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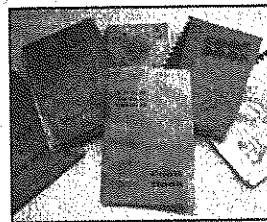
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Memo

In control

Regina Duxtader of Canton has been hired as corporate controller for Botsford Health Care Continuum, Farmington Hills. As corporate controller, Duxtader is responsible for accurately representing the financial condition of the Botsford health care system.

Reimbursement, payroll, accounts payable and financial service functions report to her. Duxtader is charged with preparing and presenting monthly financial statements, evaluating internal controls and ensuring compliance for Botsford's financial activities.

Duxtader came from Deloitte & Touche LLP, Detroit, where she was senior manager for the audit practice and was responsible for a variety of health care accounts. She is an economics and management alumna (1989) from Albion College.

The Botsford Health Care Continuum is an integrated system of care that includes Botsford General Hospital, Botsford Physician Network, Community Emergency Medical Service, Botsford Continuing Care Corporation and Botsford Center for Health Improvement.

Schools' future

The Plymouth-Canton schools' future wants, needs and plans, especially for new buildings, will be the topic of the final "visioning" session tomorrow (Monday, Feb. 3) at Discovery Middle School, Hanford and Canton Center. The meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Literacy tutors

The Community Literacy Council is seeking volunteers to tutor adults in reading. They train and provide all of the materials. Several day and evening training sessions are planned for February; the training is held at Starkweather school in Plymouth and/or at the Canton Library. "We have about 17 volunteers right now," says coordinator Fran Relyea, "but we would like to double that number."

The current volunteers are both young and old, Relyea said. Volunteers always tutor in public places, usually the Canton or Plymouth Library. Call (734) 416-4906 to register for training by Friday, Feb. 7. Training takes about 14 hours and is spread over several sessions.

Food, a good read

Madeline l'Engle's classic *A Wrinkle in Time* will be discussed over pizza when the Canton Library's Book and Pizza Club meets noon Saturday, Feb. 8. All participants will receive their own copies of *Wrinkle* to keep. Preregister by Feb. 1 at (734) 397-0999.

Calling LaJoy

Canton's new state representative, Phil LaJoy, has a new toll-free number: 1 (866) LaJoy or 1 (800) 525-6921.

Gun scare forces P-CEP lockdown

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

A Plymouth High School science teacher has been placed on administrative leave with pay and could face criminal charges for taking a BB gun to school Thursday morning.

The result was a 45-minute lockdown as police swept the building looking for a man with a gun.

Steve Rea of Plymouth Township, a 33-year teaching veteran who in the past

used a BB gun for physics experiments while teaching at Canton High School, was seen by a parent taking what looked like a gun wrapped in cardboard into Plymouth High School about 6:45 a.m.

The parent was dropping a student off at the high school when she saw the man.

"The woman gave us a description of what she was able to see, from the butt of the gun to the trigger guard," Canton Police Lt. Pat Nemecek said. "We went into a lockdown situation at Plymouth High School, stopped traffic from coming

into the school and watched every door with the help of Plymouth Township police.

"As in our training with a lockdown, the school made the proper announcements, telling students and faculty to go to their classrooms, which minimized the amount of traffic in the hallways. We broke into teams and began a sweep of the building."

While more than a dozen police officers searched every room, traffic outside at the school's Beck Road entrance was

gridlocked as cars were rerouted to the parking lots at Salem and Canton high schools.

While the sweep was under way, Rea told Principal Michael Bee about his bringing the BB gun, Nemecek said. Police were notified. The remaining students were then allowed into the building at 7:30 a.m.

"A whole lot of cell phones were ringing with parents after hearing what was

PLEASE SEE **LOCKDOWN, A4**



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Harley, 4, and Rocky, 2, were returned to owner John Bradbury after Felecia McCann found the dogs wandering separately in her neighborhood recently.

Lost dogs rescued

Rocky and Harley happy to be home

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

Canton resident John Bradbury is a happy and grateful man this weekend. Ten days ago, two beloved family dogs got out of his yard and ran away.

Often, dogs who run away are never found or are killed by cars. But Bradbury is now thanking fellow Canton resident Felecia McCann, who rescued both from the freezing cold. There's a little catch in Bradbury's voice when he tells the story.

"Thursday (Jan. 23) when I came home, someone had left the gate open and both the dogs were gone. I didn't think either of them would survive this cold weather. I searched that night from 2 a.m. to 4 a.m. and slept a bit and got up again at 6 a.m. to look again," Bradbury said.

Then the first good news came with a call from the Canton police. One of

PLEASE SEE **DOGS, A4**

Delivery man victim of wild carjacking

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

All he wanted to do was deliver an order of Chinese carry-out, but a 42-year-old Ann Arbor man found himself the center of a bizarre chain of events Thursday afternoon.

The delivery man, who is Chinese himself, was bringing an order to a mobile home in College Park Estates on Mott Road about 5:45 p.m., Canton Police Sgt. Todd Mutchler said.

When the delivery man pulled into the park driving a black 1997 Toyota 4Runner, he had trouble finding the exact address. He saw a man walking in the park and asked him for directions to the address.

The man gave him the directions, and the delivery man drove to the house, got out of the car with the carry-out order and was walking toward the trailer when he saw the man who had given him directions hop in the

PLEASE SEE **CARJACKING, A4**

Plan targets teenagers and drug abuse

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

A new adolescent drug prevention program will offer a six-session seminar to high school students from Plymouth and Canton this month.

The intense educational program targets high schoolers age 14-17, said Dana Fudge from HelpSource, an Ann Arbor-based nonprofit agency.

"HelpSource and Spectrum are very

excited to be expanding our adolescent substance prevention services to Plymouth and Canton residents. The pilot program will begin on Thursday, Feb. 13, and run through March 20," Fudge said.

The sessions will be 6-7:30 p.m. each Thursday in the HelpSource office, 684 Deer St. in Plymouth. Participants must complete all six sessions. The fee for the program is \$75.

Typical candidate for this program is a

teen who has had a first run-in with the legal system and has been caught with alcohol or marijuana in a car or at a party. MIP (minor in possession) teens are often referred to these classes by the court system.

Other candidates could be teens whose parents are insisting on stopping drug abuse.

"Sometimes parents say to the child

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High school club has true Rotary spirit

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BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

From the earliest days of Rotary, Rotarians have promoted high ethical standards in their professional lives and a code of "service above self" in advancing understanding, goodwill and peace, not only throughout the local community, but world-

PLEASE SEE **ROTARY, A5**



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth Canton Interact Club member Nicole DeVries of Canton, 15, receives her club pin from Plymouth Rotary Club President Jack Tornaga at the Interact club's Charter Party Jan. 22 at Fox Hills Country Club.

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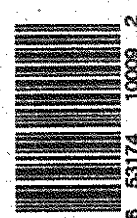
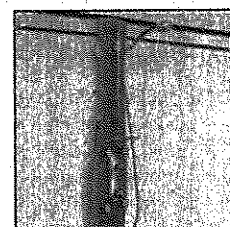
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Toddler play program starts

High Velocity Sports, the indoor soccer facility on Michigan Avenue in Canton, will host indoor toddler playgroups Monday-Friday 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. beginning Feb. 3. The cost per toddler is \$5 for the two hours and allows the tots access to HVS' five indoor soccer fields and roller rink.

The five soccer fields are made with a synthetic grass, similar to that of Ford Field.

Recycled rubber pellets cushion the non-abrasive fields to help absorb shock to the knees and ankles.

"As parents of twin 2-year-old boys, my wife and I can certainly attest to the need for a place that the boys can exert some energy indoors," said managing owner Bryan "Goose" Finnerty.

"It's a perfect escape from elements. My wife and her friends frequently bring their

playgroup to High Velocity and the kids love it."

Soccer balls, squishy multi-colored balls, and squishy footballs are provided. The playgroups are parent supervised and no toddler may be left unattended at any time. Non-rubber inline roller skates or youth bicycles/vehicles are permitted on the roller rink.

For more information, call (734) 487-7678.

LaJoy appointed to advisory board

State Rep. Phil LaJoy (R-Canton), has been selected to join the Youth in Government Advisory Board.

The 25 member board consists of political and business leaders, including the governor and lieutenant governor, Senate majority and minority leaders, House Speaker and minority leader, as well as one additional

senator and representative from each party.

"As a former coach I know how important it is to motivate young people to reach their full potential," said LaJoy. "The Youth in Government program does just that. Bringing students from all over the state together in Lansing and letting them experience, firsthand, the

way laws are made gives them a chance to develop leadership skills."

The statewide program is run by the YMCA. It provides students with the opportunity to become acting state legislators, lobbyists, lawyers, committee chairs and reporters. Students simulate all aspects of state government.

Voided sales may have been embezzlement scheme

Canton Police are investigating a case of alleged embezzlement from the Speedway Station on Lilley Road.

The district manager for Speedway told police that for the past three months an employee has been taking money while working as a cashier at the station.

He said when a customer would come to the counter to pay, the cashier would occasionally ring up the sale, then void it, then put "No Sale" on the cash register which would cause the money drawer to open.

She would then give the customer change if needed and pocket the proceeds from the sale. At the end of the shift, the money would balance due to the voids on the machine, the manager said.

When the manager got suspicious, he looked at the station's video surveillance tape and saw the process in action. He then traced the voids on the cash

COP CALLS

register's central computer and said they totaled \$1,329.

When the manager confronted the employee, he said she denied doing it, but ran from the station when she was told that police were being called.

DETECTOR MISSING

An employee of Rider's Hobby Shop on Ford Road reported to police that someone stole a metal detector from the store sometime between Jan. 25 and Jan. 29.

He said no one was seen taking the detector, which was valued at \$900. Whoever took it did not get the battery pack to make it work.

GOLF CLUB TAKEN

An employee of Pro Golf on Lilley Road told police on Jan.

30 that someone took a \$399 golf club from the store on Dec. 19.

He said a review of the store's video surveillance tape showed two men enter the store on that date. One of the men took and concealed the golf club, while the other acted as a lookout.

They then left the store without paying.

BEER BUST

A CVS Pharmacy employee reported to police that he saw a white male in his 20s in the store on North Sheldon on Jan. 22.

The man was carrying five 12-packs of beer and walked past the cash register toward the exit. When the employee asked him if he had paid for the beer, the man just kept walking.

He walked out of the store, got into a red Pontiac and fled north of Sheldon.

— Jack Gladden

Schools seek bond for repairs

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

Wayne-Westland Supt. Greg Baracy took his charts and handouts on the road recently, giving a presentation on the Sinking Fund millage that school officials hope voters will approve Feb. 18.

A portion of Canton Township is in the Wayne-Westland school district.

The crowd was small at a Madison School PTA meeting, but that didn't faze Baracy, who spent close to an hour explaining Wayne-Westland's financial history and why it's "prudent" for the district to ask for a 1-mill tax for building repairs.

And along the way, he heard positive comments about the request and a negative one about previous administrations.

"I grew up in this district and I've felt that in the past there was mismanagement of funds," one resident said.

"I grew up here, too, and I don't believe there was mismanagement," Baracy said. "The hands of the school board were tied in what they could do with that high of a millage (47 mills prior to passage of Proposal A)."

Baracy pointed out that district prior to Proposal A was the highest taxed district in the state. Because it had a tax base of moderately priced homes, it took two to three times the taxes to keep up.

"They'd borrow \$17 million here, \$18 million there, but with the 40 buildings they had then, they could repair a roof here and replace a boiler there," he said.

Baracy even took time to take another jab at the state for the announcement that school aid will be cut mid-year by close to \$1 million.

"This wouldn't affect a sinking fund, but it makes this more important," Baracy said of the announcement. "The state wants to shift their shortfalls on us after we've turned this district around. It's not all gloom and doom now. We're in better shape than other districts."

School officials are hoping to get voters to approve the 1-mill tax that would raise roughly \$2.3 million a year. It would be spent for capital repairs, and if the act is amended, to purchase technology and school buses, big ticket items for the district.

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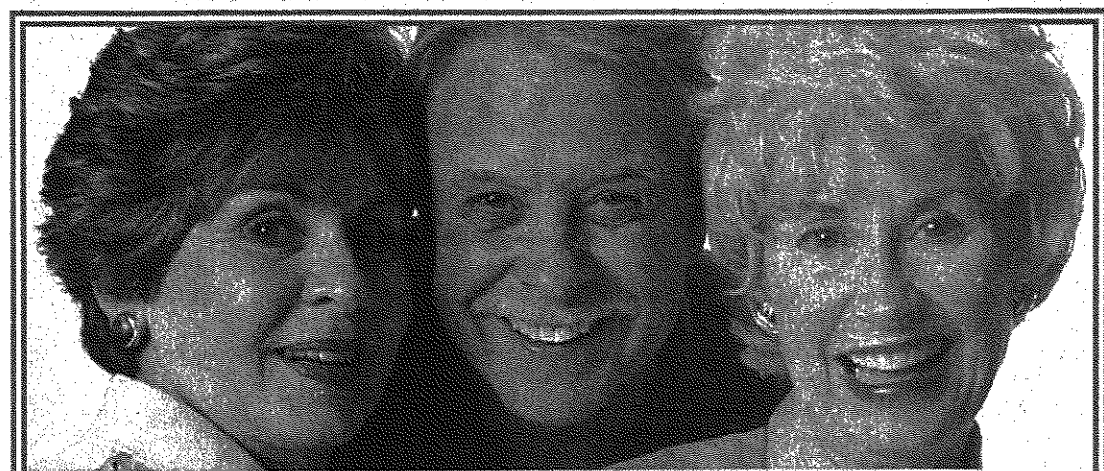
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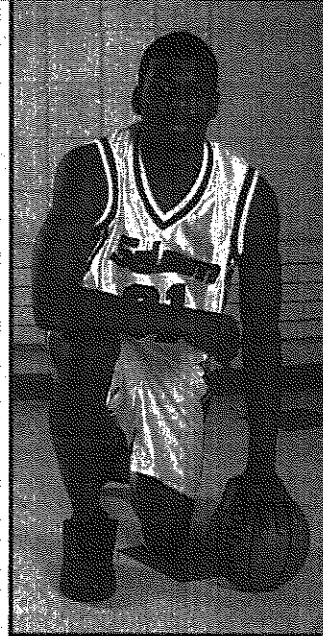
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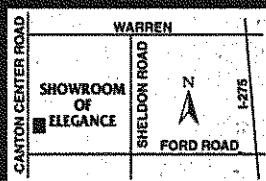
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Settling in means heavy lifting for Canton's new congressman

BY MATT JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

Canton's new congressman, Thaddeus McCotter, has been doing a lot of heavy lifting during his first few weeks in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Not legislative labor – what's been done on that front can be described as light housekeeping – but moving, as in packing boxes, carrying furniture and driving trucks.

There's his Washington, D.C., apartment, new digs at the Canon House Office Building, a Livonia district office, and the apartments of staffers who are also moving to the capital, not to mention an aunt who recently moved to an apartment in Northville.

All require the expertise of McCotter's Movers. "It's the physical, the logistical end of it that's often missed," McCotter, a Republican from Livonia, said of the transition to Congress.

The transition seems to be somewhat jarring for McCotter, a freshman representative, who in four years went from Wayne County commissioner to state senator to congressman representing Michigan's 11th District, which includes Livonia, Westland, Garden City, Plymouth, and Redford, Canton and Plymouth townships.

'DORM' LIFE

"I have to live like a college student now," McCotter said. That means sleeping on a futon, eating at restaurants and warming up frozen food and canned soup, he said.

His 400-square-foot studio apartment (in what he calls "a dorm for new members") is within walking distance of the Capitol, and Washington has an acclaimed subway system, the Metro, but McCotter is used to suburbia and the convenience of a car.

"I had to walk five blocks to get a gallon of milk," he said, wryly adding that he could've

bought whiskey within fewer blocks.

He isn't thrilled with grocery shopping on the Metro, having to lug the bags back to the apartment.

"I'm from the Motor City. I like my car," he said.

Fortunately for McCotter, that will remain a big part of his life, as he plans to shuttle regularly between the capital and Livonia. He's telling his children – George, 10, Timothy, 7, and Emilia, 5 – that he works in Washington but lives in Livonia.

"We're very proud of him and we miss him when he's gone," said McCotter's wife, Rita. But, "I always know he's coming home," she added.

The adjustment isn't that tough for the family, Rita McCotter said, because they are used to him being in Lansing as a senator.

BUSY SCHEDULES

Plus, she said, their children keep so busy with school, activities and homework, they wouldn't see him much anyway, and don't have time to dwell on his absence.

"Before it was an hour drive. Now it's an hour flight," she said.

In fact, it's about two hours total, door to door, if the timing is right, McCotter said. But getting home isn't as easy as getting in the car and driving in from Lansing.

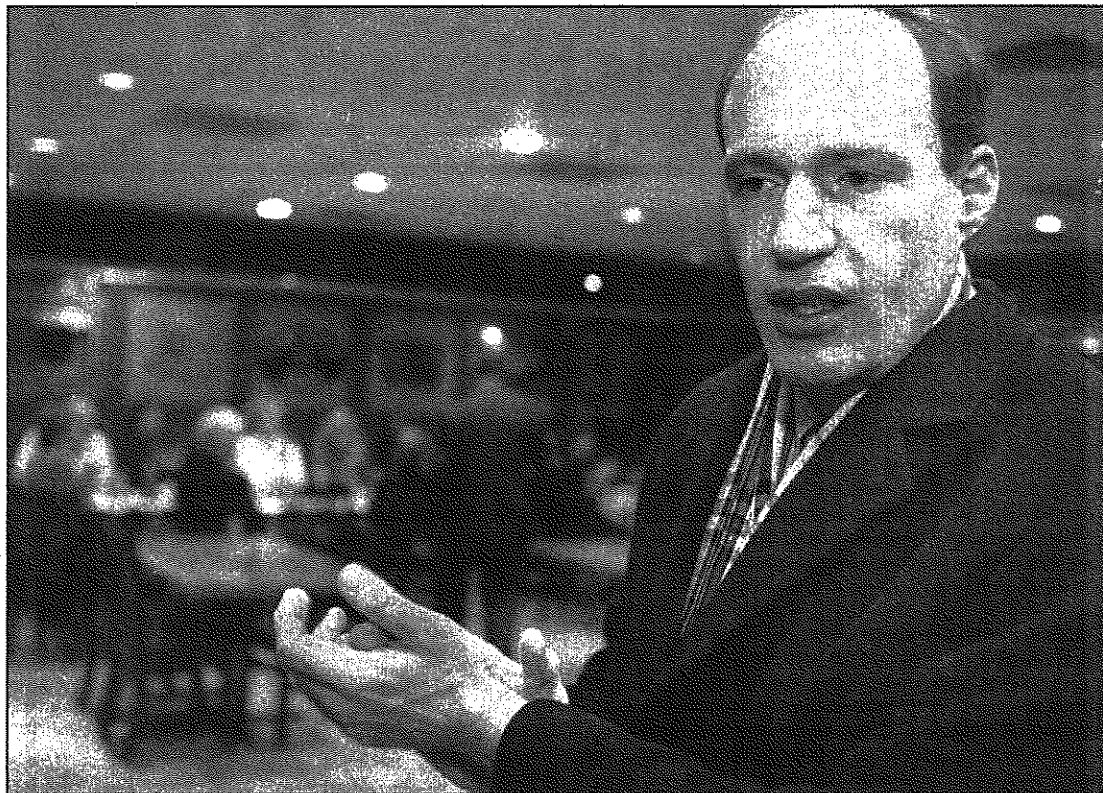
"Mentally, it's very difficult not to come home at night," McCotter said.

A typical week, he's been told by colleagues, will require him to be in the capital Monday evenings, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. But there will be exceptions.

"Legislative schedules are malleable," he said.

Rita McCotter said she's looking forward to spending time in D.C. with their kids, taking in the sights and museums, soaking up the atmosphere of history.

"It's a great place to visit, but I wouldn't want



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

New U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter gets ready to leave after a short visit with the Suburban Republican Women's Club recently.

to raise my family there," she said.

The kids slept on the floor of McCotter's studio when the family was in Washington earlier this month for the congressional swearing-in.

"It's kind of fun" for their children now, McCotter said. "Time will tell how trying it is."

McCotter's line that he works in Washington doesn't paint a complete picture, as work in the district will keep him busy, too.

On Thursday, McCotter spent a few minutes with the Suburban Republican Women's Club, which meets at Pick-A-Bone restaurant in Livonia, before another commitment.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

He rattled off some contact phone numbers for the mostly female audience and told them he had been appointed to the House's budget and international relations committees.

The latter assignment "is not bad for someone without a passport who hates to fly," he joked.

"You don't have time to hang out," McCotter said as he got ready to leave the restaurant for his next appointment.

"I've known these people since I was little," and they understand the time constraints, he added. His mom, Livonia City Clerk Joan McCotter, was among those in attendance.

Rosemary Farabaugh – the aunt McCotter and brother Dennis helped move – is the club's president.

"He is well-qualified and he has prepared himself for his career," Farabaugh said.

She added her politician nephew is "highly intelligent," and a very ethical and moral person. "I'm not just saying that because I'm his aunt," she said.

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Kiwanis Club launches its annual sweat suit drive for First Step

At 3 o'clock in the morning, a sweat suit can be a lifesaver for a victim of domestic violence.

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The Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Plymouth-Canton is once

again holding its Annual Sweat Suit Drive.

This is the sixth year of the event, which supports First Step, the Western Wayne County Project on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

"The staff members of First Step keep the collected sweat suits in their cars ready to give to victims when needed, providing them with some sense of dignity," said Janet Ott, co-

chairman of the First Step Sweat Suit Drive and secretary of the Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club.

Donations of new sweat suits will be accepted throughout the month of February. All sizes and colors, including children's sizes are needed.

"Since First Step serves the entire Western-Wayne County area, we are looking for support from the entire community,"

said Mark Ott, co-chairman of the First Step Sweat Suit Drive and club treasurer. "We have drop boxes set up throughout the Plymouth and Canton communities to make it convenient for everyone to make a donation."

The following have drop boxes for Canton: Canton Chamber of Commerce, 5820

N. Canton Center Rd.; Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Road; Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 S. Ridge; Help-U-Sell Real Estate, 7242 N. Haggerty; KaDe's Hair Salon, 42013 Ford Road; Keller & Stein, 42158 Michigan Ave.; Republic Bank, 5844 N. Sheldon Rd. Plymouth locations are:

Coldwell Banker, 44644 Ann Arbor Rd.; Herriman & Associates, 41486 Wilcox; Papa Romano's, 555 W. Ann Arbor Road; Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, 386 S. Main; and the Plymouth Public Library, 223 S. Main.

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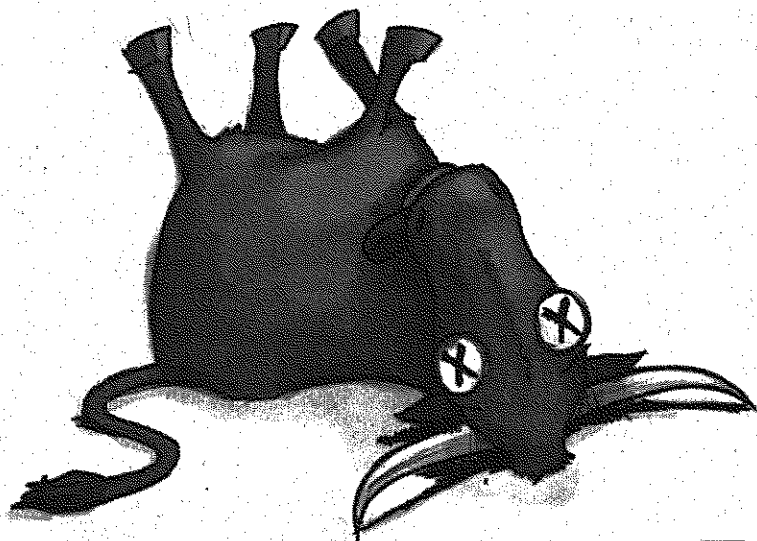
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4Runner, which was still running.

"At that point, he dropped the food – literally – ran to the car, grabbed the mirror and was holding on while the other guy was swerving the car back and forth," Mutchler said.

Finally the delivery man lost his grip and fell. Meanwhile some other residents of the park who had seen the events tried to stop the man from leaving the park in the 4Runner.

"He drove around them," Mutchler said, "crashed into a car, got on to Mott Road and

drove into Washtenaw County."

In Washtenaw County, the man lost control of the car, ran off the road, hit a tree and the car caught on fire. The man, who wasn't injured, jumped out of the car and tried to run away.

A homeowner who seen that incident let his dogs out to hold the man at bay until police arrived.

Canton Police and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's deputies arrived, followed by neighbors from the mobile home park and the delivery man, who could only stand around and watch the 4Runner burn.

The car thief, a 21-year old Belleville man who Mutchler

In Washtenaw County, the man lost control of the car, ran off the road, hit a tree and the car caught on fire.

said had a narcotic problem and wanted to get back to Belleville to buy heroin, was arrested and jailed in Canton.

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'You'll pay the \$75 out of your own money' as part of a consequence and the teenager comes to the sessions," Fudge said.

The classes are based on a

nationally taught curriculum developed by National Curriculum and Training Institute of Phoenix, Ariz. The classes focus on self-esteem, interpersonal relationships, work ethic, self-direction and alternatives to drug abuse, according to NCTI materials.

"Our goal is to educate each participant about the effects and dangers of using alcohol and other drugs. We believe the first step to prevention is education."

"The findings of the 28th annual University of Michigan *Monitoring the Future* survey show that the use of alcohol and illicit drugs is on a decline. Lloyd Johnston, a social psychologist at the U of M Institute for Social Research and principal investigator of the study, noted that 'This is the first time in recent memory that we've been able to say substance use is down across the board.' The National Institute on Drug Abuse provided funding for the survey," Fudge said.

The program emphasizes education not recovery.

"If I had a kid into it (drugs) hard core, I would refer them to another agency that provides more in-depth recovery."

The current drugs of choice are alcohol, marijuana, Ecstasy or "X" or sometimes "XTC," and "shrooms" or mushrooms,

a hallucinogenic, Fudge said.

The groups at HelpSource will average eight to 15 students, and they involve interaction and discussion. "Kids will close down in larger groups."

Both boys and girls typically are in the sessions because "it tends to work better that way," Fudge said. Parents do not attend the sessions so the teens feel free to speak.

A workbook is included in the fee. There is a pre-evaluation for every new client, and reports are returned on each student to courts if necessary.

Spectrum has been facilitating this type of adolescent substance abuse prevention group since 2000 with great success, Kathy Walz of HelpSource said.

The number of participants has tripled since 2000. Parents, as well as the criminal justice system within Washtenaw County, have used this program for first-time MIP offenders to try to educate teens about the effects of alcohol and substance use.

"There still seems to be a lot of experimentation," Fudge said. "We try to clarify the myths kids believe about drugs."

For enrollment information, call Walz or Fudge at (734) 973-1900.

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DOGS

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the two dogs had been found. "This lady went out at night in the cold with her flashlight to look," Bradbury said. "If it wasn't for her, the one dog wouldn't be with us."

The two were Rocky, a rottweiler, and Harley (as in Harley-Davidson), a black Labrador.

"I found Rocky at about 10:30 a.m. Friday (Jan. 24). He's a beautiful dog. He was totally confused but I brought him into the garage and warmed him up with towels and called the police," McCann said.

McCann devoted many more hours of the day and into the night looking for the other dog. The area near her home is wooded and secluded.

"I am a sucker for stray animals," she said. She found Harley about 8:30 p.m. that night with just the aid of a

flashlight, her own pet (a husky/shepherd mix) and lots of savvy about dogs.

"Dogs often follow each other. And I thought my own dog might bring the other one around."

"The other dog was in good shape but shaky in the cold and was very tired."

The pair of roving canines had come from Bradbury's home near Gallimore School and traveled at least a couple of miles to Ford and Canton Center area to McCann's Hathaway Road home.

"I love animals. The Bradburys brought over a thank you picture of the dogs and a box of candy. They are very nice people. They keep offering things but I'm just happy to help. It's like finding lost children ... it has to be done."

Bradbury says his gate now has a lock. For McCann, it was part of "pay it forward." Someone saved her dog a few years ago.

LOCKDOWN

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going on from the news," said Jenny Horton, 16, of Plymouth, whose first class was at Canton High School. "They came up on the public address system and said we had to stay in our classrooms and no one was allowed to leave. We heard a lot of rumors about a rifle and shot-gun."

Rea was known to have taken the gun to school in the past to conduct experiments on velocity and momentum, Superintendent Jim Ryan said.

"The teacher has done this (used the BB gun) before at Canton High School and assumed it was OK to do it at Plymouth High School, where he now teaches," Ryan said. "The Plymouth High administration was not aware he was bringing in a BB gun for a class demonstration."

"We are conducting an internal investigation, focusing on why no one was notified he was bringing in the gun for experimental purposes," Ryan said. "The teacher has been sent home pending the investigation."

Rea used the gun for several years at Canton High School

and kept it locked in a case. When Rea knew he would be teaching at Plymouth High School this school year, he took the gun home for the summer and took it to school Thursday for use in class.

Disciplinary action by the schools would wait until the investigation by Canton police is completed, Ryan said.

The police report will be given to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office to review for possible charges, Nemecek said.

"We need to determine if the weapons-free school zone law was violated, and if the BB gun fits that charge," said Nemecek, who also noted "a BB gun doesn't classify as a firearm."

The gun was confiscated by Canton police, Rea, who was not available for comment, has not been charged or arrested.

"We met with him and the administration today (Thursday), and he's on administrative leave while they conduct their investigation," said teachers union president Chuck Portelli. "He has not met with police."

Rea was not in the classroom Friday, with no word as to when he will return.

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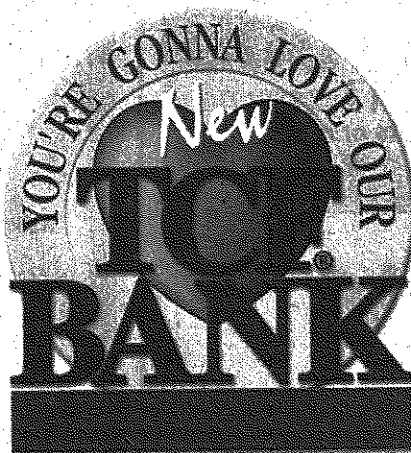
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ROTARY

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wide.

The ideals of ethics and community service is driven by Rotary's 4-Way Test. Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Rotary clubs in Plymouth and Canton not only are promoting those ideals through their clubs, but have taken it a step further by sponsoring the Plymouth-Canton Interact Club, a junior Rotary, made up of high school students at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Rotary Interact clubs are generally sponsored by individual Rotary clubs. However, because of the uniqueness of the Plymouth-Canton school district in serving several communities, the Plymouth, Plymouth A.M. and Canton Rotary clubs have banded together to sponsor the high school group, encouraging students in the lessons of service above self.

"It's a way of getting the youth started in a leadership role at the high school," said Howard Oldford, a member of the Plymouth Rotary and one of seven advisers to the Interact Club. "We try to show them how important it is to serve the community, and that when you work together it's a great feeling."

The Plymouth Canton Interact Club was formed at the end of the 2001-02 school year with a handful of students, but has since grown to about 35 active members. The group formally received its charter Jan. 22 during a celebration at Fox Hills Country Club, with more than 100

Rotarians, club members and their parents joining the festivities.

HARD AT WORK

However, while the Interact Club was formally introduced only last week, its members have already been working hard to make a difference. They've sponsored several car washes and bake sales while raising \$800 for the Sandra Saeger Wall of Courage at Plymouth High School.

The club has been involved in Plymouth Rotary's chicken barbecue, the A.M. club's summer breakfasts and the Canton Rotary's garage sale, among other activities.

"The Interact Club is an idea that involves commitment, leadership, responsibility, ambition and hard work," said Brandon Bunt, the group's first president. "Interact helps give us social skills, leadership skills and makes us more comfortable speaking with community leaders, working in the community and learning about the community."

"We don't want to lose sight of the community service aspect. There are a lot of important experiences we can gain from it," he added. "Communities sometimes have a negative stereotype of youth, and we need to reverse that by promoting the positive."

Larry Lewis of Plymouth Township, whose daughter, Brittany, 15, is a member of the Interact Club, views it as an opportunity for her to learn about the community they call home and help others less fortunate.

"Some people aren't as fortunate as we are, and she can volunteer her abilities to do what is necessary to help others. This organization gives her that opportunity," Lewis said.

'It's fun, and we get to help other people. It's good to help other people. It's not selfish. This group can do a lot of good because there are a lot of us willing to help out.'

Nicole DeVriese
Canton teen

"As kids grow up and become adults, they're going to be in positions where they are going to be able to help others, and it's important for them to know the structure of the community so they know what resources are available. There's nothing more important than helping others to accomplish whatever goals they have set for themselves."

Nicole DeVriese, 15, of Canton said she joined the Interact Club through a friend. "It's fun, and we get to help other people," DeVriese said. "It's good to help other people. It's not selfish. This group can do a lot of good because there are a lot of us willing to help out."

Bunt said one goal of the Interact Club is to set up a mentoring program in the elementary schools.

"We would be there for private tutoring, or just talk to them," he said. "We want to make it a comfortable environment so they can just talk, if they want."

Laura Whichello, president of the Canton Rotary Club, said she would have liked to have had an Interact Club in her high school, and looks forward to working with the young people in the new group.

"You get so much more energy working with kids," Whichello said. "It's so rewarding. They energize our club."

LOOKING AHEAD

Lisa Kennedy, another Canton Rotary member, said service club memberships are down, and getting the community's youth involved at an early age will pay dividends later.

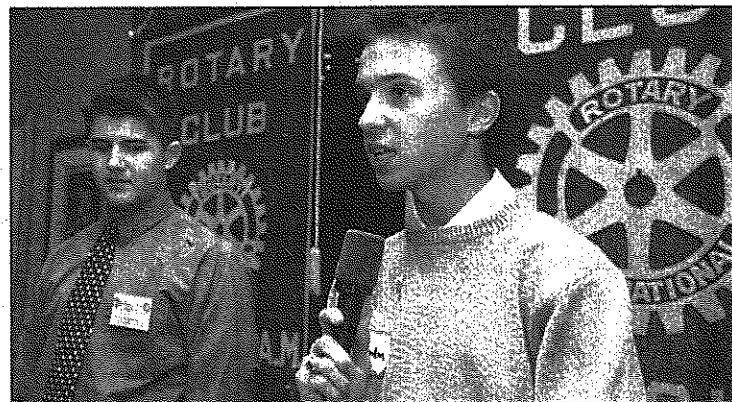
"If you get them started at an early age, they have so much energy and drive to go out into the world and do good," she said. "We can shape things across our nation based on the projects we work on."

Plymouth-Canton Schools Supt. Jim Ryan, a member of the Plymouth Rotary, likes the idea the Interact Club is located at the high school park. He believes living The 4-Way Test and encouraging community service will make for a better society of young people.

"The mission of the Plymouth-Canton school district is to help students achieve their personal and academic best, and we want them to learn to serve the community," Ryan said. "When they get to be our community leaders and our business owners, they'll understand what it means to give back."

"I can't think of a better way to learn to serve the community than being an Interact Club member and a future Rotarian."

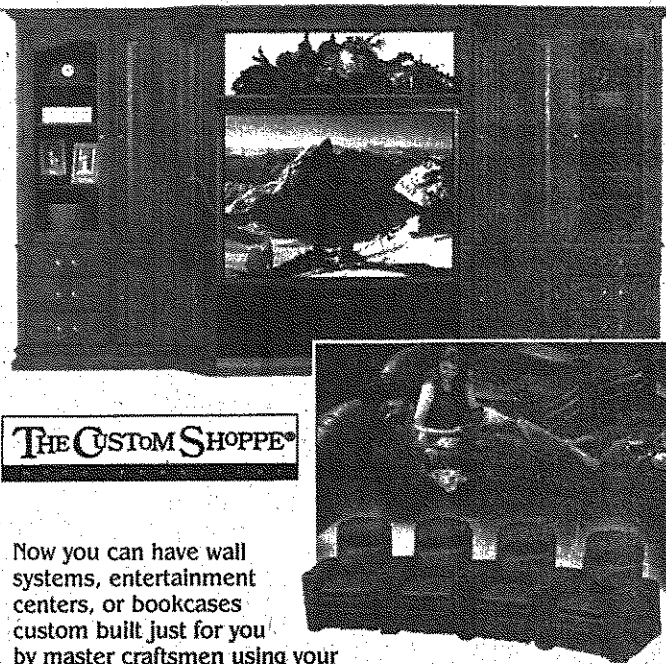
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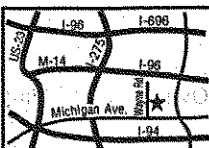
Interact Club President Brandon Bunt, right, speaks at the party. Vice President Kevin Burdette is at left.

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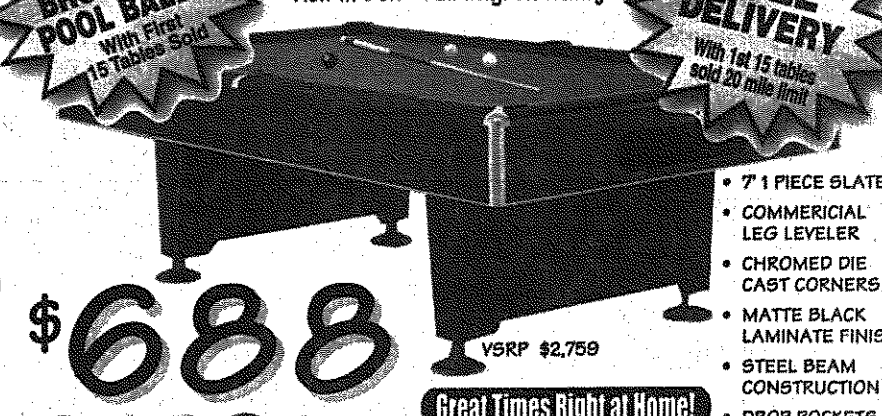
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All ages can escape the wintry weather and experience a typical evening at the farmstead at Cobblestone Farm in Ann Arbor, when courting and quilting were common.

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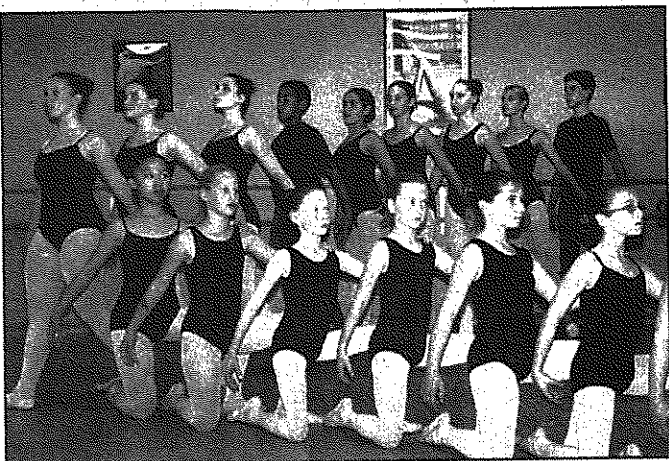
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Fine Arts Competition

The Plymouth Community Arts Council has announced a \$500 fine arts competition for high school seniors in the P-C school district. Applications are now available at the PCAC. The deadline for receipt of materials is March 15. For further info, call (734) 416-4278.

Valentine Dinner

A Champagne Reception at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 14, followed by a four-course dinner at Fox Hills. The cost is \$60/per person. Call for reservations



Dancing success

Metro Dance Senior Company was awarded with high honors at the New York City Dance Alliance earlier this month in Lansing. Company members performed a Lenny Kravitz jazz number, "Goin' My Way" and were awarded high silver, the second-highest mark given at the convention. Maureen Wood won a gold award with her performance of a solo ballet piece titled, "Sylvia." Lauren Hodges and Alex Wood were featured as showcase dancers. Senior Company members include Paige Babala, Jennifer Beitzel, Lauren Hodges, Marissa Malcolm, Michelle Nagy, Martin Skocelas-Hunter, Emily Swanson, Alex Wood, Katherine Wood and Maureen Wood.

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County Chorus

The County Connection Chorus, a women's singing group from Ypsilanti, hosts Acappella 101, a free four-week session for women interested in learning more about singing acappella music in the barbershop style. The chorus is affiliated with Sweet Adelines International. Interested women should contact Jennifer Jones, (734) 480-8843.

Drug Workshop

The "Teens Using Drugs: What To Know and What To Do" workshop was developed to help people who are struggling with teen substance abuse issues. Part One, "What To Know," will

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Grief Workshop

Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsoring an eight-week grief workshop "From Grief to New Hope" beginning Feb. 10.

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The Canton Thunderbird Softball Inc. Girls Fast Pitch organization is holding a Road Rally on Feb. 8. Deadline to enter is Feb. 6. cost is \$25/person which includes meal and prizes. For further information, contact Mike Roberts at (734) 397-1355 or check the Web site at thunderbirdsoftball.tripod.com.

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Special Christmas pricing on tickets for the PCAC's annual dinner, dance and auction to be held Friday, March 14, at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth. To purchase tickets, donate an auction item or help the planning committee, call the Arts Council at (734) 416-4278.

Spring Youth Soccer Registration

The entire month of January at the Recreation Office of the City of Plymouth during business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. All registrations require a birth certificate. Call (734) 455-6620.

Plymouth Symphony

Plymouth Symphony League is launching the 2003 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale. The cost is \$30. Place your order at the Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453-3016.

Free Blood Pressure Screening

Free blood pressure screenings will be taken at the Plymouth District Library 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month. No appointment is necessary. Call (734) 453-0750 for further information.

Recreation Registration

The City of Plymouth is now taking registration for its classes for all ages. Classes include gymnastics, dance, core body exercise, tots jump-a-rama, taekwon-do, personal development, aerobics, clogging, senior trips and programs and much more. Call (734) 455-6620.

PUMPER PURCHASED

The Canton Fire Department recently bought a new pumper/tanker truck that will help them fight fires a little more efficiently.

The vehicle, purchased from Pennsylvania-based KME Fire Apparatus for a cost of \$256,000, will be able to pump twice as much water as the one it's replacing, according to Capt. Bill Grady.

"It will pump about 1,500 gallons a minute, compared to 750 gallons on our old tanker," he said. "This truck also has a state-of-the-art foam delivery system that will be able to handle flammable liquid fires."

It will replace a tanker in service with the department since 1979.

THE DOCTOR IS IN

The Observer columnist Joe Gagnon (aka The Appliance Doctor) will speak next Wednesday, Feb. 5, at noon to the Canton Chamber of Commerce. The luncheon will be held at Summit on the Park, 4600 Summit Parkway, and is sponsored by Pilz Automation Safety.

PUT THE EDITOR TO WORK

Ever take a look at other people's jobs and wonder, "Could I do that?"

Plymouth Observer editor Brad Kadrich wants to help you find out. Here's the idea:

Kadrich is looking for ideas of the kinds of jobs people often wonder about. He'll take ideas he gets from readers and, once

a month, will schedule some time on those jobs, and then write about them the following week.

The only real criteria is that it needs to be a local job (city or township), and it must be able to be done without having to go to school to do it. No brain surgery, no electrical engineering, no computer programming.

Once the suggestions have been compiled, we'll put together a schedule and start bringing readers a view from a working man's or woman's perspective.

Readers can e-mail suggestions to the Plymouth Observer at bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net or fax them to (734) 459-4224.

Canton readers can also contact the Canton Observer and talk to Doug Johnson, (734) 459-2700.

EXPO COMING UP

The next big Canton Chamber of Commerce event is a business expo 5-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, at the Summit on the Park. Canton businesses will have booths and displays during the event.

"It was such a success in October that we decided to have two each year," Dianne Cojey, chamber executive director said.

The deadline to reserve a booth or table is Feb. 3. Applications have been sent to chamber members.

For more information about the chamber, call (734) 453-4040 or check out the chamber's Web site at www.canton-chamber.com.

Read The Observer for local news

Is Your Doctor Making Your Fibromyalgia Worse?

REDFORD – A new, free report has recently been released that reveals the "untold story" behind fibromyalgia pain. Fibromyagia misdiagnosis and mistreatment is rampant and leads to countless years of unnecessary suffering. This free report reveals a natural procedure that is giving fibromyalgia sufferers their "lives back" with "miraculous" results for many. If you suffer from fibromyalgia you need this no B.S., no "gimmicks" free report that is giving hope to fibromyalgia sufferers everywhere. For your free copy, call toll-free 1-888-722-8271, 24 hr. recorded message.

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Phase 1 of the study is currently under way in the Detroit Metropolitan area. The target vehicles are:

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- Buick Park Avenue with Michelin XW4 P225/60R16
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- Chevy Corvette with Goodyear Eagle F1 GS P245/45ZR17 (front) and P275/40ZR18 (rear)
- Chevy Prizm with Firestone FR680 P175/65R14
- Chevy Suburban with Firestone Steeltex A/T LT245/75R16-Load Range C
- Chevy Tahoe with Firestone Steeltex A/T LT245/75R16-Load Range C
- Chrysler Town and Country with Michelin MX4 215/65R16
- Chrysler LXI with Michelin MX4 215/65R16
- Dodge Caravan with Michelin MX4 215/65R16
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- Dodge Ram Conversion 1500 with Goodyear Invicta GL P235/75R15
- Dodge Ram Station Wagon 1500 with Goodyear Invicta GL P235/75R15
- Dodge Ram 2500 "Cab & Chassis" 4x2 with Michelin LTX A/S LT245/75R16
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- Dodge Ram 2500 Quad Cab 4x2 with Michelin LTX A/S LT245/75R16
- GMC Jimmy with Goodyear Wrangler RT/S P235/75R15
- GMC Yukon with Firestone Steeltex A/T LT245/75R16-Load Range C
- GMC Yukon XL with Firestone Steeltex A/T LT245/75R16-Load Range C
- Toyota Corolla with Michelin MX4 P175/65R14
- Toyota Corolla with Goodyear Integrity P175/65R14
- Toyota Tacoma with Firestone Wilderness HT P205/75R15

The vehicles must be fitted with the original tires (repairs are acceptable) and have to fit in one of the following age- and mileage brackets:

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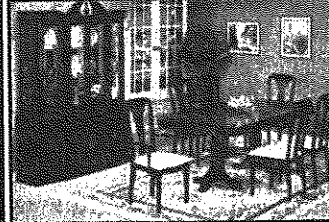
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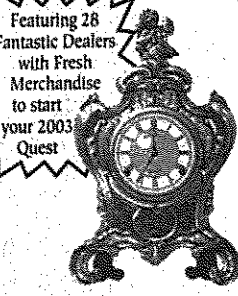
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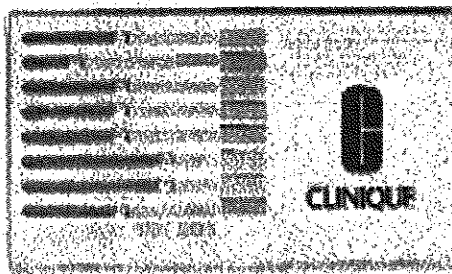
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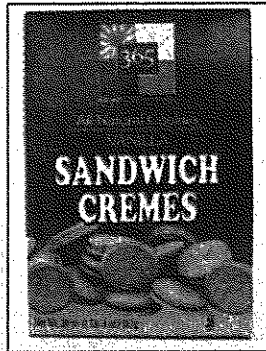
Side dish

Take-out triumphs

We're dining at home ... but on food cooked by somebody else, says Art Siemering, editor-in-chief of *The Food Channel Trendwire*, a weekly e-mail newsletter for food marketers. That's the most significant dinner trend in America. Despite 11 straight years of restaurant sales growth, Americans are actually eating fewer meals in restaurants than they did 15 years ago.

Snack attack

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Home cooking

According to the Wheat Foods Council, 85 percent of Americans now eat home-cooked meals three or four times each week. And according to the American Dietetic Association, 38 percent of Americans say they have made a significant effort to improve eating habits.

But are you still craving dessert? If so, try this sweet but healthy wheat-packed recipe:

APPLE CRISP WITH CRUSHED WHEAT TOPPING

- 4 to 5 cups baking apples peeled and sliced
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons water
- 1/3 cup whole wheat flour
- 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon (divided)
- 4 tablespoons stick margarine, chilled
- 1 cup crushed wheat flakes cereal

Preheat oven to 350°F. Spread apples in an 11-by-7-by-2-inch pan coated with cooking spray. Sprinkle one-half teaspoon cinnamon on apples. Add water.

Combine brown sugar, flour and the rest of the cinnamon. Cut in margarine using a pastry blender or two forks until mix resembles coarse meal. Add cereal, mix and sprinkle over apples. Bake 30 minutes.

Top with vanilla ice cream or soy ice cream if desired.

Go nuts

Love pistachios? For more information, visit www.pistachios.org.

By the book

Collector has affection for 'Tried and True' recipes

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

There's an old saying: Behind every person lies a story.

Sandy Fercho has three.

One: She helped create a cookbook for her church.

Two: She owns more than 350 historic Michigan-related cookbooks.

Three: She's a recipe whiz.

Fercho, a Canton resident, reads cookbooks like they're novels and fell in love with culinary arts as a child.

"I can read a recipe and tell if it's going to work or what's missing," Fercho said.

She was just 10 when she won a blue ribbon for sweet bread entered in a 4-H fair. Her affection for farm recipes and cooking grew.

Fercho's favorite recipes are from small, old, defunct Michigan farms, developed by wives who ran kitchens while their husbands tended fields. Her love of farm recipes, like puffy sugar cookies, prompted this real estate agent and mother of two sons to work with parishioners at her church, First United Methodist of Plymouth, to develop a cookbook.

Fercho approved and edited every recipe submitted by fellow parishioners in *Tried & True: A Collection of Recipes by First United Methodist Church*.

"The recipes have basic ingredients that everyone has in their kitchens today — or ingredients that are at least inexpensive," Fercho said. "We didn't include recipes that called for an expensive spice that you'll only use in one dish and never again."

Tried & True is a collection of simple, comforting dishes along with some updated versions of American classics, Fercho said, such as apple or peach crisp; broccoli salad with cheese and bacon; pretzel Jell-o; molasses cookies; sweet and sour meatballs; cheese-stuffed

GET THE BOOK

■ "Tried & True: A Collection of Recipes by First United Methodist Church" - \$12 each or three copies for \$30

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Sandy Fercho sits in her kitchen, surrounded by a small portion of her cookbook collection. Her books date back to the Civil War. Fercho helped compile a cookbook for First United Methodist Church of Plymouth.

chicken; carrot bars; spinach soup; and salmon logs with cream cheese and pecans.

Joy Coyle, a parishioner at the church, pitched in to help with the cookbook and is a fan.

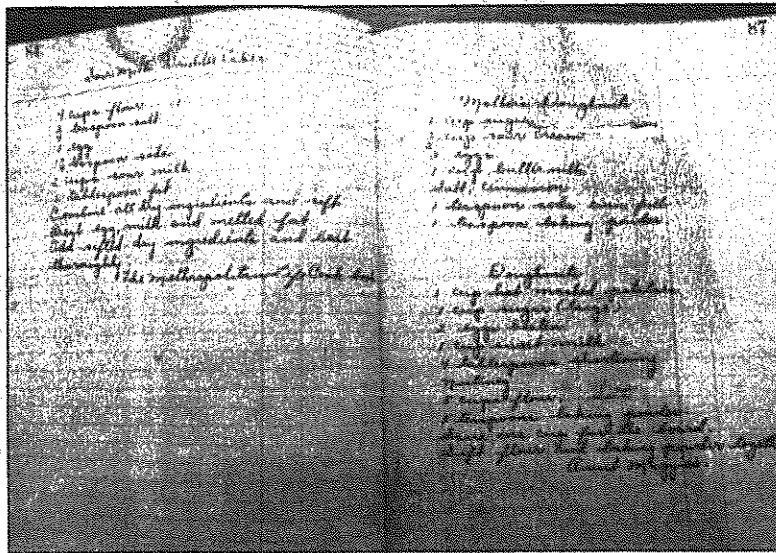
"I use this book a lot and every time I do it brings back memories of the women who helped create it," Coyle said. "This book celebrates our heritage and the women and past staff of the church."

First United Methodist Church put out a cookbook in the 1940s, Coyle said, and some of those recipes are included in the new version.

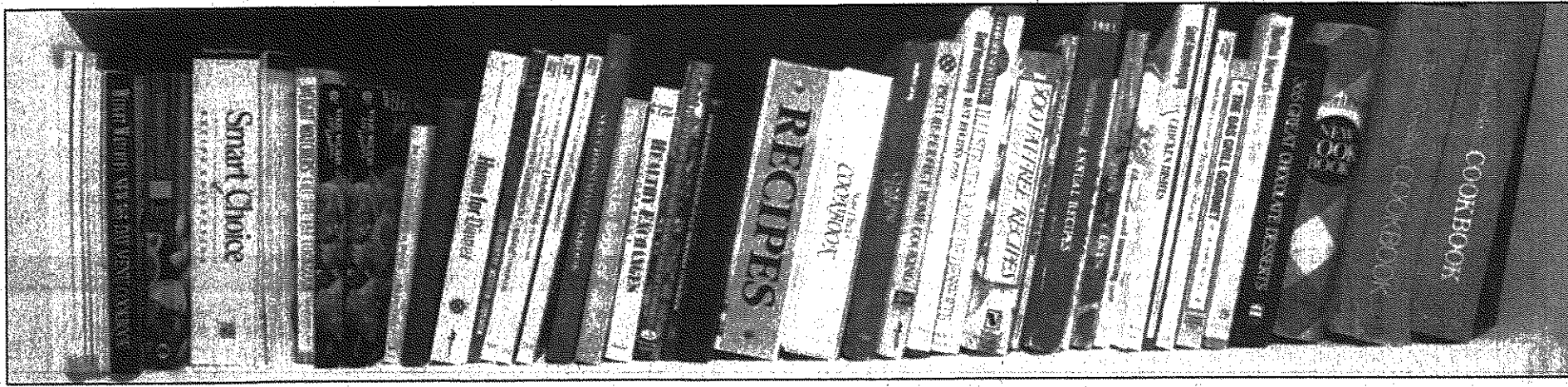
COLLECTING HISTORY

Fercho's favorite cookbook,

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Handwritten recipes from a fading and worn cookbook include: Sour Milk Griddle Cakes, Mother's Doughnuts and Doughnuts.



More than merlot stars at Rutherford Hill

Cozied high in the eastern hills of California's famed Napa Valley, Rutherford Hill Winery overlooks the Valley's renowned Rutherford Bench, land that entitled cabernet sauvignon and merlot to rival the best in the world.

In 1976, when most people in the world were questioning "Napa Valley?" Rutherford Hill's founders identified a singular opportunity. They predicted that the climate of Napa Valley, with soil similar to the Pomerol appellation in Bordeaux, was destined to produce some of the world's best merlot. As such, Rutherford Hill is now recognized as a pio-



Focus on Wine

Ray & Eleanor Heald

neer in growing and promoting this variety.

In the 1990s, the Terlato Wine Group of Illinois became the U.S. marketer of Rutherford Hill wines. In 1996, the partnership that owned the winery decided to sell. The Terlato family purchased the winery with the goal of improving the brand.

As owners of internationally-recognized Paterno Imports also, the Terlato family is associated with some of the world's renowned producers. This has given them insight into the best in the world of wine, which is spelled out as, "quality first." Thus it was that once the Terlatos owned Rutherford Hill, they chose to reduce production by 14,000 cases to elevate quality. This sacrifice in the 1995 vintage has been rewarded handsomely with recognition now as a first-rate Napa Valley winery on the move.

Together with a host of contracted grape growers,

Rutherford Hill uses grapes from its 60-acre estate-owned vineyard in the Rutherford appellation and another 110 acres under long-term controlling lease. In 2000, the winery upgraded equipment and began production of a reserve tier of wines which age, as do all the red wines, in a milelong cave system containing over 8,000, principally French, oak barrels.

In 2001, winemaker Dave Dobson came on board. Together with the well-respected winemaker Doug Fletcher, who earned his stripes at Chimney Rock winery, and is now director of winemaking for the Terlato

Wine Group, they concentrated on the vineyards to achieve maximum grape maturity at harvest.

"That's what flavorful wines are all about," Dobson said.

Dobson, who did not come across in our interview as someone who needed to impress his boss, described owner Tony Terlato as a "visionary." To us the proof has always been in the bottle and we found it in the following wines.

TASTING THE WINES

■ 2000 Rutherford Hill Napa

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So the song goes. Weddings don't go together at all without a lot of intense planning. Look for our 2003 Wedding Guide on Sunday, February 16 and discover ideas, advice and interesting features to assist with your wedding.

Simple ingredients make family recipes easy

The editor of the cookbook Sandy Fercho of Canton requested that recipes submitted by parishioners be a family recipe with simple ingredients. Many of recipes originated on Michigan farms, others are easy, hardy dishes.

STEAK AND ONION PIE

1 pound round steak
1/4 cup flour
2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon paprika
dash of ginger and allspice
1/4 cup butter
1 cup onion
2 cups potatoes, diced

2 1/4 cups hot water
1 (9 inch) pie crust unbaked

Preheat oven to 450°F.
Cube round steak and dip in mix of flour, spices and salt. Brown in butter; add onion; cook until golden. Add water; cover and simmer until meat is tender. Add potatoes and simmer until done. Turn into greased 9-inch pie dish. Cover with pie crust. Bake 25 minutes.
By Marguerite Rehner

SOUR CREAM CHICKEN ENCHILADAS

1 1/2 pounds chicken, cooked and cut in strips
2 cans cream of chicken soup
1 cup sour cream

1/2 teaspoon onion, minced
2 (4 ounce) cans mild green chilies
1/2 cup cooking oil
1 dozen corn or flour tortillas
1 cup (one-quarter pound) shredded cheese (American or cheddar)

In saucepan, heat soup, sour cream, onion and chilies for five minutes. Soften tortillas in heated oil and drain on towel. Top each with chicken and 2 tablespoons of mixture – roll and arrange in 9-by-13-inch pan. Pour remaining soup mixture on top. Top with shredded cheese. Bake at 350°F for 30 minutes. Serves 6-8.

By Ruth Ruhl

CORN & BEEF SAN JUAN

3 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 pound boneless chuck or round
1 large onion, chopped
1 clove garlic, minced

3 tablespoons flour
2 cups beef broth
2 tablespoons ketchup
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
3/4 teaspoons Tabasco pepper sauce
1/2 teaspoon dried leaf oregano, crushed
1 can or 1 pound corn, drained
1 cup fresh white bread crumbs or corn bread crumbs, toasted

Partially freeze meat so it slices easily. Cut meat into strips (1/4 by 3-inches). In heavy kettle or Dutch oven, melt butter; brown meat on all sides. Add onion and garlic; cook two minutes. Stir in flour; cook one minute. Remove from heat; gradually stir in broth. Add ketchup, Worcestershire, Tabasco and oregano and mix well. Cover. Simmer over low heat 40 minutes stirring occasionally. Add corn, cover, cook 30 minutes longer or until meat is tender. Spoon into serving dish. Garnish bread crumbs.

Serve additional Tabasco if desired. Serves four.

By Carol Massey

MILLION DOLLAR PICKLES

1 quart chopped cucumbers
2 quart chopped cabbage
1 quart sliced onion
4 red peppers, chopped
4 green peppers, chopped
1/2 cup salt
3 cups vinegar
1 cup water
1 1/2 cups white sugar
1 tablespoon dry mustard
4 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon turmeric powder
1 teaspoon celery seed
1 ounce mustard seed

Cover vegetables with salt and let stand for two ours. Drain very well. Take vinegar, water, sugar, mustard, flour, turmeric, mustard seed and cook slowly in saucepan on low to medium heat until thick. Add vegetables, celery and mustard seed and cook three minutes. Seal until ready to eat.

to eat.

By Mary Fillmore

BAMA'S CRUMB CAKE

2 cups flour
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon cloves
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1 cup white sugar
1/2 cup shortening
1 egg
2 tablespoons molasses
1 cup sour milk (1 cup milk with one teaspoon lemon juice)
1 teaspoon soda
Dash salt

Preheat oven to 350°F.
Mix flour, spices, sugar and shortening; remove 1/2 to 3/4 cup for top and set aside. Add egg, molasses, milk, soda and salt. Mix well. Put in tin, add crumbs to top; pat down. Bake 50 minutes.

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A sample of some old farm recipes

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Sandy Fercho has what she calls a perfect recipe to make for intimate parties: beef tenderloin. "It cooks while you're mingling with the guests," she said. Serve the tenderloin with roasted root vegetables or asparagus, she suggested. Top it off with a cherry recipe from a late, hand-penned 1800s cookbook written by Marion Walker.

BEEF TENDERLOIN

1 beef tenderloin (about four

pounds)
118-ounce jar real mayonnaise (not salad dressing)

Lay a four-pound loin on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Preheat the oven to 450°F. Slather the tenderloin with mayonnaise (not salad dressing) and bake 18-20 minutes. Then shut the oven off, leave the door closed and cook for another 60 minutes.

CHERRY PUDDING

1 cup cherries, drained and pitted
1/4 cup shortening
1/2 cup sugar

1 egg, beaten
1 1/4 cup flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 cup milk

Cream shortening and sugar and add beaten egg. In a separate bowl sift together baking powder and flour. Alternate stirring part of the flour mix and milk into the egg mix until all is together and a loose "dough" is formed.
Stir cherries into the dough and turn it into a greased mold such as a bundt cake or Jell-o mold. Heat and add cherry sauce to the top

(see recipe below.) It can also be soaked with milk before serving.

CHERRY SAUCE

1/2 cup sugar
1 teaspoon cornstarch
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup water
1/2 cup cherry juice (either gathered from pitted cherries or store purchased)
Cream the sugar and butter. Add cornstarch and liquids. Cook over hot stove about 20 minutes.

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without a doubt, is a dilapidated, but original copy of the Farm Journal, 1971, long out of print. Farm Journal books and magazines have recipes from farmers for farmers. "Every Farm Journal recipe I've tried has come out well," she said. "On those old farms, people ate what they grew ... the Farm Journal recipes are completely reliable." Fercho can track the change in American diets through her cookbooks. "Chicken fat was used instead of vegetable oil," Fercho said. "Pickles were a big deal back then ... and today we eat more carbs and much less vegetables." But the stories behind the cookbooks she collects are what really charms Fercho. She's found family notes, drawings and holiday poems in painstakingly hand-written cookbooks. She has books dating as far back as the Civil War. Another book is dedicated to Jackson sanitarium workers from 1927; another was created in 1923 by the Order of Eastern Star, a defunct women's group. One of her favorite hand-written cookbooks was owned by her friend, Marion Walker, 94, of Howell. Walker's mother, Laura Kimberly, created it when

Walker was a child. "They're recipes collected and shared by women ... back when women had stronger social circles and communicated more with each other," Fercho said. "Women today lack that strong female companionship. It's sad. "Reading the notes in these old books, it seems the women were happier. They hung clothes on the line and chatted with their neighbors. They had a strong sense of community. Today, women are busier, more competitive and look to their husbands for the kind of chatting that's really fulfilled best from girlfriends." Both Fercho and Coyle said Tried & True helped bond the women and few men who contributed to it. They both felt joyful about the companionship they shared during the process of writing a cookbook. Tried & True is selling well and Fercho is still collecting cookbooks. They just seem to come her way. Her aunt, who owns an antique shop in Howell, gives her many of them. "She doesn't need them," Fercho said with a laugh. "This is a woman who has four potted plants in her stove burners. She doesn't cook at all, so I get all the wonderful books." See recipes inside

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Bite into a juicy mango

This is the first of an ongoing series of articles about familiar and unfamiliar seasonal fruits and vegetables.

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Citrus fruits are in season, of course, but did you know now is the prime time for mangos?

"Fortunately, we're in an age when we can get almost every food no matter what the season," said Vince Sciarino, general manager of Westborn Market's Berkley location. "And with such a large variety of ethnic restaurants in this country, we're looking for different kinds of produce too, unique things."

Eating a mango can make you feel like you're someplace warm. They're reminiscent of a peach, only sweeter and much, much juicier.

When picking out mangos,

Seasonal Fare

look for red, soft skin rather than green and firm, Sciarino said. Peel off the bitter skin, and slice the pieces off the large pit. Mango pits are like avocados - sometimes more than half the size of the fruit. A very ripe mango will stay fresh in the refrigerator for at least a week.

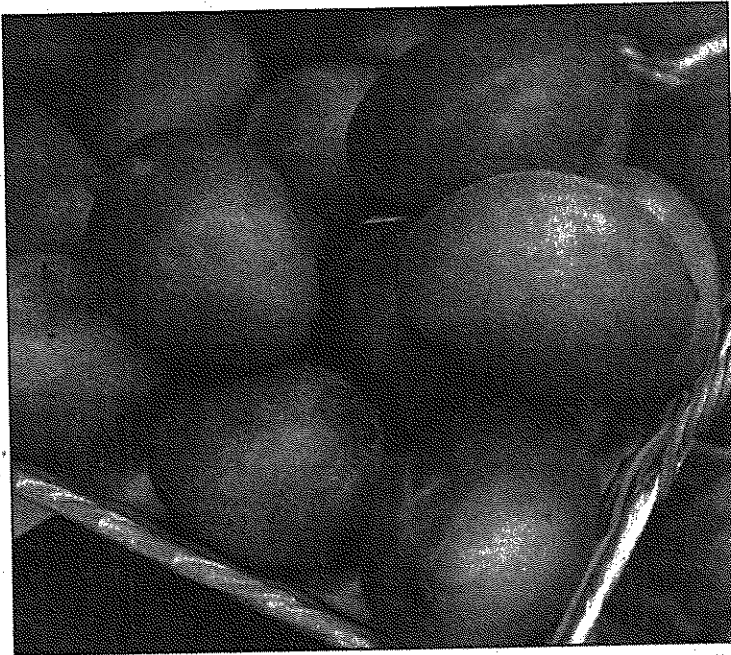
Look for mangos at your favorite market or at Westborn Market in Livonia, Dearborn or Berkley.

SEARED TUNA WITH MANGO TOPPING

2 tablespoons olive oil, plus extra for searing
1 1/2 cups diced yellow onions (2

onions)
2 teaspoons peeled, minced fresh ginger
1 1/2 teaspoons minced garlic
2 ripe mangos, peeled, seeded, and small diced
1/3 cup freshly squeezed orange juice
2 teaspoons light brown sugar
1 teaspoon kosher salt
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1 to 2 teaspoons minced fresh jalapeno pepper, to taste (1 pepper)
2 teaspoons minced fresh mint leaves
2 tuna steaks

Sauté the olive oil, onions, and ginger in a large sauté pan over medium-low heat for 10 minutes, or until the onions are translucent. Add the garlic and cook for one more minute. Add the mangos, reduce the heat to low and cook for 10 more minutes. Add the orange juice, brown sugar,



RICK SMITH | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mangos are in season and available at the Westborn Market.

salt, black pepper, and jalapeno; cook for 10 more minutes, until orange juice is reduced, stirring occasionally. Remove from the heat and add the mint. Serve warm, at room temperature, or chilled.

Heat a sauté pan over high heat for 5 minutes until very hot. Season the tuna liberally with salt and pepper. When the pan is

very hot, add a drizzle of olive oil and then the tuna steaks. Sear for two to three minutes on each side, or until the outside is browned, but the inside is very rare.

Serve the tuna on top of the mango salsa. Serves 2.

Source: www.wholefoods.com

Heartfelt dishes

Do you have a special dish that your loved one adores? How about a meal that marks the day of your wedding proposal? Maybe you have a special sweet recipe that you make for friends when their feeling blue.

We want to hear about the dishes you prepare to show someone you care about them. Has someone ever created a meal for you that made you feel loved?

Perhaps it's famous cake recipe, or a main course that's served only on very special occasions. Send recipes, along with a brief explanation of why these entrees, salads, soups or desserts are dear to those you love. Write: Lana Mini, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. E-mail: lmini@oe.homecomm.net. Look for our feature on dishes from the heart in an upcoming issue.

RUTHERFORD

FROM PAGE B1

Valley Chardonnay \$17 - is a fruit-forward wine with luscious white peach and pear in both the aroma and flavor. Fruit and oak are well integrated in a delicious, food-friendly wine that's definitely not another boring California chardonnay.

■ 2000 Rutherford Hill Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon \$30 - only touches the tip of the quality iceberg for what Dobson and the Terlatos have in mind for cabernet in the future. Their plans are to elevate an already rich, deeply-colored wine, brimming with black cherry, blackberry, brown spices and vanilla to have an even more distinguished and elegant finish. At \$30 for a Napa cab, it's dynamite!

■ 1999 Rutherford Hill Napa Valley Reserve Merlot \$75 - Flat out, this heavyweight merlot, in the heaviest bottle around, is outstanding. It's pricey but when you compare it

to the cost of some Pomerol wines from the Bordeaux region at twice the price, it's a special wine for that special occasion. If you're cellaring wines, add it to your collection.

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What will the future bring? We should all keep watching Rutherford Hill for even greater wines to come.

The Healds are Troy residents who write about wine, spirits, food, and restaurants for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave them a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047, mailbox 18644#.

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Sesame Street Live welcomes a new Jenny to the block

BY ALICE RHEIN
CORRESPONDENT

Don't you sometimes think you're the only human among monsters at work?

For Melody Johnson, who plays Jenny, the new music teacher in the Vee Corp. production of *Sesame Street Live*, that is, quite literally, the case.

"I'm the only live character on stage. The rest are monsters," says Johnson, a Washington D.C. native who will visit Detroit for the first time when *Sesame Street Live Everyone Makes Music* hits the Fox Theatre Feb. 5-16.

"When we had our first full dress rehearsal, I was a little thrown back by the fact that all my friends were now Muppets," says Johnson, who graduated from Northwestern University and landed right into this role.

"All the kids like the monsters, so I have to make my gestures very big for children to read from the stage."

Now 22, Johnson was raised on a steady diet of music and *Sesame Street*.

Her mother was a singer and actress in Washington D.C. and directed children's theater.

And like most kids her age, Johnson watched the Emmy Award-winning PBS show every morning with her breakfast cereal.

"I liked Grover and the Count. I thought he was very dramatic the way he counted," Johnson said.

Sesame Street Live has become a winter mainstay in Detroit and, for the second year in a row, the first night is a benefit for WTVS, Detroit's public television station.

"We get a lot of new members and last year we came close to a sellout," said Michelle Gaissner, special events manager of WTVS (Channel 56).

Last year, the event raised nearly \$100,000 for the public television station, and a generous anonymous donor bought up the rest of the opening night tickets to give to children from his favorite charities. For the exclusive premiere night on Feb. 5, every child gets a goodie bag.

Tickets for this night can only be purchased through Detroit Public TV at (313) 876-8195.

At 23 years, *Sesame Street Live* is the longest-running children's tour in history.



Big Bird and a friend sing together in *Sesame Street Live Everybody Makes Music*.

And just like the television show, the Broadway-style production features timeless lessons where children learn about patience, cooperation and teamwork.

In *Everybody Makes Music*, Jenny's musical instruments are all lost during her move to Sesame Street.

But Elmo, The Count, Cookie Monster, Big Bird, Bert & Ernie and all their furry friends come to the rescue and discover new ways to make music. Rubber duckies, trash can lids and even laps become instruments in what could be considered a pee-wee version of *Stomp!*

"What's great about this show is that it uses all styles of music — rumba, disco, rap, hip-hop and country western, too," Johnson said. "It exposes kids to different kinds of music."

And adults can appreciate the high-tech stagecraft while getting reluctantly nostalgic over music like *The Hustle*, *You Should Be Dancing* and *Rockin' Robin*.

While Johnson's colleagues are reluctant to take any roles that take them out of New York or Los Angeles, she sees this as an

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Melody Johnson
performer

Sesame Street Live

Everyone Makes Music

When: Both daytime and night performances Feb. 5-16. Feb. 5 is an exclusive premiere for Detroit Public TV.

Where: The Fox Theatre in Detroit.

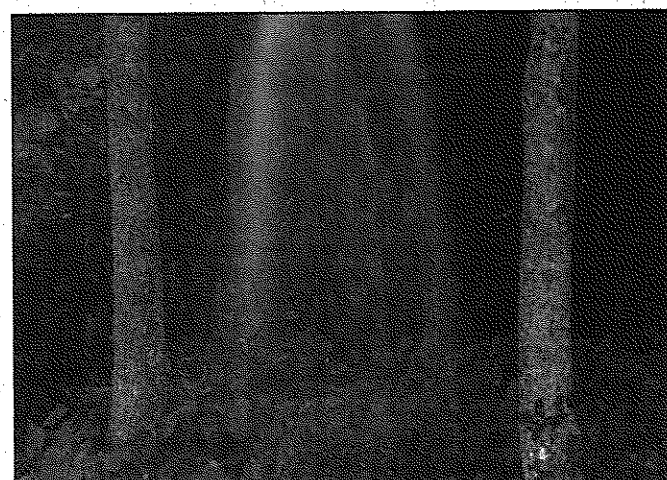
Tickets: Call (313) 876-8195 to buy tickets for the Feb. 5 show. Packages range from \$50-\$200 for four tickets, a soft drink, box of popcorn and a special goodie bag.

Tickets for Feb. 6-16 start at \$10 and are available at the Fox Theatre box office and Hockeytown Authentics in Troy (with no service charges) and at all Ticketmaster outlets, including Marshall Field's. Charge by phone at (248) 433-1515 or visit ticketmaster.com.

opportunity to hone her skills.

"Yes, I know the audience is under 5, but I'm learning so much about being an adaptable, flexible solid performer, and how to keep my voice healthy and gain strength," she said.

Sounds like *Sesame Street* continues to teach valuable lessons to people of all ages.



This is one of Michigan's many scenic waterfalls. Monte Nagler used a 1/2 second exposure to put the water in "motion."

These tips will help add movement to your photos

I'm a stickler for getting photographs as sharp as possible. But there may be times you want to break the rules, to deviate from what you're used to doing, and make your pictures appear as if they have motion. After all,

using your imagination and experimenting with a new idea could be just the thing for adding a new dimension to your photography.

Focus on Photography

Monte Nagler

There are several ways to add movement to your shots. First, you can photograph something in motion and make it look like a blur in the finished shot. For example, try shooting a waterfall at a shutter speed of about 1/2 to 1 second and see how the water will appear "milky" and will seem to "flow." Everything else will be sharp and in focus because you're using a tripod.

Try photographing a moving automobile or train in a similar way at perhaps 1/10 to 1/20 second and you'll get exciting "motion" in your shot.

Expanding your creativity even further, shoot a sporting event slower than you normally would, say 1/10 to 1/20 second and you'll pick up a "ghosting" of movement in the charging soccer player or the slam-dunking basketball star.

Another way to add movement to your photographs is to move the camera as you depress the shutter release. Yes, move the whole camera during a 1/2 or 1/4 second exposure. A field of flowers will appear as blurs of color or your friends face may come out looking like a space alien. Experiment and see what you produce. In the photograph shown here taken at one of Michigan's many spectacular waterfalls, I wanted to show motion by giving the water a "milky" appearance. All it took was a steady tripod and a shutter speed of 1/2 second.

Use your imagination and you'll come up with other ideas that will put motion in your photographs, too.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by calling (734) 953-2047.

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WHAT WE FOUND

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- The card game **Mille Bourne** can be purchased at the Teachers Discovery store in Auburn Hills (248) 340-7220 and through the Teacher's Discovery catalog at (800) 832-2437.
- **Donkenny** slacks can be purchased at J.C. Penney store at Oakland Mall also try other area Penney stores.
- **Vanity Fair** underwear is sold at area Sears stores.

FIND AND SEARCH

A reader has a 30-year-old sewing machine to donate to a charitable organization.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

- A store or someone who has the animated (little) **Land Before Time** figure toys sold at Burger King four years ago for Mary of Livonia.
- A store that sells the book **American**

Babies 1st year of Life for Toni of Farmington.

- A store that sells the **Fantasy** dolls by **Candice Spelling**, wife of Aaron Spelling.
- A store that sells **alphabet pasta** for soup for Janice.
- A store that sells **Corning Ware** grab-it bowls for Betty.
- A store that sells a therapeutic herbal pad (holy pad) that was formerly sold at Angelica's Garden in Royal Oak and that can be used as a hot or cold pack for Vicki of Canton.
- Someone who has the recipe for **Bill Knapp's tortilla soup** for Delores.
- A store that sells **Vanity Fair** women's undergarments for Gladys.
- A business that buys LPs from the 1960-1970s for Helen.
- A VHS tape of the **Bonanza** show titled "Forever" with Bonnie Bedelia for Pam.
- A store that sells the **cologne** and **bath powder Heaven Scent** for Mary of Franklin.
- A company that manufactures little **spice jars** with the labels on the top of the jars for Tom of Bloomfield.
- A store that sells a **stirring spoon** with a hook that attaches to the side of a pot for Connie.
- A store or catalog that sells **women's cargo pants** by Yours ASAP-California for Marilyn.
- A store in the Troy area that sells **clip style button earrings**, white or black no trim for Helen.
- A store that sells **Stewart Little** stickers for Natal.
- The cookbook **Home Cooking** from **Women's Circle** magazine (broccoli soup on the cover) for Carmen.
- A store that sells **Weight Watchers** butter spray for popcorn for Ann of Westland.

- Compiled by Sandi Jarackas



Sound of music

The Debussy Quartet performs at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, in Christ Church Cranbrook, located at Cranbrook and Lone Pine, in Bloomfield Hills. Since it was founded in 1989, the French quartet has won grand prize at the Evian International String Quartet Competition and was named the Best Chamber Music Ensemble at the 1996 Victoires de la Musique. The group will play Haydn's *String Quartet in E flat Major Opus 33 No. 2*, Janacek's *String Quartet No. 1*, Kruezer *Sonata* and Shostakovich's *Quartet in E flat Major, Opus 117, No. 9* for the Cranbrook Music Guild show on Tuesday. Audience members can meet the musicians at an afterglow following the concert. Admission is \$30 at the door. Student tickets are \$15. To reserve tickets, call (248) 644-6352.

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Searching for artists with physical and mental disabilities for an international juried exhibition of art and fine crafts, including works on paper, canvas or board, sculpture, jewelry, photography, pottery. Only work executed after the onset of disability or injury is eligible. All works must be for sale - \$6,000 in prizes to be awarded. The show will take place at The Medical Center at Princeton. For more information, call Leslie Watkins at (215) 576-0844 or send e-mail to ArtPrtnr@aol.com.

Lawrence Street Gallery

Lawrence Street Gallery is planning to move to Ferndale this spring. As a result, there may be a few openings for working artists. It is presently reviewing slides and works of artists working in jewelry, fiber, glass, sculpture, photography and functional ceramics. For information, call (248) 344-6716

Livonia Arts Commission

Winter scenes of Livonia: Paintings or photographs to be entered by Nov. 10, 2003. Call Community resources for details (734) 466-2536

Michigan Water Color Society

56th Annual Exhibition-Midland Center for the Arts. Must be a current or former resident of Michigan-watermedia on paper, including monotype, original work. Slide deadline, Feb. 15. Call for details (248) 352-3973

P.F. Galleries

New fine art gallery seeks art works for the 2003 season and beyond. Interested in works on paper and canvas, all media at 213 East 14 Mile Road, Clawson. Call Whitney Jackson at (248) 593-5997

PleinAir Painters

Looking for a limited number of qualified artists to be sponsored at an outdoor summer event in Canton Township, artist profile required. Deadline for submittal is Feb. 14. Call Sharon Dillenbeck at D&M Studio at (734) 453-3710

Plymouth Community Arts Council

A \$500 fine arts competition for high school seniors in the Plymouth-Canton school district. Applications available at 774 North Sheldon in Plymouth. The deadline is March 15. Award winner announced April 15. (734) 416-4278

Warren Cultural Commission

Warren's Annual Art in the Park (23rd) applications now available for original art work or crafts (no kits) This festival will be at Halmich Park July 12-13. Entry deadline is May 10. Call (586) 977-1837 for details

LECTURES/MEETINGS

Ann Arbor Women Artists

Panel discussion on painting and digital art at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 17. For more info call (734) 668-6507.

Michael Farrell

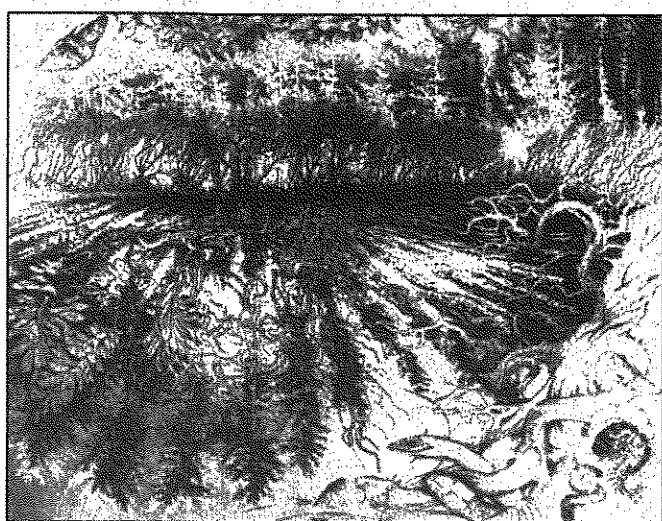
Farrell, associate professor of art history, University of Windsor, lectures on Charles Russel at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 19 at Hillside Middle School, 145 North Center, Northville. His other topics are: Frederic Remington, March 12, and Native American art, April 16. Lectures are \$10 general admission or \$5 for students. (248) 449-9950.

Three Cities Art Club

Meets 7-9 p.m. Monday, Feb. 3, guest Dan Smith will demonstrate mat cutting and suggest inexpensive ways to frame artwork, in the Plymouth Township Municipal Building, 42350 Ann Arbor Road at Lilley. For more information, call club president Marily Meredith at (248) 262-9711 weekdays, (734) 397-2348 nights and weekends

Wayne State University

Join Mia Westerlund Roosen at 4 p.m., Feb. 7 in the Music Recital Hall, adjacent to the Elaine L. Jacob Gallery on the WSU campus for a slide lecture about her work. (313) 937-7813



Art

Fields Going Wild is an etching with draypoint and aquatint by Ladislav Hanka, on exhibit through Feb. 28 at Ave Maria Fine Art Gallery, Ann Arbor.

CLASSES

Ann Arbor Art Center

Winter classes began Jan. 13 for adults and children, offering painting, photography, ceramics and jewelry making. 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. For more information call (734) 994-8004, Ext. 101. Winter classes also include dance classes for children age 3 and up with Portia Fields. For those with theatrical tastes, the center is offering Introduction to Acting, Storytelling and Stage Combat classes. (248) 333-7849 to register. The Art Center is offering a second session of youth classes to begin March 3. A variety of six-week courses are available for children ages 2-12. Registration is in progress at 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor, or call (734) 994-8004; to register online: www.annarborartcenter.org

The Art Factory

Rockin' Rainforest Workshop offers two sessions from 9 a.m.-noon or from 1-4 p.m., Feb. 24-28 for children ages 6-12 at 220 Felch Street, Ann Arbor (734) 994-8004. Dinoraml Workshop offered 9 a.m.-noon or 1-4 p.m. April 21-25 for children ages 6-12. Lunch programs will not be available. (734) 994-8004

Paint Creek Center for the Arts

Winter classes in drawing, clay, fundamentals of art, handmade tiles, portraiture and figure, watercolor and photo started Jan. 13 in the center, 407 Pine, Rochester. New preschool classes include Parent & Child Make Art Together and creative movement. Call (248) 651-4110 to register.

Pewabic Pottery

The historic pottery offers classes in tile making, wheel throwing, glazes and more. Both adult and child-adult classes; one-day workshop and outreach classes are available. Adult classes run 12 weeks and began Jan. 6. Register at (313) 822-0954. For class times, fees at outreach centers, call Ferndale Community & Adult Education at (248) 542-2535 or Clarkston Community Schools, (248) 623-4306.

Touch of Light

Winter glass blowing classes begin in mid-January. Basic tools and materials supplied. Three hours once a week for eight weeks, at 23426 Woodward, Ferndale. Call gallery for more information (248) 543-1868.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

Ann Arbor District Library

Japanese influenced quilts made by Michigan artists in the multi-purpose room. Performers and performances by Digital Artist Paul Smith on the third floor. The African American cultural and Historical Museum and the Ann Arbor Chapter of the Links in the lower level display cases. I'm a Little Teapot exhibit in the Youth Department glass case. Exhibits run Feb. 3-28 at the Library, 343 South Fifth, Ann Arbor. (734) 327-4200. Ellen Wilt "Solo" exhibit opening reception is 6-8 p.m. Feb. 14; exhibit runs from Feb.

7 through March 9.

Cary Gallery

Oil paintings by Lee Doezeema through March 8; opening reception 6-8 p.m. Feb. 8 at 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. Gallery hours are 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. (248) 651-3656

Community Arts Gallery

Opening reception for H2O from 5-8 p.m. Feb. 7 on Cass Avenue between Kirby and Palmer. Runs through March 21. (313) 577-2423

Eastern Michigan University, Ford Gallery

Presents the Department of Art Annual Faculty Exhibition opening reception from 4-6 p.m. Feb. 3 on the second level of Ford Hall on the EMU campus, north of Cross Street and the Normal Street intersection. Exhibition runs through Feb. 21. Free. (734) 487-1268

Ellen Kayrod Art Gallery

Exhibit of senior citizen artists' works. Reception noon to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7 at Hannan House, 4750 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-1300, ext. 19 or (734) 692-4971

Gallery 91

Art gallery grand opening, with works by Robert Dempster, Jim Kaminski, Larry Halbert, Shannon Fink, Tom Weschler and Jerry Amster, 5-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 14 at 91 West Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. A portion of sales will benefit The Look for Success Charity, an organization that helps women gain self esteem. (248) 613-3574

Habitat Galleries Inc.

Dale Chihuly glass exhibit opening receptions, 6-8 p.m. Feb. 7 at Habatat Galleries, 202 East Maple Road, Birmingham. (248) 203-9900 and 8-10 p.m., Feb. 7 at Habatat Galleries, 4400 Fernlee Avenue, Royal Oak (248) 554-0590.

Lawrence St. Gallery

The Figure Eclectic 2003 opening reception from 7-10 p.m., Feb. 7 at 6 North Saginaw, Pontiac. Exhibition runs through Feb. 28; gallery hours noon-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday. (248) 334-6716

Meadow Brook Art Gallery

A Heritage of Teaching: The African Art Collection of Catherine C. Blackwell, reception and lecture at 10:30 a.m. March 8 at 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. Free. (248) 370-3005

Paint Creek Center for the Arts

Pop'D Art-intelligent dance music, ambient techno and artwork from C-Pop Gallery/Detroit. Opening reception from 7-11 p.m., Feb. 7 at 407 Pine Street, Rochester. Suggested \$5 donation to benefit PCCA Exhibitions program. Runs through Feb. 28. (248) 651-4110

Pewabic Pottery

Presents Tiles on the Edge opening from 6-8 p.m., Feb. 7 and running through April 4 at 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit. Regular hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday. (313) 822-0954

Quicksilver Photo Gallery

Opening reception for group show featuring photographer Don Alley 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, at Quicksilver Photo, 1150 West Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. (734) 455-3686 or www.QuicksilverPhoto.com

Warren City Hall Gallery

Sculpture by Thomas Crimboli of Eastpointe, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, Feb. 3-28 at 29500 Van Dyke in Warren. (586) 776-4075

Washington Street Gallery

Grand opening celebration for new location 7-10 p.m., Feb. 14. Meet five new artists, joining the seven continuing members at 120 East Liberty, Ann Arbor; runs through March 31 (734) 761-2287

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ONGOING)

A.C.T. Gallery

New members' works on exhibit through Feb. 22, at 35 E. Grand River, Detroit (upstairs from Galleria Biegas) (313) 961-4336

AT&T Gallery of the Charles H. Wright

Museum of African American History Presents, Marching Toward Justice: The History of the 14th Amendment through May 11, at 315 East Warren Avenue in Detroit's Cultural Center, Detroit. Museum admission is \$5/adults and \$3/children 5-17 years. (313) 577-6530

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Studio/Gallery

Gail mally-mack exhibit through March 8 at 23255 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale (248) 548-3770

Ave Maria Fine Art Gallery

Etchings of Ladislav R. Hanka on exhibit through Feb. 28, at Domino's Farms, Lobby B, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive, Ann Arbor. (734) 930-7514

Birmingham Historical Museum

Leaving Footprints: The Artistry of Robert Thom through April 12 at 556 W. Maple, Birmingham. Admission \$2/adults and \$1/seniors, students and BHS members. (248) 642-2817

Cass Café

Paintings by Gilda Snowden runs through March 1 at 4620 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 831-1400

Cranbrook Academy and Art Museum

Staying Power exhibit runs through March 30 at Network Gallery, 39221 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3312

Henry Ford Community College

Sisson Art Gallery presents an exhibit demonstrating a variety of approaches to the use of landscape, through Feb. 21, at the gallery on the college campus in the McKenzie Fine Arts Building, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. (313) 845-6485.

Hermitage Gallery

19th century paintings, contemporary art and copies of the masters, 235 Main Street, between Second and Third, in Rochester. (248) 656-8559

Janice Charach Epstein Gallery

Presents Technical Techniques: Artists Exploring Recent Technological Advances, through Feb. 27 at 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield (248) 661-7641 for gallery hours.

Livonia Arts Commission

Watercolor paintings by Barbara Eko Murphy on exhibit through Feb. 28 at the Livonia Civic Center Library Gallery, 32777 Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road, Livonia. (734) 466-2491

Madonna University

Exhibit by Lynn Galbreath through Feb. 9 at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia. Free. (734) 432-5710

Meadow Brook Art Gallery

Exhibit of Russian icon paintings through Feb. 9, at the gallery, 208 Wilson Hall on campus at Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 370-3005

Oakland County Galleria

The Detroit Focus Portfolio exhibit runs through Feb. 27, in the gallery at the Oakland County Executive Office, 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

Paint Creek Center for the Arts

Henry Tanaka's work on the first floor gallery through Feb. 15, 407 Pine Street in downtown Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

P.F. Galleries

Works by Jay Leftkowitz, Mary Potts, Lee Jackson, Hilma Ruby, Ann Kelly, Ivy Rutsky, Michele Zuzalek, Sung Hee Son and Jon Parlangei, runs through Feb. 7 at 213 E. 14 Mile Road, Clawson. (248) 989-8889.

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Music by Richard Peaslee
Text by Charles L. Mee
Produced by New York Theatre Workshop

Fri **2/7** 8 pm
Sat **2/8** 8 pm
Power Center • Ann Arbor

This splendid revival of Martha Clarke's 1986 dance-theater piece presents the world from which the art, political ideals, and bloodshed of the 20th century were born through music and dance, fragments of text, and images suggested by the paintings of Egon Schiele and Gustav Klimt.

This production contains nudity and adult situations. Not recommended for children under 14.

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Sat **2/15** 8 pm
Michigan Theater • Ann Arbor

A musician to be reckoned with for more than three decades, Dave Holland has been lauded by jazz lovers for years. His latest recording, "What Goes Around", which features his New York Big Band, was just nominated for a 2003 Grammy, and he recently received both the critics' and readers' vote as "Best Jazz Artist" from Down Beat.

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Jonathan Sheffer conductor

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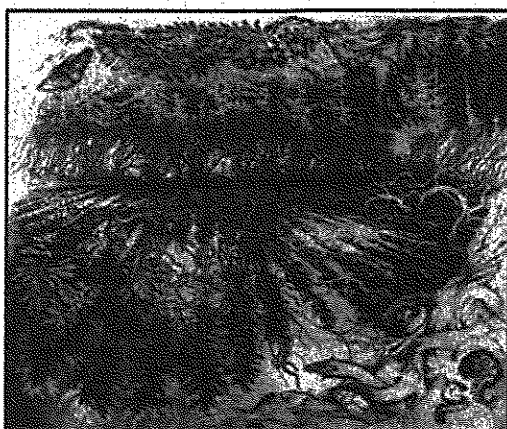
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The highlight of this trip is a visit to an authentic 15th century villa located on top of winding Tuscan hills surrounded by olive groves. This is a unique chance to descend into the vast cellars beneath the villa to view the equipment, both ancient and modern, for producing and storing olive oil. Everyone has the chance for "hands on" experience in preparing a Tuscan dinner, later served with wine in the villa's charming dining room.

Travelers visit a local Parmesan cheese facility in Parma and learn that cheeses are aged for at least 18 months. Nothing is wasted; ricotta cheese is a by-product and pigs raised on the farm eat the whey, making the meat ideal for Parma ham, the true prosciutto.

Parma, in the agricultural

IF YOU GO

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- **Essentials** - Pack a cloth shopping bag to hold travel literature, reading material, snacks and film. All hotels have hair dryers.

region of Emilia-Romagna, is the home of conductor Arturo Toscanini and the National Gallery, containing paintings from the 13th to 16th centuries. The ducal gardens contain the Fountain of the Trianon, given to the people of Parma by Maria Luisa, second wife of Napoleon.

In Modena, tourists discover the secret of the unusual taste and rich flavor of traditional balsamic vinegar, called the "condiment of kings." It's fermented in wooden casks under controlled conditions for a minimum of 12 years. The most expensive balsamic vinegar is aged 25 years and sells for more than \$70 for 100 ml (3.4

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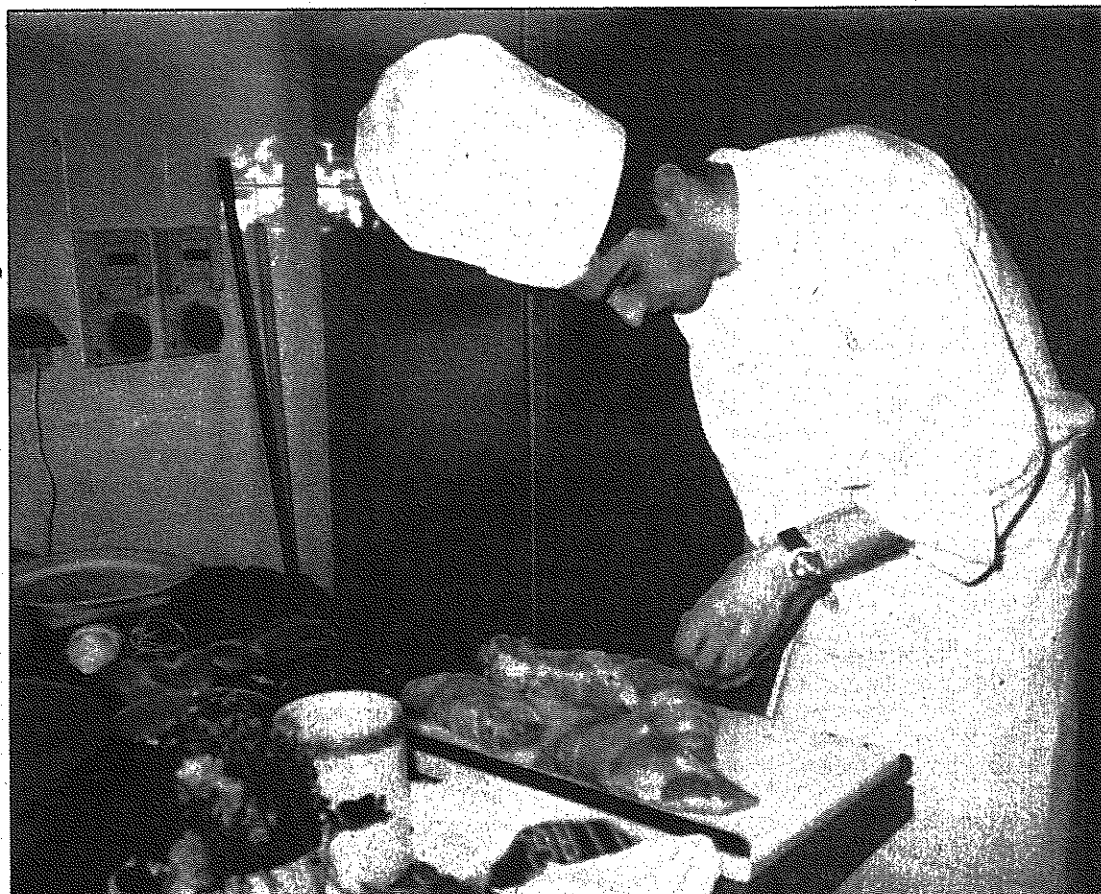
UNIVERSITY TOWN

En route to Montecatini Terme, the tour stops in Bologna, site of one of the oldest universities in the world and known the world over for the gastronomic specialties that originated there, including tortellini, lasagna, fettucini and mortadella. Attractions include the Fountain of Neptune, the Town Hall, clocktower and two tall leaning towers from the Middle Ages.

In Montecatini Terme, pasta-makers at a family-owned shop demonstrate making pasta dough. Their specialty is Ravioli Michelangelo which has chopped French ham added to the classic ravioli filling (spinach, ricotta and Parmesan cheese).

Since the Middle Ages, the mineral springs of Montecatini Terme have made it one of the most frequented and fashionable thermal spas in Italy. From there it's a short ride to Florence, Siena and San Gimignano, all in the Tuscany region, and Orvieto, which borders the area.

Florence is the capital of the arts from Roman and Renaissance times. Few people leave here untouched by its beauty. Highlights include the



A chef prepares stuffed veal in a cooking class.

Ponte Vecchio (old bridge), built in the 10th century, the Academy Gallery which houses Michelangelo's David and Piazza del Duomo, which contains the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, third largest in the Christian world.

The Church of Santa Croce, the largest Franciscan church, contains the monuments and tombs of 270 prominent people, among them are the tombs of Michelangelo, Machiavelli, Rossini and Galileo.

MEDIEVAL CITY

Siena is Tuscany's most fascinating city after Florence

because of its medieval atmosphere. It was a major city in Europe in the 12th and 13th centuries.

The city is built on three red clay hills (from which the color "burnt sienna" is named). Its narrow Gothic streets converge on the Piazza del Campo, a shell-shaped square, paved with brick.

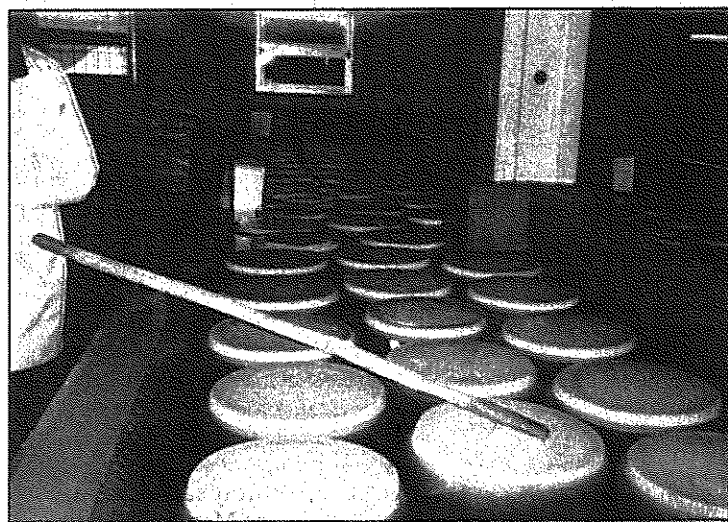
The focal point is the elegant Gothic Town Hall with a bell-tower that offers a superb panorama of Siena's rooftops and countryside.

No visit to Italy is complete without seeing Rome, the "Eternal City." There are remnants of the Roman Empire

everywhere. Christian Rome features the Basilica of St. John Lateran, St. Peter's in Chains, (which houses the famous statue of Moses by Michelangelo), Vatican City (highlighted by the Sistine Chapel ceiling and the Last Judgment) and St. Peter's Basilica (with the great Pieta sculpture).

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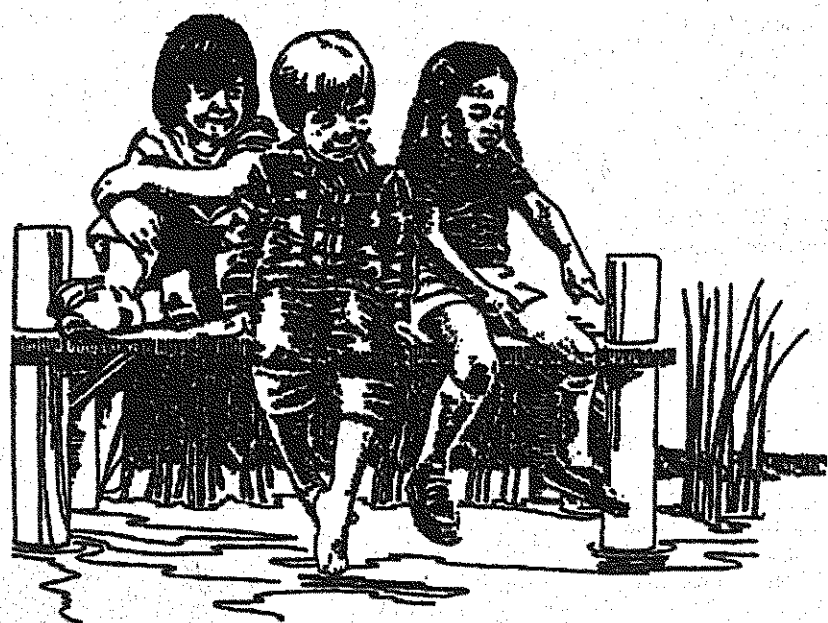


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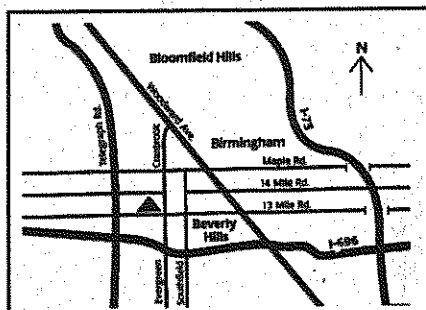
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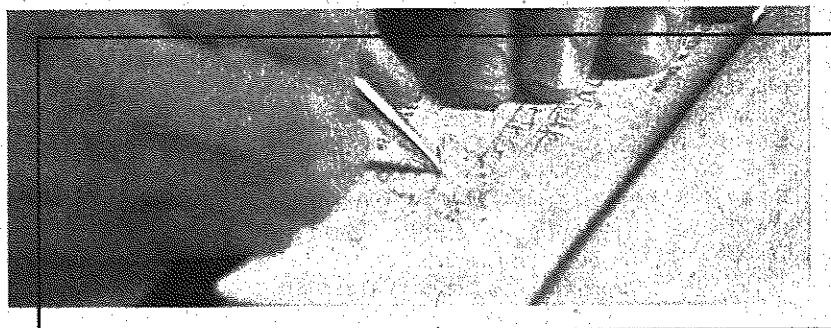
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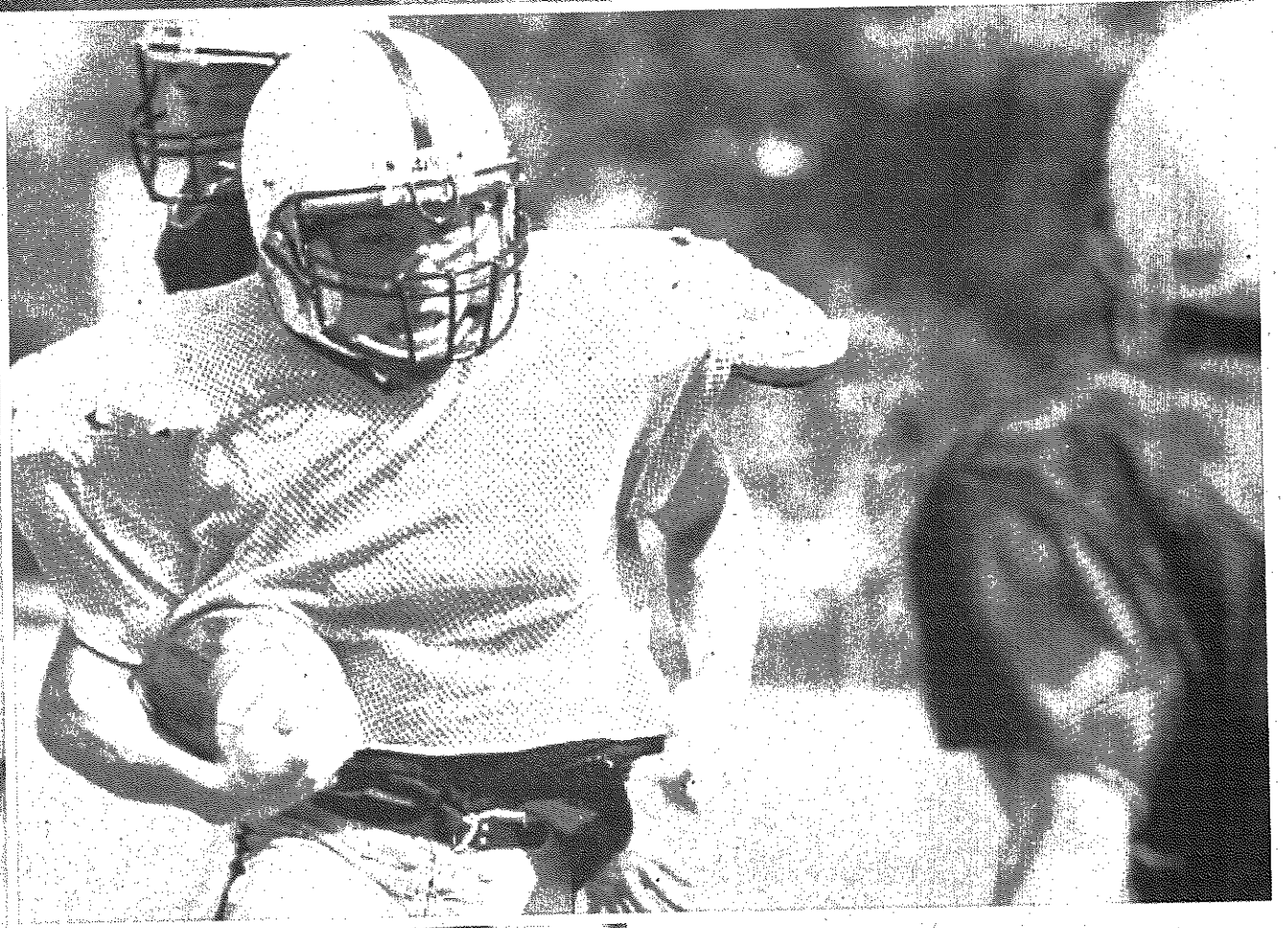


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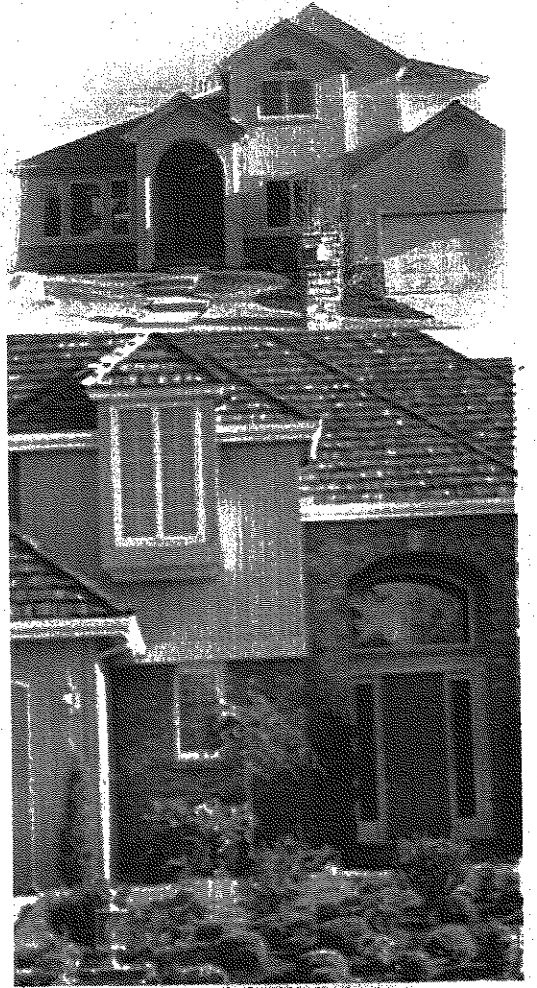
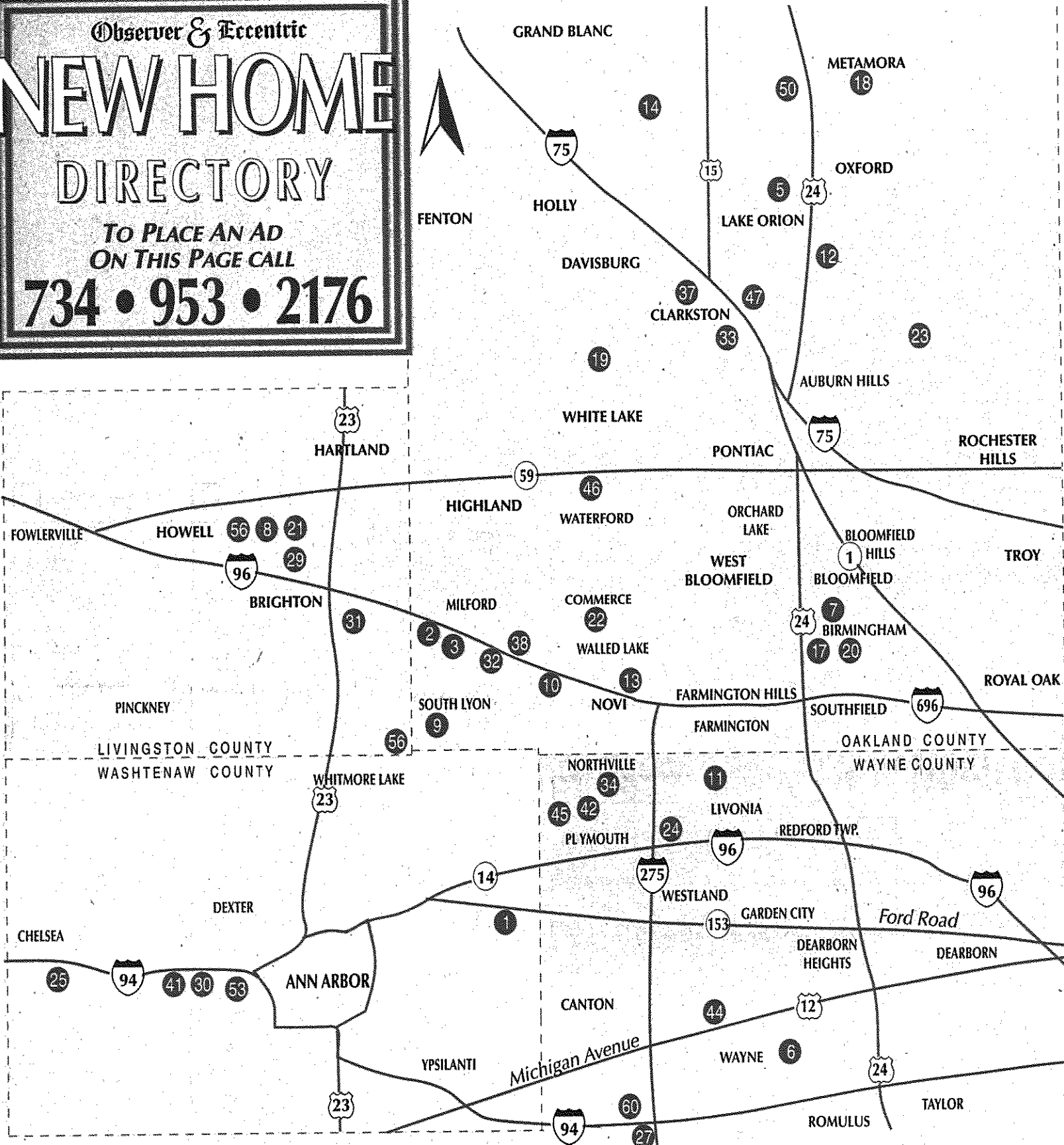
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■ Penguins rolling

The Plymouth-Canton-Salem Unified girls hockey team collected its second-straight win Saturday, beating Farmington Hills Mercy 7-0 Saturday (Jan. 25) at the Suburban Training Center. The shutout was Amanda Watkins second in a row and second this season, and it gave PCS a 3-8 record.

Kara Marsh scored three goals in the first period to ignite the PCS attack. Adrienne Aronhalt got the game's first goal, assisted by Kelli Bargowski. Olivia Pennebaker and Meghan Depp assisted on Marsh's first two goals.

The rest of the scoring came in the second period. Pennebaker got the first goal of the period with assists by Sarah Skonieczny and Bargowski; Lisa Ealy got the second, with an assist by Jessica Rzetelny; and Laura McKernan scored the last goal of the game, in the second period, with an assist by Adrienne Aronhalt.

On Jan. 23, PCS ended its eight-game losing streak by defeating Bloomfield Hills Sacred Heart 6-0 at Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills. The shutout was Watkins first shutout of the season and her prep career.

Pennebaker paced the Penguin offense, scoring three goals and adding one assist in the game. Depp also scored two goals and Marsh got a goal and an assist. Ealy had two assists, with McKernan and team captain, Amanda Rowley earning assists as well.

■ Top skaters

Canton's Arctic Edge Arena was the site of a Michigan High School Figure Skating individual district Jan. 25, and several local skaters performed quite well.

Finishing first from Plymouth/Canton in their events were Laura Friedman in Intermediate-Senior Artistic; Jennifer Dunn, in Preliminary Artistic; Michelle Mannery, in Pre-Gold Solo Dance; Whitney Pieznik in Pre-Silver Solo Dance; Jessica Pavelka in Bronze Solo Dance; and Brittany VanOoyen in Novice Figure Skating.

Other top finishers from Plymouth/Canton were Mannery, third in Intermediate-Senior Artistic; Pavelka, third and Ali Gasorski, sixth in Pre-Preliminary FS; Friedman second, Dunn fourth and Lauren Lippert fifth in Silver Solo Dance; Amanda Sequin second, Melissa Staub fifth and Claudia Molter eighth in Pre-Silver Solo Dance; Colleen Peck, fourth in Bronze Solo Dance; Monica Lippert, second in Pre-Bronze Solo Dance; Sequin, fifth in Juvenile FS; and Mary Bai fourth, Sarah Forster fifth and Sara Johnson sixth in Pre-Juvenile FS.

The next competition is 4:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13 at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena. The state championships are Saturday, March 22 at Novi Ice Arena.

■ Club meeting

The Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club meeting will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12 in Room 165 at Canton HS. Parents of all present and future Canton football players are invited to attend.

For more information, call President Marie Farkas at (734) 453-6327.

Quick-striking Rocks pull away in win over Western

You just don't want to give a hockey team like Salem an opening.

Any kind of opening. The high-scoring Rocks usually take full advantage of such opportunities. Case in point: Against Walled Lake Western Friday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, Salem was mired in a 1-1 deadlock midway through the second period.

Then, in a span of just over three minutes, the game was decided.

PREP HOCKEY

The Rocks got three goals in that stretch and, combined with a solid defensive effort by goalie Shane Breest, it was enough to propel them to a 5-2 victory.

Salem improves to 15-2-1 overall, 9-2-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Western is 1-14-1 overall, 0-8 in the conference.

Andy Thackaberry scored two goals for the Rocks, both on the

power play. The first came in the opening period, with 7:43 remaining; Mark Nagel and John Schultz, the WLAA's top two point-scorers, assisted.

The Warriors knotted it at 9:43 of the second period on a goal by Ruben Adery, with assists from Steven Snopkowski and Scott Wietechia.

That's when the Salem flurry started. It began with a goal by Bryan Young at 6:45 (assisted by Mike Barr and Aaron Cheesman); Nagel, who collect-

ed two goals and an assist in the game, made it 3-1 at 5:19 of the period (assisted by Adam Gillikin and Schultz), and Thackaberry's second power-play score increased that to 4-1 at 3:37 of the second (assisted by Schultz and Young).

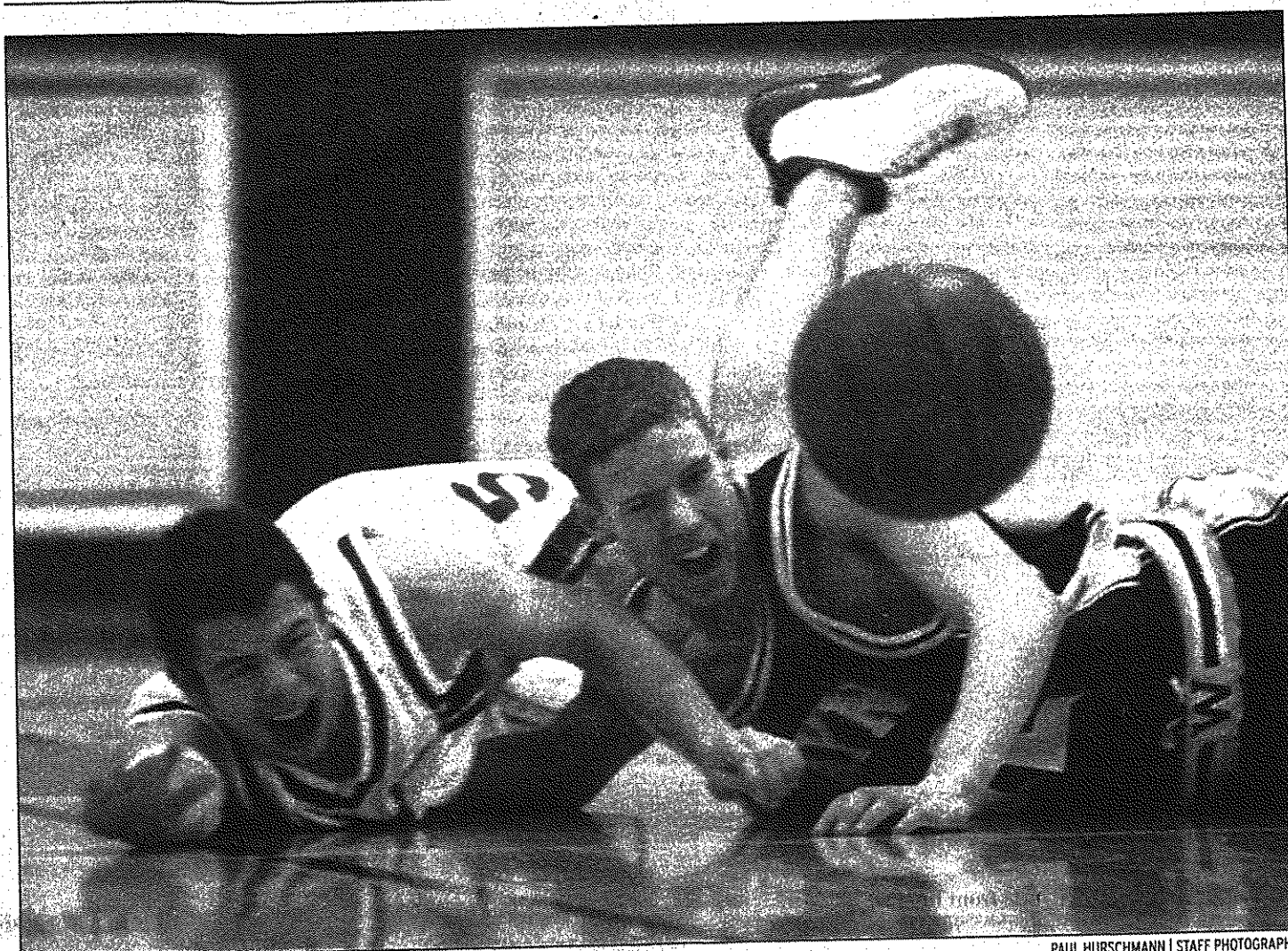
Western's Reid Skory got a goal a few seconds after Salem had killed a penalty (assisted by Steven Modic), but the Rocks got that one back with 6:09 to play when Nagel scored short-handed (from John Maurer).

Salem, which had some problems with its special teams when it lost twice in eight days, had no such trouble against Western, scoring twice on the power play and once shorthanded, while not surrendering a power-play goal.

"Yeah, it clicked pretty good," said Salem coach Fred Feiler.

On Friday, the Rocks host Stevenson in their final Lakes Division game. Both teams are 3-1-1 in the division; Friday's winner will clinch the title.

Game time is 8 p.m.



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Salem's Kevin Savitskie (left) and Wayne's Daniel Walsh grapple for a loose ball.

Close, but not quite

Late Salem rally comes up short

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

There's only so much a basketball coach can do.

He can put his team in a zone defense and dare his opponent to win it from the perimeter. Or he can put his team in a tight man-to-man and challenge his opponent to go inside and score.

He can even use both, switching back and forth in an effort to confuse the opposition and force some turnovers.

Yes, a coach can try all of those things. And yet, even if his team manages to execute his strategy expertly, it may not be good enough.

Salem was hardly superb defensively against Wayne Memorial Friday. But certainly the Zebras made the

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Lady Ocelots hold on to beat Delta CC

Just enough. Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team wasn't at its sharpest Wednesday when it entertained Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference rival Delta CC. But the Lady Ocelots had just enough to eke out a 68-67 victory in overtime at SC.

The win gave the Ocelots a 13-7 overall record, 5-2 in the conference. Delta slips to 7-10 overall, 4-3 in the conference.

SC led 28-26 at the half; the game was tied at 60-all after regulation.

WOMEN'S HOOP

The Ocelots were just 23-of-63 from the field (36.5 percent), but the Pioneers were worse, hitting 25-of-71 (35.2 percent). SC out-shot Delta from both three-point range (3-of-12, 25 percent compared to 2-of-11, 18.1 percent) and the free-throw line (19-of-28, 67.8 percent to Delta's 15-of-26, 57.6 percent).

Crystal Pittman led SC with 20 points, 12 rebounds (five offensive) and four assists; she was 8-for-8 at the line.

Jazmyne Forster contributed 14 points and four assists for the Ocelots, Mia Henderson had 13 points, eight boards and three steals and Pam Wingate finished with 12 points, seven rebounds, three blocks and two steals. Those four combined for 59 of SC's 68 points.

The Pioneers were led by Melissa Helfrecht's 15 points. Kim Melick scored 14, Kristina Porter totaled 11 and Leah Dixon had 10.

Indiana Tech 80, Madonna 73: Mistakes continued to plague Madonna University in a loss to Indiana Tech

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Rocks spikers rampage past Rockets

It was close, for a game.

Salem held off Westland John Glenn Wednesday in a Western Lakes Activities Association volleyball match, winning the first game 15-10 then rolling to an easy win in the second, 15-2.

The victory improved the Rocks' overall record to 14-4; they are 3-1 in the WLAA.

"Our serving gave them problems," said Salem coach Tom Teeters. "And Jo

VOLLEYBALL

Falcusan did a great job setting."

Falcusan's serving and setting kept the Rockets off-balance throughout the match. She finished with 13 set assists and three service aces.

Others who contributed heavily to the Salem win were Ellen Canale, who had eight kills and played "her best game of

the year," according to Teeters; Macy Lepper and Jill Niemi, who had five digs apiece; Lauren Price, with four digs; Nicole Genrich, with three kills; Amanda Bradley, with two service aces; and Maggie Tudor, with four digs and two aces.

Salem hosts Wayne Memorial Monday and plays at Walled Lake

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N'ville comeback overtakes Canton

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

The game had been over for 15 minutes, and Canton coach Jeremy Rheault was still trying to figure out what had happened.

"The first time we played them, we outrebounded them, we shot well and we only had something like 13 turnovers," he said. "That's good enough to win."

"Tonight we shot well, we hit 11-of-12 free throws, and their leading scorer had what — seven points, and we still lose."

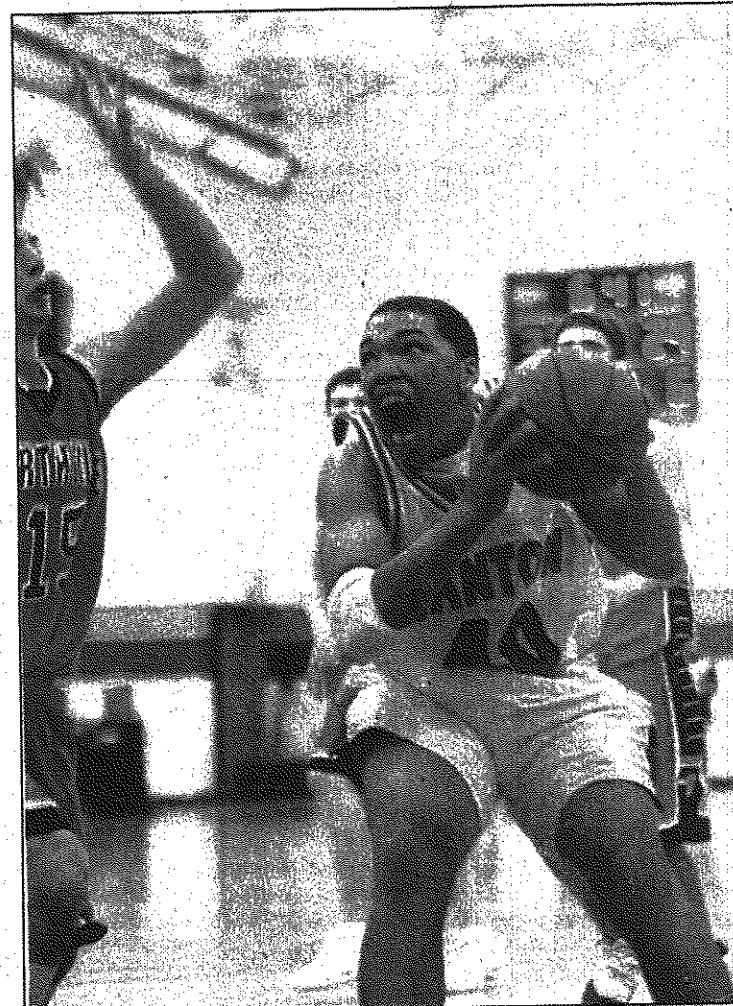
The final score was 45-42, in Northville's favor, and there were no answers.

Canton trailed 12-9 after one quarter but overcame that to lead 24-22 at the half. A nearly offenseless third quarter resulted in the Chiefs holding a 31-26 advantage entering the final period.

If there was a difference, Rheault could only point to the Mustangs' senior leadership.

"There were a couple of turnovers and they had the bounces go in their favor," the Canton coach said. "Their seniors don't let them lose. They took it from us again — give them credit."

Northville made it a one-point game in the first two minutes of the fourth quarter, forcing Rheault to take a timeout. The Chiefs, who lost starting point guard Andy Cortellini for the season with a lacerated spleen suffered Jan. 7, thought they had found an answer in Dave



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Canton's D.J. Bridges (40) goes up for two of his 19 points in front of Northville's Scott McNeish (15). Bridges led all scorers on the night.

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Splitz teams turn in strong showing

The Splitz gymnastics teams of Canton looked good at the seventh annual Twisters Invitational Jan. 10-12 in Lansing.

In Level 9 competition, Kari Pearce was best in the 13-year-old division, finishing first in three-of-four events and capturing the all-around title. Pearce won the vault (9.175), uneven parallel bars (9.25), and floor exercise (9.125) and was third in balance beam (8.5); her winning all-around total was 36.05.

In Level 8, the Splitz team placed fourth, with Kristie Savage placing first in the beam (8.9), second in floor (9.025), fourth in bars (8.575) and first in all-around (34.825) in the 14-and-under division; Cheryl Conlin taking first in the beam (9.2) and floor (8.925), fourth in the vault (8.6) and bars (8.35), and second in the all-around (35.075) in 13-and-under division; and Lindsay Bridges finishing fourth in the floor (8.95) and sixth in the beam (8.7) in 10-and-under.

Bridges also competed with the 10-and-under Level 7s and finished first in floor (9.475), second in beam (9.525), fourth in bars (9.475) and first in the all-around (37.6).

Top Splitz performers at Level 6 at 10-and-under were: Taylor Standish, second in vault (9.0), third in bars (8.9) and second in the all-around (34.9); McKenzie Skaggs,

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first in beam (8.85); and Megan Valentini, first in floor (9.325).

The Splitz's Level 5s were the most successful, taking home the second-place team trophy. In the 10-11 division, Inna Cassidy was first in the vault (9.075), first in bars (9.325), fifth in floor (9.0) and first in the all-around (36.00), and Beth Haller was fourth in the vault (8.575), fifth in bars (8.775) and fifth in all-around (34.875).

In the nine-and-under division, Alex Romano was first in vault (9.05), second in bars (9.3), third in beam (9.375) and third in floor (9.25), placing first in the all-around (36.975); Kali Pierce was first in beam (9.425), second in vault (9.0), fourth in floor (9.15) and fifth in bars (9.2), finishing second in the all-around (36.775); Erin Freier was first in the floor (9.275), second in beam (9.425), third in bars (9.3) and fourth in vault (8.5), finishing third in the all-around (36.5); Lindsey Russell was third in vault (8.925), fourth in beam (9.15), sixth in bars (9.2) and fourth in all-around (36.275); Kayla Spicher, sixth in floor (9.1), seventh in vault (8.35), seventh in bars (9.125) and seventh in all-around (34.875); Kristen Muir, sixth in the beam (8.875); and Lauren Martin, fourth in bars (9.225).

John Glenn sinks Salem

Westland John Glenn repeated as Lakes Division wrestling champion in the Western Lakes Activities Association Thursday with a 45-13 win over visiting Salem.

The Rockets, 16-4 overall and 4-0 in the Lakes, will square off against Western Division champ Livonia Churchill, 11-6 and 3-1, in the first place crossover, 7 p.m. Thursday at Churchill.

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Churchill, Walled Lake Western and Northville tied for first in the Western Division, but the Chargers garnered the top spot in a tiebreaker based on points.

Five Glenn matmen won via pins against Salem including Mike Weck (112), Drew Conner (119), Enrique Garcia (140), Eric Chambers (171) and Herbert Reedus (275).

Other Glenn winners by decision included Tim Mulroy (130), Daron Cruickshank (145), Brad Allen (160), Jake Fairchild (189) and Stefan Bozsmann (215).

In a rematch of Saturday's Observerland finals, Salem's Mike Goethe turned the tables on Glenn's Rece Cox with a 5-2 victory.

Other Salem winners included Ryan Stump (103), Pete Bobee (125) and Will Schultz (152).

LIVONIA FRANKLIN 46, CANTON 35
Jan. 30 at Franklin

103 pounds: Jesse Gardocki (LF) pinned Sam Santilli, 0:25; 112: Mike Warren (LF) won by void; 119: Ray Stratos (LF) won by major dec. Corey Breitmeyer, 14-5; 125: Rob Schnettler (C) p. Dung Phan, 1:13; 130: Dan Bergsma (C) won by technical fall over Kayle McCartt, 16-1; 135: Ryan Webb (C) p. Blake Karkoska, 4-47; 140: David Watkins (LF) p. Konrad Konsitzke, 2-33; 145: Joe Bolek (LF) p. Rodney Preston, 1:20; 152: Chris VanCamp (LF) p. Erik McKee, 3-50; 160: Chris Weiss (LF) p. Adam Pitt, 4-30; 171: Tim Larsen (C) p. Ken Boycott, 0-32; 189: T.J. Caram (C) p. Mike Skoglund, 2-41; 215: Mark Kersten (C) p. Greg Schuyler, 1-06; 275: Ryan Pokrykylo p. Mitch Miller, 0-47.
Franklin's dual meet record: 5-6 overall, 1-4 WLAA Western Division.

SWIM RESULTS

CANTON 116, WALLED LAKE WESTERN 69
Jan. 30 at Canton

200-yard medley relay: 1. Western (Jason Savage, Eric Budai, Andrew Hall, Ben Jylkka), 1:52.86; 2. Canton (Nate Phillips, Scott Franke, Shogo Uno, Steve Reasor), 1:53.97.
200 freestyle: 1. Joe Le (C), 1:51.12.
200 individual medley: 1. Yuhei Uno (C), 2:09.99; 2. Reasor (C), 2:13.43; 3. John Faraoni (C), 2:22.57.
50 freestyle: 1. Jylkka (WLW), 23.75.
Diving: 1. Kevin Cafarelli (C), 172.45 points; 2. James Quesada (C), 142.85.
100 butterfly: 1. Yuhei Uno (C), 55.65 (state qualifying); 2. Shogo Uno (C), 59.97.
100 freestyle: 1. Le (C), 49.68 (state qualifying).
500 freestyle: 1. James Sattler (C), 5:13.46; 2. Phillips (C), 5:27.64; 3. Sam Manees (C), 5:33.87.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Faraoni, Le,

Yuhei Uno, Jordan Champine), 1:37.21.
100 backstroke: 1. Ken Belrose (WLW), 1:03.32; 2. Greg Calabrese (C), 1:05.47.
100 breaststroke: 1. Reasor (C), 1:11.24; 2. Shogo Uno (C), 1:12.10.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Yuhei Uno, Faraoni, Calabrese, Le), 3:33.49.
Dual-meet record: Canton, 5-2 overall, 4-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association, 3-0 in the Western Division. Next dual meet: Canton at Salem, 7 p.m. Tuesday.

SALEM 119, NORTHVILLE 67
Jan. 30 at Salem

200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Jeff Nevi, Matt Showalter, Ben Dzialo, Matt Vivian), 1:47.50; 2. Salem (Nick Yee, Casey Johnson, Mike Horgan, Joe Aumiller), 1:51.46.
200 freestyle: 1. Brad Farris (N), 1:56.54; 2. Adam Sonnanstine (S), 2:01.03.

200 individual medley: 1. Nick Dixon (S), 2:05.47.
50 freestyle: 1. Vivian (S), 23.48.
Diving: 1. John Campbell (N), 189.25 points.
100 butterfly: 1. Dzialo (S), 54.04; 2. Horgan (S), 59.32.
100 freestyle: 1. Dixon (S), 52.29.
500 freestyle: 1. Joe Lunn (N), 5:10.71; 2. Aumiller (S), 5:26.47.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Dzialo, Vivian, Bill Clark, Dixon), 1:32.65 (state qualifying time).
100 backstroke: 1. Matt Jurcak (S), 1:01.49; 2. Nevi (S), 1:02.63.
100 breaststroke: 1. Dzialo (S), 1:04.47; 2. Showalter (S), 1:05.90.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Vivian, Dixon, Aumiller, Horgan), 3:32.53.
Dual-meet record: Salem, 8-1 overall, 4-0 in the WLAA, 2-0 in the Lakes Division. Next dual meet: Canton at Salem, 7 p.m. Tuesday.

BEST BOYS SWIM TIMES

OBSERVER'S BEST BOYS SWIM TIMES
Through Jan. 30

200-yard medley relay

Salem 1:43.11
Catholic Central 1:46.59
Canton 1:49.51
Stevenson 1:51.03
Redford Union 1:53.62

200-yard freestyle

Nick Dixon (Salem) 1:50.08
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 1:50.56
Joe Le (Canton) 1:51.12
Yuhei Uno (Canton) 1:53.21
Andrew Carlin (CC) 1:54.17
Rob Cyrek (CC) 1:55.21
Joe Aumiller (Salem) 1:56.29
Joe Zatkoff (CC) 1:56.73
Matt Jurcak (Salem) 1:56.82
Nick Stone (John Glenn) 1:57.10

200-yard individual medley

Rob Cyrek (CC) 2:01.81
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 2:03.78
Nick Dixon (Salem) 2:04.59
Andrew Carlin (CC) 2:05.72

Yuhei Uno (Canton) 2:09.92
Joe Le (Canton) 2:11.35
Joe Aumiller (Salem) 2:11.37
Steve Reasor (Canton) 2:13.43
Mike Horgan (Salem) 2:15.58
Nathan Phillips (Canton) 2:16.24

50-yard freestyle

Ben Dzialo (Salem) 22.51
Matt Vivian (Salem) 23.04
Joe Le (Canton) 23.05
Andrew Carlin (CC) 23.54
Dan Jones (CC) 23.57
Bill Clark (Salem) 24.02
John Faraoni (Canton) 24.18
Rob Cyrek (CC) 24.21
Kevin Kilgore (Salem) 24.28
Kris Kinsvater (Stevenson) 24.56

Diving

Joe Rohde (CC) 217.50
Ken Stafford (Stevenson) 205.35
Cody Stafford (Stevenson) 193.05
Andrew Murawski (Salem) 178.10
Nick Reilly (CC) 174.80
Brad Sokolowski (Salem) 172.80
Kevin Cafarelli (Canton) 172.45

Kyle Mullen (Redford Union) 172.15
Ryan Campbell (CC) 164.74
Tyler Flood (CC) 156.40

100-yard butterfly

Ben Dzialo (Salem) 53.86
Rob Cyrek (CC) 54.69
Nick Dixon (Salem) 54.97
Yuhei Uno (Canton) 55.65
Andrew Carlin (CC) 57.03
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson) 57.11
Joe Faraoni (Canton) 58.47
Joe Le (Canton) 59.11
Mike Horgan (Salem) 59.32
Shogo Uno (Canton) 59.97

100-yard freestyle

Joe Le (Canton) 49.68
Rob Cyrek (CC) 50.26
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 50.32
Andrew Carlin (CC) 51.06
Nick Dixon (Salem) 51.42
Dan Jones (CC) 52.40
Matt Vivian (Salem) 52.79
Joe Aumiller (Salem) 52.80
Ryan Frost (Wayne) 52.89
Matt Jurcak (Salem) 53.25

500-yard freestyle

Nick Dixon (Salem) 4:57.71
Ben Dzialo (Salem) 5:01.19
Joe Zatkoff (CC) 5:11.99
James Sattler (Canton) 5:12.01
Nick Stone (John Glenn) 5:14.76
Rob Cyrek (CC) 5:20.38
Andrew Carlin (CC) 5:20.58
Joe Aumiller (Salem) 5:21.60
Andrew Drennen (Wayne) 5:22.35

200-yard freestyle relay

Catholic Central 1:32.59
Salem 1:32.65
Stevenson 1:33.87
Canton 1:37.21
Redford Union 1:43.99

100-yard backstroke

Nick Dixon (Salem) 56.78
Yuhei Uno (Canton) 58.62
John Faraoni (Canton) 1:01.01
Rob Cyrek (CC) 1:01.48
Matt Jurcak (Salem) 1:01.49
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson) 1:01.81
Nathan Phillips (Canton) 1:02.01
Jeff Nevi (Salem) 1:02.39
Nick Yee (Salem) 1:03.65
Dale Donahue (Redford Union) 1:05.40

100-yard breaststroke

Ben Dzialo (Salem) 1:04.47
Matt Showalter (Salem) 1:05.90
Andrew Carlin (CC) 1:07.14
Kris Kinsvater (Stevenson) 1:07.98
Casey Johnson (Salem) 1:08.36
Steve Reasor (Canton) 1:09.40
Penn Chou (Salem) 1:09.49
Rob Cyrek (CC) 1:09.51
Jason Anderson (Stevenson) 1:09.62
Scott Montgomery (Thurston) 1:11.33

400-yard freestyle relay

Salem 3:24.12
Catholic Central 3:24.59
Canton 3:33.43
Redford Union 3:44.60
Stevenson 3:45.84

Greg Phil, Livonia Stevenson's girls swim coach, is compiling the boys' best times. Updates for the Thursday edition of the Observer must be reported by 2 p.m. Sunday. Phil may be reached at (734) 464-9443, or email him at gphil5269@aol.com.

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Shorthanded Chiefs fall to Walled Lake

A Canton lineup depleted by illness wasn't quite able to handle Walled Lake's combined team in a Western Lakes Activities Association gymnastics meet Monday at Walled Lake Central.

Walled Lake scored 133.60 to Canton's 132.20. The Chiefs were without top gymnast Kara Ahern, who was out with the flu, and several others were ill as well but competed.

Canton's only first was recorded by Brigid Fitzgerald in the balance beam with a season-best score of 9.0.

Jessi Bates took third in that event (8.35) and Audra Ahern was fifth (8.25).

In the vault, Fitzgerald tied Walled Lake's Amy Gursky for second (8.7), with Mina Pirzadeh placing fifth (8.4) and Bates and Andrea Nyberg tying for sixth (8.35).

In the uneven parallel bars, Bates finished second (8.35), Pirzadeh tied for fourth (8.1) and Fitzgerald tied for sixth (8.05). And in floor exercise, Ahern tied for second (8.4) and Fitzgerald tied for fourth (8.25).

Lindsay Brown was Walled Lake's best gymnast overall, placing first in the vault (8.8) and bars (8.55), tying for second in the floor (8.4) and placing fourth in the beam (8.3).

The loss left Canton at 6-2 in dual meets, 2-2 in the WLAA.

On Jan. 23, the Chiefs got their first win over Hartland since the Eagles joined the WLAA, beating them 133.05-132.53 at Plymouth HS.

Kara Ahern was best for the Chiefs, finishing first in the all-around with a 34.80. She won two events, the bars (8.55) and beam (8.9), and placed second in the vault (8.6) and floor (8.75).

Audra Ahern's 32.90 was the second-best all-around score. Her 8.7 was second in beam and her 8.45 tied for fourth in floor.

Nyberg tied for fourth with Pirzadeh in vault (8.2) and was fifth in beam (8.2), which helped her place fifth in the all-around (32.05), while Fitzgerald scored 31.90 in the all-around, which was sixth and included a first in the vault (8.8) and third in floor (8.5).

Wildcats edged

Despite an outstanding effort by Amy Quiambao, Plymouth's freshmen team couldn't quite match up to Dearborn Edsel Ford Thursday, losing 116.55-113.9 at Plymouth HS.

Quiambao did have the meet's best all-around score (32.45) and, indeed, she finished first in each individual event: the vault (8.1), uneven parallel bars (7.8), balance beam (8.1) and floor exercise (8.45).

Ali Bates scored 28.85 in the all-around to place fourth. She was fourth in bars (6.4) and fifth in floor (7.75).

Other top-five scorers for the Wildcats were Courtney Pickard, fourth in the beam (7.4), and Chelsea Pickard, fifth in vault (7.75).

Plymouth hosts Berkley and Westland John Glenn at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Local gymnasts shine at Whitfield

The Westland-based Michigan Academy of Gymnastics, coached by Dion Kolev and Dimitre Dimitrov, turned in a strong showing, Jan. 18-19, at the Jason Whitfield Invitational held at the University of Michigan's Cliff Keen Arena in Ann Arbor.

In Class I (ages 16-18), Michigan Academy's Dan Rais of Livonia took first in the all-around with a score of 49.5. He finished first on vault and high bar, along with a third on floor. Teammate Chris Bosworth (Canton) added a sixth in the all-around (47.5) after taking second in still rings and parallel bars.

With Ben Muylaert (Canton) and Nate Whitehead, Michigan Academy's Class I team took third with a score of 140.00.

In Class II (ages 14-15), Livonia's Cody Stafford took fifth in the all-around (41.30), including a third on parallel bars.

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In Class III (ages 12-13), Daniel Klimkowski led the way with a fourth in the all-around (47.8), including a first on floor and a third in still rings.

Teammate John Furcean added a second on high bar and a fourth on pommel horse. Andrew Vance (Canton) contributed a sixth in still rings.

Canton's Andrew Crowther was the all-around champ in Class IV (ages 12 and up) with a score of 46.1. He finished first on floor and parallel bars, along with a third in still rings, vault and high bar as Michigan Academy took the team title with 133.5.

Lewis Thick was runner-up behind Crowther in the all-around (44.7). He took second in still rings and parallel bars. Teammate Frankie Scarcelli

(Redford) added an eighth in all-around (42.3), including a first on high bar. Nick Porambo was also a member of the Class IV squad.

In Class IV 9 (ages 10-11), John Santieu was second all-around (46.2) after taking firsts on pommel horse and parallel bars. He also took third on floor.

Teammate Michael Childs added a fourth on pommel horse.

In Class V (ages 10-11), Michigan Academy won the team title with a total of 150.9. Chad Ibach was the top individual with a second in all-around (52.5), including firsts on floor and still rings. He also took second on pommel horse and high bar.

Corey Shanks, third in still rings, added a sixth in the all-around. Branden Calhoun added seventh in all-around with individual thirds on floor and vault.

In Class VI (ages 10-11),

Michigan Academy took second in the team standings as Bryton Boucher and Matthew Freeman finished fifth and eighth, respectively, in the all-around. Other team members included Steve Kraska and Austin Tranchida.

Michigan Academy took first with 169.45 out of a possible 180 to win Class VI (ages 7-9).

Brandon Fields was the top individual, scoring 57.3 out of a possible 60 to win the all-around. He was first on floor and vault, second in still rings, parallel bars and high bar, and third on pommel horse.

Teammate Stacey Ervin added a second in all-around (56.35) and second in pommel horse, and third in still rings and high bar. Anthony Mills added a seventh in all-around (second on floor and vault). Other team members included James Boyce and Tyler Clifford.

SC remains atop league with win

The Schoolcraft College men's basketball team overcame a sloppy performance Wednesday to beat visiting Delta CC, 94-70.

The Ocelots, despite 27 turnovers, improved to 20-1 overall and 7-0 in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association. Schoolcraft now holds a two-game

lead in the conference over Flint Mott and Wayne County CC.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Schoolcraft first-year guard James Holmes (Belleville) came off the bench to lead Schoolcraft with 22 points.

"James came in a gave us a lot of energy, he shot the ball well," Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs said.

Torvoris Baker, a 6-foot-6 center, added 22 points and 12 rebounds. Marcus Bennett had 16 points and four steals, while back-up point-guard Aaron Squirewell dished out seven assists.

Delta's Cedric Prios led all scorers with 27 points. Jay Royster added 13.

The Ocelots were only 21 of 33 from the foul line (63.6 percent) and only 5-of-19 from three-point range (26.3 percent).

But what really rankled Briggs were the turnovers. (Delta had 30.)

"We have trouble with teams who are smaller and who press us," Briggs said. "We've got to get better at attacking pressure."

STATE RANKINGS

Boys Basketball

The top 10 teams in the Associated Press high school basketball poll, with records in parentheses. Totals are based on 10 points for a first-place vote, nine for second, etc.

Class A - 1. Detroit Redford (9-1) 73; 2. Detroit Denby (11-1) 72; 3. Grand Ledge (10-0) 60; 4. Kalamazoo Loy-Norris (12-0) 55; 5. Rockford (12-0) 54; 6. Detroit King (10-2) 42; 7. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central (9-1) 41; 8. Saginaw (9-1) 40; 9. Belleville (11-1) 33; 10. Saginaw Arthur Hill (10-1) 25.

Honorable mention - Detroit Murray-Wright (9-1) 21, Davison (10-1) 19, Okemos (10-0) 15, Lansing Everett (10-2) 11, Pontiac Northern (9-2) 10, Kalamazoo Central (9-2) 5, Birmingham Groves (9-1) 3, Detroit Southeastern (8-2) 2, West Bloomfield (9-1) 2, Westland John Glenn (9-2) 1, Flint Carman-Ainsworth (8-2) 1, Detroit Central (9-2) 1, Romeo (10-0) 1, Mount Pleasant (9-2) 1.

Class B - 1. Grand Rapids South Christian (11-0) 75; 2. Detroit Crockett (11-0) 68; 3. Birmingham-Detroit Country Day (9-2) 67; 4. Detroit Renaissance (8-2) 56; 5. Fremont (10-0) 52; 6. Muskegon Heights (9-1) 45; 7. Essexville-Garber (10-0) 41; 8. Warren Fitzgerald (9-1) 40; 9. Marshall (10-1) 37; 10. Orchard Lake St. Mary's (8-3) 34.

Honorable mention - Riverview (10-0) 20, Corunna (9-1) 16, Stockbridge (9-1) 14, Battle Creek Pennfield (9-2) 13, Grand Rapids Central (8-2) 10, Crosswell-Lexington (8-2) 5, Imlay City (9-1) 3, Hudsonville Unity Christian (8-2) 1, Clinton Township Clintondale (7-1) 1.

Class C - 1. Detroit DePores (11-0) 74; 2. Kalamazoo Christian (10-0) 69; 3. Hanover-Horton (10-0) 67; 4. Inkster (11-0) 60; 5. North Muskegon (9-1) 52; 6. Flint Northwestern (8-4) 44; 7. Ishpeming Westwood (11-1) 40; 8. Flint Beecher (9-2) 35; 9. Flint Hamady (11-1) 32; 10. Pewamo-Westphalia (10-0) 28.

Honorable mention - Ottawa Lake-Whiteford (11-0) 20, Homer (11-1) 17, Marion (10-0) 14, Saginaw Buena Vista (5-5) 13, Eau Claire (11-0) 11, White Pigeon (10-1) 7, Detroit Community (10-3) 4, Wyoming Lee (11-1) 4, Detroit Benedictine (10-1) 4, Unionville-Sebewaing (8-1) 2, Blissfield (9-2) 2, Ishpeming (10-1) 1.

Class D - 1. Detroit Rogers (8-4) 69; 2. Bark River-Harris (11-0) 68; 3. Center Line St. Clement (12-0) 66; 4. Auburn Hills Oakland Christian (11-0) 66; 5. McBain Northern Michigan Christian (9-0) 57; 6. Wyoming Tri-Unity Christian (10-0) 51; 7. Fowler (10-1) 46; 8. Harbor Springs Harbor Light Christian (10-0) 40; 9. Adrian Lenawee Christian (9-1) 32; 10. Gaylord St. Mary's (10-1) 30.

Honorable mention - St. Joseph Lake Michigan Catholic (9-2) 23, Custer-Mason County Eastern (9-0) 22, Ewen-Trout Creek (9-1) 19, Battle Creek St. Philip (8-2) 7, Bay City All Saints (8-2) 5, White Pine (9-1) 5.

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Division I - 1. Redford Catholic Central; 2. Farmington Unified; 3. Marquette; 4. Ann Arbor Huron; 5. Port Huron Northern; 6. Brighton; 7. East Kentwood; 8. Salem; 9. Birmingham Unified; 10. Livonia Churchill.

Division II - 1. Trenton; 2. Sault Ste. Marie; 3. Grosse Pointe North; 4. Detroit U-D Jesuit; 5. Warren De La Salle; 6. Grosse Pointe South; 7. Muskegon Reeths-Puffer; 8. Davison; 9. Allen Park; 10. (tie) Traverse City Central, Livonia Franklin.

Division III - 1. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood; 2. Hancock; 3. Orchard Lake St. Mary's; 4. Calumet; 5. East Grand Rapids; 6. Dearborn Divine Child; 7. Birmingham-Detroit Country Day; 8. Harper Woods Notre Dame; 9. Grosse Ile; 10. Houghton.

Competitive Cheer

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Class A - 1. Rochester; 2. Grandville; 3. Jenison; 4. Hartland; 5. Holland West Ottawa; 6. Lake Orion; 7. Rockford; 8. Oxford; 9. Mt. Pleasant; 10. East Kentwood.

Honorable Mention - Sterling Heights Stevenson, Allen Park, Livonia Ladywood, Port Huron Northern.

Class B - 1. Chesaning; 2. Grosse Ile; 3. DeWitt; 4. Plainwell; 5. Carleton Airport; 6. Ovid-Elsie; 7. Gibraltar-Carlson; 8. Madison Heights Bishop Foley; 9. Rochester Stoney Creek; 10. Dearborn Divine Child.

Honorable Mention - Otsego, Richland-Gull Lake, St. Joseph, St. Clair.

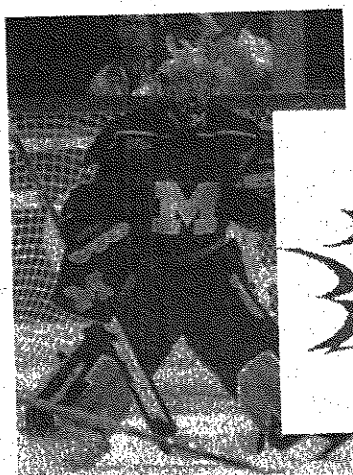
Class C-D - 1. Breckenridge; 2. Pewamo-Westphalia; 3. Hudson; 4. Climax; 5. Whitmore Lake; 6. North Muskegon; 7. Shelby; 8. Leslie; 9. St. Joseph-Lake Michigan Catholic; 10. Colon.

Honorable Mention - Schoolcraft, Michigan Center, East Jackson, Brown City.

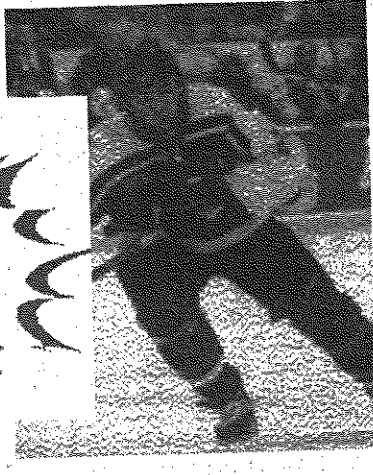
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VOLLEYBALL

FROM PAGE C1

Central Wednesday in a key WLAA match.

Canton crushes Western

There would be no repeat of Monday's start.

Canton, which started sluggishly in its WLAA match against Northville Monday and ended up losing the first game, did not repeat its mistake Wednesday at Walled Lake Western. The Chiefs made quick work of the Warriors, winning 15-5, 15-1.

"We came out strong," said Canton coach Steve Anderson. "We didn't let up the whole way out."

"It was a nice change of pace after Monday. It was really a dominating thing from us."

The first game lasted 12 service rotations; the Chiefs were even more economical in the second game, taking just five rotations.

Kristen Lake was instrumental in the quick work of Game Two, serving eight

straight points. She finished the match with three aces.

Colleen O'Brien contributed five kills to lead the attack — of which there was little need, since Western self-destructed on several occasions, surrendering points to Canton. Cindy Rotramel added eight digs and defensive specialist Annie Rosales had seven digs.

Kristen Lillie finished with nine set assists.

The Chiefs play at Westland John Glenn Monday, then host Livonia Franklin Wednesday.

Agape sweeps Franklin Road

Canton Agape Christian collected yet another straight-set victory Thursday, sweeping Novi Franklin Road Christian 15-7, 15-3 Thursday at Franklin Road.

The win improved Agape's overall record to 7-5. Franklin Road is 6-12.

Lisa Ther led the Wolverine attack with nine kills; Amy Henry added four kills. Emily Tong collected 18 set assists and Henry paced the defense with six digs.

Agape hosts Fruitport Calvary Christian at 8 p.m. Thursday at Discovery MS.

SALEM

FROM PAGE C1

Rocks look even worse than they were, riddling them from long range in rolling to a 69-63 victory.

Wayne improves to 9-4 overall, 4-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division. Salem is 9-5 overall, 2-3 in the Lakes.

"They were hitting threes, they were scoring in transition, they were scoring off their defense," said Salem coach Bob Brodie after the loss, his team's second to Wayne this season. "They played up-tempo and they played slow-down."

"We played zone (defense) and man both, but they shot the lights out tonight."

That the Zebras did, making 28-of-59 shots (47.5 percent), including eight three-pointers. In the opening quarter they started slowly, missing six of their first seven shots. Then Jonathan Raspberry found his range.

The 6-foot-3 senior forward hit four three-pointers — in the first quarter while shooting over Salem's zone. He had 17 points in the period to carry Wayne to a 23-18 lead after one.

Raspberry finished with 29 points, connecting on six triples.

The Rocks never did catch Wayne, despite a heroic effort by Dave Hoskins, who led all scorers with 34 points.

However, while Raspberry was just one of four Zebras to score in double figures, Hoskins was the only Rock to do so. Next best for Salem was Dominique Washington with seven.

Still, Wayne was not allowed to just walk away with an easy win. A Terrance McClain drive-and-jam — he was fouled on the play and converted the free throw — in the final seconds of the third quarter boosted the Zebra lead to 61-43.

They were still up by 18 two minutes into the fourth period,

a deficit which would have demoralized most adversaries.

But the Rocks kept battling. In a little over five minutes, they outscored Wayne 18-4 to make it a four-point game — 67-63 — with :43 still remaining. It was the only time in the game Hoskins wasn't the entire offensive show for Salem — he had just six points in that span.

Two Genoio Safford free throws with :39.5 to play sealed Salem's fate.

"I told you they're not going to quit," said Wayne coach Wayne Woodard of the Rocks' rally. "They may not come back and win, but they won't give up. At times we've struggled against a zone (defense) this year. But if you shoot the ball good, you probably look better than you are."

Wayne did all of that. Safford, a 5-2 junior point guard, contributed two triples and 16 points to the Zebra attack, while Derre' Johnson and McClain added 10 points apiece.

"I'm proud of them," Brodie said of his players. "They turned a blowout into a ball game."

But, asked if there was anything he could have done differently to alter the outcome, he replied, "No. Player for player, they had more athletes. And they played better in all aspects of the game."

Wayne has three division games remaining, its two biggest against Westland John Glenn and Livonia Stevenson — both at home. Wayne and Glenn are tied for first in the Lakes.

So does this put them in the driver's seat? When asked that question, Woodard was appalled.

"Heck no," he answered vehemently. "Not even close. We're not in any driver's seat yet, not until we go to Walled Lake Central for that last (division) game of the year."

"And maybe not even then."

The message is, a lot can still happen.

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CANTON

FROM PAGE C1

Nicoloff, who scored 11 points in the Chiefs' upset win over Westland John Glenn last Tuesday.

But Nicoloff went down in the first minute of the second half against Northville with a concussion. Travis McKinney helped the Chiefs with seven points, but the front court of Steve Thornton and Brad Waidmann were limited to seven and six points, respectively.

D.J. Bridges led Canton and all scorers with 19.

Adam Konst, a senior guard who lit up the Chiefs for 24 points in the two teams first meeting, was limited to seven this time, but that led Northville. Four other Mustangs — Tim Singleton, Roger Garfield, Mark Sorenson and Marcus Davis — scored six each.

The win was Northville's third in a row, raising the Mustangs' record to 10-4 overall. Canton slipped to 4-10.

"You have to score more than 42 points if you're going to win in this league," Rheault summarized.

Realizing how to win and having the seniors who know how to get it done helps, too.

Canton Agape 68, PCA 55:

The one-two offensive punch of Jordan Napier and Charlie

Henry continued to wreak havoc for Canton Agape Christian, this time taking apart Plymouth Christian Academy at PCA's Homecoming, the game played Friday at Eastern Michigan University.

Napier finished with a game-high 29 points; he also grabbed 16 rebounds. Henry finished with 17 points and 10 assists, while Matt Ratcliff and Gabe Mollnar added nine points apiece for the Wolverines, who improved to 9-5 overall.

PCA (5-7 for the season) was paced by Dan Carty and Clay Welton, each scoring 14 points. Carty scored 11 of his points in the fourth quarter, helping the Eagles trim the Agape lead to 10. Welton had seven rebounds and three assists. Ben Pew, also crowned the Homecoming King, added 11 points and 10 boards. Drew Gallagher finished with two points, four boards and three assists.

The Wolverines led 12-10 after one quarter and 31-23 at the half. They increased their advantage to 49-33 after three quarters.

The Eagles didn't help themselves at the free-throw line. While Agape made 19-of-31 free throws (61.3 percent), PCA hit just 10-of-24 (41.7 percent).

PCA was also without starting guard Ben Baloga, who was out with back problems.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that on 2/07/03 at 10 am at Mayflower Auto Transport, 1179 Starkweather, Plymouth, MI a public auction of the following:

1988 Ford Tempo 2FAPP37X7JGB132631

Dated: January 29, 2003

Publish: February 2, 2003

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BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
(734) 453-1234

A regular meeting of the board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, February 6, 2003 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following items:

Z 03-01 483 Maple Non-Use Variance Requested
Front Yard Setback
Zoned: R-1, Single-Family Residential
Applicant: David & Hedeel Evans
All interested persons are invited to attend.



In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

CAROL STONE, ADA Coordinator
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 206

Publish: January 30, 2003

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

THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES HAVE BEEN DEEMED ABANDONED AND WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2003 AT 10:00 A.M. THE AUCTION IS TO BE HELD AT WESTLAND CAR CARE TOWING, 6375 HIX RD. WESTLAND, MI 48185. PLEASE NOTE: THE BIDDING WILL START AT THE TOWING STORAGE CHARGES.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ESTABLISH
AN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
PLYMOUTH TECHNOLOGY PARK
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2003

On January 2003, a request from Stuart Frankel Development Company was received by the Charter Township of Plymouth Clerk's Office, requesting that an Industrial Development District be established, under Public Act 198, 1974, as amended. Public Act 198, requires that the Board of Trustees hold a Public Hearing on the establishment of an Industrial Development District at which the owners of properties within the proposed district and residents and taxpayers of Plymouth Township shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments, submitted prior to the February 11, meeting will also be accepted.

TAKE NOTE that the Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 11, 2003, commencing at 7:00 p.m., in the Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan 48170. Phone Number (734) 354-3224.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Part of the Southeast ¼ of Section 21, T1S, R8E., Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan, being described as beginning at a point on the Northernly right-of-way line of M-14 Expressway (418 feet wide), distant N. 02° 10' 31" W., 962.06 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 21; thence along said Northernly right-of-way line of M-14 Expressway S. 87° 07' 29" W., 1893.94 feet; N. 01° 58' 47" W., 621.53 feet to a point on the Southernly right-of-way line of Chesapeake and Ohio Railway; thence the following two courses along the Southernly right-of-way line of Chesapeake and Ohio Railway 1) S. 84° 16' 53" E., 1340.55 feet; 2) 586.47 feet along an arc of a curve to the right (radius 2242.51 feet, central angle 14° 59' 03", chord bears S. 76° 47' 23" E., 584.79 feet; thence along the East line of said Section 21, S. 02° 10' 31" E., 259.13 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 892,169 square feet or 20.481 acres. And subject to easements of record, if any.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

Publish: February 2, 2003

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LEGAL NOTICE

1954 PA PROCEEDINGS

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT HEARING
Charter Township of Plymouth
Wayne County, Michigan

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that as a result of Petitions of property owners within the Township signed by the record owners of land whose front footage constitutes more than 50% of the total front footage of the hereinafter described Special Assessment District and the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth proposes and rehabilitation project in the Beacon Estates Subdivision and to create a Special Assessment for the recovery of the cost thereof by Special Assessment against the properties benefited therein.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth has tentatively declared its intention to make the hereinafter described improvement:

The proposed improvements shall consist of milling, and/or pulverization, and/or removal of the existing bituminous road with the placement of a new bituminous pavement course as well as miscellaneous driveway and drainage work which may be needed to facilitate the placement of the asphalt road pavement. In addition, select areas of concrete curb and gutter will be removed and replaced, as necessary. The project commences at the south right-of-way line of North Territorial Road and proceeds southward along Beacon Hill Drive approximately 1,100 feet where the road turns into Concord Drive and continues in a southwestward direction for approximately 200 feet. From here, the project continues southward for 580 feet along Beacon Hill Drive, to the north right-of-way line of Ann Arbor Trail. The project also includes Beacon Hill Court commencing at the intersection with Beacon Hill Drive extending to the east to its point of terminus. In addition, Lighthouse Court commencing at the intersection with Beacon Hill Drive and proceeding eastward and northward approximately 860 feet to its point of terminus is included in the project.

That it has further been tentatively determined that the following described lots and parcels of land will specially benefit from said improvements and will constitute a Special Assessment District against which the cost of said improvements shall be assessed:

The distinct limit for frontage along Beacon Hill Drive and Concord Drive consists of the following parcel numbers: R-78-033-03-0001-000 through R-78-033-03-0024-000, R-78-036-01-0025-000, R-78-036-01-0035-000 through R-78-036-01-0042-000, R-78-036-02-0043-000 through R-78-036-02-0056-000, R-78-036-05-0163-000, R-78-036-05-0164-000, R-78-036-05-0172-000, R-78-036-05-0173-000, R-78-036-99-0020-000, R-78-033-02-0079-000 and R-78-033-02-0080-000.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth shall meet on Tuesday, February 11, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at the Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Twp., Michigan 48170, for the purpose of reviewing said proposed Special Assessment District, and hearing objections to the improvement, creation of the Special Assessment District, and the assessment thereon. All persons may then and there appear and make any objections they may have to such improvement and assessment. Appearance and protest at the hearing is required in order to appeal the amount, if any, of the special assessment to the state tax tribunal. An owner or party in interest, or agent thereof, may appear in person at the hearing, or may file an appearance or protest by letter. All parties or agents appearing in person at the hearing for purposes of protest should request the appearance be entered into the record of the meeting.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the plans, specifications, estimates of cost and recommendations of the engineer for said proposed Special Assessment District have been filed with the Township and are available for public examination at the office of the Township Clerk. The estimate of costs of such construction is in the approximate amount of \$280,000.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that periodic redetermination of costs for the proposed Special Assessment District may be necessary and may be made without further notice to the record owners or parties in interest in the property.

MARILYN MASSENGILL
Charter Township of Plymouth
42350 Ann Arbor Road
Plymouth, Michigan 48170
(734) 453-3840

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to state law 257.252, the following vehicle (s) will be sold at public sale at B&B Towing, 934 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, Michigan, on the date and time listed below:

Tuesday, February 4th, 2003 1:00 p.m.

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Inquiries regarding these vehicles should be directed to officer Brian Walker, City of Plymouth Police Department, at 734 453-1234, ext. 532.

LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

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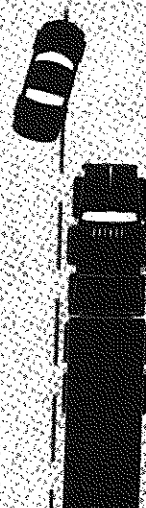
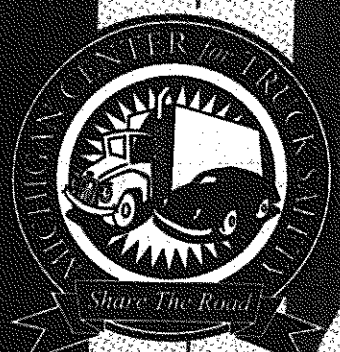
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30 yr old, single mother of one, enjoys movies, dining out, the mall and more. Seeking a single gentleman with similar interests, friendship first, possibly leading to a meaningful relationship. Must like children! BOX 31000

GOOD TIMES AWAITS US

Single female, 52", brown skin, short hair, wear glasses. Would like to meet a single male who enjoys shopping, listening to music, shopping, watching videos and just chilling together. BOX 31001

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44 yr old, 5'7", size 14, single female, with brown hair, medium to husky, loving, caring, looking for a single male who spoils me for a possible relationship. Enjoys movies, cuddling and more. BOX 21292

ALL AMERICAN GUY

Single white female, 40, 5'5", non-smoker, brown hair, medium to husky, loving, caring, likes a variety of activities, sports. Seeking a husky, honest, white guy, 36-46, serious long-term relationship. Macomb County. BOX 36039

CHILL PARTNER

Single mother of one, is looking for a chill, non-smoker. No game players. BOX 14944

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POSSIBLE CONNECTION

An attractive brunette, 49, 5'4", 115 lbs, single white professional female, with great smile and good heart, enjoys family and friends, boating, Red Wings and you, if height weight proportionate, humorous, caring, financially stable and emotionally available. Wayne County. BOX 25014

FOREIGN BORN WOMAN

46 yrs old, 5'5", 130 lbs, blonde hair, hazel eyes, two grown up children. Seeks honest, responsible man. BOX 30880

ATTRACTIVE WOMAN

Soft spoken, non-smoker, white female, 5'11", size 11, wishes to meet a white male, 6'2", or taller, 49 or older, no games, no heavy drinkers, no drugs, height/weight proportionate. Wayne County. BOX 36053

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ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE

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PRINCESS AWAITS YOU

Intriguing, attractive, divorced white female, 5'5", 125 lbs, hazel eyes, blonde/brown hair, outgoing, fun loving. Enjoys candlelight dinners, movies, dancing, romance. Seeks her knight in shining armor, 50 or older, honest, sincere, to share very special moments with. BOX 30927

I HAVE ELAN

Eclectic, attractive, slender, romantic, quality lady, enjoys most music, dancing, golf, tennis, boating, sports and theater. Seeks special, non-smoking, gentleman, over 58, and 5'10" plus, that is honest, loyal and fun. Oakland county. BOX 36061

ARE YOU...

Looking for someone special, who is sincere, honest, and fun loving, could be me. I am a divorced white female, 54, non-smoker, who likes to do almost everything. West Side area. Let's talk! Wayne County BOX 36084

WAITING AND HOPING

22 yr old, single black female with light brown eyes. Likes having fun, playing pool, video games and outdoors. Searching for a caring male, 26 to 35, who likes having fun. BOX 11904

MOTOWN GAL

...Looking for a kind, sincere, single or divorced male, 48 to 60, non-smoker, long term, monogamous relationship. I am 51 yr old divorced female. I love Motown music and classic cars. I believe in romance and enjoy simple pleasures. Down River area. BOX 14471

TRY THIS OUT

White female, young, 40's, with blue eyes, light brown hair. Enjoys traveling, the beach, new places, music, dancing. Looking for a non-smoker, non-drinker, emotionally fit male who enjoys new adventures. BOX 14866

LET'S SAIL TOGETHER!

Petite, active, attractive Jewish professional woman, brown hair, hazel eyes, non-smoker, loves sailing, traveling, holidays and many other interests. Seeks skiing and sailing buddy, 50 to 60, Jewish, active, interested in friendship, fun, romance and possible long term relationship. BOX 14905

LET'S MEET A COFFEE

41 yr old, 5'7", medium built female, seeks attractive male who's a homeowner, non-smoker, social drinker. Likes horseback riding, motorcycles, boating, pickup trucks and swimming. BOX 16989

LET'S GET TOGETHER

You found her! Adorable, petite, prefers gentleman 49-60, full of life, great sense of humor, likes to have new experiences. Call, you won't regret it. Oakland County. BOX 25008

ONE OF A KIND

Pretty, petite, passionate, divorced white female, 40-ish. Seeks non-smoking, single white male, over 40, for dating and relating. Let's create sparks and watch them fly! BOX 25332

CUTE AND CLASSY

Single black female, mid 50's, enjoys jogging, concerts and walks in the park. Seeking a gentleman over 50, with similar interests. Oakland County. BOX 26066

I'M YOUR LADY

Attractive white divorced 45, 5'2", 138 lbs., female, brown/blue, enjoys walking, swimming, movies, music and dining out. Seeks white male, 40-50, slim to medium build, 5'6", non-smoker, occasional drinker, affectionate and sincere, for a meaningful relationship in Garden City. BOX 26999

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Attractive divorced white female, professional, college degree, petite, 5'1", weight proportionate, optimistic. Enjoys exercise, good conversation, movies, concerts, music, sports. Seeks professional divorced male, 45 to 55, no beard or mustache, sense of humor. BOX 30884

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GEM SEEKS TREASURER

Divorced, white professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, former model, looks 40's and stable. Seeking a divorced, white male, 59 to 65, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

ACTIVE SENIORS ONLY

Well traveled, educated, loving, white, professional female. Seeking a sophisticated, Christian man, 62 to 72, who can also be down-to-earth. Interests are classical music, art appreciation, world events and travel. Comfortable one-on-one and in social situations. Oakland County. BOX 35911

ATTRACTIVE ITALIAN

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32 yr old, single male, 180 lbs, dark and lovely, sweet and gentle. Seeks a single female for friendship, possibly leading to more. BOX 14991

WANTING UR OPINION!

...Please be aware of this available, adorable, single white male, if I'm one of your choices, you'll meet a fine, educated gent, with many talents and interests. Single white female, 30 to 50, responses preferred! BOX 15072

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DO U FIT THE BILL?

Professional white male, 52, 5'11", brown hair, blue eyes, handsome, good listener, sense of humor, college educated with multiple degrees, non-smoker, no dependents. Enjoys physical fitness, reading, movies, theater, dining, concerts, golf. Seeks professional lady, affectionate, non-smoker, same interests. Age unimportant. BOX 15090

FALL RIGHT INTO...

...My arms! 39 yr old, single male, 5'8", 210 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, physically fit. Enjoys hunting, fishing, movies and going for walks. Seeks a smart, caring, loving, understanding lady with similar interests for friendship first, possibly leading to a long term relationship. BOX 25306

I'LL PLAY U A LOVE...

...Song! Single male, 48, light brown hair, blue eyes, employed, home owner, smart, intelligent and handsome. Enjoys music, playing guitar, the outdoors. Seeking a single lady, children okay, for a possible relationship. BOX 21314

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This Valentine's Day, get to the heart of the matter.
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STOP...LOOK...CALL!

Divorced white male, 49, medium build, looking for a single woman, late 40's early 50's, shape, looks unimportant. Loves the outdoors and home cook meals. Stop here and call! BOX 25753

WHY BE ALONE!

57 yr old divorced male, 5'7", 175 lbs, fit, retired, silver hair and mustache, financially secure. Loves golf, movies, biking, travel, the beach, dining out. Seeks female, not too much baggage, thin to medium build, non-smoker. BOX 26857

SEEKS LADY 2 BE...

...My wife! White male, dark hair, nice looking, non-smoker, non-drinker, enjoys sports, dancing and more. Looking for a single woman, 26 and up, for a long term loving relationship. BOX 27318

I'M LOOKING FOR YOU!

Single African American male, 34, slim, wears glasses, likes going to parks, basketball, football, playing video games. Looking for a single, adventurous female, with similar interests who believes in God, 26 to 35, slim, casual dresser for a meaningful relationship. BOX 27341

IF U WANT 2 CALL...

...Please do! 20 yr old male, body builder, 200 lbs, 6', dark hair, blonde highlights. Looking for a single female for a possible relationship. BOX 30997

JUST LOVABLE

Single white male, 44, loves hugging, cuddling, kissing and lots of affection. Seeking female with the same interest, age, race, size open. BOX 14939

FATHER OF ONE...

...in Livonia. Single white father of one, 39, 6'1", 190 lbs, handsome, fit, fun, honest, secure. Enjoys reading, running, biking, skiing, family activities and much more. Looking for a positive, fit and loving female, for great relationship. BOX 14942

SPIRITUAL CONNECTION

Single white male, 40, is looking for love and a real spiritual connection with a single nice white female, 32 to 52. BOX 14998

JUST BE YOURSELF

I might like you anyway. Realistic, respectful, single white male, 45, believes in destiny and chemistry, ready to embrace female sweetheart. Age unimportant. BOX 30879

EX-MARINE

Divorced, attractive, fit, white, easy going male, 6'1", 200 lbs, 50's, ex-Marine, engineer. Seeks attractive, younger, fit, shapely female for a lasting relationship. Troy area. Material status not important. BOX 30981

READY TO GAMBLE?

46 yrs old, attractive, healthy, single, white male seeks lady like, single, white female, 40's to 50's. BOX 14811

RING MY BELL

Divorced white male, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs. Looking for a woman that wants a long-term relationship. Shape and looks important. I'll return your call. Wayne County. BOX 35922

I NEED LOVE

Single male, 5'10", 175 lbs, dark hair, hazel eyes. Enjoys sports, outdoors and more. Searching for a sincere female. BOX 21242

FULL FIGURED LADY'S

Divorced, white male, 43, 5'9", 165 lbs, blondish brown hair, green eyes, down to earth. Seeking a single or divorced, white female, 38 to 45, who is down to earth and enjoys the simple things in life. For a possible relationship. Wayne county BOX 27006

MUSCULAR & ATHLETIC

Single white male, 44, 6'2", 215 lbs, brown blue, clean cut, degree, never married, no dependents, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, working out, new activities. Seeks friendly single female, age location open. Wayne County BOX 27018

MAKE IT REALITY...

...Call as soon as possible! Attractive, healthy white male, 58, considerate and pleasant to be with. Seeking white female, 50 to 70, for friendship and companionship. I enjoy movies, art, antiques, some travel. BOX 30965

LUCKY IN LOVE

41 yrs old, 6'2", 210 lbs male, smoker, non-drinker, likes movies, dining out, travel. Seeks slim female over 5'5". BOX 21163

PLEASANTLY PLUMP?

Go ahead and call open minded, single white male, 39, easy to talk too, romantic and adventurous. Seeks single white female 24-42, for meaningful relationship. Wayne county BOX 25010

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

LET STAY 2GETHER...

For ever. Single white male, 45, honest, faithful, trustworthy, caring, loving, up front, smoker, social drinker, 6', 165 lbs, looking for a white female, 35-50, on the slim side, 100-140 lbs, who has the same qualities as I do. Looking for a very serious relationship, no head games. Oakland County. BOX 26014

IS THIS YOUR NAME?

Divorced white male, early 50s, dark hair, blue eyes, 6', looking for Carol, Charlotte, Chris, Debbie, Diane, Denise, Donna, Joy, Karen, Kathy, Linda, Lori, Nancy, Pat, Sally, Sandy, and Sue. I'd like to meet you. Ages 38 to 54. Possible long term relationship. West Side. BOX 26039

TALL & HANDSOME

5'11" male with mustache, 180 lbs seeks female, 40 to 55, slender to average build who is interested in travel, dinners, movies, quiet times at home, casinos, boating and more. Call if interested. BOX 12370

TIERED OF BEING ALONE

Widowed and lonesome male, 59", 168 lbs, social drinker, smoker, healthy, gentle and giving. Enjoys camping, fishing, travel, walking, games and quiet times at home. Seeks well put together female, under 60, with a nice personality. BOX 12547

QUALITY GUY

Let us share a glass of wine or cup of coffee. Divorced white male, 5'10", 55, business man in Metropolitan Detroit. Seeks honest, caring woman, good sense of humor, people person, good communications skills to share his enjoyment of plays, dancing, boating, golf away weekends. BOX 14118

QUALITY GUY

Intelligent, witty, hard working, professional, successful, dependable, healthy single white male, 5'6", athletic build, blonde hair, blue eyes, no dependents, great sense of humor. Seeks outgoing, attractive, thin, happy, healthy, professional female. BOX 14756

UNDER THE STARS

Intense special single white male, helpful and romantic. Seeks nice gal, 30 to 50, an outdoor lover, for sharing of magic moments under the moonlight, by candlelight, etc. Oakland County BOX 35916

GETTING IT RIGHT!

Handsome teacher, 50, 6', 210 lbs, divorced, likes hunting, fishing, movies, playing the guitar, cooking, gardening, dining out and being with that special person. Seeks single female, same interests for a long term relationship. NO HEAD GAMES! Children welcomed. BOX 21155

ARE YOU COMPATIBLE?

White professional male, 5'8", fit, brown hair, blue eyes, well educated, no dependents. Enjoys music, movies, reading, family and friends, biking, jogging, long walks. Seeks fit, emotionally available, white professional female, no dependents. For happy and healthy relationship. BOX 14561

LOOKING 4 THAT GIRL

Hard working, divorced white male, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs. Looking to find an easy going, intelligent, pretty white female, mid to late 40s, nice shape and build, for a long term relationship. No games please. Redford area. BOX 14640

PLEASANT PERSONALITY

Single white male, 42, 6'2", good looking, fit, average build, blond hair, bluish green eyes. Enjoys outdoor sports, traveling, boating, sports and more. Searching for a single female, 30 to 45, slim to medium build, good looking. BOX 14994

PLEASE CALL TODAY

Fine, personable, single white male, 40's, is helpful and entertaining, good listener. Looking for someone serious, settled and sincere, single white female, 36 to 52. BOX 20424

POLISH ITALIAN GUY

50, attractive and healthy, youthful and light hearted. Enjoys doing fun things and going to interesting places. Seeks lady to spend time with and get to know. BOX 20745

YOUR SUMMER SURPRISE

...Just might be a most enjoyable white male, 40's, good looks, educated and energetic. Seeks an attractive, friendly, lady to share it with. Oakland County! BOX 35971

SENSIBLE MAN

Single white male, 55, soft-spoken, down-to-earth, enjoys dancing, theater, movies, etc. Seeks friendly, relationship-minded, single white female, 40's to 50's. Oakland County. BOX 35983

HONEST

Tall, divorced white male, 6'4", good physical condition, 58, non-smoker, self-employed, honest, sincere, sense of humor. I would like to meet a slender lady, 45 to 53, who is easygoing, with good values, for companionship, and possible long-term relationship. BOX 35984

ABOVE AVERAGE GENT

Single white male, mid 40's, gets into travel, music, cars, photography, sports, home decorating, etc, looking for an above average lady to partner with. Oakland county BOX 35993

ALL AMERICAN TYPE

Mature athletic type 50 plus, blonde 6'3", 205 lbs, professional attractive diverse interest active lifestyle. Seeks outgoing, fit, attractive unencumbered single female. To create sparks through dating, travel, long term relationship. Oakland county BOX 35995

TIERED OF BEING ALONE

...I'm your man. Hard working, divorced white male, 49, 5'8", 175 lbs., seeking easy going and intelligent, pretty white female, in her 40's for a possible long term relationship. I'm waiting to hear from you. Redford Area, Wayne County. BOX 36011

SHOWS SOME CLASS

yet provocative, single, white male, promotes understanding and meaningful communication. Looking for a pleasant, good natured, single, white female, 35 to 50, to interact with on a daily bases. Oakland County BOX 36015

YOU AND I

This sweetheart is a sociable single white male, 40, well groomed, physically fit, has many interests yet open to yours. Seeks friendly female friend and possible

Rx briefs

Valentine massage

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a "Massage for Couples" and learn massage techniques together. Offered by Botsford Center for Health Improvement, this two-hour class can positively affect your sweetheart's health and well-being. Massages are scheduled by appointment. The cost is \$200.

Instructor Diane Grimm, a certified massage therapist and Reiki practitioner, will teach couples how to relieve stress, tension, sore muscles, headaches, backaches and more. Besides feeling good, massage provides many physical and psychological benefits.

To register, call (248) 477-6100 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Botsford Center for Health Improvement is located at 39750 Grand River Ave., between Haggerty and Meadowbrook in Novi.

Kids Yoga

Put down that Sunday paper! It's not too late to sign up your children for "Kids Yoga," a class taught by Jennifer Barrett, a senior Bikram yoga instructor who is certified to teach children. The six-week class starts today, Feb. 2, from 12:30-1:15 p.m. However, the class is not full and walk-ins are welcome. Even if you miss the first class, you may still register.

The class is held at the Bikram Yoga Center, 28857 Orchard Lake, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile, Farmington Hills. The cost is \$55 for a six-week session. To register, call Melissa at (248) 489-9923 or e-mail: melissa@bikramyogadetroit.com.

(For those acquainted with Bikram yoga, please note that the room will not be overly heated for the children.)

Cancer survival

Cancer support groups can make patients feel better, but they don't improve mortality rates, finds a new study presented at a recent meeting of the European Society of Medical Oncology in France. After analyzing 11 studies that included about 1,500 cancer patients, English researchers concluded that the data "Provided no evidence at all to show that (psychologist-run support groups) prolong life in cancer patients."

However, the study's lead author says he continues to recommend that patients involve themselves in support groups as part of their therapy because counseling can help them "cope with their disease." In addition, he comments that the power of psychological support to improve patients' quality of life should "not be underestimated."

Red Cross

Become a Red Cross volunteer. Why not?

The American Red Cross, led by volunteers, is the largest humanitarian organization in the United States. It provides relief to victims of disaster and helps people prevent, prepare for and recover from emergencies, both domestic and international. All assistance is free.

Volunteer opportunities exist in all areas. Call Shari Cunningham at (313) 578-4921 or log onto www.sem-redcross.org. Together, the Red Cross and you can save a life.

Comprehensive cancer care ... in your home community

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

John and Rose LaLonde of Westland don't like driving expressways, so getting cancer care for John at St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Cancer Center in Livonia has been a real convenience.

"When our kids had to take us to Henry Ford Hospital that was an inconvenience because they had to get out of work. Now it just takes us 10 minutes to get here," said Rose.

John, 72, who was diagnosed with leukemia last year, also appreciates the short drive back home after treatments, which can take several hours. A long drive would simply add to his exhaustion.

"I think it's marvelous," he said about the center. "It's great, and the help should be commended."

The oncology staff and hospital administrators at St. Mary Mercy are bursting with pride over the fledgling center, which opened late last year. Visually defined from the rest of the hospital by an entranceway of gleaming two-toned hardwood floors, the 2,700-square-foot center contains three examination rooms, an infusion room, and a resource center with Internet access that can double as a family meeting place.

And this is just the beginning. When medical oncologist Dr. Harmesh Naik, one of the center's visionaries, looks five years into the future, he sees a free-standing building housing a multi-disciplinary cancer center. He sees patients meeting with their medical team — surgeons, medical oncologists and radiation oncologists — within the same day. He also envisions physicians coming to the clinic to see a patient in a series of successive appointments, joint meetings with other doctors, and a concluding informational meeting with family members.

"We had everything here, but those services were not integrated, not user friendly," he said of past practices in cancer care. There are approximately 50 specialists in the hospital's Marion Building, he added.

Service and convenience are bonuses, but most important is quality of treatment. Cancer patients can expect the same high-quality treatment available at larger centers, such as the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center or Karmanos Cancer Institute, said Naik, who was associated with Karmanos until joining St. Mary Mercy in 1997.

University hospitals have a different mandate to do research and cutting edge therapy, said Naik.

"Each type of hospital has a different role to play. Yes, we are a small hospital, but we're using it to our advantage. Here I can call the chief of radiology and say my patient can't wait for a CAT scan. Also, change can be implemented quicker in a smaller organization. 'You come to St. Mary Mercy and the care is second to none,' he said, adding that there is competition among hospitals. "We are measured by the same yardstick as any other hospital.... We don't do the 2 percent care that is applicable to one in a million patients, but for the rest, we will assure them our care is second to none."

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is the only community hospital in Wayne County accredited by the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons, said Naik.

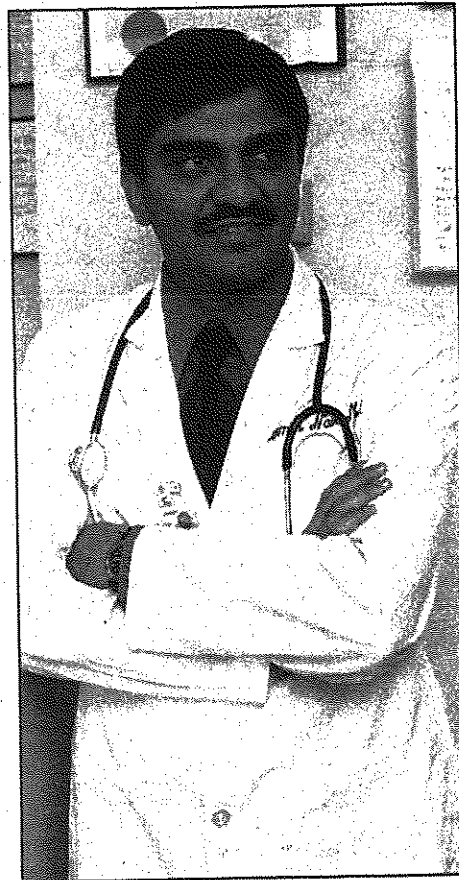
STANDARDS

When it comes to cancer treatment, it's all about standards of care, said



PHOTOS BY ST. MARY MERCY HOSPITAL

John LaLonde of Westland has chemotherapy administered by Linda MacDonald, a nurse at St. Mary Mercy's new cancer center. John's wife, Rose, sits by his side.



Medical oncologist Dr. Harmesh Naik has long-range plans for the St. Mary Mercy Cancer Center, which opened last December.

Sarah Gilbert, director of Cancer Services at St. Mary Mercy. Such standards are universal.

"In terms of standards of care, treatment can be done at a local level," she said. It's levels of research that differentiate a local cancer center from metropolitan centers like University of

Michigan and Karmanos, she added.

But local doesn't exclude consulting physicians at the bigger cancer centers, Gilbert stressed. "If you're diagnosed at St. Mary Mercy, you can still go for a second opinion at the University of Michigan. And the opposite is true. We want you to get a second opinion."

Major cancer centers work hard to define standards of care, said Dr. Max Wicha, director of the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center. Centers like U-M and Karmanos belong to the National Comprehensive Cancer Network, which host panels to define state-of-the-art treatments. Members of the NCCN meet every two to three months.

Major cancer centers benefit community cancer centers in two ways, said Wicha: First, they develop the standards of care based on cutting-edge research and application of new treatments. Research and treatments that look promising in the initial stage are shared with community centers. Second, cases that are not standard can be referred to a major cancer center. Major centers have specialized experts in breast, colon and prostate cancers, for example, as opposed to cancer generalists, who usually staff community cancer centers.

"Working in partnership with a community cancer center, we can provide an expert in a particular cancer and come up with a recommendation for treatment, then send the patient back to the community center," said Wicha.

CONVENIENCE

The convenience of being treated within your own community cannot be discounted, said Wicha. "Not having to travel away from fami-



Wicha

ly and community is important, especially for the very ill who need frequent therapy. And if there are complications, it's very reassuring to know you can meet quickly with your doctors and nurses," he said.

In addition, community cancer centers play a strong role in the fight against cancer by offering early cancer detection programs, Wicha added.

The first phase of St. Mary Mercy's cancer center, mostly cosmetic remodeling changes, cost approximately \$200,000. The cost of the second phase — Naik's vision — has not been established.

"The cancer center will be funded through community donations and internal support of physicians, management and other hospital supporters," said David Spivey, president and CEO. "The community is showing considerable interest and support for a cancer center to be available close to home."

Meanwhile, the new "phase 1" center is going ahead with plans to make it as comprehensive as possible.

"We're planning to establish specific clinic days for lung cancer and prostate cancer patients. The implementation phase will start within the next few months," said Gilbert.

LaLonde is pleased that others in his community will receive the kind of care he's getting at the St. Mary Mercy Cancer Center.

"I'd recommend it to anyone, highly," he said.

For more information on the St. Mary Mercy Cancer Center, call (734) 655-8800.

Early-warning procedure can help more melanoma patients

ANN ARBOR - Patients who develop melanoma on their face, head or neck can have the same early-diagnosis surgical procedure to see if their cancer might spread as patients whose cancer is on less delicate areas of the body, a new study finds.

The report, from a team at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, opens the door for many more melanoma patients to benefit from a potentially life-saving technique called sentinel lymph node mapping. The results will be published in the *Archives of Otolaryngology*, a journal of the American Medical Association.

Many hospitals already use sentinel lymph node mapping to assess the threat of melanoma in patients with lesions on their arms, trunk or legs. The technique shows whether cancer cells have entered

nearby lymph nodes and might spread further, and helps doctors and patients decide how aggressive treatment should be.

But fear of damaging the delicate nerves and blood vessels concentrated in the head and neck has kept many physicians from using the technique on patients with cancer on their scalp, face or neck — nearly one-fifth of the 87,900 melanoma patients diagnosed each year. As a result, many may be receiving inadequate treatment.

The new results, from 80 patients treated through the U-M's noted melanoma program and followed for at least a year after mapping, show that the technique can be performed safely and yield the same information in these patients as in others.

More than 96 percent of patients were successfully mapped, and 18 percent

were shown to have melanoma that had spread to a lymph node — giving them a diagnosis much sooner than a standard routine examination would have. The false-negative rate was 4.5 percent.

"These results clearly show that patients with melanoma of the head and neck can be accurately staged through sentinel lymph node mapping, allowing very early detection of even minimal disease in the lymph nodes," says author Dr. Carol Bradford, who directs the U-M Head and Neck Oncology Program. "Although the technique is the most challenging in these patients, we now know it can be done, and done safely."

The authors hope the technique will become standard for all appropriate melanoma patients. But they caution that to be accurate, the procedure

requires a great deal of experience and expertise on the part of the team of surgeons, nuclear medicine specialists and pathologists required to carry it out.

LYMPHATIC SYSTEM

The technique focuses on the lymphatic system, an interlaced network of vessels, ducts, nodes and glands that carries disease-fighting immune system components throughout the body.

But the lymphatic system can also act as a highway for melanoma cells, giving them a direct route from the original skin tumor to the bloodstream, which can carry them to other sites where they can form new tumors. The rest stops on this

PLEASE SEE MELANOMA, C8

ONGOING

Self-Help groups

Anyone seeking information on a variety of self-help groups may call the Michigan Self-Help Clearing House at (877) 777-5556.

Grief support

Angela Hospice offers ongoing grief support groups every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the center, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia. Call (734) 464-7810.

Bipolar

The MDDA-Bipolar Support Group meets 3-5 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday at Beaumont Hospital, Administration Bldg., 3601 W. 13 Mile Road, Royal Oak. Call Kathie at (248) 544-1097.

Divorce support

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College will offer a "Divorce Support Group" 7-9 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Call the WRC at (734) 462-4443.

Bereavement

"Together to Share," a grief support group, meets 10 a.m. the first Monday of each month at American House on Middlebelt Road in Livonia. The group meets 3 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at Dorvin Nursing Center on Middlebelt Road in Livonia. Both groups are facilitated by a bereavement coordinator from Heartland Hospice in Southfield. Call (800) 770-9859.

Overeaters Anonymous

Support group for overeaters meets 7 p.m. every Friday at Providence Park-Novi, 47601 Grand River Avenue, Novi. Helpline: (313) 438-HELP or (248) 474-9456.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Everyone is welcome to Providence Hospital-sponsored AA meetings held: noon every Tuesday and Thursday at Providence Medical Office Center-Novi, 39500 W. 10 Mile Road (at Haggerty), Novi. Call (248) 348-9362; noon every Wednesday at Mission Health Medical Center-Livonia, 37595 Seven Mile Road, Livonia. Call (734) 953-1188; and 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Providence Hospital, 16001 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield. Call (248) 333-4911.

Thyroid cancer

Thyroid Cancer Survivors Association,

Inc. support group meets 7-8:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Plymouth Public Library, 223 S. Main Street, downtown Plymouth, in the Gold Room. For more information about the ThyCa SE Michigan Support Group, call Mary Rose at (734) 397-2801; e-mail SE-MI@thyca.org; or visit www.thyca.org. Call toll-free (877) 588-7904.

Headaches

Suffer from constant headaches? Join the Headache Foundation Support Group, which meets 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at Providence Northwestern Medical Center, 30055 Northwestern, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 258-1973. Family members invited.

Gambling

The Gamblers Anonymous Support Groups meets 7:30-9 p.m. Mondays at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia. 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia, in Classroom 4. Call (734) 655-2944 or (800) 494-0277. Group is open to anyone with a gambling dependency.

Cancer

Join "Focus on Living," a cancer support group offered 7-8:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia. The group is designed to help cancer patients and families come together to help each other in living with a cancer diagnosis and treatment. Co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650.

Tremor Disorder Support

Shari Finsilver of Orchard Lake leads a local support group for those who suffer from Essential Tremor, a debilitating and incurable movement disorder. The group meets 7-8:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month at Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake Road in West Bloomfield. Contact Finsilver at (248) 683-4138 or Finsilver@earthlink.net, or visit www.tremorsupport.com. To learn more about the International Tremor Foundation, visit www.essential-tremor.org or call (888) 387-3667.

Parents Supporting Parents

Parents coping with the loss of an infant through miscarriage, stillbirth or newborn death meet 7 p.m. the third Monday of the month at

Providence Hospital-Southfield, 16001 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield. Call (248) 849-5342.

Stroke

The St. John Health System-Providence offers a Stroke Support Group 7 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at Providence Park-Novi, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi. Call (248) 465-4190.

Menopause

St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Menopause Support Group meets 7-9 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month. Call the hospital's Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1100. Next meeting is Feb. 5.

FEBRUARY

Learning disabilities

Inner Harmony, Inc. will sponsor "Raising a Child with Learning Disabilities: ADD/ADHD," a workshop led by Dr. Debbie Rich and Anne B. Lies noon to 4 p.m. Saturday Feb. 1 and Feb. 8 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, Activities Room. For cost and registration information, call Lois at Inner Harmony, (248) 347-4720.

Chronic pain

Inner Harmony, Inc. will sponsor "Living with Chronic Pain and Illness," a workshop for families, patients and friends, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 3, at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, Activities Room, 15218 Farmington Road. The workshop is also available 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, at the Novi Community Ed Building, 25345 Taft Road. For cost and registration information, call Lois at Inner Harmony, (248) 347-4720.

Women's health

St. Mary Mercy Hospital of Livonia offers "Ladies Night Out" 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, with bone density screenings, massage and vendors. Guest speaker Meredith Sathany will present a lecture, *Don't be a Victim*, at 7 p.m. Learn to spot the signs of a dangerous situation and keep yourself safe. Registration required. Call (734) 655-1182 or toll-free (888) 494-1617.

Alzheimer's

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, will host a two-part workshop on the challenges of Alzheimer's Disease 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6 and 13, in the hospital Auditorium. Free. Pre-registration required. Call (734) 655-8940 or (800)

494-1650 (out-of-town callers only). Visit www.stmarymercy.org.

Overeaters

Overeaters Anonymous Support Group meets 7 p.m. every Friday at Providence Park-Novi, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi. Next meeting: Friday, Feb. 7. Call (313) 438-HELP or (248) 474-9456.

Thyroid

Michigan Thyroid Disorders Support Group will meet 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 10, at the Plymouth Library, 223 S. Main St., Plymouth. Dr. David Atiyeh, from the Atiyeh Wellness & Injury Center, will be the guest speaker. For more information, call Tracy Green at (734) 453-7945; e-mail mthyroid@comcast.net; or visit http://mihometown.com/oe/thyroid.

Diabetes

The Diabetes Support Group at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, will host a discussion on "Ask the Pharmacist" 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, in the hospital's Auditorium. The speaker will be Navir Sleiman, R.Ph., CDE. The Diabetes Support Group presents a new topic on the second Wednesday of each month for adults with diabetes and family members. There is no charge, and pre-registration is not required. Call (734) 655-8961.

Infant Care

St. Mary Mercy Hospital of Livonia offers an *Infant Care Class* 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, in Classroom 1. Learn about feeding, bathing, sleeping, infant safety, immunizations, signs of illness and caring for the sick infant. Call (734) 655-1100 or (800) 494-1615.

CPR classes

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, will offer adult and pediatric classes 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 15. CPR, rescue techniques for choking and signs of life-threatening emergencies will be taught. Participants will receive a CPR participation card. Pre-registration required. Call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650 (out-of-town callers only). Visit www.stmarymercy.org.

Stop smoking

Providence Hospital and Medical Centers will hold the Wellness Seminar for smoking cessation at the following times and locations: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 15, at Providence

Hospital, Medical Building, 22250 Providence Drive, Southfield; and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, at the Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road (at Newburgh), Livonia. Call (877) 345-5500.

Weight reduction

Providence Hospital and Medical Centers will hold the Wellness Seminar for weight reduction at the following times and locations: 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15, at Providence Hospital, Medical Building, 22250 Providence Drive, Southfield; and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 18, at Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road (at Newburgh), Livonia. Call (877) 345-5500.

Stress

Botsford Center for Health Improvement will offer "Reduce Stress...Organize Your Life," a workshop for individuals and entire families that focuses on ways to get organized, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 18. Learn how to streamline your life, which can lessen your overall stress level. Cost is \$25. Register by calling (248) 477-6100, between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The center is located at 39750 Grand River Ave., between Haggerty and Meadowbrook, Novi.

Prostate

Dr. Michael Lutz will present "Prostate Cancer and Bladder Concerns" 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 18, at the Weisberg Cancer Center, 31995 Northwestern Hwy., Farmington Hills. Free supper and

lecture. Registration required. Call (248) 538-6514.

Immunizations

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, will offer a "Walk-in Infant and Child Immunization Clinic" 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, in the Auditorium. Call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650 (out-of-area only).

Women's heart conference

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, will offer "Heart-to-Heart: Women and Cardiovascular Disease" conference 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22. Learn about medical, physical and emotional well-being. Blood pressure, stroke, cholesterol, bone density, depression and anxiety, and alcohol screenings offered. Lunch included. Free massages and drawings for prizes. Cost: \$30. Registration required by Feb. 12. Call the Community Outreach department at (734) 655-8950.

MARCH

Prostate Screening

St. Mary Mercy Hospital of Livonia will hold a "Prostate Screening and Men's Health Fair" 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 1. The program will include blood tests for prostate-specific antigen (PSA), total cholesterol and HDL; prostate exam by a physician; and blood pressure check. A \$10 donation is optional. Proceeds will benefit St. Mary Mercy's new cancer center. Call (734) 655-8963 to register.

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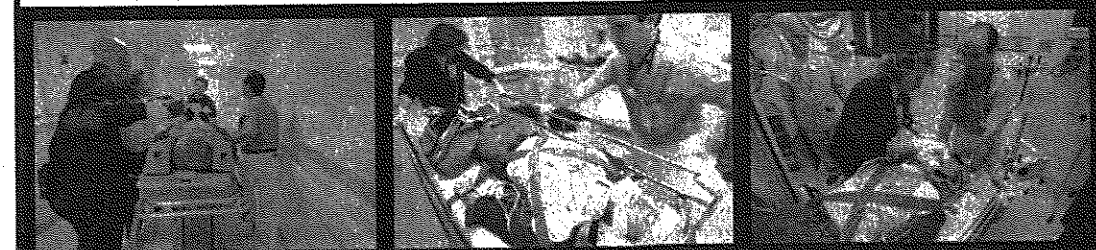
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MELANOMA

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highway are tiny bean-shaped structures called lymph nodes, which gather and filter the lymph fluid that carries foreign objects like bacteria, viruses and cancer cells.

Studies have shown that patients whose cancer cells have entered their lymph nodes have a much worse potential for survival. Melanoma kills 7,400 Americans each year, more than one person each hour. The average five-year survival rate for melanoma patients is about 89 percent. But once the cancer spreads to the lymph nodes, the survival rate drops to a range of 13 percent to 70 percent, depending on how many lymph nodes contain melanoma cells.

For years, surgeons removed entire sections of the lymphatic system of many patients with melanoma, just in case the cancer had spread. But only about 10 to 20 percent of these patients actually turned out to have cancer cells in their lymph nodes — so many had undergone the invasive and potentially dangerous surgery for no real reason. As a result, studies of patients who had a node dissection, as the operation is called, didn't have a better chance of survival.

ACCURATE MAPPING

Sentinel lymph node mapping can determine exactly which patients need node dissection and further treatment such as interferon and radiation. It allows doctors to see which lymph nodes drain the cancerous region, and to determine if cancer has entered the lymph system yet.

The approach starts with an injection of a radioactive tracer and blue dye near the melanoma site. After giving the injection time to collect in the lymph node, a handheld radiation sensor leads the team to the region where the radioactivity has concentrated. The surgeon can then make a tiny incision there, and look for signs of blue dye entering the first lymph node or nodes. This helps locate the nodes that should be removed and tested for the presence of cancer. Because such nodes are the first stop for traveling cancer cells, they're called "sentinel" nodes.

The lymphatic system in the head and neck is especially complex, with nodes and ducts interlaced with the crucial nerves and blood vessels that allow muscles and organs to function. Lymph fluid from the scalp may drain to hard-to-find nodes a foot below, deep in the neck. And one false move with a scalpel could paralyze parts of the face or shoulders.

The new results show it can be done safely by an experienced team, and still be effective.

The U-M team found that in 80 patients with melanoma on their heads or necks who had the procedure between 1998 and 2000, at least one sentinel lymph node was successfully found in 77 (96.3 percent). The average number of nodes identified was 2.18, and three quarters of them were in the neck. The rest were near the ears, in what's called the parotid region.

In all, 17.5 percent of the patients who underwent mapping were found by pathologists to have cancer cells in their nodes. All had node dissections, and were followed for at least a year.

The remaining patients, whose nodes were cancer-free, were also followed for at least a year. Twelve percent of them developed recurrent disease, but only three patients had a recurrence in the area that had been mapped, giving a "false negative" rate of 4.5 percent.

The positive and false-negative rates from the U-M head and neck study are comparable to those from other studies where head and neck melanoma patients were included along with others, says Bradford, who is an associate professor and division chief of head and neck surgery in the Department of Otolaryngology at the U-M Medical School.

"Based on these results and other studies, we hope that sentinel lymph node mapping becomes part of standard practice for all patients with a melanoma more than 1 millimeter in depth," she says, noting that she and her colleagues will continue to follow the study participants for several more years to determine their long-range experience.

Flu shots keep seniors healthy for 2003

Even though 2002 produced medical news stories about mysterious cruise ship illnesses, the West Nile virus and smallpox vaccinations, Botsford General Hospital physicians continue to be concerned about an "old" story in 2003: the flu. Influenza, or the flu, represents a serious health issue for older adults.

"Older adults are at high risk for complications if they get the flu. The

flu vaccine protects against many strains of the virus and it is not too late to protect yourself this season," says Dr. Paul LaCasse, Botsford's chief medical officer. "The statistics tell us that nearly a third of older adults don't get their shots even though they are free under Medicare.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention strongly recommends the shots annually for all people 65

and older, for people in nursing homes and for those with chronic heart, lung or kidney disease, diabetes, immunosuppression or severe forms of anemia.

"Even someone in excellent health should receive the vaccine," said LaCasse. "Our flu season generally does not peak until January or later, so it is still worthwhile to get your shot."

Annually, about 110,000 Americans are hospitalized and up to 20,000 deaths each year are attributed to the flu or its complications.

LaCasse recommends that anyone who has not yet received a flu shot this season contact his or her primary care physician. For help in locating a primary care physician, contact the Botsford Physician Referral Service toll-free at (877) 442-7900.



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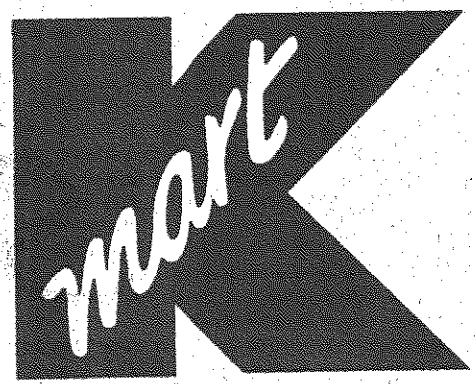
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Gallery buyers appreciate freeway access

The final phase at the Polo Fields residential development in Scio Township - The Gallery - offers homes of all styles and nine different floor plans from which to choose.

And if none of those exactly fits the bill, "we have 40 to 50 more," said Steven Berger, president of BRG Homes. He intends to build 48 detached single family condos around a private golf course off Liberty Road east of Zeeb Road.

And while the Polo Fields is within three miles of Ann Arbor, the community is getting a good look from prospective buyers in the western and northwest suburbs here, Berger said.

"The location is excellent. You're close to U.S. 23, M-14 and I-94. You're 20 minutes from the airport, 35 minutes from Detroit, an hour from Lansing," Berger said. "You're easy on and off the highway, but far enough away that you don't have that distraction."

"Ann Arbor has great dining, great cultural activities. There are 20 parks within a close radius, the Huron River canoe livery," he said.

Then, there's the site and product, themselves.

"You're buying a lifestyle," said Kathy Keenmon, sales manager, adding that a social membership at the private country club comes with a purchase at the Gallery.

"You can work out at the gym (clubhouse), get in a round of golf, take a swim, have lunch and you haven't even left the neighborhood," she said.

"We're gearing for the luxury, upscale buyer," Keenmon added. "This is European, Old World charm."

Most of the homes in the outer ring of the community front the golf course, most in the inner ring a pond.

"People want the convenience of enjoying all the benefits of a country club community without having to mow the lawn, shovel snow or weed the flower bed," Berger said.

"We're going to control the architecture so you won't see 20 of the same house up and down the street," he said.

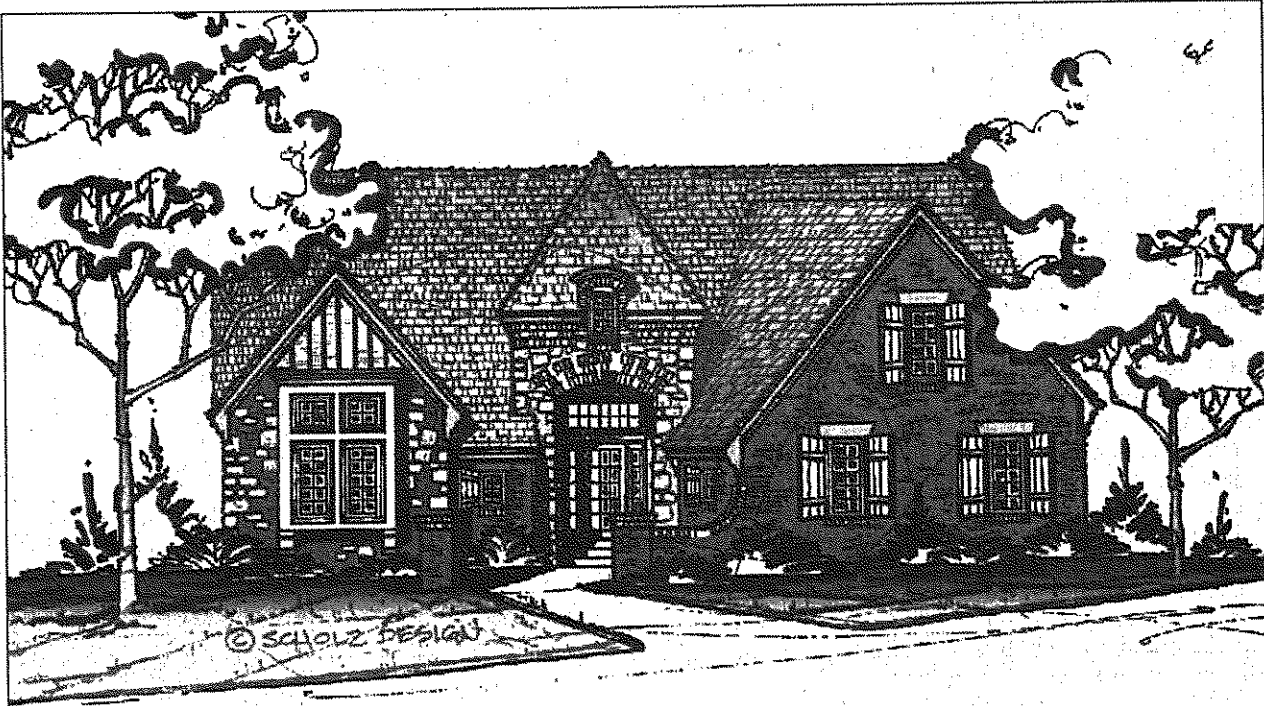
"There is much more custom application being built out here. The association will ensure a more park-like setting for everybody."

Base price of the nine floor plans when built ranges from \$559,950 for a ranch of 2,444 square feet with three bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths to \$729,900 for a story-and-a-half of 3,393 square feet with three bedrooms and 3 1/2 baths.

All of the homes include at base price landscaping, three-car garage, deck, basement, air conditioning and fireplace.

Also standard are separate tub and shower in the master suite; range, microwave and dishwasher in the kitchen; and first-floor laundry.

All homes at the Gallery will include wood or ceramic flooring, carpeting throughout, granite coun-



This story and a half of nearly 3,000 square feet has an apartment option over the garage with separate entrance.

tertops in the kitchen and a light fixture allowance of \$1,000.

Brick, cultured stone, cement siding and dimensional shingles are primary exterior materials. Two models, under construction, should be ready at the end of March, Berger said. Both are first-floor masters with many volume ceilings.

The Arrowridge, 2,995 square feet, contains a large gathering area/gallery off the foyer, a study, formal dining room, great room and master with two walk-in closets, dual-sink vanity and compartmentalized toilet.

Two bedrooms, each with its own bath, are upstairs.

Base price is \$639,900. The model will include an optional studio apartment with bath and private entrance over the

garage (about \$50,000.) The La Voge II, 3,476 square feet, showcases a study, dining room, great room, sitting area off the kitchen/nook and master with a pair of walk-in closets and vanities.

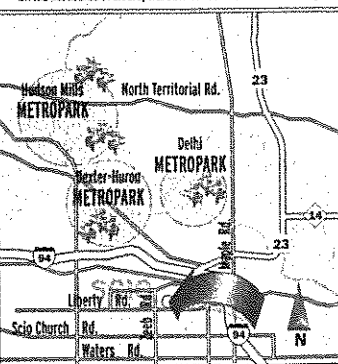
Three bedrooms are upstairs - one with its own bath, the other two sharing a jack-and-jill bath. Base price is \$679,900.

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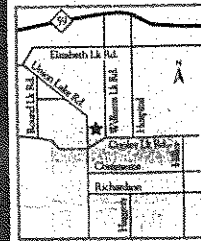
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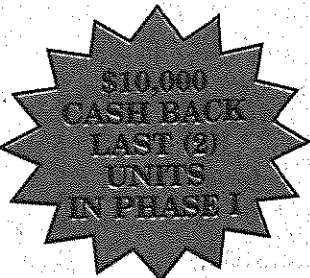
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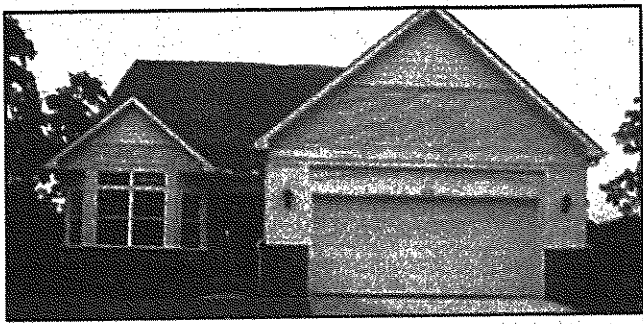
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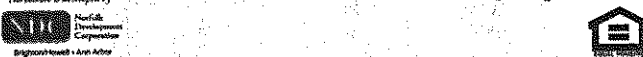
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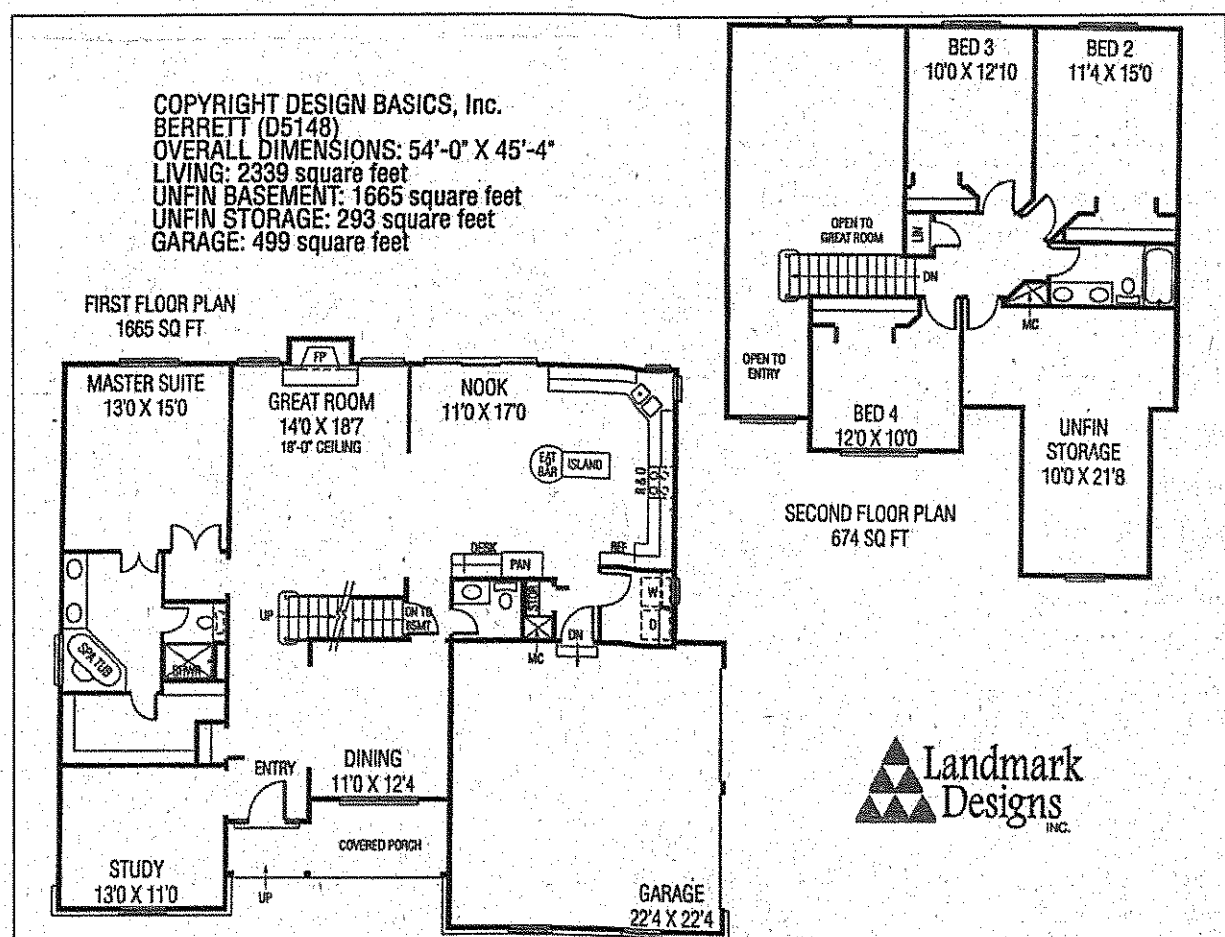
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The dining room is open and could be used as a formal living room, if the owners didn't want a dining room.



The kitchen is open with counter space running around the wall in a U-shape. It has a pantry, built-in desk and an island with circular eating bar. A nook with sliding doors to the back yard is between the kitchen and great room. An 18-foot ceiling increases the spaciousness of the great room. A fireplace with

windows on each side is on the rear wall.

The open area encompassing the great room, nook and kitchen makes for a wonderful area for a family gathering or entertaining friends.

The laundry is off the kitchen and garage.

The master also is on the main floor. A small alcove leads to a French

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If you're contemplating buying a new home, selecting a builder is as important as selecting the right home design.

With over 20 years of experience in residential building, I have found that understanding what it takes to be a successful home builder is an important first step in selecting a builder.

This is especially critical today because of increasingly complex home designs, burgeoning building material options and stiffer state and local building regulations.

In general, a home builder must understand the home's complex systems; pay close attention to detail; and coordinate a team of contractors to sell a quality product. To coordinate this process, builders must think on their feet, plan ahead and tackle a number of tasks simultaneously.

A home builder must be adept at supervising dozens of skilled artisans and professionals including architects, engineers, carpenters, plumbers, electricians, painters and landscapers.

The home builder must know enough about each contractor's trade in order to determine whether the contractor has done quality work. Like a chief executive officer of a company, a home builder relies on a number of workers to get a job done right and has the authority to evaluate and act on each employee's work performance.

Some home builders develop the land on which homes are built. In this capacity, they act as the land surveyor. They must look carefully at a piece of land to determine whether it complies with zoning regulations, local planning laws and environmental restriction, and whether it's suitable for development.

Once a builder determines that a site is suitable for construction, he or she must navigate through the permitting process.

COMMUNITY LIAISONS

Home builders serve as liaisons with their communities and local government officials. They research and study local building codes to determine what can be built in a given location.

In most localities, building codes govern building, plumbing, heating and air conditioning, electrical systems and fire safety. After studying the building codes, the builder must apply for and receive permits from various authorities before proceeding with construction.

Once through the permitting process,

the builder will coordinate site preparation and then manage and oversee the entire construction process – laying the foundation; erecting the framing, roofing and siding; nailing in the floor; building the walls; and installing the exterior trim. The builder also oversees the installation of plumbing, heating and electrical work.

A home builder also plays the role of inspector. Periodically throughout the construction phase, the local building department checks the construction site to ensure compliance with building codes. However, the builder is on the site each day, making certain each home meets both code and warranty guidelines.

Once the home is finished, the builder informs the appropriate municipal departments that it is ready for final inspection.

One goal drives the professional home builder – satisfied customers. To meet this objective, home builders act as public relations professionals. They discuss the construction process and building schedule with their customers. They also plan times when the homebuyer can tour the building site and ask questions about the stereotypes of their new home.

Satisfied customers will recommend a builder to other prospective homebuyers, helping the builder's business to grow.

Home builders also function as buyers, working cooperatively with material suppliers and trade contractors. They often establish a network of material suppliers and contractors with whom they conduct business on a regular basis. The quality of the labor and materials will determine the quality of the home.

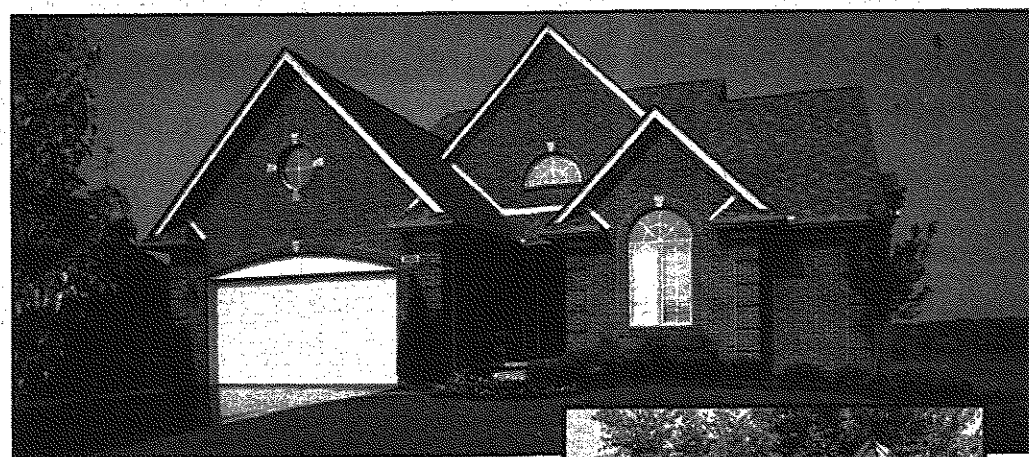
ON SCHEDULE

Finally, home builders are schedulers and record keepers. To keep the construction process moving, builders must develop and track construction timelines and schedules. They have to arrange schedules with contractors in logical work flow patterns until the house is completed. They also have to be adept at juggling schedules when challenges arise.

When selecting a builder for your new home, look for someone who possesses all the attributes necessary for success. From the builder's attention to detail, to their ability to communicate clearly, to their relationship with subcontractors and suppliers, how they manage their business will have a direct impact on the quality of your new home.

Steve Perlman has more than 20 years of residential building experience and is a partner in Ivanhoe-Huntly Companies, West Bloomfield. He's also president of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan.

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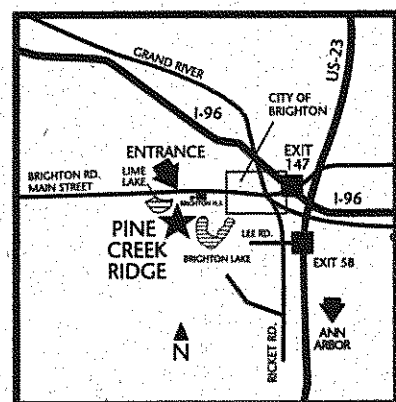


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(AP) – What's perceived as a good housing deal apparently motivates some folks to put themselves out – literally and figuratively – wherever they happen to be. Or want to be.

Nearly three dozen families recently lined up at a sales office for days in advance, hoping for a crack at new homes being offered for less than \$300,000.

That price is considered a bargain by many in suburban Seattle.

People waited in RVs, vans and cars.

"If people can camp out for Star Wars tickets, then why can't we do this?" said Cecilia Switzer, hanging out with her husband.

Quadrant Homes took names and application

forms for 27 three-bedroom homes at its Redmond Ridge development, priced at between \$235,000 and \$262,000.

"It's like the gold rush of the 1800s," said James Unger, who arrived several days in advance with his wife and two daughters. "You have to stake your claim. You have to show your commitment."

It's no question the homes are a bargain. Just 2 percent of new single-family homes in Seattle's eastside suburbs sell for \$280,000 or less.

The houses, which range from about 1,400 to 1,600 square feet, will go fast. Previous sales of similarly priced homes in the development attracted the same kind of crowds.

Each of the waiting families signed a piece of paper on the sales office door to secure a place in line. Being first in line means they'll get first choice of the available lots, and their choice of three "cottage" home styles.

The planned community includes pricier homes as well, some nudging \$600,000, said Quadrant spokesman William Boucher.

"As soon as we buy the homes, they're going to be worth probably \$25,000 more than we paid for them," said Scott Sloane, 28, who recently moved down from Canada with his wife.

The mood is festive. After all, everyone in line is a prospective neighbor, joked Luciana Almeida.

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ers and is within the Ann Arbor school boundaries.

The property tax rate is \$31.63 per \$1,000 of state taxable value, half of sales price for new construction. That means the owners of a \$640,000 home there would pay about \$10,200 the first year. Most lots carry site, construction and landscape premiums due to topography of at least \$40,000.

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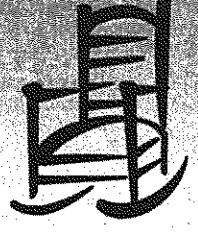
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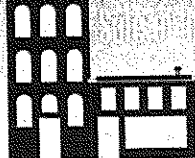
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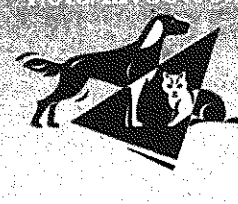
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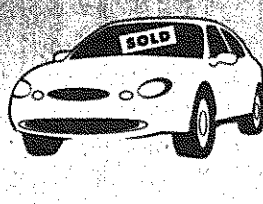
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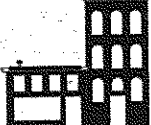
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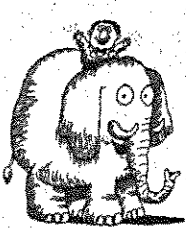
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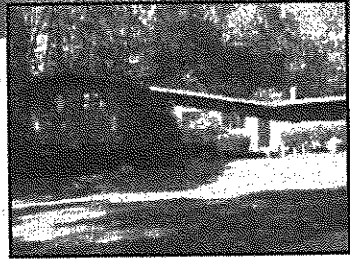
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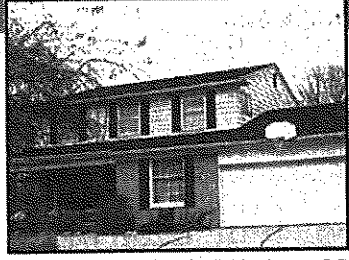
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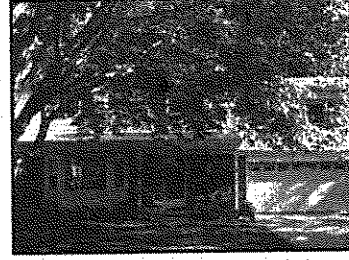
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PLYMOUTH – Updates Abound. Large colonial w/recent addition in '02 offers 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car attached garage, family room w/cathedral ceiling & updated baths, kitchen and deck. \$314,900 (60PAL) 734-455-5600



LAKE ORION – Elegant lakefront colonial with four bedrooms and 2.5 baths. Three car attached garage, family room, two studies, first floor laundry, hardwood floors, two-way fireplace and finished walk-out basement. Professional landscaping. \$539,000 (55LAK) 248-524-1600



WEST BLOOMFIELD – Gorgeous. Double front door entry, circular drive, new kitchen with lots of marble and granite. Great room with cathedral ceiling, marble floors, granite custom fireplace, 4 huge bedrooms, finished basement. \$599,900 (68TIM) 248-652-8000



LAKEFRONT LOG HOME – 4 bedroom, 2 bath, beautiful log home on quiet Sullivan Lake. Home sits on approx. 1.45 acre w/180 ft. of lake frontage. Natural fireplace, cathedral ceiling, hardwood floors t/o, newer windows & roof. Deck facing lake priced to sell. \$329,900 (10LAK) 248-363-1200



BLOOMFIELD HILLS – Lovely 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial. Breakfast room, fenced 2nd family room, 2 fireplaces and cove stone patio on approx 3/4 acre. Circular driveway, side entry 2 car garage and partially finished basement. Great location. \$582,000 (21PAR) 248-642-8100



MILFORD – What A View! Approximately 5.79 acres of trees, nature & privacy nestled into Kensington Metro Park. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial w/many updated amenities such as: white island kitchen, updated baths, hardwood stone flooring & many more. Finished walk-out. \$474,900 (00VAL) 248-349-5600

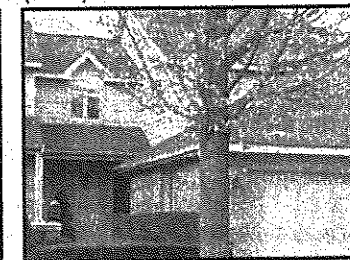


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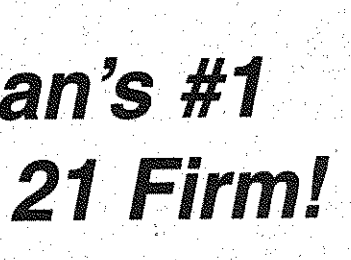
BLOOMFIELD TWSP. – 4 bedroom, 4 bath ranch w/updated kitchen, white cabinets and master suite. Open floor plan, cathedral ceilings in living room, kitchen, dining room and den. Newer furnace/AC and roof. Jack and Jill bath, finished walk-out and deck overlooking private yard. \$579,900 (50LAR) 248-642-8100



NORTHVILLE – A Cut Above. Resort style living w/perfect waterfront views. 2 bedroom, 3.5 bath condo. Loft/study, 2 fireplaces, mirror wall, dining room/door to private deck. Finished walk-out LL/door to terrace leads to dock, FFL. Meticulous landscaping. \$419,900 (53BLU) 248-349-5600



PLYMOUTH – Lovely. Hard to find 4 bedroom sprawling ranch nestled in one of Plymouth's most prestigious areas. \$334,900 (03POR) 734-455-5600



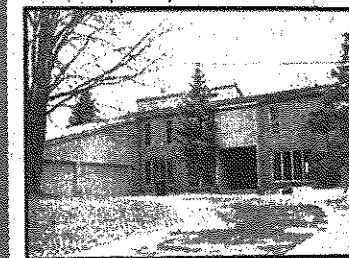
TROY – Newly constructed home in Troy with Troy schools. Four bedrooms, 2.5 baths, full basement and huge two car garage. Two story foyer, formal dining room, first floor laundry. Oak and ceramic flooring. Luxury master suite. \$389,900 (47WOR) 248-524-1600



OAKLAND – Designer Home. Spectacular 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home built in 2000. Full daylight basement, 3 car garage, 9' ceilings, large kitchen w/built-ins, butlers pantry, family room fireplace, library, 1st floor laundry. Community pool, tennis and ball fields. \$427,900 (39WIN) 248-652-8000



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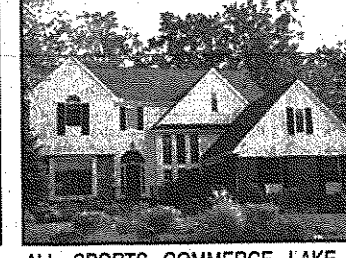
COMMERCE – 1999 Built Contemporary in Cranberry Estates. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths w/amenities galore & a treed lot w/privacy. 2 story living room & dining room. Full basement prepped for bath, hardwood flooring, maple island kitchen, huge master w/WIC, jetted tub. \$399,900 (63CRA) 248-349-5600



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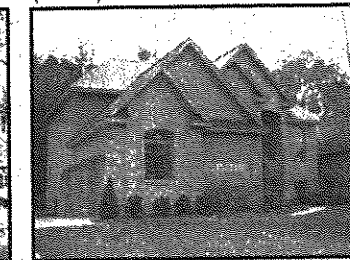
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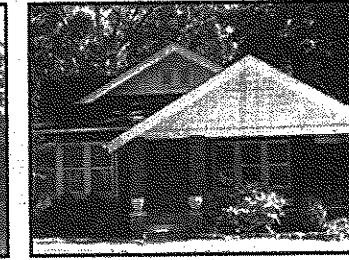
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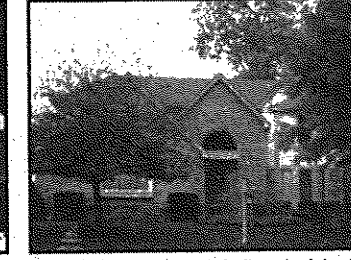
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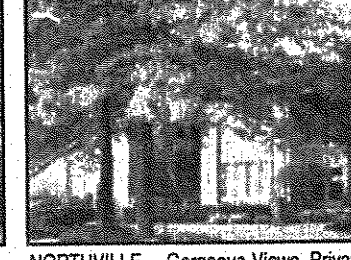
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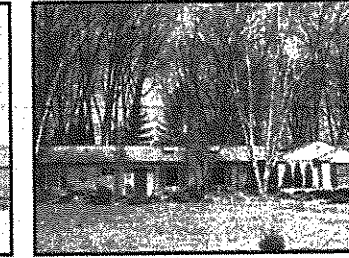
NORTHVILLE – Gorgeous Views. Private treed rear yard, spacious site. Elegant 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 2 powder rooms, 2 story great room and entry. 2 fireplaces. Big kitchen and dining room. Finished lower level walk-out. 3 car garage. \$574,900 (20LON) 248-626-8800



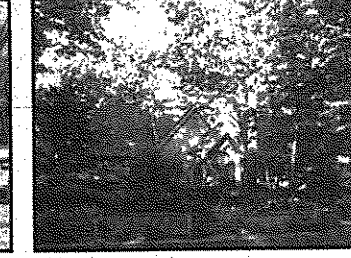
TROY – Brick 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath colonial with Troy Schools. Neutral decor, hardwood floors t/o including kitchen & all bedrooms. Natural fireplace in large living room, updated kitchen w/appliances & huge master suite w/dual closets & private bath. Basement, 2 car garage - one of a kind home! \$430,000 (23MIL) 248-642-8100



MILFORD – Builders Home. Custom built 4 bedroom, 2 full & 2 half baths w/3 car attached garage, finished walk-out basement, 2 master suites, gourmet kitchen w/appliances. \$579,900 (01DEE) 734-455-5600



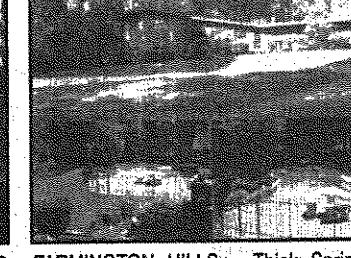
TROY – Charnwood Hills custom three bedroom ranch with 3.5 car garage and a park-like setting. Updated throughout. Huge family room with cathedral ceiling. Open, bright home with ten skylights. Workout room. Bloomfield schools. \$339,900 (00BRE) 248-524-1600



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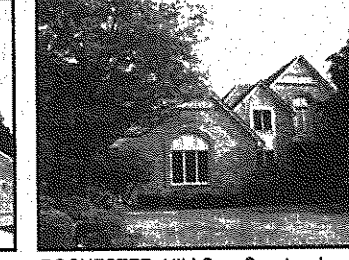
FARMINGTON HILLS – Think Spring! Better yet, let's think summer! Enjoy this 5 bedroom, 2+ 2 bath custom home on an incredible .85 acre (approx.) treed lot with gardens, trees and pool. Offers a huge kitchen, great room with fireplace & wet bar, possible in-law suite & walk-out basement. \$559,000 (29MIL) 248-626-8800



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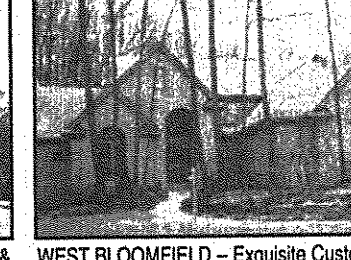
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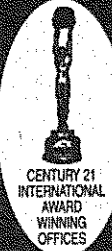
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Help Wanted General 5000

MAINTENANCE PART TIME
Canton Township is accepting applications for Part-Time Maintenance, performing primarily custodial duties. Monday through Friday 8am to 12pm. \$7.50 per hr. Must possess a current, valid Michigan Drivers license with a driving history that does not create liability concerns; which includes, but is not limited to, convictions for reckless driving, careless driving, suspended license, or convictions involving drinking and impaired driving. Applicant may be required to apply for his/her driving record, at own expense, through the Secretary of State. Applications must be picked up at the Canton Township Human Resources Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at: www.canton-mi.org.

MAINTENANCE PERSON
A Southfield based commercial building management

Help Wanted General 5000

SEASONAL
LABORER/
GENERAL
GROUNDS

Canton Township is accepting applications for General Grounds (Parks Division) from individuals interested only in working seasonal, temporary work. \$7.50/hr. Must possess a current, valid Michigan Drivers License with a driving history that does not create liability concerns; which includes, but is not limited to, convictions for reckless driving, careless driving, suspended license, or convictions involving drinking and impaired driving. Applicant may be required to apply for his/her driving record, at own expense, through the Secretary of State. Applications must be picked up at the Canton Township Personnel Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at www.canton-mi.org. All applicants must complete a Canton Township application form in its entirety and the form must be received by Canton Township Human Resources Division prior to 4pm, February 24, 2003. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

SECRETARY

Entry level position. Exp. with MS Word and MS Excel a MUST. No degree necessary. Duties include filing, typing, working in A/P & A/R. Excellent benefit pkg./excellent pay. Fax resume to 248-357-2332

SECURITY GUARDS

Work for a professional team. Currently accepting applications for part time positions on all shifts. Please call 888-382-4800

SENIOR GRAPHIC
DESIGNER

HoMedics, a large supplier of personal care products, has an opening for a Senior Graphic Designer. The ideal candidate will have a 4-year degree, 3+ years Macintosh experience, including Adobe Illustrator, Quark and Photoshop.

Competitive salary and excellent benefits, including 401(k). Interested applicants must include a minimum salary requirement to be considered for this position. Please fax or email resume with: HoMedics, 3000 Pontiac Trail, Commerce Twp, MI 48390, Fax: 248-863-3119, email: resume@homedics.com. HoMedics is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Shipping & Receiving
Must be familiar with digital scales, hi-lo driving, some inspection. Call 734-458-2130

SIDING INSTALLERS
Gale Insulation in Wixom, a drug free work place, whom offers top wages with full benefits, is looking for experienced people for a new siding crew. A Fortune 500 company. They must have a good driving record. Anyone with these qualifications can call Rocky at 248-960-9777.

SOLID WASTE COORDINATOR CITY OF TROY
\$41,964-\$62,946. Requires Bachelor's degree in Public/Business administration or related field plus (2) years recent full time related experience. Applications available until 2/17/03 at Human Resources, 4000 W. Big Beaver, 48084 or www.ci.troy.mi.us. EOE

SPORTS MARKETING \$500-\$600/wk
Young Sports/Ent. Marketing firm w/ a blue chip client list has just entered the busy season. Need help fast in all areas. No exp. required. Must start ASAP. CALL KYLE @ (734) 432-5101

SPRING COILER SET-UP PERSON
Requires 3 yrs. minimum set-up experience on automatic &/or CNC compression spring coiling equipment. Wages extremely competitive, based on experience. Comprehensive benefit package. Contact Tom Robinson at 248-616-3390

Help Wanted General 5000

TEACHER or Teacher's Assistant needed for In home day care Afternoons Mon.-Fri. 1-5:30pm. 734-525-4626

TEACHER- Bloomfield Montessori Preschool looking for only Montessori trained teacher or assistant for toddler class. Good pay, flexible hours. Needed ASAP. 248-646-5770

TECHNICIANS WANTED
Gordon Chevrolet is seeking to add experienced technicians. Top pay and benefits. Must be dedicated to excellent customer service. Contact Rick @ 31850 Ford Rd., Garden City. (734) 427-6200

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Experienced, Part time. 313-532-6905

TELEMARKETERS/ LOAN OFFICERS/ WANTED
We'll train the right person. Start your career in this exciting office environment now! Call 248-706-1513.

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Ideal for mom's/retirees/students. \$8 per hour to start plus commissions and daily bonuses. **CAN YOU TALK ON THE PHONE?** If you possess good communication skills and are looking for a great opportunity, Call 734-629-0237 Livonia area

TEMPLATE MAKER/FITTER
For steel fabrication shop. Full-time + benefits. Call: 734-266-8281

THE PERFECT JOB FOR THE PERFECT PERSON

Do you have excellent marketing/sales skills? Do you take pride in meeting and exceeding goals? Are you willing to go the extra mile to get the job done? Do you enjoy a challenge? If you answered yes to these questions, we have an opportunity for you as a Manager of one of our upscale communities in the Northville/Canton area. As manager you will be responsible for the daily operations of the community and for achieving optimal marketing and sales goals. Previous experience necessary. Great health insurance, 401(k) with match, paid vacation, holidays and much more available. Please submit resume to: Human Resources, P.O. Box 760571, Lathrup Village, MI 48076-0571. Equal Opportunity Employer

TITLE INSURANCE AGENCY in Bingham Farms desires experienced ESCROW OFFICER/PROCESSOR 3-5 yrs. exp. required. Benefits. Fax resume to: 248-642-0055 or e-mail Mr. Eilman: heilman@fidelitytitlecompany.com

TOOL AND GAGE DESIGNER
A well established company in the Ann Arbor area is seeking a qualified person for a position of tool and gage designer. 5 years experience. Must have ability to design and detail all types of built up gages. Must be able to operate AutoCad 14 and 2000. Must be able to work unsupervised. Must be able to interpret customer specifications and drawings. Company has complete insurance package. Send resume to: c/o Brian Melton, 206 S. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48104 or fax to 734-662-5299, attn: Brian.

TOOL MAKER/ LEADER
Tool Maker/Leader. Exp. in automotive tooling & ability to read blueprints a must. Wages equal to ability. Benefit package, 401k. Send/ Fax resume to: **OXBOW** MACHINE PRODUCTS, INC. 12777 Merriman Livonia, MI 48150 Fax: (734) 422-7750

Truck Driver/Janitor
Part time for tool company. Apply in person or fax resume 22108 W. 8 Mile Rd., Southfield, Fax: 248-352-7907

TUITION FREE SCHOOL 3-week Training. Must be 21. Guaranteed Job Upon Completion. Inexperience/Experienced Welcome. Long Haul Trucking. 48 States. MCT/Wood Trucking. Call 1-800-621-4878.

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Help Wanted General 5000

Upscale spa looking for **P.R. Representative**
Spa Director
Makeup Artist
Call 248-229-1487

VENDOR
MANAGEMENT
RECRUITER

Full-time position recruiting and monitoring county and municipal public records contractors. Title, mortgage, or recruiting experience preferred. Benefits. Fax resume to Tom W. at 734-983-9041.

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WAREHOUSE

Ceramic tile co. in Livonia has an available full time position. Must have 2-3 years warehouse experience. Benefits, profit sharing & 401K. Call: HR Manager: (248) 476-7850, ext. 2264 or fax resume: (248) 476-3928

WAREHOUSE Entry position available in our packing dept. Must have valid drivers license & able to lift up to 70#. Starting \$8-10 per hr. Hours 9am-5:45pm. Accepting applications from 9am-1pm at J. Thomas Distributors, 8230 Goldie Street, Walled Lake.

WELDER

MIG, TIG Stick, and ARC-AIR operations in steel foundry. Welding experience required. Certification to AWS/ASME Code preferred. Competitive wages and excellent benefits commensurate with experience.

Send resume to: Human Resources, P.O. Box 767, Novi, MI 48376-0767 or fax your resume to: (248) 349-0244

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ACCOUNTING
Basic accounting, payroll, budget control, AR/AP. Prefer experience with computer accounting program. 734-261-7801

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST (Full Time) Livonia real estate office now hiring. Requires phone skills, computer skills, and organizational skills. Must be able to communicate well. Looking for outgoing, personable, self-starter who is a team player. Email resume to: ruffe@comcast.net or fax 734-525-3920 or call Kim or Robert @ 734-525-4200

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT Leading beauty distributor is looking for a highly motivated, full time administrative assistant. Strong: clerical, organizational and computer skills in Excel a must. Cosmetology exp. preferred. Excellent compensation package. Send resume to: mhanna@theinallcgroup.com or fax to 248-347-2597

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT National commercial real estate company needs Administrative Assistant for Farmington Hills office. Must have at least 3 years prior experience as an Assistant in the real estate, construction and/or legal industry. We offer competitive salary and excellent benefits package. Please fax resumes to: 248-852-7948.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT The Charter Township of Northville Clerk's Department The Township seeks a qualified person to fill the position of Administrative Assistant. Salary \$50 to \$33. DOO with benefits. An Associates Degree is required along with the knowledge of computers, MS Office, attention to detail and the ability to deal courteously with the general public. Applications are available and returned completed to: Human Resources 41660 Six Mile Northville, MI 48167 by Friday, February 14th at 4:00 pm. Resumes without applications will not be accepted. E.O.E.

Administrative Office
• Recruiting Manager
• Payroll & Records Staff
Full-time, days, with benefits. Must have Excel & A/R computer skills
• Filing Assistant
Part-time, days, flexible hrs. Schoolcraft Rd. - Livonia Call (734) 458-8140 Fax (734) 458-8195

Office Clerical 5020

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BOOKKEEPER - Fast paced co. seeks professional bookkeeper for a pleasant non-smoking environment. Exp. with Excel, Word & QuickBooks Pro. \$12 per hr. No benefits. Call Jay at 248-568-3771

BOOKKEEPER
Part-time, flexible hours. Quickbook exp. useful. Fax: 248-642-0845, attn: Stan.

BOOKKEEPER
Part-time. Seasonal 16-30 hrs/wk. Flexible schedule. Berkley area. A/P, A/R, H/R, banking, quickbooks & Excel exp. necessary. Fax resume attn: HR @ 248-543-2515.

Bookkeeper/Counter Sales A/R, A/P, Exp. only. Peachtree (313) 215-3893. Leave message. (800) 862-1537

BOOKKEEPER/OFFICE Full/part time. Oak Park area. Experienced and computer skills required. Phone skills a plus. Call 734-416-9700. Send resume to: 13200 Cambridge Ct. Plymouth MI 48170

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Executive Assistant \$14
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Secretary \$12
Call 734-485-4235
Or fax your resume to 734-485-4238

CLERICAL ASSISTANT

25 hrs/wk. Mon-Fri. 8:30am-1:30pm. Applicants must have a high school diploma, good office skills, computer exp., be well organized & detail oriented. \$10-\$15/hr. Application deadline: Mon, Feb. 10, 2003. Please send resume to: Karin Fisch, Administrative Assistant, Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188-1600

CLERICAL
Farmington Hills office needs a sharp and energetic clerical person. Must have top clerical and phone skills. Salary will commensurate with experience. Excellent fringe benefits. Send resume: Box 0488, Observer & Eccentric, 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150

CLERICAL
Full-time position. Benefits, hospitalization. Contact Sharon Rowe, Lou LaRiche Chevrolet, 40875 Plymouth Rd., Plymouth, 734-453-4600

CLERICAL
Great opportunity to learn mortgage post closing-shipping positions. Need ability to meet deadlines, accuracy, and Word. Will train. Non-smoking office. Farmington Bank. Full time with benefits. EOE. Mackinac Savings Bank 1-800-575-8772, ext 14

CLERICAL POSITION - Part-time. Novi City/Practic Clinic. Focus on children, athletes and total family wellness care. Must be personable, motivated & positive. Call 248-380-9444

CLERICAL/ADMINISTRATIVE Full time, good pay. Full health care benefits. Fax resume to: 248-557-3923

Clerical/Administrators
Immediate need for administrators with excellent skills and "go get it" attitudes. Responsible for order processing, customer service, data entry and general clerical duties. Excellent verbal and written communication skills as well as customer service experience. Able to multi-task in a fast-paced environment. Proficient with MS Word and Excel. Benefits after 30 days.

Group Leader
Assists supervisor with direction for the administrative staff - workflow, job duties, etc. Strong MS Office knowledge, leadership/supervisory experience, problem solving, good communication and interpersonal skills required, as well as being customer service oriented. Scheduled hours 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

mary-jane.grant@archway.com Fax: 734-713-2683; or mail: Archway Marketing Services P.O. Box 808 Wayne, MI 48184 EOE

CLOSING DEPARTMENT/TITLE Co. is looking to fill a full time position. Exp. helpful, great benefits. Fax resume to: 734-762-3092

COURT RESEARCH CLERK
Canton Public Records firm seeks professional with education and/or experience in court records, tax liens and litigation research. Strong communication skills, computer knowledge, data entry and team player a must. Fax resume to Roni at 888-871-0190.

CUSTOMER SERVICE-INSURANCE
Personal Lines CSR for insurance agency in Novi. Insurance experience and computer background required. Excellent working environment and benefits. Fax resume to: 248-380-6178

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CUSTOMER SERVICE REP/ CIRCULATION
Full time position for dynamic media company. Seeking proactive multi-tasker with strong communication & administrative skills; 3-5 years of customer service experience. Must be computer proficient. Accounts payable experience is a plus. Please fax resume to: Attn: Irene Shokin, 248-304-0049 or email: ishokin@thejewishnews.com

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EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT to \$40K - Word, Excel, Power Point and Access. 3 years executive level exp. Southfield. Call Donna 586-772-6760 Snelling Personnel Services

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT to \$48K - 5 years experience. Support V.P. of International Firm. Strong MicroSoft Office. Must be articulate/professional. Call Barb 586-772-6760 Snelling Personnel Services

FINANCIAL/MEMBERSHIP ASSISTANT
The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center (BBAC) seeks a financial assistant for 25-30 hours weekly. Duties include, but are not limited to, financial data entry, deposit of cash and credit card transactions, membership renewal mailings and record keeping. Please fax resume and salary requirements to Financial Administrator at 248-644-7904

GENERAL OFFICE - Livonia office seeks part time 20-30 hrs. general office help. Multiple job tasks, including data entry, filing and some accounting tasks. Detail oriented, dependable, adept to keyboard, Excel & Word experience helpful. Flexible hours Mon - Fri, 10:00am - 4:00pm. Please fax resume to: 734-422-9391 Attn: Lisa

General Office full/part time Light office work, Farmington account, Phones, data entry, filing, errands, non-smoking office. 248-473-0101

HANDS ON CENTER for physical therapy, in Downtown Plymouth, has a position available for part time clerical help. Fax resume to 734-455-2924 or call 734-455-8370

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LEGAL SECRETARY for busy 6 attorney Southfield real estate law firm. Significant legal experience preferred. Knowledge of WordPerfect and Word essential. Congenial, non-smoking office. Fax resume to 248-543-1259.

LEGAL SECRETARY Southfield personal injury firm seeks minimum 2 yrs. exp. WordPerfect. Salary commensurate with exp. Fax resume to: Office Manager, 248-537-3404

LEGAL SECRETARY Bloomfield Hills law firm seeks exp. legal secretary. Pleasant atmosphere, competitive salary & benefits. Exp. organization, people & word processing skills a must. Fax/send resume to: JMO, 4111 Andover Rd., Ste 300 E, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, fax 248-433-2001

LEGAL SECRETARY Experienced legal secretary needed immediately for busy downtown Birmingham law firm. Position requires attention to detail and proficiency in Microsoft Word. Familiarity with tax, estate planning and probate a plus. The successful candidate will be a poised and motivated self-starter who has demonstrated the ability to manage several tasks at once. Competitive salary and benefit package. Fax (313) 567-1001 mail or deliver resume, references and salary requirements to: The Director of Administration Barry Moorman P.C. 600 Woodbridge Detroit, MI 48226 No telephone calls please.

LEGAL SECRETARY NEEDED
for partner in AV rated Birmingham law firm, must have litigation experience, excellent wages & benefits, send resume to Human Resources P.O. box 1750 Birmingham MI 48012.

LEGAL SECRETARY to \$48,000 - Patent prosecution/trademark experience. Good computer skills. Friendly Ann Arbor Firm. Call Sandy 586-772-6760 Snelling Personnel Services

LITIGATION LEGAL SECRETARY
Experienced for Birmingham law firm. Mail to P.O. Box 736, Birmingham, MI. 48012 or email: marie@swmwm.com

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST/ ASSISTANT
Full time needed for busy podiatry office in Farmington Hills. Experience required. Fax resume to 248-474-0575 or call: 248-417-0120

NATIONAL TITLE co. looking to fill full time position to handle clearing of title issues. Exp. helpful, not necessary. Fax resume to: 734-422-4170

OFFICE ASSISTANT - For non smoking Livonia office. Duties include: Data Entry, answering phones, filing, & other misc. clerical work. Cheerful attitude & good math skills are a must. References are required. Email resume to: CBW@biztvmi.com or fax 734-522-5567

OFFICE ASSISTANT - Bilingual (Spanish/English). Individual to answer phones and input data. 40 hrs/wk., 9 to 5. Good phone etiquette and dependable. Call (248) 638-7895 for interview, ask for Bill.

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OFFICE HELP
Person needed days, invoicing, posting, familiar with Word. High school diploma okay. Call 734-729-4740

OFFICE MANAGER

Full-Time
Busy behavioral health clinic in Wayne. Excellent customer services and office skills. Supervisory experience, minimum HS diploma. Benefits. Send resume and salary requirements to: Hegira Programs, Inc., 8623 N. Wayne Rd., Suite 200, Westland, MI 48185.

OFFICE MANAGER

Needed for growing real estate company. Call 734-905-5966 Leave message

OFFICE MANAGER to \$50K 3 years exp a must, in a law firm a plus. Supervisory background. Strong computer skills. Troy area. Call Barb 586-772-6760 Snelling Personnel Services

OFFICE MANAGER/ ASSISTANT
Knowledge of Peachtree helpful. Excellent organization & phone skills required. Good pay with benefits. Fax resume to 734-425-1422.

PAYROLL ADMINISTRATOR to \$38,000 - 3 years exp doing payroll for 300+ employees. A Union and multi-state exp. a plus. Major suburban firm. Call Barb 586-772-6760 Snelling Personnel Services

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If you have the following, we invite you to apply:
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• Ability to handle confidential information

Must also be well organized, experienced in accounts payable, good math skills, and attention to detail. This is a full time Mon-Fri day position with occasional weekends. Pay range for this position is \$9-\$11/hr. Benefits after 30 days. NO PHONE INQUIRIES, PLEASE. Please include salary requirements. Applications without salary requirements will not be considered.

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ATTN: HR Manager 105 Hagerty Rd. Plymouth, MI 48170 Fax: (734) 455-7359

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RECEPTIONIST - Environmental co. looking for Receptionist to answer phones, do light filing & typing. Please fax resume to 734-522-6654 or email detroit@liveservices.com

RECEPTIONIST
Canton area manufacturer is looking for a Receptionist. Must have great telephone, general office, MS Word/Excel, and organizational skills. Detail-oriented essential. We offer a competitive package, including medical/dental and 401K. Please fax your resume to: 734-482-1754 or call 734-482-1750 for more details. EOE

RECEPTIONIST
for physical therapy clinic, clinical, clerical duties. Fax 734-838-0773

RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY to answer phones/clerical duties for busy law firm. Exp. necessary. Fax resume to: 734-261-4737

Sales Support Assistant
Busy distributor sales office in Western Wayne County seeks full-time enthusiastic individual to assist with various clerical duties in support of daily business activities. Qualified applicant should possess organizational, interpersonal, and teamwork skills. Applicant should have Windows experience along with Word, Excel, Access, Data Entry, computer knowledge. Database and accounting experience helpful. Company offers pay commensurate with experience and a comprehensive benefit package including 401K. Please send resume along with education, work experience, references and wage requirements to:

CGL Corporation, Attn: GE P.O. Box 2970 Livonia, MI 48151

SECRETARIAL
Full-time for a court reporting firm. Duties include: phones, filing & typing. Must be detail oriented. 13 MI/Telegraph. Call Meredith for an interview. 248-644-8888

SECRETARY
Growing office in Southfield looking for professional secretary to support busy department. MS Word, Excel & PowerPoint. 50+ WPM. Please email resume to Valerie at employ@pobox.com

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SECRETARY
needed FULL TIME for large Livonia real estate office. Must be a "people-person", dependable, neat, task oriented & computer literate. Call Larry Frey 734-464-6400

SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST
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Great benefits, BC/BS, 401K, holiday pay, some overtime. Great working environment. No calls or faxes. Mail resume only to: Controller 111 W. Ann Arbor Rd. Plymouth, MI 48170

SERVICE COORDINATOR

GB Sales & Service, Inc. the southeastern Mitsubishi forklift dealer, has a full time opening in our Plymouth, MI office for a detail-oriented professional to perform administrative duties in our service department. Candidate should be highly organized, self-motivated, and able to handle multiple projects simultaneously. Should be proficient in MS Word, Outlook, and Excel. Competitive compensation, full benefits including paid vacation/holidays, medical, dental, and 401K. Fax resume to Roger Runyan at 734-455-5228 or email to

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WOUND CARE NP
Large medical practice in Southfield seeks experienced ET nurse to provide wound management for homebound patients. Company vehicle provided. No evenings, weekends or holidays. Excellent salary/benefits. Fax CV in confidence to ML at: (248) 324-0761

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ASSISTANT COK
6:30am-2:30pm, Mon-Fri. for private High school. Exp. needed. 248-476-8020, Ext. 221

BREAKFAST COOK/DISH-WASHER Full time, 5:30am-2pm. Plymouth Inn - Assisted Living, 205 Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170. 734-451-0700

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FOOD SERVICE DIRECTOR

Senior living facility in the Novi area seeks a Food Service Director. Responsibilities include the overall quality of the food program and service and cost effectiveness for their property. Requirements: Prior experience with management of healthcare food service, strong supervisory, interpersonal and communication skills and a registered dietitian. Full-time employees are eligible for health and dental insurance. E.E.O. Please send resumes with salary requirements to HR/BB, P.O. Box 255005, West Bloomfield, MI 48325.

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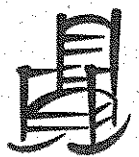
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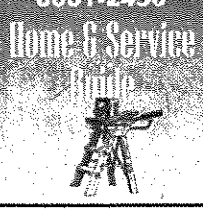


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While Avanti NewsFeatures Editor Anne Fracassa is on vacation this week, Avanti colleague Dave Menard, the news services Southeast Bureau chief, provides us with this week's review of the 2003 Cadillac CTS. He tested the car in Orlando, Fla.

I can sum up the week I spent with the 2003 Cadillac CTS like this: this car is just plain cool. I'm trying to remember the last time I could use "Cadillac" and "cool" in the same sentence; it's been a long time, to be sure.

The 2003 CTS, though, is not only the coolest Caddy ever, it's one of the coolest cars on the road.

The CTS doesn't look like a "typical" Cadillac. Its lines are sharp, the profile is aggressive, and the look is almost "edgy." The integrated headlamps are thin and tall, and, in a nod to tradition, the CTS incorporates a large, egg-crate grille. The CTS comes with fog lamps, power heated outside mirrors and 16-inch alloy wheels.

Cadillac has given the CTS an engine that matches its aggressive look - it's a 3.2-liter V-6. It's a longitudinally mounted V-6 with aluminum cylinder heads, and an improved combustion chamber design to reduce unburned hydrocarbons, and a drive-by-wire throttle system for better emissions performance.

It's rated at 220 hp at 6000 rpm and delivers 220 lb.-ft. of torque at 3400 rpm. When you get past the numbers, what it means is that you've got plenty of power off the line and smooth sailing on the freeway. It does require premium fuel.

The powertrain also features either a five-speed manual or a five-speed automatic transmission. The five-speed manual is from Gertag, and uses a rod-actuated shift linkage.

It shifts smoothly and quickly with a good, short



The 2003 Cadillac CTS: The coolest Caddy Ever. Vehicle class: Midsize luxury car. Power: V-6 engine. Mileage: 18 city/25 highway. Where built: Lansing, MI. Base price: \$29,350. As tested: \$37,415.

throw; it feels solid and sure. The automatic is a Hydra-Matic, and includes a shift mode button that allows you to select between Sport, Winter, and Economy modes.

As you would expect in any Cadillac, the ride of the CTS is tight and smooth.

The standard suspension is a four-wheel, independent suspension with coil-over shocks and anti-roll bar, in front. In the rear, it's a modified multi-link coil springs and an anti-roll bar.

With the optional Luxury Sport Package, you get automatic load-leveling shock absorbers and a sport-tuned suspension.

If you opt for that package, you also get speed-sensitive power steering, 17" alloy wheels, eight-way power passenger seat, audible alarm system, wood trim, a talknote recorder and a Homelink garage door opener.

Inside, the CTS has the look and feel of an airplane cockpit - full of instruments and controls. The standard leather power seats are comfortable and provide good support. There's plenty of room in the CTS, for both the driver and front and rear seat passen-

gers.

The CTS comes with dual zone climate control, power windows and locks, keyless entry, cruise control and rear window defogger. The standard audio system is an AM/FM cassette/CD system with seven speakers. Cadillac offers an optional Bose system with a six-disc CD changer, and also offers the XM Satellite Radio service (monthly subscription fee is extra).

Other options include a sunroof, heated seats and high-intensity discharge headlamps.

The 2003 Cadillac CTS starts at a little over \$29,000. Add the luxury Sport Package, the optional sound system, the heated seats, the HID headlamps and the sunroof and you're looking at almost \$37,000.

Cadillac wants the CTS to compete with luxury sports cars like the BMW and Mercedes, and with the 2003 edition, it's on its way to doing just that.

Write Anne or Dave with your opinions of the CTS by writing avanti1054@aol.com

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24 hour roadside assistance, three year/36,000 bumper-to-bumper, 2.2L DOHC engine, four speed automatic transmission, 15" alloy wheels, P215/60R15 touring tires, fog lights, leather wrap steering wheel, remote keyless entry. [Stock #03-1027]*

GMS.....	\$12,675⁰³	Retail.....	\$13,457⁶³
GMS Lease.....	\$134²⁶	Retail Lease.....	\$151⁷⁰
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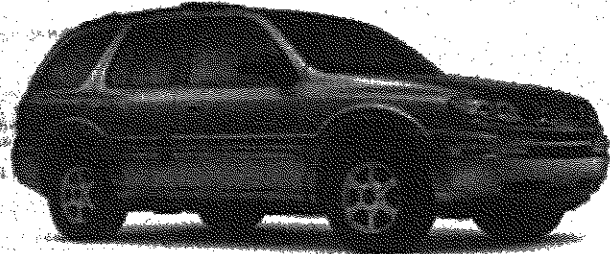
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Rear spoiler, 24 hour roadside assistance, three year/36,000 bumper-to-bumper, 3.4L V6 engine, four speed automatic transmission, 16" polished wheels, P215/60R15 touring tires, fog lights, leather wrap steering wheel, remote keyless entry. [Stock #03-1115]

GMS.....	\$15,345⁰³	Retail.....	\$16,248²³
GMS Lease.....	\$209⁶⁶	Retail Lease.....	\$229⁷⁷
Total Due \$1944.23		Total Due \$1965.56	

2003 BRAVADA AWD



Side impact airbags, rain sense wipers, electric sliding glass sunroof, automatic load leveling, heated front seats, vortec 4200 SFI, 4 speed automatic, polished aluminum wheels, memory driver seat, P255/60R17 tires. [Stock #03-1163]

GMS.....	\$28,153⁵³	Retail.....	\$29,645⁹³
GMS Lease.....	\$366³⁴	Retail Lease.....	\$399⁶¹
Total Due \$2110.32		Total Due \$2145.59	

2003 SILHOUETTE GL EWB



Power passenger side sliding door, 3.4L V6 engine, three year/36,000 mile bumper-to-bumper warranty, pulse wipers, power windows, power locks, luggage carrier, cruise control. [Stock #03-1087]*

GMS.....	\$19,654⁷⁶	Retail.....	\$20,789⁹³
GMS Lease.....	\$227⁵³	Retail Lease.....	\$252⁷⁴
Total Due \$2121.18		Total Due \$2147.90	

2003 SILHOUETTE



3.4L V6 engine, three year/36,000 mile bumper-to-bumper warranty, leather seating, heated driver & front pass seats, leather wrapped tilt steering wheel, power passenger side sliding door, luggage carrier, cruise control. [Stock #03-1152]

GMS.....	\$25,299³⁸	Retail.....	\$26,641⁹³
GMS Lease.....	\$324⁰⁶	Retail Lease.....	\$354⁵⁹
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