

The theater's new location will lend itself to a more traditional urban form, which Constantine said didn't make sense at the end

of the avenue.

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at the intersection's corner and retail or restaurants will serve as building fronts on Ridge and Cherry Hill. "You can get two of the best. restaurants in the county sitting right there in the theater," Constantine said. The restaurants' entrances could be inside the theater lobby, he added. He explained the design will

serve the community well for several reasons. First, he explained, the theater entrance would be lit every night, including the two out of three nights there would be no theater events.

"The front portion could be lit every night of the week and have activity all the time," Constantine said.

Besides image, the new design could come down to a dollars-andcents advantage for the commu-

"If your theater were exposed on all four sides, like in the avenue plan, you have four sided visibility," Constantine said. "But limiting the front facade to just a corner, the visible architecture becomes less, and therefore can be very cost effective."

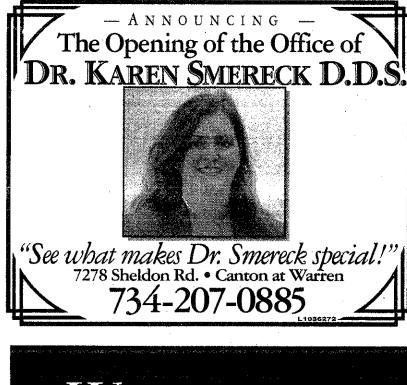
Behind the theater a 92-space parking lot would be constructed.

While some of the presentation's attendees asked about additional parking behind the theater, Constantine cautioned against an over-planned village and over-plentiful parking.

He said part of the charm of some towns is the tight parking. Municipal Services Director

Aaron Machnik agreed, citing Ann Arbor as an example, and said a parking ticket in Ann Arbor is like a "badge of honor." "You know you have the best

the parking spot in Ann Arbor if you have a parking ticket on your window," Machnik said.





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Books abound

Canton Library's new store stocked with bargains

By CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER cmarshall@oe.homecomm.net

Canton's generosity and love for a good read turned into fast cash Wednesday night at the Canton Public Library's used

bookstore's grand opening.
The store, Secondhand Prose, opened its doors Wednesday evening for a special "Friendsonly" preview, then opened to the public Thursday morning.

"It was a great success," said Marsha Barker, Friends and Volunteer Coordinator for the library. "We made \$2,000 in three hours."

She credits the opening night success to generosity from the Canton community, whose readers donate their used books, and to the dedicated, book-loving Friends.

"People were lined up at the door by 6 o'clock," she said. The decision to open the

bookstore was born of success of the Friends used book sales which have traditionally been three times a year.

Barker said the Friends usually bring in about \$30,000 a year from the three sales events, but a little research indicated they could be making as much as \$80,000 or \$100,000 annually.

Barker checked out similar stores in Ann Arbor, Midland and Troy. She then presented her findings to the Library Board of Trustees.

'We convinced the board it would be a good use of space," she said.

The space for the bookstore, however, is "the brightest and

lightest, roomiest of other bookstores like it," said Barker.
"Usually the used bookstore gets tucked away in a musty, dark basement somewhere."

More than books

Secondhand Prose, on the other hand, is in a bright and sunny corner of the library, and features comfortable chairs, cafe tables and, for a donation, coffee and biscotti.

Besides a wide variety of hardcover and paperback books, the store also offers compact discs, DVDs, videos and children's books. The store also boasts a selection of old and rare books, which include many first editions in good shape, most going for about \$20.

"We also have a surprising number of books from the late 1880s and early 1900s in our special selections," Barker said. While hardcover books and multi-media materials sell for \$1, the special items are marked at about half or a third of their market value, which Barker finds by researching on the Internet.

The store is manned entirely by volunteers, who work twohour shifts.

Proceeds from the sales and donations fund items that are not included in the library budget, such as courtyard sculptures, children's programming, the summer reading club and prizes for the young adult reading club.

The Friends also make donations to the Michigan Historic Collection, the Multicultural

Collection and the Women's Collection.

"Those are projects that are very near and dear to our hearts," Barker said.

"We also fund special emergency projects, like when the library needs a new print station that's not in their budget," Barker said. "We kind of pick up the slack."

The store is currently staffed by about 50 volunteers, but Barker said she could use 25 to 50 more to keep the store open during all of the library's operating hours.

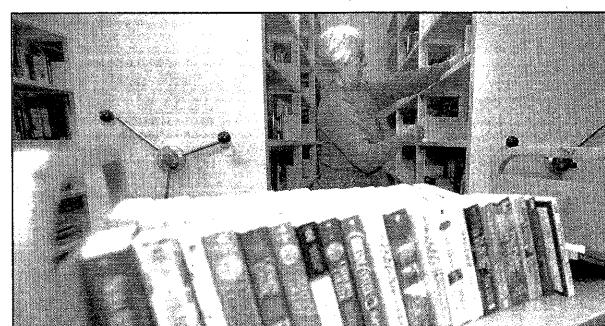
Barker is recruiting volunteers to work in the store, but laughs as she said, "I hate to even call it work. You come in and drink some coffee and talk to other people who love books."

Barker also invites people to donate their used books. Currently, the donation bins are in front of the library, near the book return. Soon, she said, the bins will probably be located behind the library.

The library gratefully accepts hardcover and paperback books and textbooks fewer than 10 years old. The library cannot accept magazines or condensed version books.

Secondhand Prose is open Monday, Wednesday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday 6 to 8 p.m., and Sunday during the school year noon to 4

For more information or to volunteer, call Marsha Barker at 397-0999, ext. 121.



Getting ready: Bevis Richardson stock shelves with books at the new used bookstore at the Canton Library which is now open five days a week.

Library Board of Trustees has opening

Canton residents who want to serve their community are invited to introduce themselves to the Library Board. The Canton Library Board of Trustees is searching for a new member to fill a

The spot on the board was vacated by Craig Gruber when he moved out of state earlier this month. Gruber had been appointed to the board before being elected to the four-year term in November.

The seat on the board is available to U.S. residents of Canton who are 18 years old or older. "Other than that, there are no specifics," said Library Administrative Assistant Karin Fisch. "We've had board members who come from all walks of life, teachers, doctors, attorneys, bankers, just your regule, citizens."

The board oversees the library and its director, sets policy and ensures executive performance. The board meets on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Those who would like to be considered for a board seat should send a letter of interest and a resume by April 9 to: James Gillig, Board Chairman, 1200 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48187.

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notification so students wouldn't be stranded at their bus stops.

Last month, bus drivers approached the school board, complaining of poor morale and a shortage of drivers to adequately cover the routes.

Bartal has worked for three different bosses since coming to the Plymouth-Canton school district, and said there have been many changes beyond his control. That's as far as he wants to take that discussion.

Superintendent Kathleen Booher admits working in the transportation department can with the territory.'

be a thankless position. However, she has conveyed on several occasions she expects the district's customers to be served well by the system.

"We do have specific challenges, and we still don't have solutions for those problems," said Booher. "To work for three supervisors in a short time can be difficult. Each has their own approach and expectations.

"Mary has given the school district a good effort," she added. "It's hard as a transportation director to be a hero. It comes

Bartal acknowledges one of the biggest challenges still facing the district is having enough bus drivers to cover the 100 bus

"Sometimes we deal with a 25 percent absenteeism rate by drivers," said Bartal. "There are some very good drivers who go above and beyond to cover the routes, but they get burned out.

"I've tried a lot of things like advertising, sending letters home and job fairs, but nothing seems to work," he said. "The substitute drivers have no benefits. And, with 95 percent of our

drivers female, and single mothers, they need benefits. Personnel needs to look at better pay and benefits."

"Not only does it affect the drivers, but the students and parents," added Bartal. "Students get home late and parents get angry. I can understand parents getting upset, but if we have no drivers, we can only do the best with what we have.

Unfortunately, Bartal will leave some of the same problems his predecessor, LuAnn Grech, left for him.

"I think I know what I'm doing," said Bartal, who is the president of the Michigan Association of Pupil Transportation. "I thought this would be the place I would retire from. But, when I can't even get past two years here, something is wrong."

CANTON CONNECTION

New fire captain

Kenneth S. Arble has been promoted to captain

by the Canton Fire Department. The 25-year-veteran assumed his new duties on March 14. He replaces retired Capt. Donald

"Ken is a very capable leader," Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher said in a prepared statement. "We feel he has the skill set and people skills to be a

highly effective captain." Arble joined the department in 1975 as a cadet/firefighter. For the past three years, he has

served as a lieutenant. Arble's promotion was one of four personnel

moves made by the department this month. James Sumner was promoted from firefighter to lieutenant and two new firefighters, Jamie Strasser and Brian Switzer, joined the depart-

Centenarian

The widow of former Canton Township Supervisor Louis Stein recently celebrated her 100th birthday recently.

Helen Adams Stein was born in New Boston and grew up in Wayne. A former teacher, she married Louis Stein in 1925 and the couple even-

tually settled in Canton. During his stint as township supervisor, Stein was chairman of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors.

Helen Stein moved to the Oakwood Common retirement community in Dearborn in 1993.

Kudos for Summit

The lifeguard staff at the Summit's Aquatic Center is a recipient of the Gold National Aquatic Safety Award from an Ellis and Associates, an independent consulting firm.

The award was given for "consistently exceeding the criteria for aquatic safety certification for the year 2000."

Outward bound

Danielle Hicks, a fifth-grader at Haggerty Elementary School in the Van Buren Public Schools district, is one of 49 metro Detroit students headed for Space Camp at Cape Canaveral, Fla.

Danielle's selection was based on her interest

and potential in mathematics and science. The Space Camp scholarship program is coordinated by the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency and sponsored by Loctite

Spring showcase: Park Players to stage 'The Sound of Music'

The Park Players of the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park present Rodgers & Hammerstein's classic family musical The Sound of Music at the Gloria Logan Auditorium for Performing Arts located inside Salem High School at 46181 Joy Road, Canton.

Performances are 8 p.m. April 5, 6, 7 and 3 p.m. April 8. Tickets are \$8 for adults, and \$6 for students and seniors. Tickets are on sale weekdays 2:30-5:30 p.m. and are available at the door on performance dates one hour prior to curtain.

The production is supervised by faculty at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. It is directed by Geoffrey Kopp, with Jennifer Neumann serving as vocal director; Catherine DePentu, orchestra director; Paul R. Bird, technical director and designer. The company features more than 100 students from Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton High Schools in the cast and crew.

The Sound of Music is based on the actual story of the Austrian Von Trapp family singers and their escape from Nazi occupation in 1938. Seniors Liz Filios and Will Hundley star as Maria and Captain Georg Von Trapp respectively. Other major roles are played by Meg Myland, Jerry Reid, Megan Carroll, Joe Drake, Valerie Akers, Kelly Filios, Devin Burnstein and Chris Lamar.

The Park Players under the direction of Geoffrey Kopp were recently honored as State finalists in the annual Michigan Interscholastic Forensic Association competition with their production of The Miser.



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doing the work of the Lord," Williams said.

Public pest

Canton Clerk Terry Bennett said so many people have called to complain or inquire about the roadway solicitations she can barely stay on top of all the phone messages she receives.

"Yesterday, just while I was at the Canton Chamber breakfast, I got 10 messages on my voice mail," Bennett said. "That's just while I was at breakfast."

She said people complain they can't make a turn onto Ford Road for fear of hitting one of the solicitors. They ask if the people are panhandlers, and complain that they are being very aggressive and are pounding on car windows and harassing motorists.

Capt. Laura Golles, who issued the directive to ticket the parishioners, said the group registered with the township on Oct. 25. The very next day, the phone complaints from motorists started, she said.

"It's been a continuous prob-lem for us," Golles said. "We've had complaints that they're beating on windows and harassing people."

Solicitors have been ticketed by police for several civil infarctions while collecting funds at the intersection of Haggerty and Ford roads. The infractions included impeding traffic and disobeying a pedestrian signal. Violation of the traffic code ordinance is a civil infraction, which is punishable by a fine.

Golles said the problem has become so bothersome, the township now must examine an ordinance that would prohibit all solicitation in the roadways, which then would also have a negative impact on local groups such as the Goodfellows, Knights

of Columbus and Kiwanis.

Unstoppable force

Williams said he doesn't believe the ordinance will ever come to fruition.

"This is the Lord's doing, and nobody can stop the work of God," he said. He added that people complain about the fundraising efforts because they don't understand the work of God.

"When I was out doing crack for 27 years, nobody cared about that," he said. "Until I pick up a can and go out into the street to do the work of the Lord." Bennett said getting the group

off the street has so far been impossible. She's called the Michigan Attorney General. She's called the IRS. And has found the township can do very little about non-profit groups.

She reported they are, indeed, registered with the state and with the IRS as a non-profit organization, and therefore, do not need to be licensed to raise

"We have no ability to cite

them for raising money," she said. "So we began looking to see if we have any alternatives to get them off of the right of way."

The township attorney advised officials their only recourse is to stop solicitors from impeding traffic under the universal traffic

Canton Police Sgt. Jerry Hardesty said the Deeper Life group is the only one he's aware of that has been the subject of complaints.

"The problem is that all it takes is one motorist not paying attention," Hardesty said. "As we all know what happens when a car and a body come together, the body doesn't stand a chance.' He added the people in the

roadway are causing a major distraction for motorists. 'We wouldn't get so many com-

plaints if it weren't bothering the drivers," he said. Williams sees it differently. He

said his flock is not in danger because they're doing holy work.

We all have an appointment with death anyway," he said. "We are all going back to God one day."

Bennett said the public has options when they're approached

by any street solicitor. The bottom line is they're here because we continue to give them money," Bennett said. "If you don't give them money, it won't be worth their while to be

Bennett encouraged motorists to go a step beyond calling to complain.

"If people feel they're intimidated, we need for them to refuse to give them money, and to also turn their cars around and drive to the police department and fill out a police report so we have a paper trail to show this is mode of operation for this group, and not an isolated inci-

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"We're fortunate to have Joe Gagnon as one of our speakers," Weyer said.

Gagnon is well known for recently advocating for consumers against water heater manufacturers who were using

defective plastic dip tubes. "What I am finding is that consumers are very interested in consumer protection laws," he

Gagnon sees consumer rights improving in Michigan.

Under (Attorney General) Jennifer Granholm's leadership, issues are being focused on and acted upon like never before. She cares for the little guy."

He is also deeply concerned with the deceptive practices and advertising within the service industry. "That is one of the things I am going to be focusing

Murray Gula, the host of "Home Improvement Radio," will also be on hand to address a number of issues that affect homeowners, from the "fix-it" to

the "fix-up."

His radio show informs the public and refers them to the right party, association or company to get the job done.

For residents considering a remodeling project, Tom Admusik of Regal Construction Co. will be on hand to help plan, and answer questions about your project.

He will talk about how to select a contractor, getting the proper permits and will also share some modernization tips.

N.A. Mans Building Center of Canton will be presenting with the newest product lines and construction materials.

"They will be showing the newest designs for kitchens and baths," Weyer said. Canton's Ordinance Inspectors

will also be at the workshop to answer queries about property standards, seasonal ordinances and how property complaints are handled.

The Canton Public Safety Department will field questions on crime prevention and traffic

Officers will address issues on subdivision streets, while Canton Fire Marshal Frank Barrett will provide insight on home safety during a remodeling project.

"Electrical wiring, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers and debris clean-up will be just a few of the topics covered," Weyer

The workshop is structured to feature Gagnon as the main speaker, then participants will be able to go to a number of concurrent "break out" sessions depending on their particular interests.

Except for Joe Gagnon, each session will be repeated twice," Weyer said.

The event, to be held at the Summit on the Park, is open to all Canton residents at no charge. Refreshments will be provided.

For more information, or to register for the workshop, call: (734) 394-5200.

Interested residents are asked to RSVP for the program by March 23.



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Plymouth Observer

\$51 million road project program gets under way

By RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER rpearl@oe.homecomm.net

Most of the \$51 million in 2001 road improvements announced this past week by Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara will be going to five west-county communities.

Some \$45.9 million of the roadwork will be done in Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Livonia, Westland and Redford Township.

Together, the five municipalities have 28 of the 70 total miles of roadway which the county has moved from its "perennial pothole-patching program" to its long-term improvement list, said roads department spokesman John Roach.

The projects involve resurfacing, widening, paving and rebuilding. The roads are among the county's worst.

Roach said the current slowdown in the national and state economies won't affect funding

CCW foes say petitions set to go

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm.net

Opponents of the recently passed "shall issue concealed weapons" legislation say they have enough signatures to put the law to a referendum on the November 2002 elections ballot.

The People Who Care About Kids Committee has gathered an estimated 200,000 signatures on its referendum petition drive, well over the 151,000 needed to earn a ballot spot, according to Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor and committee member Ruth Carter. She said the group hopes to get 225,000 signatures before the March 27 deadline for submission.

Committee members gathered at Mulligan's Golf Center in Auburn Hills Wednesday evening, March 14, to turn over petition forms. An estimated 2.000 were in attendance.

Glenda Edwards of National Petition Management, a circulation company based in Southfield, said late petition forms can still be turned in through March 21 at 25820 Southfield Road, Suite 209, in Southfield. Anyone who would still like to sign petitions may go to that location to add their names as well.

The referendum is an attempt to overturn a bill passed last year by state lawmakers that requires local county gun boards to issue permits to carry concealed weapons unless applicants have a criminal record or a history of mental illness. The law also mandates that applicants take weapons training classes, be over age 21, and establishes gun-free zones.

Opponents are petitioning against the law on the belief it will put 200,000 new guns on the streets in Michigan.

Despite the fact the bill included a \$1 million appropriation for the distribution of trigger locks, Carter said the group has continued to collect signatures. The state Constitution prohibits referendum petitions on appropriations bills, but Carter explained it will be up to lawmakers to sue to keep the referendum off the

More likely, Sen. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, said, the petition will be rejected by the Secretary of State's office and committee members will have to sue to get the question placed on the ballot.

Referendum supporter and Wayne County Prosecutor Mike Duggan has said attempts in the past by the legislature to protect bills by adding appropriations provisions have proven unsuccessful. The courts have overruled lawmakers and placed the question on the ballot anyway.

■ Opponents are petitioning against the law on the belief it will put 200,000 new guns on the streets in Michigan. for the projects. "All this funding" is already secured, he said.

But as for future years, (it will be) wait and see," he said.

Among the west-county projects is the one in Canton which last week kicked off the ambitious county construction program: The rebuilding of heavily traveled Canton Center Road between Ford and Warren roads. That one alone accounts for

Even larger dollar-wise is the

\$7.5-million half-mile grade separation work that will kick-off construction of the much-awaited CSX Railroad overpass on Sheldon Road at the City of Plymouth/Plymouth Township boundary.

That is the most expensive project and the one with the greatest impact, but it also will be the last one to get under way this year: Work won't begin until

However, the work will neces-

■ The county will post regular updates on all road projects via its Web site, www.waynecounty .com/wayneroads

sitate closing Sheldon at the crossing for more than a year while the bridge is constructed and the road is rebuilt.

"As this project gets closer, we'll be providing plenty of information for motorists, residents and businesses in the area," said Cameron Priebe, the county's director of public services.

Priebe noted the project "will eliminate the inconvenience of delays caused by crossing trains' and promised "we'll do our best to minimize the inconvenience during the construction process.'

In general, plans call for traffic to be re-routed around to Beck Road on the west and I-275 on the east, according to Roach. The railroad project will follow the reconstruction of the I-275 and M-14 intersection this summer,

he said. The county will post regular updates on all road projects via its Web site, www.waynecounty. .com/wayneroads, throughout

the year. "Our road improvement effort

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SUSAN MAHADY

Services for Susan Mahady, 92, of Livonia, were held March 21 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev.

John Sullivan officiating. Burial | was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Mahady was born Aug. 3, 1908 in Minneapolis, Minn., and





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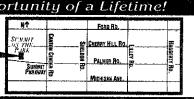
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died March 19 in Farmington Hills. She was a homemaker, married over 25 years. She came to the Livonia community in 1993 from Farmington Hills. Before that she lived in the Washington, D.C., area. She was a member of St. Fabian Catholic Church in Farmington Hills. She loved to travel and being with her family.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred Mahady; and daughter, Marilyn Riopelle.

Survivors include her son. Patrick of Bethesda, Md.; son-inlaw, Jim Riopelle; and grandchildren Jeffery Riopelle, Jennifer Riopelle, Brenden Mahady and Kelly Mahady.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

GEORGE EDWARD HAYNES

Services for George Edward Haynes, 64, of Plymouth were held March 19 in Chapel Hill, Tenn., with burial at Triune Cemetery in Chapel Hill, Tenn.

Mr. Haynes was born Feb. 23, 1937 in Chapel Hill, Tenn., and died March 14 in Novi. He cut down and maintained trees for Wayne County. He retired from the county recently. He came to the Plymouth community in 1975 from Redford. He was a member of the VFW Post 6695 of Plymouth and the Moose Lodge in Livonia. He loved fishing, boating and working with trees. He played the steel guitar and loved Elvis. He was a loving husband, father, stepfather,

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grandfather, brother and son.

Survivors include wife, Clarice of Plymouth; daughter, Jennifer Haynes of Plymouth; stepchildren, James (Cheryl) Toomey of Plymouth; Jeffrey (Tina) Toomey of Romulus, and Julie (Chris) Yeskie of Plymouth; stepgrandchildren, Kristin Toomey of Romulus and Nicholas Toomey of Plymouth; mother, Lila Haynes of Murfreesboro, Tenn.; sister. Barbara Wingerter of Murfreesboro, Tenn.; and brother, Norris Havnes of Manchester, Tenn.

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DALE R. MELLINGER

Dale R. Mellinger, 39, of Northville (formerly of Plymouth) passed away on March 20 in Northville. He was born Feb. 23, 1962 in Livonia. He attended Northville High School and worked as an EMT in Detroit. He loved fishing and received a State award in fishing last year.

He was preceded in death by

his mother. Jennie Mellinger. Survivors include his father, Duane Mellinger of Northville: brother, Robert (Renee) Mellinger of South Lyon; sister, Marjorie Sue (Joseph) Hay of Howell; and nephew, Joseph Hay, Jr. of Howell.

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RANDALL E. "DUTCH" SCHUETTE

Visitation for Randall E "Dutch" Schuette,

"Pump

Abbeville, Ala. (formerly of Plymouth) were held March 23 at

Schrader-Howell Funeral Home. Mr. Schuette was born Nov. 8, 1914 in Saginaw and died March 18 in Alabama. He lived in Algonac for a short time and then he moved to Arizona for 30 years and he moved three years ago to Alabama. He was the former owner of Northwest Beer Distributors in Garden City (Miller Beer). He was a member of the Plymouth Elks and loved to fish and ride horses.

Survivors include son, Rohn (Billie) Schuette of Abbeville, Ala.; grandson, Marc (Laura) Schuette of Abbeville, Ala.; granddaughters, Drema (Steve) Maxwell of Abbeville, Ala., and Rita Norton of Tennessee; great grandchildren, Justin Schuette. Korey Maxwell, and Ashlee Schuette; brother, Eugene (Matilda) Schuette of Redford; and niece, Marcia Lonteen of Waterford.

DOROTHY H. PETTITT

Services for Dorothy H. Pettitt, 87, of Inkster will be held March 31 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, with burial at Riverside Cemetery in Ply-

Mrs. Pettitt was born June 25, 1913 in Detroit and died March 18 in Plymouth. She was a homemaker. She came to the Inkster community 18 years ago from Tarpin Springs, Fla. and was a former member of The Order of Eastern Star. She enjoyed playing cards with her family.

She was preceded in death by

her husband, Louis.

Survivors include daughters Connie (Pete) Breitenbeck of Plymouth, Jackie (Warren) Bremenkampf of Brooklyn, and Barbara (Tom) Mrakitsch of Taylor; 12 grandchildren, 17 greatgrandchildren; one great-greatgrandchild; and brother Lewis (Irene) Fowler of San Diego,

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Disease Association.

PATRICIA LYNNE ZYGMUNT

Services for Patricia Lynne Zygmunt, 36, of Canton, were held March 21 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with burial in Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

Mrs. Zygmunt was born Dec. 30, 1964 in Detroit and died March 17 in Canton. She was a former teacher in Ypsilanti and Livonia and a homemaker. She came to the Canton community six years ago from Livonia and was a member of Old St. Patrick's Catholic Church. She was a graduate of Churchill High School in Livonia and Eastern Michigan University. Herhusband and daughters were her

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Jeannette

Survivors include her husband, Craig Zygmunt of Canton; daughters, Abigail and Olivia Zygmunt of Canton; aunts. Carol (Melvin) Talovich of Howell, and Susan (Lawrence) Herman of Plymouth; and many cousins.

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Election vote counting is not 'a well-oiled machine'

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE

Did you vote in last year's election? Or did your ballot get tossed out later due to some error you didn't know you made?

Errors can be made with any type of voting system, according to Chris Thomas, director of the Michigan Elections Bureau. On Thursday, Feb. 15, he gave an overview of Michigan's voting process to the House of Representatives Redistricting and Elections Committee, which is considering reforms to the state's vote-casting method in the wake of the election debacle in Florida

this past November. "Michigan is not in crisis," Thomas said. State lawmakers have already addressed many of the questions, as a result of a couple of contentious gubernatorial recounts back in the 1950s, about how votes are to be counted that Floridians were still wrestling with this past year. For example, Michigan law already specifies that "hanging chads" only count as votes if two corners are broken away. Chads with three corners still attached or merely "dimpled" aren't good enough to count as votes in this

But thanks to Florida, Thomas said, the public has learned that our election tabulation process is "not a well-oiled and efficient counting machine." In Michigan, too. there is still a good deal of room for improvement, he said.

Thomas stopped short of making specific recommendations for reform Thursday, but his boss, Secretary of State Candice Miller, already has. During last year's controversy in Florida, she called for the adoption of a statewide standard voting system. Miller did not recommend which system - punch cards, optically scanned ballots, computer touch screens - should be used, just that all municipalities should use the same one. That way, voters would not have to learn a new balloting system

when they move from one com-

munity to another.

"Uniformity would be a marvelous thing," Thomas agreed. "In some places, you have four or five different systems within a single county. Try to do a voter education program on any scale when you've got four or five systems within a county. It isn't going to happen."

The most frequent cause of spoiled ballots is voter error, Thomas said. It is not unusual for 10 percent of votes to be lost in a primary election when voters improperly cross over from one party to the other.

Even the new computer touch screen polls can be misused. In the last election, Thomas noted in one precinct that 27 voters did not cast ballots for president. Some don't vote for president, but he also speculated they may have misused the touch screen. When voters touch the party line button, the computer automatically puts checks in the boxes of all candidates who then get votes. Some voters may have incorrectly thought they needed to go through the ballot and uncheck those boxes, Thomas suggested.

Optical scan ballots can produce errors when a voter tries to erase a vote and make a different selection. The scanner may read the smudge and reject the ballot as an "overvote."

That's fine if scanning equipment is in the precinct and the voter gets another chance to cast his or her ballot, but some municipalities have tried to save money by placing scanners only in a central location. Those votes will be lost then, because the voter will have long since gone home, Thomas explained.

Currently, Michigan has a real mix of systems. Of the more than 5,000 precincts in the state, most use optical scanning equipment, but nearly 1,500 use punch cards. Only a few have moved to touch screen computers. More than a 100 still use paper ballots, and almost 700 still have

the old mechanical lever voting machines.

Thomas said cities seem to prefer optical scanners at present, which are much less expensive than touch screen computers. A precinct can be equipped with a scanner for \$4,000 to \$5,000, where touch screens for that same precinct might run \$16,000.

If the state were to require a switchover to a single system, Miller's office believes the state would have to pay for the purchase of that new equipment. Presently, individual municipalities are expected to buy their own voting equipment.

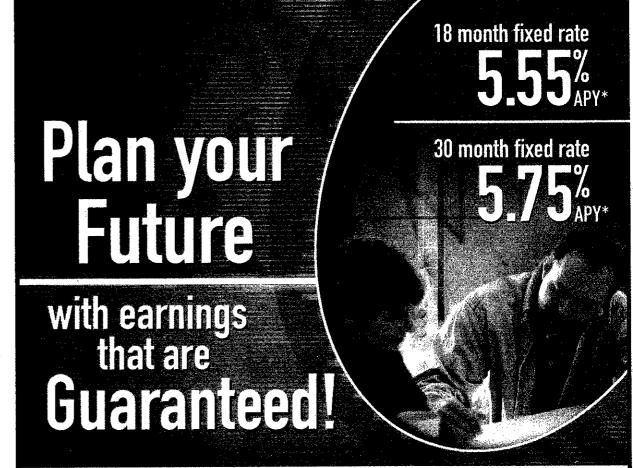
Michigan is a step ahead of most states, since it has a Qualified Voter File system in place, a process for registering voters as they apply for their drivers' licenses, or change the address on their license when they move. It is a system no other state has, Thomas said.

When voters register at Secretary of State offices, notification is sent electronically to the clerk in the resident's new community, and to the community that resident is leaving so that the person can be eliminated from voter rolls there. Paper confirmation follows within days.

The system keeps voter rolls up to date and gets notification of new registrations to clerks quickly, Thomas said.

But it sometimes fails, state Rep. Nancy Quarles, D-Southfield, pointed out. In the last election, five seniors from Groves High School in Birmingham and Oak Park High were turned away from the polls because clerks had not received notification of their registrations.

There is already a system in place to handle that problem, Thomas said. If a voter has registered but poll workers don't have him or her on their list, the voter need only file an affidavit saying that indeed he or she has registered. Once the affidavit is filed, the voter will be allowed to cast a ballot.



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is continuing at a pace that is ing two miles of complete reconnearly double what it was five years ago," McNamara said. "While there is still a lot of work yet to be done, we are seeing measurable progress from year

to year." He noted among the other major projects this year is the complete overhaul of five miles of Van Born Road, from Venoy Road to Telegraph Road, includ-

struction.

When completed later this year, Van Born Road will be completely pot-hole free its entire 14-mile length, from Canton Center Road in Canton to the Southfield Freeway, McNamara said.

Priebe said, "Watching our road system improve is sort of like watching a child grow.

"When you're up close, you don't notice the changes as much over time, but because we measure our results through an annual road survey, we can clearly see that progress is being made," he said.

A major contributor to the county's success, he stated, is its quality control program, which is recognized by road builders as being the state's most extensive.

"By placing intense scrutiny on the materials that are used and the construction process, we are able to catch any potential problems before they become part of a final product," Priebe

"As a result of this front-end approach to quality control, we have not had the kinds of problems that some other road agencies have seen with premature pavement failures," he said. The county will invest an addi-

tional \$3.3 million in preventive maintenance efforts, such as crack-sealing, pavement removal and replacement, and microsurfacing to help extend the life of roads that were resurfaced several years ago.

"Now that we have stabilized

the majority of road system, we have more discretionary funds that we can use to concentrate on good, basic preventive maintenance," said Patrick Hogan, county roads director.

"This will keep our roads in good condition longer an ultimately save us a great deal of money," he said.

14 volunteers are sworn in

BY RICHARD PEARL STAFF WRITER rpearl@oe.homecomm.net

Marlene Briolat of Livonia and Barbara Granger of Westland were among the 14 new CASA volunteers from across the Detroit area sworn in Monday, March 19, by Judge Mary Beth Kelly, Family Division presiding judge in the 3rd Circuit Court.

Briolat, Granger and the others bring to 26 the number of volunteers advocating for some 88 abused and neglected children through the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) service established in 1997.

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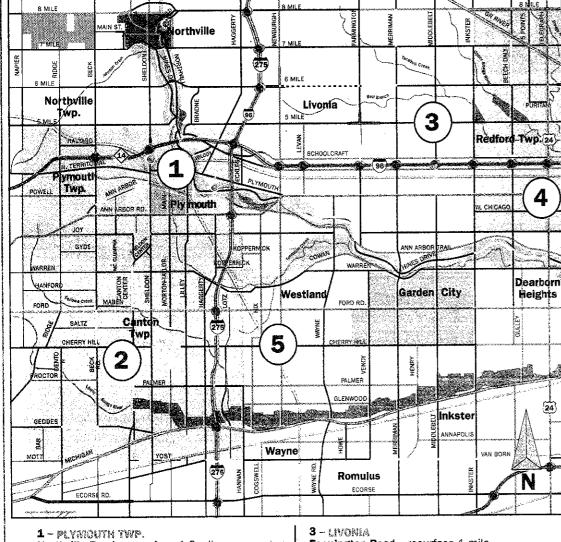
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2 - CANTON TWP Joy Road - see Ply. Twp. Beck Rd. - pave gravel, from Cherry Hill Rd. to Ford Rd. (1 mile) and Michigan Ave. to Geddes Rd. (.7-mi.) Canton Center Rd. - bridge reconstruct over

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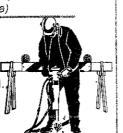
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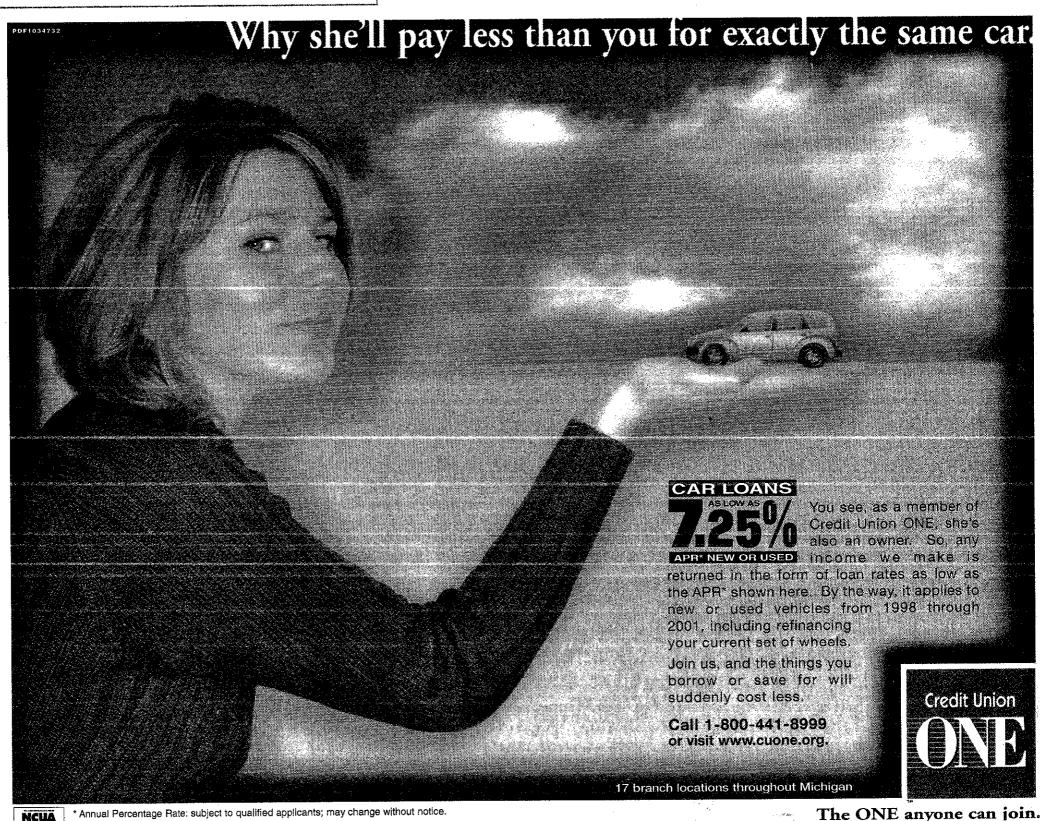




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Splitz standouts

Splitz Gymnastics, located in Canton, finished sixth in the Michigan Level 7 State Championship meet March 17-18 and had several standout performers.

Alyssa Kelley, from Plymouth, collected three state titles in the 12year-old division, winning the vault (9.4), uneven parallel bars (9.575) and all-around (36.65). Kelley was also third in floor exercise (9.175).

Christa Smutek, from Livonia, was third in the all-around in the 7-10 division with a 36.975. She was second on balance beam (9.3) and floor (9.325) and fifth on vault.

Kristie Savage, of Dearborn, was second on beam (8.95) and floor (9.2) in the 12-year-old division.

Meghan Barida, from Canton, took fourths on bars (9.25) and floor (9.125) in the 12-year-old division. And Megan Narus, from Northville, was fifth in floor (9.15), eighth on bars (9.25) and 10th all-around (35.825) in the 11-year-old division.

The team's score was 110.025. Last month, the Splitz team traveled to Chicago for the Chicago Style Invitational, one of the largest of its kind in the country, featuring more than 2,300 competitors.

The best team finish was provided by the Level 7s, who finished tied for second. Top individuals included Smutek, a first in the all-around (36.825) with firsts on beam (9.325), floor (9.5) and vault (9.325); Kelley, with a first on vault (9.475), third allaround (37.45), fifth bars, seventh beam and ninth floor; Barida, a sixth on bars: Savage, an eighth on bars and an 11th all-around; and Narus, a third on floor (9.45), a fifth allaround, ninths on beam and bars and an 11th on vault.

The Level 5s placed fourth, with Lindsay Bridges, from Canton, finishing first on beam (9.475), floor (9.55) and all-around (36.675), with a second on vault and a third on bars: Andrea Rivera, from Belleville, a first on floor (9.4), third on bars (9.25), a fourth on vault and a third allaround; Kali Pierce, from Canton, second on beam (9.15) and sixth on floor; Megan Valentini, from Canton, fourth on floor; Hannah Allen, from Canton, seventh on vault; Taylor Standish, from Plymouth, third on vault (9.05) and ninth on bars; and Mandy McManus, from Canton, fifth on vault, sixth on bars, ninth on beam and seventh all-around.

The Level 6s got superb showings from Lindsay Allen, from Canton, first on beam (9.325), seventh on bars, seven on floor and fourth allaround; Amy Quiambao, from Plymouth, seventh on bars, sixth on floor and seventh all-around; Katerina Kariotis, from Canton, 10th on bars; Lindsey Petrusha, from Plymouth. fourth on beam and seventh on floor; and Alyssa Bredugh, from Novi, sixth on floor and ninth on bars.

Lady Ocelots honored

Schoolcraft College's Rachel Eley and Angelica Blakely were each honored by selection to the all-Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference team, and Lady Ocelot head coach Karen Lafata was named coach of the year.

Eley, a freshman point guard from Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher, was a first team selection and was runnerup in the MVP voting. She led SC in scoring (12.5 points), assists (6.3) and steals (6.3).

Blakely, a sophomore from Detroit Kettering, was named to the second team. She led the Ocelots in rebounding (8.5) and field-goal shooting (52.7 percent) and was second in scoring (11.2).

Lafata has guided SC to the NJCAA Tournament in Hagerstown, Md., where the Ocelots were 1-1 going into Saturday's game.

Softball Center offerings

The Canton Softball Center, located at 46555 W. Michigan in Canton, has several upcoming events of interest. Call (734) 483-5600 for further infor-

· Youth All-Skills Baseball and Softball Clinic: From noon-5 p.m. May 5, for ages 7-14, five hours of professional instruction from, among others, Plymouth Canton baseball coach Scott Dickey, including take-home drills sheet, contests, sports break, T-shirt, rules review, etc. Cost is \$50 per camper.

. Softball Umpires Wanted: The Canton Softball Center will offer a free USSSA Umpires Training Session from 6:30-8 p.m. March 30. New and experienced umps wanted. Rules review and registration for 2001 offered. Multiple games (at \$18 per) per night, flexible schedule.

Last-second shot beats SC



It was an experience for Schoolcraft College, this trip to the NJCAA Tournament, and not always a pleasant one. But despite two overtime losses, the Ocelots made a good account of themselves.

Now Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team knows what separates winners from losers at the NJCAA Division I Tournament.

With 13 seconds left in overtime. SC's Derrick Bird nailed two free throws to put the Ocelots ahead of Okaloosa-Walton (Fla.) CC 96-93. Unfortunately for SC, the lead didn't

Demetrius King sank a three-pointer from the wing with 5.6 seconds left to tie it for Okaloosa. That was only part of the bad news for SC; Mike Peek's

inbounds pass was pilfered by Kedrick Brown at midcourt.

Brown took two dribbles and launched a 28-footer that went through as the buzzer sounded, giving Okaloosa a 99-96 victory in a consolation-round game played Thursday in Hutchinson,

The Ocelots finish their first-ever trip to the NJCAA Tournament with a 1-2 mark, both losses coming in overtime; they end their season with a 32-4 overall record. Okaloosa, 29-5 after the win, advanced to yesterday's game for fifth place.

"We played some tough teams here," said SC coach Carlos Briggs. "It feels like we were snakebitten. Their shots seemed to fall at the right times. On that three by King, we had a hand in his face and he still hit it.

"We showed we can compete with the best. We made a decent showing - but we still didn't show what we were capable of doing."

Bird led the Ocelots with 22 points, including 3-of-5 on three-pointers. Keanan Weir scored 20 (4-of-5 on threes), Sam Hoskin had 19 points and eight rebounds, Dave McGlown totaled 18 points (3-of-5 threes) and five assists, and Peek scored 11.

Brown, a 6-foot-7 forward headed to Lousiana State, topped Okaloosa with 32 points, including 5-of-10 on threes.

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WOMEN'S HOOP Ocelots win, fight for 5th

Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team didn't surrender in its trip to the NJCAA Division II Basketball Tournament, held in Hagerstown, Md.

After a poor performance in their tournament opener last Wednesday, a 64-43 loss to Monroe (N.Y.) CC, the Lady Ocelots rebounded to upend South Suburban (III.) College 70-60 in a consolation-round game Thursday.

The win sent SC (26-6) to Satur-

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Nationally renowned



Best in the state: Last year, Canton's Anne Morrell (in white) was co-winner of the state's best soccer player award.

Canton has to be a bit more than a stage for Anne Morrell

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.homecomm.net

Three major contributors from last season's 21-2-2 team that advanced to the Division I girls soccer state final are lost. That's the bad news for Plymouth Canton's team.

Everything else is bright. The Chiefs have a team that's been ranked sixth nationally, one that has in place nearly all the key components from last season's squad.

Starting, of course, with the state's co-player of the year in 2000: Anne Morrell.

As a junior, Morrell - who committed to attend North Carolina a year ago — scored 38 goals. She had 10 in seven state tournament games.

She's been ranked as one of the best players in the nation for several years. The only honor that has escaped her is a state championship for her team.

The Chiefs came close last season. They beat some powerhouses in the state tournament in reaching the final, including Plymouth Salem, Livonia Stevenson and Brighton.

But against Troy Athens in the title match they came undone, losing 4-1. Both of their losses last year were to Athens.

"Yes, they did (have a lot of talent)," Canton coach Don Smith said of the Red Hawks. "We did too, we just didn't use it as well. We had done a good job of getting everyone involved until that last game."

As far as that season-ending defeat, Smith only said, "I haven't dwelled on it. I hope they learned their lesson." There has seldom been a team

returning as much talent as Canton does. The 1998 Livonia Stevenson squad, which was unbeaten in winning the state title, comes to mind.

That doesn't mean the road will be easy for Canton. Not hardly. Stevenson, with its own superstar in Lindsay Gusick, has been ranked 17th nationally. And although Salem lost

Finding ways to use Gusick to be a key in Stevenson's season

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK STAFF WRITER

Sometimes soccer is like a bridge

When you've got an ace, everybody else is hopeful they can trump it.

That's Livonia Stevenson's situation this spring.

The Spartans have one of the state's ace of aces in Lindsay Gusick, a premier player who is a viable candidate for Michigan's Miss Soccer award (for which one of her chief competitors will be Anne Morrell of league rival Plymouth Can-

A complete player such as Gusick is something many teams are void of which means they'll be trying any way they can to trump her as a means toward beating Stevenson.

Lindsay Gusick

Spartan star

Coach Jim Kimble of Stevenson

goes through this just about every year, though, so he's already concocting a game plan to bring home his bid of a competitive team at the state:

"As far as we go will depend on how well she does," Kimble said bluntly, "how well we protect her and how well we hide her as far as tactics go."

Come again? What's to hide?

Gusick will be visible all over the field as one of the most talented forwards in the state. Everybody's going to be watching her.

Which is why Kimble is brewing up a no-trump plan for Gusick and the Spartans.

"There are options (for us) rather than having her have to score all the goals," Kimble said. "We've got some young forwards who could be pretty good. We might move her back to midfield on occasion.

"So that gives us a couple of different dimensions we can go to - which

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Fierce rivals: Stevenson's Dana White (left) and Canton's Please see CANTON SOCCER, B5 | Amanda Lentz will be prominent. So will their teams.

Good coaching, good teams

Observerland boasts top talent, state's best teams

By RICHARD L. SHOOK STAFF WRITER

You don't do it for the money; that's for sure. Because the pay for coaching at the high school level would have to be multiplied by 10 just to reach minimum wage, based on the hours put in.

And Terry Jobbitt doesn't coach for the recognition,

either, although he was recognized as the Observerland Coach of the Year for the 2000-01 hockey season for the job he did with the Livonia Franklin team. "You don't do it for that type of recognition," Job-

bitt said. "You do it because you love coaching and you want to help the kids to go somewhere and do something.

"You want to see the kids go to a higher level at the end of the year."

Jobbitt also is thrilled to say his team is one of 19 that earned all-scholastic honors with a collective GPA of better than 3.0.

Franklin has to play in the shadow of Livonia Stevenson and Redford Catholic Central. But there's

more to high school sports than winning championships, and that needs to be formally recognized from time to time. The Patriots finished

their season with a fine 17-4-6 record, losing in the regional finals, in overtime, to Southgate Anderson, 5-4. Two of the other losses were to Stevenson.

This was the second time in a career that's nearing two decades Jobbitt has been saluted as the Observerland Coach of

compatriots four times. "I'd like to thank the boys for how hard they worked," he said. "They're the ones who deserve cred-



Terry Jobbitt Franklin coach

the Year. He's earned that honor from his league

concept," he said. "We had great effort all year long. We had really good scoring from our top three lines.'

sharpen his players' skills. He also modified the Patriots' power play, lifting its efficiency from 20 percent to 32. "And the whole season we emphasized the team

Jobbitt thought, at the start of the season, "This

"But I looked around and saw how much better the

"I said, 'Hey, I've got a really good team here, but

"So I changed my ways, and I changed some of mỹ

Jobbitt tinkered with his practice schedules, delet-

Borrowing some syntax from Sparky Anderson,

ing some procedures and adding others that would

are we going to do better than last year? And, if we

are, how are we going to accomplish those goals?"

was definitely the best team we'd had at Franklin in

it for helping me get this award."

years, if not ever.

entire league was.

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will be a nice change for her. I the Patriots the last two seasons. don't think teams will be able to key largely on her. Which will be interesting.'

Gusick, having an Honor Roll brain as large as her ability, is skilled enough to be able to make a transition such as that on the fly. Which will certainly create some opportunities on the

There are other storylines that will play themselves out for the 2001 season.

One is the elevation of college All-America goalie Jenny Barker of Madonna University to head coach at Livonia Franklin.

Barker, who has assisted with

now assumes head coaching responsibilities from Mary Kay

"Mary Kay got me into coaching the very next year after (graduating from Livonia Stevenson) high school," said Barker, who quite probably is the youngest head coach in the history of the Western Lakes Activities Association. "I just wanted to continue it."

Barker, who still has another season to play at Madonna, led the Crusaders to the NAIA playoffs last fall and became an All-America in the process.

But that's secondary to her

goal of graduating with a degree in mathematics and secondary education. That will allow her to continue her coaching career. She said she's on track to gradu-

ate in December of 2002. "I'm thankful I have another season of eligibility left," she said. "I'm really grateful. I'm looking forward to that.'

She's also looking forward to leading Franklin's team.

"I'm just thankful and grateful I can coach in such a great conference," Barker said. "As far as coaching against Stevenson, it's just another team.'

Livonia Churchill will also have a new coach this season. A new old coach.

Chad Campau is stepping down temporarily to be with his wife, who is expecting twins in the near future.

Taking his place is boy's coach Dave Hebestreit.

The WLAA is one of the most competitive and powerful soccer conferences in the state. Other leagues produce a team or two equal to or better than the Lakes' powers, but it's rare to see one with such top-to-bottom strength.

"This looks like another typical year," Barker said, "with Stevenson, Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton up there.

Churchill's usually in the running as well.

Because of Gusick, the Spartans will get the Lions' share of the attention, however.

Gusick has accepted a full ride scholarship to play soccer at the University of Virginia. She's also a member of the U-18 Women's National Team. She was also a key three-point shooter on the

Stevenson basketball squad. "She's an Addidas All-America and our best player, obviously, Kimble said. "I'm good friends with her family and she comes from a great family. You couldn't ask for more, both as a player and as a person."

She comes from a line of outstanding Stevenson soccer players, including Allison Campbell, a great goal-scorer, and Andrea Sied, a physically dominant defender who controlled games from the back end of the field.

"Lindsay is very, very athletic." Kimble said. "She can change the complexion of a game with her athleticism. She's a student of the game and a fierce competi-

"And this is the best physical." condition I have seen her in over four years. I definitely have optimistic hopes for the season."

As do all — even after the games start.

SOCCEP CAPSULES

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

Coach: Jenny Barker, 1st season. League affiliation: WLAA (Western Divi-

Notable loss to graduation: Alexis Bow-

Leading returnees: Kara Wisniewski, Ir. gan Farrell, Soph., goalkeeper.

Promising newcomers: Shannon Powers, Fr., forward: Alicia Thom, Ir., midfielder: Caitlyn Meloche, Fr., forward.

Barker's 2001 season outlook: "We're just looking to build off last season. We want to add new players into the mix, and build up the

"I'm real excited to have the opportunity to work with such a great group of kids.

"Hopefully I'll have the opportunity to learn from them and they'll have the chance to take

some soccer knowledge from myself. "It's a tough league. We always get a few good games out of it and we look forward to

WAYNE MEMORIAL

Coach: Larry Brenner, 7th season. 2000 record: 16-4-1 (first place, Mega

League affiliation: Michigan Mega Confer-

ence. White Division Notable losses to graduation: Jenny Clark, defense: Amanda Biedsoe, defense: Lori Giordano, defense; Tina Bradley, midfield; Tiffany Mishloney, midfield; Christine Raupp, midfield;

Tish Tedders, midfield; Ronda Brockman, for-

ward: Kristina McCahill, forward: Kristai

Leading returnees: Jenny Sheppard, Sr., goalkeeper; Nancy Bednarz, Sr., defense; Kristen Zilka, Sr., defense: Rachel Fyfe, Jr., defense; Katie Brothers, Sr., midfield; Megan Tulopo, Sr., midfield: Toni Watson, Sr., midfield; Liz Beckert, Sr., midfield; Sheila Honey-

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cutt, Sr., forward; Alana Green, Jr., forward.

Promising newcomers: Nicole Quinn, Jr., defense; Lisa DiRusso, Soph, defense; Kalli Prater, Soph., midfield; Amy Veres, Jr., forward; Ashley Britton, Fr., forward.

Brenner's 2001 season outlook: "We moved up to the Mega White Division and lost some very talented players to graduation.

"But our solid core of veteran players returning along with our new players should

keep us very competitive again this year. "They are very hungry to show that we can continue to be a strong team. The attitude is

"We need everyone to play their role on the team to have a successful season

"This is the most talented group of girls trying out in our seven years of the program."

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Coach: Jim Kimble, 7th season. Notable losses to graduation: Andi Sied, defense; Megan Urbats, forward; Cheryl Fox, defense: Deanna McGrath, midfield,

ward; Dana White, Sr., midfield; Katie Beau-Promising newcomers: Melissa Doboyn

Leading returnees: Lindsay Gusick, Sr., for-

Fr., forward; Maureen Jackson, Fr., midfield; Mindy Magoulick, Fr., goalkeeper; Laura Sulak, Fr., midfield. Kimble's 2001 season outlook: "We like

our team. It's young and athletic. We're going to compete in very game we play.

"But it will all come down to sorting out the defensive end of the field. If we can replace Andi (Sied) soon enough, we'll be at the top end of the rankings.

"If we don't sort that out, then we may have some difficulties. "(Plymouth) Canton is obviously the team

to beat in our league, with (Anne) Morrell and

(Amanda) Lentz and (Plymouth) Salem is

"Canton is the team to look at. But I like our chances. I like our scoring punch. We are going to score some goals "It'll be an interesting year."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN Coach: Jerry Ponjatowski, 6th season,

2000 record: 9-8. Notable losses to graduation: Jade Fukuda, goaikeeper; Val Kurzysnki, forward; Noelle

Leading returnees: Lacey Catarino, Sr., midfield; Sarah Pack, Sr., forward; Katie Dutchak, Soph., fullback; Jessica Hislop, Soph., fullback; Lauren James, Soph., fullback; Kristal Kilgore, Soph., midfield-forward;

Promising newcomers: Brittany Zwick.

Sarah Bain, Sr., fullback-forward.

Soph., forward; Shannon Abbot, Fr., forward. Ponlatowski's 2001 season outlook: "As usual, it's an extremely tough league. We'il just try to keep our heads above water.

"We'll take what we can and try not to give up anything.

"We'll try to keep things nice, clean and sportsmanlike. That's what the league is all

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

Coach: Dave Hebestreit, 1st season. 2000 record: 8-9-1.

Notable losses to graduation: Karen Kramer, defense; Kristin Leszczynski, midfield; Michelle Smith, midfield; Melissa Sultana, defense; Renee Kashawlic, goalkeeper-for

Leading returnees: Michelle Esparza, Sr., midfield; Dana Thomson, Sr., forward-midfield; Jamie Zimmer, Sr., defense; Sarah Phillips, Jr., forward: Deanna DeRoo, Jr., forward; Amy Sanders, Jr., defense; Meghan Parnell, Jr., defense; Charity Burbridge, Soph., midfield; Sarah Leary, Jr., midfield; Lindsay Delaney, Jr., midfield; Laura Boles, Jr., midfield; Sarah Hart-

we'll be real competitive.

Promising newcomers: Jacqui Gatt, Fr., midfield; Kyle LaPorte, Fr., forward; Christina

Thom, Fr., defense, Hebestreit's 2001 season outlook: "! think that we're bringing in 5-6 new starters, either from girls returning or new players. I think

"We have a solid crop of freshman that came in, the best freshman crop we've seen. Plus we have a lot of returning players

"We're still filling a few holes this week. "We're going to be real speedy. We have a

lot of team speed all over the field. "We're starting ail club players, which is a

first for us. It's very nice to have."

LIVONIA LADYWOOD

Coach: Jill Logsdon, 3rd season. 2000 record: 5-12-1.

Notable losses to graduation: Andrea Schimmel, center-midfield.

Leading returnees: Katie Rozum, Jr., midfield; Jenny Bartkowiak, Jr., midfield; Sunny Grezlik, Soph., midfield; Lauren Hesano, Soph., forward; Megan Kogut, Soph., midfield.

Promising newcomers: Sandy Swish, Fr., forward; Sue Christienson, Fr., defense; Christine Williams, Fr., defense; Brittany Cauly, Fr., defense; Stefanie Szczechowski, Soph., goalkeeper (transfer from Dearborn Divine Child). Logsdon's 2001 season outlook: "We're very young this year, but we picked up a lot of

"I think that we're going to be strong and definitely compete this year in the Catholic League.

LUTHERAN HIGH WESTLAND

Leading returnees: Stephanie Erickson, Jr.,

Coach: Mark Brenner, 3rd season 2000 record: 8-8-2.

League affiliation: Metro Conference Notable losses to graduation: Monica Gyorke, sweeper: Kellie Buczek, forward,

goalkeeper; Lindsey Bowman, Sr., defense; Emily Kamrath, Sr., stopper; Krissy Rose, Sr., center-midfield; Amy Kamrath, Jr., center-midfield: Caili Heins, Jr., winger,

Promising newcomers: Samantha Poole, Soph., defense: Beckie Walker, Fr., forward,

Brenner's 2001 season outlook: "I've got a very knowledgeable new assistant. Adam Danielczyk, who will be a tremendous asset to the program.

"I think we can build on last year, but we need new leadership to emerge.

"If we have a solid defense and we start to play possessional soccer, we can have a really successful season. If the girls play with a lot of heart, they can do that and be success-

"Cranbrook-Kingswood will probably be the leading team in the conference. (Macomb

Lutheran) North is always pretty solid, too. "I think we can be in the running if some

PLYMOUTH CANTON

things pull together for us."

Coach: Don Smith, 15th season. 2000 record: 21-2-2, league co-champs,

League affiliation: WLAA (Western Divi-

Notable losses to graduation: Abi Morrell, stopper; Jessica Palls, sweeper; Amy Dorogi,

Leading returnees: Anne Morrell, sr., for ward (state's co-player of the year in 2000); Amanda Lentz, sr. midfielder; Melanie Dunn, sr., midfielder: Betsey Huebler, sr., defender: Allison Mills, sr., midfielder; Janine Guastella, sr., sweeper: Sarah Heimerl, senior, midfielder; Arlelle Bryant, sr., stopper; Nicole Schilk, sr. midfielder: Beth Sandusky, sr., stopper; Stephanie Johnson, jr., forward; Ashley Rosaen, ir., midfielder: Sarah Plymale, ir., midfielder; Rachel Lindman, jr., defender; Shaina Smith, ir., defender: Lindsey Lasher, Ir., defender; Erica Ahrens, soph., midfielder; Kara

Promising newcomers: Briana Wolcott,: soph., keeper, Jessica Dean, Jr., midfielder, 👈 Danielle Sheperd, soph., utility; Rachel Perry, fresh forward

Smith's 2001 season outlook: "I would-ge think so (we'd be ready). We've just got to, 1 make sure we stay focused. They'll be ready, 45 for us, they'll come after us. But we've got a lot of good leadership, a lot of seniors this co

PLYMOUTH SALEM

Coach: Joe Nora, second year. 2000 record: 14-3-1.

ward: Brandi Groves, defender.

League affiliation: WLAA (Lakes Division). Notable losses to graduation: Christen ... Shull, sweeper; Suzie Towne, defender; Jenny Fitchett, keeper; Jami Coyle, forward; Jesse Bucks, defender; Jeannine Edwards, midfielder; Liz Gizicki, midfielder; Jenny Fisher, for-

Leading returnees: Jill Dombrowski, sr., keeper; Maureen Griffith, sr., defender; Natalie Thomas, ir., midfielder; Kellee Mullin, sr., forward; Amanda Marsonek, sr., defender:-Danielle Portelli, sr., defender: Amber Williams, sr., defender; Shara Huggins, sr., 🥌 defender; Rachel Berezak, sr., midfielder: 5 Janae Bucks, soph., midfielder; Katelyn Lee, soph., forward.

Promising newcomers: Nikki Anderson, ir., forward; Megan Gourley, Jr., midfielder; Melinda Briones, jr., forrward; Katie Cooper, jr., 2 defender; Sara Schupra, jr., midfielder: 😓 Stephanie Baron, jr., keeper; Rachelle Marshall, soph., defender: Marissa Sarkesian. fresh., midfielder; Jordan Falcusan, fresh.,

Nora's 2001 season outlook: "i think (ourstrength) will be our defense. Jill Dombrowski has just been playing phenomenally. That will be our strength -- quick counters off her play. * s We want to out-possess the other team. (Canton, Stevenson) will be the teams to beat. that's for sure. We'll try and peak around playoff time and see what happens."

SOCCER NEWS

Marsh, soph., forward,

ATTENTION Youth Hockey Players

The Livonia Youth Soccer Club (LYSC) is encouraging local youth soccer teams to become charter entries in the Livonia Spree Invitational Tournament

(June 22-24).The tournament is open to boys and girls teams in age groups from under-9 through under-19. It offers recreational, select and premier divisions.

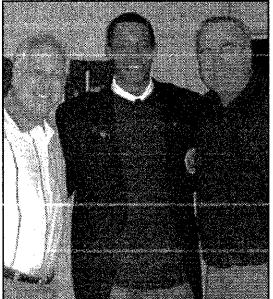
The tournament, scheduled in conjunction with the city's 51st anniversary, has been sanctioned by the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA).

All teams are guaranteed a minimum of three games in pool play with group winners and wild card teams moving on to play in a trophy round.

All players will receive commemorative participation pins and they, along with their families, will be eligible for discount tickets to the Livonia Spree.

For an information packet including team entry forms aswell as additional rules and information, call the tournament hotline at 734-462-5889.





(Left to Right) Paul W. Smith, John Andrews, Frank Beckman

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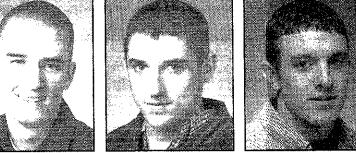
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xeep up to stay ahead." Kids, he added, are getting

pigger and stronger all the time. "Now you've got to work to oring them up to a higher level

The only thing that marred the season, Jobbitt believes, was losing the Division II regional final to Southgate Anderson.

He wonders what might have peen if four of his players hadn't come down sick on the eve of the

Give a lot of credit to Southgate," he said. "They played a very good game. But could we have beaten them healthy? I don't know.

"But, to lose only four games all year long, the team did over and above what we expected them to do.

"We were in the running for the conference championship up until the last game with Stevenson. We lost to them twice by one goal.

"We never lost to Churchill this year. We tied them twice.

"Stevenson and Churchill were ranked Nos. 2 and 3 in Division I, and we ended up ranked seventh in Division II. It was the first time we were ranked anywhere in a season ever."

FIRST TEAM

Kevin Marlowe, goaltender, Stevenson: Made the Coach's Dream Team squad after a stellar senior season.

Had a 1.71 goals-against average with a .932 save percentage.

"He's a leader," Stevenson coach Ed Shepler said. "He's very reliable; solid

determined how the game was going to

Ross proved to be the dream player in a dream season for a dream team, helping the Shamrocks to an undefeated season, capped with a state championship and Ross becoming the third player in school history to be named Mr. Hockey.

assists, and was named to the Division

"All season long, Jared put the sucess of our team, in terms of individual wins and losses, ahead of individual points," said CC co-coach Todd Johnson. "He's an unbelieveable offensive player. He has dominated the game offensively more than any player we've had in the last six years and that's a huge statement."

Derek Genrich, defense, Catholic Central: Genrich joined Ross on the Division 1 first team and the Dream Team. A three-year varsity player, Genrich bounced back from an injury last season

Tobbitt noted, "You've got to to score three goals and nine assists." "He led our defense this year physi-

cally and emotionally," said Johnson. "He and his family made a lot of sacrifices to send him to CC and all of his hard work really paid off by being captain of the third-straight state championship team.

Josh Garbutt, forward, Franklin: The center made the coach's All-State team in Division II.

Garbutt tied for first in the Western Lakes Activities Association scoring derby with 26 points (15 goals, 11 assists). Totaled 22 goals and 21 assists overall, including five game-win-

In 76 games over three seasons, Garbutt scored 51 goals and had 55

"Josh has always been a hard worker," Coach Terry Jobbitt of the Patriots

said. "He's definitely a team player. "He's a kid every coach would love to have on his team.

Jim Spiewak, forward, Catholic Central: Right now, Spiewak probably doesn't know he was selected for this honor. After CC's season ended, he signed with the USHL's Cedar Rapids Roughriders and is commuting between school and hockey during the week.

"He will be a Division I player after a year of junior hockey," said Johnson. "He might be the hardest working player off-ice in the last six years with how hard he works in the weight room and keeping his grades up. He made a tough decision between junior hockey and his senior year in high school and he figured that it was best for him to come back to CC for the season. It placed a lot of pressure on him at times, but he handled it well and was rewarded with his decision."

Cesarz had 15 goals and 10 assists in 26 games.

Chris Garbutt, goaltender, Franklin: Set school record with seven shutouts. including four in a row, and posted nine in stellar career.

Caps career with selection to Division li All-State team.

Had a 2.19 goals-against average with a save percentage of 90.6.

"He's an excellent goalie," noted his coach, Terry Jobbitt. "This year he took a big step forward.

"He became an excellent strong team player and took the blame for goals that were not his fault. He kept us in games and won the big ones for us."

Sean Genrich, defense, Catholic Central: Genrich, a three-year player, was selected to the all-state first team with five goals and 13 assists.

"His first two years in the program, he was a role player and worked hard last summer to be a key component," said Johnson. "We gave him an opportunity to be onthe first power-play unit and he did a nice job. He's a good role model to our younger guys in the program. He comes to play every game."

Bill McSween, defense, Redford Unifled: McSween was one of the highest scoring defensemen in the state, scoring 15 goals and 25 assists for 40

first team and led RU to the Mega Conference title.

"He was an outstanding player who "He's not physical, but can take control but he's good in both ends. He's a very

The senior center was called "the best forward in the area" by his coach, Ed

"He's a game-breaker," Shepler said. "He has very good speed and is well above average talent-wise. He can turn

Zagata scored 21 goals and had 20 assists for the season.

Only a junior, Jakubowski was captain of

he had nine goals and 10 assists. "He can win faceoffs," said his coach,

Pete Mazzoni, "he can go in the corners and tie people up. He's the best two-

points and earned a spot on the all-state

covered his area well and saw all of the ice," said RU coach John Gumbleton. in the corners and in front of the net. He's interesting to watch, how he doesn't let the puck get away from him. He doesn't hesitate to rush the ice and get in deep. Sometimes, an offensive defenseman isn't good in his own end. good player."

Bobby Zagata, forward, Stevenson:

it on when the team needs it."

Aaron Jakubowski, forward, Churchill:

His plus-minus was a positive 19 and

Sean Genrich **Catholic Central**



Bill McSween Redford Unified



Aaron Jakubowski

ALL-AREA HOCKEY FIRST TEAM

G. Kevin Marlowe, senior, Liv. Stevenson F. Jared Ross, senior, Catholic Central F. Jim Spiewak, senior, Catholic Central F Brett John senior Catholic Central F. Josh Garbutt, senior, Livonia Franklin D. Derek Genrich, senior, Catholic Central

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F. Rory Cesarz, senior, Livonia Churchill F. Bobby Zagata, senior, Liv. Stevenson F. Aaron Jakubowski, junior, Llv. Churchill D. Bill McSween, senior, Redford Unified D. Sean Genrich, senior, Catholic Central THIRD TEAM

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G. Matt Williams, senior, Liv. Churchill

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FOURTH TEAM G. Andrew McCoy, senior, Catholic Central F. Dave Bonello, senior, Liv. Stevenson

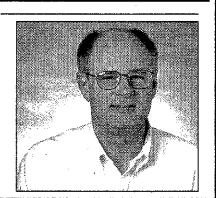
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D. Preston Plcard, Junior, Farm, Unified

COACH OF THE YEAR Terry Jobbitt, Livonia Franklin

HONORABLE MENTION Redford CC: Ryan Lasecki, Mike Ratigan Redford Unified: Cody Bartlett, Farmingto Unified: Brian Marion, Greg Diven, Kuri, Laird Brad Heraghty, Mike Frayne, Glenn Hearn, Tir Dupuis; Salem: Steve Nagel, Mark Nage Mike Thackaberry, Bryan Young, Dave Gill Andy Thackaberry; Centon: Brandon Collop Brad Arsznov, Sean Depp: Stevenson: Mar Blazok, Jon O'Neill, Matt Calus, Bret Vease Brian Shekell; Churchill: Matt Krug, Sea Smith, Ryan McBroom; Franklin: John Nichol Sam Dismuke, Jason Robinson, Anders Wei





TIM NOWICKI

Refreshing refresher course on geese

Though Canada geese have not been around this past winter as they have been in previous winters, they have returned from their southern wintering areas where open water and fields with little snow in which to feed were found.

Once again their constant presence provides numerous opportunities for us to listen to their rising, two-note honking sound.

It was an unfamiliar sound that attracted my attention up to the sky the other day.

First the higher pitched one note call drew my attention to the skein of geese in a classic "V" formation flying overhead, then the small size verified that they were snow geese. They were heading southeast, not north as one would expect this time of year - probably because they had spotted a place to stop and rest. It may have been the Detroit River that attracted their attention, or some of the open fields on the Canadian side of the river.

Just to be sure of my identification, I played the sound of the snow goose on my computer program. Sure enough, it was the same.

Spring is the best time to see snow geese since they may stop along their northern route when they find conditions are not suitable to proceed. Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge near Saginaw is a good place to see them in spring.

In fall, migration often takes them directly from nesting sites in the Hudson and James Bay area to their wintering grounds in Louisiana in one long flight. Seldom are they seen in Michigan during fall.

Snow geese are smaller than the giant Canada goose that lives in southeastern Michigan by about five pounds. Though the name snow goose would suggest they are white colored birds, they also come in a blue color with white accents.

Not too long ago - about thirty years or so - the blue colored snow goose was considered a different species than the white colored snow goose. Then a researcher learned that a mated pair consisting of two white colored individuals could raise blue colored offspring, or two blue colored individuals could raise white offspring.

A snow goose born white will stay white the rest of its life. The same is true of the blue colored individuals, they stay blue the rest of their life. Variation in color is similar to the color differences of the screech owl, or the ruffed grouse.

If you are walking at night and you hear a recognizable goose sound, listen carefully because they could be snow geese and not the familiar Canada goose we see every day around here.

To learn more about snow geese and other birds that return in spring you can take a bird study class. Schoolcraft College is offering a class that starts April 23 from 7-9pm. There will be five classroom sessions on Mondays and three field trips on the weekends. In the classroom, bird identification is emphasized by using slides and study skins. Migration, anatomy, song and other topics are briefly covered throughout the class. Weekend field trips are designed to put identification skills into prac-

If you are interested in the class, I would be pleased to have you join me, since I'll be teaching the class. Contact Continuing Education at Schoolcraft College (734) 462-4448 for registration details.

(Livonia resident Tim Nowicki is a naturalist with Independence Oaks Park north fo Clarkston in Oakland County. He can be reached at (248) 625-6473.)

Special memories at Trout Opener

falls on the last Saturday in

The day is as important to anglers, as October 20th and November 15th are to pheasant and deer hunters, respectively.

Fly fishers look forward to Opening Day with the same eagerness as a child on Christmas Eve. I can recall becoming so wrapped up in plans for Opening Day that I once got confused when

MCGOWAN

a friend asked if I was going to the Tiger Opener. "Of course I will," I answered. "I'll be in Grayling at least a day before."

My friend had to explain what he meant. Although I. like many fly anglers, enjoy baseball, it was the furthest thing from my mind. While the Trout Opener

ranks high on the fly fisher's calendar, the day is usually not about fishing. It's more about renewing old friendships.

There's plenty of time to fish all summer. Last year was a good example. I floated my friend Al the day

before the opener on the "Holy

the river. It belonged to another friend, Pat, who was staying at a lodge with at least a halfdozen other people that I After being introduced to the folks I hadn't met before, a cold beverage was placed in my

Waters" of the AuSable River (which is open to catch-and-

As I poled my AuSable river-

boat around a bend, I heard a

familiar voice booming across

release fishing all year).

hand. Fishing came to an end for the day as we renewed old friendships and made new The next morning brought the Trout Opener itself. Because the mornings in April

can be quite cool, insect hatch-

es usually don't start until mid-

There's no hurry to get to the river. Al and I cooked breakfast for some friends who joined us in camp, then made our way to another lodge on the mainstream where a memorial of sorts was underway. Bud, another good friend, had passed away that winter.

About twenty of us showed up to share coffee, donuts, and a few stories. We were each given a small fly box containing some of Bud's ashes, with specific instructions to disburse

them at a favorite fishing spot. Later in the day, my wife and kids met me on the river where all the people from the memorial were fishing. My 10-year-old daughter had some flies I taught her to tie. She wanted to fish them that day. I gave her my rod and tied on a fly.

A few moments later, she caught her first brook trout on a fly she tied herself. I placed Bud's ashes in that hole, a spot that become very special to all of us. She still talks about that day.

We all had a great time, and I spent so much time helping my kids that I don't remember if I caught a fish myself.

This year, I'll be back on the AuSable, fishing with friends and family.

This time we'll remember John, another fishing partner we lost this year.

We'll continue our traditions. There are many great trout rivers all over this state. Why not create some traditions of your own and get out there on the water the last Saturday in

Jeff McGowan, a commercial fly tyer and a licensed guide, is a member of the Michigan Fly Fishing Club. For more information about the Club, visit www.mffc.org.

Nice catch: Kathleen McGowan understands the thrill of catching a fish on the Trout Opener.

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

ACTIVITIES

9TH ANNUAL BOAT EXPO

The 9th annual Spring Boating Expo concludes today at the Novi Expo Center. More than 100 exhibitors will gather under one roof, displaying boats for water skiing, fishing, cruising and personal watercraft. Special attractions include a Nautical Flea Market and a BASSMaster Kids Casting Contest, Show hours today are 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Cost is \$7 for adults, and children under the age of 12 are admitted free when accompanied by an adult. For more information, call 1-800-224-3008.

OAKLAND COUNTY SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION

The Oakland County Sportnsning Association meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at Santia Hall, 1985 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Call (248) 693-4389 or visit the club's web site at http://go.to/ocsa for more information.

DOWNRIVER BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain (14100 Pardee Road) in Taylor. For more information, call Ron Fodor at (734) 676-2863 or send an e-mail to riverrat122@home.com.

DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS

Detroit Area Steelheaders. Inc. membership meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at Knights of Columbus, St. Pius X, 6177 Chicago Road, in Warren. The public is welcome. More information

can be obtained by calling Ed Wilczek at (810) 757-7365 or club President Ray Banbury at (810) 598-0310.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Call (248) 478-1494 for more information.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Call Jim Kudei at (734) 591-0843 for information.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS

The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

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The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658 for more informa-

License fees going up

OUTDOOR

INSIGHTS

PARKER

Get ready to pay a little more for the opportunity to hunt and fish in Michigan. In a move that was expected two years ago, but was postponed until this year, Department of Natural Resources Director K.L. Cool has approved a price hike this year for hunting and fishing

In a nut shell, all resident hunting and fishing license fees have increased a dollar. That means

the combo deer license, which is actually two licenses, will cost an extra two bucks (\$28). Small game, archery deer, firearms deer, bear, turkey, fur harvester and a restricted fishing license all cost \$14 this year, while an all-species fishing license will

Application fees for special lottery hunts like elk, turkey and black bear remains at \$4.

Non-resident license fees have increased between \$4 and \$14, depending on the license.

The increase is expected to generate some \$1.7 million for the state's Game and Fish Protection Fund, which finances fisheries and wildlife programs, provides up to 60 percent of the Department's Law Enforcement budget and 20 percent of the Department's administrative costs.

The last time we had a license fee increase was five years ago. At that time, Cool received the authority to institute a license fee increase in 1999 and in 2001. He decided to forgo the hike in 1999, or we might be paying \$15 for licenses this year.

You can still get a 15-percent discount by purchasing four licenses at one time.

E-licensing available

The DNR recently initiated a program which allows you to purchase hunting and fishing licenses via the internet. E-licensing is available at the DNR's web site located at www.dnr.state.mi.us. A current MasterCard or Visa is needed to make a purchase.

"We designed the system to be very userfriendly," said Tom Weston, DNR E-Commerce Manager. "Customers will be able to print most small game and fishing licenses at home, and the system allows them to make sure their computer setup meets the PC needs for online purchasing. They even can test their printer.'

Customers need a computer with Netscape 4.0 or newer, or Microsoft Internet Explorer 4.0 or newer, to complete the transaction. Additionally, these browsers must utilize 128-bit encryption, which is the highest level of protection possible for the use of credit cards or to make other financial or confidential transactions over the Internet.

Fishing regulation changes

With April 1 rapidly approaching, anglers should start thinking about purchasing a 2001 Michigan fishing license. The 2000 licenses expire March 31.

With the new season comes some changes in regulations that anglers should keep in mind. Some of the major changes that take effect April

■ Walleye - Lake Erie: Only one additional walleye may be taken from Lake Erie, in addition to the daily possession limit of five. In 2000, anglers were permitted to keep five additional fish. This reduction is the result of a downward trend in both walleye populations and catch rates in Lake Erie.

■ Lake trout – Great Lakes: Several changes have been made to the lake trout size limits and fishing zones as part of the agreement concerning treaty fishing rights in the Great Lakes. Refer to pages 19-21 in the 2001 Michigan Fishing Guide for details.

■ Bass season – Lake Michigan: The open season for largemouth and smallmouth bass on Lake Michigan, within one-half mile of Beaver, Garden, High and Hog islands, is July 1-31.

■ Fishing rod limit - Great Lakes: A change to the number of fishing rods that anglers may use on the Great Lakes went into effect last September.

Anglers trolling for trout and salmon on Lake Michigan, Lake Huron, Lake Superior and the St. Marys River may use three lines or three single rods and lines. No more than six hooks total may be attached on all lines. These changes do not apply to shore anglers.

On the road again ... to Reno's ABC convention

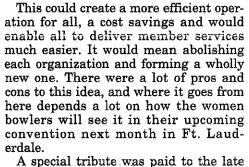
Last week was travel time for this writer as the American Bowling Congress National Convention was going on at Reno, Neva. Two pieces of luggage plus two bowling balls and the

"Wild Blue Yonder" on United Airlines to Reno and the National Bowling Stadium.

That was the start of a great week which included bowling at the stadium and working the convention as a Greater Detroit Bowling Association delegate representing you if you are a league bowler.

The ABC convention is where the proposed rule changes are voted

upon and the other topics of interest are discussed by the 1,168 delegates from all 50 states and Canada. The main topic of discussion was the feasibility of a Single Membership Organization which would combine the efforts and facilities of the ABC, WIBC, YABA, USA Bowling and Bowling, Inc. into one solid, single unit.



Joe Norris with several special video presentations. He would have bowled the prior week in his 72nd ABC tournament.

Over 80,000 bowlers are entered in this year's ABC including over 14,000 teams at Reno's splendid National Bowling Stadium. I'd rather not say much about the tournament, as we had a reverse block (oil on the outside boards and dry in the middle) in the team event and nobody in the GDBA contingent bowled very well. Just wait 'til next year, and that will be in Billings, Mont. Year 2003 is slated for Knoxville, Tenn... and back to Reno's National Bowling Stadium again in 2004.

While I was gone, Sandy Weed of Novi last week bowled her first 700 series with 240-216-255 totaling 711 pins. She had been stricken with leukemia only five years ago. Most people might just give up, but not Sandy. She ran the full course of chemotherapy and radiation, fought back and not only is in full remission, but is now bowling like she did before she became ill. The bad news is that she did not like lanes 31 and 32 at Country Lanes in Farmington, so she did not enter the usual jackpots. The other bad news is that she did this against my team.

For the many bowlers who knew her, Lillian Vandervennet of Westland passed away on March 13. She had been the counterperson and day manager at Country Lanes for 17 years and had been well known by many bowlers over the years for her congeniality and ability to keep the leagues running smoothly. She took over for Sandy Weed's spot on her team for a year while she was recovering from her illness.

So you want to be a better bowler.

There is a way to do just that by signing up for a one-day clinic with PWBA champions Aleta Sill and Michelle Mullin. Sill is famous for her great success in her pro tour career, and the first woman to top one million dollars in tour earnings. She is a member of the Ebonite Pro advisory staff. Mullin is a former Team USA coach and has a Gold certificate in USA Bowling. The one-day clinic features: Video analysis and onthe-lane coaching, spare shooting, practice plan and more. The cost is \$149 for the complete package. It will take place on April 7 or 8 at Sterling Lanes in Sterling Heights. For enrollment or further information, call (313) 274-1227, or email to www.sillionaire.com.

The "All-Star Grill" women's team is at it again. They are leading the Detroit Women's Bowling Association City Tournament in the Actual Team event with a team score of 1035-1153-1095, totaling 3,286. This is the same team that recently claimed the all-time high series at Cloverlanes with a 3,600 series.

Al Harrison is a Garden City resident.

Canton soccer from B1

nine seniors to graduation, the Rocks have a couple of promising newcomers and enough experience to make things difficult for the Chiefs.

Last season, Salem tied Stevenson and was leading Canton 1-0 in the state playoffs until the final 17 minutes, when Stephanie Johnson scored twice to save the Chiefs.

Johnson, who had 18 goals (six in the tournament), is back for her junior season. Amanda Lentz, a senior attacking midfielder, also returns; she totaled 16 goals and 14 assists last season and was all-conference, alldistrict and all-region.

Those are three of the key returnees. But there's much

Joining Lentz at midfield are Allison Mills, a senior, and Kara Marsh, a sophomore, on the outside right and Melanie Dunn, a senior, and Erica Ahrens, a sophomore, on the outside left. All played extensively at those

spots last season. Sarah Heimerl, a senior, and Sarah Plymale and Ashley Rosaen, both juniors, will be in the rotation at midfield as well.

Abi Morrell, last season's stopper, has taken her talents to Western Michigan. Beth Sandusky and Arielle Bryant, both seniors who were marking backs in 2000, will step into that posi-

Sweeper Jessica Palis has also graduated, but there's some good news there. Janine Guastella, a starter at marking back going

into last season, missed most of the campaign after suffering a knee injury. She's back for her senior year and will get a shot at

Newcomers to the team this year are junior midfielder Jessica Dean, sophomore all-around player Danielle Shepard, freshman forward Rachel Perry and

Can this team be as good as it looks? Smith believes the Chiefs' dependence on Morrell to produce goals hurt them last year. He wants Morrell to have as many assists as goals this sea-

"We just got to make sure we stay focused," said Smith. "They'll all be ready for us, they'll come after us. But we've got a lot of good leadership, a lot of seniors."

They've got all the ingredients,

Ocelot men from page B1

Tyrone Hayes contributed 20 points and nine boards, King scored 14, and Brandon Vincent and Thomas Hughes added 10 points apiece.

"It was real tough, physically and emotionally," said Bird. "Both teams had to come in and suck it up. Both had the same types of games last night."

Thursday's contest certainly wasn't a defensive one. SC converted 32-of-52 from the floor (62 percent), including 13-of-24 threes (54 percent); Okaloosa was 38-of-73 from the field (52 percent) and 10-of-26 on threes (38.5 percent).

Okaloosa had the game's biggest lead, going up by 11 in the first half. SC managed to trim that to 46-41 at halftime, and with 10:49 to go in the second half, a three-point play by Hoskin gave the Ocelots their

first lead, 62-60. It was close the rest of the game, the biggest lead by either side just five points - 78-73 SC following a McGlown triple with

3:48 to go. The Ocelots trailed 82-79 with 1:19 remaining in regulation. Bird's three with :35 to go knotted it at 82-all and eventually

forced OT. "We showed a lot of character and a lot of guts," said Okaloosa coach Bruce Stewart. "We had three (close) games in three

"This was a hard game to approach - we had to readjust pur goals. We want to get 30 wins and finish fifth in the coun-

As for SC, Stewart had noth-

day's game opposite Penn Valley (Mo.) CC in a battle to finish in the top five.

South Suburban finished its season at 20-11.

The Ocelots built a 33-24 lead by halftime, but South Suburban narrowed the gap to 55-54 with just 2:37 to play.

SC got back on track, however, stretching its advantage to 62-56 with 1:24 to go. Rachel Eley took over from there for the Ocelots, scoring five-straight points to clinch the victory.

Eley finished with 11 points, five rebounds, four assists and six steals.

Shafawnda Smelley led SC with 19 points (5-of-6 on threepointers). Angelica Blakely had s superb game, totaling 17 points, 10 boards and six steals, while Devin Francois and Ra'Sheida *Edwards scored eight points rapiece, Francois also grabbing 13 rebounds and making six steals. Edwards had three steals.

Suburban got 26 points from Lennetta Bentley and 17 points and 10 rebounds from Amanda 'Rawson.

The Ocelot defense forced 35 Suburban turnovers and 20-of-56 shooting from the floor (35.7 percent). SC had 26 turnovers and converted 24-of-64 shots (37.5 'percent).

sweeper. Betsey Huebler, who filled in admirably for the injured Guastella, and Nicole Schilk, both seniors, will be joined by juniors Lindsey Lasher, Shaina Smith and Rachel Lindman at marking back. Again, all played extensively last season.

Keeper Amy Dorogi has graduated. Taking over will be sophomore Briana Wolcott, and Smith is confident there won't be any dropoff. "She's got to get some good game experience," he said. "She's learning fast. I think she has better movement than Dorogi." Tarah Rhoades, a senior, returns to back her up.

junior keeper Katie Maloney.

ing but praise. "They're very tal-

ented," he said. "Hoskin is as

good an inside player as we've

played, 14 (Bird) is one of the

best pure shooters we've faced,

and they're very athletic at the

Statistically, the teams were

even — except in offensive

rebounding. Okaloosa had a 15-8

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Still a force

Rocks lost a lot, but remain formidable

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.homecomm.net

"Rebuilding" is not a word Plymouth

Salem soccer coach Joe Nora is particularly afraid of. Or concerned about. "With the constant turnover, I look at

every year in high school coaching as a rebuilding year," he said. This season could qualify as something

more. After all, Nora — in his second year as Salem's coach — lost nine seniors to graduation from last season's 14-3-1 squad. Gone are such stalwarts as sweeper Chris-

ten Shull (now at Madonna University), midfielders Suzie Towne, Jeanine Edwards and Liz Gizicki, forwards Jami Coyle and Jenny Fisher, defenders Jesse Bucks and Brandi Groves, and keeper Jenny Fitchett.

That's a lot. But as Nora pointed out, "We still have 14 or 15 returning.

"Our talent level is high. It's just a matter of them getting the team philosophy and us working out the (playing) rotation.'

There are several solid players to build the team around, starting with senior keeper Jill Dombrowski. As a junior, Dombrowski earned all-conference and all-Observer honors, recording five shutouts with a 0.678 goals-against average.

"Jill Dombrowski has just been playing

SALEM SOCCER

phenomenally," said Nora. "It all starts with

By that, Nora meant he plans to have Dombrowski help build the Rocks' attack with quick counters off her play. That will be our strength."

That also means Salem's defense will have to be strong and its midfield will have to be able to control the ball. "We want to out-possess the other team," he said.

And although there are holes to fill, there

are plenty of players with considerable experience. Joining Dombrowski as team co-captains are senior marking back Maureen Griffith and junior midfielder Natalie Thomas. The defense, which Nora figured would be his team's best component, features

returnees Amanda Marsonek, who recently committed to Madonna University, Danielle Portelli, Amber Williams and Shara Huggins, together with Griffith. All are seniors; all played extensively last season. At midfield, returning are senior Rachel

Berezak and sophomore Janae Bucks, as well as Thomas. Senior Kellee Mullin (second team all-Observer) and sophomore Katelyn Lee both played at forward last year, strengthening that position.

Newcomers from the junior varsity who should help include juniors Nikki Anderson and Melinda Briones at forward; juniors Megan Gourley and Sara Schupra at midfield; junior Katie Cooper and sophomore Rachelle Marshall at defender; and junior Stephanie Baron at keeper.

Nora also figures to get some solid play from a pair of freshmen: Marissa Sarkesian, whose sister Mia starred at Salem and currently starts for Notre Dame, and Jordan Falcusan, Both are midfielders.

As Nora indicated, the talent level is high. Still, there's a void whenever a team loses nine players to graduation, and it isn't easy to fill - particularly in a conference as tough as the Western Lakes Activities Asso-

ended up tying, thereby sharing the crown. Both enter this season with solid lineups; both are ranked nationally. Knowing that Northville and Livonia Churchill also figure to be tough doesn't

In 2000, Plymouth Canton and Livonia

Stevenson played for the WLAA title and

make the Rocks' road any easier. "They'll be the teams to beat, that's for sure," said Nora. As for his own team, he said, "We'll just

try and peak around playoff time and see what happens."

That could be interesting indeed.

ASSOCIATES COMMERCIAL CORPORATION NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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The Wayne County Commission will hold a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Wayne County Parks System's Rules and Regulations to make the following addition to rule in Section VIII, Boating:

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The hearing will be held:

THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2001, 10:00 a.m. Commission Chambers Room 400 Wayne County Building 600 Randolph, Detroit, Michigan

Copies of the above item may be obtained or reviewed at the Commission Clerk's Office, 406 Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph, Detroit 48226. (313) 224-0903

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The Livonia Junior Athletic League will register players and cheerleaders for the 2001 football season 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 7, at the Livonia Community Center, formerly the Bentley Center on Five Mile Road east of Farmington.

Boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 14 are eligible for the freshmen, JV and varsity teams. The fees are \$100 for cheerleaders and \$125 for football players.

For more information call either Phil Adkins at (734) 425-4098 or Tim Kavanaugh at (734) 425-1232.

ADULT HOCKEY SIGNUP

Registration is under way for men's and women's adult

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The Rockets (over 21), Lady Rockets (over 21), Masters (over 30) and Golden Eagles (over 45) leagues will play out of the Plymouth and Chelsea arenas.

The season will last from April 22 to July 19, and teams will play on various evenings. For more information call John Wilson at (248) 471-0658, email to john@rspi.net or visit the Web site at www.rspi.net.

WESTLAND GOLF LESSONS

The City of Westland Senior Resources Department is offering golf lessons in cooperation with the Westland Municipal Golf Course, 500 S. Merriman, Westland.

The cost is \$40 for the five-

week session (includes coffee and donuts). Students participating in the golf class will be working with a golf pro and simulators.

Lessons will begin at 10 a.m. Thursdays, March 29, and April 5, 12 and 19.

There will be no lessons today due to golf league orientation at the Senior Resources Center (Friendship Center), 1119 N. Newburgh Road, Westland. Refreshments will be served. League details will be covered at the orientation.

For more information, call (734) 722-7632.

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For more information, call Greg Angel at (734) 981-3007 or Dave Giove at (734) 981-3427, or by email at wdivgreg4@aol.com.

WESTLAND SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Open registration for the City of Westland Department of Parks and Recreation summer softball leagues will be Monday, April 2 through Sunday, April 22 at the Bailey Recreation Center, located at 36651 Ford Road. Registration for returning

teams began March 12. For more information, call

(734) 722-7620.

LEARN TO CHECK CLINICS

Suburban Hockey Schools will conduct the Learn to Check clinics at several metro-area loca-

Clinics will take place 6:30-8:20 p.m. Tuesday, March 27, and Wednesday, March 28, at Suburban Training Center in Farmington Hills; and 5:30-7:20 p.m. and 7:30-9:20 p.m. Thursday, March 29, at Redford Arena.

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To sign up call Suburban Hockey Schools at (248) 478-1600. For more information visit the Web site at www.suburban-

hockey.com. **RIVER DINNER**

The Friends of the Detroit River will hold a benefit dinner from 5-9 p.m. on Friday, March 26 at the Gibraltar Community Center. The center is located on S. Gibraltar Rd.

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WACO WOLVES GOLF OUTING

The WaCo Wolves USA travel baseball team will stage a golf outing fundraiser beginning at noon Sunday, April 29 at the Woodlands of Van Buren, located at 39670 Ecorse Road in Wayne.

The cost is \$75 per person. Included in the fee is 18 holes of golf with cart (four-person teeoff), closest to the pin and long drive prizes, lunch special at the turn (hot dog, chips and drink), cookout and open bar at the 19th hole along with door prizes. There will also be a skins competition and 50-50 raffle.

Hole sponsorships are also available.

For more information, call Lou Jamnick at (734) 595-2975 or email ljamnick@ameritech.net.

RUGBY RECRUITS

The Oakland Highlanders, a new rugby club in the Midwest and Michigan Rugby Football Unions, is currently recruiting new members of all skill levels for the spring season.

The team consists of men 18and-over. Experienced rugby players as well as amateur athletes looking to explore a new sport are welcome. The team competes against other clubs in the Midwest Territorial Union, such as Battle Creek, South Bend, Flint, Traverse City, Midland, Fort Wayne, Findlay, Toledo and Grand Rapids.

You need not reside in Oakland County to join. For further information, call Matt Martello

at (248) 307-0938. **NORTHVILLE PARKS AND REC**

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📕 Adult softball leagues: Men ---Mondays; Women - Tuesdays; Co-ed -Sundays. Cost is \$345 per team, a 12game schedule. Umpire fees extra. Nonresidents are \$15 extra per person. Cail Northville Parks and Rec at (248) 349-

Women's Spring Basketball League: Wednesdays, April 18-June 13. Cost is \$340 per team, eight-game season, Referee fees extra. Non-residents, \$15 per person. Call Northville Parks and Rec at (248) 349-0203.

Men's Spring Basketball League: Monday or Tuesday, April 23/24-June 12/18. Cost is \$340 per team. Referees, fees extra. Non-residents, \$15 per person. Call Northville Parks and Rec at

(248) 349-0203.

CITY SOFTBALL SIGNUP

The City of Farmington Hills is accepting new adult team registrations for men's and coed softball.

Registration is based on a first-come, first-serve basis. Leagues will play one night per

For fees and nights of play. call the recreation department at (248) 473-9570. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

PREMIER PLAYERS SOUGHT

The Farmington Fury/Waza boys under-15 premier soccer team is looking for advanced players to complete its roster for the spring outdoor season. For information call Alan Helisek at (248) 471-4475.

C'VILLE BOOSTERS CRAFT SHOW

The Livonia Clarenceville Athletic Booster Club will present its annual Touch of Spring arts and crafts show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 31.

Over 150 artisans will display their creations.

Proceeds will provide college scholarships, training equipment, uniforms and other items need to maintain the extra-curricular sports budget.

The show offers a variety of shooper services including babysitting, snack bar and raffle of craft items.

WESTLAND ICE SHOW

The City of Wayne Department of Parks and Recreation and Silver Picks will present its "School Days" figure skating ice show at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 6-7, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 8 at the Wayne Community Center.

Pre-sale tickets are \$4.50 (adult) and \$3.50 (seniors and students). Tickets are the door are \$5 and \$4.

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The Wayne-Westland YMCA, located at 827 S. Wayne Road, is now registering children for its Summer 2001 Day Camp pro-

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Registration is filling up fast. For more information or to obtain a brochure, call the YMCA at (734) 721-7044. Financial assistance is available. There is no residency require-

ADRAY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Henry Ford Community College's 10th annual Mike Adray Memorial Golf Tournament will be Wednesday, May 16 at Mystic Creek Golf Club, located at Camp Dearborn, in Milford.

Proceeds from the tourney will go to support student scholarships. Since its inception, the golf tourney has raised more than \$394,00 for Henry Ford student scholarships.

Individual golfer can participate in a full day of activities for \$195. The dinner and auction package is \$85. For more information, call the

tournament hotline at (313) 845-9880 or visit Henry Ford's web site at www.hfcc.net.

SUMMER VOLLEYBALL CAMPS

Madonna University will host a series of summer volleyball camps including: 8:30 a.m.-noon (elite) and 1-4:30 p.m. (general players) Thursday through Sunday, July 5-8; 8:30 a.m.-noon (setters) and 1-4 p.m. (youth) Sunday through Thursday, July 9-12; 8:30 a.m.-noon (hitters session I) and 1-4:30 p.m. (defensive specialist), Sunday through Wednesday, July 15-18.

For more information, call Jerry Abraham at (734) 432-5612 or (734) 254-0698 (evenings).

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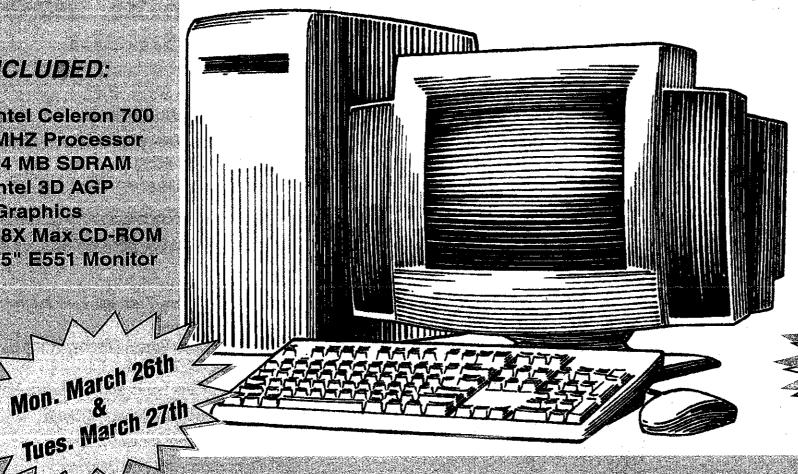
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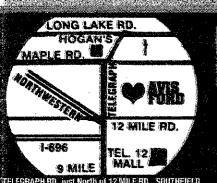
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Musical mission: Christian college building program

🍞 hen Kimberly Swan was appointed coordinator of the music department at William Tyndale College in August, she never dreamed the job would require 50 hours a week. But she's not complaining. Just the opposite. Her enthusiasm and excitement grows stronger every day.

"We're trying to re-establish the music department," said Swan, a Westland resident who grew up in Livonia. "Twenty years ago there was a strong department with two choirs and a community band. You have to work at it all the time. You have to go out and recruit students. I've been mailing out information, calling and going directly to Christian schools in the area to tell students about our music department.'

Building a program

So far, 22 music majors have chosen the small Christian liberal arts college (formerly known as Detroit Bible College) in Farmington Hills because of its one-on-one attention to students. William Tyndale offers bachelor degrees in music, performance, church music, and music/ youth studies. It also offers evening classes to accommodate working adult sched-

"I know all of the music students by name," said Swan, who teaches voice

Anthem of Spring What: William Tyndale College students and faculty present a concert o Christian music When: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 31 Where: Grace Chapel, 27996 Halsted Road, Farmington Hills. Tickets: \$3 in

advance/seniors, \$5

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at the college. "I get to talk to them about their goals, dreams and sometimes their homes."

It's apparent that home and family are important to Swan, and William Tyndale College provides a little of each. Swan shares office space with her father, Jerry

Smith, chairman of the music department. Her mother, Sharon Smith, was hired to teach piano last Christmas when the instructor accepted another

Program

On Saturday, March 31 Jerry, Sharon, Kimberly and her husband, Jeffrey, a tenor, will sing sacred music with the college's students and faculty at Grace Chapel in Farmington Hills. The program of classical, pop, jazz and traditional music will also feature the Tyndale College Choir, Tyndale Artists Ensemble, and the Praise and Worship Ensemble.

Paul Bechler leads the Tyndale College Choir, Smith the Tyndale Artists Ensemble which is composed of faculty, alumni and semi-professional choir members from area churches. The Praise and Worship Ensemble leads chapel services once a week at the col-

lege. Swan is hoping to fill all 400 seats. The concert begins with "Anthem of

"It's musically difficult but musically satisfying," said Swan. "It's all about creation - how everything starts to wake up."

Sounds like an anthem for the music department if Kimberly and her dad have anything to say about it. Both believe the college's music department will become stronger with an increase in music student enrollment. To make the program more attractive, Swan wants to send the choir on a tour to Chicago or Indiana next year. She's already writing grants to get the endeavor and the group off the ground.

"It helps the choir grow if you have a tour," said Swan. "We have a long way to go but a lot of good things have already happened like being able to purchase a sound system you can travel with."

And spreading the word in song won't hurt either. In February, the college's choral groups joined students from Walled Lake High School and the Hartford Memorial Baptist Choir to present a concert in honor of Black History Month.

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Contemporary choreographer draws on history



Working together: Ronald Brown (left) set his choreography for "High Life" and "Incidents" to music composed by Wunmi Olaiya.

By Linda Ann Chomin STAFF WRITER

onald K. Brown makes no apologies for the intensity of his work. Dances focusing on slavery, death, and the struggles of women of African descent, allow him to tell the stories of his people.

Using a blend of African and modern styles, the Brooklyn-born choreographer creates thought-provoking, high energy pieces brought to life by his young dance troupe Evidence. Brown, who founded the New York-based dance company in 1985, is hardly an overnight sensation but his work is beginning to earn him a reputation as an upand-coming choreographer.

Celebrated groups in the dance world think his work has something to say, too. In 1999, the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater commissioned him to create "Grace," a dance capturing all the fervor of a spiritual journey.

On Saturday, March 31, audiences in this area will have their first opportunity to see Ronald K. Brown/Evidence as part of the University Musical Society series in Ann Arbor. It promises to be a moving experience.

Food for thought

"I like going to theater to receive a gift that was on the filmmaker's or playwright's mind," said Brown. "Entertainment is nice but I live to receive a piece of the creator's imagination and heart. It feeds me to see what people are creating."

Observation and research are two essential ingredients in the Brown process of creating dance. Brown didn't begin choreographing "Incidents," one of three works on the program at the Power Center for the Performing Arts, until he read Linda Brent's story about the life of a slave

He also does a lot of "looking at history" and listens to music. "Incidents" is set to traditional spirituals by the Staple Singers and a young Aretha Franklin, and contemporary music, including traditional Nigerian instrumentation, by Wunmi Olaiya. "Technology is mov-

ing so fast," said Brown. "Sometimes it's all about what's new with little consideration of where we come from. Knowledge and power comes from history and legacy. Even though my work is contemporary, it's important to show

what's come before." "High Life" builds on images of the first section - "Bid Em In." The work likens the journey of ex-slaves from the rural South to the urban North with the exodus of young African people from villages to the cities. It is set to music by Nigerian

Ronald K. Brown's **Evidence**

What: Brown's dance troupe makes its University Musical Society debut with a trio of recent works When: 8 p.m. Saturday, March 31

Where: Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher Street, Ann Arboi Tickets: \$32, \$30, \$22, \$16, call (734) 764-2538

Related events: Master classes with Brown open to the public for observation and participation 11 a.m. fuesdav. March 27 at Eastern Michigan University Dance Studio, Ypsilanti, (734) 487-7120, Ext. 2719; 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 27 at Peter Sparling Dance Gallery Studio, Ann Arbor, (734) 747-9813, and 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 28 at Wayne State University's Maggie Allessee Studio, Detroit, (313) 577-4273

composer Fela Kuri and the King of Soul, James Brown.

Dignity and perseverance

"It's a piece about migration performed in an auctioneer's voice," said Brown. "The dance calls to mind people on the slave block. What did people carry with them through the migration? A sense of selfdetermination, dignity and perseverance is what people were holding onto. It goes through different time periods and draws a parallel with the hybrid cultural development in West Africa in the 1970s when those countries got their liberation. It was a similar search for a better life. That's

where the term "High Life" comes from. The music comes out of Africa in the 1950s. You can hear the similarity in the music coming from Africa with the music James Brown was playing."

Inspiration

Although "High Life" received its premiere in July 2000 at the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival in Massachusetts, the initial seed for the piece

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Artists take time to share their creativity with children

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

Sherry Eid stands in front of "Dancing Wolf" talking about colored pencil and showing a photograph of the American Indian from which she created the work.

It's apparent by the looks on their faces that the drawing is not exactly what third-graders from Livonia's Cass Elementary were expecting to see during their tour of the exhibit. But that's part of the fun for Eid and three members of the Artifacts Art Club. Every year for the last eight, Eid and club members have led children on tours of their spring exhibit as a way of introducing them to original art.

Eid personally makes sure the children at Cass learn about drawing, painting and sculpture throughout the school year. Once a month she takes copies of art into the classroom as part of the Masterworks program in Livonia Public Schools. "With Masterworks they only see the

prints but this way they can meet the

artist," said Eid. "It's a thrill. The kids

coming up and asking for your autograph, and afterward reading thank-

you notes that start Dear Artist. like and why." They're honest about which ones they



tary School the process she uses to create colored pencil drawings.

STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL Art tour: Sherry Eid shares with third graders from Cass Elemen-

Carrying tote boards, the classes of Helene Uhlmann and John Colby carefully look at each work while listening to the artists talk about the materials and process used in its creation. Afterward, students meander through the exhibit and cast votes for their favorites. A small group of girls begins to congregate before a grouping of works featuring cats. Some take the opportunity to sit on the floor and draw.

"It's a chance for students to look at different kinds of art," said Uhlmann. "The part we like is some of the artists are here to talk about their inspiration.

"Another benefit is that many times children will come back with their parents so they look too. They don't always realize there is an art exhibit.'

Uhlmann proudly displays her own exhibit of art works created by students before viewing the exhibit. In preparation for the tour, the thirdgraders created art based on titles of work in the Artifacts show. Kendell

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"We offer a \$3,000 scholarship to any freshman who wants to audition, is talented in voice. piano, saxophone or another instrument, and has a 3.0 grade average," said Swan. "I like to think of us as the school that can help those than can't afford the big schools."

Smaller doesn't mean inferior in the case of the music department at William Tyndale College. By singing in concerts like the one today in Canton, Swan helps her students learn about all aspects of a professional

Jerry Smith brings plenty of music education experience to his position. His background includes 27 years as choir director at Bentley High School in Livonia, 27 years as director of

music ministry at Ward Presbyterian, and 12 years teaching music at William Tyndale College. He was recently named director of music and worship at First Presbyterian in Plymouth.

Most important, Smith is the college's biggest cheerleader. Smith is used to starting from scratch. In 1986, he founded the Creative and Performing Arts Program based at Churchill High School in Livonia.

"When I first came to William Tyndale 12 years ago, the department was stable and occupied an entire wing. Then the full-time faculty was dismissed and nearly phased out. It was brought back with minimal funding about seven years ago," said

"You need a music department

especially in a Christian college. We receive calls every day for people to play for churches. The churches are begging for organists and guitarists. Now we need to build the department up by seeking out more students."

In order to make that happen, Smith has taken lessons from an unlikely source.

"Sports can't survive at any level without recruiting. I watch to see how they recruit. You get a star like U of M did with Charles Woodson and the enrollment grows. We need to find the numbers and the stars to build the program.

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Chilkiewicz's electric pink sky is every bit as vibrant as Esther Franz's strawberry and blue sky on exhibit at city hall. Kelsey Shore, and many of the students were way off, however, when creating their version of "Dancing Wolf." Naturally, Shore's wolves dance across the landscape.

"I thought it was a wolf dancing, too," said Kara Cetnar. She and Gina Pearson seemed especially fascinated with Eid's colored pencil drawing of a cat taking a sun bath and Ruth Shaw's "Seen Through a Mouse Hole."

"It's very interesting," said Pearson. I like it because I like

Drawn to animals

While Thomas Cullen was

Tailed Hawk' and "Head of a Hawk" because of an interest in animals and birds, he was here to learn. Cullen shares a love of drawing with the artists whose works are on exhibit. Cullen took his first class at Art Store & More in Livonia six months ago.

"I found out there's computer art," said Cullen.

Renee Boudreau likes art as well and also takes classes at Art Store & More. But not all children have the same opportunity.

"I think it's good for the kids to have that exposure to the culture out there," said Kathy Boudreau, Renee's mother. "Maybe some kids will find they like art."

Mom Linda Macinkowicz

What: Artifacts Art Club exhibits more than 40 works by its members When: Through Friday, March

Where: Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2536

"It's important that they be exposed to art and see all the different things you can do, that you can do things other than crayon."

That is exactly the conclusion Lauren Myres came to about art.

"I learned that they don't use all crayon and marker but pastel," said Myres, "and sometimes they do pencil sketches."

Seeing Pegg Gray's pastel drawing of an elephant, Delphine Rusaki's vibrant watercolor of yellow and orange tulips, Roland Franz's electric cars parked on "Bourbon Street" and Nancy Hurd's young girl caught in a moment of intense study is

sure to inspire these young students to find out more about art and that's exactly what Eid had in mind when she came up with the idea for the tour.

Watching reactions

"It's fascinating to watch their reactions," said Gray who led the tours along with Eid, Ruth Shaw and Lorelei Christy.

Shaw brought her camera to capture the responses and possibly focus on them in a future painting.

"There's always a boy bored by the whole thing," said Shaw, "but last year I got a commission from a 10-year-old girl who wanted a painting of a horse."

"It's just a delight," added Christy. "They're curious and ask good questions. It's wonderful to see young people interested in the arts. If they're not exposed to these things they just won't know."

And Eid isn't about to let that

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was planted in Brown during a visit to a Jacob Lawrence exhibit in 1996.

"I spent hours at the museum looking at the migration series the images of the people coming to the city with their rural background encountering the new culture and their need to be outside," said Brown. "This stoop culture develops."

The Black experience runs like a silken thread through all of Brown's pieces including "Upside Down" from "Destiny," a 1998 piece he co-choreographed with Rokiya Kone from the Ivory Coast. Brown's many trips to West Africa taught him about traditional dance and its language of movement.

Brown's exposure to a variety of styles over the years helped develop his own voice. From his participation in the Police Athletic League's summer dance programs and performing in the ballet "Swan Lake" in high school to working as a member of the Mary Anthony Dance Company for two years, Brown took what he needed and invented the rest. Today, he uses all of it to mold the eight dancers in his company. All have training and experience with a variety of styles ranging from West African to ballet and modern.

"It's contemporary African dance, a fusion of different techniques," said Brown. "We use a lot of energy. I'm interested in using dance as a mode of expression. I try to share stories. I have this belief that dance is a narrative or contemporary ritual that the dancers go through and a journey the audience can wit-

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Peter Sparling

Dance professor/choreographer

World dance

Peter Sparling finds the "world" aspect of Brown's choreography particularly exciting. He's seen the young troupe perform and admires Brown's style. Sparling performed with the Martha Graham Dance Company for many years before becoming an accomplished choreographer in his own right. His company, Peter Sparling Dance, recently performed a concert presented by Canton Project Arts.

A professor of dance at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Sparling is especially looking forward to the master class Brown will give at his Dance Gallery Studio in Ann Arbor. It is one of three classes in which Brown will help dancers to increase their physical range and work on phrasing as a way of expression to free up the spirit. The classes are open to the public for observation and participation.

"They're quite an extraordinary group of dancers," said Sparling. "It's a fusion of styles and colorful. It exciting for the UMS series because it brings in world dance."



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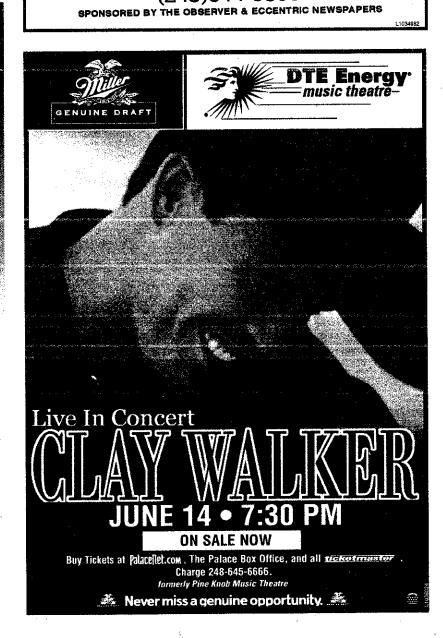
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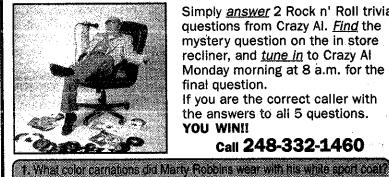
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Through April 21 - Variations on Recent Themes: Castagnacci. 226 Walnut, Rochester. (248) 651-3656.

CASA DE UNIDAD

Dulce Ma. Tiznado. 1920

Paper from 1914 to 1950. 163 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 433-3700.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

Through March 31 - 5th annual Exposures: Photography '01. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 360-2381.

LEMBERG GALLERY

Through April 21 - Jane Dickson's Road Trip. 23241 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 591-6623

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION

Through April 4 - mixed media works from Clarenceville High School students. Through March 28 - Bloomfield Hills artist Girija Viswanath mixed media works. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, Livonia. (734) 466-2490. Through March 28 - The Artifacts Art Club. Livonia City Hall Lobby, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia (734) 466-2540.

MANISCALCO GALLERY

Through April 27 - Herstory, in conjunction with Girlee Detroit. 17329 Mack Ave, Detroit. (313) 886-2993.

MEADOW BROOK

ART GALLERY Through April 8 - The Art of the Catharctic Circle. 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University,

Rochester. (248) 370-3005. **OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA** Through April 20 - Oakland University's student art show. 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Through April 7 - Arta Fundi by artist Jim Pallas and an exhibit of glass works by students and faculty of the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit. 407 Pine, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

PARK WEST GALLERY Through April 19 - Artwork of

Wendy Schaefer Miles and Kevin Miles. 29469 Northwestern, Southfield. (800) 521-9654. PEWABIC POTTERY Through April 14 - Ewers: a

group exhibition of ceramic

artists. 10125 East Jefferson,

Detroit. (313) 822-0954.

PRINT GALLERY Through March 30 - posters by Jackson Pollock, 29469 Northwestern, Southfield. (248) 354-2343.

REVOLUTION

Through April 21 - Self portraits by John Coplans and Phoenix by Jim Melchert. 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

RIVER GALLERY Through April 8 - Otherworldy

Gardens. 121 S. Main, Chelsea. (734) 433-0826. **SCARAB CLUB**

Through March 31 - Silver Medal Exhibition. 217 Farnsworth, Detroit. (313) 831-1250.

ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY Through April 14 – The Paintings of Chuck Gillies, 536 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248)

647-7040. SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES

Through May 24 - Visions of Peace: Children's Peace Art. Opening reception is 3:30-6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 25. 33 E. Adams, Detroit. (313) 963-7575. **SYBARIS GALLERY**

Through April 7 - Works by Stuart Mortimer, Bradley Miller and Diane Falkenhagen. 202 E. Third, Royal Oak. (248) 544-3388.

WARREN TRI-COUNTY FINE ARTS Through March 31 - 2001 Prestige Show. 29500 Van Dyke, Warren. (810) 754-1466.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY

Through March 31 - The Honors Award Program from the Huron Vallery Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. 215 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287.

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY Through April 6 - MFA Thesis II. Community Arts Gallery, 150 Community Arts Gallery, Detroit.

(313) 577-2423. WAYNE STREET Through April 15 - Tracks, recent paintings by Michael Todoroff

and Calvin Kemppainen. 3025 S. Wayne, Wayne. (734) 729-9662. ZEITGEIST GALLERY Through April 1 - Rodrick Denne

and Roger Hayes. 2661 Michigan Ave., Detroit. (313) 965-9192.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET

Art Smart, a lecture about the

current exhibit is 10:30 a.m.noon Saturday, March 31. 4719 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 832-

MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE

Overview of Verdi Operas is at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 27 at the

Detroit Opera House, Detroit. The lecture will be repeated at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 31 at the Detroit Opera House. (313) 237-

3270. OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

Symposium on How to survive as an Artist: Success, excellence and artistic survival in Detroit at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 31 in the Meadow Brook Art Gallery. (248) 370-3005.

SOJOURNER TRUTH

Sakunah DeLaney will portray the 19th century speaker at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 29 at Wayne State University's David Adamany Library. The event is sponsored by the American Association of University Women. (248) 684-1439.

WOODWARD LECTURE SERIES

Presents Duane Michals at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 29 at the **Detroit Institute of Arts Lecture** Hall, 5200 Woodward. (313) 664-7800.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM Through April 8 – Network

Gallery: Gathering Time. Through April 8 - Forgers of Metal: George Booth & His Patronage of Metalcraft at Cranbrook. 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBrook.

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

Through April 29 - Electric Space: Bolts, Jolts and Volts from the Sun. Through May 20 -Lasera presents Laser Festival with music of the Beatles, B-52s and Jackson 5. The Young Stargazer's Journey is through Sept. 3. Through Dec - An exhibit of Great Lakes fur trade with 18th and 19th century artifacts. 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM Opens Friday, March 23 - Island in the City: Belle Isle, Detroit's Beautiful Island through Sept. 9. 5401 Woodward, Detroit. (313)

Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBrook.

331-7760. **DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**

TGIF, and evening of art, music and fun is 8-11 p.m. Friday, March 30. Through May 6 - Treasures from the Royal Tombs of Ur. Through April 30 -A Cultural Heritage: Selected Works of African American Art From the DIA's Collection. Through May 27 - A Century of Collecting Drawings: 1900-2000.

CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

Through April 15 - Hair in African Art and Culture. Through March 30 — Historical Themes, Tales and Legends: The Art of Jerry Pinkney. 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800.

THEATER

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE T for 2 is March 29-May 20. 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit.

GEM THEATRE The Tropical Pickle is at the Gem through May, 333 Madison,

Detroit. (313) 963-9800. FOX THEATRE

Smokey Joe's Cafe, starring Gladys Knight, is March 27-April 1 at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. Tickets available through Ticketmaster.

HEARTLANDE THEATRE COMPANY Features Play by Play, a marathon of short plays noonmidnight Saturday, April 7. Varner Hall, Oakland University. (248) 988-1094, ext. 1.

Presents the Wizard of Oz through April 20, 135 E. Main Street, Northville. (248) 349-

8110. MEADOW BROOK THEATRE Presents The Ride Down Mt. Morgan by Arthur Miller through April 15 at Meadow Brook Theatre, Oakland University.

(248) 377-3300. PLANET ANT

MARQUIS THEATRE

Buried Child by Sam Shepard is Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. Sundays at 2 and 7 p.m. 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck. (313) 365-4948.

WALLED LAKE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

Presents The Crucible at 7:30 p.m., March 29-31 in Central's auditorium. For tickets call (248) 956-4750.

VOLUNTEER

Hosts a new volunteer orientation

at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 27. Volunteers are needed for gardening, handling mail, arranging flowers, welcoming visitors, gift shop tion, call Irene Connors at (248)

GOING)

Through April 15 - The Print,

(734) 994-8004. ART APARTMENT Through April 30 - A Reader's Art:

Abbott Road, Suite 18. East Lansing. (517) 337-8370.

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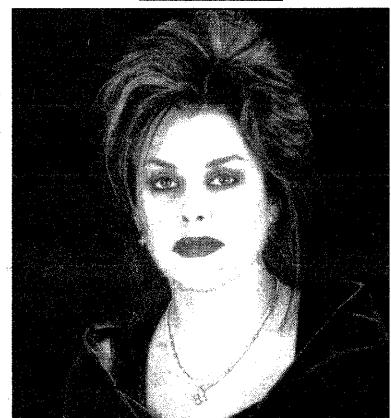
review of the performances of

the Bard's works on the U-M campus. 1150 Beal, North campus, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-3482. **BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD**

Michigan Fine Arts Competition. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

Through May 18 - Around You: Printmaking and Photography by

Heavenly voice



Hallelujah chorus: Birmingham resident Karen McConachie will be the featured soloist when Music at Memorial concludes its season with Messiah at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 1, at the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms. (313) 882-5330.

664-7800. JANICE CHARACH **EPSTEIN GALLERY**

Opens Thursday, March 29 -Steven Weinberg and Irene Frolic: Diverging Directions in Glass through May 10. 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION Opens Friday, March 30 --Student art from the Livonia

Public Schools through April 26. Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road. (734) 466-2490. Opens Tuesday, April 3 — The Palette Guild through April 26 in the Livonia City Hall . Lobby, 33000 Civic Center Drive.

(734) 466-2540.

NATIVE WEST Opens Sunday, April 1 - Etchings in Glass through April 30. Opening reception is noon-4 p.m. Sunday, April 1. 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. (734) 455-8838.

ORCHARD LAKES SCHOOL GALERIA

Opens Sunday, April 1 - Paintings of fabrics by Joanna Tlok through April 30. Opening reception is 2-4 p.m. Sunday, April 1. 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake. (248) 683-1750.

Opens Sunday, April 1 - Featured artist Clare Wolfe through April

543-9720.

WARREN TRI COUNTY ARTS

(810) 754-1466. **WOODS GALLERY** Opens Sunday, April 1 - Glass Month exhibit through May 17. Reception and dedication is at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 1. 26415

Scotia, Huntington Woods. (248)

30. 29500 Van Dyke, Warren.

Scotten, Detroit. CASS CAFE

CITY GALLERY

Through April 28 - An exhibition of linocuts and woodcuts by Carlos Cortez. 4620 Cass, Detroit. (313) 831-1400.

Through April 3 - Smiles and

smiles to go: a solo exhibit by Tyree Guyton. 660 Woodward in the First National Building,

Detroit. (313) 595-6840. **CREATIVE ARTS CENTER** Through March 31 -Improvization: A Journey into Jazz. Sheila Landis, Rick Matle and Dennis Sheridan will perform 8-10 p.m. Saturday, March 31. 47 Williams, Pontiac. (248) 333-

7849. **DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET** Through May 11 - Body as Metaphor. 4719 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 832-8540.

FARMINGTON CITY HALL

Through March 30 - Kegham Tazian art exhibit. 28600 W. Eleven Mile, Farmington Hills. (248) 473-1856. **FORD GALLERY**

Information featuring the work of Matthew Reynolds. 114 Ford Hall, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti. (734) 487-0465.

Through March 30 - Minimal

EXHIBIT A GALLERY Through April 30 - Reality Check: A group exhibit. 288 Maple, Birmingham. (248) 258-9282. **GALLERY 212**

11. 207 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor.

Through April 15 - Evolution Part

(734) 665-8224. **ROBERT KIDD GALLERY**

Through April 30 - New paintings by Joel Sheesley and recent drawings by Rick Vian. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909. **DAVID KLEIN GALLERY**

Through April 21 – Modernism in

America: Paintings and Works on

LECTURES

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GET OVER IT (PG13) SUN.12:55, 2:55, 5:00,7:10, 9:15 MON-THURS. 5:00, 7:10, 9:15 15 MINUTES (R) SUN. 4:30, 6:55, 9:25 MON-THURS, 6:55, 9:25 NP THE MEXICAN (R) SUN. 1:20, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40 MON-THURS 4:15, 7:00, 9:40 SEE SPOT RUN (PG) SUN. 1:00, 3:05,5:10, 7:15, 9:20 MON-THURS 5:10, 7:15, 9:20 RECESS: SCHOOL'S OUT (G) SUN. 1:00, 2:45, MON-THURS. 5:00 DOWN TO EARTH (PG13) SUN. 1:25, 3:20, 5:20 ,7:30, 9

HANNIBAL (R) SUN. 1:10, 4:00, 6:45, 9:30, 10:00; MON-THURS 4:00,6:45, 9:30 CHOCOLAT (PG13) MON-THURS 4:10, 6:40, 9:10 CROUCHING TIGER, HIDDEN **DRAGON (PG13)** SUN. 1:35, 4:05 6:30, 9:00; MON-THURS 4:05 6:30, 9:00 **TRAFFIC (R)** SUN. 1:05, 4:00, 6:50, 9:45; MON-THURS, 4:00, 6:50, 9:45 CASTAWAY (PG13)

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CROUCHING TIGER, HIDDEN **DRAGON (PG13)** SUN. 1:30, 4:10, 6:40, 9:20 MON-THURS 4:10, 6:40, 9:20 13 DAYS (PG13) TRAFFIC (R) MON-THURS 4:00,6:50, 9:40

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CROUCHING TIGER, HIDDEN DRAGON (PG13) SUN. 1:30, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30 MON-THURS. 4:30, 7:00, 9:30 THE WEDDING PLANNER (PG13) MON-THURS. 7:20, 9:40

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CROUCHING TIGER, SLEEPING DRAGON (PG13) **TRAFFIC (R)** 11:50, 3:30,6:50, 9:55

SAVE THE LAST DANCE (PG13) 11:55, 2:35, 5:05, 7:35, 10:10 13 DAYS (PG13) CASTAWAY (PG13) 1:25, 4:25, 7:25, 10:30 CHOCOLAT (PG13) 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 6:55, 9:30 WHAT WOMEN WANT (PG13) 12:25, 3;10, 6:35, 9:15

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CROUCHING TIGER, HIDDEN DRAGON

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CHOCOLATE (PG13) **CROUCHING TIGER, HIDDEN DRAGON (PG13)**12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:50, 10:35 TRAFFIC (R) SHOOTING GALLERY FILM FESTIVAL NP TOO MUCH SLEEP(NR)

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11:15, 1:55, 4:35, 7:15, 9:55 THE PLEDGE (R) 11:05, 1:55, 4:45, 7:35, 10:25

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

FIRST SHOW OF THE DAY

Artifacts Art Club meets 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 27 at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road.

Evangeline Klein will show slides of her trip to Africa. TASTE, TOAST AND TEACH

Wayne RESA will host a food and wine tasting 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 28 at the Detroit Opera House.

Tickets are \$50 and available by calling (248) 645-6666. The "Taste, Toast and Teach" event benefits Wayne RESA's Future Teachers Scholarship Program. Wayne RESA is a regional educational service agency providing a variety of services to children, families and communities.

AN ARTISTIC DISCOVERY

Students in the 13th Congressional District will exhibit their work in "An Artistic Discovery," part of the 20th annual Congressional Art Competition and National Exhibition, Wednesday-Friday, March 28-30 at Belleville High School, 501 West Columbia Avenue.

Hours are 3-8 p.m. Wednesday and 5-8 p.m. Thursday-Friday. U.S. Representative Lynn Rivers will host a reception for the participants, family members, teachers and general public 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 31 at the high school. The winner of the competition will be announced at that time and all students will be recognized with a Certificate of Congressional Recognition. The winning art work will be sent to Washington, D.C. to be hung in a corridor of the U.S. Capitol for a year.

ART CLASSES Ivan Kende will teach a figure

drawing class beginning 10 a.m. Friday, March 30 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 North Sheldon at Junction.

Students will draw from a live model. To register, call 416-4278.

BENEFIT CONCERT Classical Bells will present a benefit concert 6:45 p.m. Sunday, April 1 at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 West Six Mile, east of Merriman,

Livonia. A free will offering will be taken for Habitat for Humanity

of Western Wayne County. For more information, call (248) 643-0868.

STUDENT RECITAL Madonna University will hold a student music recital, "Music Primavera," 3 p.m. Sunday, April 1 in Kresge Hall on cam-

pus, 36600 Schoolcraft at Levan, Livonia. Admission is free but donations to the music scholarship

fund will be accepted. The recital will include solo and ensemble vocal, piano, flute, clarinet and guitar pieces. Flutist Laurie Parks, pianists Michelle Bies and Susan Knighton, clarinetist Jessica Lofgren, and guitarist Chris Wilson

Acting Workshop: Gordon Michaels, personal acting coach for Dylan McDermott on "The Practice," will give an acting workshop Friday-Sunday in Northville. are among the students performwork will be the third piece for a developing sculpture garden

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CALL FOR ARTISTS

Canton Township is looking for artists for it 10th annual Fine Art and Fine Craft Show Saturday-Sunday, June 23-24 at the Liberty Fest in Heritage Park.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Deadline for application is April 16. For more information,

call (734) 453-3710. **ACTING WORKSHOP**

Gordon Michaels, personal acting coach for Dylan McDermott on "The Practice," will give a workshop Friday-Sunday, March 30 to April 1 in Northville.

The fee is \$250. For more information, call (734) 261-5354 or (310) 727-2383.

Michaels, a graduate of John Glenn High School in Westland, has been in the entertainment industry for more than 20 years. He's appeared on Broadway, in films and on television. Film credits include "The Lost World" "Air Force One," "Leaving Las Vegas," and the soon to be released "Texas Rangers."

Michaels will cover a variety of topics in the workshop including cold reading and on-camera techniques, how to get an agent, improvisation, New York versus LA markets, scene study, the actors resume, career consultation, and monologue coaching.

SCULPTORS WANTED

The Livonia Arts Commission is seeking sculptors interested in producing a commissioned sculpture for the city of Livonia. The

located behind city hall. Sculptors should send a letter to the arts commission by March 31 stating their interest in the project. Include photos or slides of previous work. Write the Livonia Arts Commission at 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia MI 48154. For information, call the city's community resources department at (734) 466-2536.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

An exciting music scholarship opportunity, designed and conducted by two mid-Michigan music educators, awaits 40 young male singers on May 18-20 on the Michigan State University campus in East Lansing. "A Cappella Blast" will offer young men, ages 14-18, the chance to sing a cappella music using the Barbershop style in an ensemble setting. Clinics will help young singers to broaden their skills and musical experi-

ence. The Young Men in Harmony program of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America (SPEBSQSA) has received generous grants from the Harmony Foundation and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, making the event possible for a cost of only \$25 per participant.

Registration deadline is Wednesday, April 18. For a form or more information, call Bob Wolf at (734) 421-1652 or visit the Web site www.harmonize .com/pioneer/pio.htm. There are limited places in the chorus.

Ballet merges elegant dance with fun

By NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

nstafford@oe.homecomm.net The Merry Widow is one of those ballets that flirts with that fine line, the line between the tradition of classical ballet and the more cheeky side of operetta," said Kevin McKenzie, the American Ballet Theatre's artistic director and its former

principal dancer. And well it should. The Merry Widow surfaced as an operetta in 1905. Later in the 20th century, Hungarian composer Franz Lehar's libretto was

translated into classical dance. Today, the ABT, which is in its 61st season, performs the work as part of its repertoire. The company is slated to present the three-act ballet March 29-April 1 at its Midwest home, the Detroit Opera House. The performance is part of the 2000-2001 DaimlerChrysler Dance Series.

"We felt it was long overdue that ABT represent something more theatrical," said McKenzie, of bringing the ballet into the repertoire.

Set in a small Balkan state experiencing financial difficulties under the 19th century Austro-Hungarian Empire, the plot revolves around widow Hanna

Glawari and her wealth. Fearing she will marry a foreigner, a state ambassador and

What: American Ballet Theatre presents The Merry Widow When: 8 p.m. March 29-31 and 2 p.m. April 1 Where: Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway in Detroit Tickets: \$17-75, call the DOH box office at (313) 237-7464 or Ticketmaster at (248) 645-

his cronies select a handsome suitor, a diplomat by the name of Count Danilo Danilovitch. But getting the two hitched requires conniving and artful trickery; and the intrigue and subplots have comic effect.

Serious business

Performing the ballet is, however, serious business. The Merry Widow is tongue-in-cheek storytelling so a formidable challenge for ABT, said McKenzie.

Conveying wit and sarcasm through the classical dance medium requires, for one, impeccable timing, he said, adding, 'What do they say about comedy? What's so special about comedy? Timing."

Theatricality, of course, wins out over physicality in the choreography. Subtle, precisely interpreted movements, mime and gesture take the place of bounding leaps and dramatic lifts.

McKenzie equates breaking down the choreography to actors working their lines. "A line can be read in a million different ways. The challenge in this choreography is in the interpretation."

Theatrical ballets have strong audience appeal. "You go with the characters, you have fun with them and get involved in the ridiculous situations that they are in," said McKenzie. In 1975 choreographer Ronald

Hynd staged the ballet as a showcase for Dame Margot Fonteyn. The Australian Ballet in Melbourne, the National Ballet of Canada, Vienna State Ballet and La Scala Ballet in Milan are the only other dance companies that have performed the

The Merry Widow offers audiences a sensory experience, too. Sets by Desmond Heeley capture the opulence of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. And operetta standards in the score sound pleasantly familiar.

While the men don tuxedos, the women join them in lavish gowns to glide across a ballroom floor. The two major pas de deux, said McKenzie, "are superior examples of 'sweeping her off her

Along with romance, there's a happy ending.

COMMUNITY THEATER

Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford presents 'The Fantasticks'

The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford presents "The Fantasticks," a musical about teen love, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday through April 8; 2 p.m. Sunday, March 24 and 31, 15138 Beech Daly, one block south of Five Mile Road, Redford. Tickets \$12 adults, \$10 students/seniors, call (313) 531-0554.

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

It's spring, and time to fall in love. Well, if there's nobody in the picture, you can spend a lovely evening laughing and watching other people fall in and out of love in the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford's production of "The Fantasticks."

"I love what it's about. I love what it has to say, and the style of the play," said director Rob Papineau of Livonia. "It's based on an ancient Roman comedy and the premise that kids will do what you tell them not to do."

Two best friends, next door

neighbors who are single parents, fake a feud because they want their children to marry.

"I love this crazy story," said Papineau. "All parents know their children behave this way. So the parents use reverse psychology to bring the kids together, and it works.

"But then the parents need another scheme to end their bogus fight. The answer is an even crazier plot involving the mysterious El Gallo, Shakespearean actors and a pretend kidnapping."

The show is full of familiar songs such as "Try to Remember," and the hilarious "Plant a Radish," which compares raising kids to raising vegetables.

"Veggies are more reliable," said Misha Dionne of Livonia who plays the mother. "A garden produces exactly what you plant, but your little future president might grow up to be a circus clown."

Act 2 gets interesting. "That's when the two kids grow up," said ■ The show is full of familiar songs such as 'Try to Remember,' and the hilarious 'Plant a Radish,' which compares raising kids to raising vegetables.

Maggie Keenan-Bolger who (Troy), Ethan Bobee (Garden plays Louisa, the young girl in love. "That's when the two kids grow up. They have a fight and go off to experience some 'life,' but life is tough and they get their hearts broken a little. That's when they learn to appreciate each other, and come back

The curtain went up Friday, March 23, on the production, and Papineau was excited.

"It's terrific, everyone is having fun, and working together," he said.

The cast also includes Craig Broombaugh of Redford as Matt, Louisa's love, and Ken Wood of Canton as a parent. Mimes are portrayed by Renee Hermiz

City), and Matt Ripper (West-

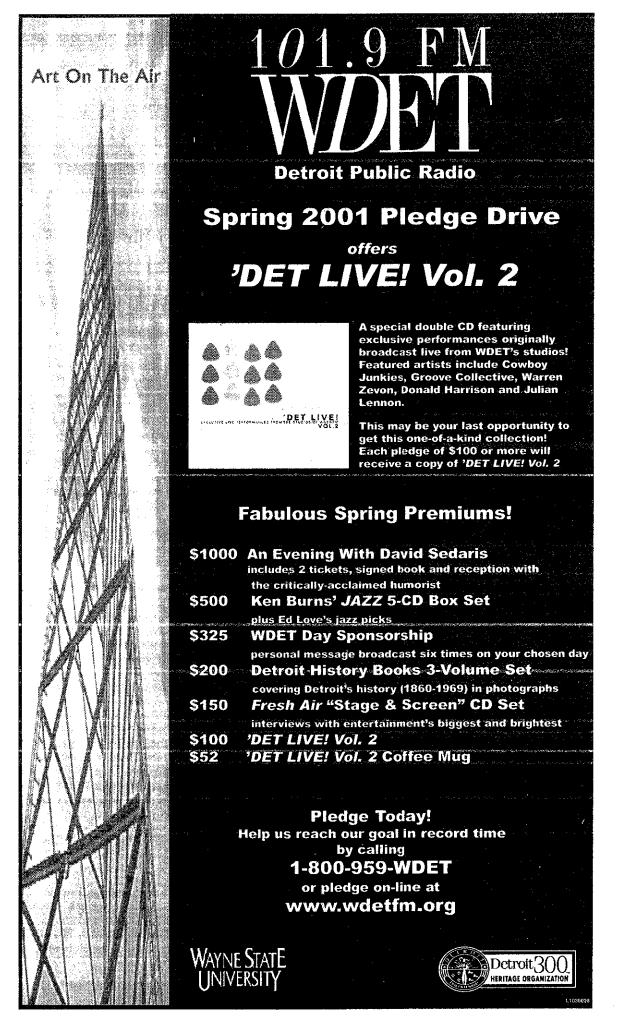
Redford residents Matt Ripper and Aaron McCurry are cast as the Shakepeareans, and Steve Morgan as the dashing El Gallo.

Written by Harvey Schmidt and Tom Jones, "The Fantasticks" premiered at the Sullivan Street Playhouse on May 3, 1960. It has since become one of the longest-running musicals in the world, and has played in over 5,000 cities in the U.S. and 80 foreign countries.



Young love: Craig Broombaugh stars as Matt, and Maggie Keenan-Bolger as Louisa in "The Fantasticks."







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Consumer troubles – try the attorney general

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SHOP TALK



column I wrote about a a damaged couch I received, my efforts to get it repaired and subsequent phone call to the Michigan Attorney General Consumer Protection Division. The day of deliv-

ery, the couch arrived with a small tear. For over a year, I worked with the retailer to

have it repaired. The problem was the company, for whatever reason, kept sending the wrong replacement fabric. Of course, I didn't know whether the fabric was right or not until the company repair technician showed up at my place. And, yes, I had to hole up in my apartment for half a day and wait for the technician to arrive during our scheduled "window of time" appointment.

Eventually, I called the Consumer Protection Division for advice. And since my experience over the phone was so encouraging - not to mention pleasant - I wrote a column to encourage other consumers to seek out their help when faced with a problem.

Once again, I am moved to promote the department and encourage others to take advantage of their services.

Positive result

I followed the advice given to me by a Consumer Division representative: I filed an official complaint.

Within a few weeks, I received a letter from the Attorney General acknowledging my complaint.

That's good, I thought, but didn't put much stock in the process. I figured the letter was more perfunctory than anything, like when you call your local legislator with a gripe and an aide calls back promising to "look into it and get back to you."

Naturally, I forgot about my complaint and the letter. If nothing panned out, I'd badger the retailer or

Then I received a call from the headquarters of the company that sold me the couch. The man gave me his name, said he had received the complaint I filed with the Attorney General and reviewed it. And, "frankly," he said, "this is very embarrassing.

"Okay," I replied not knowing what else to say.

"So, we're willing to do whatever you want here. We can try and get the repair done properly. We can get you an entirely new replacement couch, if you want. We'd be happy to have you pick out another sofa. Or, we're willing to issue you a full refund and pick up the couch."

'Okay," I said, again words failing

"Of course, we would like to retain you as a customer, but the choice is

yours." "Well, all right, thank you," I said, adding, "I really did try to get the

couch repaired." I guess I was feeling a little guilty at this point, although wrongly so. "Well, can I think about it and call

you back? It's a busy day for me." "Absolutely," he said, adding, "And those are just a few options. You may have an idea we haven't discussed, so let me know."

Well, well, much better, I thought. Then came the shock. How could this be true? Total consumer satisfac-

At best, I had figured the resolution would be a lesser one, something in between, like a discount on the sofa. Worse case scenario, well, you know what I thought.

Isn't it sad that we, myself included, are so cynical about the government's ability to help and protect us?

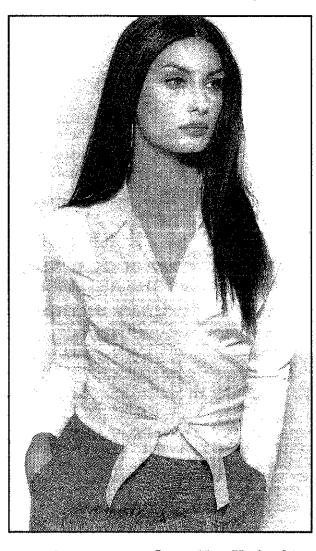
All I can say is, if you're experiencing a similar problem, file a complaint. Sure, the paper work is no party, but it may be well worth the

And, no matter what the result, you'll feel a whole lot better for try-

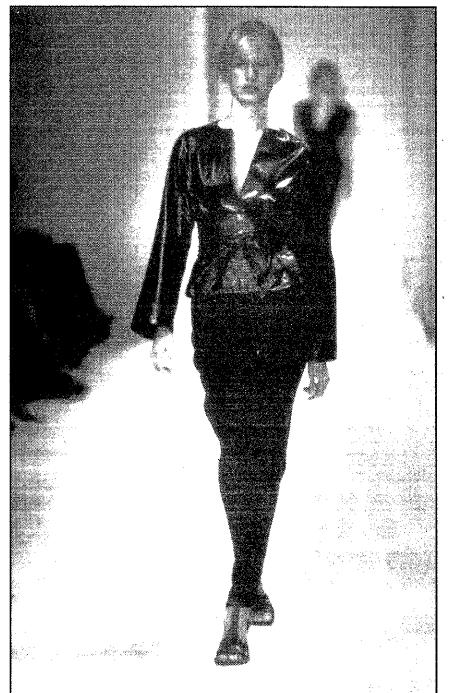
To contact the Michigan Attorney General Consumer Protection Division, call (517) 373-1140 or visit their web site at www.ag.state.mi.us. Complaint forms can be downloaded from the site or filed directly on-line by going to the "File a Complaint" link on the left side of the home page.

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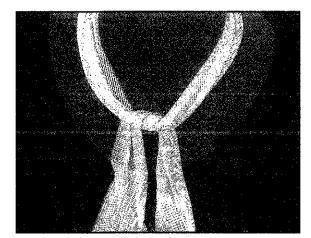
Fashion gets wrapped up in design trend







Get wrapped: Jones New York white cotton stretch wrap shirt (clockwise, from top left), \$74 at area department stores; Banana Republic tied leather trench coat wraps high on the waist, \$450 at Banana Republic stores; MaxMara black leather wrap waist jacket, \$1,885 at MaxMara, the Somerset Collection in Troy; Anne Klein side-tie skirt, \$46, for wrapping over matching tank suit, \$80, both in gold tone at Jacobson's stores; Chanel wrap style sunglasses, about \$225 at Shades Optical in Birmingham; and Elsa Peretti sterling silver scarf to wrap the neckline, \$1,350 at Tiffany & Co.



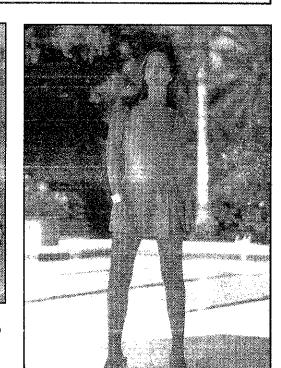
f it wraps, you can't go wrong as far as fashion is concerned.

That's so true that Mary Jo Scofes, vice president divisional merchandise manager - designer for Jacobson's Stores, rates a basic wrap blouse in the her top

five wardrobe pieces for the spring fashion season. "The wrap theme, overall, is very popular, she said.

And, it's everywhere. The design trend has influenced not just blouses and skirts but jackets, trench coats, jewelry, sunglasses, swim wear and even foot wear.

To boot, the belt - a quintessential wrap - is being touted as today's must-have accessory. - Staff writer Nicole Stafford



Fashion historian talks about Hollywood style

Sunday's Oscars are sure to bring television viewers from across the country closer to the glamour of Hollywood.

But a more in-depth look at the fascinating world of movie star style and the relationship between film and fashion will be taken next week at Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Hills.

Courtesy of Project Hope and Saks Fifth Avenue, author and fashion historian Sandy Schreier will present Hollywood Dressed and Undressed.

The event, which includes a reception, luncheon and book signing, is slated Thursday, March 29, and tickets are still available.

Schreier, who lives in Southfield, is the world's foremost private collector of 20th century couture, American fashion and Hollywood costuming.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. By fax, (248) 644-1314. E-mail, nstafford@oe.homecomm.net.

Deadline for publication is two weeks in advance.

THURSDAY, MARCH 29

MEN'S ARMANI TO MEASURE Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, presents Armani Collezioni Made-To-Measure Spring/Summer 2001 for men through April 1, Men's Shop, first floor. To schedule a personal appointment, call (248) 614-3371.

JEWELRY DESIGNER VISITS

Meet Dee Angelo, fine jewelry designer, and view Angelo's special trunk show collection at Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, Fine Jewelry, first floor. Call 248) 643-9000 ext. 219.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30

CHANEL COLLECTIONS

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy, hosts Chanel's Spring/Summer 2001 Accessory and

She's also a fashion insider with ties to the entertainment industry. In the 1960s, for instance, she created costumes for The Supremes. She also designed accessories for Yves Saint Laurent's first collection for show in the United States.

As the author of the 1998 book Hollywood Dressed and Undressed: A Century of Cinema Style, Schreier lectures throughout the country and regularly shares her experiences in the media. She's been a guest on Oprah and talked about fashion and cinema on the American Movie Classics network.

In addition to appearing in numerous publications, including Vogue, People and In Style, she has curated

exhibitions of costume history at several museums. Schreier's latest book Hollywood Gets Married is slated for release soon.

When: Thursday, March 29, 10 a.m. reception, 11 a.m. presentation, noon luncheon and 1 p.m.

Undressed: A Century of Cinema Style

Where: Oakland Hills Country Club, 3951 West Maple Road in Bloomfield Hills

What: Author and fashion historian Sandy

Schreier presents Hollywood Dressed and

Tickets: \$50, \$75 and \$100 to benefit the Women's Division of Project Hope, to purchase call Cheryl Hall Lindsay at Saks Fifth Avenue at (248) 614-3317 or Bettina Gregg at (248) 322

Appropriate attire required

BOOK DRIVE'S LAST DAY

Shoe Collections, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Chanel Boutique, first floor. For details, call (248) 643-9000.

SPORTS COLLECTIBLE SHOW

Livonia Mall at Middlebelt and 7 Mile Road presents a Sports Cards and Collectibles Show through April 1 with autograph sessions on March 30. For details, call (248) 476-1160.

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

Ferndale artist Rick Pruckler signs his tiles at Enchanting Gifts, 22944 Woodward Avenue in Ferndale. Pruckler, owner of Whistling Frog Tile Company, learned his craft at Pewabic Pottery in Detroit. For more information, call (248) 548-6350.

TEEN FASHION SHOW

YM Magazine joins Nordstrom, the Somerset Collection in Troy, in presenting spring fashions from the retailer's BP department, doors open at 8 a.m. for continental breakfast. Performance follows fashion show, which begins at 8:30 a.m. Reservations are

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FOCUS DAYS

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SUNDAY, APRIL 1

GLASS EXHIBIT

Native West, 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth, hosts Etchings in Glass, a glass exhibit to mark Michigan Glass Month, through April 30. Opening reception is noon-4 p.m. April 1. For exhibit hours and other information, call (734) 455-8838.

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WHERE CAN I FIND?

This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate retail merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feed-

If you have a request or information about where a product is sold or service is available, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number.

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- A Black & Decker coffee maker that brews directly into a travel mug can be pur-

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bury Village in Lake Orion or at Joanne Fabric stores. - Anne Klein II perfume can be purchased on the Inter-

at Highland Fling at Canter-

www.fragrancenet.com. - Men's 50/50 polyester/cotton T-shirts can be purchased

at J.C. Penney stores.

- Patsy Cline's songs can be

purchased through the **Heart**land. land Music catalog, call (800) 788-2400. Also, **Harmony** House stores may carry them.

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Appliance covers can be purchased through the Blair Shop catalog, call (800) 458-

- Triple seat strollers can be purchased at area Baby's R Us stores and at Bellini's Furniture on Woodward Avenue in Birmingham.

WHERE CAN I FIND?:

 A business that re-covers lamp shades with fabric for Georgia, who lives in Northville. - A hairdresser that makes

house calls for elderly customers for Margaret, a resident of Westland.

- A store that sells paintby number sets on wood for G. of Southfield. A store that sells blow-up

vinyl birthday cakes with candles. A store that sells sugarfree Tang powder drink mix for Jan, who resides in West-

A store that sells women's panty girdle briefs with garters for Mrs. B.

A business that will repair a Hermes typewriter for Bonnie of West Bloomfield.

- A store where a sweater clip can be purchased for Dot. - A store that sells Gebhart chili powder for Lila, who lives in Canton.

- A store that sells an electric "addressograph" and printing machine for Susan.

- A store that sells women's jeans by Edwin for Sally of Northville.

 A store that sells various sizes, shapes and colors of cookie/candy tins for Michelle, who resides in Livonia.

- A store that sells used shuffleboard pucks for Carol, a resident of Livonia - A store that sells the

1940s movie I Remember Mama with Irene Dunne on videocassette for Mrs. B., who lives in Livonia. A business that will

repair an animated doll with sound (sold at Hudson's at Easter time) for Ed.

- A store where a children's old-fashioned. English style hat in gray with a peak (as seen in the movie Scrooge) can be purchased for Claire.

- A store in the Pontiac area that sells women's Tanjay slacks for Margaret of Oxford.

> Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

The Easter Bunny and other spring characters hop back into town at month's end to visit with children in stores across metropolitan Detroit.

Appearances are slated to take place at:

■ Livonia Mall: 29514 7 Mile Road, starting April 1, call (248)

■ Wonderland Mall: in Livonia, through April 14, photos with children available, call (734) 522-4100.

■ Westland Shopping Center: 35000 West Warren, through April 14, digital photos with children available 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon-6 p.m. Sunday, call (734) 425-5001. ■ Art Van Furniture: in Novi, 2-4 p.m. April 1, cameras welcome,

call (248) 348-8922, ■ Twelve Oaks Mall: in Novi, featuring Peter Rabbit and Mr. McGregor's storybook garden, through April 14, photo portraits available 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, call (248) 348-9438.

To submit Easter event information for this calendar, send by mail to Malls & Mainstreets, Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, Mich. 48009. By email at nstafford@oe.homecomm.net. By fax at (248) 644-1314.



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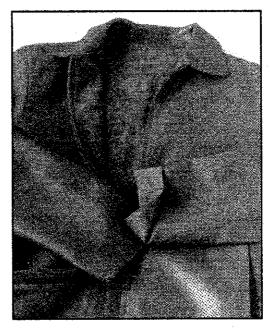








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Brawny bomber: The leather invasion has infiltrated men's fashion. Here, the troops like perforatedchampagne leather from BOSS Hugo Boss, *\$1,495*.



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TRAVEL

Spend some time in paradise – St. Lucia

BY SANDIE PARROTT SPECIAL WRITER

t's not just the twin mountain peaks, thousands of acres of lush rain forest teaming with wild orchids, ferns and rare birds such as the "jacquot" (St. Lucian Parrott) that make the island of St. Lucia a nature lover's paradise.

Let's not forget the sulfur springs, mineral rich waterfalls, beaches, hiking trails, botanical gardens and plenty of warm waters for snorkeling and diving.

Most of the resorts and nicer beaches are on the northwest side of the island. And you'll get a panoramic view of when you arrive at Hewanorra Airport at the southern tip of the island and travel toward Castries. The route can take an eastern or western approach around the rain forest and higher elevations. While the western route is more scenic, it's a bit slower. Roads are not clearly marked, but if you watch a map for village names, you will be fine.

The Drive-in

St. Lucia claims to be the only place where you can drive into a volcano. Well, you don't really drive in, but you are able to park within a few hundred feet. Your nose will tell you that you are getting close to the volcano because of the pungent scent of sulfur springs.

There is an interesting halfhour tour included in the admission price. A guide will take a small group of people on a hike around the bubbling, gurgling steaming mass and explain the workings of the volcano. It is pretty interesting if you can stand the smell.

Soufriere

This quaint fishing village settled by the French in 1746 is the oldest town in St. Lucia. The once was, but the 9,000 or so res-

If you are going:

CURRENCY

One U.S. dollar is approximately equal to 2.7 of the East Caribbean dollar. This rate changes daily so check the exchange rate before you go. Retailers readily except U.S. dollars, but you must do your own rate conversion.

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The Villa Beach Resort is sprinkled over 55 acres looking down upon Labrelotte Bay. We rented one of the many two bedroom villas strewn across the hillside. Some of the one bedroom and all of the 2, 3 and 4 bedroom Mediterranean style villas each have their own plunge pools.

The villas are equipped with tropical furnishings, multiple balconles and everything you will need except food. There is every amenity available at the resort including a pleasant wide beach, water sports, restaurants, special parties and even nannies and cooks. They also have special golf cart vehicles to take guests up and down the cobblestone paths. Several pricing options are available from an all-inclusive deluxe room to a villa with private plunge pool. Call (800) 743-9609 or check their Web site at www.windjammerlanding.com for booking or questions.

GROCERY SHOPPING

You will need to get supplies if you rent a villa or condo. Resort stores are terribly expensive, but very convenient. If you want better prices and a little adventure, go to the nearest local grocery store. It is a challenge to figure out what is available for meals without your usual brand names and favorites. Produce of all kinds such as mangoes, bananas, pineapples, passion fruit, coconuts and guavas are fresh, cheap and available — desired snack foods and sodas are not.

RENTING A CAR

If you think you will be driving to your hotel, make sure to reserve a car before you go on your trip. Cars can be in short supply if several airplane flights or cruises arrive at the same time. Don't worry if they are all gone. Just insist you reserved a car. The rental agency will take you to your hotel and deliver your car either later that day or usually the next day. If you need a car for an outing, make sure to reserve in advance -- maybe even the previous day. Make sure you reserve a car that will carry all of your group's luggage. Most cars are quite small. Main roads are generally good, but secondary roads can have large potholes. Don't drive too fast -- roads are winding and you never know what is around the next bend. Driving is European-style, so don't forget to drive on the left.

idents always have a friendly

We were cautioned not to give money to the children. It is easy to hand a few children some quarters - it seems harmless enough, but unfortunately, we They end up as delinquents hanging around the wharf, getting into trouble and not completing their education.

Diamond in the rough

Diamond Botanical gardens is a 2,000-acre estate still owned

by descendants of the Devaux - St. Lucia is still a relatively undiscovered destibrothers from Normandy. There are pathways lined with flowers and flowering trees leading to a natural gorge.

Diamond Waterfall, produced from the La Soufriere Volcano waters, makes a colorful statement because of the mineral laden waters that have stained the rock. Bring along your bathing suit so you can sample the mineral baths, which they claim to have curative powers. There is a small fee for the mineral baths.

Jump Up

Don't miss Friday night Jump Up in Gros Islet. It is a small village, so all you have to do is follow the crowd and the music to the street party. Parking is

wherever you find it. Bring cash in single U.S. dollar bills or the equivalent in their currency which is the East Caribbean dol-

nation in the Caribbean. You can catch the lush

sights of the rain forest and lush tropical flowers

without all the trapping of more popular settings.

The locals, in front of their very tiny houses, serve drinks and food from coolers and handmade grills. We were a bit suspicious of the food, but it looked interesting. We mostly drank beer or soft drinks from bottles.

The reason for bringing dollar bills or small change became obvious to us when we tried to buy a beer. We only had a five-

dollar bill for a one-dollar purchase. The lady tried to make change - even asking nearby vendors, Finally she said, "Go ahead and take the beer." Well. we gave her the five dollars.

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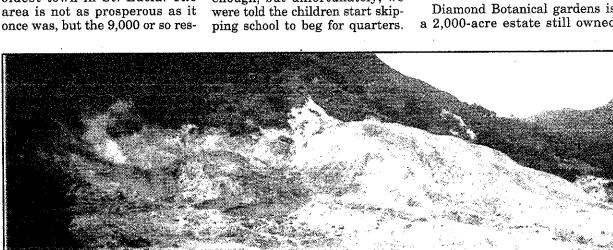
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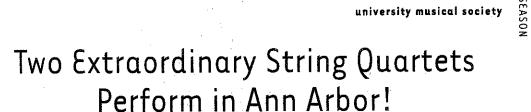
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Piano Quartet in E-flat Major, K. 493

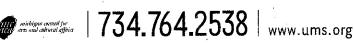
Emerson String Quartet Friday, April 6, 8 pm

Rackham Auditorium

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PROGRAM Haydn Beethoven Bartók

Quartet in G Major, Op. 54, No. 1 Quartet in f minor, Op. 95 ("Serioso") Microluden, Op. 13 Quartet No. 4



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Bruce Konowalow

A morel dilemma: Go with a pro to identify them

ichigan and morels are heavenly words for those of us who salivate, knowing that the long-awaited harvest will begin soon.

This edible fungi, prized by mycologists (mushroom hunters) and foodies alike, is one of the primary pleasures of early spring.

In and around Boyne City, Mich., tight-lipped mushroom hunters traipse off to their secret spots in the woods, searching for this elusive and (when purchased in a store) costly culinary delight.

Nothing guaranteed

There are no guarantees where morels will grow consistently, but they seem to prefer undisturbed forest floors and areas that house large oak, elm and ash trees. Apple orchards, black cherry trees and areas subjected to forest fires can create the preferred environment, if the rainfall and the temperature are just right. It is this uncertainty that makes it incredibly

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morel.

difficult to cultivate these mushrooms commercially.

The prized usually found in the last two weeks of April and the first two weeks in May. Every Mother's Day weekend, the National Mushroom Hunting Championship. Contes-

tants have 90 minutes to scour the woods and turn in the largest cache of morels.

By the end of May, they cannot be

In the Midwest, there is believed to be three varieties of morel - the vellow morel, the black morel, and the halffree morel. Black morels can be as small as 1/2-inch high to over 12 inches tall. Some consider the yellow morel the best tasting; they are sometimes referred to as gray morels. The halffree morel is very tasty, but more fragile than the others are. The half-free is sometimes confused with another spring mushroom called the verpa, which is somewhat poisonous. The basic rule of thumb in mushroom hunting is "if in doubt, throw it out."

Watch what you eat

A good rule to follow for morels is "Do not swallow if the centers' not hollow." If you slice a morel open, you will find there is no flesh in the inside, just the occasional insect or worm.

Both false and real morels contain a chemical that causes a violent reaction with alcohol. True morels may contain trace amounts; false morels contain larger doses. With that in mind, it is probably best to go out with somebody that has experience and knowledge before you take any unnecessary risks. Downing a couple of cold ones during your hot pursuit is probably a bad idea, if you intend on eating large quantities of your catch.

If you are not the outdoors type they can be purchased either in the fresh or dried state. It is not uncommon to pay more than \$20 a pound for fresh morels, depending on the available supply. Dried morels are more readily available, however they may be as much as \$90 a pound.

Both fresh and dry morels should be washed, as they can be sandy. Fresh morels often contain worms or insects.

The morels' earthy flavor makes

them the tastiest of all mushrooms. Bruce Konowalow is the director of the Culinary Arts Department at Schoolcraft College and a Taste columnist. Konowalow is a former director of the New York Restaurant School in New York City.

See related recipe inside Taste.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Easter eggs
- 2 Unique



Famie's Adventures in Cooking Published by:

Sleeping Bear Press Availability: Borders Books & Music and other area bookstores, \$29.95 Breakdown: First three chapters

showcase 33 of Famie's favorite recipes for dishes he served in metropolitan Detroit at Chez Raphael, Les Auteurs and Durango Grill; subsequent sections take on regional cuisine for such areas as Vietnam

By NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER nstafford@oe.homecomm.net

etroit Chef Keith Famie lost 27 pounds as a Survivor II cast member. "From 170 to 143," he says, speaking on his cell phone on route to the Towne Center in Southfield. "There's the saying I lost my baby fat. I refer to it as losing chef fat. Unfortunately, my chef appetite has kicked back in."

Famie's hunger for media attention, well, just keeps kicking.

He has returned from the Australian Outback, but is still alive on the No. 1 CBS reality television show, which concludes May 3. Back home in West Bloomfield, Famie has a cookbook - and, hey, who knows what else fame, and maybe fortune, will bring - to

Just last Wednesday, for example, Famie



Book circuit: Chef Keith Famie also has been doing book signings to promote Famie's Adventures in Dining (\$29.95 Sleeping Bear Press). At Borders Books & Music in downtown Birmingham, he signs one for Catherine Harris of Pleasant Ridge.

promoting new cookbook

Book party adventure

What: Book release party for

Famie's Adventures in Cooking featur-

ing strolling dinner prepared by Chef

Kelth Famie and the Marriott Parkway

Grille's Chef Jerry Nottage, entertain-

ment by Stewart Franke and drawing

for two round-trip airline tickets to

Appearances: Chef Keith Famie and

his Survivor television show comrades

Where: Marriott at Centerpoint,

3600 Centerpoint Parkway in Pontiac Tickets: \$75 per person or \$125

per couple to benefit the Rainbow

Connection, call (248) 338-7760

Michael Skupin and Maralyn Hershey

When: 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 6

Sydney, Australia

Mei Ling, a vegetarian Chinese restaurant in West Bloomfield. Along for the tofu, was Famie's Survivor comrade Michael Skupin of White Lake Township and two mystery men, one of whom was feverishly pitching clothing lines and speaking engagements to the two Survivors. Suffice to say cell

phones were in abundance. In any case, retreat into anonymity simply is not on the plate for this chef. Soggy rice is no foil for Famie.

And while he's open to new opportunities, he plans to continue taping his local cooking show for

WDIV Channel 4. "I would, no question, like to see an opportunity to do something in the national arena, but I'm not going to pick up and go to Hollywood. This is where I live and this is where my children live."

To promote the cookbook, Famie's Adventures in Cooking (\$29.95 Sleeping Bear Press), a launch party, complete with celebrity appearances, is slated April 6 at The Marriott at Centerpoint hotel in Pontiac to benefit the Rainbow Connection.

Famie will help cook for the event's strolling dinner. And an auction which includes a chance to win dinner cooked by Famie, with Skupin as maitre d'. When the moment is ripe, another Survivor cast member, Maralyn Hershey, will join the event's entertainment and sing.

"Now, they're friends of mine," says Famie of the cast member appearances, which may include a few surprise ones.

Book signings, media interviews, publicity propositions all tied to Survivor. Isn't it a bit irritating to a chef coming out with his first cookbook?

"It's only natural," says Famie. Besides, it benefits his charity, The Rainbow Connection, his book and the publisher, Sleeping Bear Press. "There's no question that the book now has a newer and broader audience" says Famie.

CUS ON WING

Back story

In fact. Famie's book was to be released in October after a contract with Sleeping Bear was signed the month before. Just weeks before the scheduled launch, Famie called the publisher and explained he had to leave town on business.

"We were stunned," recalls Beth Flintoft, publicist at Sleeping Bear. "We were like we can't really release a cookbook without the chef, so we called the printer and said 'don't print."

The following January, Flintoft was on business in Paris and in search of an American newspaper. "I walked by and said there's an English newspaper I can read." It was USA Today, which had done a front page story about the new Survivor cast.

Later, Famie called Sleeping Bear's president, Brian Lewis, to apologize and explain that he wasn't able to reveal he was headed to Australia to tape Survivor.

Given the circumstances, Sleeping Bear decided to re-shoot the book's cover, placing Famie, rather than one of his culinary creations, on the front. The book's original title, Famie's Adventures in Cooking, worked per-

Q & A a la Famie

"Do you know where the Towne Center is?" inquires Famie, breaking out of interview mode, still talking via cell phone. "It's made up of a couple of buildings, OK," he says, "So, I'm in the right place. Go ahead. Next ques-

What's the first food he ate after Survivor? "I can't tell you that," he says. "I ate like a barbarian," he does say, emphasizing the word 'barbarian.'

"I can tell you I had a lunch meeting in Detroit soon after I got back. And I had two servings of bread pudding." What about food cravings?

Please see FAMIE, D2

Going costal with wines from Mendocino

California touts its "coastal" wine regions. North of San Francisco, coastal, in the minds of many, means the larger Napa Valley and Sonoma County appellations. What about Mendocino County? It's the northernmost of California's coastal winegrowing regions and not that well known.

Recognized for its ruggedly beautiful land, the Mendocino area attracted pioneers such as the Pomo and Yuki Indians 5,000 years ago and back-to-the-land settlers in the last 30 years. Home to 30 wineries today, Mendocino County extends the vouthful promise of bountiful opportunity that is both the myth and reality of the West.

Mendocino wineries range in size from small, hand-operated family cellars to large, high-tech facilities. The vineyards are equally varied with old, head-pruned varieties to those with modern trellis systems. A pioneering spirit is all pervasive and sensed in the wines of the area. The years following California's 1850s

wine grape varieties. Immigrant farmers who failed as prospectors, turned to agriculture as a way of life in their new homeland. They knew to choose flat land for food crops and rugged hillsides for grapes. Prohibition killed early wine industry promise. The 1960s wine boom

inspired the revival and replanting of wine grapes. Through the 1970s and especially the 1980s, winegrowing expanded due principally to the efforts of Parducci Wine Cellars and Fetzer Vineyards. Their success inspired others to come to the region, especially since the cost of vineyard acreage is more reasonable than in Napa or Sonoma.

Today's focus

Attention in the region has turned to a refined focus on particular grape varieties and achieving distinctive wine styles that are different from other coastal growing Gold Rush witnessed the first planting of

number one consumer wine choice, even with the enthusiasm for red wines, we thought it would be interesting to learn whether Mendocino chardonnays had a defined thread, a distinction not common in chardonnay from

other California wine regions.

Since chardonnay remains the

A tasting revealed that the best Mendocino chardonnays showcased flavorful pineapple and tropical fruit, but came across leaner and more French Chablis-like, creating a good harmony with foods, especially seafood.

In this category, the 1998 Handley Estate \$16, 1999 Bonterra Vineyards \$15 and 1999 Greenwood Ridge Vineyards, Mendocino Ridge, DuPratt Vineyard \$24 scored highest. Handley is the most Chablis-like while Bonterra and Greenwood Ridge sport a touch more oak, but not overdone. The 1999 Husch La Ribera Vineyards

\$18 had nice pineapple and tropical fruit

Pick of the pack: 1999 Morgan Pinot Noir, Monterey \$22. Lovely wine and a very good value. Zinsations: 1997 Mazzocco Zinfandel, Dry Creek Valley \$16 and 1998 Gundlach-Bundschu Morse Vineyard Zinfandel \$18. Tired of too much oak in California chardonnay? Wines from the Chablis area of northern Burgundy in France offer some of the purest chardonnay flavors without oak, it's hard to beat these from Domaine Roger Seguinot: 1998 AOC Chablis \$16 has richer mouthfeel than most AOC Chablis, 1998 Vieilles Vignes (64-year-old vines) \$17 is richer and more generous than the AOC.

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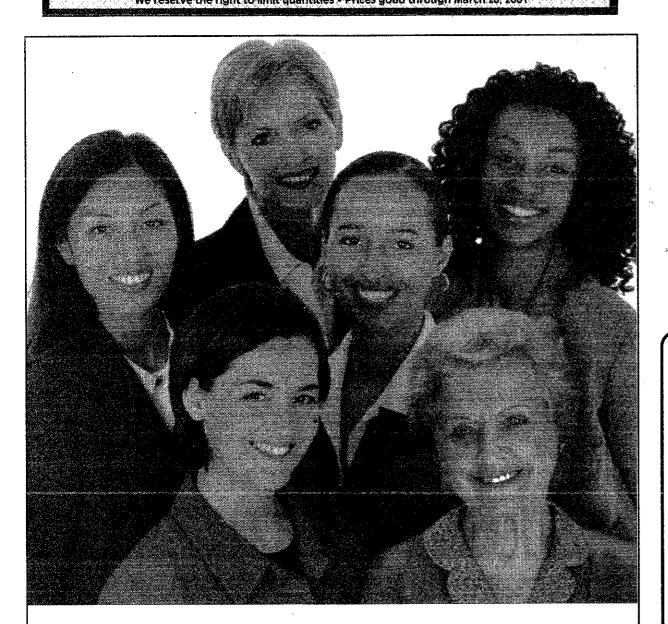
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some typical mineral notes. Please see WINE, D2





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Famie from page D1

"Some people craved things like peanut butter and jelly sandwiches," says Famie. "I'd be craving things like roast lobster or a poached salmon with a dill mustard sauce. My cravings got real creative."

Did being a chef help him get cast in Survivor?

"Oh sure. There's no question that it had something to do with it. What people do for a living, I'm sure, affects that."

What did he expect to gain from the experience?

"I thought of it as an extreme challenge. You're thrown in the middle of nowhere and you have to scrounge for food. I like that kind of living on the edge."

Suddenly, the cell connection

back. "I was in an elevator," he explains.

Unfortunately, the change in environment seems to have affected Famie's willingness to talk. His answers shorten. To many questions - what about the rice, for instance – he replies

"I can't talk about that." What about the uses of his luxury item, the chef's pan?

"I can't talk about that. I'd love to, but I can't," he says. Seconds later. Another inter-

"Nice to meet you," Famie's voice is directed to someone outside the wireless connection. Conceivably, there's a handshake, maybe even a giggling

ruption.

dissolves and Famie has to call female in a Navy blue suit on her way for a coffee break.

"I'm back," says Famie. "Did you get the stuff about the book party?" he inquires, apparently bored with question-and-answer time and ponderous ideas like the synthesis of cooking and entertainment.

He does, however, say it's exciting. The Food Network and other media cooking forums - 1 % even his own local show on WDIV television - help elevate the industry while educating audiences about cooking and food. "I think that all of us - I'm talking for chefs as a group in general – feel excited, happy and fortunate. On the other hand, what we do is very entertaining. It's a form of entertainment."

Wine from page D1

accents, but an overt lemon tartness in the finish pushed it to an unbalanced acid side, even for enjoyment with fish.

With more obvious oak, but still not over the top, 1999 Fetzer Barrel Select \$13 and 1998 Navarro Vineyards \$14 were best, 1998 Jepson Estate Select \$15 was simple and lacked a charm found in other wines. A slightly sweet finish in the 1999 Lolonis \$18 was distracting and not well-designed for food.

The 1998 Parducci Vineyard Select \$10 was a little thin, but hard to beat at the price. The 1999 Milone Family Winery Sanel Valley Vineyard \$19 was coarse with an unpleasant fin-

Mendocino County's grapegrowers claim leadership in practicing and promoting organic farming. Bonterra Vineyards is the unparalleled leader combining earth-friendly farming with top-notch winemaking. The

flawed and oxidized character of the 1998 Frey Chardonnay \$12 indicates that some wineries have a way to go in the organic arena.

The Healds are Troy residents who write about wine, spirits, food, and dining for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave them a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047, mailbox 1864#.

Honey Lemon Tart has a tangy taste of spring

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A dessert with a tangy taste of spring, Honey Lemon Tart would be equally appropriate as part of a meal or as a snack with tea or coffee.

HONEY LEMON TART

For the filling:

- 1 cup honey
- 3 eggs
- 1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons freshly grated lemon peel
- 3/4 teaspoon baking powder 1/2 teaspoon salt

For the crust:

- 1 cup all-purpose flour 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup vegetable shortening
- 3 tablespoons cold water
- 1 egg yolk 1 tablespoon honey

To prepare the filling:

In medium bowl, whisk together honey, eggs, lemon juice, flour, lemon peel, baking powder and salt; set aside.

To prepare the crust:

Preheat oven to 350 F.

In small bowl, combine flour and salt. Using pastry blender or 2 forks, cut in shortening until mix-

ture is crumbly. In separate bowl, whisk together water, egg yolk and honey. Add to flour, stirring until mixture forms a ball. On floured surface, roll out dough to 11-inch circle. Lay dough in a 10-inch tart pan; press dough firmly against bottom and sides of pan. Place pan on baking sheet.

Pour filling mixture carefully into tart pan. Bake at 350 F for 25 to 30 minutes or until filling is set. Cool on wire rack.

Makes 8 servings.

Recipe from the National Honey Board.



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Add drama to meals with fat-free cooking method

BY DANA JACOBI SPECIAL WRITER

Nothing does more to make you look like a culinary expert than cooking "en papillote," meaning food sealed in an envelope of baking parchment or alu-

minum foil. This dramatic technique is a particularly healthful way to

Cooking parchment. sometimes called 'greaseless' or **'liner** paper,' is traditionally used for cooking en papillote, dating ing time. back to a time when

foil wrap

was not

available.

serve vegetables like winter squash, as well as fish and chicken. This virtually fatfree cooking method is simple enough to use often. In m a n y instances, you can make the packets hours in advance and refrigerate them until bak-

When you bring these ballooned packets with their elegantly folded edges to the table, and then slit them open. an enticing, aromatic cloud is released.

Their interior reveals colors heightened by the steam - a harbinger of deliciously concentrated, succulent flavors.

Cooking parchment, sometimes called "greaseless" or "liner paper," is traditionally WINTER SQUASH AND RED PEPPER EN PAPILLOTE

- 1 1/2 pounds delicata, acorn or butternut squash, or a combination of them
- 1 large red bell pepper, seeded and diced
- 1/4 pound shallots, peeled and sliced lengthwise 2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary or 1 tsp. dried
- 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
- 1 teaspoon salt, or to taste
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper, or to taste
- 1 teaspoon extra virgin olive oil
- 4 teaspoons chopped pumpkin seeds

Preheat the oven to 425° F. Cut four 15-inch lengths of baking parchment or foil wrap. Fold each piece in half, crosswise, to make 12-by-7-1/2-inch rectangles. As if making a valentine, cut each piece into the shape of half a heart. Set them aside.

Cut squash in half lengthwise. Scoop out and discard seeds. Cut squash crosswise into 1-inch slices, then peel. Cut into 1-inch cubes. Place squash in a large bowl and add bell pepper, shallots, rosemary, vinegar, salt and pepper. Toss to coat vegetables evenly.

Place one-fourth of vegetables in center of each heart along one side of fold. Drizzle 1/4 teaspoon oil over each mound of vegetables. Sprinkle one teaspoon pumpkin seeds over each.

Fold parchment over so edges of both sides meet. Starting at top of the heart, at the center, fold about an inch of paper over twice and press firmly to seal. Repeat along entire edge. Twist pointy end to seal tight. Make four packets in all and place on cookie sheets, two to

Bake 25 minutes or until vegetables feel slightly soft when packet is pressed gently. Remove from oven and let packets sit 10 minutes before serving.

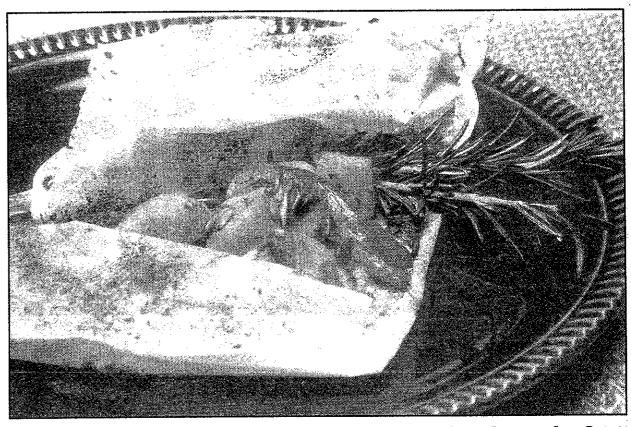
To serve, place each packet on a separate plate. Using a sharp knife, slit each open down the center and fold back paper.

(Take care, as the released steam is scalding hot.) Nutritional information: Makes 4 servings, each containing 91 calories and 3 grams of fat.

used for cooking en papillote, dating back to a time when foil wrap was not available.

Suitable substitute

Although foil is a suitable substitute, it doesn't puff up attractively when steam is released, as happens with the heavy paper. Baking parchment is now as easily available as foil, in many supermarkets and spe-



AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Flavorful packet: Winter Squash and Red Pepper en Papillote is a healthful way to serve winter squash. "En papillote" means food sealed in an envelope of baking parchment or aluminum foil.

cialty stores.

To make packets the traditional way, cut the paper into a heart shape. You will quickly get the hang of rolling, folding and pressing edges along the curves, twisting the point into a tight

Chefs often use foil, which can also be formed into the classic heart shape, or into a rectangle by folding in the two short ends

and sealing together the two long edges. Rectangular packets take up less room in the oven, a good choice when doubling this

Fragrant herbs

Fresh herbs are often sprinkled over food cooked this way to add extra fragrance as well as

Balsamic vinegar contributes a bit of moisture to encourage steaming, and a few drops of olive oil add to and meld the fla-

Dana Jacobi is the author of "The Joy of Soy" and recipe creator for the American Institute for Cancer Research's book "Stopping Cancer Before It Starts."

Go wild for morel mushroom stew

See related column by Bruce Konowalow on Taste front.

Try this recipe developed by Master Chef Dan Hugelier, who teaches restaurant operations

and ala carte cooking for Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts Department in Livonia. Hugelier stresses the use of seasonal vegetables and adapts

all of Schoolcraft's American

Harvest Restaurant menus according to the season. This recipe for a wild mushroom stew is an excellent appetizer when served in small puff pastry Vol-au-Vent or Bouché (both are different shaped puff pastry patty shells.) This stew

crepe filling. If you would like to try something a little different, mix this mixture into scrambled eggs. It makes a supreme brunch or light luncheon entrée.

MOREL WILD MUSHROOM STEW

3 pounds assorted wild mushrooms; use any variety or combination of chanterelle, morels, shiitake, and "lobster chicken" or "hen of the woods," sometimes available at Eastern Market

8 ounces shallots finely diced 2 each whole lemons juiced 8 ounces whole butter, melt

8 ounces Madeira wine

2 ounces Armagnac 2 cups heavy cream

2 tablespoons fresh parsley, minced

Salt, pepper, and nutmeg to

Cook mushrooms until brown in butter, adding more butter if necessary. Add shallots, lemon juice and seasonings, sauté briefly.

Add the Madeira, Armagnac and cream. Reduce the sauce until it coats the mushrooms. Add the fresh parsley. Taste and adjust the seasonings.







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Tai Chi and balance

St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will offer a series of six t'ai chi martial art classes 9:30-10:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday beginning April 3 in the hospital's auditorium. T'ai chi helps improve balance, body awareness, strength, visual control, breathing, and memory. The classes include méditation, repetitive form sequences and introduction of the Yang short form.

There is a \$10 registration fee, and participants are asked to pre-register by calling (734) 655-8940.

Healing laughter

What better way to heal a broken heart than by spending an evening laughing? Northville-based New Hope Center for Grief Support presents "Laughing on the Outside" 4:30-9 p.m. Sunday, April 1, at Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

The cost is \$50 (\$24 is tax-deductible) and includes a buffet dinner, entertainment and live and silent auctions. Mark Hayes from Channel 7 will be the celebrity MC. All proceeds benefit the New Hope Center, which offers free, Christian-based grief-support groups and services to adults, children and teens in Southeastern Michigan.

RSVP by March 26 by calling (734) 261-0555. Make checks payable to New Hope Center and mail to 113 E. Dunlap, Northville, MI 48167. Charge by phone at (248) 348-0115.

Healthy seniors

Senior Health Services of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System of Ann Arbor will sponsor a lecture for seniors 1:30-2:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, at Canton Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway off Canton Center Road, Canton.

The event will feature Dr. Bharati Srivastava and Debra Longo, who will present "Staying Healthy as You Age." They will discuss the aches and pains, feelings of sadness, loneliness and worthlessness, and the onset of forgetfulness that accompany aging. They will explore what is normal versus a potential problem.

Light refreshments will be served. The event is free but reservations are required. To register or for more information, call (734) 397-5444.

Dementia conference

Eastern Michigan University's Alzheimer's Education Program presents the sixth annual Edna Gates conference on Dementia Care April 3-5 at the Novi Hilton, 21111 Haggerty, Novi.

The conference is geared to health fessionals and persons caring for family members. Topics include:

- Listening to the voices of younger people with dementia.
- Recognizing the creative potential of people with dementia. ■ Helping families understand their
- relative's intimacy needs. ■ Helping families accept help.
- The decision to move to residential

The cost is \$275 for the three-day session; \$190 for two days; \$120 for one day; \$50 a day for students. For reservations, call Lisa Gray at (734) 487-8578.

Health fair

American House Northville will sponsor a free health fair 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, at its senior living residences, 42000 Seven Mile, Northville, one-fourth mile west of Haggerty.

The health fair will offer screenings for blood pressure and glucose, as well as hearing, vision and bone density testing. Local health-care professionals and representatives from the Arthritis Foundation and the Alzheimer's Association will be on hand to share information and referrals.

For more information, call (248) 449-1480.

We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Datebook (upcoming calendar events), Medical

Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Briefs

(medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies).

40th observance of

National Poison Prevention Week

Unintentional poisonings from medicines and household chemicals kill about 30 children each year



ach year, unintentional poisonings from medicines and household chemicals kill about 30 children and prompt more than 1 million calls to the nation's poison control centers. The 40th observance of National Poison Prevention Week aims to help prevent those childhood poisonings by reminding people to check their homes now.

"Most homes are filled with potentially poisonous products, including laundry detergents, paints, thinners, insecticides, plant food and bathroom cleaners. While these products help maintain our homes and lifestyles, they can sicken or even kill individuals who take them internally," said Tom Kiurski, a firefighter and paramedic with the Livonia Fire Department.

The three most important safety messages to prevent poisonings are:

- Use child-resistant packaging because it saves
- Keep medicines and household chemicals locked up out of reach and out of sight of young children because some children can open childresistant packaging; and
- Keep the poison control center number next to your telephone and call immediately if a poisoning

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission requires child-resistant packaging for 28 categories of medicines and household chemicals and is considering such packaging for a group of chemicals

known as hydrocarbons. "Child resistant-packaging saves lives," said CPSC Executive Director Pamela Gilbert. "For aspirin and oral prescription medicine, special packaging has saved the lives of over 900 children

since the early1970s." National Poison Prevention Week is organized each year by the Poison Prevention Week Council, a coalition of national organizations working to prevent poisonings. For 40 years, National Poison Prevention Week has emphasized the responsibility of parents, grandparents, and other caregivers in preventing poisonings.

"Children are curious, and they act fast. So do poisons. Keep chemicals and medicines locked up out of reach and out of sight. Poisonings can, and

■ 'Children are curious, and they act fast. So do poisons.'

William W. Bradley, chairman -Poison Prevention Week Council

must, be prevented," said William W. Bradley, chairman of the Poison Prevention Week Council.

Not child-proof

Child-resistant packaging is not child-proof. If a young child swallows a medicine or chemical, parents must call the poison control center immediately. Dr. Alan Woolf, president of the American Association of Poison Control Centers, said, "By treating poisoning in the home instead of the emergency room, poison centers save the United States \$350 million annually."

The "Poison Control Center Enhancement and Awareness Act" will provide a stable source of federal tax money for poison centers and make them more accessible to the entire nation. The money will support poison center programs throughout the United States.

At a news conference in Washington, D.C. marking the beginning of National Poison Prevention Week, three-year-old Stevie Carrico and his parents, Debbie and Steve Carrico, told the story of his poisoning. Stevie swallowed some cough and cold medicine. His parents called the poison center, which recommended that they give him syrup of ipecac to make him vomit. He is fine today.

Safety tips:

Here are the basic poison prevention tips that every person should check during National Poison Prevention Week:

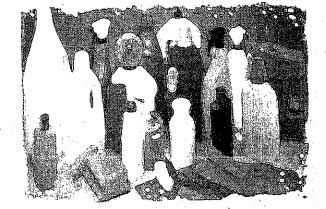
- 1. Use child-resistant packaging properly by closing the container securely after each use. Never transfer medicines from child-resistant bottles to open containers.
- 2. Keep all chemicals and medicines locked up and out of sight.
- 3. Call the poison center immediately in case of poisoning. Keep on hand a bottle of ipecac syrup,

which causes vomiting. However, use it only under the direction of a physician or the Poison Control Center. Check the expiration date.

- 4. When products are in use, never let young children out of your sight, even if you must take them along when answering the phone or doorbell.
- 5. Keep items in original containers. 6. Leave the original labels on all products and read the label before using.
- 7. Do not put decorative lamps and candles that contain lamp oil where children can reach them. Lamp oil can be very toxic if ingested by young children.
- 8. Always leave the light on when giving or taking medicine. Check the dosage every time. 9. Avoid taking medicine in front of children.
- "medicine," not "candy." Refer to medicine as 10. Clean out the medicine cabinet periodically and safely dispose of unneeded and outdated medi-

"If someone should become poisoned, call your local emergency number, which is 911, right away," said Kiurski. "Try to identify the poison that was taken, since treatment is based on the type of poison. Keep the container and any unused poison nearby for emergency medical technicians to take to the hospital for identification of ingredients and dosages.

To get a free packet of poison prevention publications, write to "Poison Prevention Packet," CPSC, Washington, DC 20207. The direct line to the Poison Control Center, located at Children's Hospital in Detroit, is (313) 745-5711, or (800) POISON 1.



Mark your calendar for Project Healthy Living

Project Healthy Living, formerly known as Health-O-Rama, is back in town offering some great health-screening bargains for anyone at least 18 years old. It is offered in the city of Detroit and Wayne, Macomb and Oakland counties Monday, March 26 through Saturday, April 28, with bonus days May 8-10.

In the Observer area, the Project Healthy Living is scheduled at the following sites:

- Wonderland Mall, 29859 Plymouth Road near Middlebelt, Livonia, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 3, 4 and 5. Sponsored by St. Mary Mercy Hospital. ■ Wayne Community Center, 7635 Howe Road,
- Wayne, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 17. Sponsored by Oakwood Annapolis Hospital. ■ Livonia Mall, 29514 Seven Mile Road, Livonia, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 10, 11 and 12. Bonus days:
- May 9 and 10. Sponsored by Botsford Hospital. ■ Laurel Park Place Mall, 37700 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., March 28 and 29. Sponsored by Henry Ford Medical Center - Livonia.
- William Costick Activity Center, 28600 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. April 6. Sponsored by the Farmington Commission

These sites will offer the following free basic tests and services: Height and weight, vision, blood pressure, counseling and referral, and health education information. In addition, the following optional laboratory-evaluated screening tests will be offered at a discounted fee:

- Blood panel test of 22 profiles \$30. This test includes total cholesterol, thyroid, glucose, HDL (the "good" cholesterol), triglycerides, red and white blood cells, platelets and calcium. Take all prescribed medicines. A four-hour fast is recommended. Water, plain tea or black coffee are the only recommended intakes.
- Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) blood test for men - \$25. An annual PSA blood test is recommended beginning at age 50 (age 40 for African American men). It is recommended that men planning take the PSA test refrain from ejaculation for 48 hours prior to testing.
- Cancer Antigen (CA) blood test for women – \$25. This blood test may detect reproductive problems in women.
- Pylori blood test \$15. This blood test is recommended for people who are experiencing stomach problems. The test may detect ulcers, gastritis

and other stomach ailments.

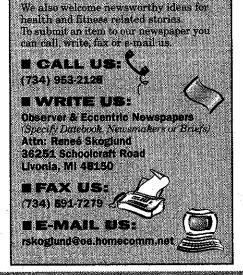
■ Colorectal Cancer Screening Kit - \$8. This take-home kit may detect early warning signs for ulcers, colitis, cancer and other problems.

■ Osteoporosis Screening - \$25. Screens for « bone loss. Offered by Bostford Hospital and Oakwood Annapolis Hospital.

■ Vascular Screening (offered by Oakwood) Annapolis Hospital). Must call for an appointment, 1-800-541-8110. Stroke screening, \$35; aortic aneurysm screening, \$35; leg circulation screening, \$35. All three vascular screenings, \$95. Heart screening, \$60. All vascular screenings plus

a heart screening, \$150. Project Healthy Living 2001 is sponsored by WXYZ-TV, Channel 7 and the United Health Organization, a United Way Community Services Agency, with contributions from Comcast Cablevision, the Detroit News and Blue Cross Blue Shield of

Michigan. For more information, call the Project Hotline at



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MEDICAL DATEBOOK

\Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observerarea medical community. Items should be sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail rskoglund@oe. homecomm.net or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

ONGOING

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Alcoholics Anonymous meets 8:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday, Garden City Hospital (north entrance), 5254 Inkster Road. Alanon meeting Sunday only. Call (248) 541-6565 or (734) 776-3415. Noon Tuesday and Thursday, Providence Medical Office Center, 39500 W. 10 Mile (at Haggerty), Novi. Call (248) 348-9362. Noon Wednesday, Livonia Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Call (734) 953-1188.

IMPOTENCE

The Impotent Anonymous Support Group meets 8 p.m. the last Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Marian Professional Building, 14555 Levan, Livonia (Pavilion Conference Room A). For information, call (734) 462-5858.

CAREGIVERS

The Caregivers Support Group meets 7-8 p.m. the last Wednesday of the month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Auditorium 14555 Levan, Livonia. Call (734) 655-8940.

FREE PROSTATE SCREENINGS

Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital will offer free prostate screenings on the fourth Thursday of each month in the radiology oncology department at the McAuley Cancer Care Center in Ypsilanti. Call the Saint Joseph Mercy HealthLine at (800) 231-

ANXIETY DISORDER

Ward Presbyterian Church, corner of Six Mile Road and Haggerty, Northville, sponsors a Panic Attack & Anxiety Disorder Support Group meeting 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month. Call (734) 420-8175.

RECOVERY, INC.

Learn how Recovery, Inc. has been helping thousands discover

and maintain good mental health for over 65 years. A support group meets at 7:30 p.m. every Monday at St. Matthews Methodist Church, Room 105, 30900 Six Mile Road, Livonia. For more information, contact Nancy at (734) 462-1067.

LYME DISEASE

The Lyme Disease and Chronic Illness Support Group, Western Wayne County meets the third Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church, 3 Towne Square, Wayne. For more information, call (734) 326-

TOPS

Take off pounds sensibly! TOPS #29 of Michigan meets 6-7 p.m. every Tuesday at Newburg Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail (between Wayne and Newburg), Livonia. Call Marie Bailey at (734) 762-0386.

SUN, MARCH 25

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Join the Alcoholics Anonymous support group at Garden City

Hospital beginning 8 p.m. in celebrating their 24th anniversary. Coffee and cake will be served. The hospital is located at 5245 Inkster Road, Garden City. Call Woody at 1 (734) 729-0520.

TUE, MARCH 27

HUMAN PERFORMANCE

Are you always tired? Exercising but not achieving your goals? Not fully healing after injury? Please join Dr. Davis Brockenshire for a groundbreaking workshop on Human Performance. No charge. 7-8:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 27. Cancer Center for Chiropractic Clinic. Call (734) 455-6767.

ORIENTAL MEDITATION

Come join Falun Gong (aka Galun Dafa) meditation workshop from 7-9 p.m. At the Westland Parks and Recreation Department (36651 Ford Road, Westland). Call 722-7620 or (248) 743-2586. The workshop is free and open to the public. Give yourself an opportunity to be in touch with your inner peace, gain good health, and become better able to cope with stress and deal with conflict.

MARCH-APRIL 9

DIABÈTES CLASS

To help diabetics 18 years of age and over, St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia is offering a program entitled "Taking Charge of Living with Diabetes." This three-week series provides information on self-care and successful management of diabetes 7 to 9 p.m., on Mondays and Wednesdays in Pavilion A. Pre-registration is required by March 19. Fee: \$100. Senior citizens 55 years of age and over receive a 10 percent discount. To register, please call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

THUR, MARCH 29

CHIROPRACTIC CLASS

Dr. Patrick Jary will offer "Health Through Chiropractic," a free lecture/discussion on the benefits of chiropractic care 7:30-9 p.m. at Jary Chiropractic, 27527 Joy Road (1/2 block west of Inkster), Westland. He will discuss basic human anatomy, differences between traditional medicine and chiropractic medicine, and how to improve and preserve your health. Seating is limited. Reservations required. Call (734) 522-5501.

SAT, MARCH 31 FEMALE PROBLEMS

Suffering from depression, mood swings, hormonal imbalances, hot flashes, irritability and restless nights? This program includes natural prescriptions for relief of female related problems. Diet and energy work will also be included. Presented by Dr., Mark Roby, N.D. 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at BodyWorks Healing Center, 819 N. Mill Street, Plymouth. Cost: \$35. Reservations required. Call 734-416-5200.

PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE

Michigan Nurses for Life and Educational Center for Life will sponsor "Life's Beginnings ... to be or not to be" 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Franco Conference Center, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital -Oakland, 44405 Woodward Avenue, Pontiac. Topics will include partial birth abortion, stem cell research, RU-486

(abortifacient), and legislative updates. MNFL members \$30; MNFL non-members \$35. Registration deadline is March 21. Call (248) 816-8489.

PMS & MENOPAUSE

Suffering from depression, mood swings, hormonal imbalances hot flashes, irritability and restless nights? Learn how to overcome PMS and menopause 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Body Works Healing Center, 819 N. Mill Street, Plymouth. The cost is \$35. Reservations required. Call (734) 416-5200. This program includes natural prescription for relief of female related problems. Diet and energy work will also be included. Presented by Dr. Mark Roby, N.D., founder of the Metro Center for Attitudinal Healing.

TUES, APRIL 3

HEALTH THROUGH NUTRITION

Soy, flax, calcium, fruits, grains, nuts, beans - miracle foods or hype? Join registered dietitian Lee McDonagh and parish health nurses at St. Collete Church, 17602 Newburgh, Livonia (between Six and Seven Mile) 7p.m. in the social area. Learn what foods help prevent heart disease, osteoporosis and cancer. Call (734) 464-4436.

PROJECT HEALTHY LIVING

St. Mary Mercy Hospital will host Project Healthy Living from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on April 3-5 at Wonderland Mall, Livonia. Basic site tests include blood pressure, vision, glaucoma, health/weight, counseling and referral and health education. The following test are offered for a nominal fee: Comprehensive Blood Panel (22 Profile), \$30; PSA (Prostate Cancer), \$25; CA-125 (Ovarian Cancer), \$25; H. Pylori (stomach ailments), \$15; and Colorectal Cancer Kits, \$8. Call (734) 655-8947.

THUR, APRIL 5

ALCOHOL SCREENING

Wayne State University's Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences will host a screening day to provide educational materials and an opportunity to talk with a clinician about alcohol use and abuse. The screening will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 5 in

WSU's Student Center in Detroit as well as from 2-5 p.m. in University Psychiatric Centers (16836 Newburgh Road, Livo-

CAREGIVING 101:

St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers Caregiving 101 to help ease the burdens of caregivers responsible for the care of adults with chronic illness or dementia. April 5 from 7-8:30 p.m. "Community Resources" will be the topic in the West Addition B. \$10 per session. Call 655-8940.

SAT, APRIL 7

CANCER SURVIVORS

The Harris/Kehrer Ladies Auxiliary, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland, will hold a Cancer Seminar for cancer survivors 1-3 p.m. Please come and share your story. Punch and dessert will be

EFFORTLESS LIVING

A talk by Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev will be held from 2-4 p.m. at the Sokol Cultural Center (23600 W. Warren Road, Dearborn Heights). He is the founder and teacher of a unique form of yoga. A question and answer session will follow. Free and open to the public. Call 975-8910 or visit www.ishafoundation.org

CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY

MCS Friends, a support group for those who have been physically harmed or who have lost someone through death due to chemical exposure, will meet 2-5 p.m. at the Carl Sandburg Public Library, 30100 Seven Mile Rd, Livonia, just west of Middlebelt 2-5 p.m.. For more information or a newsletter, call 248-349-

APRIL 10-12

PROJECT HEALTHY LIVING All day from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at

Livonia Mall (29514 Seven Mile, Livonia) Project Health Living services will be offered by Botsford General Hospital. Registration begins near Fanny Farmer. Free services include height/weight, vision, hearing, blood pressure, glaucoma, counseling/referral, nutrition counseling, medication counseling,

podiatry, lung function testing, health displays and Ask the Doctor. Optional test for a nominal fee include: Comprehensive Blood Panel (22 Profile), \$30; PSA (Prostate Cancer), \$25; CA-125 (Ovarian Cancer), \$25; H. Pylori (stomach ailments), \$15; and Colorectal Cancer Kits, \$8. Healthy Kids & Family Day is April 12. Health screening for school-aged children, prizes, giveaways and raffles. Bonus days are May 9 and 10 at Livonia Mall. Hotline information from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. is (248) 424-8600.

WED, APRIL 11

DIABETES MANAGEMENT

The Diabetes Support Group at St. Mary Mercy Hospital will host a discussion, "Take

Charge: Lead the Way to Better Diabetes Control," led by Marti Funnel, MS, RN, CDE, from 7-8:30 p.m. in the hospital's Auditorium. The group regularly meets on the second Wednesday of each month for adults with diabetes and their family members. A new topic is presented monthly. Free. No pre-registration required. St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile Road, at Levan Road, in Livonia. Call (734) 655-8940.

THUR, APRIL 12

CAREGIVING 101:

St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers Caregiving 101 to help ease the burdens of caregivers responsible for the care of adults with chronic illness or dementia. April 12 from 7-8:30 p.m. "Special Skills: Caring for the Person with Dementia" will be the topic in the West Addition B. \$10 per session. Call 655-8940.

SAT, APRIL 14

HEALTH AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

An intermediate class on accupressure and vital reflex points will be health from 1-7 p.m. Saturday, April 14 (dinner included) at The Tree House for Earth's Children (22906 Mooney St. Farmington). Learn Stan Burroughs and Bill Kenner Methods. 7.2 CEU's available for nurses and six for massage therapists. Cost is \$50. Call (248) 473-0624.

MON, APRIL 16 ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG DEPENDENCY

To help families struggling with addictive patterns of behavior, St. Mary Mercy Hospital will offer a class, "Drug & Alcohol Addiction Within the Family," 6-7:30 p.m. in West Addition B. Leading the presentation is James Tumidanski, SWT, MA, who will focus on the basic definitions of chemical dependency, co-dependency and enabling. Treatment options for families affected by the disease of addiction also will be discussed. There is no registration fee. Pre-register by calling (734) 655-2944. Use the Levan Road entrance.

TUE, APRIL 17

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PROJECT HEALTHY LIVING Oakwood Healthcare System and Oakwood Annapolis Hospital will present Project Healthy Living screenings from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 17 at Wayne Community Center (7635 Howe Road, Wayne). Most screenings are free. Nominal fee screenings include: Comprehensive Blood Panel (22 Profile), \$30; PSA (Prostate Cancer), \$25; CA-125 (Ovarian Cancer), \$25; H. Pylori (stomach ailments), \$15; pneumonia vaccine, \$25; aortic aneurysm screening, \$35; heart screening, \$60; and Colorectal Cancer Kits, \$8. Call (800) 543-

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County addresses pregnancy issue with classes

Rally in the Wayne-Westland area on Friday, March 30 to announce a Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TP3) - an effort aimed at helping youngsters from becoming parents too

"While teen pregnancy in the United States has declined in recent years, there are communities within Wayne County where teens are becoming pregnant at an alarming rate," said Patricia Soares, Wayne County Public Health director. "We are directing our teen pregnancy reduction efforts towards Wayne-Westland because teens giving birth in this district exceed state and county levels." According to reports tabulated

by county officials, live birth per-

Wayne-Westland School District. State and Out-Wayne County teen-mother percentages are 3.1 to 2.5 respectively.

TP3 health education/youth development program will focus on male and female teens ages 13-19 years old who are at risk of experiencing a first or repeat birth. TP3 has established a teen hotline for youngsters to pre-register for classes listed below or call (866) 266-TEEN.

The teen rally will run from noon to 6 p.m. at the Wayne Recreation Center (4635 Howe Road) in Wayne. WDTJ 105.9 FM's two radio personalities "Spudd" and "Sunny" will be on hand to greet participants.

There will be two sessions from 3 p.m. and from 4-6 p.m.

The Wayne County Health centages range from 2.8 to 9.0 and teens can attend either ses- from 3:30-6 p.m. percent of teen mothers living in sion. There will be games, prizes, giveaways, refreshments and an assortment of fun-filled activities. Identification is required for

Classes for the "Reducing the Risk" TP3 program will be held at the Dorsey Center (32715 Dorsey) in Wayne from 3:30-6 p.m. Wednesdays from April 11-June 6 (except April 18) and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 12 - June 7 (except April ■ Wayne County Administra-

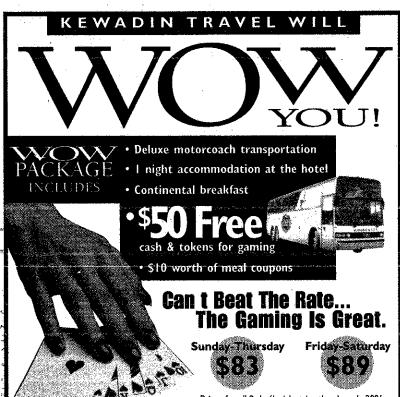
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■ Inkster Recreation Center (2025 Middlebelt) in Inkster. Wednesdays from April 11 -June 6 from 3-5:30 p.m.

■ Salvation Army (2300 Venoy) in Westland every Wednesday from April 11 - June 6 from 3:30-6 p.m. and Thursdays April 12 - June 7 from 3:30-6 p.m.

Teen hotline for youngsters to pre-register for classes and access health-related information call (866) 266-TEEN.



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You can do the same to gauge the state of your arthritis health. First, you can ask yourself these questions. Are you able to wash and dress in the morning, either immediately on getting up or within 10 minutes of arising? If you ache after exercise or

extra activity, does the discomfort resolve within 24 hours of stopping the activity? If you feel fatigued in the afternoon, does a nap of 20 minutes restore your energy for the evening? If your answer is yes to these questions, then likely your joints and muscles are reasonably Second, to confirm this conclusion, put your muscles and joints through the following tests. Raise your arms above your head, then grasp a pen tightly in each hand, extend your elbows, cross your legs, get up from a chair and walk across the room. If you can do these maneuvers without pain, hesitation, or restriction, and your answers to the questions was

yes," then you do not have a joint problem that requires medical attention. If you differ from the above criteria, then there is reason to see your doctor for further

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New medical definition may make number of heart attack cases soar

questions regarding the November 2000 hospitalization of Vice President Dick Cheney was whether or not he'd really had a heart attack.

At first, the answer was "no." Then, a check of Cheney's enzyme levels showed he had, in fact, suffered his fourth heart attack.

Why the confusion? It may have been due to the fact that, for the past several years, physicians have been working to pin down the best set of criteria for determining whether a patient has had a heart attack, also known as a myocardial infarction.

In September 2000, a new, widely accepted definition of myocardial infarction was introduced - a definition developed by a joint committee of the European Heart Society and the American College of Cardiology. The most significant change: The definition adds cardiac troponin, an enzyme found only in heart muscle tissue, to the measures already used to determine whether or not a myocardial infarction has occurred.

Researchers at the University of Michigan Health System, including Rajendra Mehta, M.D., clinical assistant professor of cardiology in the UMHS Cardiovascular Center, recently completed a study investigating the significance of this change in definition at UMHS. They found that the new definition will mean a significant increase in the number of myocardial infarction cases at U-M, and implies such an increase nationwide. The information was presented today at the 50th annual Scientific Session of the American College of Car-

"In the United States, nearly a million heart attacks are diagnosed annually," Mehta says. "These data suggest that

One of the most compelling under the new criteria, 250,000 more will be diagnosed each year. These myocardial infarctions would have been missed by the old criteria." In addition to the far-reaching clinical implications, it's likely that the financial implications also will be great, although those remain unknown.

Criteria

There have been many proposed criteria for the diagnosis of myocardial infarction. Prior to 2000, the most commonly used were those published by the World Health Organization in 1979, which state that a myocardial infarction has occurred when two of the following three criteria are met: symptoms consistent with ischemia or decreased blood flow to the heart; changes in an electrocardiogram; and/or elevated enzymes, most commonly, one called CKMB.

But the new guidelines, published in 2000, require that elevated enzymes, which can include CKMB or troponin, be one of the criteria in addition to either ischemic symptoms or ECG changes.

Thus, this is the first definition published that officially includes the use of troponin as a diagnostic marker, Mehta

Study

In the U-M study, all patients admitted to U-M hospitals from May 1, 1999, to Jan. 1, 2000, with suspected acute coronary syndrome were entered in a database. There were 493 patients included, all of whom had both CKMB and troponin tests performed.

CKMB is the creatine phosphokinase that is found in the heart muscle. Troponin is an enzyme found in muscle tissue. Specifically, cardiac troponin is found in myocardial cells in the heart. Both enzymes are vitally

important in muscle contraction and many physicians routinely measure CKMB and troponin to evaluate ischemic heart disease.

When a myocardial infarction occurs, heart muscle dies and in the process, the muscle leaks intracellular components such as CKMB and troponin into the surrounding tissues,' says Mark Meier, M.D., UMHS resident physician and a study researcher.

Cardiac troponin is a more sensitive marker of myocardial damage because the troponins are more abundant in the myocardial cells than CKMB, says Meier. Cardiac troponin is also more specific because, unlike CKMB, it is not found in other tissues and is not present in the blood in normal individu-

After identifying the 493 patients, the researchers looked more closely at the 305 patients whose enzyme levels were elevated. They were then divided into two groups. Group A contained patients with a positive CKMB test. Because all of these patients were admitted with symptoms, everyone in Group A would be diagnosed with myocardial infarction according to the World Health Organization criteria from

Group B patients had a normal CKMB level, but elevated troponin. Those patients would not have been diagnosed with myocardial infarction based on the World Health Organization criteria of 1979, but would be considered heart attack patients under the European Heart Society/American College of Cardiology standards of 2000. Because the troponin test is more sensitive and picks up even slight muscle damage, using troponin levels detects patients who have had a less

severe heart attack.

Diagnostic increase

The results showed that, at UMHS, including troponin in the diagnostic criteria will result in a 26 percent increase in the number of myocardial infarctions diagnosed each

"It may also mean that the criteria may select for a clinically less complicated patient population," Meier says.
"Patients in Group B had fewer in-hospital complications such as arrhythmias and heart failure. In addition, they needed fewer angioplasties and bypass surgeries." However, during six months of follow-up, their complication rate reached or exceeded that of patients diagnosed with the old criteria.

The results suggest that the clinical and financial implications are far-reaching, but as yet, unclear.

Aggressive treatment

By identifying patients with an increased cardiac troponin level as having had a heart attack, clinicians will be able to target aggressive, life-saving strategies that are known to improve both short- and longterm survival. So, although the cost of the blood test for troponin is added to patient care costs, this cost may be greatly offset by the number of lives saved due to preventive care.

"We already know that inadvertent missed diagnoses of heart attack may have grave consequences, including death, Mehta says. "Using troponin levels allows us to identify more high-risk patients and give them the care they need."

Physicians worldwide are becoming aware of the new definition and are incorporating it into their clinical practice, Mehta says. More studies are needed to determine the financial and specific clinical impli-

early diagnosis of lesions St. Mary Mercy Hospital now offers women in the state of the state o

offers women increased accuracy in diagnosing breast lesions using state-of-the-art stereotactic technology.

In November, St. Mary Mercy purchased the latest breast stereotactic technology from community driven funding received at Hollywood Nights, the hospital's largest annual benefit.

"The technology takes excellent images and is very accurate," said Dr. Stephanie Falbo, a radiologist at the Marian Women's Center. "The procedure is a less invasive way to determine a diagnosis of whether the lesion is cancerous or not."

Stereotactic breast biopsy does not replace surgical biopsy, but offers early diagnosis of certain types of lesions. If the lesion is determined to be cancerous, then the patient can go on to have a formal surgical procedure (lumpectomy and axillary node dissection).

allows us to take small pictures in two planes to pinpoint exactly where the lesion is in the breast," said Dr. Falbo. "We use computer assistance to calculate exactly how deep the lesion is, and a vacuum device pulls a small amount of the breast tissue in to sample the area." Patients experience a small incision and no stitches.

Other benefits include: Minimal impact on healthy tissue; minimal scarring; minimal treatment following the procedure using only antibiotic ointment and a bandage; and minimal commitment of time.

"The response at St. Mary" Mercy so far has been very positive," said Dr. Falbo. Nearly 500,000 stereotactic biopsies have been performed worldwide.

For more information on the stereotactic biopsy procedure or other breast care services, contact your physician or the Marian Women's Center, ext. 1100.

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THUR, APRIL 19

CANCER & SEXUALITY

A special Cancer AnswerNight with Sallie Foley, a certified sex therapist and sex educator from the U-M Health System, will provide straight answers and practical information on how to put sex and intimacy back into your life. Sex doesn't have to end with a cancer diagnosis. You can have a healthy, satisfying sexual relationship again. To learn more attend "Life After Cancer Treatment: Answers to the Most Frequently Asked Questions About Sex and Intimacy," a free community program sponsored by the U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center from 7-8:30 p.m. at the U-M Kellogg Eye Center Auditorium (1000 Wall Street, Ann Arbor). Call (800) 742-2300 enter 7870.

SAT, APRIL 28

WOMEN'S HEALTH DAY

St. Mary Mercy Hospital will sponsor "2001 Women's Health Day" 8 a.m. to noon at the Holiday Inn-Livonia West. Events includes keynote speaker Sandra Beckwith, breakfast buffet, exhibits, workshops and raffle drawings. Program cost is \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. For information, call the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1617 for outof-area callers. Registration is requested by April 16. Sandra Beckwith, keynote speaker will talk from 9-9:45 a.m. about "Finding the Courage to Change.'

APRIL - JUNE

CHILDBIRTH EDUCATION

St. Mary Mercy Hospital will offer "Childbirth Education" a series of six classes or a one-day workshop designed to teach expectant mothers and their partners the Lamaze method for labor and delivery, including relaxation and breathing techniques. 7-9 p.m. Mondays, April 30 through June 11. Cost is \$55. Call 655-1100.

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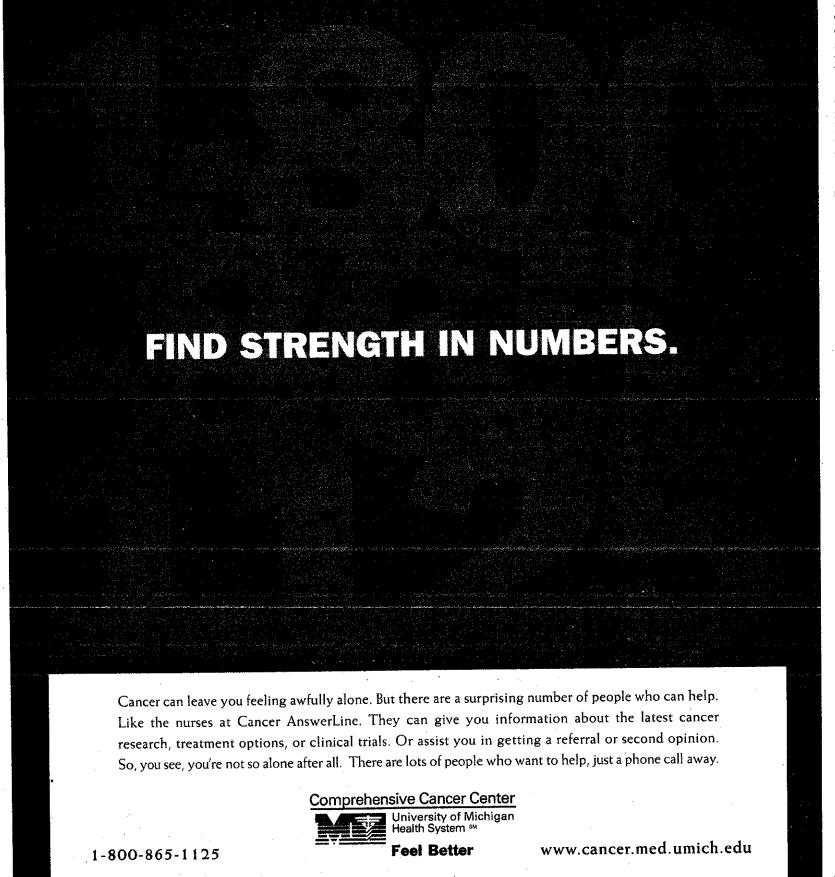
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THUR, MAY 10

ARTHRITIS

St. Mary Mercy Hospital and the Arthritis Foundation of Michigan will co-sponsor an interactive forum, "Taking Control of Pain,"7-9 p.m. in the hospital's Auditorium. Dr. Timothy Wright, anesthesiologist and medical director of the hospital's Pain Management Center, will speak on "Dynamics of Arthritis" Pain:" Dr. Joseph Weiss, rheumatologist, will present "Managing Arthritis Pain." Free. Seating is limited; pre-register by May 4. Call Community Outreach at (734) 655-8940 or 1
(800) 494-1650 (out-of-area callers only). St. Mary Mercy
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Two studies ease concerns about using aspirin for some heart attack patients

BY LINDSEY TANNER

CHICAGO (AP) - To improve survival chances, heart attack patients can safely take aspirin with a blood pressure-lowering drug, although combining the treatments is only slightly more effective than using just one, Yale University researchers

Their findings address con-

with ACE inhibitors might be illadvised for some patients with heart trouble.

"We could find no evidence of an adverse interaction," Dr. Harlan M. Krumholz and colleagues, the new study's authors, said in Monday's Archives of Internal Medicine.

A related Krumholz study published in the same journal sug-

cerns that combining aspirin gests that aspirin can safely be used to lower mortality in heart failure patients.

> Both studies involved patients aged 65 and older. Aspirin, which improves blood flow through the arteries by making it less sticky and less likely to clot, often is recommended to help prevent and treat many heart problems. But its use has been somewhat controversial in

> colon and rectum) is recommend-

ed every five years at age 50 or

colonoscopy, which examines the

lining of the entire colon and rec-

tum, performed every 10 years

or a barium enema, an X-ray of

the colon, performed every five

For people at increased risk

(those with a personal or family

history of colorectal polyps or

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heart that can't pump efficiently who don't have clot-related coronary artery disease.

ACE inhibitors, which lower blood pressure and help the heart pump more efficiently, often are recommended for such patients, said Dr. David A. Meyerson. Some doctors may be reluctant to prescribe aspirin for heart failure patients without

patients with heart failure - a clot-related disease partly due to concerns that it might hamper the effectiveness of ACE inhibitors, he said.

While it's unclear how aspirin improved survival chances in the heart failure patients, the results "suggest that one of our simplest medications continues to be one of the most valuable," Meyerson said. "The survival benefits appear significant."

Meyerson said the AHA willevaluate whether to add aspirin to treatment guidelines for older heart failure patients withoutclot-related cardiovascular dis-

Its existing guidelines for heart attack patients recommend combining aspirin and

ACE inhibitors. Visit the American Heart Assoc. www.americanheart.org

NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

Please Take Note: On or before May 1, 2001, it shall be the duty of every

owner, occupant or person having charge of any land within the Township of Plymouth, Michigan, to cut and destroy noxious weeds before they reach a

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Township Ordinance means that the Township will enter upon such lands

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Screening critical to increase cure rate of colorectal cancer

older.

SAN JOSE, Calif., March 5 /PRNewswire/ -- March is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, and colorectal cancer expert Mark Segall, M.D., a colorectal surgeon at Good Samaritan Hospital, is speaking out with advice for consumers on this potentially life-threatening

"Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States, with more than 56,000 people expected to die from this disease each year," Dr. Segall explains. "However, it is a preventable and very curable disease if caught early."

Because there are often no symptoms when it is first developing, colorectal cancer can only be caught early through regular screening. "The benefits of early detection and treatment are dramatic," Dr. Segall says. "The possibility of curing patients after symptoms develop is only 50 percent, but if colorectal cancer is found and treated at an early

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stage before symptoms develop, the opportunity to cure it is 80 percent or better."

"Most colon cancers start as non-cancerous growths called polyps. If we are able to find these polyps while they are still non-cancerous, we remove them and the cancer may be prevented. Major surgery can usually be avoided, as well," Dr. Segall

Guidelines

The American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ASCRS), which is dedicated to advancing the treatment of patients with diseases affecting the colon, rectum and anus, offers the following colorectal cancer screening guidelines:

For people at average risk of getting colorectal cancer:

- A digital rectal examination and fecal occult blood test (to screen for hidden blood in the stool) are recommended annually beginning at age 40.
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy (to

examine the lining of the lower Prevention Tips

In addition to getting screened regularly for colorectal cancer, people can lower their risk of getting the disease by:

Avoiding foods that are high in fat; eating plenty of vegetables, fruits and other highfiber foods; exercising regularly and maintaining a normal body weight; and not smoking and drinking alcohol only in modera-

Contact Dr. Segall at Good Samaritan Hospital or visit

www.fascrs.org/ - Source: Good Samaritan Hospital (www.goodsamsj.org)

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Dodson Elementary School Classroom Furniture**. Specifications and bid forms are available at the front desk of the E. J. McClendon Educational Center located on 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI or by contacting Dan Phillips in the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 3:00 p.m., Monday, April 23, 2001. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission has received a

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subject property is located at 315 Ann Arbor Road, which is on the south

side of Ann Arbor Road, west of Lilley Road and east of Main Street.

Questions regarding the request may be directed to the Community

Development Department. Written comments concerning the request will be

accepted prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 46555 Port Street,

Plymouth, MI 48170 or call (734) 453-8131 Ext. 37 during regular business

April 4, 2001

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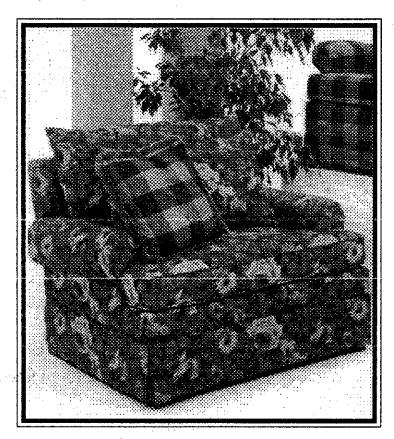
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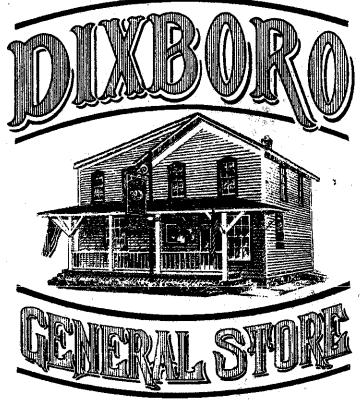
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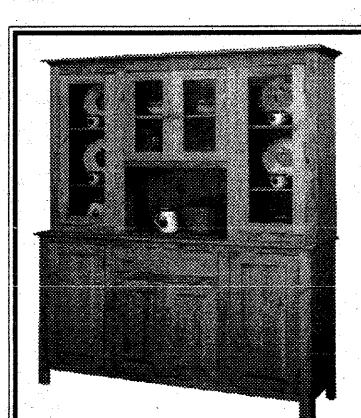


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TUES, APRIL 10

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QUALITY PLANNING SEMINAR The Angileri Quality Institute presents "Symposium 2001: Project Management as it Relates to Advanced Quality Planning," an all-day seminar beginning 8 a.m. at Madonna University, University Center, Livonia. Murray Sittsamer of The Luminous Group will be the presenter, and John McElroy will be the luncheon speaker. Cost is \$95 for the entire day, including Continental breakfast and lunch, or \$25 for lunch with John McElroy. Call (734) 432-5354 or fax (248) 432-5364.

SAT, APRIL 21

"Retirement Plan Distributions" is the subject of a seminar given by financial advisors Kathleen Fitzgerald and Yvonne Carver 10 a.m. at the Livonia/Laurel Park Morgan Stanley Dean witter office. Admission is free. For reservations, call Kristi McCombs at (734) 779-8001.

THUR, APRIL 26

ISO 9000 REVISIONS WORKSHOP Arch Associates will present a half-day study of the new ISO 9001:2000 quality system requirements at Laurel Park Holiday Inn at 8:30 a.m. Doors

open at 8 a.m. \$220 cost includes copy of the new standard course manual and refreshments. The SE Mich. Quality Study Group will meet afterwards at 1 p.m. to discuss quality system contributions to overall business plans and successes. (Prior attendance of Arch Associates ISO 9000 Workshop is required.) \$120 cost includes reference materials and refreshments. Advance registration required for both the workshop and the study group. Call (248) 449-

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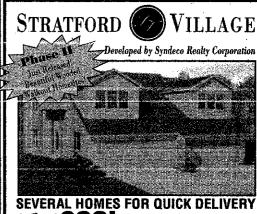
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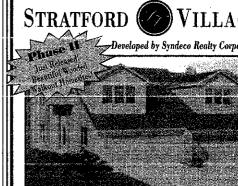
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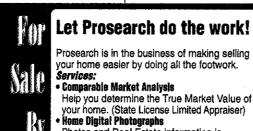
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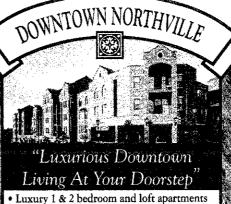
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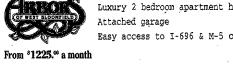
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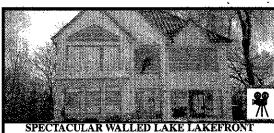
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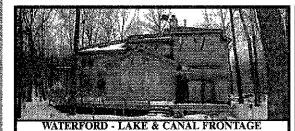
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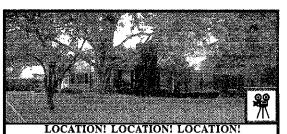
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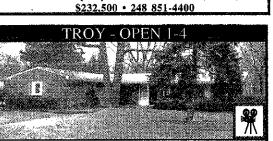
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he revolution in communications

technology has created a similar revolution in office design. The new emphasis is on teamwork

and the days of small individual offices

for workers and plush executive suites for bosses are fading fast. "There's a cultural shift for companies," said Joseph Lozowski, president of University Business Interiors. "We want to encourage communication.

There's also an economic benefit in getting more people into a smaller space. Years ago we had high panels trying to create offices. Management is now going into cubes. What people are trying to promote is more communication.' University Business Interiors in

Farmington Hills provides office design ideas and furniture to make the best use of space and modern technology. In

2000, the 4-1/2-year-old company did \$20 million in sales. The company's nearly 200 clients include Delphi, Compuware and Standard Federal.

Companies are redesigning to accommodate new technology, promote teamwork and communication and attract young workers who put an emphasis on a comfortable and efficient work environment. UBI helps companies find the right design for them and provides the furniture. On average the cost runs to about \$5,000 to \$6,000 per work station, a price that includes periphery design for common areas.

"We talk with managers and ask what are their goals and then we meet with the individuals and ask what are their goals," said Barbara Thomas, UBI's director of design. "We try to mesh those together."

Different work groups have different needs.

"Engineers don't like bright lights,"

Thomas said. "You'll notice that it's usually dark, so it looks like no one is working. You have to sit down and decide what is their intent and what is the best design for their intent."

Another consideration in designing an office is ergonomics. Desks, chairs and files have to be built to provide maximum comfort and flexibility for workers.

"We deal with the environment, social, ergonomic, all different things trying to coalesce it all together," said Lozowski.

With the advent of the computer and the necessity of working long hours at a desk, the chair has become a major concern. But not everyone can agree on what works and what doesn't.

"What's funny from a design end," Thomas said, "is that the management try to provide ergonomic solutions for their employees and a lot of workers

Please see ENVIRONMENT, G2

Long interview likely bodes well for job seeker

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Q. How long does a typical interview last? One employer talked with me for almost two hours and it wasn't very productive.

A. Many interviews are unstructured and rambling. However, there does seem to be a rough correlation between the length of an interview and the

odds of getting an offer. Long interviews often mean the employer is getting good vibrations. When you are winning the interpersonal battle, but the skill or experience match is less than perfect, the interviewer might be doing her best to see how you fit into the organization.

There are, of course, many exceptions. Some managers have too much time on their hands and are happy to conduct needlessly long interviews because it makes them look busy. Others just don't have any sense of time management or are thorough to the point of inefficiency.

Professional recruiters are likely to conduct relatively short, to-the-point meetings. An initial screener only needs to know where you've been, where you are going and what your parameters are. The decision to pass you up the food chain is usually based on how appropriate your skills and experiences are, your general likeability, and the presence or absence of any aberrations or weirdness. Once in a while, an outplacement candidate will talk about a "great" meeting with a recruiter that lasted three hours. I usually suggest finding another recruiter.

As a candidate, there is not much you can do to control the length of the interview. If an employer wants to drone on, leave it alone. Reflecting, rambling, philosophizing, exploring and speculating can often be considered buying signals. But count on most first interviews to last around 30

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don't want to use them. It's a double-edged sword. We tell them don't spend money unless you have to ... talk to employees and find out what they will use.'

Lozowski said the company is doing a project with Borg Warner in which workers are trying out different furniture over a yearlong period.

"Companies are worried about the legal ramifications if they don't offer something. They have the well being of employees at heart," Lozowski said.

Lozowski added many employees don't know the proper way to adjust their chairs. He demonstrated one chair that could be adjusted in numerous ways to accommodate any size person.

"Over years, research shows what we need is to keep moving. There is no perfect position if you stay in a position too long. Fidgeting is good," Lozowski said.

In the past, the plush executive office was a symbol that you had arrived. Now executives are being moved into cubicles.

"Some executives couldn't handle it," Lozowski said. "It takes time to adapt to working in that environment. What we're showing a lot of executives are bigger cubes in wood with conference rooms across the aisle. We understand the benefit of openness is not always appropriate."

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At UBI's office, which it shares with its business partner University Moving and Storage, the work area is also a showroom for various design options. UBI is a primary dealer for Haworth, one of the Big 3 in office design with Steelcase and Herman Miller, and Haworth offers a variety of attractive options to the sterile row after row of unattractive cubes lampooned in the Dil-

Thomas said that though most companies are cost conscious, they are still interested in "creating an environment, not just an office." Some companies have even installed foosball tables.

"It gets people up and exchanging ideas. Two engineers might be discussing an idea and a receptionist might offer some valuable input," Thomas said.

This interaction and team approach to work is both attractive to talented young workers and, in the long run, more economical

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minutes to an hour, depending upon the level of the position. In networking meetings, it is more important to keep an eye on the clock and make an attempt to wrap it up at about the 45-minute mark. Unlike interviewing, this is not a selling situation but an information exchange initiated by you. Demonstrating respect for the other person's time will win you a friend.

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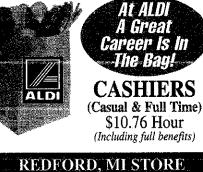
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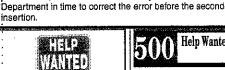
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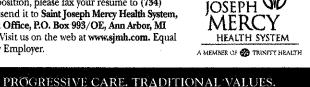
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32 yr old, single mother, divorced, 5'8", medium build, auburn hair, 58', medium build, auburn hair, brown eyes. Enjoys sports, camp-ing, hiking, the outdoors, romantic dinners, walking, and more. Seeking a white male, 32 to 45, 5'10" or taller, hopefully with chil-dren and similar interests. BOX 10956

LOOKING FOR: A kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 48 to 60, non-smoker, for long term monogamous relation-ship. I am 51 yr old divorced female. I believe in romance and enjoy simple pleasures. Down River area. BOX 14471

CALL ME... Divorced, 44 yr old, white female 5'3", platinum blonde hair and brown eyes, enjoys working out walking, concerts, plays, animals and more. Would be interested in a gentleman, 35 to 46, with similar interests. BOX 27442 SHOOTING STAR

Divorced, white professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks 40 and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 55 to 63, attractive, 6'. stable and a good sense of humor BOX 31913

READY, SET, CALL! 21 vr old, single white female, caring, honest and affectionate. Enjoys motorcycles, NASCAR, snowmobiling, long walks and more. Seeking tall and attractive single white male, 22 to 30, hones term relationship. BOX 11203 HERE I AM

Single white female 34, searching for an honest, compatible sing white male, 30 to 35, family orient ed, respectful, must like birds and bowling, down river need only reply. Munroe County, BOX 33390 HOPE WE CONNECT SOON 45 yr old, divorced white female, is seeking single, divorced or widowed male, 39 to 48, with similar

qualities as mine, for fun, dating and possible long term. I'm very romantic, non-smoker, social drinker, Looking for someone with-100 miles of Wayne County. BOX 14622 **NEW BEGINNINGS** Divorced white female, 31, 5'5", medium bulld, brown hair, hazel

eyes, happy and outgoing. Enjoys movies, bowling, spending time with my children and much more. Seeking white male, 31 to 39, to friendship and possible more. Wayne county, BOX 33672 ARE YOU THE ONE? attractive, blonde hair, blue eyes,

full figured, 5', non-smoker, pre-tessional, kind, considerate, loyal. down to earth. Enjoys writing movies, music, dining out, swimming, bowling and more. Seeking a single male, 35 to 55, any race. height, weight, BOX 10941 TIRED OF GAMES

Looking for a single white male, 6', 40 to 50, who enjoys bowling, softball, reading, boating, travel, dinathletic. I'm a 42 yr old, 5'7", blonde hair, blue eyed phys ed teacher who enjoys all of the above. Oakland County, BOX 26063

IN YOUR DREAMS... Very attractive, single African American female, 43, long dark brown hair and beautiful brown eyes. Seeks a professional Christian male, who enjoys life, with a great sense of humor and interested in a one to one relation ship. Must love children! BOX

TALL SOULMATE Fit, young looking 40, romantic Christian professional lady, tall, very attractive, optimistic, loves laughter, successful. Enjoys the good life, boating, water activities, travel and dining. Seeking the right one, tall, thin, attractive, honest, affectionate, positive attitude, successful with values. Ingham County. BOX 24972

DO YOU BELIEVE... 31 yr old, single Christian woman, is looking for a Christian male, who's active in the church! BOX

TALL ORDER Attractive, 5'10", redhead, Catholic, fun loving, adventurous, romantic. Comfortable in jeans to evening gown. Loves sports, travel, theatre gowmet cooking, (for that special man). Seeks tall white gentleman, financially/emotionally secure, 49 to 60, who is romantic, kind, has a good sense of humor, with similar nterests. Oakland County. BOX

COMPANIONSHIP WANTED Seeking 58 to 65, non-smoking, non-drinking, financially secure male with a good sense of humor who enjoys movies, shows, dinners and dancing to share life's bless ngs with, Wayne County. BOX

HELLO ERIEND Attractive, intelligent, slender and tall, lady of 54, is also warm hearted, soft spoken, a smoker. Seeking someone who is 55 to 69, intelli-gent; tall, an old fashioned gentieman, a smoker. Please call describes you. Oakland County. BOX 25395

GIVE ME A CALL Single white intelligent female. 59, 130 lbs, enjoys, outdoors, good conservation, hockey, dining out, and much more. Seeking sin-gle white male, financially and emotionally secure, who has a wide variety of interests. Best friends maybe more. Wayne County. BOX 33664 SOPHISTICATED & FUN

Fit. 5'6", brown eyed, blonde hair, passionate about life, and laughing, enjoy golfing, theater, movies, and great conversations. Interested in meeting tall, 49 to 58, financially, and emotionally stable, true gentleman, with similar inter-est. Oakland County. BOX 26031 COULD CONNECT

HONEST & TRUE
Petits. 51", 110 lb, attractive, white
professional divorced mom. Enjoys
working out daily, good conversation, music, sports, and is an optimist. Looking for a professional,
divorced, white male, 40's, physically fit/active, tall, no beard or
moustache, intelligent, good sense
of humor, non-smoker, South
Oakland county area. BOX 38088 JULIET SEEKS ROMEO

JULIET SEEKS ROMEO
Divorced white female, 47, 110 lbs, red hair, blue eyes. non-smoker, fun and sincere. Has a wide variety of interests. In search of white male, 6' and under, 40 to 50, who's passionate, sincere. financially secure, for a fun and refreshing relationship to enjoy life with. Oakland county. BOX 26085 QUALITY, QUALITY

ship or something long term. Wes side. Wayne County. BOX 25333 SEEKING A PARTNER SEEKING A PARTNER
Single female, who is physically, emotionally, financially fit who is ready for friendship, and possible long term relationship. Who can enjoy fine dining, home cooking, likes golf, the outdoors, dancing, and a warm fire. Must be a non-smoker Social drinker daw 52 to

smoker. Social drinker okay, 52 to 62. North Oakland area, BOX DOCTOR WANTED Pretty blue eyed blonde, youthful looking 50, bright, warm and witty. Troy area, with special interest in psychiatry. Seeking kind caring physician for intense relationship. Oakland County. BOX 26005

STARTING OVER 5'10", white full figured female, 45, non-smoker, light drinker, no drugs, varied interests that include, bowling, walking and sci fi. Looking for same for monogamous relationship that could lead to marriage. Oakland County BOX 26011

FIRST TIME AD. White widowed, 53 female, 5'2", 150 ibs, blue eyes, light brown hair, Looking for a gentleman, 50-70, who likes to go camping, outdoors, dining out, movies, quite times at home, for friendship possible relationship. Wayne county. BOX 26026

PRETTY WOMAN

PRETTY WOMAN

A widow. 64, looks younger, natural red hair, blue eyes, 5'8 1/2", attractive, with nice figure. Loving, loyal and honest, a mans lady. Have numerous interests such as: reading, gardening, movies, etc. Looking for gentie, loving man with some of the same interests. I am a delicity light to know and how with

delightful lady to know and be with. Oakland County. BOX 26041

OAKLAND COUNTY MEN

38 year old, Hispanic, 5'4", 132 lbs, attractive, college educated, single parent, very active lady, with many interests. Searching for one gentleman, non-smoker, 35 to 48, who is fit, active, and ready for dating, friendship, and more, take a chance. Oakland county. BOX 26045

CHRISTIAN
Single white Christian professional
female, 45, attractive, with a heart
of gold, great cook. Enjoys quiet
times and movies, walker. Seeks
well groomed white male, nonsmoker, with Christian values.
Wayne County, BOX 26052

SEEKING COMPANION

Professional single white female, 38, attractive, non-smoker, singer, loves animals, significant weight loss, still losing. Seeking a single write male, for triendship, companionship, and possible mature relationship, BOX 25314

Divorced Hispanic female, educated, attractive, 51", 118 lbs. Looking for an attractive Hispanic male, 34 to 38, educated, financially secure, non-smoker, who's honest, caring and fun, to share good times with. A Latina awaits your call. Livonia area. Wayne County, BOX 26070

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Single white male, 45, 5'10", with an athletic build, brown hair, hazel eyes, dark complexion, financially ecure. lives in the down river area loves the outdoors, movies, moon-lit walks and star gazing. Looking for friendship, possible relationship, BOX 11065 e long term

LIMITED TIME ONLY Single white male, 52, 5'8", with blue eyes, is looking for a single white female, who likes movies and quiet times at home, BOX 11098 LOOK NO FURTHER

hair, dark eyes, attractive, down to earth. I'm looking for an attractive female, 37 to 45, height weight pro-portionate, for friendship, to share conversation and pleasant times together, who likes dining out, the zoo, lakes, parks and bookstores

LOVE 2 HEAR FROM U! 38 yr old, 6', 180 ibs, single male, non-smoker, non-drinker. I have a lot of hobbies that include antiques gle female with a nice pers and easy to get along, BOX 11120 ALL THIS AND MORE

owner, enjoys camping, movies. In search of a female, 18 to 35, who is independent. If you would like to know more about me, leave me a message. BOX 11196

Nice looking, single white male, 38, non-smoker, non-drinker. Loves animals, and have many interests meeting a single nice looking temale for a one on one relation-SUMMER IS COMING

25 yr old, 5'11", 190 lbs, single male who likes working out, playing sports, bowling, playing pool, concerts and more. Seeking a single temale who share similar interests. BOX 14466 MY LASTING LOVE

Good looking male, 30's, looking for a fit, attractive, single, non-smoker female who can value and long lasting relationship. BOX 14502 A FRESH START 42. 6'2". 200 lbs, brown hair, brown

ve. ve. veu ios, prown hair, brown eyes single maile is looking for a single female to go out with, movies, dining out, sporting events, and concerts. BOX 14510 LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH

LIVE, LAUGH 44 yr old, Italian, single white male. 5'5", 180 lbs, easygoing, romantic, hardworker. Looking for a caring and loving female, open on age, race, height and weight. It's what's inside that's important. BOX 26898 SO MUCH TO OFFER

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50's, 5'9', 170 lb, single male, enjoys old movies, cookouts and good conversations. Looking for a petite to medium build female for friendship first. BOX 26901 TIRED OF BEING ALONE 55 yr old, 250 lbs. 6', male, hobbies are flea markets, reading, garage sales, dining out and movies. Searching for a woman for companionship and maybe more. BOX 26933

TIME MARCHES ON Single white male, 37, brown hair, baby blue eyes, 6'1", 165 lbs, enjoys candlelight dinners. Looking

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JUST A CALL AWAY

517. 140 lb single male with brown hair, likes hunting, hockey, movies and dinning out. Seeking a female that's trustworthy with same inter-est. BOX 11266

LIFE'S BETTER SHARED

50, 510°, 180 lb, divorced white male, muscular, brown hair, blue eyes, likes flea markets, garage sales, auctions and classic cars. Seeking white female, 35 to 45, slim, petite, non-smoker, social dipler, benest and einers.

drinker, honest and sincere. BOX

END MY SEARCH

Single white male, 6'4", 225 lbs, enjoys bowling movies outdoors and more. Searching for a single white female, 21 to 30, with height

and weight proportionate, honest and affectionate, for good times

PICK UP THE PHONE

35 yr old, smoker, casual drinker, single male who likes outdoors, rid-

ing motorcycles, movies and more. BOX 14398

TRY THIS OUT

Very young looking, 46, 57°, 170 lbs, African American male with a medium build. Some of my Inter-

ests are blke riding, cooking, dining

out and gardening. Seeking a sin

and possible more. BOX 14381

Lonely, white widowed male 43, 170 lbs, 55°, fun loving, gentle and easy going. Enjoys walking, camping, fishing, beaches and amusement parks. Searching for someone, open on race, height and weight. BOX 27311

COMPATIBLE

Single white professional male, 45, 5'8'. fit, communicative, humorous, persevering, enjoy the outdoors, bicycling, concerts, movies and more. Seeking trim, educated, emotionally available, single white professional female, 45 or under. Oakland County BOX 24985 JUST ME AND YOU

Hispanio male, 5°, likes dining out, movies, just having fun and cozy nights at home. Seeking white female, 18 to 26, 5'7" to 5'8", 120 lbs. blonde or brown hair, for friendship, possible serious relationship. Wayne County. BOX 33386 SENTIMENTAL

SENTIMENTAL
Single white male, 5'8', 150 lbs, fair sensitive skin, kind, gentle and extremely romantic. Seeking easy going, kind lady, 48 to 55, for long term relationship, possible marriage. Wayne county, BOX 24988 SINGLE DAD

30 yr old divorced male, medium build who loves to spend time with his kids, dining out, movles, and time with that special person. Seeking a white female, 30 to 36, for possible relationship. Children okay. Wayne County, BOX 33688 SENSIBLE MAN

Single white male, 55, soft spoken, down to earth. Enjoys dancing, theatre, movies, much more. Seeks friendly, relationship mindeo female in her 50's, BOX 24989 SPRING FEVER

Down River mate, 47, Italian, 5'8", 165 lbs, handsome, fit, affectionate, humorous, likes sports, music, roller blading, drives up North, din-ing out, movies. Seeks attractive, fit female, 30 to 47, with similar interests. Wayne county. BOX 33693 CONSTRUCTION GUY

Single white male 50, 5"10,185 lbs, who enjoys quiet nights, long slow dances, ski slopes, and golfing. Seeking female 35-55, with similar interests, for dating and romance. Oakland county BOX 24990 LOOKING FOR LOVE
Single white male, 51, 5'10", 210
lbs. brown hair, blue eyes, smoker.
Seeks single white female, 45 to
55, slim and tall, who lives in the
down river area, for possible loving

relationship. Wayne county. BOX 33695 R U COMPATIBLE R U COMPATIBLE
Single white professional male, 45, 5'8", fit. dependentless, communicative, humorous, persevering; enjoys outdoors, variety of music, movies, etc. Seeking fit, emotionally available, single white professional female, for happy, healthy relationship, BOX 33696

BRIGHT EYES 48 yr old, white male, 5'7", 145 lbs, dark blue eyes, fun loving, nonsmoker, who likes walking, swlming and camping. Seeking a petite white female, for possible long term relationship. BOX 36096

ESCAPE Escape the single life with me. Single white male, 42 yrs old, 5'10", 195 lbs, curly blond halr, hazel eyes, somewhat active, very adventurous. Looking for single white female, 35 to 50, petite to medium build, non-smoker, social drinker, with similar interests, finan-

cially secure. BOX 26015 **MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE** MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE
45 yr old, attractive, single white
Italian male, 5'11', brown hair and
eyes, athletic, muscular build,
Sensitive, caring, witty, humorous.
Enjoy hugs, cuddling and romance.
Seeking an attractive single white
female, weight and height proportionate, for friendship and long ferm
relationship, BOX 33515

relationship, BOX 33515 I AM YOUR MAN Hardworking divorced white male, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs. Is seeking a fun loving, easy going, intelligent, pret-49, 5'8". 175 lbs. Is seeking a fun loving, easy going, intelligent, prety, and nice shaped white female, for companionship. Prefer lady, in her middle 40's, for companionship and possible long term relationship. Redford area. Wayne county. BOX 25974

SEEKING ROMANCE Looking for a lady that wants a life long commitment, that stays in shape likes the outdoors and the long commitment, that stays in shape, likes the outdoors and the Caribbean, that is financially secure as I am. 49, brown hair, blue eyes, well tanned, from the Dearborn Area. Wayne County BOX 33631

GIVE ME A CHANCE Divorced white male in search of ideal mate, 38 plus, for fun and friendship, dating or possible long term relationship. Non-smoker. BOX 26039

READY AND WYANDOTTE Divorced white male, 48, 6° and 160 lbs seeking single or divorced white female, mid 30°s to mid 40°s, for friendship, dating and romance. Please be fit, non-smoker, like travellands and the size of eling and being out. Wayne County, BOX 32010 BY YOURSELF TONIGHT?

Without a guy to rely on? Reliable white male, 38, enjoys cultural events, local night life and much more. Seeks new female friend to hang out with. BOX 33678 BEST FRIEND WANTED

Mid 60's, 5'8", financially secure, Caucasian bachelor who likes the finer things in life. Likes sailing, classical music and traveling. Been to the Atlantic and Pacific recently vith me the next time I go. Look SINCERE AND HONEST

Farly 60's white male fit and active, 5'9', 155 lbs, they say good looking, non-smoker, likes bowling, camping, etc. No bar files, out of repellent. I want an attractive lady 40 to 60, for a lunch date, call me and leave a message, I'm buying. Wayne County. BOX 33682 LET'S MEET

Affectionate, retired, single male, 50, 5'5", blonde hair, blue eyes, likes dining out, movies, walks in the park, watching tv and traveling. Seeking a nice lady, to have some fun with. BOX 36081 DIVORCED WHITE MALE

Christian, non-smoker, non-drinker, young 60's, 5'8", 180 lbs, blond hair, blue eyes, seeking friendship and companionship, of slim female counterpart, 60 or under, for dating. Oakland County BOX 24974 DO YOU BELIEVE... In love at first sight? Let's meet and see! Charming gent, white male, 39, easy to talk to, active and

adventurous. Seeks playful part-ner, a lady, 29 to 45. BOX 33684 DO YOU BELIEVE ...

in love at first sight? Let's meet and see! Charming gent, white male, 39. easy to talk to, active and adventurous, seeks playful lady 29 to 45. Wayne County. BOX 24978

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Great single Dad, 40, stable, loving, romantic, fit, honest and all around good guy. Seeking a young, slim, sweat-hearted, loving single mom to make a wonderful family.

WHY BE ALONE? Caring, affectionate, loving, hard working, divorced white male, 54, 5'7", silver fox hair, 176 ibs. Loves or, silver tox nair, 176 ibs. Loves ccean beaches, spending quality time together. Seeking friendship for monogamous relationship, 40 to 50 yr. BOX 35913

RUGGED JOCK TYPE Athletic, muscular, single white male, 41, 6'2", 235 lbs, brown hair and blue eyes, clean cut, degreed, no dependents, outgoing personally. Enjoys outdoors, working out, reading, Las Vegas, quiet nights. Seeks friendly single female age/location open. BOX 36124

AS GOOD AS IT GETS Very kind, respectful, considerate, single white male. 39, 6'5", 246 lbs, with brown hair and green eyes. I enjoy camping, fishing, hiking, anything outdoors, dancing and the movies. Seeking an honest, loyal and loving female who enjoys doing similar things. Children okay. BOX 15466

QUEENLESS IN CANTON Mature, secure, fit, 54, 6'1", 192 lbs, degreed, non-couch potato, white professional male, seeks active, fit, attractive, slender to medium lady, 42 to 49, who can live, laugh, love. Enjoys children, can show emotion, communicate, and is interested in variety. Have two teens who live, no outstanding

engagements please. Wayn County, BOX 25997 AMUSED BY PERSONALS Let me help you pick a winnerl Love, happiness, opportunity awaits your call. This single white male, 43, is easy to talk to. Meet me. i am special, handsome, and available, BOX 26075

BE MY VALENTINE Single white male, 31, green eyes and light brown hair, non-smoker, non-drinker and drug free. Enjoy horseback riding, bowling, camping, movies and much more. Seek long term relationship with single white female. 18 to 40, children IF UR LOOKING FOR

An attractive honest, big hearted, white, non abusive, sober man, call me. I am active, secure, widowed me. I am active, secure, whoowed and ionesome. If you are under 60, attractive, siender, looking for a serious relationship, then I'm your man. No games. Romulus, Wayne County. BOX 33371 **MARRIAGE MINDED**

Single white male, 59, 5'10", 170 lbs, enjoys cars, dining out, cooking, quiet times and more. Seeking a single female, 45 plus, with similar interests, for a long term relationship, BOX 14255 INDIAN PROFESSIONAL

61 yr old, 5'6", 160 lbs, bachelor, refined, outgoing, enjoys theater, opera, symphony orchestra, old/foreign movies, bridge, tennis, ethnic restaurants, museums, 200s, trap shooting, history and philosophy. Seeks female of any age/race, for wonderful stimulating Wayne County, BOX 25983 WAITING FOR YOU

Single male, 44 yrs old, divorced without children, non-smoker, nondrinker, looking for a caring, affec-tionate female, for a possible long rm relationship. BOX 32716 I'M A SINCERE PERSON

If you are, 48 to 58, slim, white and attractive, call me. If you are lookattractive, call me. If you are look-ing for a non violent, loving, happy go lucky, non-drinking guy, call me. I'm 5'9", 175 lbs, attractive, wid-owed and lonesome, looking for a life time relationship. I'll answer your call. Down River, no games. BOX 33419 OPEN YOUR HEART

49 yr old, professional white male, 5'11", 198 ibs, with brown hair, blue eyes, college educated, with a nice smile, great sense of humor and good listener. Enjoys the outdoors, weekend getaways and traveling. Looking for an attractive, college educated, single female with same Interests and qualities. BOX 11078 FIRST TIME AD

Single white male, seeking serious relationship, professional registered nurse. Enjoys candielight diners, movies, dancing, comedy shows, works out twice a week, golf, tennis, warm vacation spots. No arguing. Wayne County. BOX 26058 king serious relationship HERE I AM Locking for a slender, attractive lady, 50 to 58, for a permanent relationship. I am widowed, well built, healthy, attractive, active, and

outgoing, i am 62 going on 40, and lonesome. Please call my voice greeting, Detriborn area. I'll answer your call. Wayne County. BOX 33683

DO YOU QUALIFY?

White male, 48, muscular, attractive, financial and self secure.

Seeking selective, classy, attractive white or Asian female, under 45, for long term relationship. Wayne county. BOX 25970

WIN ME OVER

46 yr old, African American mate, 5'7", 170 lbs, easy going, clean, employed, never married, medium

employed, never married, medium build with a variety of interests, th search of a single or divorced white female, 35 to 55, with a nice personality. BOX 27354

734 AREA

Handsome, healthy, fit, clean cut, divorced white male, 35, no dependents. Seeks white female, 25 to 45, slim to medium, for friend-

ship, occasional dating, give me a try. Wayne County. BOX 25985

READY TO START OVER

Divorced white Catholic and employed dad of two, 47, 6', 185

lbs, trim, a smoker, clean cut and down to earth. Looking for a sin-cere and caring trim female who would like to become acquainted

I'M YOUR KNIGHT

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and daytime friend, too! 47,
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easygoing, slim, Catholic, honest,
college graduate, non-smoker,
social drinker. Enjoys boating,
amateur theatre, bowling, walks,
movies, dancing and travel. Seeks
a lady, close in age, with similar
interests, for a long term relationship. BOX 26002

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Single black female, 5'6", plus size, iš seeking a white business type man, in mid 40's to 50's, salt and pepper hair, height/weight proportionate, you must be a non-smoker. BOX 27353 For more ads visit Attractive single white professional female, brunette, 48, 5'4", 115 lbs, great smile and heart. Enjoys red wings, boating and concerts. Looking for a single male, who's financially and emotionally secure, beight weight conoctionate. PERRY AND PASSIONA! E White single female, humorous, successful, bright, energetic, 5'4", 125 lbs, blonde, above average looking, wants 47 to 55, profes-sional average looking white male, has his life together, must be fit and has faith. No drugs. Oakland County. BOX 26950 height, weight proportionate, humorous, honest and open. Wayne county, BOX 24971

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emotionally, a non-smoker and a movie goer. BOX 11050

34 yr old, 5'6", single white female with a medium build. Seeking a tail,

33 yr old white female, 5'5", brown hair, hazel eyes. Looking for a white male, 32 to 42, for friends. BOX 11186

ing in/out, concerts. Looking for a single white male, age open. Let's single white male, age open. Lo see where it leads. BOX 11230 Single female, 23, mother of one, 5'4", 150 lbs, likes roller blading,

like to be friends, BOX 11232

WHY NOT? Attractive, 39, 5'7", employed female with no children, enjoys comedy, pool, bowling and entertaining. Seeks a tall, fun loving responsible man for friendship first, possibly leading to more. BOX 11261 SWEET & SASSY

48, 57", 150 lb. divorced female, blonde hair, enjoys being around people. Lookling to meet a single male for friendship, possibly leading to a relationship, BOX 11269 NEED SOMEONE TO LOVE 44 yr old, single female, 5'2", petite, non-smoker, with shoulder enjoys dining out, good movies and many other interests. Looking for a single white male, 38 to 48, non-smoker with a good sense of humor. BOX 14347 white male, 38 to 48, no

JUST YOU AND I 16 yr old, 5'2", 130 lbs, single female with blond hair and hazel eyes. Looking for a guy, 18 to 21, who likes playing pool, movies and much more. BOX 14434 THE BOY NEXT DOOR...

three, employed, sandy brown hair, green eyes and a medium build. Likes camping, reading, the beach, quiet night, movies, relaxing and more. Seeking a single male, 5'10" or above, who's fun and loves to do family things. BOY, 14450. family things. BOX 14450 **ROMANCE AWAITS US** Single white female, 42, likes din-ing out, quiet times, dancing, and more. Searching for a single male

for friendship and romance. BOX ALL FOR YOU 47 yr old, 5'9", divorced white female with a full figured. Enjoy country music, slow dancing, dining out, concerts and movies. Seeking a single male, 45 to 55, whose beginning and effection. who's honest, loyal and affection-ate, BOX 14497

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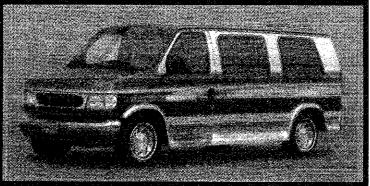
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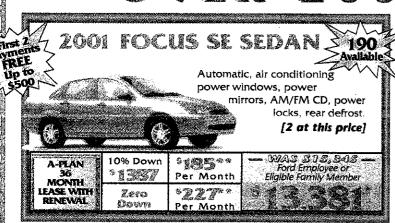


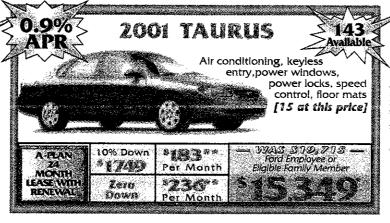


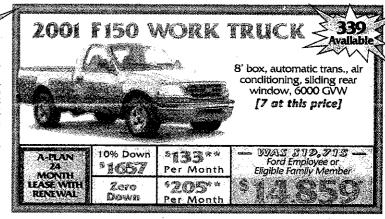
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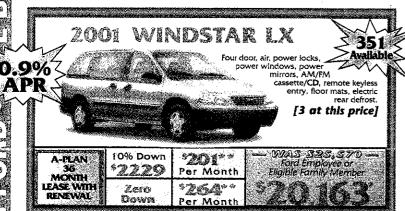
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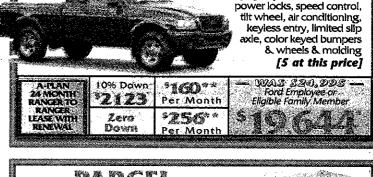




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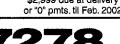
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the top-of-the-line Toyota Camry, Honda Accord, and Nissan Maxima and move up to the territory of the Lexus ES300, Acura TL, and even the Volvo V70.

The XG300 matches up well against those vehicles in size and power. That means generous front and rear legroom, plentiful trunk space, and a dual-overhead-cam V6 engine with about 200 horsepow er on tap. The XG300's engine produces 192 horsepower, and fuel mileage is typical, at 19 city, 27 highway.

Controlling the V6 is a Hyundai's Shiftronic five-speed automatic transmission. Getting five forward speeds in a "value-priced" car is remarkable in itself, but this one offers a second gate that enables drivers to select gears manually, a feature usually reserved for upscale European and Japanese models.

The list is just beginning. The XG300 sits on a four-wheel independent suspension with double wishbones up front, with front and rear stabilizer bars to keep the car level in curves. For superior stopping power, Hyundai serves up four-wheel disc brakes with antilock and mounts Michelin V-rated tires on alloy wheels to make them stick.

Inside the car, there is little to wish for. The long list begins with power windows, locks, and mirrors. The sound system features AM/FM and CD (cassette decks are on their way out). Then, there are the power driver and front passenger seats, covered in rich

leather.

Throw in air conditioning, cruise control, remote keyless entry, a trip computer, and heated outside mirrors and the package gets better and better. There are many other little touches, like pop-out coat hooks, an illuminated ignition keyhole, and a rear fold-down armrest with storage compartment.

A couple of omissions show the downside of value pricing, however. The air conditioning was not a fully automatic climate control system and the trip computer did not include either outside temperature or fuel mileage information.

Hyundai seems to have modeled the XG300 after the \$60,000 Infiniti Q45. You can see it inside, in the beveled sections of artificial wood, the chrome accents, the handsome typeface on the instrument panel gauges, and the center console proportions.

Outside, the oversized chrome door handles, complex and handsome alloy wheels, formal grille and the high chiseled tail all show Q45 influences. My pal Jim sees a touch of Rolls Royce in the rear styling.

The XG300 is more than a list of ingredients and influences, however. Driving down the road, it is hard to connect this imposing, whisper quiet, luxuriously appointed sedan with the ill-fated Excel of the 1980s. In a 400-mile week of commuting and around-town

errands, the XG300 felt strong, quiet and pleasant, like a luxury sedan should.

Quality is always an issue, but Korean cars now are approaching Toyota levels of fit-and-finish. The materials appear substantial and the seams are straight. I detected no squeaks or rattles, and even the scent was unobtrusive.

Color choices in the XG300 are sophisticated inside and out, mine sported midnight green paint, and the artificial wood seems real enough out of the corner of your eye. You don't get real wood in this market segment anyway.

I have only a couple of minor complaints. For some reason, courtesy lighting is nonexistent in the rear seat area, although red lights on the door edges provide visibility to other drivers when the doors are opened. Also, the wavy pattern on the instrument panel gauge faces is an odd choice in my opinion.

Although cars like the XG300 have been marketed in Hyundai's native Korea for years, Americans are just now seeing upscale Korean products. Hyundai's planners apparently feel we are ready for them. Maybe that's true, because this car, loaded to the gunwales, equipped with the industry's best warranty, is priced at just \$23,827, including everything but tax and license. You simply can't touch it with anything else.

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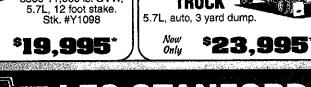
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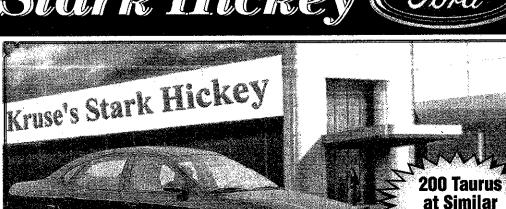
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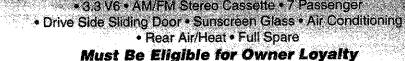
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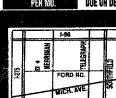
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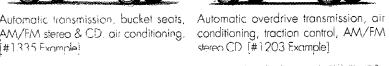














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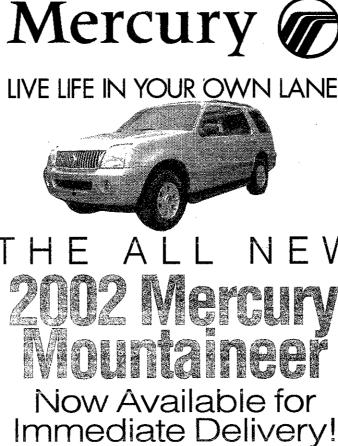
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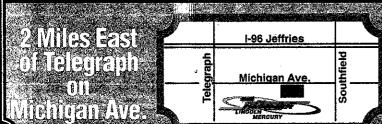
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Good value for price, low-traffic volume and easy access to two freeways and points beyond recommend the Meadows of Van Buren Condominiums.

Just over 100 units, 40 ranches and 64 carriage-style residence with some units up, some down, are slated for the first phase of the attached condominium community on Tyler just west of Belleville Road in Van Buren Town-

Prices start at \$92,900 for a 1,050square-foot home with two bedrooms and one bath in the carriage (stacked like apartments) section, \$138,900 for a ranch of 1,210 square feet with two bedrooms, two baths and an attached garage.

"I don't think they (buyers) will ever get the square footage for what we're selling for," said Dale Lentz, president of Antler Construction. "They can't get 1,100 square feet new for what we're

"We've brought the cost down to get a variety of buyers: empty-nesters, ... first time homeowners ... retirees. We have a low-maintenance dollar amount (association fee) too."

A 4-1/2 acre pond is the community's centerpiece. The entrance is well-landscaped and bermed.

Then there's the location. "There's not a lot of traffic like Canton, but we're close to the expressway easy on, easy off," Lentz said. "You can get to the airport in 15 minutes from here. Belleville Lake is right there.

Shopping is very close, as well as the Van Buren municipal complex including senior center, recreation building and police department, said Sally Phillips, sales representative.

Everything is right here."

Visitors are impressed with the community generally, construction features specifically, she added.

"They like the cathedral ceilings, like the deck, like the laundry room being on the main floor," Phillips said. "It's a good price and location."

Carriage buildings generally contain four units up, four down. All residence feature at base price 14-by-8 wood deck, air conditioning, dishwasher and microwave, individual laundry, textured ceilings plus carpeting and vinyl flooring.

All units contain their own furnace and water heater, and one reserved space in a carport.

All contain a dining area, living room, and laundry. The single bath



Different arrangements: Both carriage-style condominiums, like these, and ranch-style units are available at the Meadows of Van Buren.

contains a combination tub/shower. The master in two-bath units has a shower.

The second-floor units contain cathedral ceilings and planter shelves.

Cost is \$92,900 for two beds/ one bath, \$101,900 for two beds/ two baths. Only two bedroom/ two bath units will be built in carriage offerings during subsequent phases.

The ranch units, 1,210 square feet, all have private entrances, a 1/12-car attached garage, two bedrooms, two full baths and volume ceilings.

They also feature living rooms and dining areas. The ranches are grouped three, four

or five together. Base price is \$138,900 for middle units, \$142,900 for ends. Decks (\$3,100) and fireplaces

(\$3,200) are optional. Brick and wood siding are primary exterior materials.

The Meadows of Van Buren Condominiums is serviced by city water and sewers. It has sidewalks and is within the Van Buren school boundaries.

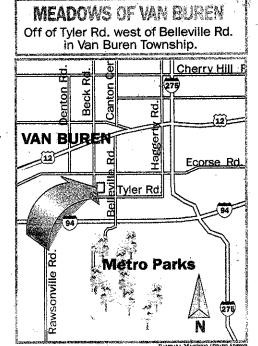
The property tax rate is \$28.26 per \$1,000 of state taxable value, half of sales price for new construction. That means the owners of a \$102,000 unit there would pay about \$1,450 the first

The monthly association fee is \$80 for carriage units, \$87 for ranches. It includes water, lawn cutting, snow removal and exterior maintenance of the units.

Georgetta Houston moved into the Meadows of Van Buren after living in the area for many years.

"This was all on one floor, no steps," she said. "I overlook the pond. It's nice and bright. The sun shines in. I have two daughters and they decided mother should enjoy some new things. I highly recommend it."

The sales office / models at the Meadows of Van Buren Condominiums, (734) 699-8980, is open 1-6 p.m. daily, closed Thursdays.



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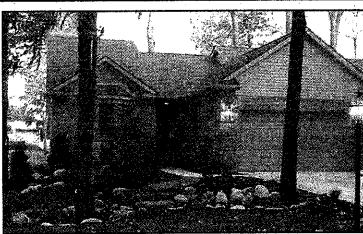
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The exterior has a ranchstyle motif with a covered front porch. Brick used as an accent enhances the looks.

This is a two-story home, with the second story over the garage. The three different room lines add a unique look to the home, also.

When entering the Wilson, a huge great room opens before the viewer.

There are bay windows in the front, looking out to the street, while a gas fireplace is on the side toward the front of the home. Farther down the same wall is a large window that looks out on the side deck. In the rear, opening onto the deck, are a set of patio doors.

The kitchen is centrally located with an eating bar on an island separating the kitchen from the rest of the great room. A large window over the sink allows a view of the landscaped backyard and to enjoy the antics of children playing on the rear deck.

In the right rear corner is the large master suite. It has a full bath with an oversized shower and a walk-in closet adjacent.

Between the staircase to the second floor and the garage is the utility room, which also contains a half bath. A door to the two-car garage is in one .

Upstairs are two more bedrooms. Bedroom 2 has a wall

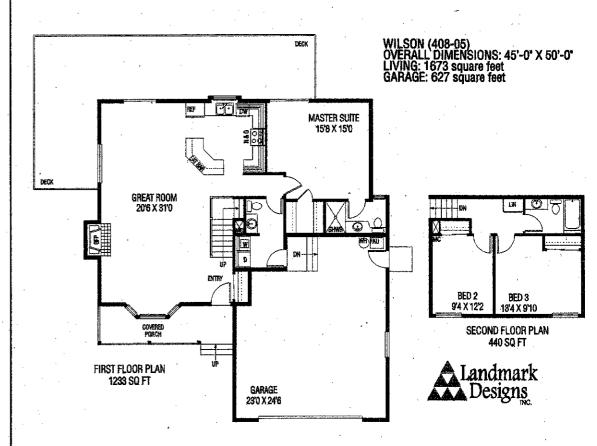
closet and a large window. It is narrow and long, ideal for a smaller child. Bedroom 3 also has a wall closet with a large window, but it is more square shaped and larger. Outside the two rooms is a full bath with a tub and a linen closet.

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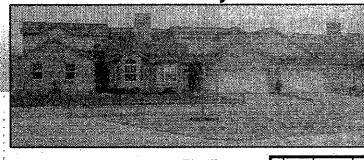
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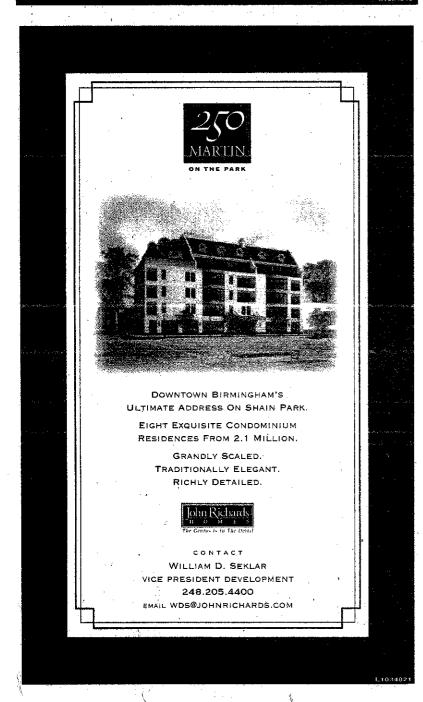
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■ Repair or replace loose shutters, eaves troughs and downspouts.

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- Make sure downspouts direct rainwater at least three feet from house.
- Trim dead branches off trees.
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- proper drainage. ■ Fill above-ground pools with
- water so high winds won't blow the sides in. ■ Replace glass storm doors
- with screens. ■ Unplug all electrical appli-
- ances during storms. ■ Use surge protectors on computers and unplug during
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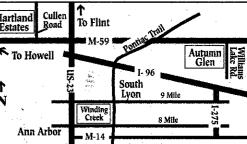
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"Affordability is of course the first factor but not the only factor to consider in purchasing a vacation home," says Richard Roll, president of American Homeowners Association. "Whether it's your primary home

or a vacation property, you have to consider the huge benefits and responsibilities of home ownership along with the costs."

The vacation home market has been booming and prices are generally high. So don't count on finding a bargain.

On the bright side, you can count on your beach home to generate substantial rental income about 21 weeks out of the

year. You're going to need that income to help offset your costs, and more than just the usual mortgage, utilities, taxes and insurance.

You're also going to pay fees to a management company to market and maintain your home as a rental property, plus the costs of any repairs.

Just remember that it's not strictly a financial decision. You can spend a lot of money on vacations and not expect a financial return, right?

Look at the intangible benefits that don't show up on the balance sheet. If you're always missing vacations, you're going to run out of excuses with your own beach home, or your friends or family will drive you crazy.

Sooner or later you have to go, if only to inspect the property, or

make repairs and improvements.

And do you yearn to be a "local?" Your vacation place will be a home away from home. Ownership gives you a stake in the neighborhood and a permanent part of the mystique of a coastal community.

Of course, Uncle Sam throws in a few tax benefits that help the bottom line. You can deduct any negative cash flow minus

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But the same tips can help you save money here in Michigan, whether your home is newer or older. Here's how consumers can help reduce the pressure on the electricity and gas system:

General advice

■ Turn the thermostat down to 68 degrees or below. Reduce setting to 55 degrees or less before retiring or when away for the day.

■ Avoid running large appliances such as clothes washers, dish washers and clothes dryers and electric

- Close off vents to rooms that aren't being used.
- Turn off all non-essential electrical lights.
- Close shades and blinds an night to reduce the amount of heat lost through your windows.

What to do at the office ■ Minimize heating by keeping

the thermostat at 68 degrees or below.

- Wear comfortable business attire. Dress appropriately for cooler temperatures.
- Turn off any lights that are not needed, especially in unused offices and conference rooms.
- Turn down the remaining lighting levels if you can.

■ Turn off your computer if you are out of the office for more than a few minutes.

■ Some computers have a "low power stand by" mode. Check to see your computer is set for it.

■ If a blackout is imminent, back up your computer and frequently save what you are working on - to be ready if the power goes off.

Keeping your home comfortable

■ Check your heating ducts to make sure that they are properly connected and not leaking air. Studies show that one of every four homes loses as much as one-third of its heating (or cooling) from bad ducts. Repair them as needed, using approved materials and methods.

■ Insulation, properly installed, offers the single most effective means of conserving energy in the home - it provides a thermal blanket around the house. Install it vourself or hire an insulation con-

■ Draw draperies and window shades to limit heat loss. Open them during the day to let sunshine in.

■ As much as 18 percent of your home's heating loss can be through building openings. Stop this loss by weather-stripping all doors and windows and caulking openings.

■ Consider installing a clock thermostat to automatically set back your thermostat at night. Never cover the thermostat with draperies or decorations. Also, don't put lamps, television sets or appliances that produce heat close to the thermostat.

■ Use bathroom heaters sparingly, if at all.

■ Regularly replace or clean fil-

In the kitchen ... a dash of conservation can make a big differ-

- Plan meals that can be cooked together in the oven all at once to make full use of the energy it takes to heat your oven.
- Don't preheat your broiler or
- Avoid opening the oven door when baking. Taking a "peek" wastes energy.
- Microwave cooking is faster, more efficient than conventional cooking. It can save a lot of your time and energyetoo.
- Learn more about pressure cookers. They prepare foods in twothirds less time, and many people" say the final product is more flavorful than conventional cooking.
- Wash only full loads of dishes in your dish washer. Let the dishes air dry by turning the washer off after the last rinse cycle and opening the door slightly.

If the power goes off

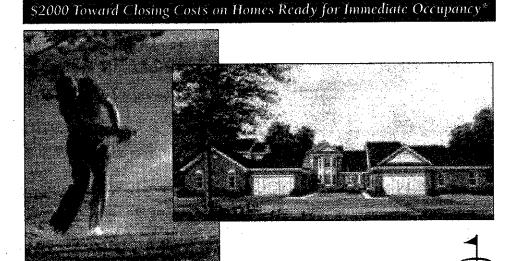
■ Drive carefully. Traffic signals may be out in a rolling blackout. Consider each intersection to be a four-way stop and drive defensively. If you are a pedestrian, be extra alert, since normal traffic patterns are disrupted.

■ If you use candles to light your home during a rolling blackout, be

■ Avoid opening your refrigerator and freezer as much as possible.

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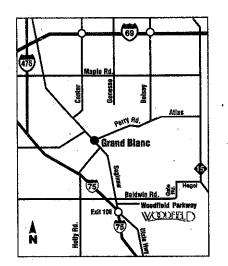


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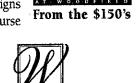
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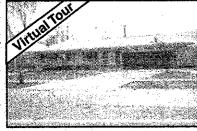
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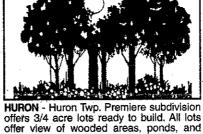
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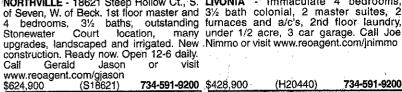


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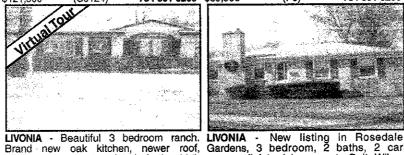








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Financing your home improvement project

When planning a home improvement project, it is important to choose the financing option that best suits you.

Four of the most popular are a home equity line of credit, a second mortgage, a cash out refinance of your current mortgage and, of course, a home improvement loan.

An equity line of credit is similar to a credit card except that your house is used as the collateral which usually makes the interest tax deductible. A credit line is usually between 75 to 80 percent of the home's appraised value minus the balance of other mortgages.

There is usually no limit on how the money is used, but you may need to keep a minimum balance to keep the line of credit open. You use the account by writing special checks or using a credit card. The interest rate is not fixed but variable, based on the Prime Rate plus a margin of up to three percent.

There may also be closing costs such as appraisal and application fees, points and other costs which can vary from one lender to another.

A second mortgage loan can be useful when you know exactly what your remodeling project will cost. Like other installment

loans, it has predetermined payments for a specific period of time, usually 15 years. With a fixed rate, a second mortgage can benefit from the low interest rates in today's market.

A third option is cash out refinancing which refinances your first mortgage plus the amount of your home improvement project. Most lenders will limit a refinance to 75 or 80 percent of the property value and may include in your payments any fees charged.

You should compare the rate, terms, and financing costs of a mortgage available today to your current mortgage payments

(and your years left to pay) plus the monthly payment for an equity line or second mortgage.

A less common option is a home improvement loan through HUD's 203(k) program that allows homeowners to borrow up to 110 percent of a home's value. The house must be at least three years old and require at least \$5,000 in repairs.

To determine the amount of the loan, a construction consultant gives an on-site estimate of the improvement. The lender releases the funds in as many as five payments through the renovation process. Upon completion of the improvements, the lender

sends an inspector to approve the work for the final payment.

The financing option you choose will depend on your situation. If you don't know exactly how much the home improvement project will cost, the flexibility of a home equity credit line may be best for you.

Or you may prefer the predictable monthly payments of either a second mortgage or cash out refinancing.

For some, it is important to know that, depending on the lender, the property may not be used as a rental when a financing option has been added to the first mortgage.

Whichever method you select, it is good to comparison shop among, say, three lenders. Ask all your questions, and make sure you understand the answers. Get the terms in writing and feel free to negotiate the details whenever possible.

Joseph Krul is chief operating officer and executive vice president of Standard Federal Bank in Troy and a member of the board of directors of the Building Industry Association.

Builders win energy demonstration grant for house

A fledgling Farmington Hills residential building company is one of only five to win an award from Michigan's Five Star Home Grant program to help build energy-efficient

Sterling Manchester will use a grant of \$7,500 to install an innovative hot water system, compact flourescent lamps and bulbs, backdraft dampers on exhaust fans and an insulated garage door in an 1,800square-foot home in Detroit.

The builder also intends to develop a video on the innovations, advertise its availability and arrange tours for Realtors, appraisers and students.

We've made the business decision we would build highquality, energy-efficient and low-maintenance homes," said E. Noel King, vice president with Sterling Manchester.

The company intends to concentrate on modular (factorybuilt) homes in the \$125,000-\$185,000 range. Dorne A.

Adams also is a vice president. "All houses we build are Energy Star," King said.

"The Building Industry Asso-

ciation has an energy committee. The energy committee does seminars every month. Information is there for builders - how we can build a more energy efficient house.

"I think it's a process you'll find being done by more builers as energy costs become more critical," King said.

Builders competed for the grants based on energy efficiency, marketing plans and innovations. The money was awarded through the Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services.

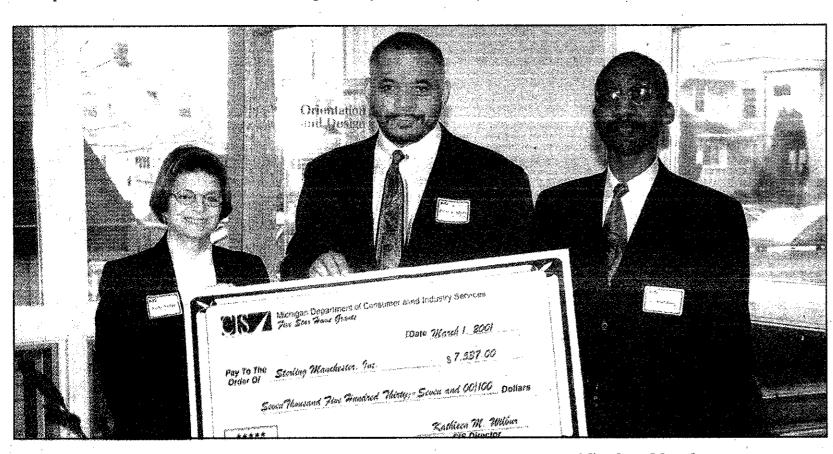
"The Five Star Home Grant program is an incentive for Michigan builders to utilize the latest technology to reduce energy costs and pollution," said Gov. John Engler.

"As a condition of receiving the grants, the builders will be promoting these homes and showcasing the advantages of an energy-efficient home," Engler said. "This will make other builders and future home buyers more knowledgeable about energy-efficient products currently available to reduce utility bills."

"Builders and consumers are becoming increasingly interested in energy-efficient products with each year we present

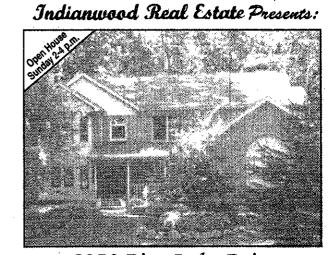
Wilbur, CIS director.

"Energy-efficient products often pay for themselves and then some with the money they these grants," said Kathleen save in future utility bills."



Grant recipients: E. Noel King (center) and Dorne A. Adams, vice presidents of Sterling Manchester, accept a mock Five Star Home Grant check from Kathleen Wilbur, director of the Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services.





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