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Jan Fallat of Canton (right) receives a hug from Louise Tuszynski of St. Thomas A'Beckett Church following the survivor walk during Saturday's Relay for Life in Heritage Park. Fallat discovered a lump in one of her breasts in February, just two months after a mammogram had come back with negative results.

Relay for Life's Survivors Walk draws more than 100

Event raises more
than \$160,000

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Tears and hugs, support
and determination were
hallmarks of the Survivors
Walk that kicked off the day-
long sixth annual Relay for
Life gathering and fund-
raiser Saturday for the
American Cancer Society in
Heritage Park.

"I felt I was healthy
enough to do this," said
Theresa Kearney, a five-year
breast cancer survivor.

Kearney was joined by
about 120 other survivors
who donned designated yellow T-shirts for the
Survivors Walk that fol-



(From left) Sara Hamon of Westland, Victoria Massey, 7, Caroline Massey and Caitlyn Morgan, 12, all of Canton, wear pirate gear as they represent Cruises Unlimited with their flag and theme, "Cancer Walks the Plank."

lowed an opening ceremony
led by Debbie Zevalkink,
local organizer, and the
mother of son Marcus, a
cancer survivor.

As a fund-raiser, the 24-
hour event culminated in
raising \$160,017.64 for can-

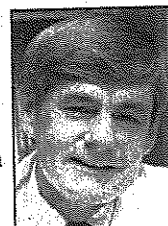
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'Gentleman farmer' was devoted to family

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

He is remembered as a
devoted veterinarian, a 35-
year-member of the Plymouth
Rotary Club with a perfect
attendance record, a Canton
community activist and a
"gentleman farmer."

But Richard Kirchgatter's family and
friends also remember him as a devotee of



Kirchgatter

John Deere Tractors, which he would repair,
rebuild and restore before riding them
around his farm.

"He was a John Deere kind of guy,"
recalled longtime friend and Canton
Township Clerk Terry Bennett. "He loved to
be on his tractor."

Kirchgatter died Tuesday after a 13-year
battle with cancer. He was 65.

A native of Iowa, Kirchgatter moved to the

PLEASE SEE KIRCHGATTER, A6

Crescent plans massive expansion

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

Students at Crescent Academy
International next year will be
able to eat their lunches and have
gym class in separate rooms and
say goodbye to portable class-
rooms thanks to a school expan-
sion that will more than double
the building's size.

A cafeteria, glass-covered atrium,
science labs and 22 class-
rooms will be added in the
70,000-square-foot expansion –
which will bring the school's total
square footage to nearly 100,000
square feet.

Classroom capacity will be
more than tripled with the expan-
sion.

The expanded building is
expected to open in time for the
2004 school year, said Dave
Tauhidi, school director.

Crescent Academy, which
opened in 1991, is a private school
with an enrollment of 270
preschoolers through eighth-

graders and 20 staff members.

"Our enrollment is increasing
slowly but steadily," Tauhidi said,
adding that the percentages of
increase vary from year to year.
As many as 600 students can be
comfortably enrolled in the
school after it is expanded.

ON THE GROW

The school appears to be a
draw for Muslim families.

"We've had a lot of professional
people move into Canton because
of the school," Tauhidi said.

A vast majority – or about 80
percent – of Crescent's students
are from Canton or Plymouth.
This is good, Tauhidi said,
because the school no longer pro-
vides transportation for its stu-
dents.

A typical Crescent Academy
school day is much like a typical
public school day, with reading,
math, science, gym class and, of

PLEASE SEE EXPANSION, A5

Canton gears up for Liberty Fest

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

When the first Liberty Fest
dawned in Canton 12 years ago,
planners had three goals. Today,
those goals are accomplished
and new ideas are in the hopper
for the township's four-day fun
event, Thursday, June 19
through Sunday, June 22.

The three goals: Showcase
Heritage Park; host a family
friendly festival; and have an
event close to Independence Day.
"We stuck to these goals. Now,
here we are. Heritage Park is
now well-known. It's a gem," said

Bob Dates, Canton recreation
supervisor, and Liberty Fest
mover and shaker. "All of our
activities are family friendly. We
have lots of room to walk around
and with the park's ponds, it
makes for a wonderful atmos-
phere."

The festival is a blend of the
tried and truly successful, as well
as the new. Visitors can be
assured they will be met with
activities they have made popu-
lar. The festival will begin with
Movie Under the Stars on
Thursday evening. The 4,000-

PLEASE SEE FEST, A8

Board hopeful readies for his school role

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

This will be the third time
Richard Ham-Kucharski has
sought a seat on
the Plymouth-
Canton Board of
Education.

And, this year
in particular,
Ham-Kucharski
believes he's bet-
ter prepared to be
elected to one of
the two four-year
seats in the June 9 election.

"It's been a conscious effort to
gain and expand my knowledge of
the issues," Ham-Kucharski said.
"It started out finding better ways
for my own son, to give him edu-
cational opportunities. But, also



Ham-Kucharski

from that effort, I needed to get
more involved and expand my
understanding of the district.

"It's related to the work I've
done in special education and
general education services," he
added, "and some of the training
I've done on the state level over
the past year; taking that training
and bringing it back to this dis-
trict. I've learned a lot of creative
ways that we can partner with the
community and legislators and
really try to help this community."

Ham-Kucharski said he'd like
to see Plymouth-Canton Schools
partner more with local business-
es and corporations as a way to
help fund various programs and
activities, which would mean

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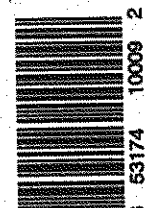
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Father considers family lucky after Canton accident

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

For a Plymouth family (now living in Southgate) a trip to the doctor's office to get a routine checkup for their two-week-old twins turned into a nightmare last week.

William Merriman and his wife, Lisa Wolske, were taking their infant sons, Alex and Jack, for their two-week checkup Friday when they were involved in a four-car accident at Warren and Canton Center roads.

A Pepsi semi-truck was southbound on Canton Center about 10 a.m. when it struck a Nissan Pathfinder, driven by a 59-year-old Plymouth woman, that was eastbound on Warren and made a right turn on Canton Center into the path of the truck.

The truck ended up knock-

ing down two fences and a child's swing set and came to rest in a backyard. The driver of the truck, a 41-year-old Monroe man, was not injured.

The Nissan driver was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital for non-life-threatening injuries. The intersection was closed for hours.

Merriman was driving a Ford Taurus southbound on Canton Center.

"We were on the left side of the Pepsi truck," he said. "The Nissan was coming from the right side. We didn't even see it."

Merriman swerved to avoid an accident and collided with an Olds Toronado driven by a Muskegon man, who was also uninjured.

"I saw the Pepsi truck swerve," he said. "I thought the axle was broken. We got lucky. We were hit in the right

front, not the back of the side."

Although there were no serious injuries in the accident, Merriman, his wife and their sons were taken to Oakwood Canton to be checked.

"I later had to go to Annapolis for a CAT scan," Merriman said. "They thought my spleen might have been injured. Everything came back negative. Everybody was definitely lucky. No one was seriously hurt."

And what about the two-week-old twins, Jack and Alex?

"They slept through the whole thing," Merriman said.

Merriman, who, ironically, dispatches semi-trucks for Mohawk Trucking in Detroit, has been a lifetime Plymouth resident.

But Saturday after the acci-



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A back yard swing set was the main casualty of this tractor-trailer rig in the back yard of a Canton resident Friday after the driver apparently swerved to avoid a vehicle that had turned into his path.

dent, the family was scheduled to move to Southgate to be closer to his wife's family, who live in River Rouge.

They made the move as scheduled, with a little help.

"Friends and family did all the moving," Merriman said. "I couldn't lift anything."

On Monday of this week the twins finally got their scheduled checkup, along with

mother and father.

"Everyone was fine," he said. "We were definitely lucky."

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Canton resident sentenced to 50 months for criminal sexual conduct

A 21-year-old Canton resident has been sentenced to 50 months in prison in connection with a criminal sexual charge involving a Canton teenager.

Jody Preston Yanez was sentenced on May 14 by Judge David Groner in the Frank Murray Hall of Justice.

The sentence, for third degree criminal sexual conduct, will run concurrently with a 51 month sentence out of Oakland County on a similar charge.

Yanez was arrested after a 15-year-old Canton girl told police she met a man she knew only as "JD" at a Plymouth coffee shop on March 5.

She exchanged telephone numbers with him and the following day he called and asked her to meet him at

POLICE BRIEFS

Westland Mall.

The two returned to Canton where they went to a movie, and then to an apartment complex sauna on Ford Road where he allegedly assaulted her.

SADDLE RUSTLED

A resident of the 44000 block of Harsdale told police someone entered his unlocked 2003 Jeep Grand Cherokee sometime between 10 p.m. May 11 and 5 p.m. May 15 and stole two items.

Taken were a saddle valued at \$2,000 and a pair of cowboy boots valued at \$1,000.

HUBCAPS TAKEN

A North Spring Drive resident reported to police that someone removed two passenger side hubcaps from his 1988 Pontiac 6000 while it was parked near his home. The incident occurred between 5 p.m. May 18 and 3 p.m. May 19.

RINGS STOLEN

A resident of the 4500 block of Trails Court reported to police that someone broke into her apartment between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. May 19.

She said a back window screen was down and the window was open when she arrived home. Two rings, valued at \$1,200, were missing.

By Jack Gladden

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Now don't run out and buy up all the "Express Mail" envelopes out there unless you really want your new passport expedited.

"You don't need them for regular passports," Canton Clerk Terry Bennett said.

The Canton Clerk's office now can accept and process applications for U.S. passports. Completed applications, including all required documentation, are accepted from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Bennett wants the public to know that customers who want passports — but don't need them in a hurry — have no need to buy "Express Mail" envelopes.

If you are applying for a routine application, you should receive your new passport in the mail within six weeks. If

you're in a hurry — expedited service — you can expect your passport within three weeks, but it will cost you an additional fee.

The basic fee for an application is \$55 for anyone 16 and older. The application fee for children younger than 16 is \$40. Customers who want their passport faster will pay a \$60 expedited fee. But Canton Township is allowed to charge a processing fee of \$30. The application fee to renew your passport is \$55, plus the township processing fee. What you need to apply for a passport:

■ Proof of citizenship: A previous U.S. passport, certified birth certificate and, for those not born in the United States, a certificate of naturalization or certificate of citizenship.

While a U.S. driver's license serves for identification, it is not considered as proof of citizenship, Bennett said.

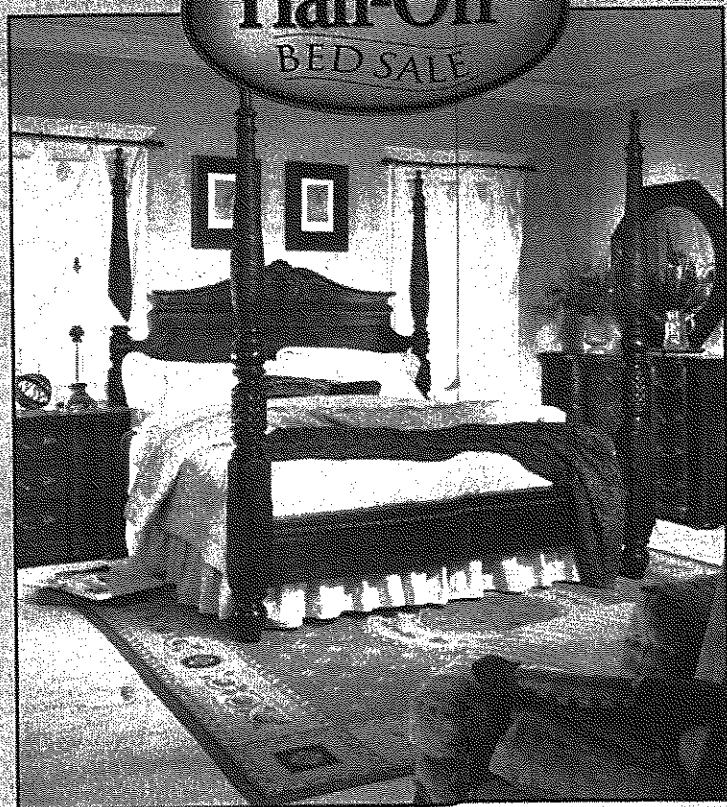
■ Proof of Identity: Previous U.S. passport, current, valid driver's license, state identification card or military identification card.

■ Two passport photos, which may be obtained at Kinkos, AAA, Walgreen's, CVS stores.

If you have an expired passport, you may be eligible to renew by mail — using form DS-82, which is found online at www.travel.state.gov. You are eligible if you were 16 or older when your passport was issued or had your passport issued in the last 15 years, and if your passport is not damaged and can be submitted with the application. Another eligibility requirement is that you have the same name as the one in which your passport was issued. For more information, call the Canton Clerk's office at (734) 394-5120 or visit Canton's Web site at www.canton-mi.org

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'Choices can change lives'

McKinnon urges students to make good decisions

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Everyone has choices to make in life.

"You have to make good decisions," said Corrine Olsen, an eighth-grader at Discovery Middle School. "Things can change the rest of your life. Helping people can change their lives."

That's the lesson Olsen and her classmates learned from former Detroit Police Chief Ike McKinnon, who spoke to students at the Canton Township school Wednesday.

"They can stand tall, in spite of any obstacles that may come their way," said McKinnon of the students he was about to address. "We all have obstacles, and we have choices, and we need to make the best choice. Don't let anything stand in your way."

After giving away copies of

his best-selling book *Stand Tall*, and his musical CD, McKinnon divulged to students some real-life lessons he learned, and how they affected his life.

"At your age, I was this kid who decided I was going to steal something," said the eventual law enforcement official.

"Thank God I was caught, because once you get away with something, you think it's easier and easier. It turned me around."

"You're not too young to think about what you want to do with your life," McKinnon said to the sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders.

McKinnon told of being an Air Force pilot, being involved in a plane crash, and realizing how great it was to be alive.

"What happens when you are faced with life-altering situations?" McKinnon asked students. "It's going to happen to you, and you will make deci-

sions within yourself. There will be people who tempt you with drugs and alcohol, and you will have to make decisions."

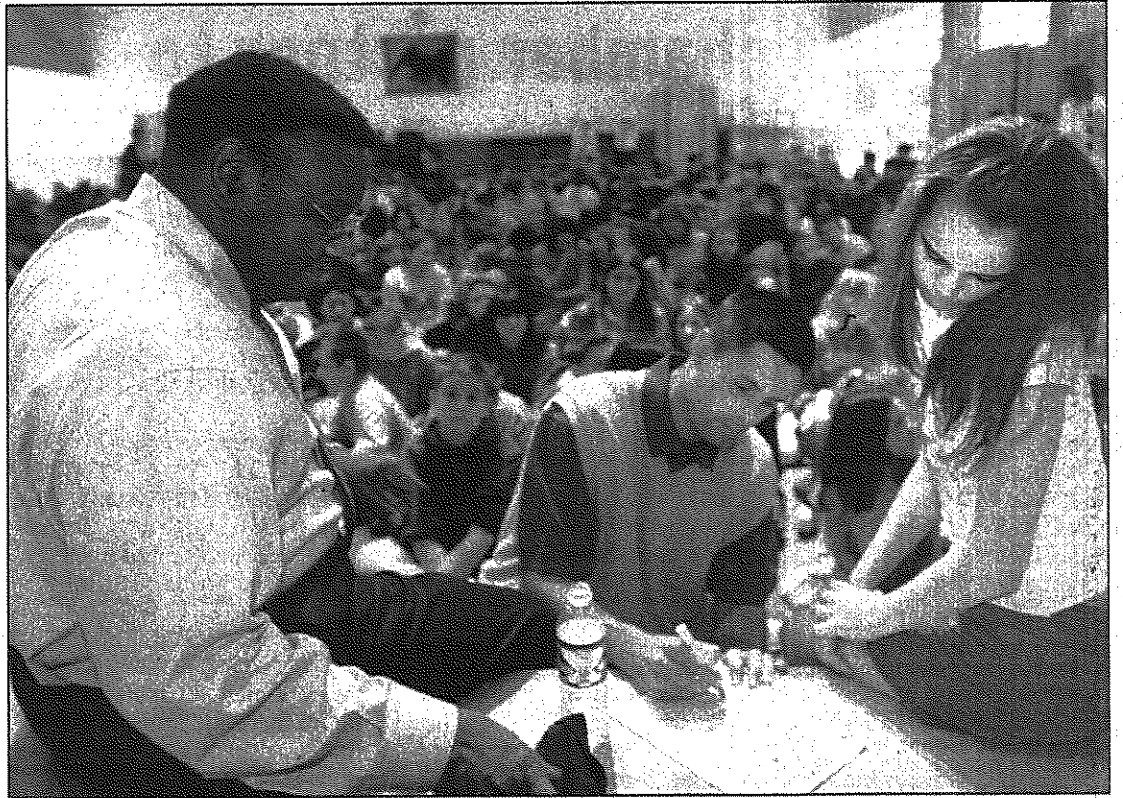
And, McKinnon told of the Canadian boy with leukemia he befriended, who is now 17 and in remission.

"He told me I gave him the will to live," said the former chief. "We don't realize the impact we have on people's lives."

"There are people—from friends, people you see on the street, from teachers to your parents—who will have an impact on your lives," he said. "You won't know it now, but it's going to happen."

McKinnon, now chief security officer of global operations for Compuware, surprised students at the end by calling several teachers on stage to sing with him.

"You have to stand up for what you believe in, no matter



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Former Detroit Police chief Ike McKinnon talks with Discovery Middle School Assistant Principal Clint Smiley and Student Council President Jennifer Nowak before his presentation to the sixth graders. McKinnon urged students to "make good choices" during his visit to the Canton middle school.

what people say," is the lesson Attia Qureshi, 14, of Canton learned. "You can't let people put you down when you believe in something."

Jui Shah, 14, of Canton, was moved by McKinnon's presentation.

"It doesn't matter what race you are, what color you are,

what gender you are; you can always help someone and impact someone's life," she said.

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Plymouth-Canton school district eyes new revenues

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

While the Plymouth-Canton school board looks for ways to trim \$5.6 million from next year's budget, trustees are also looking at ways to bring in new dollars to enhance revenues.

The Board of Education agreed, in principle, to hire a development director to seek corporate sponsors and other fund-raising opportunities to enhance revenue for the district.

"We're looking for someone who can help us move out of the public school mentality and into the private school mentality," said Elizabeth Givens, board president,

"where we can go for the bigger money, the kind that foundations would fund."

During the course of the budget workshop last Saturday, board members discussed some ways that could produce revenue for the district, such as an arts academy.

"We have a national champion marching band, we have state champion chorale programs, we have a drama program that people come to pick the talent, the culinary arts program is ranked nationally, and we have the student radio station," Trustee Joanne Lamar said. "We have all the components of a wonderful arts program, and people from across the country know about it and

move here for these programs."

Another suggestion was to increase the size of the district's day care programs.

"It seems like a natural market," Trustee Mark Slavens said. "To bring kids into this district and find out what a wonderful district we have here."

"Some districts are going to a full-day kindergarten," he added. "If that somehow brings in revenue, I certainly wouldn't mind taking a look at it."

Other suggestions that could be projects for a development director included offering the district's catering service to local businesses, and using the technology department to

service other entities.

"It's looking at the bigger picture," Givens said. "There are other sources with larger chunks of money. We would be looking for money nationally; large foundations that give to education. The development director will easily fund itself, plus a lot more."

Givens was quick to point out that a development director would go after dollars not already raised by the district's Educational Excellence Foundation.

"We're going to continue to partner with people who are already raising money for student scholarships and other projects," Givens said. Superintendent Jim Ryan

echoed the fact they are not looking to replace the district's 501(c)(3) foundation.

"The EEF does a great job, we're just trying to enhance what they do," Ryan said. "They do a super job through their golf outing and through the employee payroll reduction."

"Up to date, they haven't been successful in getting major grants or major donations," he added. "We're just trying to enhance their work. (A development director) is a very positive risk, in which a little investment now can turn into a big payout down the road."

Carole Kody, EEF executive director, said her group raises

approximately \$60,000 a year, which doesn't include another \$30,000 given away in scholarships.

"We have a lot of the ground-work already done," said Kody. "If they gave one-third (the money for a development director) to EEF for administrative support, it would make a dramatic difference."

The school board said it would initially fund the development director position out of the district's \$6 million in Durant funds, which was settlement money from a lawsuit filed by school districts against the state of Michigan several years ago.

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Police and chamber partner to expand community watch program

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Canton police and the Chamber of Commerce are joining forces to update and expand the five-year-old Community Watch program for businesses.

"It's been used, but under-used," said Sgt. Chuck Raycraft of the Canton Public Safety Department.

A database is at the heart of the watch program designed to automatically notify businesses of specific crimes committed in the community that could potentially affect or eventually include them.

"You can create any kind of group as long as you know the information," Raycraft said.

Police have used the system

to alert pharmacies, for example, of prescription fraud occurring at a particular drug store. "There's a good chance they will hit the other ones," Raycraft said. Banks are another example. When a bank robbery has occurred nearby, police - through the automated system - can immediately alert other banks in Canton.

Targeted businesses that are likely to be included in the database are banks, bars and taverns, gas stations, hotels and motels, jewelry stores, party stores and pharmacies. Chamber of commerce members who are in these categories will automatically have their contact information entered into the program.

"The partnership is brand new for us," said Dianne Cojei, chamber executive director.

The chamber, which publishes monthly newsletters, will forward forms for the watch program to members, urging them to provide police with basic information such as business type, phone number, address and a contact person.

"Our role will be to supply the information," Cojei said. "We will keep that current for them. I think this will be another tool for us."

Information will be added to the database from which to contact businesses whenever a particular type of crime occurs. The automated system, however, does not require police to make an individual call to each business.

"It's a voice recording," Raycraft said. "We make one phone call and the system makes the rest. It's a way for us to get information to target groups fast. We don't tie up people."

When a recorded message goes out to businesses - banks for example - Raycraft has found that calls come in, either thanking them for the information, or offering information to help police. The recorded messages will be prompted by specific crimes and sent to targeted business groups.

Businesses are asked to complete a business card form to update information. Businesses also will be asked to complete a survey for police to determine priority concerns pertaining to crime in the community.

Forms are available from the Canton Police Department, 1150 Canton Center Road South, or the Canton Chamber of Commerce, 5820 N. Canton Center Road.



Strong Oaks

The Canton Oaks '91 select (boys U-12) soccer team recently won the Northern Ohio Cup by scoring 16 goals and allow just three, including a pair of shutouts. The Oaks won the title with a 5-2 win over the Cleveland Cobras, who were the 2000 and 2001 national indoor champions. The Oaks also went unbeaten during the final winter indoor session and will compete in the 21st annual Canton Cup tournament Memorial Day weekend. The team consists of Collan Baker, Joseph Bellino, Matt Brown, Alex Covert, Sherif Hassanien, Josh Hurst, Gordon Libby, Connor McKinney, Travis Mewton, Reece Moss, Melan Patel, Philip Rollinger, Nick Schreiber, Dylan Spicher and Kyle Winningham. The team is coached by Kevin Winningham and trained by Gary Bell.

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● THE IN-LAWS (PG-13)
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FRI/SAT LS 11:25
● THE MATRIX RELOADED (R)
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FRI/SAT LS 12:00
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- It takes the energy from 50 apple leaves to produce one apple?
- The Library will be closed on Sunday, May 25 and Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day?

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- "Swing Around The Sun" - Barbara Juster Esbensen (non-fiction)
- "The Fairy's Return" - Gail Carson Levine (easy fiction)
- "Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear" - Alice Schertle (non-fiction)
- "Stand Tall" - Joan Bauer (fiction)
- "Meet Mr. and Mrs. Green" - Keith

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Baker (picture book)

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- "Rollercoaster Tycoon 2" (ages 9+)

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- "Bend It Like Beckham" (DVD)
 - "Far From Heaven" (videocassette & DVD)
 - "In A Lonely Place" (videocassette & DVD)
 - "Maid In Manhattan" (videocassette & DVD)
 - "Path To War" (videocassette & DVD)
- #### New Adult Books
- "Blink" - Ted Dekker (fiction)
 - "Land Of The Living" - Nicci French (fiction)
 - "Autobiography Of A Geisha" - Sayo Masuda (nonfiction)
 - "Adjusting Sights" - Hayim Sabato (fiction)
 - "Unpaid Dues" - Barbara Seranella

(mystery)

New Audio Books on Tape

- "Dying To Tell" - Robert Goddard (fiction, cassette)
 - "Uncommon Clay" - Margaret Maron (fiction, cassette)
 - "Back Story" - Robert B. Parker (fiction, cassette)
 - "The Confessor" - Daniel Silva (fiction, cassette)
 - "The Best Revenge" - Stephen White (fiction, cassette)
- #### Web Watch:
- check out these new Web sites
- "www.nuketesting-enviroweb.org"
 - "www.sixtiescity.com"
 - "www.toyadz.com"
 - "www.atomictourist.com"
 - "www.vintagecalculators.com"
- #### New CDs
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 - "These Are The Vistas" - Bad Plus

- "Diamonds On The Inside" - Ben Harper
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 - "Ringo Rama" - Ringo Starr
 - "The Beauty Of Rain" - Dar Williams
 - "Essential Sly & The Family Stone"
- #### New Teen Fiction
- "Gravel Queen" - Tea Benduhn
 - "The Deep End Of Fear" - Elizabeth Chandler
 - "Razzle" - Ellen Wittlinger
 - "Diary Of An Anorexic Girl" - Morgan Menzie

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EXPANSION

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course, recess filling kids' schedules.

Nazma Ansari, a Montessori preschool teacher, keeps her students occupied in one of only six classrooms. The expansion plans will add 20 classrooms.

"We are very happy to have a bigger space for our kids," Ansari said.

Crescent students also meet for daily prayer, learn the Arabic language and meet in assembly at the beginning of the day. In a kindergarten room, posters with Arabic letters are placed in places just as prominent as those with English letters.

Book learning, Tauhidi said, is only part of the story at Crescent Academy.

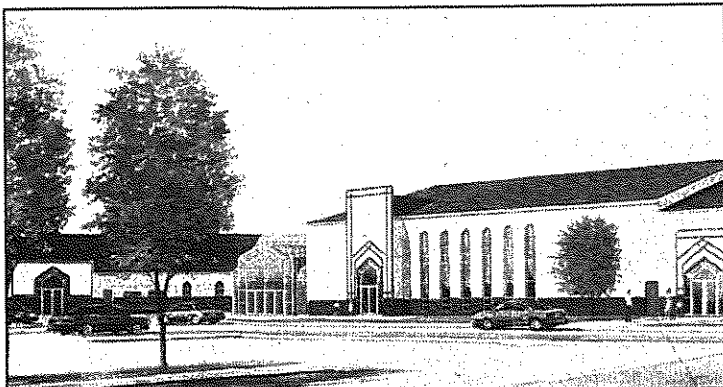
"The focus of the school is on character development. Rather than just learning information, we have to inspire kids to transform themselves. We have a different focus because of our character-based curriculum."

The war with Iraq has been an opportunity to teach some real-life character building lessons to the kids.

"Of course, the reaction of the kids and all people (to the war) has been conflicted," Tauhidi said. "The issues are fairly complicated."

School staff tried to help kids sort out things they'd heard about the war at home and from other places.

"We talk to the kids - help them sort through the compli-



The above is a rendering of the expansion, which will triple the size of classrooms.

cated issues - and not saying, 'We're right and they're wrong.'"

THEY HAVE CHOICES

The school has a dress code, but offers some flexibility. Kids get to choose from a variety of clothes, ranging from plaids to khakis, skirts and pants.

The responsibilities of running a private school don't end when the school day is finished. There is also the all-important matter of fund-raising - which means dinners and other after-hours charity events.

Fund-raising also means beating the pavement - and approaching parents, board members, businesses and other potential benefactors about donating to the school expansion efforts.

"This project has been in development for the past two years," Tauhidi said. "For that long, we've been trying to make our case to board members, parents, people in the community. We tell them that

it's a good investment for the community and for the Muslim community."

In the past, Crescent Academy has had to make sure it listens to the community, too.

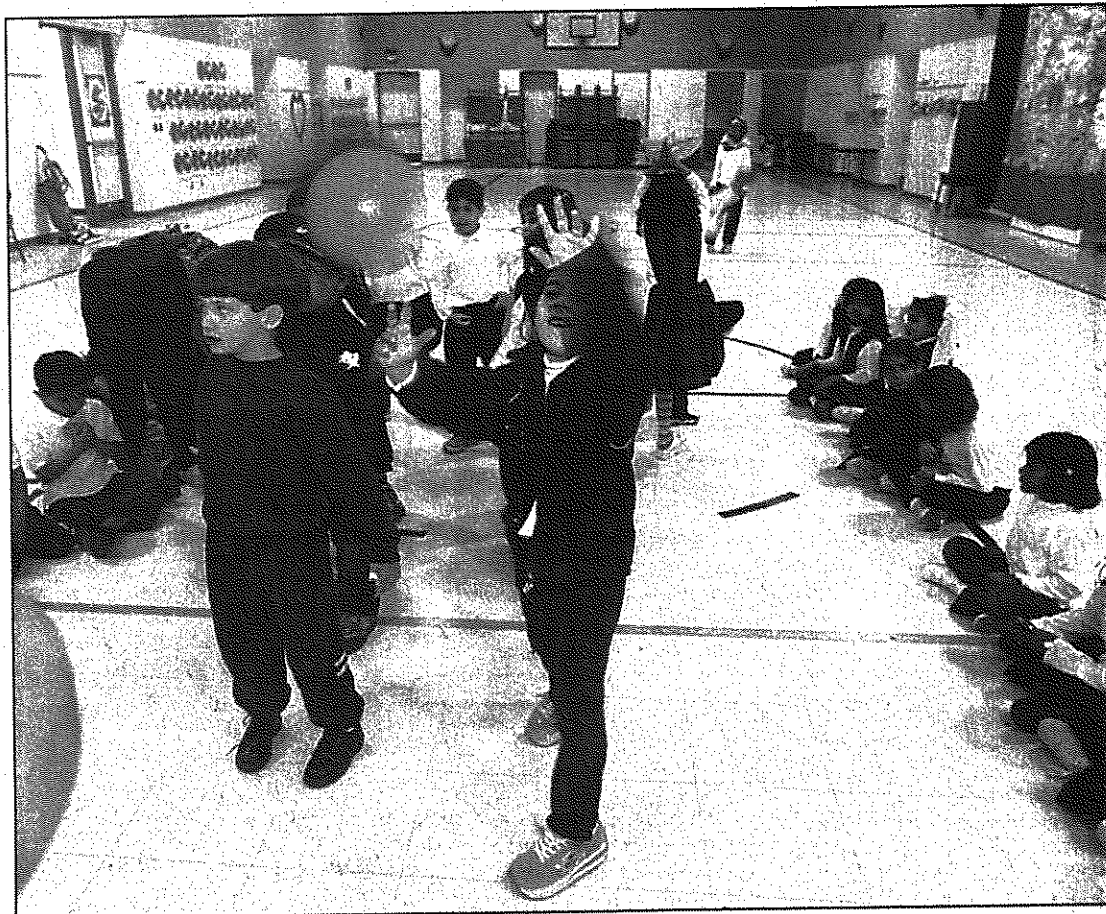
Nearby residents began complaining to the township when Crescent's parking lots overflowed because of Friday evening prayer services - and people began parking on streets.

That problem, Tauhidi said, was addressed by adding a second prayer service on Fridays. This solved the parking problem. Additional parking is included in the expansion plans.

Melissa McLaughlin, a Canton planning commissioner and trustee, said that Crescent's problems were understandable.

"I think that they've experienced growth problems just like other communities have," McLaughlin said.

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Students practice their hoop shots in the multi-purpose room at Crescent Academy recently. The room serves as gymnasium, lunchroom and assembly forum for the school.

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Man charged after confrontation with police

A 34-year-old Canton man has been charged with three felony counts and one misdemeanor after a confrontation with a Canton police officer at the I-275 rest area about 2:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 20.

Robert Kolpacke was arraigned before 35th District Court Magistrate Eric Colthurst Wednesday afternoon on one count of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder (a 10-year felony), two counts of assault and battery on a police officer (one 4-year and one 2-year felony) and one count of operating a vehicle under the influence of liquor, a 90-day misdemeanor.

A charge of not guilty was entered for him and he was

remanded to Wayne County Jail on a \$10,000 cash bond.

Kolpacke was arrested after a Canton officer pulled into the I-275 rest area on routine patrol. While he was talking to a person in the area, a car pulled up and parked and the lone occupant, whom the officer said appeared intoxicated, got out and went to the restroom. When he came out a few minutes later, the officer stopped him and said he appeared to be intoxicated and unable to drive. After a confrontation with the man the officer sprayed him with pepper spray and took out his radio to call for assistance.

The man rushed toward the officer, who hit him in the forehead with his radio, causing a cut that started to bleed. The man then got in the car and attempted to drive away. While the officer was blocking the door and holding the shift lever to keep the man from leaving, the suspect wiped his blood all over the officer's face.

"Now you've got AIDS, too," he said, according to the police report.

The officer again sprayed him with pepper spray and the man ran to another area of the parking lot, where he was arrested by another police officer who responded to the scene. He was taken to Oakwood Canton for treatment of the cut on his forehead. A search warrant was executed to draw blood to test for communicable disease.

Police Sgt. Todd Mutchler said police were awaiting results of the blood test.

KIRCHGATTER

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Canton-Plymouth area in 1965 where he set up a veterinary practice with Cliff McClumpha.

The two operated Parkway Veterinary Clinic in Plymouth for many years, opening a Canton branch on Lilley Road in 1975. For a while both Kirchgatter and McClumpha worked out of the Canton location.

They divided the practice, with McClumpha working in Plymouth and Kirchgatter in Canton.

They remained partners until McClumpha retired in 1996.

"He was a a hard-working, ambitious guy with a great sense of humor," McClumpha recalled. "He did a lot of orthopedic surgeries. It was an interest of his."

Kirchgatter and his wife, Elaine, Canton Township treasurer, lived in the western portion of Canton where he farmed about 40 acres of land on Ridge Road.

"He planted soybeans and lots of trees," McClumpha said. "He had a great interest in trees and garden plants."

And some of those trees were remembered by former State Sen. Loren Bennett, who served with Kirchgatter on the Canton Planning Commission for several years.

"Farming was a passion with him," Bennett said. "He had property at Saltz and Ridge that he farmed for

years and years. At the southeast corner of Saltz and Ridge there's a large number of very tall pine trees.

Dick planted those in the early '80s. With all the development, I don't know how long they'll last. But they're a living testament to what he did for the community."

Bennett remembered Kirchgatter as "an easy-going friend to everyone. He worked very hard to help create Canton the way it is today."

And Township Supervisor Tom Yack remembered him as "a real unassuming kind of guy who was very bright."

"He understood so much about so many things," Yack said.

"He was not flashy in any way. He was someone you'd want to hitch your wagon to because you knew he'd get you to the finish line."

Kirchgatter was scheduled to retire on July 1.

Yack recalled that he had originally planned to retire last year.

"He put it off a year because they were short a vet at the clinic and if he had retired last year they would have been short two people and that would have affected service," Yack said.

Elaine Kirchgatter said her husband was diagnosed with kidney cancer 13 years ago. He underwent experimental treatments and continued to work until recently.

"He had a good quality of life until February," she said. "Then the tumors started

coming back."

Kirchgatter was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church, where he served on the vestry. He was past president of the Plymouth Symphony Society.

He was a member of the Southeast Michigan and Michigan Veterinary Medical Association and the American Veterinary Association.

He was a life member of the Iowa State Alumni Association.

He served in the Army Reserve, was a member of the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Canton and Plymouth historical societies.

He was also a member of the Two-Cylinder Club, people who collect and restore John Deere tractors.

Services will be 11 a.m. Friday, May 23, at St. John's Episcopal Church. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the University of Michigan, Comprehensive Cancer Center, 1500 E. Medical Center Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-0759. Arrangements were handled by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

In addition to his wife, Kirchgatter is survived by three daughters, June of Chicago, Jill of Atlanta, Ga., and Joy (Brandon) Fischer of Carmel, Ind.

He is also survived by a sister, Violet Wick of Austin, Minn.

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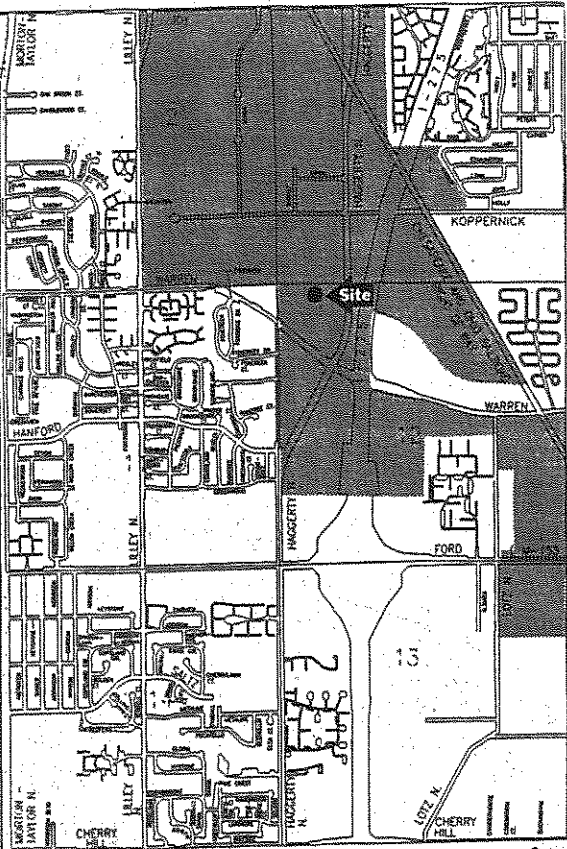
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, June 10, 2003, at 7:00 P.M. in the Chestnut Room at the Summit on the Park Community Center, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan, as a part of its regular meeting.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider a request from Greenfield Die & Manufacturing Corporation for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for personal property for a their facility located at 7295 N. Haggerty Road, within the Northeast Canton Industrial Development District, the legal description of which is as follows:

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept proposals up to 5:00 p.m. Friday, June 13th, 2003 for the following:

ENGINEERING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION
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NATURALIZATION AND FLOW REDUCTION PROJECT

Proposal forms may be picked up at the Public Works counter or you may contact Bob Belair at (734) 394-5150. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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Proposal forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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Canterbury School

Joshua Belfiore, son of Robert and Cinzia Belfiore of Canton and a freshman at Canterbury School, New Milford, Ct., has been named to the Honor Roll (High Honors) for the fourth marking period of the 2002-2003 school year.

Kettering University

James Gregory Link, of Canton, has received his bachelor's of mechanical engineering from Kettering University at the December 2002 graduation.

Michigan State University

Kimberly Ann Weaver of Canton has been inducted into Tau Beta Pi, the engineering honor society at Michigan State University. A second year student majoring in Computer Science and German, Kimberly is the daughter of Kirk and Ginny Weaver of Canton. She is a 2001 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. While at MSU, Kim has been the Treasurer of the MSU Spartan Handbell Choir and a researcher in the Science Fiction Genre Evolution Project. She has also had two papers accepted for publishing through her research on speech detection in noisy environments. Kimberly is also a member of Upsilon Pi Epsilon, the Computer Science honor society.

Madonna University

Susannah Bryant, English, from Plymouth, has received the Ernest I. Nolan Award for excellence in a humanities discipline. The student was nominated by faculty. Established eight years ago by the College of Arts and Humanities at Madonna University, the award is a tribute to Dr. Ernest Nolan, who

led the Humanities Division and is now vice president for academic administration at the University.

Albion College

Steve Gordon, a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and the son of Gregory Gordon and Judith Gordon of Plymouth, received his third-year varsity award at the Albion College baseball team banquet May 4. A pitcher, Gordon appeared in 13 games. He earned Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Pitcher of the Week honors after throwing a three-hit complete-game shutout against Kalamazoo College April 12.

South Dakota School of Mines and Technology

Jack Massarello of Canton was a candidate for a bachelor's of science degree in Metallurgical Engineering from the SDSMT during commencement ceremonies held May 10 in Rapid City, S.C.

Grand Valley State University

Cathie Kowalski of Canton, daughter of John and Susan Kowalski and is pursuing a bachelor's degree in Photography has been named to the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi at Grand Valley State.

Katie L. Humphrey of Canton, daughter of Brian and Joyce Humphrey and is pursuing a bachelor's degree in Psychology was named to the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi at Grand Valley State.

CANDIDATE

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more money for the general fund.

"I'd like to take a look at corporation foundation grants, and touch on our corporate citizens, to get initial funding opportunities, especially for extra-curricular activities," he said. "Then, we won't have to worry about cutting them just because of a budget shortfall, and hopefully offset any budget constraints we do have."

"We need to take a look at the larger corporations and ask about pilot programs for athletic programs and sponsorships for the stadiums," he said. "Let's look to the University of Michigan, Wayne State University and Eastern Michigan University to see if they have some programs in education that could expand curriculum opportunities."

However, if sponsorships don't develop, Ham-Kucharski isn't ready for a pay-to-play

athletic program.

"In the short term, I would take it out of the fund balance because I think we need to make sure every student has an opportunity," Ham-Kucharski said. "We've already got several sports where there are a lot of people who have to put a lot more money up, like hockey boosters and cross country."

"I think we should make sure every student has an opportunity," he added. "There are a lot of families that can't afford \$100-\$200 for equipment costs."

"There are wonderful benefits that can be attained from sports, and we need to give every child an opportunity to do it," he said.

As a new board member, Ham-Kucharski would like to continue the push in Lansing to change the way Proposal A funds schools.

"There will be a lot of districts pushing for it, especially if the economy continues to stay the way it is, because

there's already a pinch for a lot of districts that don't have a fund balance," he said. "I think that's something I can help push because of my experience with the Public and Partners Policymaking Training process, getting to know the governor's office and her stance on a lot of these issues."

Ham-Kucharski said lower class sizes at the elementary levels are a top priority for him.

"The smaller the class size at the younger age, the better the learning opportunity you're going to have, and the easier it is for the students to interact and the teachers to develop stronger relationships," Ham-Kucharski said. "That's why I started the Universal Task Force to see if there are other ways for us to utilize existing staff and support people to

reduce the teacher-student ratio."

Ham-Kucharski, whose son is autistic and has a hearing impairment, would like to see some improvements in special education programs.

"They do a very good job with center standard programs, but when it comes to being more creative in inclusive type education scenarios, we have deficiencies there," he said.

"Some buildings that handle the severely physically impaired students are not set up to code," Ham-Kucharski added. "Ultimately, I would like to see every building in the district have the capability to support any child, no matter what their needs are."

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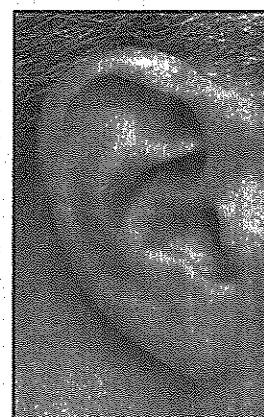
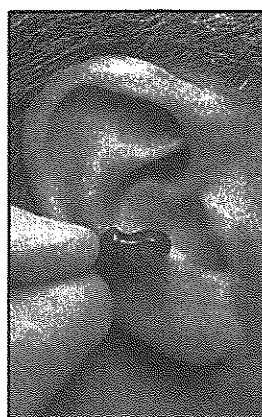
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5,000 movie goers who made it last year are expected back for a showing of "Shrek" in the amphitheater. "If the weather is good, we expect another big crowd," Dates said.

TRADITIONAL AND POPULAR

The festival again will serve up the Classic Car Show and the Fine Arts/Crafts Show. Both events on Saturday and Sunday have long been mainstays of the annual festival.

The Kids Fun Zone, with a \$5 admission, is back all in one spot so parents can easily find it in the park.

"It's not a carnival," Dates assured. Kids are sure to enjoy the blow-up inflatables, as

well as a Sports Den in which they can play their hands at games of skill.

Kiddie rides, such as a mini merry-go-round, will be ready and waiting for the younger set. Children who love to get their hands into paints and chalk will have a good time at the Kids Art Workshop - and walk away for a work of art.

In the food department, the festival has plenty to serve up.

The Taste of Canton returns noon-8 p.m. Saturday with about 10 restaurants offering their particular specialties. In a new and separate culinary delight, Holiday Market will offer tastes of its specialty products.

Get your appetite ready for even more with delicacies at Canton Celebrates its People - a Saturday-only ethnic event sure to intrigue as you listen

to entertainment and browse and buy artifacts from foreign lands.

More food is in store from a variety of vendors, as well as the traditional Observer & Eccentric Newspapers pie eating contest Thursday, the Sunday Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Canton Lions Club, and the Friday night Spaghetti Dinner offered by Canton Township employees.

Entertainment will abound throughout the festival from strolling musicians to a power-packed lineup of performers including Battle of the Bands for teens, Air Margaritaville, which plays Jimmy Buffet-style music, and other bands at the amphitheater.

The festival again offers the Bingo Tent, a fund-raiser for

Canton seniors, as well as booths for the community's nonprofit and service organizations. Paddleboats on the big pond continue in popularity.

At 9 a.m. Saturday, the festival will get into high gear with the Second Annual Liberty Fest Parade with its colorful mile route. And of course, Saturday night culminates with the fireworks show. Local singer Rick Smith will entertain in the amphitheater immediately following the fireworks.

"We advise people to get here early," Dates said, referring to parking for the fireworks. "We have a 40-minute show and it is one of the best in Michigan. We always get high marks."

NEW THIS YEAR

What's new at the festival will delight most visitors. On tap is a variety of entertainment designed to highlight the Cherry Hill Village - events will be at the Heritage Park - such as displays, entertainment, food demonstrations and a host of activities. "It will remind people of the old days," Dates said.

And there's more. "People who have come to the festival comment that there is nothing for teens," Dates said.

Get ready for change. This year the festival will devote a part of the event to teens, beginning with teen karaoke on Friday and followed by a Battle of the Bands for teen bands on Saturday.

Mention the Detroit Pistons and festival-goers are bound to go crazy. This year, a

mobile tour will arrive in Canton to give kids an opportunity to shoot some hoops and to check out the team memorabilia.

Also new this year is the Dog Walk, sponsored by the Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club, that will give all pooch owners a chance to show off their canines, and a chance to help raise money for the local club and the Michigan Technical Rescue Team, which provides well-trained dogs to help with search and rescue efforts around the world.

Canton Leisure Services are expected to provide a final schedule of events and suggested parking areas before the festival gets underway.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
BOARD PROCEEDINGS - MAY 13, 2003

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, May 13, 2003, at 46000 Summit Parkway. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdzyak, McLaughlin, Zarbo, Kirchgatter, Yack, Shefferly Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Durack, Director Machnik, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin, Chief Rorabacher
Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Regular Board Minutes of April 22, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Shefferly to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Expenditure Recap for May 13, 2003

General Fund	101	\$535,718.19
Fire Fund	206	50,743.42
Police Fund	207	156,339.88
Summit Operating	208	90,260.73
Street Lighting	219	15,729.93
Cable TV Fund	230	11,055.67
Twp Improvement	246	39,891.51
E-911 Utility	261	2,916.04
Federal Grants Fund	274	24,153.87
Auto Theft Grant	289	14,791.89
Downtown Dev Auth.	294	1,360.45
Cap Proj-Summit Const	402	83,002.68
Cap Proj-Road Paving	403	87,460.60
Bldg Auth Construction	469	4,730.00
Golf Fund	584	33,202.08
Water & Sewer Fund	592	550,423.22
Construction Escrows	702	120,193.51
Koppnick Corp Park	852	77.00
Tonquish Creek Storm	854	98.00
Total - All Funds		1,822,148.67

Board Member Reports: Supervisor Yack announced Relay for Life taking place this Saturday at Heritage Park
PRESENTATION: Recognition of Exceptional Service at Summit on the Park. Recognition was given to the staff members of the Summit for their quick response to an incident on March 25, 2003.

PUBLIC HEARING: 1. Public Hearing and Approval of FY2003 CDBG Program, and Public Hearing and Approval of CDBG Reprogramming. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to open the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. to hear comment on the CDBG Advisory Council recommendations for the FY 2003 Community Development Block Grant Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to close the public hearing at 7:13 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to accept the recommendations of the Canton Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council for the FY 2003 block grant program; and further approve the forwarding of said recommendations to the Department of HUD as the Canton FY 2003 CDBG Final Statement. Motion carried unanimously.

Project Sponsor / FY2002 Awarded / FY2003 Recommended

First Step / 36,000.00 / 36,900.00
Growth Works / 8,800.00 / 8,800.00
WC Nighbhd Legal Services / 10,000.00 / 10,000.00
Adult Day Care (Helsource) / 1,500.00 / 1,500.00
Volunteer Coordinator / 6,500.00 / 6,500.00

Project Sponsor / FY2002 Awarded / FY2003 Recommended

Summit Scholarship / 2,500.00 / 1,500.00
HSC Construction / 275,000.00 / 275,000.00
Program Administration / 81,000.00 / 87,200.00
Affordable Lots Purchase / N/A / 8,600.00
Housing Rehab. / 16,900.00 / N/A

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to open the public hearing at 7:14 p.m. to hear comment on the creation of the Purchase of Lots for Affordable Housing project and reprogramming of funds for reimbursement for Human Services Center construction and the Purchase of Lots for Affordable Housing projects. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to close the public hearing at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to authorize the creation of the FY 2003 Purchase of Lots for Affordable Housing project and further move to approve the following budget transfers in the Federal Grants Fund for this reprogramming.

Increase (Decrease) Appropriations:

Canterbury Mews Recreation	274-666-840-9100	\$ (9,064.)
ADA Improvements	274-666-860-9300	(2,020.)
Nankin Transit (Taxi)	274-666-865-9400	(5,000.)
Nankin Transit (Taxi)	274-666-865-9500	(1,000.)
Family Service Building	274-666-975-9500	(6,000.)
Contingency	274-666-849-9600	(667.)
Nankin Transit (Taxi)	274-666-865-9600	(960.)
Contingency	274-666-849-9700	(745.)
Human Services Center Const.	274-666-975-2002	(25,456.)
Conrail Drain (Curbs)	274-666-930-9300	(13,213.)
Salvation Army	274-666-820-9800	(13,000.)
Harrison Drain (Curbs)	274-666-930-9800	(31,474.57)
Canterbury Mews Barrier		
-free assessment	274-666-860-9900	(3,000.)
Adult Day Care	274-666-847-9900	(950.)
Salvation Army	274-666-820-9900	(9,100.)
Vacant Lots Purchase		
-Affordable Housing	274-666-971-2002	70,737.57
Total		0

This budget fund transfer does not increase or decrease the Federal Grants Fund budget for FY 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Consider Reaffirming Resolution Number 1A and 2A, Hold the Public Hearing of Necessity and Adopt Resolution Number 3A for the Reduced Lotz Road Paving and Drainage Special Assessment District 2003-2 from Michigan Avenue.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to adopt the revised Resolution 1A, Revised Lotz Road Paving and Drainage (Michigan Avenue, South Approximately 1,660 Lineal Feet) Special Assessment District 2003-2. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to adopt the revised Resolution 2A, Lotz Road Paving and Drainage Special Assessment District (SAD) (Michigan Avenue, South Approximately 1,660 Lineal Feet) 2003-2. Motion denied 0-7. Denial of Resolution 2A left no cause to hold public hearing of necessity or to consider Resolution 3A.

CONSENT CALENDAR: 1. Enforcement of Township Ordinance No. 68. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter and effective immediately, to allow enforcement at Ford-Lilley LTD Partnership, 42000 Ford Road (formerly HQ/Builders Square), for traffic enforcement on private property, in response to their request and in compliance with Local Ordinance No 68. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval to Collect Fee for Bail and Bond Money from Person Arrested. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the collection of a \$10.00 fee when obtaining bail or bond money from or on behalf of a person arrested. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Budget Amendment - General Fund Grants Division. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following General Fund budget amendment to reappropriate budget funds for Canton's share of the Ford Rd/I-275 interchange beautification project: **Increase**

Revenues: Appropriation from Fund Balance #101-000-699-0000 \$68,512

Increase Appropriations: Grant Match-Ford Rd Enhance #101-860-880-0000 \$68,512. This budget amendment increases the Grants Division budget from \$70,000 to \$138,512, and the General Fund budget from \$23,738,729 to \$23,807,241. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Increase Purchase Order for Purchase of Salt from Wayne County. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve an increase in purchase order to Wayne County for the purchase of bulk salt \$9,778 and to charge account number 101-270-930-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Budget Amendment - General Fund Treasurer's Office. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve a budget amendment in the General Fund. Treasurer's Office to transfer \$6,000 from Capital Outlay-Equipment #101-253-977-0000 to new account Contracted Services #101-253-818-0000. This budget amendment does not change the 2003 Treasurer's Office budget. Motion carried unanimously.

6. FY2002 Budget Amendment - Capital Projects Road Paving Fund. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve a budget amendment in the 2002 Capital Projects Road Paving Fund #403 to reduce revenues and appropriations by \$200,000. This budget amendment reduces the 2002 Capital Project Road Paving Fund budget from \$1,023,082 to \$823,082. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Resolution Honoring Canton and Salem High School Graduates. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to pass a resolution of Recognition for Canton and Salem High School Graduates. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Approve Magistrate Appointment. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve Eric Colthurst and Theodore Johnson as Magistrates of the 35th District Court. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Request to Set Public Hearing for Class C Liquor License Transfer to Garden Buffet, 42759 Ford Road, Canton, MI. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to set the public hearing for June 10, 2003 for consideration of the request of Garden Buffet to transfer ownership of 1998 Tavern Licensed Business, located in Escrow at 22024 Van Born, Dearborn Heights, Michigan 48127, Wayne County, from Pizza Hut of America, Inc. (a Delaware Corporation); transfer location (Governmental Unit) (MCL 436.1531(1) to 42757-42759 Ford Road, Canton, Michigan 48187, Canton Township, Wayne County; and Transfer Classification to a Class C License. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Set Public Hearing Date for Greenfield Die & Manufacturing Corp. Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to set the public hearing date for June 10, 2003, to consider the Industrial Facilities Exemption application of Greenfield Die & Manufacturing Corp. for new personal property at their facility located at 7295 Haggerty Road. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL CALENDAR: 1. Consider Danish Imports Rezoning. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the petitioner to rezone a portion property identified by property tax EDP #133-02-0075-306 and more specifically indicated on exhibit page R22 of the application from O-1, Office to C-3, Regional Commercial District. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Consider Dividock Rezoning. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the petitioner to rezone certain property identified by property tax EDP #033-99-0004-707 to R-4, Single-Family Residential District. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Consider Tentative Preliminary Plat for Grand Oaks Subdivision. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the petitioner Mr. Danny Veri to grant tentative approval of the preliminary plat for the proposed Grand Oaks Subdivision subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consider Preliminary Site Plan for Rustic Ridge Site Condominiums (Part of Founders Woods PDD). Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the request of the petitioner Mr. Bryan Amann, to approve the preliminary site plan for the proposed Rustic Ridge Site Condominiums subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Consider Modifications to Westchester Village Planned Development and Site Plan. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the petitioner, Mr. Dave Zaitchik, to approve the modifications to the PDD and site plan for the proposed Westchester Village Site Condominiums conditioned upon addition of deciduous trees to the Ridge Road frontage of the former Unit 113, and subject to any and all state and local development regulations. Motion carried 6-1; Roll call: Ayes: Bennett, Burdzyak, Zarbo, Kirchgatter, Yack, Shefferly; Nays: McLaughlin.

6. Consider Schaar/Glass Rezoning. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the petitioner to rezone certain property identified by property tax EDP #'s 064-99-0003-000 and 064-99-0004-000 from RR, Rural Residential to R-3, Single Family Residential District. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Purchase of One Vehicle - Building & Inspection Services. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the purchase of (1) one vehicle for Building & Inspection Services Division at a cost of \$21,476.50 through the Macomb County Cooperative Purchasing Program from Signature Ford, Perry, Michigan. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Consider Dust Control for Local Roads. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to authorize payment to Wayne County for three applications of dust control on local roads for the 2003 calendar year, in the amount of \$16,317.00. Motion carried unanimously. The following roads are to be chlorided under the proposed action:

Gorman Road South of Ford Road
Herby (N. of Geddes & N. & S. of Dionne)
Dionne (West of Sheldon Road)
Morton Taylor Rd.(N. & S. of Mich. Ave)
Willard (South of Michigan Ave.)
Willard (North of Cherry Hill Rd.)
Corrine (South of Michigan Ave.)
Washburn (South of Michigan Ave.)
Leopold (West of Corrine Street)
Leopold (West of Sheldon Road)
Artley (South of Michigan Ave.)
Al Smith (South of Ford)
Murray Hill (Pilgrim Hills Subdivision)
Birckland (Pilgrim Hills Subdivision)
Thorntown (Pilgrim Hills Subdivision)
Topper Court (Pilgrim Hills Subdivision)
Elmhurst (McIntyre Gardens Sub)
Marlowe (South of Ford Road)
Marlowe (North of Saltz Road)
Gordon (Sheldon to Oakview)
Brookline (North of Saltz Road)
Brookline (South of Ford Road)
Oakview (North of Saltz Road)

9. Consider Approving the Purchase of 21AA Aggregate for the Soccer Complex Parking Facility. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize purchase of 21AA aggregate from the Gentner Companies for \$7.29 per ton for a total not to exceed amount of

\$6,000.00; and further to appropriate \$6,000 from the General Fund balance (#101-000-699-0000) and increase the General Government, Capital Improvements-Land appropriation account (#101-200-971-0000) by \$6,000. This budget amendment increases the General Government Department budget from \$744,117 to \$750,117, and the General Fund budget from \$23,732,729 to \$23,738,729. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Authorize Award of Bid for the Spring 2003 Welcome to Canton Sign Plantings. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the bid for the "Welcome to Canton" sign plantings to Margolis Nursery Inc. for a total of \$12,290.00. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Request to Purchase One Vehicular Radio System for Advanced Life Support Transporting Units. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to approve the purchase of one vehicular radio system from Motorola, Roseville, MI for a cost of \$9,911.00. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Contract for Animal Control Services. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve a two year contract, commencing April 1, 2003, for animal control services with Varmint Police, Westland, MI for a cost of \$45,300 per year. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Internet Access Renewal Contract. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the renewal of the Internet access contract with NTT/Verio. Funding has been budgeted for in 2003, and therefore there is no request for any additional funding. Current funding exists in the ITS Budget Account #101-258-818-0000. It is desirable to enter into this new contract to obtain a more attractive monthly cost. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Increase Contract Amount for Human Services Center Construction Project. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve an increase in the budget for final payment to Skyline Construction for \$60,000, to be expended from account #402-302-975-0000, Building Construction; and to increase the Skyline Construction P.O. #30714 by \$60,000; and to approve the transfer of \$60,000 from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Building Fund for the Human Services Center project, and the following budget amendment for this transfer: **Increase Revenues:** Appropriation from Fund Balance #101-000-699-0000 \$60,000; **Increase Appropriations:** Transfers to Capital Project Fund #101-959-965-4020 \$60,000. The budget amendment increases the Transfers Division budget from \$1,855,088 to \$1,915,088 and the General Fund budget from \$23,822,291 to \$23,882,291. Also move to approve the following budget for the Capital Projects Building Fund No. 402 for the Human Services Center project: **Increase Revenues:** Transfers from General Fund #402-000-676-1010 \$60,000; **Increase Appropriations:** Building Construction #402-302-975-0000 \$60,000; This increases the Capital Projects-Building Fund budget from \$17,950,000 to \$18,010,000. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Approve Final Payment for Classification Study. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the following Budget Amendment: Appropriate \$15,050 from the General Fund balance increasing revenue account #101-000-699-0000 Appropriation from Fund Balance and increase appropriation account #101-200-818-0000, Contracted Services-General Government Department. This budget amendment increases the General Government Department budget from \$744,117 to \$759,167, and the General Fund budget from \$23,807,241 to \$23,822,291. And to approve the payment of the Plante and Moran invoice for completion of the Non Union Employee Classification and Compensation Study in the amount of \$16,270. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Request to Amend Contract with Arctic Edge. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to amend the contract with Arctic Edge to change the date for designated organizations to negotiate ice time from July 31 to June 30 of each year. Motion carried unanimously.

17. Request to Award Bid for Victory Park - Diamonds Restaurant Roof - Architectural Shingles. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to award the bid of \$25,660 to Canton Construction, plus a contingency of \$2,566 for a total budget of \$28,226 for roof replacement of the Victory Park Diamonds Restaurant roof with the expense charged to account 101-755-975-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

18. Request to Award Bid For Design And Construction of Heritage Park Restroom Facility. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the construction of the restroom building for the north side of Heritage Park to Heaney General Contracting at a cost not to exceed no\$144,500. Motion carried unanimously.

19. Award Bid For The Construction of School House And West Roads in Cherry Hill Village. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the bid for construction of School House Road, West Road and the Cherry Hill School parking lot in Cherry Hill Village to T & M Companies for \$108,955.65 with a 10% of contingency of \$10,895.57 for a total project budget of \$119,851.22. The expense will be charged to Capital Projects Road Paving Fund account #403-506-969-0000 and will be reimbursed by Baltimore. Motion carried unanimously.

20. Award Bid For Canton Leisure Services Program Shirts And Awards. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to award the Leisure Services Program Shirts and Awards bid to All American Embroidery, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$14,461.50 plus a 10% contingency of \$1,446 for any additional shirts that might be necessary throughout the season for a total of \$15,921.50. Motion carried unanimously.

21. Request to Amend George Auch Contract to Include Testing at Performing Arts Center. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to waive the normal bid requirements and award the bid for quality control and testing at the Performing Arts Center to NTH for an amount not to exceed \$28,960 and to charge the construction budget. Motion carried unanimously.

22. Award Bid For Rental of Tents, Tables and Chairs for 2003 Leisure Services Special Events. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the bid for the rental of tents, tables and chairs for the 2003 Canton Leisure Services Special Events to All Parties Concerned, Inc. in the amount of \$12,044.85. Motion carried unanimously.

23. Consider Award of Bid Package #3, Proposal B for the Administration Building & Public Safety Building Expansion and Renovation. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve award of bid package #3, proposal B to Couturier Iron Craft in the amount of \$170,000 as recommended by George Auch Company. Motion carried unanimously.

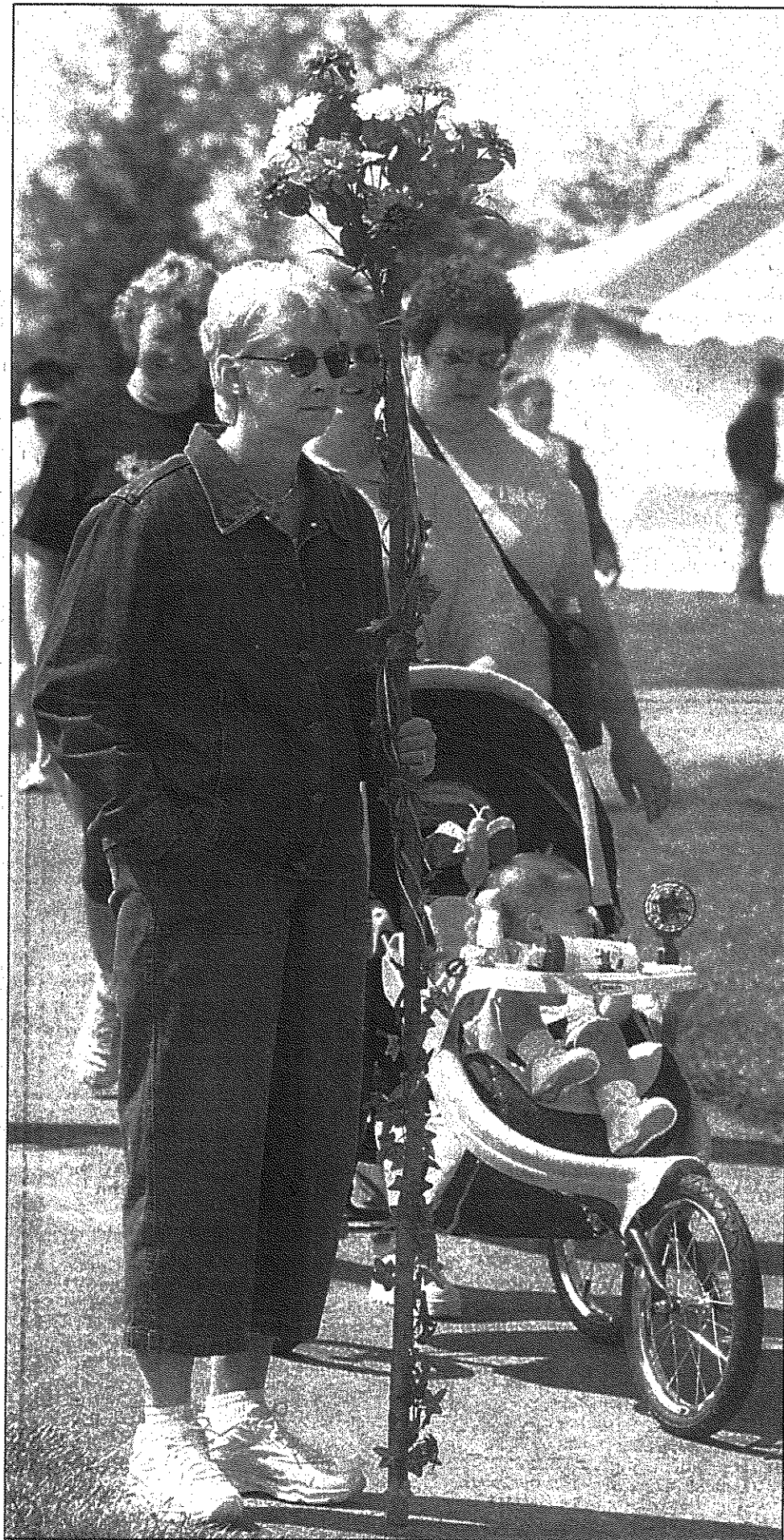
24. Consider Authorizing Canton Township Clerk's Department Employees to Act as Certified Passport Agents. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to authorize the Canton Township Clerk's Department Employees to Act as Certified Passport Agents for the Charter Township of Canton. This service to begin on May 1, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

25. Approval of Price Quote for the I-275 Interchange Project. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the price quote from Smith Group JJR for the Michigan Avenue I-275 Interchange Project for \$6,000. Motion carried unanimously.

26. Request to Increase TMP Purchase Order for Acoustical and Theatrical Consultant's Expenses. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to increase the original purchase order #33617 for TMP by \$117,000 to cover the reimbursable expenses for the acoustical consultant and the theatrical consultant. Motion carried unanimously.

Other: No study session next Tuesday. Adjourn: Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 9:48 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor
TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk



Linda Whaley of Westland, one of the "Canton Seedlings" group from Oakwood hospital of Canton, stands with her flowered staff during the Relay for Life Saturday in Heritage Park.

RELAY

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cer research. "It is because of you we are getting one step close to finding a cure for cancer," Jamie Chapman, American Cancer Society community development director, announced to the gathering.

For survivors, families, friends and supporters, the annual event has even greater meaning. It was a chance to share stories, to embrace each other in support and to mourn and remember those who have not survived.

"It's more than the fund-raising. It really is about a community coming together," Zevalkink said. "People touching other people. It's part of their healing process. People come here and they realize they are not alone."

Chapman called the event a "celebration of life for those who have survived and a memorial for those we have lost."

TALKING IT OUT

Throughout the day, men, women, teens and kids could be heard asking each other how they first found out — that they had cancer.

Peter Slazinski of Canton, who attended the relay for the first time, admitted he had no idea he had cancer in his esophagus. There was no sign.

"It was the stomach acid. I hadn't felt anything," the non-smoker said. "I hadn't felt any burning." Today, his diet has changed. Those late-night meals and snacks are now part of his past.

Like Slazinski, Jack Lehman, also of Canton, urges young people to be more aware of health concerns — and not to avoid the doctor. "For these young bucks who think nothing can happen to them, start checking things out at the age of 40," said Lehman, a four-year prostate cancer survivor. "Don't be afraid of the doctor."

Both men echoed messages on large posters dotted throughout the relay area: don't smoke. "I don't think young people think of cancer. I just think they ought not to smoke. They don't know what they are asking for," Slazinski said.

The opening ceremony made it clear why the annual event drew an estimated 2,000 people to Heritage Park. Kathleen Salla, one

Relay for Life recognizes teams and sponsors

As heartwrenching and uplifting as the Relay for Life proved, there was still plenty of time to acknowledge the fun in life with team awards. Winners were:

- Best Decorated Campsite Award: "That's Enough."
 - Most Team Spirit Award: "Canton Public Library, 'Booking for a Cure.'"
 - Highest Team Fund-raiser: "Breath of Life."
 - Highest Individual Fund-raiser: Debbie Zevalkink on the "Fish Doctor's Walking for a Cure" team.
- Relay planners acknowledged sponsors who helped make the annual event a reality. This year, sponsors donated \$21,000 for the event, compared to last year's \$9,500. Sponsors and their contributions included:
- Approved Mortgages - \$5,000.
 - Family & Sports Medical Center - \$500.
 - Johnson Controls - \$2,500.
 - Brashear, Tangora, Gallagher Creighton & Amann LLP - \$500.
 - Canton Chamber of Commerce - \$500.
 - Community Federal Credit Union - \$500.
 - St. John Neumann - \$500.
 - St. Thomas a'Becket Youth - \$500.
 - St. Joseph Mercy Health System - \$500.
 - AllenMay Spa - \$500.
 - Max & Erma's - \$5,000.
 - Oakwood Healthcare System - \$500.
 - The Hauck Family - \$500.
 - Bank One - \$500.
 - Waltonwood at Cherry Hill - \$500.
 - Robertson Brothers in Memory of Lesley Weber - \$500.
 - Canton Rotary - \$500.
 - Sam's Club - \$1,000.
 - Greatland Title - \$500.

of the relay planners, acknowledged the gathered survivors, she being one of them: "You inspire us with your courage and your determination."

Platinum (\$5,000) sponsor Bill Broucek of Approved Mortgages recalled his first relay. "I didn't want to (come)," he said. "It was Saturday. I came and I've been hooked. This is one thing that touches your heart."

DONATIONS AND PLEDGES

As survivors were treated to lunch provided by area Catholic churches and other volunteers, some 50 teams geared up to begin their 24-hour relay.

Sponsors help pay to put on the event. Teams collect donations and pledges for their part in the relay. Each team must have a member on the track each of the 24 hours.

"Teams are people who care enough to come out," Zevalkink said.

Throughout the 24-hour event, survivors and supporters had plenty to keep them busy. Entertainment filled the amphitheater, refreshment booths lined the park and contests helped pass the hours. At 10 p.m. Hollywood dawned with a showing of *Lilo and Stitch* followed by a pajama contest.

Awards were given to teams, who were greeted with a pancake break-

CANCER FACTS

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fast the next morning, and a closing ceremony. Some stayed the whole night. Others took turns heading home for a few hours of sleep.

The heartwrenching moment came during the annual Luminary Ceremony, at which team members and survivors, friends and supporters could read a poem, sing a song or express their personal feelings about someone who has survived, or someone they had lost.

Taken with a 9-year-old boy who lost his mom last year, Zevalkink remembered a particular line of his words as a luminary was lit. "He said, 'You're not here to tell me how handsome I am.'"

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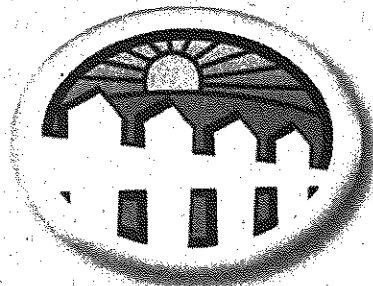
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CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will accept sealed bids until 2:00 p.m. on the dates specified for the following:

Bid Opening Date: Wednesday, June 4, 2003

Soccer Equipment

Bid Opening Date: Wednesday, June 4, 2003

Parking Structure Site Feasibility Study

Bid Opening Date: Thursday, June 19, 2003

Specifications, bid documents and proposal forms are available at the office of the Administrative Services Director during regular office hours.

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CAROL A. STONE
Admin. Services Dir.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF SETTING PUBLIC HEARING

CONSIDERATION OF TRANSFER OF CLASS C LIQUOR
LICENSE TO GARDEN BUFFET OF CANTON
42759 Ford Road
Canton, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to Liquor License Ordinance Number 114 of the Charter Township of Canton that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a **Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 10, 2003**, in the Chestnut Banquet Room of the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan at 7:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To hear and take testimony to consider and recommend an action to the Michigan Liquor License Commission of the request of Garden Buffet of Canton for transfer and issuance of a Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales (before 11:00 am) permit to be located at 42759 Ford Road, in Canton, Michigan, parcel no.999-99-0909-100.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered an opportunity at said hearing to voice any comments they may have regarding this request. Written comments may also be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 prior to the hearing date.

TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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OUR VIEWS

Ham-Kucharski, Slavens should be school picks

Like school districts across the state, Plymouth-Canton faces several issues as it struggles for financial and academic balance, which makes the June 9 Board of Education election an important one.

We believe incumbent Mark Slavens and newcomer Richard Ham-Kucharski deserve the two seats that are up for grabs.

Slavens has served the board well in his first term. He's the founder of the Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public School Funding, and has worked tirelessly with legislators in Lansing to push for more funding for public schools.

Slavens has a firm grasp on the issues that confront the district, but he isn't necessarily wedded to traditional ways of balancing the budget. While the hue and cry is to cut expenses, Slavens understands the district must also find a way to increase the revenue flow.

He's willing to look at corporate sponsorships, long the scourge of public schools, but more recently becoming a prevalent reality.

Slavens' issues also extend into the classroom. He wants the district to establish goals as to what academic standards are going to be set. Long an advocate of community involvement, Slavens wants to get input from residents while setting up those goals. He also wants to rein in class sizes, particularly at the lower educational levels.

Ham-Kucharski, meanwhile, has turned himself into a viable candidate through diligence and hard work. When he was defeated in the 2002 election, Ham-Kucharski was viewed largely as a one-issue candidate. His focus was on special education, because his son is autistic.

Since that defeat, Ham-Kucharski has gotten involved in a variety of ways, including serving on many Wayne County committees and task forces, as well as setting up a local task force to deal with universal education issues.

He sees the possibilities of corporate sponsorships, particularly in the area of programming and technology. He also wants to help push the grass-roots effort for changes to Proposal A that would allow more equitable school funding. And the one-issue worry is no longer there; in fact, it could be an asset, since the board as it is composed now lacks experience dealing with special education issues.

Traditionally, we value experience in government. But with just two seats open, and Slavens a likely choice among voters, there is room this year for youthful exuberance, particularly when it's tempered with the homework Ham-Kucharski has done to prepare for a board role.

We believe voters would do well for the Plymouth-Canton school district by casting votes June 9 for Mark Slavens and Richard Ham-Kucharski.

Helmet law repeal is a real no-brainer

The more we've learned about a House bill designed to repeal Michigan's motorcycle helmet law, the more we wonder why any lawmaker would vote for HB 4325.

Start with simple common sense: Any 6-year-old bicycle rider knows it makes sense to wear a helmet when you're on two wheels. We've even lobbied to have parents protect their children's heads with helmets while sledding, after a 9-year-old Livonia boy was killed during a YMCA camping trip.

Lots of grown-ups support motorcycle helmet laws as well. The list of organizations includes emergency room physicians, nurses, The Epilepsy Foundation, the Brain Injury Association, insurance carriers and even the Motorcycle Industry Council.

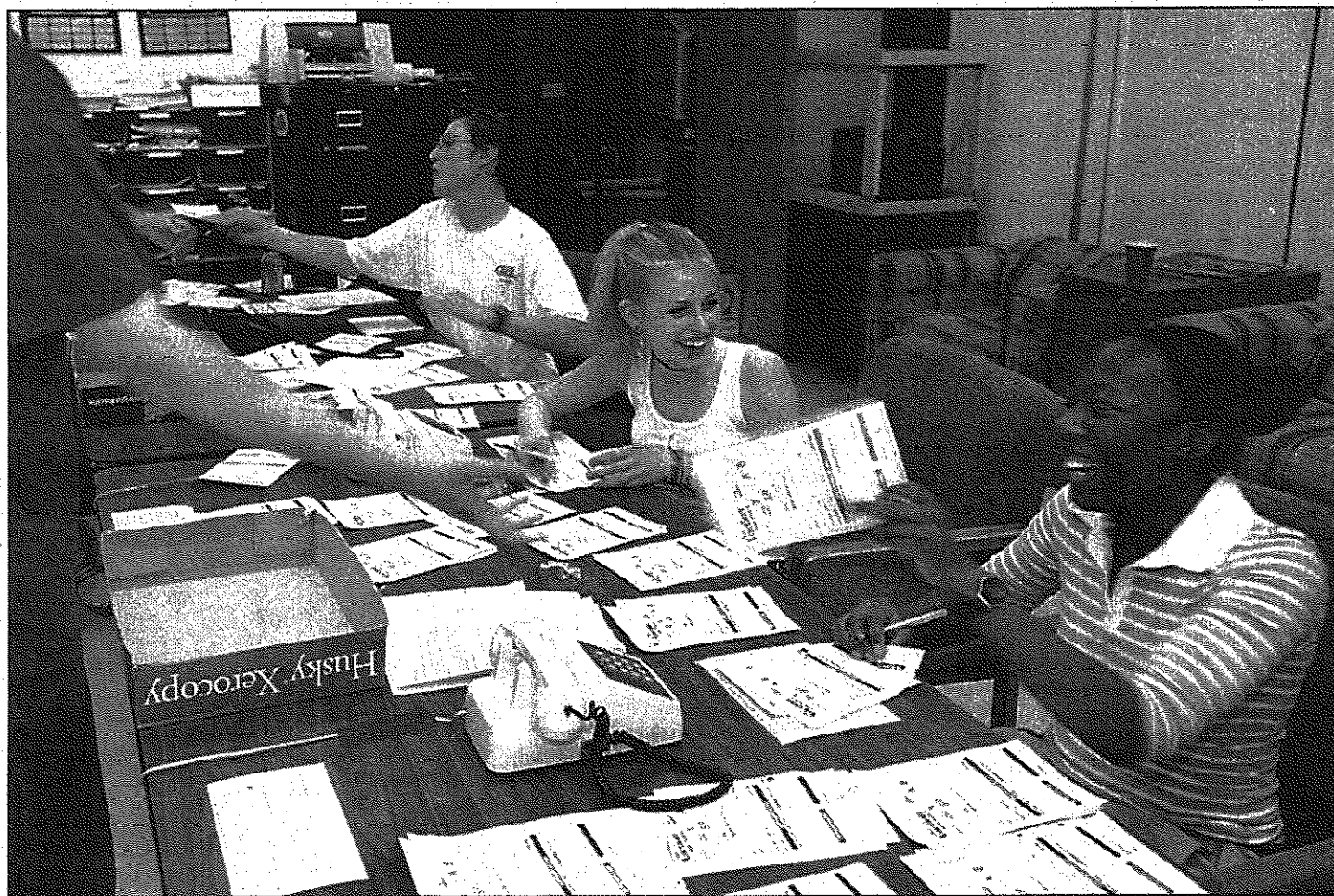
Why? Because countless credible studies show helmets prevent serious head injuries.

A motorcyclist who pays attention to traffic, who drives defensively on the road, could almost certainly overcome whatever inconveniences a helmet might cause.

A motorcyclist who goes flying and smacks his head on the pavement can't do anything to replace the protection a helmet offers.

In fact, according to AAA Michigan, helmets have saved the lives of 800 motorcyclists over the past 13 years. In a recent survey asking Michigan residents whether motorcyclists should be required to wear helmets, three-quarters of respondents said "yes."

That's why lawmakers should say "no" to HB 4325. As far as we're concerned, this one's a real no-brainer.



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Bid-takers Greg Angel, from left, Emily Hulscher and Nikeshia Nelson answer phones and keep the bidding process current during the annual WSDP 88.1 The Escape auction May 10. Parents, businesses and students helped make the auction a raving success with proceeds at \$8,700 — 25% more than last year's event.

LETTERS

Wishing to thank you

To the young lady who assisted me last Thursday afternoon, May 8, when my dog, chasing ducks, bolted through traffic across Canton Center Road. I was so disconcerted by the incident that I don't even remember whether I thanked you. I'd like to thank you through this letter and if you call me, (734) 459-8373, I'd like to thank you personally.

Fred Read
Canton

Bye to rural Canton

So Tom Yack doesn't think of northwest Canton as rural America. Apparently, the urbanization of this area is a huge benefit to those of us who live here and we should be mighty grateful to him for having "paved roads, sewers and expensive homes." ("Trustees overturn planning commission," May 15 *Canton Observer*).

Speaking for myself, and I am sure I speak for others, I am not remotely grateful. I regard Tom Yack and his cronies in the planning department (graduates of the Legoland School of Urban Planning) as vandals. They have destroyed what once made Canton attractive, and turned our township into a laughingstock among neighboring communities, many of which view Canton as a prime example of the horrors of urban sprawl.

Some of us, at least, who live in the few remaining non-subdivision lots in northwest Canton, came here originally for the peace and quiet and the rural atmosphere. We had no problem with unpaved streets, septic systems or well water until the developers (ably assisted by Yack et al.) overpopulated the area to the extent that the gravel roads fell apart and the groundwater was polluted. We did not come here because we were speculators, looking to benefit from increases in property prices. We liked the fact that the area was populated by a diverse mix of people, ranging from low to high income, that the older homes had character and history, and that the unpaved streets were lined with native trees and shrubs, which provided valuable habitat for the local fauna.

We fail to see the benefit of the clear-cutting and deforestation that has, for example, turned the street in front of my house (once a tunnel of trees in the summer) into a hideous, erosion-prone, pot-hole-ridden desert bordered by dying grass and dead ash trees.

Frankly, I am sick of the way that Canton is being developed. What was once a cozy, interesting community is now a never-ending vista of cookie-cutter homes with little architectural merit, and a totally inadequate infrastructure. (Need a gallon of milk? Get in your gas guzzler and drive three miles from your residential "zone" to your commercial "zone." It will only take you 30 minutes each way, plus an additional 15 if you need to make a left turn. Whatever you do, don't walk or get on your bike — you'll be dead in 30 seconds.)

The fact that Cherry Hill Village is now being touted as the latest and greatest in new development only emphasizes my point. Tom Yack and his pals in the planning department basically destroyed

Canton, and now to make amends they are building a kind of pretentious, fake Canton where yuppie types can imagine that they are really living the rural life. Well, get this: the rural life is what was here 20 years ago. It's gone now. It's never coming back. And Yack and his cronies are the ones to blame. This is not development. It's devastation.

Rachel McCormack
Canton

Disappointed

Our family gathered from Canton, Wayne and Westland to see the Shrine Circus Parade. We sat through the cold and high winds to see all the animals and performers. Needless to say, all we got to see were a lot of Shriners, two horses and a few clowns.

In your paper and on our cable channel, they told of elephants walking down Wayne Road. After seeing the parade, we passed on buying tickets. How disappointing!

It's a shame.

J. Chyba
Westland

Remembering Martha Griffiths

Thank you so much for the wonderful column about legendary Martha Griffiths, written by Phil Power, your publisher. His words were just like Martha: Warm, amusing, frank and pulling no punches.

As a friend of Martha's who saw her for the last time March 28, I can tell him that I know Martha had the same affection for him that he obviously had for her. The Martha Griffiths Project was begun in 1989 to bring greater recognition to Martha's national importance in winning women's rights. Much has been accomplished, but much also remains to be done. The campaign to create a statue of Martha in downtown Detroit, the city she loved, lived in, and served so well and so long, was begun during the August 2001 Martha Griffiths Day, but soft-pedaled during her recent long illness.

Thanks again for remembering marvelous Martha!

Lynette Brown
director of Martha Griffiths Project
Bloomfield Township

Pulmonary problem

As patients with lung disease, we are participating in pulmonary rehabilitation classes at the Arbor Health Building in Plymouth. We live in the area and are able to travel the short distance to these classes three times a week.

The "powers that be" at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti have decided to discontinue these classes and offer them only at the hospital, even though the extra travel will take a huge toll on our health. Many of us must use oxygen on a 24-hour basis and the travel and extra time involved make this very difficult, if not impossible.

We thought that hospitals were in the business of caring for the health of patients and not in making a profit. Apparently we were wrong.

The following petition was signed by

most of the participants in the pulmonary rehabilitation classes in Plymouth.

We, the undersigned, participants in the pulmonary rehabilitation classes at the Arbor Health Building in Plymouth, want to protest the announced closing of classes at that site. We are unable to travel distances without discomfort and need available classes nearby. By closing, you are denying us the chance for recovery and fuller, more productive lives.

Basil Hooten
Earl Harrington
Bob Moran
Pat Schwarz
Mary Fick
Frank Gieger
Michael Markulik
Richard Eicher
Beverly Mandalls
Lyle Whipple
Kenneth Reid
Gloria Garripee
Millard Mitchell
Shirley Griffiths

Democrats in a fog

The Democrats have been running helter-skelter, hither and yon for many months, not knowing when to side with Bush on the war, to what extent to oppose the administration's tax cut proposal.

The Democrats led by Daschle have exposed their total ignorance about what the Bush tax cut would accomplish. Primers on economics must be scarce in Washington.

What surprises many is why the Democrats don't distance themselves from the Hollywood nuts, who have the right to speak and be ridiculously wrong, even hateful of America, but who understand so little about the American dream, the suggestion by our Founding Fathers that the market system accompanied by the limited government arrangement is our destiny guaranteeing well-being.

One would think that a Daschle, a Clinton, a Gephardt, would shun any suggestion that the Hollywood explanation and suggested direction for our country has merit, is true to our American culture.

Neil Goodbred
Livonia

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QUOTABLE

"It's always filthy. No one travels in it (the median) so no one disperses the crud."

Melissa McLaughlin, Canton trustee, talking about the median at Ford Road and I-275

Special treatment heralds trouble in the industry

Here's a pretty good rule of thumb that an industry is in trouble: It rushes off to the government, pleading — on whatever grounds seem most expedient and politically attractive — for special treatment.

The best example is the railroad industry, in the 19th century the titan of the American economy. But as years passed, the industry lost sight of the fact that it was in the service business. Its practice of arrogantly administering rates to a market it presumed to be captive led inevitably to the rise of more efficient, cheaper competitors: trucks, airplanes, automobiles.

And so the railroad industry leaned on Congress time and again to pass special protective pieces of legislation, ultimately winding up in a wholesale bailout through which the government took over the assets and liabilities (mostly the latter) of the industry. The taxpayers are still paying the tab for all this and the railroad industry is no healthier.

A recent example has to do with the airline industry, whose big players for years made up for their very high cost structure by gouging their best customers — business people who have to make last-minute reservations and get in and out of their out-of-town meetings in one day.

When air traffic dropped to a trickle after 9/11, that strange noise you heard in the background was the corps of airline industry lobbyists rushing to ask Congress for a multi-billion dollar bailout. With air traffic remaining stagnant and low-cost competitors making money, the big airlines are now threatening to declare bankruptcy (a governmental protection against creditors) in order to jawbone the labor unions into making concessions.

Now comes the television industry, faced with increasing competition from cable TV and the Internet, wheeling and dealing with the Federal Communications Commission to relax the rules against concentration of ownership. The FCC is expected to vote June 2 to lift its ban on one company owning both a newspaper and a TV station in large markets such as Detroit.

There are several problems with all this. The first is secrecy. The FCC proposes to make this change — the biggest since the 1970s — having held only one open hearing on a very complex proposal that has not been available in final form to the public. Even so, something like 18,000 people have commented already. Keeping the FCC proceedings in the dark is simply inexcusable.

The second is more obvious. The more concentrated media ownership is, the less competition there will be and the likelihood is that quality (whatever that is in the TV business) will go down. And the rule change now being considered by the FCC certainly will not increase media ownership competition.

What's likely to happen? Some evidence comes from the Telecommunications Act of 1996, which purported to deregulate the radio business "in order to increase competition." It hasn't worked out quite that way. In Detroit, for example, two national radio companies own half of the major radio stations. In smaller cities, Clear Channel or Infinity Broadcasting are basically the only game in town.

Newspaper readers may sense an uncanny similarity between this proposal and the passage of the oddly named Newspaper Preservation Act in 1970. The product of special interest lobbying by an industry beginning to experience competition from television and the rise of community newspapers like this one, the NPA's purpose was to relax the anti-trust laws to allow two big-city daily newspapers to combine their business, manufacturing and sales operations while allowing their editorial functions to remain separate. The idea was that a daily newspaper, facing the possibility of failing in the competitive marketplace, could combine with another to form a "joint operating agreement" so as to "preserve editorial diversity."

A leading example of the JOA was the creation in 1986 of the Detroit Newspaper Agency, which owns both *The Detroit News* and *Detroit Free Press*. Skeptical readers in Michigan may wonder whether relaxing the competition between *The News* and the *Free Press* has increased the quality of either.

In other states, JOAs are now beginning to unwind, with the richer partner putting the weaker one out of business but paying it a continuing share of monopoly profits. Most people think the ultimate effect of the Newspaper Preservation Act will be to both reduce competition between newspapers and then to reduce the number of papers left.

All of which makes me wonder whether the forces of the free market are not a lot more effective and fair than the heavy-handed efforts of failing industries to extort special protection from the government.

Phil Power is the chairman of the board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2047 or at ppower@homecomm.net.

Ralph Chapman touched lives with his honorable, ethical existence

My friend Ralph Chapman died Friday. There's no really easy way to say it, no gentle phrasing that lessens the pain for anyone who knew him. Complications from a stroke he suffered a couple of months ago finally claimed his life, at the age of 77.

He went out fighting, acting out in life's last moments the lessons he'd tried to pass on to anyone whose life he touched. A teacher for 42 years, Ralph never knew the meaning of the word "quit."

I met Ralph not long after I took this job in November 1999, when he came into the office to kibitz with me about an editorial I'd written. I don't remember the subject matter now, but I remember Ralph agreeing with and praising the paper for its stance.

That first visit evolved into a series of weekly visits, and for three years Ralph would stop by a couple of times a week. He'd come in the front door, immaculately dressed, shaved and coiffed, his trademark fedora in his hand (the joke in his neighborhood was that Ralph was the only guy

who'd shovel snow in a tie and hat).

He'd have a kind word and a smile for our receptionist, Brenda, who got the biggest kick out of Ralph. Then he'd amble into my office and ease into my chair, and we'd talk politics or journalism or about his children. When the courts ruled a couple of years ago that girls sports had to follow the same schedule as boys sports, it was Ralph's son-in-law who reviewed the case.

He told me about his teaching career, and wanted to know about my military career. When school board issues arose, Ralph would tell me about his time as the president of the board of education for the Robichaud and Roosevelt schools.

When the other paper in town, under its old leadership, would take shots at us or at city officials or at whomever they chose as a target at a given time, Ralph came in with a special message, typed on a small piece of paper: "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

It's a passage from the Book of John, 8:32, and it's a value on which Ralph based his life. He was honest and ethical, and thought everyone should be that way. He believed deeply in his faith and seemed genuinely surprised if others didn't.

It's an odd juxtaposition, considering Ralph was fairly involved in politics. He never met a school issue he didn't address, and candidates for political office sought out his opinion.

"Some people think Christianity and poli-

tics can't mix," said Sandy Groth, a family friend who spoke at Ralph's funeral Monday. "Not so, according to Ralph."

There were a lot of parallels between Ralph's life and mine, lived so many years later. Born in 1925, Ralph lost his dad at an early age, and he and brothers Walter and Paul were raised alone, by their mother, in difficult times.

I was born 34 years later, but my parents divorced when I was young, and we were raised by my mother in difficult times.

Ralph dabbled in football, baseball and track. I played football and wrestled. He couldn't sing but loved to anyway; my grandmother used to tell me I couldn't carry a tune in a bushel basket.

So we had a lot in common, and I came to not only enjoy our conversations, but to depend on them. At Monday's service, Groth said four words immediately came to mind when she thought of Ralph: honor, integrity, ethics and morals.

They were character traits on which I came to depend, particularly when I needed an opinion. I knew Ralph's opinions, even on the rare occasions when I didn't agree with him, were grounded in strong moral balance and ethical standard.

More importantly, from a newspaper reporter's standpoint, I knew I was going to get his true feeling, no matter what the question. So many people tell a reporter what they think he wants to hear, or put the "spin" that makes them look most favorable.

Ralph wasn't into any of that. He was the single most forthright, "do the right thing" person I've ever met.

Now he's gone, and I find myself adrift a bit emotionally. When you don't have a lot of friends, the loss of one is difficult to overcome. I agonize now because I never made it to see him in the last couple of months, when he shuttled between the hospital and his assisted living facility. I'm disappointed that I'd never previously met his wife, Toni, though he'd certainly talked about her.

Ralph was 77, but you'd never have guessed it looking at him. You always think you have more time than you do, even when your friends are 33 years older than you. Maybe that's the last lesson Ralph had to teach me.

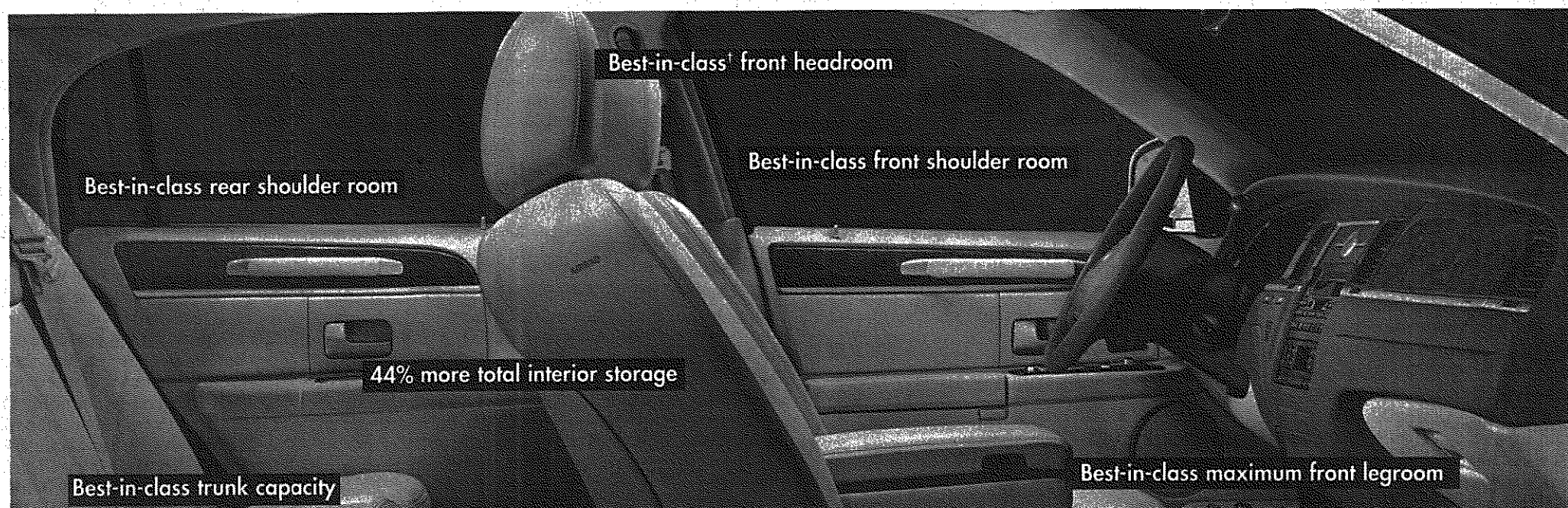
Sandy Groth told me Ralph had spoken of me shortly before the stroke that eventually claimed his life. That makes me genuinely happy.

Ralph had the chance to touch so many lives. I'm proud that mine was one of them.

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■ Featured artist

Allison Warren, a Beverly Hills artist, has been selected by Lawrence Rinder, curator of contemporary art at the Whitney Museum of American Art in New York City, to be featured in the Detroit Artists Market's current exhibit, Selecti. The Detroit Artists Market is in Detroit's Cultural Center, 4719 Woodward Ave., three blocks south of the Detroit Art Institute. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday. Visit online at www.detroitartistsmarket.org or call (313) 832-8540.

■ Cucina Leone

Is hosting a palette-pleasing open house on 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 23-24. Each day will feature gourmet food samples prepared by chef/owner Jack Leone, samples of specialty retail items and some complimentary gifts. Cucina Leone offers fresh foods cooked to order in an open kitchen featuring an oak burning oven, grill and rotisserie. The menu changes daily and seasonally, and is updated on the Cucina Leone Web site, www.cucinaleone.com. Cucina Leone is at 755 E. Maple in Birmingham. For information, call (248) 901-1600.

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■ Sheila Landis

Spend an evening listening to The Sheila Landis Trio 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 30, at *Cool Jazz at Club Covert*, part of the Waterford Cultural Council's Concert Series at the Covert Center, 1150 Scott Lake Road, across from Waterford Mott High School. Tickets \$10 at the door. Landis, a Rochester native, has been performing her unique style of jazz and blues since 1973. For information, call (248) 623-9389.

■ Kid's concert

Sing with Rita Kirsch and Candy Cow at the Teddy Bear Concert 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, at The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. Call (248) 644-5832, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, to register.

Movement 03

Detroit's Electronic Music Festival



JOE VAUGHN

Movement 03: Detroit's Electronic Music Festival is a show of sound and light.

Techno trio brings new energy to music festival

BY MIKE MURPHY CORRESPONDENT

Detroit will be smack dab back on the map this weekend when the pulse of its annual electronic music festival beats loud and strong on four stages at Hart Plaza.

This year's festival is more than a mere festival, it's a survivor.

And the founder of the production company — putting on the show of sound and light for the first time this year is raring to go.

"Let's do it," Derrick May said. "We have to show that this event will live."

The festival, formerly known as

the Detroit Electronic Music Festival, will carry a new name — Movement 03: Detroit's Electronic Music Festival, and be guided by a triumvirate of Detroit techno legends that includes May, Kevin Saunderson and former DEMF artistic director Carl Craig.

The techno trio is the artistic board of High Tech Soul, the production company made up of artists, lawyers and accountants that won control of the popular festival this year from the city of Detroit over Pop

Culture Media, which controlled the event since its inception in 2000.

Unlike Pop Culture, said to have received about \$1 million in financial support from the city of Detroit last year, High Tech Soul got a late start out of the gate when its contract with the city wasn't firmed up until January.

That left little time to corral the sponsorship needed for such a large event.

Moreover, since the city found

PLEASE SEE MOVEMENT, B2

Local museums join in weekend celebration of techno

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Intrigued by the techno sound, but not inclined to join the throngs of 20-somethings sure to turn out for this weekend's Electronic Music Festival?

Well, you can still have a techno experience. Two local museums are joining in the celebration of Detroit's latest contribution to the world of music.

At the Detroit Historical Museum, home of the exhibit *Techno: Detroit's Gift to the World*, there's a live techno performance and extended hours Friday. Special tours of the exhibit also are being offered to complement the Electronic Music Festival.

Techno traces the musical genre's birth and development in Detroit using photographs, artifacts, album covers, video footage and, of course, music — a great opportunity for the uninitiated.

Techno, which opened in January and runs through June 2004, has garnered national and international attention with visitors coming from as far as Australia.

"This truly is a global genre," said Catherine Klingman, curator of *Techno*. "But there are a lot of people who don't know what techno means. It's very personal music, and it means different things to different people. But here, people can get an idea about what techno is all about."

Interactive computer kiosks allow visitors to try their hand at composing electronic music. Most important, the exhibit tells the story of Juan Atkins, Eddie Fowlkes, Derrick



WALLY LUBZIK

The founders of techno (from left) Eddie Fowlkes, Kevin Saunderson, Juan Atkins and Derrick May, stand in front of the Detroit Historical Museum, home of the exhibit 'Techno: Detroit's Gift to the World.'

May and Kevin Saunderson, the founding fathers of electronic music — all from Detroit.

For a dose of the genre's future, set Friday evening aside for a trip to Cranbrook Art Museum in Bloomfield Hills.

Jimmy Edgar, a rising star on the electronic music scene, will render his own style of techno starting at 7:30 p.m. as part of the muse-

PLEASE SEE MUSEUMS, B7

MOVEMENT 03: DETROIT'S ELECTRONIC MUSIC FESTIVAL

When: Noon to midnight,
Saturday-Monday, May 24-26

Where: Hart Plaza, Detroit

■ **MODE** — Fashion and Music in Time 9 p.m. Thursday, May 22, at Detroit's 5th Ave Downtown, 2100 Woodward Ave., inside Comerica Park.

■ **Patrons** who purchase Movement 03 Memberships will receive access to designated areas of the plaza with private space, restrooms and complimentary refreshments, get 15 percent off all official MOVEMENT merchandise, and receive preferred entry into sanctioned Movement Festival after-parties and off-site events. Memberships purchased before Friday, May 23, will cost \$30 and can be purchased online at the festival Web site www.movementfestival.com

TECHNO AT CRANBROOK

What: Rochester Hills electronic music artist Jimmy Edgar performs as part of Fabulous Fourth Friday Nights at Cranbrook Art Museum.

When: 7:30-9 p.m.
Friday, May 23.

Where: Cranbrook Art Museum, 39221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Tickets: Members, free, general admission, \$6, seniors, teens and full-time students, \$4, children 12 and under, free with adult admission. Call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or (877) 462-7262 or visit www.cranbrookart.edu.

Enjoy dinner and wine to benefit the arts

BY JOE BAUMAN
STAFF WRITER

Dario Bergamo knows firsthand how a sour economy can wreak havoc on government funding for arts education programs.

When public dollars dwindle, the private sector — and in Detroit, the automobile industry in particular — is often called upon to make up the shortfall.

"Arts education is very critical to this area, and private-sector contribution is even more important than in the past," said Bergamo, vice president for sales and marketing of Troy-based automotive supplier Solar Corporation.

Bergamo is serving as a com-

mittee chair for Treasures from the Cellar IV, the major fundraiser for the Southfield-based Fancub Arts Foundation.

In its fourth year, Bergamo said the wine auction and gourmet dinner at Neiman Marcus in Troy's Somerset Collection has grown each year, with this year's fund-raising goal set at \$75,000.

The wines of Napa Valley-based Rombauer Estates will be featured at this year's dinner, with K.R. Rombauer III serving as honorary wine chair for the Saturday, May 31, event. The evening begins with a champagne reception and silent auction at 7 p.m., followed by a four-course dinner, live auction and afterglow at Capital Grille.

The Fancub Arts Foundation is metro-Detroit's only not-for-profit fund-raising organization dedicated to supporting arts education for students from kindergarten through post-graduate level.

To date, more than \$400,000 in grants have been awarded, with 16 organizations from the Birmingham-Bloomfield Art Center to Southfield-based Youtheatre sharing more than \$48,000 in grants last year.

"Fancub wouldn't exist without the fabulous corporate support we receive and an army of dedicated volunteers and arts enthusiasts," said Fancub executive director John Bloom. "We have Dow Automotive as our event sponsor this year, and we

get tremendous support from Neiman Marcus and all of the people associated with this event."

Bergamo said he became involved with Fancub after meeting Bloom and hearing about the organization.

"John (Bloom) has a real passion for helping kids and building bridges in the community, so this seemed like a natural," he said. "The dinner is a great event and a great way to be involved and help improve our community."

Ticket information for Treasures from the Cellar IV is available by calling Fancub at (248) 584-4150, or by visiting the Foundation's Web site at www.fancubarts.com

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MOVEMENT

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itself mired in a large deficit, it decided to pull funding from the festival, and that's something May is hesitant to forgive. "The fact that the city does not support us shows a lack of insight of what this event means to the city," May said. "But we're fighting that. Win or lose, this is something that we had to do."

PLEDGE

Nevertheless, the parade to an electronic Memorial Day weekend marched on and festival organizers made up in part from the lack of funding by a pledge from Detroit artists to play for free.

Festival Director Derrick Ortencio said about 75 percent of the artists performing at the festival are Detroiters, and that some of the international artists will also be playing for free.

Organizers are also selling buttons on their Web site (www.movementfestival.com) and in shops around the Detroit area to help make ends meet.

"We've got a lot of support,"

Ortencio said. "It seems as if the community has pulled together but it's been a lot of hours of hard work for a lot of people."

More forgiving of the city of Detroit than May, Ortencio said the city did pitch in to help, especially by providing the venue for the event.

"The city has been supporting us in a number of ways," Ortencio said. "They just didn't have the funding."

A fashion and music show tonight at 9 p.m. at Detroit's Fifth Avenue Downtown in Comerica Park will kick off the festivities, and present a chronological journey highlighting the evolution of musical genres and parallel fashion trends.

Movement 03 begins at noon Saturday and runs until midnight on Monday.

Ortencio said conceptual stages at the festival will be introduced for the first time this year and that all of the stages will return the focus of the event to Detroit.

"From an artistic standpoint, this festival will be very important to artists in this city and give them an opportunity to get the recognition that's due to them," Ortencio said.

The Movement stage will be

dropped down to the lip of the bowl in the Hart Plaza Amphitheater for more intimacy. The High Tech Soul stage will offer an eclectic lineup of hip-hop, jazz, neosoul, house and techno.

Another new area will be the Music Institute stage, with an enclosed DJ booth meant to pay homage to the legendary Detroit club at 1315 Broadway that helped launched the Detroit techno sound in the 1980s.

The Underground stage will feature more experimental electronic music.

As an added attraction, the Movement Festival has partnered with Native Instruments to put together a three-day program of panels, workshops and discussions. Participants include the Detroit Film Coalition, the Detroit Historical Museum, Remix Magazine and the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences. The program will offer festival-goers a hands-on, up-close and personal experience with progressive artistry and technology. Schedules for specific demonstrations and panels will be posted online.

Detroit DJ Mike Grant will be performing at the event, and he said he's glad to see the

change of guard, despite the fact that he was a member of the artistic board for the 2002 event.

"Honestly, it should have been in the hands of the Detroit music community in the first place, and that's where it is now," Grant said. "It's unfortunate, but we learn from our mistakes."

And in spite of the pitfalls experienced by High Tech Soul and the lack of funding, Grant is predicting that this year's festival will shine through.

"This is Mecca," Grant said. "Without Detroit, techno music wouldn't be as popular as it is today. It's been said before, but Detroit has almost become a genre of music."

May said that this year's festival will also be a proving ground for High Tech Soul, which was awarded a three-year contract to run the festival.

"This year, the festival will be for the people, by the people and about the people. The way it should have been in the first place," May said. "What makes it a good thing is that we care about the artists, but we're tapped into the business side of things, too."

Mike Murphy is a Livonia resident and musician.

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Come to the 'Cabaret' in St. Dunstan's outdoor Greek Theatre

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

When Judie Cochill heard St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook was staging the musical Cabaret the Bloomfield Township jazz vocalist knew she had to make time to try-out for a role. Cabaret is more than musical entertainment, it's music with a message.

"It's a wonderful story," said Cochill who plays Fraulein Schneider, a German woman who falls in love with a Jewish man. The production opens Friday, May 30, in the outdoor Greek Theatre at Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills. "Cabaret's a popular musical. You walk out not humming but with thought processes going. This just mustn't happen again. History doesn't have to repeat itself. It's lovely and dark and funny in places.

"Fraulein Schneider is a charming older woman who had been rich and now has to rent rooms in her home. She has a flirty relationship with Herr Schultz (played by Fred Shulak). When Nazism is evident she gives up the possibility of marriage."

Cochill is as moved by the music and lyrics written by



IAN MCEWAN

Stacy Williams (left), Fred Shulak, Judie Cochill, Jeff Davison, and Kevin Edwards rehearse a scene from 'Cabaret.' The production is being put on by St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook in the outdoor Greek Theatre.

John Kander and Fred Ebb as the story. From the bittersweet but upbeat *So What* to the soul searching *What Would You Do*, she takes the words to heart. But that's true wherever she sings.

Wednesday, June 11, she'll join the Matt Michaels Trio for an evening of jazz at Ron's Fireside Inn in Westland. She can be heard on Michaels' new CD, *The Matt Michaels Trio & Friends*. In between perform-

ing and recording Cochill sings with choirs at Christ Church Cranbrook and Temple Emmanuel in Oak Park.

MEANINGFUL MUSIC

"What Would You Do I can't get through it emotionally. It's an incredibly powerful song," said Cochill. "I'm always personalizing the music I sing. Emotion just happens to well up from whatever I sing

whether it's pops, standard or jazz. The lyrics drive the song. I choose music that means something to me."

Cochill's ability to relay emotion through song is one of the reasons director Nancy Brassert is delighted to have her in Cabaret. Brassert last worked with Cochill nearly 20 years ago at St. Dunstan's in South Pacific. Brassert's been a member of St. Dunstan's since 1969 and in charge of sets for 26 years.

"Judie's a wonderful singer and a fine performer," said Brassert of Birmingham. "All of the leads are seasoned professionals. That's very important. Cabaret is a very intimate show. In Greek theater you're outdoors and can't play it that way. I tried to make it more intimate by establishing a night club scene with chorus members sitting at tables."

Brassert introduces the underlying theme, the rise of Nazism, by bringing in officers in brown shirts in the second act.

"This is set in Berlin in the 1930s," said Brassert. "There was sexual freedom everywhere. Moral decay was at a high point. This is hardest show I've had to direct. We

have two love stories going on at the Kit Kat Club. We have a 17 member chorus who are spectators, 11 Kit Kat cast members, a 12 member orchestra behind the stage, and the emcee who threads his way through the show and is a constant reminder of this theme. The challenge is trying to relay this message without making it a downer. You're not going to come out whistling and singing and laughing. It's a reminder that this is something that could happen again. It's a very entertaining show but an underlying serious show."

That's not to say audiences won't enjoy themselves. Brassert did when she saw the production in New York in January.

"I like the songs Cabaret and Money, Money, Money, all the music and lyrics by John Kander and Fred Ebb who also wrote the musical Chicago," said Brassert. "And coming to the Greek Theatre is sort of a happening as long as you dress for the weather. It gets chilly out there at night. But it's very special because there are only nine Greek theaters in the country."

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'CABARET'

What: St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook presents the Tony Award-winning musical. Not recommended for children under 18 because of sexual innuendo, OK for mature children age 14 and up

When: 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 30-31, and Thursday-Saturday, June 5-7

Where: Outdoor Greek Theatre at Cranbrook, 400 Lone Pine Road, between Cranbrook and Lahser roads, Bloomfield Hills

Tickets: \$16, \$13 seniors and students. Call (248) 644-0527 or visit the Web site at www.StDunstansTheatre.com. Special \$50 dinner/theater package available Friday, May 30, includes choice of five entrees at Ocean Grille in Birmingham, call (248) 645-5936

This talented actress, singer is never too busy

BY KEELY KALESKI
STAFF WRITER

Jelly thrives on overload. "If I don't have too much to do, it's not enough stuff," said the Redford resident currently appearing in Second City-Detroit's 24th revue.

When she's not on stage, she's busy working on her Black Fairy Clothing line, hosting CinemaShorts, an online International film festival, or singing with her band, Jelly's Pierced Tattoo.

Jelly - where did that come from?

"It's my nickname and people just started calling me that," she said. "When I was a baby I was fat - a belly full of jelly."

She is a founding member of Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit, and has been performing since she was 5.

In 1997 she auditioned for Second City-Detroit, but didn't make the cut. Last summer she took a job at the box office, auditioned again, and was cast in *Woodward to your Mutha*, which opened in March.

"I found out the day before Christmas," she said. "They said, 'OK, you got the job, here's the script.' Everybody was very supportive, I didn't feel too overwhelmed. I knew if I messed up they'd fall in. I wasn't too nervous."

Jelly has done ballet, choreography, acting and singing, but improv surprised her.

"It's amazing how hard it is," she said. "You just make stuff up. I'm lucky to work with a cast that's so talented."

Doing improv helps her



The cast of Second City-Detroit's 24th revue, *Woodward to Your Mutha*, Jeff Fritz (top left), Suzie Gouine (right bottom), Jelly (left), John Edwartowski (glasses), Shawn Handlon, Antoine McKay (center) and Topher Owen.

stage presence, she says.

"Being a woman you have to be appealing, you have to be in charge. Improv has helped me get more comfortable without being mean. You can tell drunk

people to shut up and it's funny."

When she sings with her band, Jelly uses a little improv sometimes to keep things interesting.

"We played a blues riff and made up a song on the spot," she said. "It went pretty well. You get suggestions and plug them into the equation. I couldn't have done that before."

WOODWARD TO YOUR MUTHA

What: Second City-Detroit's 24th revue

When: 8 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday.

Where: Second City-Detroit, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit

Tickets: \$15 Wednesday-Thursday; \$20 Friday-Saturday, at the box office or call (248) 645-6666, www.ticketmaster.com

The process of writing and performing improv intrigues her.

"OK, let's write a scene. Hey, I've got this idea. It kind of goes like this and ends like that. Then you try it out in front of an audience," said Jelly. "After you run it you see what works and doesn't, transcribe and write it, trim it, and make it tight. Pen and paper is the last part."

The show evolves. "Sometimes it's not completely written," she said, explaining how revues at Second City Detroit are put together. "You see if people get

it and make it as good as it's gonna be."

Woodward to your Mutha is a high-energy show.

"People are popping through windows, bouncing on pogo sticks. It looks crazy but it's organized," she said.

"The major points we hit are to have respect for Detroit locally and globally. We're here, we want to be here, we like Detroit. You gotta show a little respect for the D."

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Tomorrow's Seinfelds will perform at Kings of Comedy

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Wouldn't it have been great to see Jerry Seinfeld perform before his popularity exploded? Or Chris Rock? Or Bernie Mac?

There's an opportunity to see the next big, make that huge, comedians at *The Kings and Queens of Comedy Search* Friday, May 30 at the Fox Theatre. Walter Latham is the creator of the event which makes success almost a guarantee.

Latham, you could say, has the Midas touch when it comes to comedy.

The hugely successful 31-year-old producer owns an equally successful comedy company called Latham Entertainment. He produced Chris Rock's HBO show *Bring on the Pain* – the performance that sent Rock into stardom. Latham is also credited with discovering Bernie Mac and Chris Tucker. His movie *The Original Kings of Comedy*, directed by Spike Lee, grossed more than \$38 million at the box office.

Latham admits that he's extremely wealthy – so now he wants to help others succeed.

"I've already made more money than I ever dreamed, I'm cool in life," Latham said from his North Carolina home. "Now what inspires me to get out bed in the morning is the idea of helping others get into the place I'm in."

Enter the *Kings and Queens of Comedy Search*. The tour is going to just six cities in the country. At every location comedians perform and one is voted off – think *American Idol* meets *Road Rules*, but this is all about comedy. The audience will also see clips of each comedian 'backstage' to learn about his or her personality.

"Once we hit Detroit we'll be down to seven comedians," Latham said. "Once it gets down to four, we'll crown the king and queen at Madison Square Gardens."

Eventually, it will be televised. Latham doesn't know when or by which network, but he knows it will happen.



Mega-producer Walter Latham is bringing his *Kings and Queens of Comedy Search* to the Fox Theatre. Detroit is just one of six cities nationwide to host the event.

"I don't have to beg for Hollywood to take my shows anymore," Latham said. "I'll produce it and they will come."

Latham avoids dealing with Hollywood as much as possible, which is why the show is on the road.

"The audience should decide what's funny," Latham said. "I don't like the idea of one or two people living in the Hollywood Hills deciding on what the entire country watches on television."

The Detroit show will be hosted by celebrity judge comedians Sommore, Mo'Nique, and Adele Givens. They'll also perform comedy during the first half of the search.

The final winners earn \$25,000 cash.

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Latham chose contestants who stood out from others in the world of comedy. His knack for finding talent to please mass audience is simply a gift, he said.

"I don't know how exactly I'm able to do it," Latham said. "I'm somehow able to find a uniqueness in certain comedians. It's blessing, really. Bernie Mac is a good example. He didn't have the perfect looks or the youth, but there was something special about him and now he's in *Charlie's Angels*. The same thing with Chris Tucker – that high-pitched voice, it was special."

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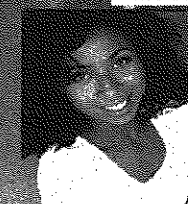
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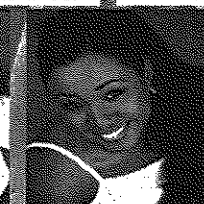
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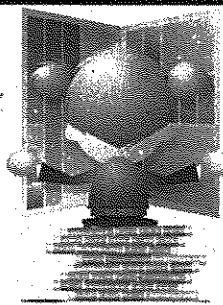


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Albert Brooks and Michael Douglas play two prospective fathers-in-law with completely different personalities in 'The In-Laws.' They are thrown together in a wild adventure on the eve of their children's nuptials.

Tale of two comedies

'Bruce Almighty' and 'The In-Laws' look fun and fanciful

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Two whimsical comedies with incredible plot set-ups – one more grounded in reality and the other, pure fantasy – make their way to theaters this weekend.

On the more realistic side is *The In-Laws*, the story of two fathers with dramatically different lifestyles and personalities who are thrown together in a wild adventure on the eve of their children's nuptials.

The In-Laws was inspired by the 1979 hit comedy of the same name.

The prospective father-in-laws are Jerome Peyser, a mild-mannered podiatrist with a well-organized, daily routine played by Albert Brooks, and Steve Tobias, a daredevil CIA operative played by Michael Douglas.

Tobias is trying to wrap up a very important case that could affect the safety of countless lives worldwide – not to mention, the wedding plans. Peyser wants to stop the nuptials. But before the good doctor can, he is thrust into Tobias' undercover world, a top-secret international arms-smuggling deal.

With the summer wedding season upon us, the theatrical release of *The In-Laws* comes at an appropriate time – comic relief for those in the throes of planning a wedding. Hey, seating chart revisions pale in comparison to nuclear weapons.

The In-Laws, a Warner Bros. release, is rated PG-13.

A fantasy with sure-fire appeal sets up *Bruce Almighty*, starring the larger-than-life Jim Carrey.

Carrey's character, Bruce Nolan, is a discontented man who has an especially bad day and gets mad at God. He

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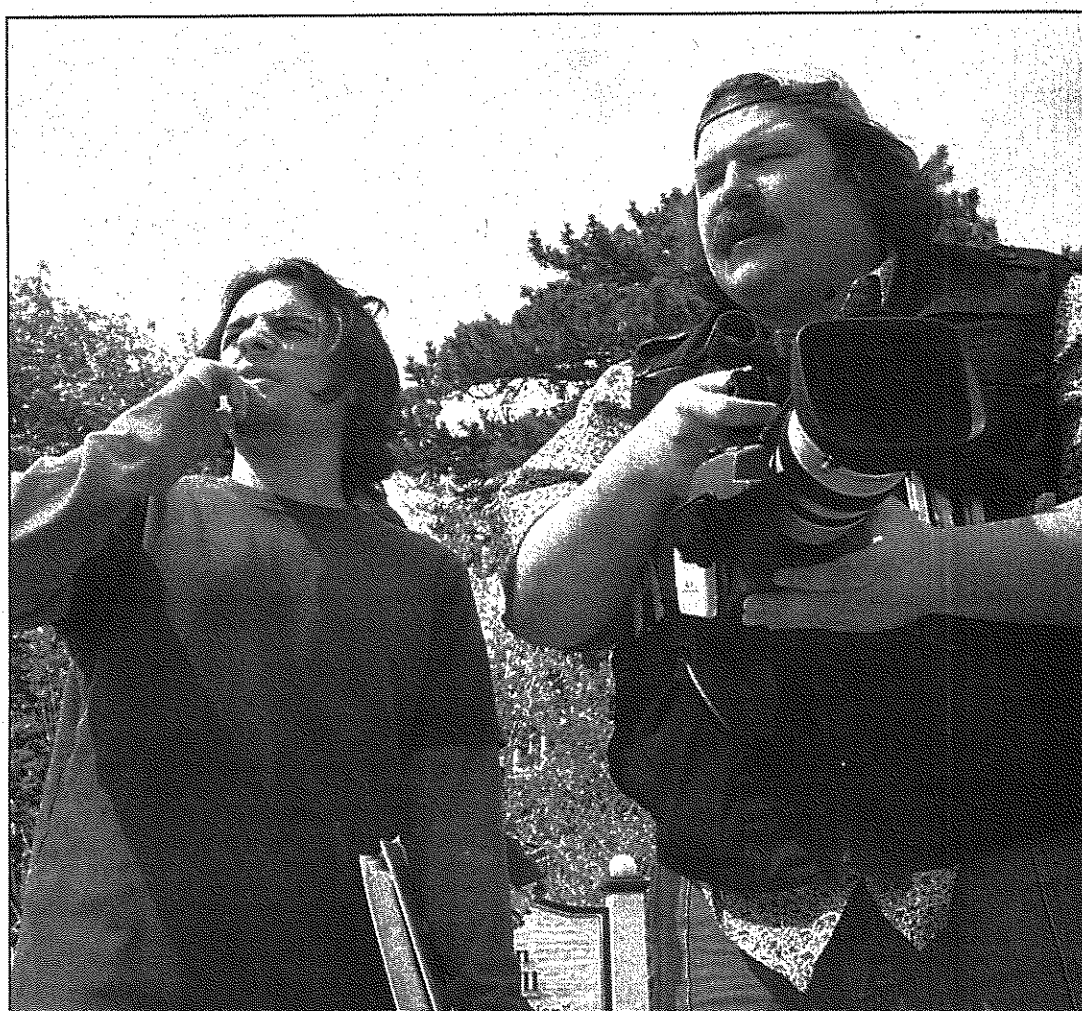
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Film director Sam Khaleghi (left) and cinematographer Jason Waugh look for shots for Khaleghi's upcoming film.

Young producer uses Detroit area in first film

BY PAUL R. PACE
STAFF WRITER

Sam Khaleghi of West Bloomfield knows that the Detroit area can hold its own in the movie business.

After all, metro Detroit is second to Hollywood in the amount of filmstock used. But that's because of the large amount of industry films and commercials produced here.

Khaleghi, 20, said he'd like to put Detroit and Michigan on the map by producing quality films.

And what better way to move that dream along than produce, star and direct his own screenplay.

The young director/producer has been capturing his work, Approaching Midnight in and around the metro area, including Farmington Hills, West Bloomfield and Birmingham.

Khaleghi is a graduate of West Bloomfield High School and a student at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills.

Armed with a crew of assistants, tech people and actors, Khaleghi is telling his story about several young friends and a three-day weekend where they reunite after a first year apart at different colleges. They discover what's changed and what decisions need to be made for their futures.

The producer said he's learning something new each day as his screenplay is captured on 35mm digital video camera.

Thanks to advances in digital technology, producing a quality film without the backing of a studio is within reach to budding filmmakers like Khaleghi.

Juggling so many people and with a limited budget proves to be a challenge, he admitted.

"I'm learning you can't invite too many people to the set without anything to do," he said.

Khaleghi said Approaching Midnight is a comedy/drama/satire being

shot in documentary style. The main character, Wesley Kent, played by Khaleghi, faces decisions, both large and small and love interests - all in three days.

Khaleghi said the line, "Midnight knows what noon didn't see coming," captures the message he's trying to express.

Two of the film's stars are Jana Kramer and Marina DeMeyer.

Kramer said she's only known Khaleghi for a while but she's impressed with his vision.

"He's a nice guy, down to earth and reliable," she said.

DeMeyer of Farmington Hills said for his first movie, "he's got a lot together. He's a real people person."

Khaleghi plans to premier his movie locally and at film festivals statewide.

And if all goes well from there, the Cannes Film Festival, he said.

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Bret Michaels always creating

Solo CD, tour with Poison, film directing, being a dad are just a few things on his list

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Poison lead singer Bret Michaels is anything but a one-dimensional rock star.

He breaks any stereotype one might expect from a glam rock band that had huge hits in the late '80s and '90s like *Every Rose Has Its Thorn*, *Talk Dirty to Me* and *Unskinny Bop*. Poison breaks stereotypes too. The band keeps making music and selling out major concert venues.

A sell-out show is expected at DTE Energy Music Theatre on Friday, May 30 where Poison headlines a triple-bill with Skid Row and former Motley Crue frontman Vince Neil.

During a conversation with Michaels last week from his home in Canada, the singer discussed the hardships and blessings of his unpredictable life.

Michaels just released his fourth solo CD, *Songs of Life*. It's an energetic blend of straight-up sexy rock n' roll, reflective country Americana, fun pop rock and a few honest ballads that are heartbreaking to hear. His song *Raine*, written for his daughter Raine, is marked as a hit and rightfully so. The CD also contains a beautifully filmed video of *Raine*.

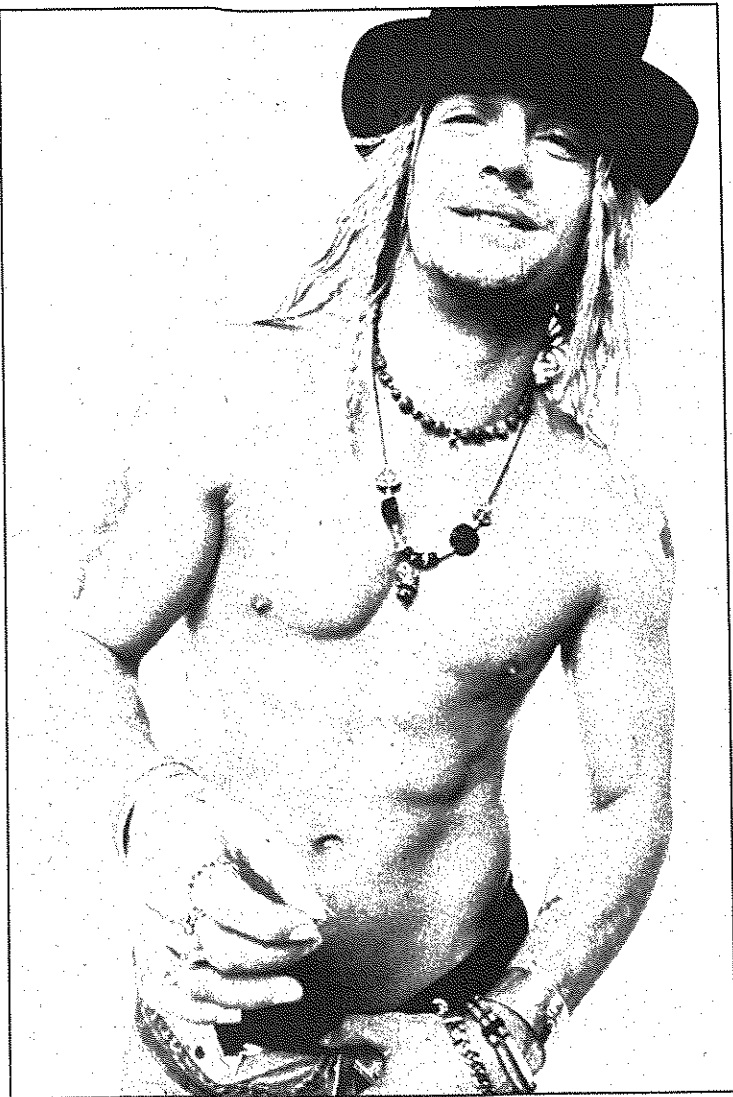
Michaels embraces fatherhood.

"I always heard people use the term 'unconditional love,'" Michaels said. "And I didn't know what it meant until Raine was born. I can't handle being away from her too long. When she hurts, I can't take it, I want to take that pain away so badly and I want to protect her from everything that's wrong in the world."

The lyrics of the songs are clever in *Songs of Life*: Emotional, light, and like life they're unpredictable.

In two words: great songs. And perhaps even better, Michaels had fun on the CD, because fun after all, is part of life. The song *Bittersweet* proves he doesn't always take himself too seriously: "I can see her through the window with my ex-friend Jack. She broke my heart, sold my guitar and I wrote this crap."

The song *Strange Sensation* rings of pure Michaels sex-appeal: "Why do I love you in my bed, why do I hate you in my head." Others are reflective



Bret Michaels has just released his fourth solo CD, and will be at DTE Energy Music Theatre on Friday, May 30.

"love and pain and sacrifice, flesh and blood are the songs of life" in the song *Songs of Life*. The song *One More Day* was written in honor of a man killed in the World Trade Center attack: "Sometimes I wonder if I wasted all those years. For all the things I forgot to say...would you give me more day."

"September 11 was a horrible day for me...just like it was for everyone in America. I was angry, I was sad, I was confused...and the song *One More Day* came out of me when I heard about one particular man, a father, who died. As a father myself this is what came out of me," he said.

Michaels admits his life is rich. He has a seemingly flawless model girlfriend who is the mother of his daughter Raine, wealth, a band that has survived the sex and drugs of rock n' roll and a successful movie career. Even better, Michaels said, he's actually friends with his Poison bandmates. He's also an extreme sports enthusiast - participating, not just

watching. He's made repeated guest appearances on the *Chris Isaac Show* and will return there again. At 40 years old with the toned, muscular body of someone in his 20s, Michaels seems unstoppable.

The hardships of his life, Michaels said, helped form the more serious tones of *Songs of Life*.

Michaels is an insulin-dependent diabetic. He's had to give himself more than 50,000 injections and blood checks over his lifetime and must always be aware of his body. Unlike many stereotypical rock musicians, Michaels couldn't indulge without suffering immediate consequences.

"The disease has been a blessing and a curse," Michaels said. "A blessing because it forces me to stay in shape and watch my health and a curse for the obvious reasons, the major health issues affecting diabetes, the lack of freedom. I can't just pick up and go at the last minute with just the

WHERE TO HEAR AND SEE BRET MICHAELS

■ Bret Michaels, lead singer for Poison, just released his fourth solo CD, *Songs of Life*. The CD, available at local record stores, contains an enhanced video for *Raine* a song written for his daughter Raine.

■ Friday, May 30 - Poison with Michaels comes to the DTE Energy Music Theatre. Specials guests are, former Motley Crue frontman Vince Neil and Skid Row. Showtime is 7 p.m. Tickets \$38 pavilion, \$23 lawn. Poison shows are quite consistently known for sell-outs. Purchase tickets in advance at all Ticketmaster outlets or by calling (248) 645-6666.

■ Rent the videos. Michaels wrote, directed and starred in the movie *A Letter From Death Row* also featuring Martin Sheen. The second movie *No Code of Conduct* was co-written by Michaels and Charlie Sheen.

■ Read more about his unusual career at www.bretmichaels.com

clothes on my back, I have to bring the needles, the insulin and all the gear with me. There's times when I just say f--- it and I want to party, but two beers later I'm checking my blood sugar level."

Diabetes is part of his life, and is referenced on *Songs of Life*.

Don't expect to Michaels to sing solo songs on the Poison tour.

"People come to Poison to hear Poison, I wouldn't ask the guys (in Poison) to do anything else."

His words became a little faster when referencing the Detroit show.

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Popular Irish tavern shines after extensive makeover

BY MARY QUINLEY
CORRESPONDENT

There's a new restaurant face with familiar features in downtown Farmington. And, patrons like Tom Buck are impressed.

"They really have done a great job," said Buck, referring to John Cowley & Sons Irish Tavern, formerly Cowley's Old Village Inn. Buck, and his wife, Karen, have visited the eatery several times since it reopened on March 14.

"The restaurant is very different with new furniture and new decor," Buck said. The Farmington couple enjoys sitting upstairs in the pub. "It's been fun and they have great entertainment."

In the past two months, Cowley's has tweaked the menu by lowering some prices and adding new items, hosted wine-tasting parties, and launched a Sunday Champagne Brunch.

"We are concentrating on the product and the service delivery... and, we are adjusting some things like the upstairs acoustics," said Greg Cowley, a partner in the family-owned business.

Prior to undergoing an extensive makeover, including the addition of an upstairs pub, the restaurant featured a 1960s retro ambiance.

If you amble inside today, you'll be treated to a casual, fine-dining atmosphere reminiscent of an Irish public house. Mahogany tables, facades from a European church, and a made-from-scratch mahogany wine bar add an atmosphere of authenticity.

Threads of family traditions add a comfy flavor to the establishment.

"The soda bread is my mom's recipe. She would make it every Saturday and serve it on Sunday morning," Cowley said. Coolhenry, the "entirely non-smoking" downstairs diner, is named after his father's farm in County Carlow, Ireland.



Cowley's waitperson Marnie Ruhl offers Dinn Ri, a salad that has a layer of marinated Asian vegetables, spicy Southwestern shrimp and Pacific Northwestern maple-infused pork.

There are two menu options: A pub menu and dinner menu.

Both are available upstairs and downstairs, with the exception of sandwiches, which are not served downstairs.

Salmon dill cakes, paired with course-grain mustard crab cakes, rank as the most popular appetizer. Other starters include escargot in garlic herb butter, a lean loin of rabbit, jerked, skewered and grilled, and, a baked combo of

artichokes, spinach and assorted cheeses.

"We sell more of the Dinn Ri salad than any other salad," said Cowley, referring to the medley of marinated Asian veggies topped with spicy shrimp and maple-infused pork. The uniqueness of the salad is appealing, he said. And, "it's not nearly Irish at all."

The potato soup is a favorite with patrons. "We serve gallons of it," he said. "It's loaded with bacon and cheddar cheese like a baked potato."

Tom Buck likes to order The Detroit. "It's one of the best ham sandwiches I've ever had," he said.

Burgers, grilled chicken breast sandwiches and fish sandwiches are other choices.

Pot of Gold, a traditional Irish stew, is another fave with customers. It's made with lamb, potatoes and carrots, and seasoned with Guinness.

"Our chef, David Rycerz, is trying hard to emulate some of the freshness of the Irish cook-

ing and, (deal with) the challenge to make sure it's popular," said Cowley.

The three most-ordered entrees are: Leprechauns Tales, a crabmeat-stuffed chicken breast with a wood-fired charred tomato vinaigrette; Gift of the Highlands, 10 ounces of young tender lamb chops; and, the Coolhenry, a woodsy-inspired pork tenderloin seasoned with maple syrup, walnut, thyme and rosemary.

Beef lovers often try the Trio

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Mary Quinley is a Livonia resident who writes about food and travel for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

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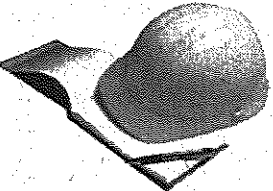
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With summer rapidly approaching, now may be a good time to review natural gas safety with your children. Knowing what a natural gas emergency is and how to react will help keep your family safe. Leaks can occur on indoor lines or when outdoor lines are damaged.



Even at home, youngsters need to know the three R's: recognize, react and report. Recognizing a natural gas leak means to know its signs - a "rotten egg" odor, a blowing or hissing sound, dead or discolored vegetation in an otherwise green area, flames if a leak has ignited, dirt or dust blowing from a hole in the ground or bubbling in wet or flooded areas.

If you suspect a gas leak, you should react by leaving the area immediately, and report it by calling MichCon or Consumers Energy at (800) 477-5050 and following their instructions.

Don't use electrical devices, such as light switches, telephones or appliances, such as garage door openers. They could spark and ignite the gas. Don't use an open flame, matches or lighters, nor should you try to find the source of the gas leak. Don't try to shut off gas valves or appliances. Don't start vehicles. Don't re-enter your home or area until you are told by a gas company official that it is safe to do so.

Leather tips

With the popularity of leather furnishings increasing, consumers need to know how to seek quality pieces and what to ask before they buy. "A well-cared for piece of leather furniture will last four times longer than an upholstered piece," said Mark Morganroth, head designer and CEO of Sherwood Studios of West Bloomfield. "The following tips will help to ensure the furniture you buy is going to give you many, many years of enjoyment."

There are several types of leather available. Sherwood Studios recommends only top grain aniline dyed leather, which is the best quality and therefore, the most expensive.

Top grain or full grain leather is taken from the outer surface of the hide, tanned and colored with transparent aniline dyes. The dye is transparent, enhancing the special patterns and colors of the hide. No corrections or alterations are made to the natural grain pattern; each hide is one of a kind.

Sherwood doesn't recommend corrected grain or split-grain leathers. Some lines of furniture labeled "genuine leather" use split leathers which are half the thickness and therefore, half the strength of top grain leather. Leather breathes so it isn't hot in the summer and cold in the winter; it remains at the room's temperature. (It may feel cold at first, but it warms to body temperature quickly.) Leather ages well and develops a patina or sheen over time. It is easy to care for and clean, doesn't crack and peel, keeps its shape and resists heat and sun damage. The most important tip, according to Morganroth, is to buy a name-brand, well-constructed piece of furniture.

More power to you

Generators, safety kits help in stormy weather

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

Everybody talks about the weather, and some people do something about it: They prepare for the threats of severe storms.

This includes finding the right generator to use as a backup system in case a storm knocks out electrical power in a home, putting together a safety kit to have on hand, and knowing what to do when warning of a tornado or severe storm is issued.

According to AAA Michigan, the typical tornado season runs April to August, with the peak in May and June.

"Every household needs a generator," said Rick Willis, general manager of Manus Power Mowers, 30642 Woodward in Royal Oak.

"If you've ever been without electricity, it's a hassle. There have been people who call us back and say they don't know how they got along without (a generator)."

Some people have backup generators, he said.

CONSIDERATIONS

Smaller size generators (50 to 60 pounds) are more for camping than for operating such things as a sump pump, furnace and refrigerator for a house. Larger generators weigh about 190 pounds; owners should have a generator this size in a wheel kit so it can be moved.

Items in a house have different wattage requirements in order to run. Guides listing these are available in stores.

The amount of watts needed to start appliances with electric motors also has to be considered; the rule of thumb to figure this is to multiply the wattage requirements by 3 (for example, a drill with a rated wattage requirement of 300 would need 900 watts to start). Generators have such features as idle control, and recoil or electric start. They use regular gasoline fuel. Maintenance includes checking the oil and air filter.

Generators should be stored in a shed or garage and run outside, never inside.

"You don't want fumes coming in," said Jason Crandall, sales associate at Lowe's, 6555 Newburgh in Westland.

Always disconnect the power in the main circuit breaker of the house, Willis said. Have an electrician point this out to you, so you know what it looks like.

MAKING A KIT

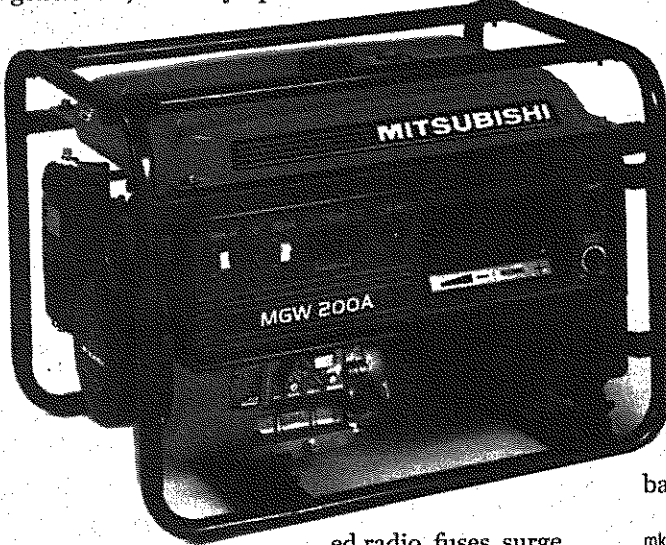
Hardware stores carry a cornucopia of elements for safety kits.

When it comes to assembling a kit, use "Just common sense and basics," said Roger Reynolds, owner of Neighborhood Pro Hardware, 33801 Woodward in Birmingham. Among his suggestions are a fire extin-

guisher, duct tape, gloves and such basic tools as a screwdriver.

Dennis and Karen Wright, owners of Wright's Do it Best Hardware, 29150 W. Five Mile in Livonia, suggest having a table lantern ("You can't get out of homework," Karen said) and flashlights - and batteries for these and other items.

They also recommend having extension cords for generators, a battery-operat-



ed radio, fuses, surge protectors, candles, matches, a water purification kit, ready-to-eat meals from an army surplus store, and nonperishable food such as peanut butter and dried fruit. Check expiration dates on prescriptions.

Sternos (canned heat) are good to have, Karen Wright said; put one under a fondue pot to heat soup or coffee. You can also cook on a barbecue if you keep propane. The Wrights speak from experience. Dennis advises to keep your chain saw sharpened - once after a storm he had to cut a heavy branch that would have blocked a door. Karen keeps a bag filled with essential items. "It's a nice, reassuring feeling to have it on hand," she said.

OTHER SUGGESTIONS

Regardless of whether it is tornado season, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security offers a brochure and Web site that give tips on preparing for emergency situations (call (800) BE-READY, or visit www.ready.gov).

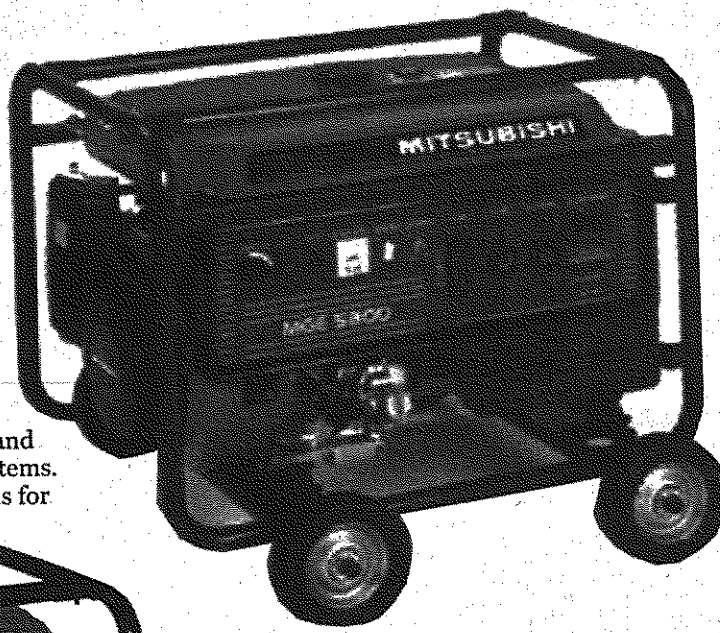
These include how to store and prepare water and food for at least three days; and first aid and special needs items to have on hand.

AAA Michigan offers these steps to help families plan what to do if a severe weather warning sounds:

■ Designate a family shelter. In stick-built homes, it should be near the centermost portion of the home, preferably a basement.

Avoid doors and windows. The shelter should be under something sturdy, such as a staircase, workbench or temporary shelter space with overhead protection.

As a general rule, if you don't have a basement, put as many walls between you and the tornado as possi-



ble. If you are in a mobile home, designate a shelter in a permanent structure.

■ If you are in a trailer or mobile home, seek other shelter immediately, like a ditch. If there is no time, use the bathtub.

■ Make a habit of removing objects from your yard that can become flying debris if a tornado watch is announced.

■ Indoors in a thunderstorm, unplug major appliances to avoid damage from lightning power surges. Use the phone only in an emergency. Use surge protectors on appliances and computers to help minimize damage. Don't take a bath or shower during a thunderstorm.

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Inspect, prepare home before storms strike

AAA Michigan urges residents to check over their homes to be sure they are ready before spring and summer storms occur.

Homeowners should heed the following storm safety tips:

■ Be sure soil around foundation is properly graded so excess water drains away to help prevent basement leaks.

■ Clean and test eaves troughs for effectiveness with a hose to make sure downspouts run free. Downspouts should direct rainwater at least 3 feet from the foundation.

■ Trim branches off nearby trees so leaves don't clog eaves. Repair loose eaves and make sure they are angled for proper drainage.

■ Test your sump pump. Keep basement drains clear and keep items off the basement floor.

■ Inspect basement walls for cracks and fill with sealant.

■ During storms and before going on vacation, unplug all major electrical appliances and use surge protectors on computers.

■ Fill above-ground pools to prevent collapse due to winds.

■ Replace glass storm doors with screens or plastic inserts.

■ Take in patio furniture and lower umbrellas if storms are imminent.

Going solar in heating the pool

BY DOUG MILLS
CORRESPONDENT

With the apparent arrival of warm weather, business is brisk at Mechanical Energy Systems Inc., a heating and cooling company in Canton.

Interest in renewable energy products, including particularly cost-efficient solar pool heating, helps keep up the work pace of owners Donna and Joe Napolitano.

"A solar pool heating system costing \$3,000 will pay for itself in two or three years," said Donna Napolitano.

"By financing a system, you also have smaller up-front costs compared

to a conventional system."

Other efficiencies include less maintenance, few moving parts, and less interior heat because heated water circulates from solar collectors on an attic roof. It then flows down PVC pipe to a pool, where water temperature is warmed by 3 to 5 degrees with each pass.

The owner of Willoway Day Camp in Wixom and its 175-person pool agrees that solar applications can be efficient.

"We had it put in about 20 years ago," Arnold Fisher said about the Mechanical Energy Systems

PLEASE SEE POOL, C2

Solar application in place at school

BY DOUG MILLS
CORRESPONDENT

Electricity produced at Birmingham's Seaholm High School powers the energy lab with surplus metered into other parts of the building.

A combined wind generator and photovoltaic array, installed by Mechanical Energy Systems of Canton, provide power for the lab's computers, experiments and lights.

PLEASE SEE SCHOOL, C3



Electricity produced at Birmingham's Seaholm High School powers the energy lab with surplus metered into other parts of the building.

MARKET PLACE

Submissions

Do you have a special item you'd like to showcase in Marketplace on the front of At Home? We'd like to feature it! Send a photo or slide of the piece, along with information, to: Ken Abramczyk, At Home editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.



Hello, dolly!

The Renaissance Doll Club will celebrate its 35th anniversary with a special lunch noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, June 1, at the Sandtraps Banquet Hall, 35780 Five Mile in Livonia. The luncheon is open to the public. Its theme, My Auntie's Scanties, is about fashions in the late 1800s. Pam Yockey will be the guest speaker. Cost is \$40. The lunch will include two free doll appraisals for anyone attending. A souvenir doll, door prizes and centerpieces will be featured. For information, call Sharon Napier at (586) 731-3072. Speaking of dolls, the Dolls and

Friends of Royal Oak will present the eighth Doll Show and Sale 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, June 8, at the American-Polish Century Club on 14 Mile between Schoenherr and Van Dyke in Sterling Heights. Thousands of antique, vintage and modern collectible dolls and bears, doll clothes, books and accessories will be available at 130 tables of merchandise. Doll appraisals will be available at \$3 per doll. Admission is \$4, free for under age 12. For information, call (248) 399-4345 or (586) 731-3072.



POOL

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installation. "I would be guessing on how long it took to pay for itself, probably two or three years."

Willoway can't take advantage of another solar benefit, an extended season, because it's only open when children are out of school.

Southeast Michigan summers feature more sun than Florida, and auxiliary heaters with a solar system often won't turn on, Donna Napolitano said. Currently there are about 2,000 solar pool systems in the area.

Another product that reduces attic heat buildup is a roof ventilator call the Solar Star, a solar-powered attic fan that also reduces condensation in winter.

"It's \$395 and takes 10 minutes to install," Napolitano said. "It comes with a 10-year warranty and a five-year warranty on the DC motor."

A solar panel continuously

collects sunlight and converts it into electrical power. There's nothing to plug in, nothing to wire, no electricians to call or permits to pull.

The Solar Star provides up to 1,200 square feet circulation coverage and the motor exchanges air up to 800 cubic feet per minute. It can also be used in garages or sheds.

The Napolitanos worked for other solar installers before starting Mechanical Energy Systems in 1986.

They continued through a difficult period of low fuel prices and discontinued tax credits partly by buying the mailing lists of the failed companies.

The company's office building at 8130 Canton Center Road will be outfitted with a SolarWall, an aluminum exterior wall that collects a thin layer of heated air.

A blower sends the air into the existing air ducts and often eliminates the need for a regular furnace in spring and fall. SolarWall has a 30-year life expectancy and can be found in 20 countries.

Check appliances before calling service techs

We all realize how expensive it is to have a service technician knock on your door, but the reality is that the service tech's visit may be absolutely necessary.



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

gory of do-it-yourselfer that you fall in, I would like to tell you that some of it is easy and just plain common sense.

Let's take the woman who calls for service on her brand new dishwasher. She points out to the technician that it is taking four hours to complete the cycle. As the technician is going through his check list, he notices that the water line for the dishwasher is hooked up to the cold water pipe. He asks the homeowner why the unit is hooked up in that fashion, and she tells him the appliance

salesman at the store told her the dishwasher has a heater inside which heats the water.

The technician explains that the dishwasher does have a heater, but it must *still* be hooked up to the hot water pipe. This consumer ends up paying \$69 for a service call on a brand new product.

Remember, the warranty takes care of something wrong with the appliance, not the lack of common sense.

Let's take a Whirlpool dryer which stops heating or the drum stops turning.

Ten years ago the manufacturer starting installing a little white plastic fuse on the blower side of the dryer. (If you remove the back panel, you will see it on the left side as you face it.)

This fuse is designed as a safety feature in case the air flows too slowly to the outside. I can assure you that several million dryer vent lines are installed incorrectly or just plain plugged up. Can you imagine how many service calls are rendered because the little fuse is blown? It costs nothing to have a service shop check it out and all you have to do is remove two screws and take the fuse to them.

The cost factor is around \$20.

One of the most common complaints are with the icemaker in the refrigerator. The homeowner wasn't getting any ice cubes, so he removed three screws and a wire-harness plug and installed a brand new icemaker.

He paid over \$100 for it and it still doesn't make ice.

Furthermore he cannot return it for a refund because once he installed it, the icemaker is now a used one. The poor guy is beside himself.

Think about it for a minute. If the icemaker is not making ice, take a plastic beaker measuring cup and pour in water into the icemaker mold. In two hours, if the ice cubes are dumped into the ice bucket, you have to figure the icemaker is doing it's job.

At this point all indications point to the water valve on the bottom back part of the refrigerator.

It doesn't take but a screwdriver and a small wrench to remove the valve and take it to a service shop to have it checked out. It's an easy job for any consumer to do.

I might suggest that if you are the type of person who

must call for a service technician, you should watch what they do when repairing your appliances. Any caring technician will be glad to explain what is wrong and what they are doing. From your observations you could gain a new sense of confidence.

There are still many mom-and-pop shops which will gladly explain the workings of a product and how to do-it-yourself.

Some of these shops have working samples of the very products in your home and can give you testing methods as well. Y

ou should not lose that confidence you can gain from repairing something yourself.

You can tie the shoelace but you can't build the shoe. Know your limitations and do the job accordingly. Lay the parts out that you remove in a fashion where you can't become confused when you put it back together.

All common sense, isn't it?

Joe Gagnon is host of Ask The Handyman on Infinity Radio AM 1270 8 a.m.-noon Saturdays and Sundays. You can hear his tips on WWJ 950 on weekdays. You can call him on his show at 1-248-356-1270.

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Mudjacking helps align those concrete slabs

Often the freeze-and-thaw cycles of a typical winter can cause concrete slabs, such as driveways, walks and steps, to sink or become uneven. Concrete raising,



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often called mudjacking, or slabjacking, is an alternative to replacing these sunken slabs.

Mudjacking can lift driveways, porches and even streets, usually at a much lower cost than replacement. The process

involves drilling holes (usually about an inch and a half in diameter) through the affected concrete slab. A pasty mixture of sandy loam, cement and water is pressure pumped under the slab through these holes. This pressure (usually about 100 psi or more) lifts and stabilizes the slab to its original height. The holes are patched, and then the slab is ready for use.

Mudjacking has several advantages. It is not as messy as removing and replacing a concrete slab. The slab can be used immediately after it has been lifted where concrete needs to set and cure. The process can be completed in most weather conditions.

There is much less noise and

dust than associated with breaking old concrete slabs. Mudjacking is more environmentally-friendly since there is no waste in the form of old concrete. There is far less mess and disturbance of grass and landscaping than with concrete replacement. Since the original slab is used, there is no mismatched color between slabs. Of course, mudjacking has its disadvantages, too. It is not a solution for foundation repairs. The slab, or portion of slab being lifted must be in relatively good condition.

If the soil under the slab is unstable, there is a good chance that the slab will sink again. Although concrete raising is usually less expensive than replacement, most

companies charge a minimal fee, which for small jobs, such as sidewalk flags, may make this choice unfeasible. There are several concrete raising contractors in our area. Look in your local Yellow Pages under mudjacking, for one near you. As with all home improvement projects, get more than one estimate and check the contractor's references.

Harry Jachym writes Ask Dad, a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident. Send any questions or comments to Jachym at askdad@comcast.net or in care of Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.

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Alphabet system helps plan for change

Q: My day is planned out and something or someone forces my plans to change. It is upsetting and hard for me to accomplish anything when plans constantly change. Any suggestions?

A: Plans change continually. I can plan my schedule for the day. Then suddenly, the unexpected occurs.



Domestic Planner

Diana Koenig

Our dog, Buffy, digs under the fence and is gone. I have to cancel my errands or my weekly golf game. The children are upset and I need to find their furry friend.

To keep my emotions under control, I use the alphabet system. Each letter of the alphabet is a potential activity. Be prepared to do plan "B" when plan "A" doesn't work.

For instance, plan "A" is to wash the windows on Tuesday morning. You awaken Tuesday to a severe thunderstorm.

Washing windows won't work, so you are faced with a choice. You can choose to be discouraged and accomplish nothing, or put plan "B" into action. Plan "B" is to clean the baseboards in your home.

You walk to the kitchen and open the cabinet to find the wood cleaner. Surprise! The bottle is empty. What happens when plan "B" doesn't work? This is what is great about the alphabet system. You can move on to plan "C." Plan "C" is to reorganize the hall closet.

Please note: You will rarely get to plan "D." You would have to go through plenty of letters before you would need a new system.

If you always have a series of plans, you will always be able to accomplish something even when the unexpected occurs.

Prepare your mind and emotions for change. Disappointment is a result of inflexibility.

For example, you expect to spend the day with a close friend. You have planned a day of shopping, lunch and lots of fun.

The phone rings as you walk out the door. The voice on the other end says, "This is the school nurse and your son isn't feeling well. He has a temperature of 101 degrees. Can you please pick him up from school?" You must cancel lunch and shopping to spend the day with a sick child.

Plan "A" won't work, so plan "B" is now activated. Initially you are disappointed, so you need to whisper to yourself, "Let's get happy!" Decide not to be disappointed. You can

schedule another festive day with your friend. This is an opportunity to comfort and spend time with your son.

Attitude is very important when dealing with change. The transition from one plan to another works better with a positive attitude.

My son is great at implementing a new plan when the first plan doesn't work. As a preschooler he would often find himself accompanying me as I drove around doing errands. Invariably, a conversation similar to this would take place:

"Mommy, can we go to the zoo?" "No, Sweetie, it is raining outside." "Mommy, can we go to McDonald's?" "Not now, we just had lunch." "Mommy, can we go swimming at the pool?" "Not today, it is too cold."

This would continue for a long time until we found a plan that worked. He never got frustrated or upset. Be prepared to change plans at a minute's notice. Keep a positive attitude, making the most of plans that have changed.

Today's Refrigerator Bulletin: "Ready, set, change! Be prepared to implement plan 'B' when 'A' doesn't work!"

Send your questions and success stories to: Diana Koenig, P.O. Box 1702, Manchester, MO 63011; e-mail: dianakoenig@hotmail.com. Visit www.domesticplanner.com.

HOME CALENDAR

Focus on Design

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a class, Focus on Design, meeting four Thursdays beginning May 22 or May 29, at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia, just west of Middlebelt in the Milo Shopping Plaza. Fee is \$132. Register early. Seating is limited. For more information, call (248) 4-GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com.

Plant sale fund-raiser

The Belle Isle Botanical Society has scheduled its annual plant sale fundraiser 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 24, at Belle Isle Greenhouses across from the Belle Isle Aquarium on Inland Avenue. Perennials, annuals, herbs, hostas, geraniums, mini-roses, rose varieties, heirloom tomatoes, houseplants and water hyacinths will be available. Profits will go to material, equipment and repairs to the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory. For information, call (313) 852-4064.

Flower sale

Northville will host its 16th Annual Flower Sale 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday,

May 23, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 24, on Main Street between Hutton and Center streets. More than 50 greenhouses will sell annuals, perennials, shrubs, roses and exotic plants. For information, call (248) 348-0488.

Home tour

The Plymouth Symphony League Spring Home Tour, Redecorating and Remodeling Fever: Innovations in Design and Decor, will take place Friday and Saturday, June 6 and 7. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. June 6 and noon to 8 p.m. June 7. The tour will showcase six houses and two condominiums in Plymouth, Northville and Canton. In addition, the Mayflower Centre condominiums will be available for tours, with refreshments served. A 3,600-square foot, five-bedroom condo/home with in-law suite in Cherry Hill Village in Canton will be open for previews. Tickets are \$18 presale, \$20 the day of the tour. Tickets are limited and cannot be guaranteed on the tour day. They will be available in Plymouth at Colonial Card and Camera (in the Kroger shop-

ping center at Sheldon and Ann Arbor Road), Gabriel's (on Main Street), Michigan Made & More (on Ann Arbor Trail), and the Plymouth Symphony Society Office; and in Northville at Gardenviews. For more information, call K.C. Mueller at (734) 455-0075.

Insect control

Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, are celebrating spring with a series of free public programs Sundays and Mondays at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road, between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) roads in Sumpter Township. Attend the program titled Insect and Disease Control for Roses, featuring a slide presentation and tour of the Great Lakes Roses garden, 1 p.m. Sunday, May 25, or 11 a.m. Monday, May 26. Great Lakes Roses offers more than 500 varieties of roses, and stocks the complete line of Felco pruners, books about roses, fertilizers, soil amendments and pesticides. Visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461-1230 to request a flyer.

Making PC backups is critical

Like paying your taxes and flossing regularly, backing up your PC is one of life's annoying necessities.

Consider the consequences if everything stored on your computer suddenly vanished - your Word files, Quicken records, digital photos, address book, everything. It's a chilling thought, but it happens. Frequently.



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

I speak from experience when I say that someday - maybe not today, maybe not tomorrow, but probably sooner than you think - your computer's hard drive will go kaput. That will be one very bleak day.

Or it may not, if you make regular backups.

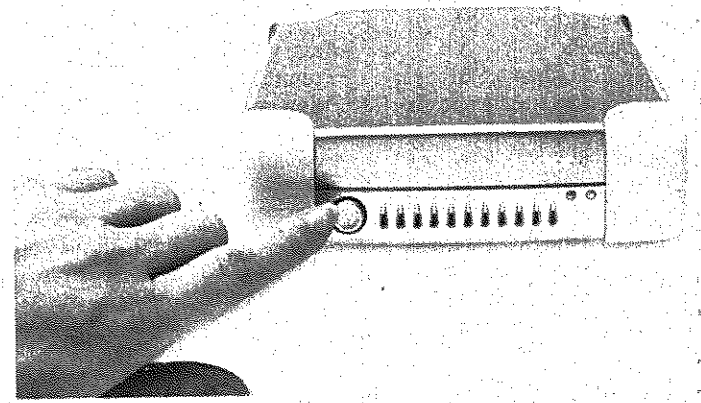
A backup can consist of just your most prized data or the complete contents of your hard drive, software and all. I recommend you practice both methods, because even backups aren't infallible, and sometimes it's better to have one kind over another.

It's relatively easy to make a data-only backup, provided you keep your files reasonably well organized and own a CD-RW drive (also known as a CD burner).

Every week or so, just copy your most crucial data - your work files, digital photos, Internet Favorites folder, etc. - to a blank CD.

For everything else, maintain a complete hard-drive backup, the most effective safety net you can have.

For instance, suppose your



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hard drive starts making a clunking noise and five minutes later your PC is dead. If you have a second hard drive that's an exact copy of the first, all you need to do is swap it in. No software or data to reload, no messing around with the computer's system - restore CDs - just a ready-to-run carbon copy of your dearly departed drive.

You see, not all cloning is controversial.

In my computer there are two 80-gigabyte hard drives.

The first is the primary drive, the one I use every day.

The second is my backup drive. I use a simple, inexpensive utility called Casper XP (www.fssdev.com) to copy the full contents of the primary drive to the backup drive. I do this once a week at the end of a work day; the process takes about two hours.

Of course, this requires installing a second drive inside your PC, which may be more work than you care to do.

In that case I recommend

an external option like the Maxtor Personal Storage 5000LE (www.maxtor.com).

Just plug the unit into a USB port, press a button, and presto: your backup is underway.

It's also an ideal solution for notebooks, which don't usually have the option of a second internal drive.

I tested the 5000LE and found it fast and affordable (\$199 for the 80-gigabyte model), though ironically the backup button didn't work. I had to start the software manually.

Having just scratched the surface of backup methods, I'll discuss more of them in future columns.

In the meantime, don't wait another day before you safeguard your data.

Rick Broida has joined the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers as a columnist who will write about computers and technology for the At Home section.

A Farmington Hills native, Broida resides in Commerce Township. Readers who have questions for Broida can email him at rickbroida@excite.com.

SCHOOL

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"A maximum of 5,000 watts is produced by the combined current," said Dennis Carter, who oversees Seaholm's Engineering Technology Department. "There aren't many sunny, windy days."

Running for three years, the

installations include a wind generator atop a 60-foot tower and a 10-foot post and 28 photovoltaic panels on the lab's roof. Direct energy converters charge 16 batteries housed in the lab.

The \$7,000 tower is anchored to an 8-by-3-foot wide footing and the photovoltaic array is 400 square feet in area.

"It took eight months to get

an OK from Detroit Edison for use of the surplus energy," said Donna Napolitano of Mechanical Energy Systems.

Also conserving energy is a geothermal heat pump, put in by another contractor, that pumps a type of antifreeze through the ground. Via ground temperature averaging 55 degrees, the heat pump helps cool the lab in the summer and heat it in winter.

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Lathrup Village

The Lathrup Village Home & Garden Tour will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 21.

Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 the day of the tour. Seniors are offered a discounted entry price of \$8. Ticket vouchers will be available after June 1 at the Lathrup Village City Offices, 27400 Southfield Road, three blocks north of I-696, between 11 and 12 Mile. This year's tour is the eighth event co-sponsored by the Lathrup Village Historical Society and the Village Gardeners.

It is an opportunity to view the interiors of five of Lathrup's most interesting homes and visit four beautiful private gardens on a self-guided tour.

The newly expanded Children's Garden and historic Community Congregational Church will also be part of the tour. Proceeds support beautification projects throughout Lathrup Village.

A Garden Boutique will offer plants, garden statuary, unusual garden accessories and original art from local artists.

It will be at the gazebo in the park adjacent to the Municipal Building on Southfield Road.

The Young Astronauts will operate a Garden Cafe, selling refreshments as a fund-raiser. Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority volunteers will staff display tables during the day with information on tree and flower selection, composting, garden maintenance and lawn care. Master gardener volunteers will be in each of the gardens and in the boutique to answer questions and assist guests.

Call Pat Gore at (248) 559-0488 or Richard Reeves at (248) 569-5610 for tickets or tour information.

These new plants add 'wow' to garden

Have you found a "WOW" plant at your favorite garden center this year? There are some very interesting ones now available that you might like to consider. Here are a few I found at some area nurseries.



Garden Spot

Marty Figley

Linda at Bordine Nursery, 8500 Dixie Highway in Clarkston, said, "Three new plants are the biggest sellers. One of them is quite interesting. It is the short, 6- to 8-inch Fiber Optic Grass with flowers on the end that are similar to fiber optic Christmas trees. The grass has the effect of having sparklers. This mounding grass is bright green and would do well in the front of a border.

Two other interesting grasses for the border are Purple Majesty Millet and Bunny Tails.

Linda says customers think unusual and fun, and want to try something new. (Call (248) 625-9100.)

DOGWOOD, VEGETABLES

Beth S. Liskiewicz of Steinkopf Nursery, 20815 Farmington Road in Farmington Hills, is excited

about three new varieties of dogwood trees.

Chinese dogwood, *Cornus Kousa* "Radiant Rose," grows to 25 feet high with a spread of 15 feet. It has an arcing habit and is very prolific, with huge pink flowers. When the leaves begin to show in the spring, they are tinged with red; in the fall they are brilliant red.

"It's a great tree," Beth said.

Cornus Florida has subtle, variegated golden-green foliage and red flowers, and turns very red in the fall. "Cherokee Daybreak" grows 15 feet tall and 10 feet wide, and has variegated cream and green foliage with cream flowers. Both are resistant to leaf scorch.

A maple tree that is good to replace an ash tree has a dense, upright habit. "A good urban tree," it grows 15 feet tall and 10 feet wide. In the fall it turns yellow, orange and red. It is also disease-resistant.

The nursery carries 400 dogwood trees. (Call (248) 474-2925.)

I spoke to Dave Smith at Clyde Smith and Sons Greenhouses, 8000 N. Newburgh in Westland, and he told me vegetables were big sellers, especially their very early varieties of tomatoes such as Early Girl, Beefmaster and Brandy (an Heirloom) in gallon pots. This allows customers to have ripe tomatoes by the middle of June.

"The plants are blooming

and ready to go," Dave said. "Customers also buy smaller plants so they can have tomatoes all season long."

This business has been a family affair for 166 years! (Call (734) 425-1434.)

CONTAINERS

Mike Dinser of Dinser's Greenhouse, 24501 Dinser Drive in Novi, said, "Container gardening is big now and we have many of them already assembled. They're filled with a great variety of colorful annuals, including many of the Wave petunias."

The bright yellow New Guinea impatiens sold well last year and Dinser's Greenhouse will have more this year. It grows the patented varieties in plug trays until they're loaded with blooms and ready for the customers.

New Guineas grow well in sunny locations in planters, beds and borders, and need good drainage. (Call (248) 349-1320.)

Doug Doerner of Gerych Distinctive Flowers and Gifts, 713 Silver Lake in Fenton, has filled many baskets with Supertunias and Surfinia petunias this spring.

"When you first get the flowers, pinch back the tips to encourage branching," he said. "As the flowers start to fade, the plants like to trail so they need to be pinched back, just above the leaf at an internode

once in a while so the plants are compact and more bushy. Keep them deadheaded; trim them with your fingers."

These plants are grown from plugs at the nursery and are fed a slow-release fertilizer that lasts three to five months, so customers only need to water them.

The colors are hot and striking, such as a lavender with pink veins. (Call (810) 629-5995.)

Jim Slezinski, landscape nurseryman at Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, tried something new last March. He planted seeds of *Echium fatousum*, which grew all summer in the hot sun. The containers were moved to a cool greenhouse for the winter and they began flowering about the last week of March this year.

There are two varieties: an annual, "Tower of Jerusalem," which is pink; and a tender perennial, "Pride of Madeira," which is blue and a shrubby plant 3 to 6 feet high.

"It's quite dramatic," Slezinski said. "They will spend the summer again in the cool house; they need some light. Because it's so new we don't know if they'll rebloom."

(Call (248) 332-6430.)

ROSES

I spoke to Lili at Wiegand's Nursery and Garden Center, 47625 Romeo Plank Road in



MARTY FIGLEY

This striking plant, 'Echium fatousum,' was grown by Goldner Walsh Nursery Inc.

Macomb. "With ash tree decline maples are making a comeback for great shade and street trees, not that they ever went out of style," she said.

She also pointed out some exciting roses from Jackson & Perkins. They are 2nd Edition, "Habitat for Humanity," an orange-apricot grandiflora; "Flirtatious," a cream, pink and yellow floribunda that has a fruity fragrance; and "Tigress," another grandiflora with purple and white stripes, an unusual rose with a strong fragrance. (Call (586) 286-3655.)

Wouldn't it be fun to visit all the nurseries and see what other "WOW" plants we could find?

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

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Cathy Standish

Having done the work

It was in 1968 the noted author and University of South Carolina professor noticed something strangely familiar as he read the manuscript submitted by the college senior taking his honors English class.

Feeling an eerie sense of déjà vu, the author knew what the next word would be, where the next paragraph would go, knew how the paper would end.

For the young co-ed had unknowingly plagiarized an obscure manuscript written under her professor's pseudonym. This fatal mistake cost her not only her dignity, but her years of education along with it. Submitting the plagiarized piece to the very man who had written it years before was her fatal error.

If only kismet had taken Jayson Blair to her.

A young, talented writer, Jayson Blair was the golden boy, the journalist his colleagues aspired to be. His flair for catching just the right quote, being at just the right place at the right time, his knack for catching the very essence of the story sent his work straight to the front page.

Jayson's work was envied; other journalists aspired to be like him, rival him. Journalists around Jayson, the former New York Times reporter, never seemed able to catch up, never seemed to get the sources, never seemed able to elicit the interview responses Jayson could.

He seemed untouchable, unstoppable.

Jayson's star burned brightly until the truth finally caught him cold. Jayson Blair, golden boy, wasn't always where he said he claimed to be, wasn't always given the perfect quote, wasn't always writing his own accounts.

Jayson Blair was writing his own stories, in their own place, in their own time. Jayson Blair was living in fiction, purporting to write in fact.

Some editors had caught on quickly to Jayson's charade, but their warnings weren't heeded. In spite of these reservations Jayson's star continued to shine, with many basking in his glow.

Jayson Blair was a very talented fraud. Talented at manufacturing datelines, talented at writing and attributing quotes only imagined, talented at plagiarizing stories, Jayson worked, writing his own brand of journalism for nearly eight years, industrious in his deception, talented in his deceit.

In our day-to-day lives it can be difficult to understand the impact of plagiarism, until it literally stops at our doorstep.

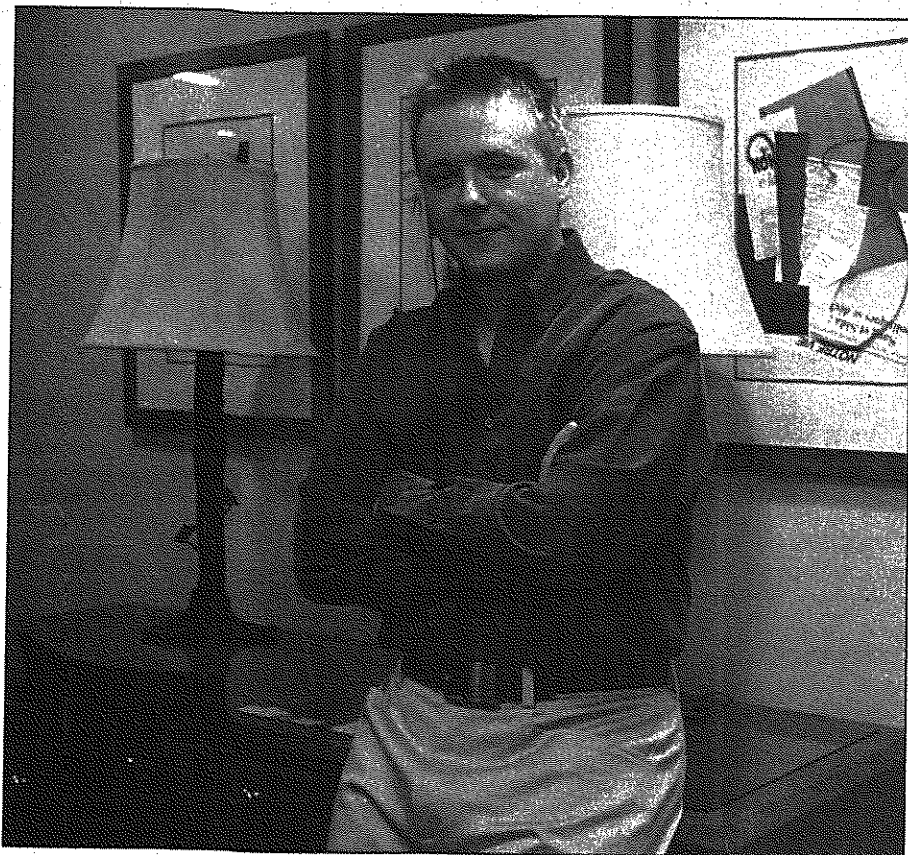
Her home was the young woman's pride. Her flair, her tiny little personal touches, her taste, all evoked a part of herself that she loved to reflect in her surroundings. Was it envy, was it admiration or was it just a stroke of laziness that drove her neighbor to replicate every nuance, every sofa, every window treatment, every table and every centerpiece in her home?

Stealing this young woman's sense of personality, pride of individuality, flair of self, this neighbor claimed table for table, paint stroke by paint stroke, what was not hers to take.

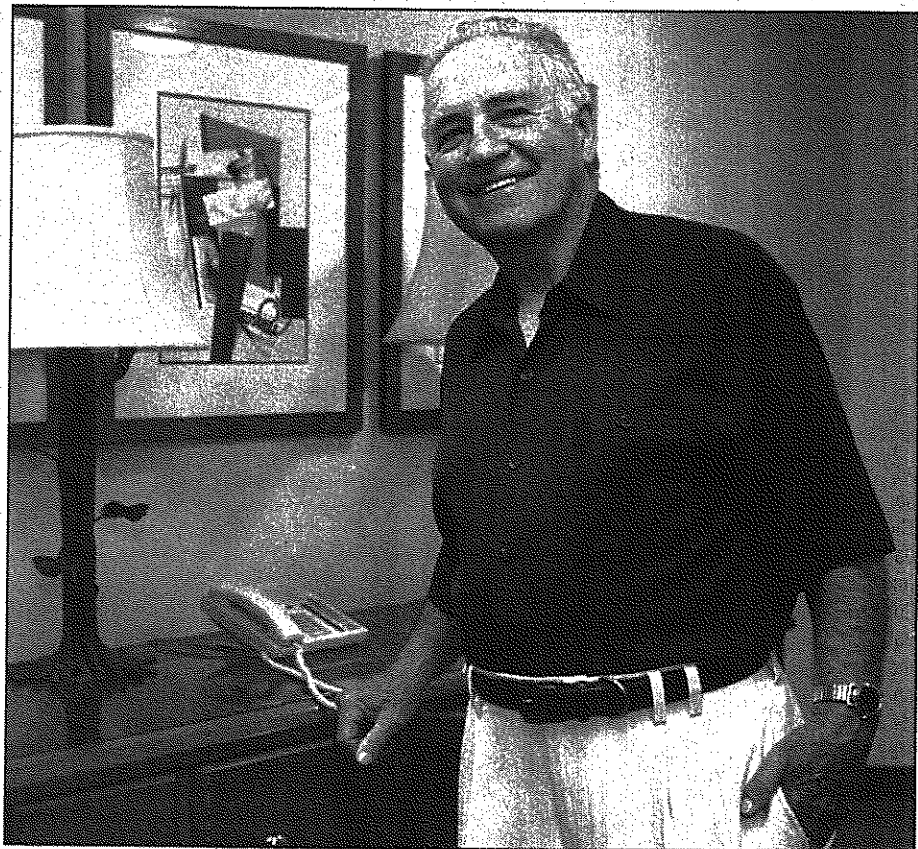
Maybe Jayson Blair was supposed to help us under-

PLEASE SEE WORK, C6

Hey, good-lookin'!



Randy Schroeder of Redford is looking great after his makeover.



Bob Bickmeyer of Troy is dressed to go.

Winners of the 'Observer & Eccentric' Make Over My Man contest strut their stuff

OK, ladies, put your lips together and blow.

Randy Schroeder, 27, of Redford and Bob Bickmeyer, 73, of Troy deserve an old-fashioned wolf call of appreciation. These manly men were bold enough to allow their wives to enter their pictures in the *Observer & Eccentric's* Make Over My Man Contest. And guess what? They won!

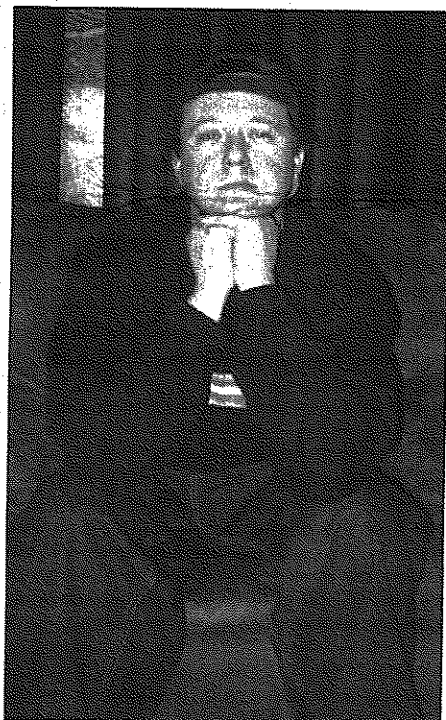
Of course, the contest wasn't about "needing" a makeover; rather it was about "deserving" one. And the wives, Diana Schroeder and Phyllis Bickmeyer, had some mighty sweet - and straightforward - words to say about their husbands.

Diana wrote: "Randy is a hard-working, loving father, but the only time I've ever seen him in a tie was on our wedding day four years ago ... He works long hard hours in a warehouse to support our family. Every day in jeans and T-shirts, he comes home filthy - grease under his nails, on his clothes, hardly bothers combing his hair. He covers it with a hat. Please clean up my handsome young guy!"

Phyllis provided this testimonial: "My 73-year-old husband needs a make-over because he is one of those who, after dressing for an occasion, I have to say, 'You're not going to wear that, are you?' When he gets a haircut he simply closes his eyes and relaxes - never bothers to watch his barber, allowing himself to be 'scalped.' I say 'barber' because he won't spend a few more dollars for a hair stylist."

THE MAKEOVER

Last Wednesday, Schroeder and Bickmeyer were pampered at Salon Bellissima in Farmington Hills and treated to new outfits at Parisian at Laurel Park Place in Livonia. Schroeder,



Randy Schroeder poses in his 'nice outfit' on Christmas Day. That means no holes in the jeans.

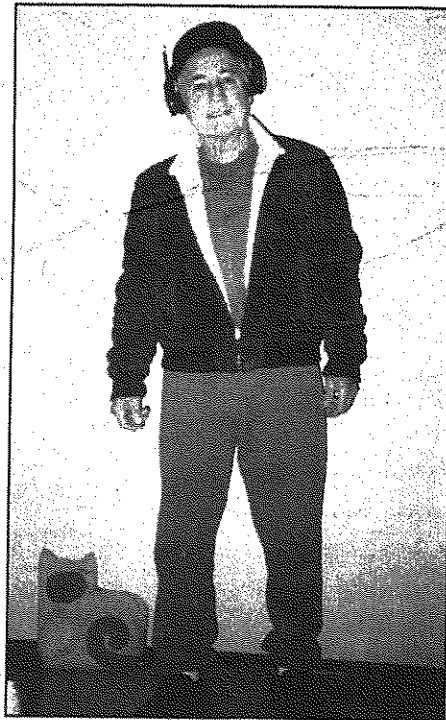
who works in a Romulus warehouse by day and plays bass guitar in two bands by night, was getting a whole new look.

"I thought a haircut and a shave every other day was decent," he said about his personal grooming habits.

Stylist Margaret Piasek had other ideas. "We're going to cut it shorter, make it messy and put some highlights in it. We're going to do something funky. He's a musician, not a lawyer."

"My wife kind of surprised me with the contest," said Schroeder, examining the blonde spikes sprouting all over his

Before



Bob Bickmeyer looks stylish in his fall and winter 'walk the dog' outfit. A purple jogging suit?

head. "I thought she might send me to one of these TV programs. This is better ... The guys at work told me to just relax and have fun with this. I think my wife was more excited. I was more shocked."

Across the aisle at Salon Bellissima sat Bickmeyer. He was in the capable hands of stylist Lydia Boji. "I'm just texturizing his hair a bit, cutting it a bit shorter and showing off his handsome face," she said.

Bickmeyer - an active grandfather of 10 grandchildren who plays senior softball and volleyball, rides a bike and

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■ Haircut and manicure from Salon Bellissima in Farmington Hills.

■ Gift certificate from Busch's Market and a consultation with their meal expert on preparing a romantic dinner.

■ Four tickets to the May 15 Detroit Tiger-Oakland A's game, along with autographed memorabilia, baseball and an appearance on the field before the game.

dashes off letters to editors of newspapers and magazines on a variety of topics - is taking his transition in stride.

"I like a challenge, something new and different," he said, his New York accent (Queens) still evident after 16 years in Michigan. "I'm a fun guy. I've done some weird things. I have a sense of humor ... So far, I think I'm going to get a call from Hollywood."

After manicures - "My hands never felt so soft," said Schroeder - the two men were off to the men's department at Parisian, where Schroeder was greeted by his wife. With the help of assistant manager Suzy Brown, everyone agreed on a "dressed casual" look, nothing too adventurous for a couple of conservative guys.

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STORY BY RENEE SKOGLUND | STAFF WRITER

Model builders get together to work out the details

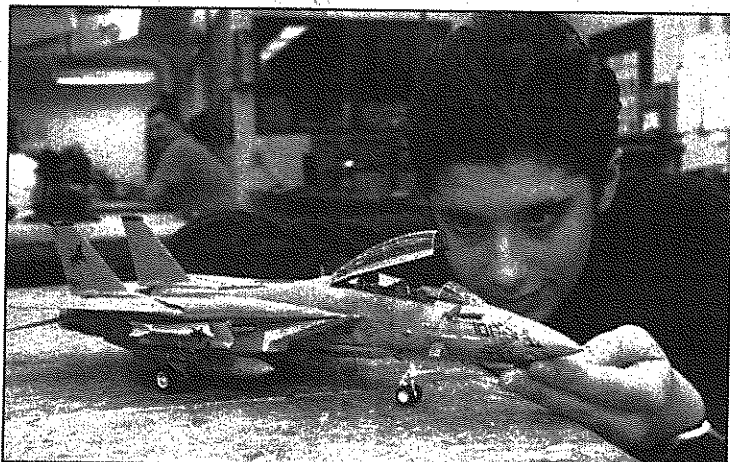
BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

When Bob Blevins was 6 years old, his older brother helped him build a scale model Volkswagen Beetle. He used so much glue that the plastic melted, but, no matter, he was hooked.

"After that it was every weekend with an allowance buying a model kit, starting it Friday night and having it done by Sunday night," Blevins said.

The fascination with recreating cars, motorcycles, trucks, planes and tanks in detailed miniature has held on for Blevins and the 30 other members of the International Plastic Modelers Society Livonia.

On the second Tuesday of the



C.J. Blachford, 14, put together this F-14 Tomcat. He is from Farmington Hills.

every month during the school year, members assemble in the woodshop room at Holmes

Middle School in Livonia, on Newburgh between Five Mile and Six Mile roads, to display

their latest creations, share their techniques and a little history and engage in some friendly competition.

Blevins of Westland, who sells auto parts at Tennyson Chevrolet, is the president of the IPMS Livonia and an avid promoter of his hobby and his organization.

"As a teenager, probably 13 or 14, I went to my first modeling contest, which was actually one held by IPMS Livonia," said Blevins. "I took a couple awards there and have had the bug ever since."

He's passing along his enthusiasm to his daughters, Kelsey, 12, and Hailey, 10, who had their own models on display at a recent club meeting.

"It's been fun being able to

teach them different techniques, being able to teach them like my older brother taught me," Blevins said. "It's nice to build something with your own two hands and it's nice to get an award for it. Every job you do is better than the last one."

Blevins said the club is trying hard to attract young people to the hobby, which has been overshadowed in recent years by computer gaming.

"We have 'make and take' programs," Blevins said. "We purchase kits from a model supplier. We offer them at no charge to kids. In September, we're doing a make and take at the Westland Library."

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MODELS

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YOUNG MODELER

One enthusiastic young modeler is C.J. Blachford, 14, a student at Warner Middle School in Farmington Hills.

"I bought a snap kit with my first allowance and have been hooked on it ever since," he said.

At a recent meeting he displayed his detailed U.S. Navy F-14 Tomcat ("The same one being used in Iraq.") At a presentation to the club, C.J. told them it took a year and a half to complete the model, mostly because he had to battle a pesky housecat with a penchant for pouncing on the delicate plane.

But C.J. was still able to take a first place at a contest at the IPMS Livonia-Warren contest in March.

C.J. said he likes modeling because it's constructive and he enjoys playing with the models after he builds them. For adult members, building models is often a way to relieve stress.

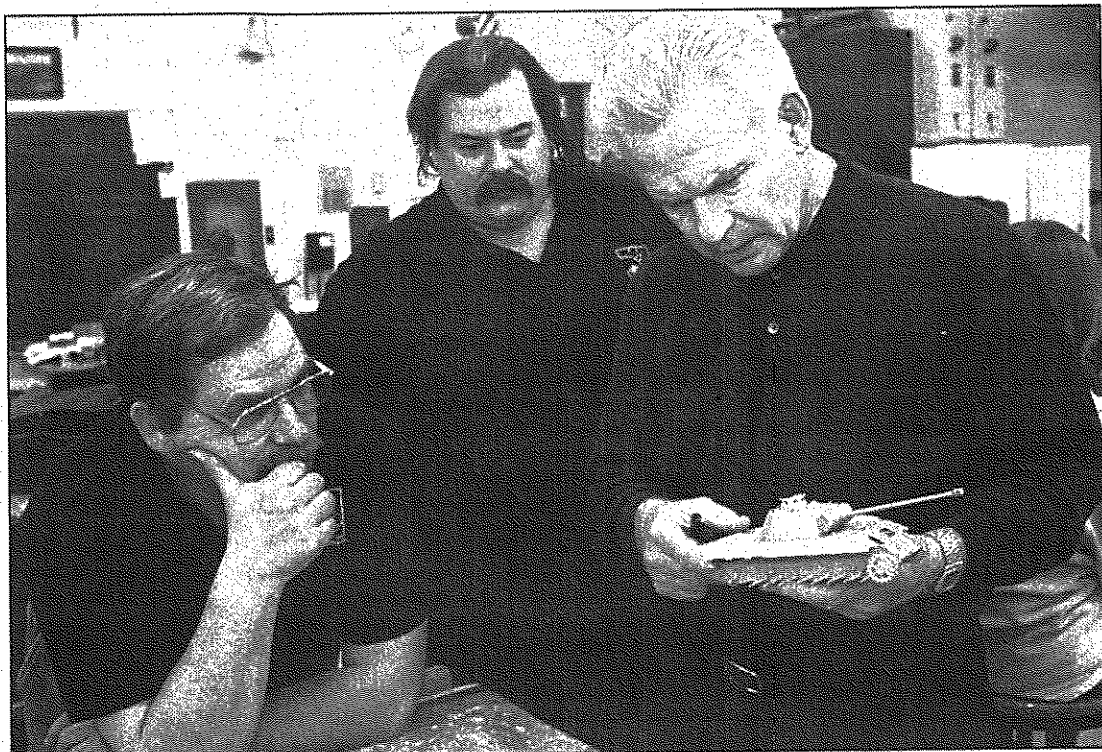
ATTENTION TO DETAIL

Jerry Fraske of Livonia has been a member of the club for 25 years and building models for 40 years.

"I bugged my parents about getting a model at a local Kresge store," he said. "Back then models were 50 cents each. They finally relented. I started building them, and I guess I never stopped."

Fraske is the personnel director at the Huron Valley Center Prison Psychiatric Hospital in Ypsilanti and building models is a nice contrast.

"About 15 years ago, I built a replica of my Dodge Omni 024 and since I had the original I could duplicate everything from little marks on the engine



Steve Freeman (from left), Chris Nichols and Dave Cunningham discuss a work in progress, a late war, model A German panther tank.

to the interior, the whole bit, so that was kind of fun," he said. "I just like the idea of duplicating something as accurately as possible in miniature."

Attention to detail, down to "little marks on the engine," is what attracts many modelers to the hobby. Blevins said that 90 percent of the models are "kit built" but almost all are modified to make them more realistic, more like the original item.

Fraske was intrigued by the color scheme of a U.S. Navy P2V Neptune Patrol Bomber - a swirl of gray camouflage. The kit was for a standard version of the plane usually used for anti-submarine work, but Fraske wanted to reconfigure it exactly as it was used on four planes as a night interdiction aircraft in Vietnam.

"They would fly over supply trails and so forth. They would fly strictly at night," he said. "There were only four of them and they were painted in that

unusual gray color scheme and that's what fascinated me."

CAREER MAKER

For Stewart Bailey, a lifelong career began with a model.

"I started back when I was in sixth grade," he said. "My Dad got me a model of Alan Shepard's Mercury Redstone Rocket. We sat down and built it at the kitchen table."

Bailey got turned on to spacecraft and today is the director of the Michigan Space and Science Center in Jackson. Originally from Redford Township, where his parents still live, Bailey has been with the modeling club since its inception in 1976.

"This has always been good for me because of the mass pool of talent here," he said. "People are willing to share their secrets of how to make models and I've learned a lot over the years."

Bailey began building every spacecraft model he could and

then moved on to airplanes.

"I started reading more and more about airplanes and literally all my life has been about loving planes," he said. "I have a number of published aircraft articles and it all started with building model planes and wanting to learn the history behind them."

History was also behind his model of the U.S.S. Cairo, a 1-600th scale model (1 inch equals 50 feet) of a Civil War-era ironclad on display for the club. The detailed model shows the exact moment that the Cairo became the first ship in history sunk by a mine in December 1862.

To learn more about IPMS Livonia, check out their Web site at www.ipmslivonia.org which features a gallery of completed models. During summer months, the club meets at a member's house.

For information, call Bob Blevins at (734) 728-1134.



Randy Schroeder works with Suzy Brown as he gathers items to try on.

MAKEOVER

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Bickmeyer looked smashing in a pair of vanilla-colored, double-pleated pants and a dark blue, short-sleeved shirt, both by Barry Bricken. "Fabulous, dahling," said Cathy Young, promotions director for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*.

Schroeder took more time to find just the right look. He finally chose a long-sleeved, dark blue shirt by Ted Baker and a pair of flat-front, stretch cotton pants in beige by Kenneth Cole - traditional but a touch upscale.

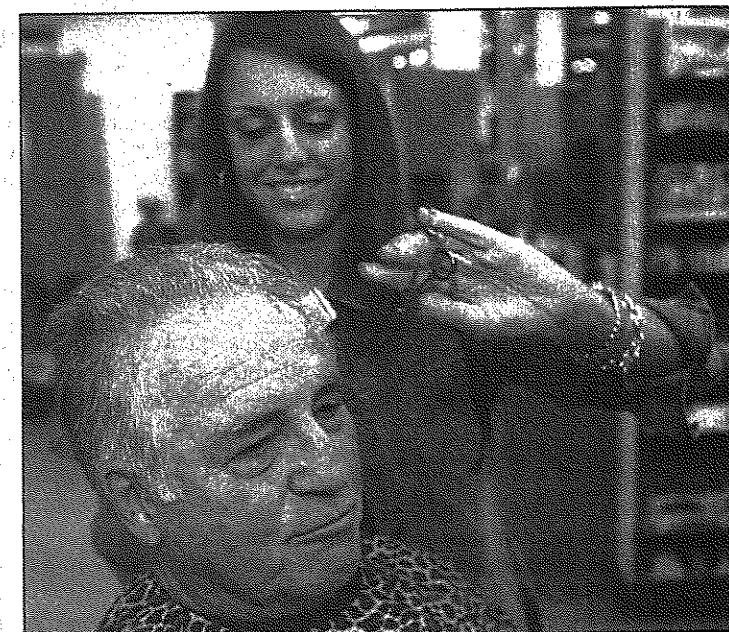
"It makes me feel like taking my wife to a nice place to eat,"

he said about his fashion transformation.

"Splendiferous," said Bickmeyer about his outfit. "I like the color combination. I guess I'll take my wife out to dinner. I don't like to cook and she doesn't like to clean up."

Later that night, Schroeder and Bickmeyer, along with family and friends, attended the ballgame, compliments of the Detroit Tigers. Schroeder got to throw the first ball of the game, and Bickmeyer became "super grandpa" to the grandchildren he brought with him.

Congratulations to Schroeder and Bickmeyer, who were chosen from dozens and dozens of entries to our Make Over My Man contest. We're happy to have made you Cinderfellas for a day.



Lydia Boji updates Bob Bickmeyer's 'do.

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WORK

FROM PAGE C5

stand the effect plagiarism can have on our lives, from a college, to a dining room, to a newsroom. Jayson Blair, with an imaginary swipe of a keyboard, with an over-active

imagination, affected the entire country, putting into question the credibility of every journalist around him.

Jayson Blair, his career in shambles, will probably never be the same. If only life would have guided Jayson to that co-ed from the University of South Carolina, who so long ago plagiarized the work of

her professor.

Then Jayson may have known, perhaps then could have seen, would have had the luxury of learning from that young co-ed's mistakes.

Maybe then he could have learned from the mistakes of her life, and in that his life would be forever changed.

The lesson that needs to be

understood and appreciated:

That it is in doing the work ourselves that we earn the pride of a job well done. A valuable lesson indeed.

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Even in death, George and Betty Andrews of Plymouth are helping the estimated 35,000 people in Michigan who suffer with Parkinson's disease, a neurological disorder that causes slow movement, tremors, muscle rigidity and imbalance.

More than 250 people participated in the George and Betty Andrews Memorial "I Gave My Sole for Parkinson's" Walkathon and 5K Run May 10 at Maybury State Park. Together they raised more than \$15,000 for the Michigan Parkinson Foundation.

Randy Lambertus, 23, of Ann Arbor was the overall 5K winner in 17:41. Sara Freatman, 41, of Ypsilanti was the female 5K winner in 24:00.

George Andrews, 75, head of the physical therapy department at Farmington Hills' Botsford Hospital, died of leukemia last September. His wife Betty - who had Parkinson's - died three weeks later. Betty Andrews was retired from Schoolcraft College where she was assistant dean of community services.

'A MIRACLE'

The mile was non-competitive. But as Warren Oberlee, 47, of White Lake crossed the finish line, tears welled up in the eyes of friends and family. "Considering where Warren came from, it is really a miracle to see him function the way he is now," said Tom Richardson of Milford, who served as race director along with Dave Bartczak of Huntington Woods and Debby Orloff-Davidson of Farmington Hills. Richardson



Runners taking off.

is a physical therapist assistant at Botsford's Total Rehabilitation & Athletic Conditioning Center (TRACC), which helped put on the race.

"If you would have seen Warren a short while ago, you wouldn't believe it was the same person. He couldn't dress himself or drive. He would tire out just trying to walk a short distance," Richardson said. "He was just about incapacitated. The guy is really a miracle - and a terrific guy and lots of fun to boot."

Oberlee, who with his wife Patricia and daughters Amanda and Katelyn also helped stage the race, has fought Parkinson's with surgery, medication and rehabilitative exercise at TRACC.

"I felt good crossing the finish line. I was pleased I was

able to make it," said Oberlee, facilitator of the Waterford-West Bloomfield Parkinson support group, also known as the "Movers and Shakers." "I've been training and walking at TRACC, about two-and-a-half to three miles a week." Oberlee also raised \$875 in pledges for the walk-a-thon.

Proceeds will assist the Michigan Parkinson Foundation in training support-group leaders; sponsoring educational programs; defraying newsletter costs; and helping pay for care and medication.

The Andrews' son, Greg, a Seattle architect, flew in for the event. "This is just real touching to see this kind of thing come together and so many people responding," he said.

AN INSPIRATION

Greg said his mother was an inspiration. "She struggled with Parkinson's for many years," he said. "She was amazing - an inspiration to the family. She never complained. I think that's the reason you see so many people responding," he said. "They remember that."

Richardson agreed. "Betty was very loving, very kind, and compassionate," he said. "And phenomenally active in the community," said race co-director Orloff-Davidson, chief operating officer of the Michigan Parkinson Foundation.

The Andrews' three daughters - Christina Courtney of Franklin, Tenn., Janis Burleson of Plymouth, and



Parkinson's Walk group leaders include David Bartczak, group facilitator in Royal Oak and Walk-A-Thon co-director (from left); Debby Orloff-Davidson, Michigan Parkinson Foundation COO and Walk-A-Thon co-director; Warren Oberlee, Waterford/West Bloomfield group facilitator and volunteer; Diane McQuiston, MPF executive assistant and volunteer; and Sophie Tomich, group facilitator and volunteer.

Laurie Butman of Ypsilanti and their children also attended.

Carol Poenisch of Northville teaches physical education at John Glenn High School in Westland. She offered her students extra credit if they completed the walkathon or run.

Not only did Glenn junior Tiffany Morgan walk the 3.1 miles with her teacher, but she brought six relatives and friends with her - including her mother, Barbara Correa, who race-walked on just three hours' sleep, having worked the late shift at Ford the night before. Co-worker Kiley Mitchell of Westland did the same. Setting off with them down the wide ribbon of black top at Maybury were Tiffany's sisters, Sara, 12, and Renea, 11, and friends Meghan Glass, 11, and Kala Contway, 12, also of Westland.

You couldn't have asked for a better result for a first-time event, said Orloff-Davidson. She credited TRACC, fellow race directors Tom Richardson and Dave Bartczak, and volunteers Jennifer Lantz of Birmingham, Ilene Hafner of

Huntington Woods, Paul Hendricks of Northville, the Oberlees and Michigan Parkinson Foundation staffers Diane McQuiston of Farmington Hills and Sophie Tomich of Allen Park. Corporate partners and sponsors of the event included Park West Galleries, Community Emergency Medical Service, J. Walter Thompson, Quest Research, Wolverine Orthotics, GlaxoSmithKline, Buddy's Pizza, Aquafina, Botsford Hospital, Botsford's Total Rehabilitation & Athletic Conditioning Center, Henry Ford Health System, Michigan Neurology Institute, Providence Hospital, Running Fit, St. John Hospital and Medical Center, Great Harvest Bread Company, Estate Planning Service, Direct Medical Services, Advanced Printwear, Meijer of Northville and Beaver Tile and Stone of Farmington Hills.

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Church participates in Bread for the World

The Newburg United Methodist Church in Livonia participated in an "Offering of Letters" at their regular Sunday services May 4. The Offering of Letters campaign is an emphasis of the Bread for the World Program, a Christian citizen's movement to fight hunger. Its nationwide grassroots membership of concerned individuals and churches mobilizes a quarter of a mil-

lion letters to the U.S. Congress each year on issues important to hungry people.

The Bread for the World program supports the Millennium Development Goals of the United Nations. These goals are supported by the United States and most other nations. Its target is to significantly reduce global poverty and hunger by 2015. Over 135 letters were written

by Newburg United Methodist members to their legislators. The letters were submitted and dedicated at the church services. Community members interested in participating in this program or who want more information can contact Bread for the World at www.bread.org or write to Bread for the World, 50 F. Street NW Suite 500, Washington, DC 20001.

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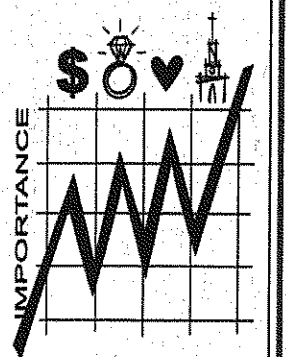
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MODELS

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YOUNG MODELER

One enthusiastic young modeler is C.J. Blachford, 14, a student at Farmington Middle School in Farmington Hills.

"I bought a snap kit with my first allowance and have been hooked on it ever since," he said.

At a recent meeting he displayed his detailed U.S. Navy F-14 Tomcat ("The same one being used in Iraq.") At a presentation to the club, C.J. told them it took a year and a half to complete the model, mostly because he had to battle a pesky housecat with a penchant for pouncing on the delicate plane.

But C.J. was still able to take a first place at a contest at the IPMS Livonia-Warren contest in March.

C.J. said he likes modeling because it's constructive and he enjoys playing with the models after he builds them.

For adult members, building models is often a way to relieve stress.

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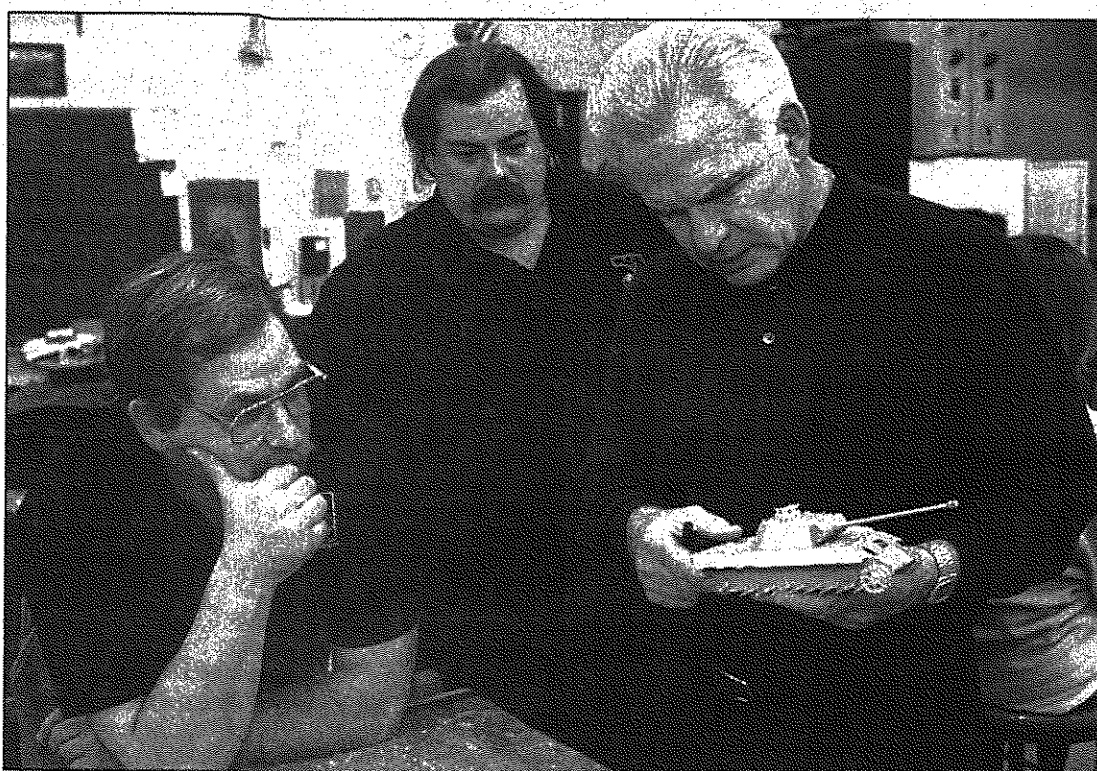
Jerry Fraske of Livonia has been a member of the club for 25 years and building models for 40 years.

"I bugged my parents about getting a model at a local Kresge store," he said. "Back then models were 50 cents each. They finally relented. I started building them, and I guess I never stopped."

Fraske is the personnel director at the Huron Valley Center Prison Psychiatric Hospital in Ypsilanti and building models is a nice contrast.

"About 15 years ago, I built a replica of my Dodge Omni 024 and since I had the original I could duplicate everything from little marks on the engine to the interior, the whole bit, so that was kind of fun," he said. "I just like the idea of duplicating something as accurately as possible in miniature."

Attention to detail, down to "little marks on the engine," is what attracts many modelers to the hobby. Blevins said that 90 percent of the models are



Steve Freeman (from left), Chris Nichols and Dave Cunningham discuss a work in progress, a late war, model A German panther tank.

"kit built" but almost all are modified to make them more realistic, more like the original item.

Fraske was intrigued by the color scheme of a U.S. Navy P2V Neptune Patrol Bomber - a swirl of gray camouflage. The kit was for a standard version of the plane usually used for anti-submarine work, but Fraske wanted to reconfigure it exactly as it was used on four planes as a night interdiction aircraft in Vietnam.

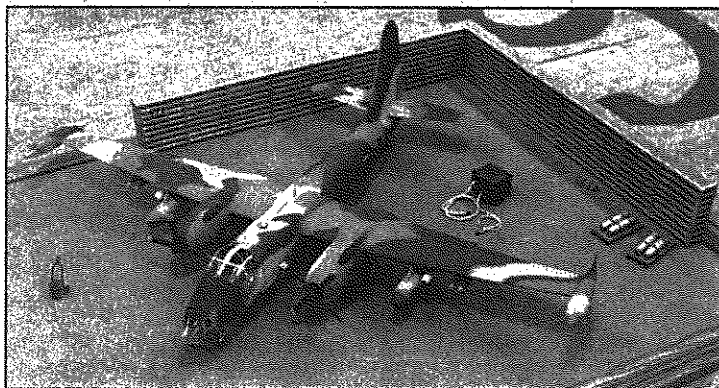
"They would fly over supply trails and so forth. They would fly strictly at night," he said. "There were only four of them and they were painted in that unusual gray color scheme and that's what fascinated me."

CAREER MAKER

For Stewart Bailey, a lifelong career began with a model.

"I started back when I was in sixth grade," he said. "My Dad got me a model of Alan Shepard's Mercury Redstone Rocket. We sat down and built it at the kitchen table."

Bailey got turned on to spacecraft and today is the director of the Michigan Space and Science Center in Jackson. Originally from Redford Township, where his parents still live, Bailey has been with



Jerry Fraske of Livonia put together this Vietnam era gunship, an AP-2H, VAH-21. There were only four of these produced for use in the Vietnam war and flew out of Camran Bay. The planes were converted P2V Neptune's which were originally navy patrol bomber/sub chasers.

the modeling club since its inception in 1976.

"This has always been good for me because of the mass pool of talent here," he said. "People are willing to share their secrets of how to make models and I've learned a lot over the years."

Bailey began building every spacecraft model he could and then moved on to airplanes.

"I started reading more and more about airplanes and literally all my life has been about loving planes," he said. "I have a number of published aircraft articles and it all started with building model planes and wanting to learn the history behind them."

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MARTIN-DOWNS

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child is while picking up; how they interact with other adults and children; whether they can remain quiet or seated when a situation requires it; and how well they comply with requests and follow house rules.

Another factor in determining ADD is to find out when the behaviors began and how long they have been going on. If the evaluator finds out that mom and dad have been going through a divorce for the last two years, the child's symptoms may mock ADD, but the evaluator will check for depression and anxiety.

Sometimes, children become depressed because the irritating or silly behavior alienates them from other children. This pattern was termed "demoralization" by Dr. Dennis P. Cantwell, from UCLA. It does

not mean that the child has a true depressive disorder.

MONITORING

If a child is diagnosed with ADD, the physician prescribes a medication and monitors him or her frequently to make sure the dosage is correct. Physicians will also recommend a treatment plan that may include a collaboration between parents, the school and a behavioral therapist. When all of them work together, the treatment plan is seamless in that it works to change certain behaviors and provides agreed-upon consequences.

If you think your child might have ADD, check with your pediatrician who will either diagnose it for you or refer you to a trained evaluator.

Jacque Martin-Downs is a child and adolescent therapist in private practice in Livonia.

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Seminar explores relevancy, churches' impact on society

In a nationwide survey of adults conducted in February, the California-based Barna Research Group discovered that two out of every three Americans believe that religion is losing influence in our society. However, the researcher who conducted the survey says that although that attitude has been in place for nearly a decade - with the exception of a few months directly following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks - the trend is reversible.

An all-new Barna 2003 seminar, "Leading Your Church Forward," will be conducted by George Barna Thursday, May 29, at NorthRidge Church, 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. For more details, contact the

church at (734) 414-7777.

The seminar topics will be as follows:

- Emerging Trends Affecting Your Ministry
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George Barna has written more than 30 books regarding faith, culture and leadership. Among his best-known books are *The Frog in the Kettle, The Power of Vision, User Friendly Churches, The Second Coming of the Church*, and one of his most recent volumes, *A Fish Out of Water: Nine Strategies to Maximize Your God-Given Leadership Potential*.

Drawing on a wealth of research conducted during the past two years in preparation for a seminar on church health and development, Barna noted that if churches and Christians become more committed to directed spiritual growth, people's doubts about the value and influence of faith will diminish.

The daylong seminar will feature Barna in four, 75-minute sessions describing the research regarding current conditions, strategies for remedying the conditions, and insights drawn from churches that are effectively addressing these areas of ministry.

The seminar is being offered in 24 markets across the country through November 2003.

RELIGION CALENDAR

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar fax it to (734) 591-7279 or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150. The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

EVENTS

Lighthouse Cafe

Come and join us for a night of relaxation 7-10 p.m. Friday, May 23, playing a game or two, listening to some great entertainment and enjoying the best coffee and specialty coffees around. Cost is \$5. Hot dog and goodies available for \$1 each. Call (248) 374-5920.

Open House

The newly built Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 32070 Seven Mile Road, Livonia, will hold an open house, including tour and refreshments, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 24. Please contact Michael Blais at (734) 464-8287.

Church picnic

Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia, will host a church picnic beginning 5:30 p.m. Sunday, June 1. Hot dogs, chips, soft drinks and paper products provided. Horseback rides, games, prizes, food and fun for all ages. Bring a dish to pass and a lawn chair or blanket. Call (734) 464-6722.

Concert

St. John Neumann Parish, 44800 Warren Road, Canton, will present a concert of contemporary Christian music by "Who Do You Say I Am?" 8-11 p.m. Friday, May 30. Cost is \$4 before May 27; \$6 at the door. Call Tom West at (734) 455-5910.

Concert series

St. James Presbyterian Church (25350 W. Six Mile) of Redford Township will host three Thursday evening pro-

grams June 5 at 6 p.m. dessert potluck; July 10 and Sept. 4 at 6 p.m. potluck supper; followed by a special music event 7 p.m. the same two evenings. June 5th will feature St. James Presbyterian Church Handbell Choir; July 10 an evening of songs from the 1940s and Sept. 4 "Ladyfingers" featuring four-hands and two pianos by Gini Robison and Nancy Legrande.

Children's concert

Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty Road, Northville, will present "Deano-O and the Dynamos," a 2000 Dove Award nominee and a talented Christian children's musician and storyteller, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, June 7. Tickets: \$3 in advance; \$4 at the door. Call (248) 348-7600.

Family festival

St. Edith Parish, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia, will host a "Family Festival" Friday-Sunday, June 13-15 on the parish grounds. The festival will include games, food, live entertainment, Vegas, and a \$7,500 1st prize raffle. Nightly dinners. Call (734) 464-1222.

Zoom Zone VBS

Get ready for some extreme fun at Faith's Zoom Zone Vacation Bible School (three years old to fifth grade) Monday, June 16 through Friday, June 20. Sessions run from 9 a.m. to noon.

Vacation Bible school

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia (just north of I-96), Livonia, welcomes all youth who have completed 4th-7th grades to participate in the Faith Factor Day Camp Monday, June 23 - Friday, June 27. The camp will be held at Salem Lutheran Camp in Howell, Mich. Cost is \$75, which includes T-shirt, daily lunch, activities (fishing, archery, games, swimming, Bible study and more!), transportation and cook-out dinner on Friday night for the whole family. Contact Sarah

Grivas or Rich Parron at (734) 522-6830.

Youth trip

June 22-27 is just around the corner and it will be time for the best youth trip of the summer, "Summer in the Son," at Kentucky Christian College. A sign-up sheet and information are available at the youth board of Memorial Church of Christ, Livonia. This is for all senior high school students and those going into senior high school.

80th Anniversary

Calling all former parishioners living in the suburbs! St. Peter & Paul Church, 7685 Grandville, Detroit, will celebrate its 80th anniversary Sunday, June 29 beginning with 11 a.m. Mass. Reception will follow. Call Linda Williams at (313) 846-2222, Ext. 107.

Promise Keepers

Memorial Church of Christ in Livonia is looking for any men who want to attend the event, Aug. 8-9, in Columbus, Ohio and would like to go with other men from Memorial Call Tom Rich, (734) 421-4782.

ONGOING

Money matters

"Livonia Neighbors & Friends" meet 7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile Road, Livonia for social activities. Curt Wipple will discuss "Your Money: What Every Senior Has To Deal With" at the May 13 meeting. Call Ardythe at (734) 525-5975 or e-mail LIVONIANNE@YAHOO.COM.

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Single Adult Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, invites singles to join more than 500 single adults 11:30 a.m. every Sunday in Knox Hall, for fellowship and encouragement. The Rev. Paul Clough delivers messages to help equip you to maximize your singleness and relationship with God. Coffee, doughnuts and conversation. SPM has a program and activity for every age group and life situation. For more information or to have a newsletter sent, call the SPM office at (248) 374-5920.

Classic Senior Singles

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Single Parents

Wednesday evening program 7-8:15 p.m. in the Single Point Office.

Walking Club

Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church offers a walking club. It meets in the hospitality area in the Grand Mall 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays and walks are outside, rain or shine. Open to all fitness levels.

Bible Study: All members are invited to the learner's bible study class 7:30 p.m. Thursdays in room A101.

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MSP's book discussion group meets 7:30-8:30 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Borders Books in Farmington Hills. Borders will offer a 10-percent discount on all titles chosen for discussion.

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For people 35 years old and up. Activities include dinners, dances, cards, camping, theater, sports, travel. To learn more about the club, call (248) 435-5320 or go to www.ssssc.org.

Fun & Fine Dining Parties

Join us every Thursday. Our goal is to provide our members and friends with a sampling of some of the best and most interesting dining places in the metro Detroit area. Meeting on May 29 in the lounge between 6 and 7:30 p.m. at Boat House on the Lake (Bogey's), located at 142 E. Walled Lake Dr., Walled Lake. Call (248) 669-1441 for information.

Single Mingle Dances

Meet new friends, dance and socialize anytime from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. There will be a top 40 D.J., Cash Bar, Hors d'oeuvres and Door Prizes. Admission is \$5 for members/\$8 for non-members. The ballrooms are non-smoking and attire is dressy casual (no jeans

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or tennis shoes). On May 30 at the Gazebo convention Center in Warren. White Water Rafting Weekend From June 6-8, join us as we journey to West Virginia for a weekend filled with fun, excitement, adventure and some relaxation time too. The cost for the adventure is \$279.

Euchre

From 6:30-9:30 p.m. every Monday at the newly remodeled Main Lounge at Drakeshire Lanes, 35000 Grand River Ave. just east of Drake in Farmington Hills. The cost is \$5 for members, \$6 for nonmembers. Everyone is welcome.

Co-Ed Volleyball Lessons

Volleyball lessons are back by popular demand. The lessons will run for eight weeks. Lessons will be given by a professional instructor at Harding Park in Ferndale. RSVP by mail or a meeting.

West Side Singles

Dances to be held every Friday night at Burton Manor, located on

Schoolcraft service drive, just west of Inkster in Livonia. The dances are open to the public. Doors open from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., 25 years of age and older. Dressy attire required, held in nonsmoking ballrooms with a disc jockey and budget bar. Admission price is \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after 8:30 p.m. For information, call Anita at (734) 981-0909.

Bethany Suburban West

Sundays 10 a.m. breakfast at Redford Grille, corner of Five Mile and Beech Daly. Optional Mass at St. Aidan's at 11:30 a.m. on Farmington north of Six Mile.

Tuesday's Coffee & Conversation at Thomas Family Dining at 33971 Plymouth Road, Livonia, between Stark and Farmington roads, at 6:30 p.m.

Monthly meetings are 8 p.m. the third Saturdays at St. Kenneth Church Hall, 14951 Haggerty, between Five Mile and Schoolcraft. Dances are on the first Saturday of every month at St. Robert

Bellarmine Church gym, corner of Inkster and West Chicago in Redford. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., dance from 8 p.m. to midnight. Cost is \$9 and Dick Gerathy is the disc jockey.

Refreshments

Bowling party at 2 p.m. at Oak Lanes on Middlebelt next to Rams Horn in Westland. Cost is \$12. No reservations required. Call Judy at (734) 261-5630.

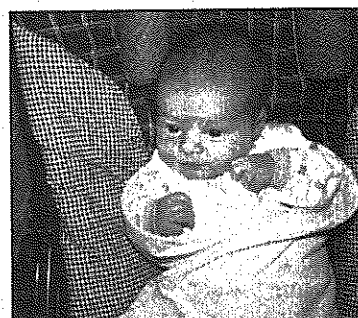
Memorial Day Picnic

Being held on Monday, May 26 at Rotary Park, located at Hubbard and Six Mile in Livonia. Pavilion No. 3. Starts at noon until 7 p.m. Bring a dish to pass and your own drinks. Hot dogs, hamburgers, buns & condiments will be provided.

FastDater

FastDater is just getting started in the Metro Detroit area. They host singles events at different venues and currently have events coming up. The charge to attend events is \$35 credit card payment online or \$40 cash at the door.

BIRTH



Tom and Terri Petito of South Lyon announce the birth of their son, **Charles Anthony**, on March 3, 2003, in St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

Charles joins big sister and brother, Victoria, 3 1/2, and Jonathan, 1 1/2.

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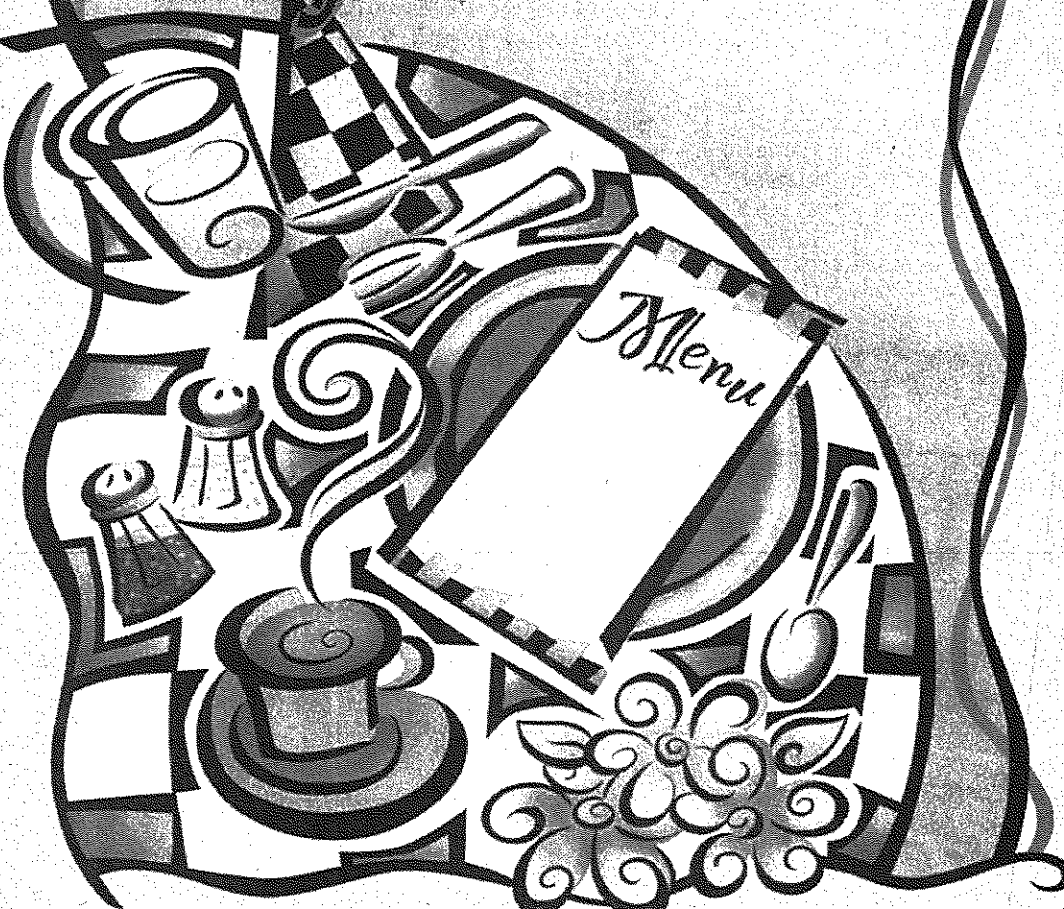
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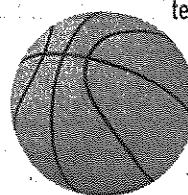
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Sidelines

Hoop recruit

Schoolcraft College women's basketball coach Karen Lafata was looking for size, and she got it.

The Ocelots announced the signing of Westland John Glenn graduate Sara Tyree, a 6-foot-2 center. Tyree, named to the all-Observer third



team as a senior, averaged in double figures in both scoring and rebounding, according to Lafata.

Asked what made Tyree such an attractive recruits, Lafata replied, "Her size. She has a high upside. There's room to improve."

"We need some size after losing Pam (Wingate), our All-American."

Last week, Lafata announced the signing of 5-7 shooting guard Takara Tuff of Detroit Denby, 5-9 guard/forward Amantha Combs of Belleville and 5-11 forward India Montiero of Detroit Murray-Wright. The Ocelots have lost five players from last season's 18-10 team, so Lafata is "looking to sign at least that many" recruits.

T'Birds take 2nd

The Plymouth-Canton Thunderbirds 10-and-under girls fastpitch softball team opened its season by finishing second at the Richmond Blues Friendship Tournament last weekend.

The Thunderbirds, 2-1 after Saturday's pool play, started Sunday's action by beating the Ann Arbor Gold 4-3. That put the Thunderbirds into the final opposite the Oakland Sidewinders, and after five innings the game was tied at 5-all. However, the Sidewinders got the win, edging the Thunderbirds 8-6.

Team members are: Chandler Scott, Kierra Jones, Natalie Barnett, Amanda Burnard, Anna Larner, Jesse Larner, Katie Konsitzke, Samantha Partain, Oliva Richvalsky, Hailee Craig, Alyssa Boucher, Amy Dunleavy, Samantha Zalewski and Lauren Leskovitz. The team's coaches are Rob Partain, Tony Boucher and Mike Murnard.

Crusaders win

The 12a Madonna Crusader junior volleyball team played in a tournament at Walled Lake Central on May 17, and after going undefeated in pool play the Crusaders sliced through the playoffs, beating VIP-Heather 25-16, 24-26, 15-5 in the championship match.

For the tournament, the Crusaders posted a 10-1 record.

For the season, they were 41-7, with two additional tournament wins and a second-place showing.

Team members are: Kristy DeClercq, Lindsay Hostetter, Lindsey Morey, Erin O'Dowd, Kaitlyn Williams (Livonia), Kacy Moran (Plymouth), Bridget Hickey (Farmington), Andrea Conover, Emily Grant, Emily Pawlik (Northville), Mary McGovern (Canton), Katie Matz (Westland) and Kim Hildreth (Novi). The team is coached by Lori Brauer.

Sweep gives Canton 1st division title in a decade

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

The odds were against them, and the way the Canton Chiefs had handled these situations in the past made those odds even greater.

Canton had to win both games Monday against visiting Livonia Franklin to clinch the Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division championship and earn a berth in the WLAA title game opposite Walled Lake Central. The Chiefs, who had finished second in the division by a game for the last five seasons, did just that, winning the first 14-9 with an 11-run surge in the fifth and sixth innings, then claiming the second 9-8 by scoring a run on

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a passed ball in the eighth inning.

"It's been a lot of fun," said Canton coach Scott Dickey, his team 14-10 overall and 6-2 in the division. "We were so senior-dominated the last couple of years, and we've won more than 20 games for five-straight years."

Although this team may not be as strong as some of his past squads, on Wednesday it did something the Chiefs hadn't done since 1993 — play for the title. According to Dickey, Canton finished behind former WLAA powerhouse Farmington Harrison (now in the Oakland Athletic Association) by a game

for the last five seasons.

"These kids have done a nice job coming back," said Dickey, noting his team trailed in 10 of their 14 victories. "They've been down in so many games, but they've stayed focused and battled back."

In Monday's first game against Franklin, Carl McDevitt wasn't in his best pitching form, allowing six earned runs on 11 hits. He did not walk a batter and struck out two.

Eight Chiefs got hits, and three of them got three hits apiece. Zach Fishaw had three hits and drove in three runs; Dave Mintz collected a double and two singles, scoring three runs and driving in two more; and Matt Kay had three hits and an RBI.

Dave Nicoloff added two hits and two RBI and Andy Howald had a single, scored three runs and drove in another.

The second game was more dramatic. A five-run fourth inning gave Canton an 8-6 lead, but the Patriots rallied for two unearned runs in the seventh to knot it at 8-all.

In the eighth, Kay led off with a double and was sacrificed to third by Fishaw. A passed ball brought him in.

Kay finished with two hits, scored twice and drove in a run. Nicoloff had a two-run single and a two-run double to lead the Rock attack, collecting four RBI. Jake Powers had three hits with a double and an RBI, Howald had two hits including a double and scored twice, and

Fishaw had a hit, scored two runs and drove in another.

Kay started but was lifted after 2 1/3 innings, allowing four runs (two earned) on three hits and five walks with two strikeouts. Rich Demeyere relieved and worked 4 1/3 innings, surrendering four runs (two earned) on four hits and a walk, fanning three.

The win went to Jon Western, who did not allow a run, walking two and striking out two in 1 1/3 innings.

Salem 6, John Glenn 5: Right fielder Brian Bradley's 2-strike, 2-out RBI double in the bottom of the ninth inning gave the host Rocks (13-11-2, 5-3) in a

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Salem's Alycia Murawski dives back into second base safely before Canton shortstop Caitlin McNicholas (left) can tag her, with Chiefs' second baseman Rachel Wade closing in.

Salem reigns

Rocks wreck Chiefs

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

Sure, Salem's and Canton's softball teams had high hopes entering the season, but neither could have realistically anticipated what happened Wednesday.

Why would they? It had never happened before, not in the history of the Western Lakes Activities Association. Salem and Canton had never battled in the conference championship softball game.

That changed yesterday at Salem's field. But it wasn't really much of a battle, not with the Rocks pounding the ball with more authority than they had in any truly meaningful game this season.

They batted around in the very first inning, sending nine batters to

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Rocks battle back to jolt Red Hawks

Talk about dramatic. Trailing 1-0 with just three minutes left against one of the state's top teams, Salem's chances did not seem too good Saturday.

But the Rocks came through, scoring twice in those last three minutes to edge Troy Athens 2-1.

The victory gave Salem a 12-1-2 overall record.

"It was a great game, by both teams," said Rocks' coach Joe Nora. "I think our character and our desire helped us."

The Red Hawks scored 10 minutes into the match on what Nora described as a "strange play," the ball dropping straight down and coming to a rest a yard outside the Salem goal for Athens' Mary Parker to finish, making it 1-0.

Which is how it stayed until those final, fateful three minutes. First to strike was Jordan Falcusan on a play started by Megan McCarthy, who carried the ball 40 yards down the wing before crossing it toward Marissa Sarkesian. Sarkesian let the ball pass through to Falcusan for the finish, and the game was knotted at 1-all.

Then with 1:25 to play, Jennifer Murray won possession of a ball in the air, flicking it to Sarkesian who

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Late Bucks' rally overtakes Slayers

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

Sooner or later, it had to happen — didn't it?

The Mid-Michigan Bucks had pelted the Toledo Slayers keeper (Eric Pogue, who a year ago at this time was in goal for the Bucks) with shot after shot. Problem was, only one had gotten past Pogue and time was running out.

The Bucks were trailing, 2-1. The clock had stopped; the match was into 'added' time,

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kept on the field by the lead official. How many ticks were left was an open question.

A better query might have been how many stops Pogue, a Troy Athens (and Oakland University) graduate, might have left in him. He had already made an astonishing 22 saves in the game (on 35 shots), while Bucks' keeper Peter Dzubay had faced just nine shots (making six saves).

Then, in those final moments of regulation, the goat became a hero. Stephan David sent a beautiful long ball down the right side to a fast-breaking Kevin Taylor, who 28 minutes (or so) earlier had been yellow-carded for taking down a Slayer player in the penalty box. The resulting penalty kick by Bobo Bokole had recaptured the lead for Toledo.

This time Taylor slipped a shot past Pogue and into the left corner of the net, tying

the score at 2-all with less than a minute remaining in regulation.

In the second 10-minute overtime the Bucks' offense clicked again, something they had continually failed to do throughout the match. With 4:23 left on the clock, Nate Craft carried the ball into the left corner and crossed it to John Minagawa-Webster, who headed it on goal. Pogue got a piece of it but couldn't

PLEASE SEE BUCKS, D4

Stevenson rules WLAA; Salem 3rd

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

WLAA GOLF

If there's a team with momentum heading into the Division I state girls golf tournament, look no further than Livonia Stevenson.

The Spartans, ranked No. 2 in the state, came off last Thursday's regional tourney conquest by winning Tuesday's Western Lakes Activities Association tournament held at Brentwood Golf Course.

The Spartans had a battle, however, holding off Northville by two strokes,

343-345. Salem and Canton finished third and fourth, respectively, with 364 and 374. Defending co-champion Livonia Churchill was seventh with 411. See complete WLAA results.

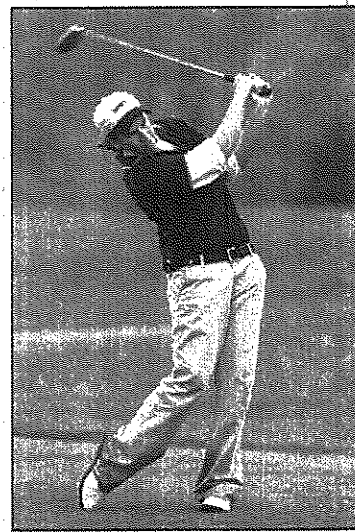
Kristen Polanski, a senior who was regional medalist for Stevenson last week at Mystic Creek, shot a 6-over 78 to earn top honors in the WLAA. Salem freshman Ashley Smith was runner-up with an 81 and Stevenson's Rachel McHenry, a sophomore, took third with an 82.

All three made All-Conference along with Northville's Layne Scherer and Marie Snyder, and Canton's Michelle Corwin.

"To be honest, we finished about where I thought we would," said Salem coach Rick Wilson, whose team was third in the WLAA regular season. "I thought coming into the season we were probably the third-best team."

"I was pleased with our finish. And for Ashley to finish as runner-up was outstanding. There's hope for

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Salem's Ashley Smith finished second overall at the WLAA Tournament with an 81, earning all-conference honors.

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Chiefs' Conlon is perfect; Rocks win division

Can't do much better than perfect.

That's what Canton softball pitcher Molly Conlon was Monday against Livonia Franklin. Conlon tossed a no-hitter and did not allow a walk, striking out five in the Chiefs' 2-0 triumph at Franklin.

On Tuesday, Canton completed its Western Lakes Activities Association season, beating Wayne Memorial 12-2 in a five-inning mercy. The Chiefs were 8-0 in Western Division play and 12-1 in the conference. Wayne was 1-18 overall; Franklin was 13-11 overall, 1-7 in division play.

Conlon didn't just toss a perfect game. She also had two hits at the plate, a double and a triple, and drove in a run. Lisa Sprankle and Rachel Wade also had two hits apiece,

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Sprankle getting an RBI.

Against Wayne Tuesday, Kristina Turczyn proved to be the difference. Turczyn, a senior, pitched all five innings to earn her first varsity win, surrendering two runs on five hits and one walk, striking out five.

Turczyn was also a factor at the plate with two hits and three runs batted in. Sarina Gorney also had two hits.

"She's a very deserving young lady," said Canton coach Jim Arnold of Turczyn. "She's the whole reason to be in coaching."

The Chiefs weren't so strong at last weekend's Madonna Tournament, posting a 1-4 won-loss record.

Salem 7, John Glenn 2: For the first time since 1987, Salem will play for the WLAA championship.

The Rocks won the Lakes Division title by beating Westland John Glenn Monday at Glenn. The Rockets scored first, getting two unearned runs in the second, but Salem answered with four runs in the third, three of them scoring on Mandy Bradley's bases-loaded triple. Bradley then scored on a passed ball.

The Rocks got three more in the fourth on just two hits, Alycia Murawski bunting in one run, an error on Cortney Edwards' grounder scoring another and a Sarah Amann double plating the third.

The win gave Salem a 7-1 WLAA Lakes Division record, same as Walled Lake Central,

but the Rocks finished first by virtue of the league tiebreaker.

Kelli Szczepanski was the winning pitcher, allowing two unearned runs on six hits and no walks, with four strikeouts. Dana Baran was the losing pitcher for the Rockets, with Devin Ross going 4-for-4 at the plate.

"Believe me, I am very proud of these girls and the season they are having thus far," noted Salem coach Bonnie Southerland, adding, "We aren't done yet. We still have some more things to do and accomplish, and we know we have the potential to do it."

"The girls knew going into the game they had to win to clinch the division."

Last weekend at the Madonna University Tournament, the Rocks posted

a 4-1 record to finish third overall.

Salem opened with a 9-1 win over Lakeview, followed by a 5-3 victory over Livonia Ladywood and a 7-2 victory over Taylor Truman on Saturday.

On Sunday, the Rocks faced Clarkston in their first game and lost 4-3 when the Wolves used a walk, a Salem error and a single to produce the game-winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Clarkston won the tournament, beating Carleton Airport 11-1 in the final. Salem finished by beating Armada 15-0, earning the Rocks third place.

In the win over Armada, Michelle Jurcak tossed a no-hitter, walking three and striking out three. Amann had two

hits and four RBI and Edwards had a two hits and an RBI in the game.

Szczepanski was the winning pitcher against both Lakeview and Ladywood, with Jurcak getting the victory against Truman.

Jess Bonello had two singles and three RBI vs. Lakeview, while Edwards contributed three hits and an RBI against Ladywood.

Amann had two hits and three runs batted in against Truman.

Against Clarkston, singles by Emily Maletic, Maggie Tudor and Edwards loaded the bases for Ali Proodian, who doubled all three in.

Szczepanski took the loss, allowing four runs on six hits and two walks with three strikeouts.

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beat the Athens' defender and scored the game-winner.

It was a good warm-up for the Rocks, who met Canton for the Western Lakes Activities Association championship Wednesday.

Canton 0, A.A. Pioneer 0: A lot of work, but nothing to show for it.

Canton battled state-ranked Ann Arbor Pioneer to a scoreless draw Saturday at Pioneer.

"It was a hot, tiresome game today," said Canton coach Don Smith. "We played well but just

couldn't put anything across. They did the same thing.

"It was sort of a back-and-forth game."

The Chiefs had 17 shots on goal while Pioneer took 22. Briana Wolcott was in net for Canton.

Ladywood 0, Jackson 0: In a non-league matchup at Mehall Field, host Jackson (10-4-3) and Livonia Ladywood (6-4-5) battled to a scoreless draw.

Ladywood goalkeeper Stefani Szczechowski made eight saves, while Jackson counterpart Sarah Bury made 11 stops.

Junior stopper Christine Williams of Ladywood helped slow down the fast Vikings.

GOLF

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the future — we only had one senior who played today."

As for Stevenson, junior Missy Bartnick, who tied for 11th with a 91, and Jenny Kubert, who tied for 13th with a 92, completed the scoring.

"Northville is a solid team, level all the way through and we were lucky to come out on top," said Stevenson coach John Wagner, whose team beat the Mustangs earlier this season in a dual meet by two strokes. "Our number three and four kids (Bartnick and Kubert) really helped us today, and our number one (Polanski) and number two (McHenry) kids always seem to help out."

By virtue of its undefeated dual meet season, Stevenson swept all trophies in the WLAA, including the Lakes Division title.

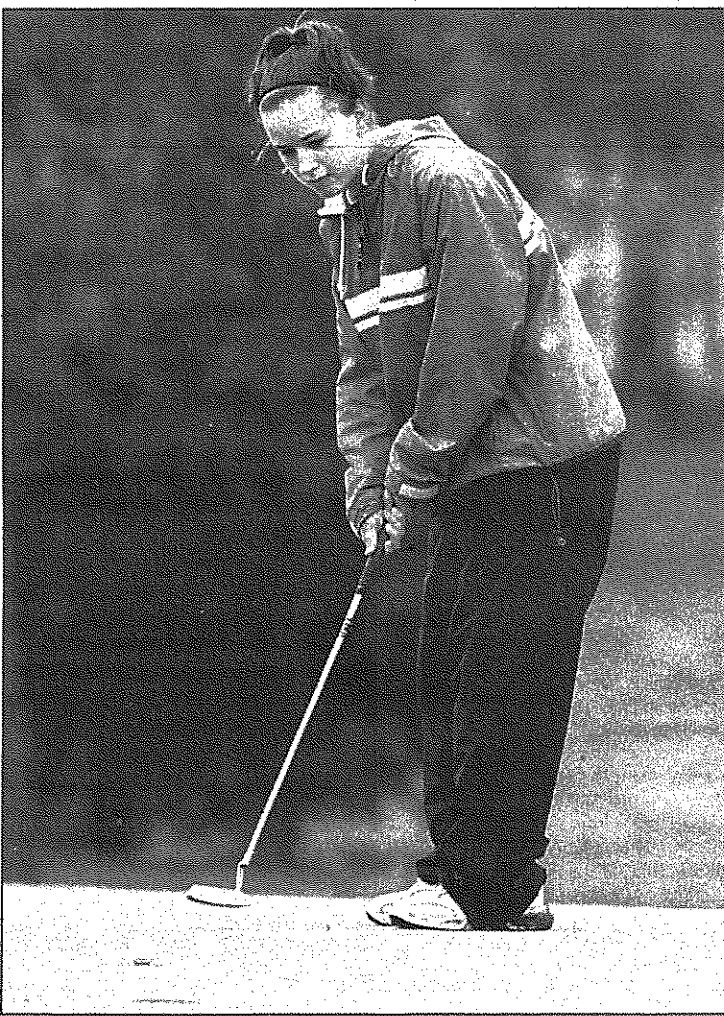
"When everyone contributes, you feel pretty darn good about yourself and we feel good going into the state meet," Wagner said. "I'm really proud of them. They did what they could do, but we're not finished. I think we can make a run when we get to state."

Polanski, who won her first-ever WLAA title, shot 42 on the front nine and 36 on the back side, including a birdie on the par-5, No. 13 hole.

It was one of the few holes Polanski used a driver.

"It was definitely target golf. I only hit my driver once the first 12 holes," said Polanski, who has made all-conference four straight years. "It was not one of my best rounds. I felt I wasted four strokes on the front nine. I seemed to end up in bad places a lot. I wished I would have played the course before."

But on the back nine she was



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Canton's Meghan Depp shot a 95, tying for second among the Chiefs to help them finish fourth overall.

able to regroup and win by three shots.

"It was not easy, I needed to turn it around just to win," she said.

Polanski played in front of her brother Steve, now a member of the Texas Christian University golf team. Steve is a former state high school individual champion who has qualified for the U.S. Amateur, won the Western Amateur, and has been runner-up in both the Michigan Amateur and Michigan Open.

"He hasn't seen me play a lot,

we ate lunch together," Kristen said. "All he told me is that I wasted two strokes on the back nine and should have had a 34." With the WLAA and regionals out of way, Polanski and her teammates now will point to the state finals, May 30-31, at Forest Akers (East Course) in East Lansing. "My goal is to be in the top three individually and our team to be among the top three," she said. "And I don't think that's unrealistic."

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WLAA GOLF RESULTS

WESTERN LAKES
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TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 343 strokes; 2. Northville, 345; 3. Salem, 364; 4. Canton, 374; 5. Walled Lake Western, 391; 6. Walled Lake Central, 407; 7. Livonia Churchill, 411; 8. Livonia Franklin, 416; 9. Wayne Memorial, 454; 10. Walled Lake Northern, 468; 11. Plymouth, 508; 12. Westland John Glenn, no team score.

Medalist: Kristen Polanski (Stevenson), 6-over 78.

ALL-CONFERENCE: 1. Polanski (LS), 78; 2. Ashley Smith (Salem), 81; 3. Rachel McHenry (LS), 82; 4. Layne Scherer (N), 83; 5. (tie) Marie Snyder (N) and Michelle Corwin (Canton), 86 each.

ALL-DIVISION: 7. Andrea Filippis (N), 87; 8. Kim Haskins (LF), 88; 9. (tie) Sam Sinclair (WLC) and Therese Juthage (N), 89 each; 11. (tie) Missy Bartnick (LS) and Kelly Harrison (N), 91 each; 13. (tie) Jenny Kubert (LS) and Andrea Heidt (LC), 92 each; 15. (tie) Kate Amrhein (LC), Jay Mahajan (WLW) Amyrose Mitchell (Salem), 93 each; 18. Katie Helke (WLW), 94.

OTHER INDIVIDUAL

TEAM-BY-TEAM SCORERS

Stevenson: Kristin Vanecek, 98; Lisa Ansteth, 114.

Northville: Shannon Lewicki, 98.

Salem: Jamie Siedlaczek and Lindsay Young 95 each; Kristen Schwan, 96; Danielle Powers, 101.

Canton: Meghan Depp and Natalie Slupek, 95 each; Beth Treadwell, 98; Heather Hughesian, 99; Katie Hoeksema, 106.

W.L. Western: Katy Jones, 96; Gina Gruenhage, 108; Amanda Moore, 128; Amber Paris, 138.

W.L. Central: Ashley Archambault, 96; Aimee Coyle, 103; Ally Morrow, 119; Elisha Dunn, 129; Sarah Clayton, 139.

Churchill: Ashley Bint, 112; Aditi Karnik, 114; Stacey Lewandowski, 142; Sarah Walls, 143.

Franklin: Janice Hudy, 100; Lauren Steckel, 113; Jordan Cashwell, 115; Stephanie Wood, 127.

Wayne: Lindsay Fallow, 108; Ashley Laws, 111; Danielle Elswick, 116; Kara Makino, 119; Christina Youmans, 121.

W.L. Northern: Grace Ackerman, 109; Kaitlyn Massey, 121; Alexis Zimberg, 127; Allis Jaster, 137; Erin Coulter, 147.

Plymouth: Kathy Ingraham, 117; Elaine Lafayette, 128; Nichole Urrutia, 129; Madeline Salvaggio, 134.

John Glenn: Erica Novack, 98; Christina Ziegler, 127; Kari Benson, 162.

Overall WLAA champion: Stevenson (9-0 overall).

Lakes Division champion: Stevenson.

Western Division champion: Northville.

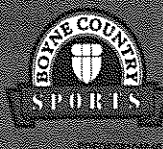
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BEST BOYS TRACK PERFORMANCES

OBSERVER'S BEST BOYS TRACK TIMES
(through May 20)

Shot put	
Hady Rahman (Stevenson)	55-3
Paul Stradtner (Garden City)	51-6
A.J. Simmons (Wayne)	48-10
Chris Snyder (Canton)	48-0
Pat Clark (Redford CC)	47-3
Jon Smart (Redford CC)	47-2
John Mulroy (Redford CC)	46-10.5
Jason Leduc (Redford Union)	46-8
Dan Haller (Luth. Westland)	46-6
John Rehberg (Stevenson)	46-3
Discus	
Paul Stradtner (Garden City)	161-5
Nick Barrett (Redford CC)	154-5
Chuck Cannon (Churchill)	150-6
Hady Rahman (Stevenson)	148-6
Marcus Gowdy (Thurston)	145-10
Jason Leduc (Redford Union)	139-11
Mike Channam (Churchill)	139-6
Brad Waldmann (Canton)	139-0
Nick Barrett (Redford CC)	137-4
Ryan Danescu (Redford CC)	136-4
Long Jump	
Allen Lenz (John Glenn)	21-0
John Mitchell (Stevenson)	20-3
Doug Persondek (Garden City)	20-3
Darren Hughley (Garden City)	20-1.5
Dan Driscoll (Canton)	19-11
Matt Smitherman (John Glenn)	19-10
Doug Persondek (Garden City)	19-9
Rodney Preston (Canton)	19-6
Joe Mielke (Franklin)	19-5
Francisco Beltran (Churchill)	19-4.5
High Jump	
Joe Mielke (Franklin)	6-4
Matt Graham (Franklin)	6-4
Brad Waldmann (Canton)	6-3
Glenn Garratt (Clarenceville)	6-2
Joe Mielke (Franklin)	6-2
Dave King (Franklin)	6-2
Brian Graham (Franklin)	6-0

Darre' Johnson (Wayne)	6-0
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	6-0
Josh Silvernail (Clarenceville)	6-0
Pole Vault	
Jon Chapman (Canton)	13-0
Dan Driscoll (Canton)	12-6
Mike Bebow (Franklin)	12-0
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	12-0
Ryan Santa (Churchill)	11-6
Michael Zahara (Churchill)	11-6
Dan Baseley (Luth. Westland)	11-6
Rich Hensel (Canton)	11-3
Joe Jackson (Wayne)	11-0
Matt Kappler (Salem)	11-0
Chip Fisher (Salem)	11-0
Richard Russell (Garden City)	11-0
110-meter hurdles	
Bill Makela (Redford CC)	14.7
Steve Kilijanczyk (Canton)	14.9
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	15.3
Chris Thomason (Salem)	15.3
Brad Waldmann (Canton)	15.4
Ross Farquhar (Churchill)	15.5
Nick Karr (Churchill)	15.6
T.J. Winowiecki (Salem)	15.9
Aaron Anselemont (Stevenson)	16.3
Rodney Preston (Canton)	16.4
Brian Graham (Franklin)	16.5
300-meter hurdles	
Bill Makela (Redford CC)	39.2
Steve Kilijanczyk (Canton)	41.5
Jon Zerebiny (John Glenn)	41.8
T.J. Winowiecki (Salem)	41.9
Dan Dinardi (Stevenson)	42.5
Aaron Anselemont (Stevenson)	42.9
Brian Soash (Canton)	43.0
Brad Zygmuntowicz (Redford CC)	43.1
Nick Karr (Churchill)	43.1
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	43.2
100-meter dash	
T.J. Dillard (Wayne)	10.7
Deris Rolle (Redford Union)	10.9
Allen Lenz (John Glenn)	11.0

Eddie Brown (Thurston)	11.0
Corey Walser (Canton)	11.0
Devin Thomas (Canton)	11.0
Erik George (Churchill)	11.1
Darrian Miller (Wayne)	11.1
Andy Lynett (Franklin)	11.2
Dave King (Stevenson)	11.2
200-meter dash	
T.J. Dillard (Wayne)	22.2
Allen Lenz (John Glenn)	22.3
Devin Thomas (Canton)	22.4
Deris Rolle (Redford Union)	22.5
Erik George (Churchill)	22.8
Eddie Brown (Thurston)	22.8
Rob Mills (Franklin)	23.0
Ben Moldenhauer (Luth. West.)	23.1
Darrian Miller (Wayne)	23.1
Francisco Beltran (Churchill)	23.4
Brandon Reeves (Canton)	23.4
400-meter dash	
Brian Soash (Canton)	51.1
Ben Moldenhauer (Luth. Westland)	51.9
Anthony Smalley (Redford Union)	52.0
Josh Silvernail (Clarenceville)	52.4
Jesse Williams (Canton)	52.7
Brett Gerken (Stevenson)	52.7
James Gale (Churchill)	53.1
Steve Mason (Redford CC)	53.1
Shane Azizi (Canton)	53.5
Collin Hall (Stevenson)	53.5
800-meter run	
Keith Hearn (Stevenson)	1:55.7
Justin Brevick (Churchill)	2:01.4
James Gale (Churchill)	2:02.4
Joe Crist (Salem)	2:03.7
Kevin Patra (Redford Union)	2:04.0
Doug Novack (Stevenson)	2:04.2
Doug Novack (Stevenson)	2:05.0
Sam Anderson (Redford Union)	2:05.0
Aaron Lanning (Canton)	2:06.6
Rich Russell (Garden City)	2:06.6
1,600-meter run	
Justin Hajduk (Salem)	4:22.8
James Gale (Churchill)	4:23.8
David Lucas (Redford CC)	4:25.5

Jim Leddy (Salem)	4:33.1
Kevin Patra (Redford Union)	4:32.8
Brian Doot (Redford CC)	4:34.2
Aaron Lanning (Canton)	4:34.9
Matt Gillespie (Stevenson)	4:36.1
Kevin Mason (Redford CC)	4:36.4
Kevin Kane (Churchill)	4:38.1
3,200-meter run	
Justin Hajduk (Salem)	9:29.3
Matt Gillespie (Stevenson)	9:40.4
Kevin Kane (Churchill)	9:45.9
Brian Doot (Redford CC)	9:48.2
Max Working (Redford CC)	9:49.9
Dan Horgan (Redford CC)	9:54.9
David Lucas (Redford CC)	9:55.2
Randy Bearden (Salem)	10:08.1
Aaron Lanning (Canton)	10:12.3
Trevor Step (Redford CC)	10:15.2
400 relay	
Canton	43.8
Wayne	44.1
John Glenn	44.7
Redford Union	44.7
Churchill	45.0
800 relay	
Canton	1:31.1
Wayne	1:31.9
John Glenn	1:33.9
Salem	1:33.9
Franklin	1:33.9
1,600 relay	
Canton	3:28.0
Stevenson	3:31.5
Churchill	3:35.0
Redford CC	3:35.9
Franklin	3:37.9
3,200 relay	
Churchill	8:09.9
Stevenson	8:12.3
Redford Union	8:18.1
Redford CC	8:26.0
Redford CC	8:27.7

SOFTBALL

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the plate. Five of them crossed it and, after that — the way Kelli Szczepanski was pitching — the outcome was secure.

Salem collected its first conference title since 1987, knocking off Canton 7-1. The win pushed the Rocks' record 26-6 overall; Canton fell to 22-10.

"Our bats were moving," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland. "I couldn't have picked a better time for them to come alive. The seniors really stepped up."

"This is a sweet win. This was one of our goals coming into the season."

The quest for another goal begins next week, when the Division I state district tournament begins. And guess which two teams get to meet in the opening round?

Salem vs. Canton, 4 p.m. Tuesday at South Lyon HS. The winner of that game meets Novi in the district semifinal at noon on May 31 at South Lyon.

Asked if Wednesday's win gave Salem the advantage over Canton going into the district tournament — during the regular season the two teams split, each winning once — Southerland smiled but replied very carefully.

"They're the team to beat," she said of Canton. "The girls know what they have to do. They don't want to take that game for granted. They know Canton is a good team."

The Chiefs have been a solid team throughout the season, but over the last five days flaws have appeared. Going into last Saturday's Madonna Tournament, Canton was 19-5.

Although a disappointing 1-4 performance dropped subdued them a bit, they seemed to rebound on Monday and Tuesday, beating WLAA foes Livonia Franklin and Wayne Memorial.

Against Salem on Wednesday, however, they were hardly impressive. In

their opening inning, the Rocks' first four hitters reached base, Mandy Bradley's bouncer through the middle with the bases loaded scoring two runs before Allison Proodian was retired at second base. Renee Ross, Canton's ace, struck out the next batter and it seemed the Chiefs might escape further damage.

Nope. Sue Woodard's triple over the Canton right-fielder's head delivered another run, then Maggie Tudor singled in Woodard, making it 4-0. An error allowed Tudor to move up a base, and that proved important when Emily Maletic singled to score Tudor, making it 5-0.

"They hit the ball, and when they did it was in between fielders," said Canton coach Jim Arnold. "We made some basic fundamental mistakes, but give (Salem) credit — they hit the ball hard."

The Chiefs got a run back in the third when, with two out, Caitlin McNicholas reached base on an over-throw, advancing to second on the play and scoring on Rachel Wade's single.

Salem added two runs to its total in the fifth, with Proodian safe on an error and Bradley singling. After a strikeout, Woodard singled to load the bases for Tudor, and she came through with a run-producing single. A base hit by Maletic scored a second run.

Certainly Salem's bats were booming, but Canton did have chances. However, the Chiefs stranded eight baserunners.

There won't be much time for either team to dwell on the outcome of this game, not with that district game looming.

However, the Rocks — who were 4-1 at the Madonna Tournament and have won six of their last seven games — are oozing with confidence.

"We're right where we want to be," said Southerland.

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BEST GIRLS TRACK PERFORMANCES

OBSERVER'S BEST GIRLS TRACK TIMES
(through May 20)

Shot put	
Nia Henderson (Churchill)	40-7.75
Jessica Johnson (Canton)	37-6
Lauren Kmet (Franklin)	35-10
Jennifer Early (Salem)	33-3
Stephanie Waskiewicz (Churchill)	31-7
Christin Jury (Ladywood)	31-6
Jenna Hudy (Franklin)	30-7
Angela Lightie (Churchill)	30-6
Rachel Cooper (Garden City)	30-0.5
Martha Rojek (PCA)	29-6
Discus	
Nia Henderson (Churchill)	124-7
Lauren Kmet (Franklin)	115-5.5
Jennifer Early (Salem)	109-10
Andrea Hurn (Stevenson)	106-4
Anna Wilson (Salem)	103-8
Rachel Cooper (Garden City)	100-8
Christin Jury (Ladywood)	100-7
Jessica Jaskot (Churchill)	99-11
Alicia Krueger (Luth. Westland)	98-1
Jennifer Early (Salem)	97-11
Long Jump	
Mary Maloney (Canton)	16-9.5
Jennifer Anderson (Wayne)	16-5
Alex Dooley (Thurston)	16-4
Elizabeth Easter (John Glenn)	16-0
Andrea Nyberg (Canton)	15-11.5
Jenny Timm (Luth. Westland)	15-4.5
Natalie Wasio (Thurston)	15-4
Kathy Carey (Ladywood)	15-2.5
Dominique Powells (Redford Union)	15-0.5
Ashley Susick (Luth. Westland)	14-9.75
High Jump	
Khelli Wade (Wayne)	5-3
Alyssa Supplee (Franklin)	5-2
Megan Kmet (Franklin)	5-1
Ashley McCall (Franklin)	5-0
Bethany Bartlett (Salem)	5-0
Connella Simmons (Wayne)	5-0
Izabela Paszkowska (Canton)	5-0
Cindy Rotramel (Canton)	5-0
Katie Cezat (Canton)	5-0
Alisha June (Garden City)	5-0

Pole vault	
Kara Karalis (Churchill)	9-3
J.O. Williams (Canton)	9-0
Jennifer Perkins (Stevenson)	8-9
Amanda Bowmer (Franklin)	8-7
Cassie Burnett (Garden City)	8-6
Allison Vraniak (Salem)	8-6
Jackie Demers (Churchill)	8-3
Ashley Aquino (Salem)	8-0
Kaitlyn Dugan (Churchill)	8-0
Remy Brim (Churchill)	8-0
Jenny Davis (Garden City)	8-0
100-meter hurdles	
Kaitlin Armstrong (Stevenson)	16.0
Lindsay Conklin (Churchill)	16.2
Jenelle Miller (Stevenson)	16.7
J.O. Williams (Canton)	16.9
Alisha June (Garden City)	17.0
Dominique Gray (Wayne)	17.1
Lindsay Kariniemi (Canton)	17.1
Amanda Tatro (Franklin)	17.3
Jenna Pratt (Stevenson)	17.8
Gretta Melvin (Thurston)	17.8
300-meter hurdles	
Kaitlin Armstrong (Stevenson)	48.1
Rebecca Fedrigo (Churchill)	49.3
Lindsay Conklin (Churchill)	49.3
Alisha June (Garden City)	50.6
Lindsay Kariniemi (Canton)	50.8
Diane Burek (Stevenson)	50.9
Andrea Lang (Salem)	50.9
Katie Cezat (Canton)	51.5
Kate Caille (Canton)	51.6
Amanda Richardson (Stevenson)	51.7
100-meter dash	
Christina Redd (Canton)	12.5
To'nia White (John Glenn)	12.6
Alyse White (Churchill)	12.6
Pamela Bryant (Franklin)	12.7
Mary Maloney (Canton)	12.7
Jocelynn Flowers (Thurston)	12.8
Kathy Carey (Ladywood)	12.8
Linda Montgomery (Stevenson)	12.8
Alex Dooley (Thurston)	12.8
Elizabeth Sturdy (Stevenson)	12.9
Lache' Wilkins (Churchill)	13.0

200-meter dash	
Linda Montgomery (Stevenson)	25.7
Tiffany James (Wayne)	26.1
Alyse White (Churchill)	26.4
Christina Redd (Canton)	26.5
Kristy Sobran (Stevenson)	26.7
Jocelyn Flowers (Thurston)	26.7
Alex Dooley (Thurston)	26.7
Andrea Nyberg (Canton)	27.2
Allison Collins (Stevenson)	27.3
Lache' Wilkins (Churchill)	27.4
400-meter dash	
Linda Montgomery (Stevenson)	58.9
Alyse White (Churchill)	59.6
Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	1:01.6
Chantal Moore (John Glenn)	1:02.5
Lache' Wilkins (Churchill)	1:02.5
Michelle Phillips (Churchill)	1:02.6
Natalie Wasio (Thurston)	1:03.3
Sarah Stobbe (Canton)	1:03.8
Amanda Sculthorpe (Stevenson)	1:03.8
Maura Mulcahy (Ladywood)	1:04.7
Lisa Arrowsmith (Stevenson)	1:04.7
800-meter run	
Michelle Phillips (Churchill)	2:19.7
Kelly Gibbons (Stevenson)	2:23.6
Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	2:24.2
Maura Mulcahy (Ladywood)	2:24.9
Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson)	2:27.2
Ashley Frederick (Redford Union)	2:27.2
Rachel Wodyka (Churchill)	2:29.7
Sarah McCormack (Canton)	2:30.6
Laura Friedman (Salem)	2:31.5
Meghan Wafer (Thurston)	2:31.5
1,600-meter run	
Michelle Phillips (Churchill)	5:17.7
Sarah McCormack (Canton)	5:18.9
Nicole Schmidt (Churchill)	5:20.7
Heather Sirko (Stevenson)	5:21.0
Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson)	5:21.9
Lauren Kane (Salem)	5:23.6
Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	5:25.8
Meghan Wafer (Thurston)	5:26.4
Kylen Cieslak (Churchill)	5:30.4
Kelly Gibbons (Stevenson)	5:31.8
3,200-meter run	
Heather Sirko (Stevenson)	11:24.2

Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	11:35.0
Kylen Cieslak (Churchill)	11:56.0
Nicole Schmidt (Churchill)	11:57.9
Lauren Kane (Salem)	12:01.2
Nicole Renaud (Churchill)	12:06.4
Kristyn Green (Stevenson)	12:18.8
Kirstian Tyler (Franklin)	12:19.0
Sara Pilon (Stevenson)	12:26.0
Rachel Wodyka (Churchill)	12:27.3
400 relay	
Stevenson	51.6
Canton	52.0
John Glenn	52.1
Garden City	52.9
Wayne	52.9
800 relay	
Stevenson	1:46.5
Canton	1:48.4
John Glenn	1:48.8
Wayne	1:49.1
Salem	1:51.1
1,600 relay	
Churchill	4:05.1
Stevenson	4:10.5
Salem	4:13.6
Canton	4:17.7
Thurston	4:24.0
3,200 relay	
Churchill	9:40.8
Stevenson	9:49.2
Canton	10:00.5
Redford Union	10:43.0
Salem	10:44.1

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PREP BASEBALL
Thursday, May 22
Fordson at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Friday, May 23
Huron Valley at Det. Urban, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 24
(all double-headers unless noted)
Redford CC at Canton, 11 a.m.

PREP GIRLS SOFTBALL
Friday, May 23
Luth. Westland at Light & Life, 4 p.m.
Ply. Christian at Country Day, 4:30 p.m.
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TBA - time to be announced.

BUCKS

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stop the shot and the Bucks escaped with a 3-2 OT victory.

The win made them 2-0 thus far this season (they beat Fort Wayne 2-1 Saturday). Toledo is 0-2-1. "Pogue was outstanding," said Bucks' coach Don Gemmell. "I give him all the credit. It took us a while to get going."

"There was a lack of effort in the first half."

There wasn't in the second half. The Bucks had more scoring chances throughout the match, but in the second half they completely dominated play. For the game, they out-shot Toledo 43-10.

But it was the Slayers who scored first, Abdulaziz Aldilaimi gaining possession of the ball outside the box, settling it and then sending a rocket into the left corner with 16:20 to go in the first half.

Trey Blanks assisted, and Toledo led 1-0.

The Bucks got the equalizer four minutes into the second half, Simon Omekanda (from Rochester Adams) speeding down the left wing before passing to Minagawa-Webster in front of the Slayers' goal. Minagawa-Webster's shot was blocked, but Paul Snape knocked home the rebound to make it 1-1.

Mid-Michigan continued to apply the pressure, but Taylor's takedown and Bokole's penalty kick allowed Toledo to take the lead once again.

The Bucks were already controlling the play, if not the scoreboard, but the Slayers gave them an added advantage when Joe Iding hauled down Snape with 11:28 left on the clock. It was Iding's second yellow card, putting him on the sideline and forcing Toledo to play a man short.

Considering Mid-Michigan's lack of a finishing touch, the help was much appreciated.

"We need to find a way to finish," said Gemmell. "That's the thing right now." The Bucks are creating plenty of chances, to be sure. Now just put them away.

Bucks 2, Fort Wayne 1: An early outburst allowed the Mid-Michigan Bucks to open their Great Lakes Division season with a win over the Fort Wayne Fever Saturday at Saginaw's White Pines Stadium. Knox Cameron scored the Bucks' first goal in the 12th minute on a play set up by Jordan Gruber. Ten minutes later, Cameron took a pass from Mychal Turpin and returned it to Turpin, who one-timed a shot past Fever keeper Ben Stevens for a 2-0 lead. Fort Wayne scored on a breakaway goal by Phil Presser in the 32nd minute after a failed offside trap by the Bucks. The Fever fell to 1-2. Jeff Weise made four saves in goal for the Bucks.

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BASEBALL

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WLAA-Lakes Division triumph over Westland John Glenn (14-9, 5-3).

Steve Cox singled to open the inning and advanced to second on a groundout by Drew Farling to set the stage for Bradley, who doubled off Glenn reliever Kyle Rutkowski, who took the loss.

Glenn jumped out to a 4-0 first-inning lead, all four runs unearned, but Salem got two runs back in the bottom half of the inning on Bradley's RBI triple followed by Andy Thackaberry's RBI sacrifice fly.

Glenn's Aaron Schwartz clubbed a solo homer in the third, but Salem answered with back-to-back doubles by Stevland Davis and winning pitcher Nate Krumwiede, who later scored on a Glenn infield error to make it 5-4.

The Rocks sent the game

into extra innings with a run in the sixth on pinch-hitter Dylan Tobin's line single to right, scoring Thackaberry.

Dave Pawlukiewicz started for Salem, but gave way to Krumwiede, who held the Rockets scoreless over the final three innings.

Julian Fraser, who went 3-for-5 with two RBI, was Glenn's starting pitcher. Joe Cichowski added two hits.

CC 10, A.A. Pioneer 3: Redford Catholic Central prides itself on being a solid hitting team.

But only Ryan Gallagher could solve Ann Arbor Pioneer on Monday. His two hits were the Shamrocks' only hits in a loss to the Pioneers.

"They were a nice team," said CC coach John Salter after his team fell to 18-6 overall. "They had power, pitching, kids who bunted . . . very solid. We played sloppy, made some mental errors and didn't do what we were supposed to. We've got to start playing better or it will be an early out in the state tourney."

The Pioneers (21-5) rocked CC pitchers for 14 hits on the day, while both teams made three errors. Gallagher had a two-run single in the first inning, scoring Kyle Crepeau and Drew Amble.

Zach Putnam got the win for Pioneer, and also had two singles and a homer at the plate to help his own cause.

Wayne 5, Canton 4: Greg Guswa clubbed a solo homer and Clint Serna went 2-for-4 Tuesday as Wayne Memorial (11-16) turned back WLAA-Western Division champion Canton (14-10) in a Western Lakes crossover.

Bryan Boyd pitched the first 6.2 innings to pick up the victory. He struck out eight, walked five and allowed seven hits. Brian Odom, who came on to get the final out, gained the save after Canton scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh.

Shawn Little went all seven innings for the Chiefs. He struck out three and allowed three earned runs on seven hits. He did not walk a batter.

Jake Powers collected two hits for the Chiefs, including a double, and drove in two runs. Dave Nicoloff also had two hits, with a double, and Kevin Conlon had a two-run single in Canton's three-run seventh.

Divine Child 8, Redford CC 7: On May 14, Dearborn Divine Child won the battle of the last man standing and wound up with a trip to Comerica Park today as the Falcons outlasted Redford Catholic Central.

"It was disappointing for us because we made such a good comeback in the top of the seventh," said CC coach John Salter, whose third-ranked Shamrocks lost for the first time this season to a team that wasn't Brother Rice. "Three times in that inning, it came down to the last strike and we came through with hits. We had a good comeback, but couldn't hold on to the lead."

The win moved Divine Child (21-7) into the Catholic League A-B Division championship at 12:30 today against Birmingham Brother Rice - the only other team to beat CC this season.

Rice was a 1-0 winner against Windsor (Ont.) Villanova.

After staking out a 2-0 lead, CC (18-5) gave up six runs in the fifth inning.

The Shamrocks got one back in the sixth and scored four more in the seventh to take a 7-6 lead. But in the bottom of the seventh, Alan Hagedorn hit a sacrifice fly that scored George Juszcyk to tie it, then Garden City's Ryan Shay singled to right, scoring Justin Rada with the winner.

Chris Rusin took the win for the Falcons, going the distance and allowing 10 hits, five earned runs and seven strikeouts. Drew Amble (1-1) got the loss in relief for CC, going just a third of an inning, walking two and allowing a hit. Jeff Schulz was the starter for CC and he, Amble, Mike Monterey, Greg Marrone and Bob Henderson combined for 11 hits, six walks, and eight strikeouts.

"Rusin pitched well, especially early," said Salter. "He really had us swinging at bad pitches. It hurt our scoring chances."

We'll just have to regroup our sights on the state tourney."

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Shamrocks settle for 2nd at league meet

For five straight years, Redford Catholic Central's track team was the cream of the Catholic League's A-B Division.

For the past two years, however, the Shamrocks have had to settle for the runner-up spot to University of Detroit-Jesuit.

The Cubs won the final event — the 1,600-meter relay in 3:30.97 — and clinched the title with a 146-139 win over the Shamrocks, who settled for third (3:35.89).

"By far, this is the best league performance we've had in awhile as far as the kids coming through," said CC coach Tony Magni. "Unfortunately for us, it came down to the 1,600 and they won, we finished third."

The remaining team standings included Birmingham Brother Rice (80 points), Harper Woods Notre Dame (40), Warren De La Salle (30), Dearborn Divine Child (23), Orchard Lake St. Mary's (20) and Pontiac Notre Dame Prep (8).

CC earned three wins in the meet held at Livonia Ladywood, and turned in several other fine showings.

The Shamrocks captured the 400 relay with Ed Moore, Dan Moore, Mike Palombo and Rob Lawrance clocking a 45.93.

Zach Zrull, who won just one

BOYS TRACK

dual meet during the year, took the long jump at 18 feet, 10.5 inches, while Scott Buslawski was fourth (17-9.75) and Jose Cosme was fifth (17-9.5).

What helped CC the most were the throwing events.

Sophomore Jon Smart took the shot put at 47-2, while Pat Clark was third (46-3 1/2) and John Mulroy was fourth (45-6). Nick Barrett led a 2-3-4-5 showing in the discus at 133-3, followed by Ryan Danescu (129-0), Andrius Giedraitis (124-8) and Clark (116-11).

"Zrull was a bonus and so was the 400 relay," said Magni. "(Smart) winning the shot was a great achievement because he started the year as the seventh or eighth man. He just kept coming and coming."

"Our throws were fantastic. We've won the shot 10 of the last 11 years under (coach) Gene Grewe. We're really happy with our kids."

The Shamrocks also fared well in the 3,200 run with Dan Horgan second (9:54.88), Brian Doot third (9:54.94), David Lucas fourth (9:55.20) and Max Working sixth (9:59.84).

Bill Makela contributed a second in the 300 hurdles (39.28) and a third in the 110

hurdles (15.3).

Other CC finishers included Steve Mason, fourth, 400 (53.43); Palombo, fourth, 100 dash (11.77); Lawrance, fifth, 200 (24.63); and Zrull, sixth, 300 hurdles (43.25).

CC added a second in the 800 relay (1:35.66) and thirds in both the 1,600 relay (3:35.89) and 3,200 relay (8:30.63).

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1,600 run: 1. Erin Webster (DDC), 5:23.9; 2. Katie Okonowski (DDC), 5:32.0; 3. Kaitlin Darnell (DDC), 5:32.5; 4. Shannon LaFave (FHM), 5:33.3; 5. Jessica Thiesen (LL), 5:43.2; 6. Kathryn McDonnell (BM), 5:44.0.

400 relay: 1. Regina, 53.9; 2. Mercy, 54.3; 3. Divine Child, 54.4; 4. N.D. Prep, 55.4; 5. Ladywood, 55.9; 6. Marian, 57.8.

400 dash: 1. Alexandria Marshall (FHM), 57.1; 2. Ernanda Daskeviciute (NDP), 1:00.0; 3. Elena Prusinowski (DDC), 1:00.6; 4. Katherine Johnson (BM), 1:01.1; 5. Shannon Meter (BM), 1:06.5; 6. Xiomara Okonkwo (HWR), 1:08.0.

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PISTONS CAMP

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The camps, which are conducted by Steve Moreland, director of Development and Basketball Camps/Clinics for the Detroit Pistons, will feature Pistons' players and coaches, who will serve as guest speakers. Under the direction of Moreland, the Pistons' camps have been named the top youth basketball camp program in the NBA.

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For more information on the Pistons' Camp Tour, or to register by phone, call the Pistons Camp Hotline at (248) 377-8653.

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The program runs from September through March. Registration forms are available at the Plymouth Cultural Center or on line at www.pchockey.org.

NEW GOLF DATE

The date for the Plymouth HS Golf Outing has been changed to Friday, Aug. 1. The outing will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at Napier and Ford roads; play begins with a shotgun start at 10 a.m.

The format is a four-person scramble, with 18 holes of golf followed by a steak dinner and presentations. Cost is \$120 (\$60 for dinner only). Side attractions include 50/50 longest drive contest (\$10 per golfer), 50/50 closest to the pin (\$10 per golfer), and 50/50 skins game (\$20 per team). Fees for games must be paid at registration.

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1,600 run: 1. Erin Webster (DDC), 5:23.9; 2. Katie Okonowski (DDC), 5:32.0; 3. Kaitlin Darnell (DDC), 5:32.5; 4. Shannon LaFave (FHM), 5:33.3; 5. Jessica Thiesen (LL), 5:43.2; 6. Kathryn McDonnell (BM), 5:44.0.

400 relay: 1. Regina, 53.9; 2. Mercy, 54.3; 3. Divine Child, 54.4; 4. N.D. Prep, 55.4; 5. Ladywood, 55.9; 6. Marian, 57.8.

400 dash: 1. Alexandria Marshall (FHM), 57.1; 2. Ernanda Daskeviciute (NDP), 1:00.0; 3. Elena Prusinowski (DDC), 1:00.6; 4. Katherine Johnson (BM), 1:01.1; 5. Shannon Meter (BM), 1:06.5; 6. Xiomara Okonkwo (HWR), 1:08.0.

300 hurdles: 1. Jennifer O'Shesky (DDC), 47.5; 2. Leanne Veldhuis (DDC), 49.8; 3. Sharifa Crawford (FHM), 51.1; 4. Claire

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May 19 at Canton

No. 1 singles: Brady Crosby (LS) defeated Brian Keesey, 6-1, 6-0.

No. 2: Justin Bookmeier (LS) def. Steve West, 6-4, 6-3.

No. 3: Dan Petty (LS) def. Zach Hoernschemeyer, 6-2, 6-0.

No. 4: Nick Stoyanov (LS) def. Duke Kapelanski, 6-1, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Marwan Chammout-Nick Reale (LS) def. Jeremy Romer-Alex Marinica, 6-3, 6-2.

No. 2: Andy Byberg-Steve Chernenkoff (LS) def. Sam Kaufman-Mike Keesey, 6-4, 6-1.

No. 3: Chris Welch-Brian Ennis (LS) def. Jon-Eric Cornellier-Alex Fabiszewski, 7-6 (7-5), 6-4.

No. 4: Mike Budd-Connor Good (LS) def. Matt Shichtman-Sam Hargis, 6-2, 6-2.

Stevenson's dual meet record: 10-1 overall, 9-0 Western Lakes Activities Association.

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May 14 at Canton

No. 1 singles: Brian Keesey (C) def. John Dillon, 6-1, 6-2.

No. 2: Marcus Parker (U-D) def. Steve West, 6-2, 3-6, 6-4.

No. 3: Chris Burke (U-D) def. Mike Keesey, 6-7 (7-1), 6-2, 6-3.

No. 4: Chris Jordan (U-D) def. Matt Shichtman, 6-2, 6-1.

No. 1 doubles: Dave Vangmond-Tony Randazzo (U-D) def. Jeremy Romer-Alex Marinica, 6-2, 7-5.

No. 2: Sam Kaufman-Matt Curd (C) def. John Shultz-Hamilton Harris, 7-5, 6-2.

No. 3: Alex Widlak-Greg Hyland (U-D) def. Alex Fabiszewski-Amul Patel, 6-7 (7-4), 6-3, 6-4.

No. 4: Andrew Kaczmarek-Matt Hurlies (U-D) def. Sam Hargis-Sankalp Bhatnagar, 6-3, 6-3.



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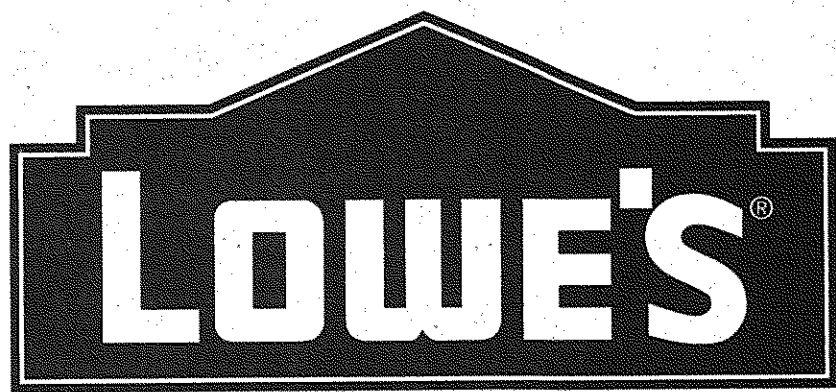
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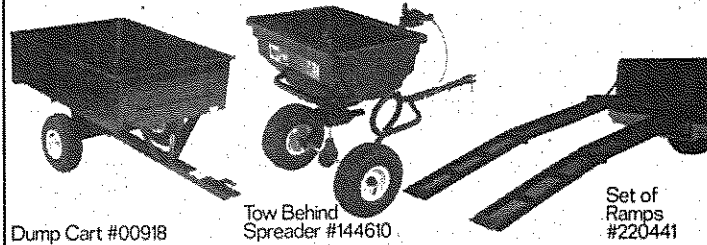
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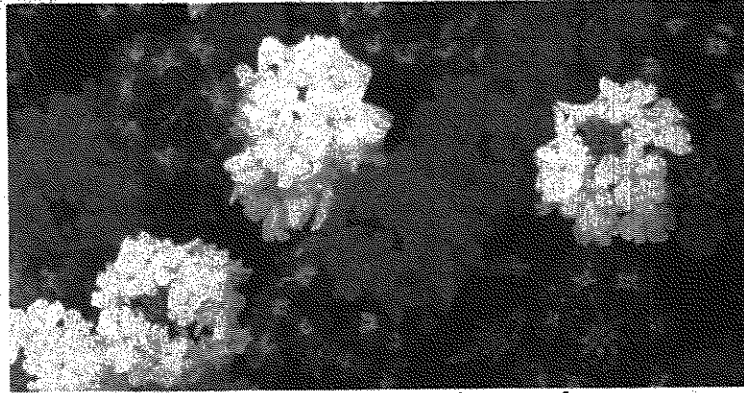
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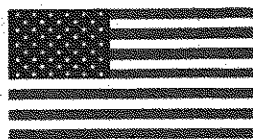


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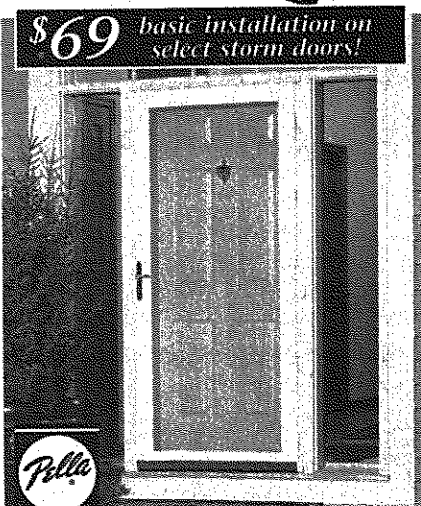
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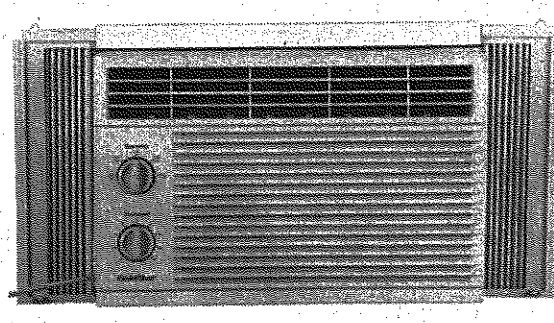
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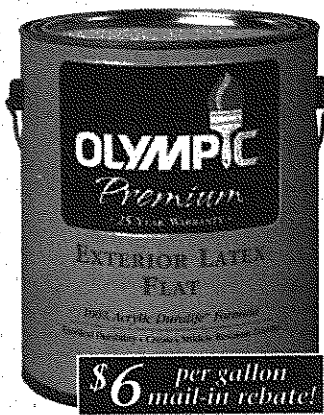
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2003 FORD ESCAPE

Advertising Feature

Thursday DriveTime



BY DALE BUSS

Getting it right in the smaller mid-segment SUV category is among the most difficult things that auto manufacturers are faced with these days. No market is attracting more players with more new vehicles than this one. And it may well be that no other chunk of the vehicle business is challenged with the kind of expectations this one is: Small-to-middling-sized SUVs are expected to be all things to all people, but at a pricetag of only about \$25,000.

Given this backdrop, then, it's high praise to say that the 2003 Ford Escape comes about as close to successfully fulfilling this job description as any of the several models in this category that I've driven recently. Escape provides a more-than-gutsy-enough performance with a friendly, comfortable and spacious interior and just enough exterior sense of style. At the \$27,680 list price for the XLT model I reviewed, Escape comes down to the bottom line as a good value.

Escape's nice blend of utilitarianism and esthetic appeal starts with its exterior design. It has what Ford calls a "confidently poised" stance. I'm not sure what that means, but I'll buy that language – because it seems to describe the designers' motives in coming up with an appearance that is sleek and contemporary but doesn't get into the backlash rear windows and other cargo-space-paring cues of competitors such as the Honda CRV. I'll agree with Ford, then, that Escape delivers a "muscular, athletic exterior without an overly aggressive appearance."

For 2003, Ford offers an "appearance" package on the XLT model, which includes machined bright-aluminum 16-inch wheels and dark gray step bars, as well as a new Limited model that features body-color cladding, fascias, moldings, door handles and liftgate trip for a monochromatic appearance; Ford throws in the 16-inch aluminum wheels on the Limited as well.

Actually, though, I was more impressed with Escape on the inside. Start with the fact that the four-door Escape has room to carry comfortably five adults and a good deal of cargo. The relative boxiness of the rear end, compared with some competitors, translates into an



2003 FORD ESCAPE

ample 33 square feet of cargo room even with all the seats up. Low step-in heights and wide door openings allow excellent passenger access. I also appreciated the running boards on Escape, which some competitors don't offer. Once inside, passengers find more knee and foot room in this compact SUV than in many larger models, and the almost-flat floor adds to the perception of airiness.

The company admits that its fabric and trim materials last year were inferior, so the 2003 model experienced upgrades in those areas, and they show in a tidily tailored interior appearance. The leather "comfort group" in the XLT that I drove lent just enough cushiness to a scheme that otherwise seems profitably devoted to efficiency. The center stack, door bezels and window switches are painted for a two-tone interior effect, and the window switches are illuminated for nighttime convenience.

Unlike many higher-priced and luxury SUVs, Escape's central controls are clear and easy to use, including climate controls and even the switch that converts the vehicle from two-wheel-drive to a 4x4. A 12-volt power outlet up front is a luxury-type convenience not yet common to the mid-size SUV class; similarly

with an overhead holder for sunglasses along with map lights pushed to the front of the vehicle. The center console holds a pleasingly high number and variety of compartments.

One drawback: The lever on the automatic-transmission gear-shift, which protrudes from the steering column, is long enough to get in the way of some controls.

The 2003 Escape I drove, with a six-cylinder, 3.0-liter engine, also delivered plenty of punch in acceleration, lane changing and other routine maneuvers. Handling was crisp in fast cornering and with other typical demands, and Escape handled chinks in the pavement quite adequately. Wind and tire noise were noticeable at higher speeds, but not enough so to be a bother.

Escape coincidentally came out around the time of Ford's Firestone-tire debacle a few years ago, and it helped shift attention away from the larger Explorer model that came into question in that issue. Sales of Escape dipped a bit last year from 2001. But with the upgrades that Ford has made in the 2003 model, Escape remains a good buy for consumers in this segment.

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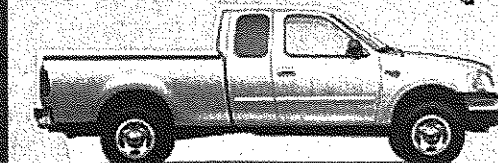
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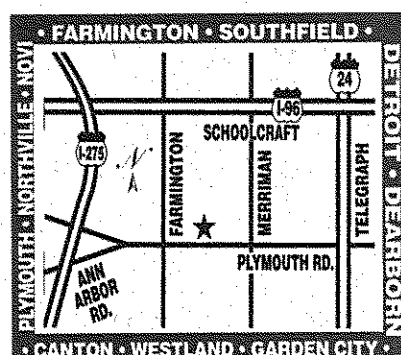
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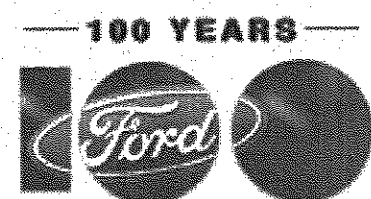
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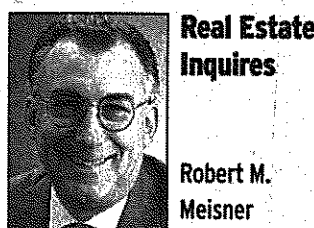
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Real Estate One agent Melanie Bishop points out some of the finer points of curb appeal, such as landscaping and well-weeded flower beds, that have great impact on watching eyes.

A first look can set the buying process in motion or can lead to a quick 'see ya'

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

You get only one chance to make a first impression.

And if you don't think it's important to make a good one in the presentation of a property, then listen to the professionals - Realtors on the front lines - who work to match seller and buyer.

"I just had one," said Lynn DeJohn, a Realtor with Quality Properties GMAC in Plymouth. "They had looked it up on the Internet, first-time buyers. It looked good from pictures on the virtual tour. When we got there, it looked a little unkempt from the outside.

"Inside, it had been completely gutted - no carpeting, no furniture. Every little nick, ding showed - lots of wear," DeJohn said.

"Of course, their parents were with them. It looked awful. It made a terrible impression. When we opened the door, they were ready to tear in the other direction," she said.

Melanie Bishop, a top sales producer with Real Estate One in West Bloomfield, has seen the same scenario play out on numerous occasions.

"I can't count on 10 hands the number of times we pulled up to a house, the couple looked at each other and said, 'We're not going in.' It was peeling paint, a weary look, overgrown bushes, lawn not kept up.

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"The overall philosophy is if it's well-maintained, looks good on the outside, there's a high probability the inside will be the same," Bishop said. "Sometimes, the inside of a house can be great, but they (visitors) can't get past the front door so they don't notice."

And prospective purchase offers go away with them.

Dave Marquardt, associate broker with Prudential Chamberlain Stiehl in Troy, has been a Realtor for 30 years. While walk-throughs are more likely to voice criticism than compliments, he remembers a buyer falling in love with a house at first viewing.

"It had a lot of different elevations at the front and dramatic features like a nice back patio, a larger corner lot, rooms with high ceilings," Marquardt said. "It was very clean. It was in move-in condition. Her eyes lit up when we walked in and she said, 'This is it.'"

A good first impression puts a visitor in

'If a house isn't clean, you have trouble. It has to be clean ... dusted, picked up all the time, beds made ... and as odor-free as possible, too. People don't like to walk over other people's stuff.'

Dave Marquardt
Prudential Chamberlain Stiehl

a more positive, upbeat frame of mind, Marquardt said.

"If a house looks really good, people don't go around nit-picking: a spot here, a cracked window there, a chip on the counter. If it's not quite as nice, they really look - inside every closet, every wall of the basement - much more closely."

LISTEN UP

Shirley Wall, affiliated with Red Carpet Keim Carter Reed, Clarkston, said she personally contacts sellers' agent if buyers she brings are so turned off they don't even want to go inside. She considers it a professional courtesy and figures the scouting report will get passed along.

"Hopefully, that will make sure they clean up, fix up or paint up things that need to be done," she said.

"If a house needs paint, shutters are loose, roof needs repair or children's toys are all around the yard or the grass has (bare) patches, I've had people refuse to go in," Wall said.

"People buy on emotion," said Jerry Wolfe, associate broker with Century 21 Today, Livonia, and a 27-year veteran. "Most people walk in the door and say, 'This is it.' They've looked at a lot of houses up and down, analyzed it and feel this is the one."

Many little steps lead to a final destination, the pros say.

"Everything should be sparkling clean - the front door, the front porch, the entry," DeJohn said. "No clutter. I don't want to walk in with eight pair of shoes lined up, old newspapers stacked up.

NUTS AND BOLTS

"I like the kitchen counters cleared off," she said. "Put most small appliances away - toaster, blender, coffee maker. No toothbrushes left out in the bathroom and all personal items should be put away."

Bishop brings 17 years experience to the table.

"Wash windows, paint the front door, paint around windows. Flowers - this is a great time of year to plant. Keep lawns and gardens manicured, garages swept out."

"Some minor things that need to be fixed that are very inexpensive - tuck-point the front porch, paint trim - can add to a good first impression," Wolfe said. "Shrubbery overgrown blocking windows - pull them out and put smaller ones in or at least trim them."

"The biggest thing is brighten the house," he concluded. "Wash windows, lights on."

While different features may appeal to different buyers, cleanliness is the great equalizer, Marquardt said.

"If a house isn't clean, you have trouble," he said. "It has to be clean ... dusted, picked up all the time, beds made ... and as odor-free as possible, too. People don't want to walk over other people's stuff."

Wall's prescription - "I like to see them remove clutter and organize closets, make sure floors are vacuumed, dirty dishes done. Make sure all the knobs and handles are on cupboards."

"Neatness counts a lot. People don't want to do a lot of repairs," she said.

"The way the market is now, we're finding buyers more hesitant," DeJohn said. "Sellers really have to step up to the plate quite a bit more or price accordingly."

"If it's not quite spiffy on the outside, maybe we can get the price down a little bit," Marquardt said in agreement.

"A lot of buyers aren't willing to do work," Bishop added. "In their minds, it (run-down exterior) is a whole domino effect of what can go wrong."

"People who have lived in houses a long time tend to collect a lot of stuff," Wolfe said. "De-clutter the house. Sometimes, people put some furniture in storage before selling."

"If someone's going to look at five houses, all are similar in price and amenities, they will pick the neatest and cleanest, the one in the best condition," Wall said.

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Tim 'Timbo' Phillips



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Real estate is a unique investment because it is a limited commodity. In the free market, a growing demand for a limited resource will force an increase in that resource's price. Though home values have been generally flat over the past year, this plateau is more an anomaly than the norm. It is much more common to see area home prices increasing steadily.

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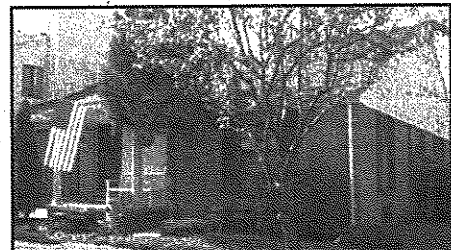


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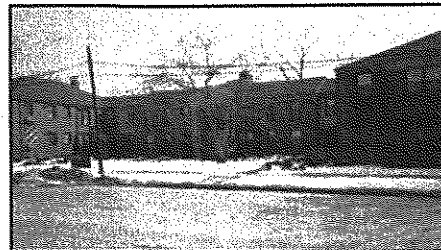
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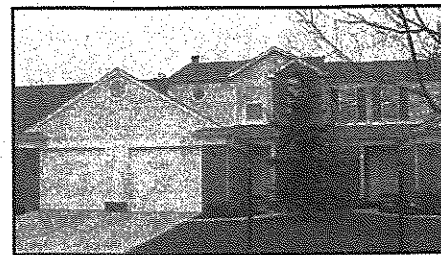
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48990 Brooklyn	\$231,000
3405 Brooklyn	\$91,000
3439 Brooklyn	\$226,000
3736 Brooklyn	\$225,000
7164 Camelot	\$242,000
620 Cherry Grove	\$287,000
640 Cherry Grove	\$226,000

2288 Cleveland Way	\$260,000
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1441 Delancy	\$100,000
7508 Emerson	\$235,000
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48084 Gladstone	\$411,000
1583 Glengarry	\$315,000
50308 Hancock	\$75,000
44111 Harsdale	\$203,000
7685 Haverhill	\$480,000
47041 Hidden River	\$316,000
8304 Holly	\$180,000
46531 Killarney	\$278,000
1224 Liberty	\$105,000
1276 Liberty	\$105,000
2121 Liberty	\$112,000
1702 Orchard	\$81,000
43122 Pepperwood	\$234,000

43112 Providence	\$205,000
49121 Rockefeller	\$114,000
49211 Rockefeller	\$103,000
49300 Rockefeller	\$139,000
41997 Saratoga	\$198,000
671 Shana	\$190,000
46567 Swanmere	\$265,000
42333 Trent	\$296,000
44722 Twyckingham	\$209,000

33423 Nancy	\$165,000
15531 Nola	\$245,000
31908 Pembroke	\$160,000
31710 Plymouth	\$132,000
14100 Richfield	\$240,000
29670 Richland	\$167,000
19954 Saint Francis	\$152,000
17454 Vacri	\$249,000
18996 Westbrook	\$268,000

Garden City	
31715 Alvin	\$94,000
29754 Barton	\$141,000
580 Brandt	\$106,000
32610 Cambridge	\$143,000

Livonia	
29940 Six Mile	\$60,000
30537 Seven Mile	\$142,000
9920 Arcola	\$155,000

Plymouth	
11687 E Hills	\$407,000
1026 Hartsough	\$200,000
157 Rose	\$165,000

Redford	
20411 Centralia	\$116,000
16574 Delaware	\$140,000
8880 Dixie	\$139,000
15388 Dixie	\$42,000
9587 Kinloch	\$138,000
12068 Norborne	\$107,000
24875 Puritan	\$50,000
23401 Riverpark	\$133,000
11423 Virgil	\$124,000
26419 W Seven Mile	\$45,000
15524 Woodworth	\$120,000

Westland	
36148 Avondale	\$119,000
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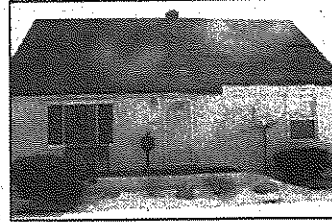
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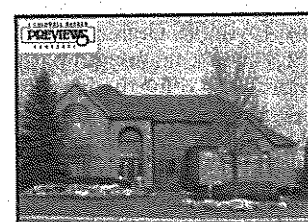
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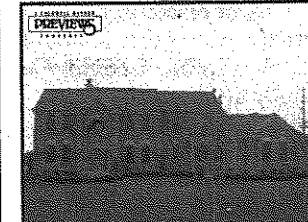
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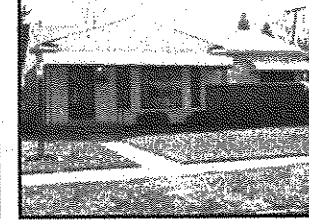
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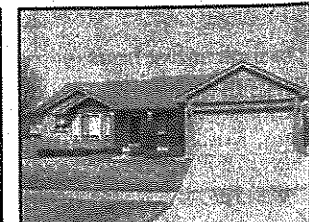
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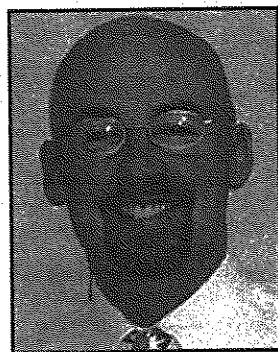
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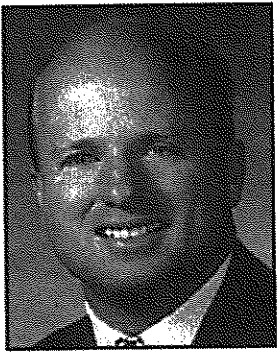
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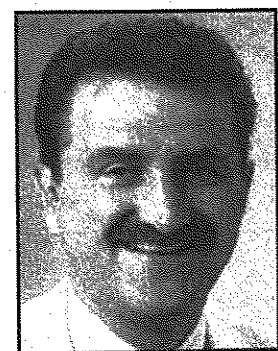
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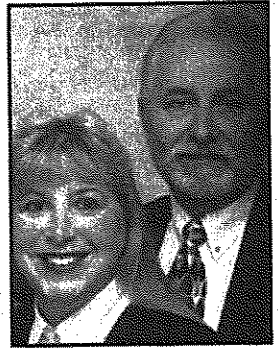
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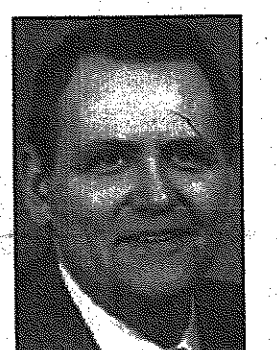
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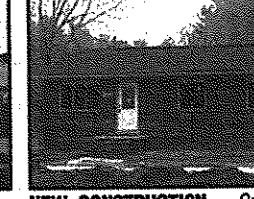
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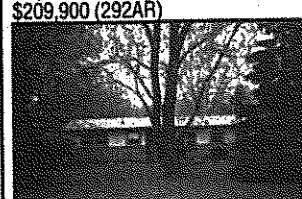
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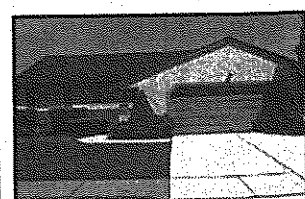
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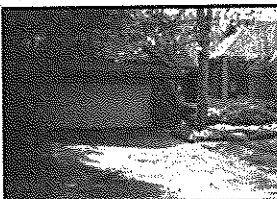
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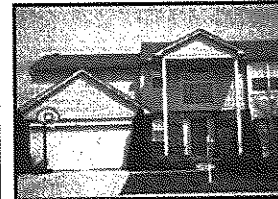
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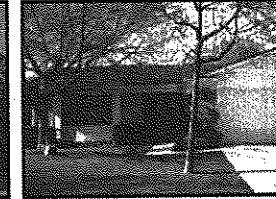
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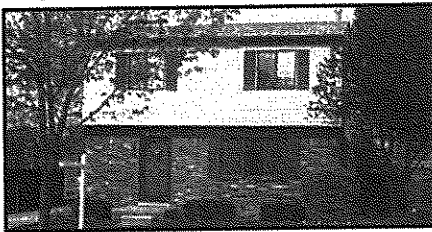
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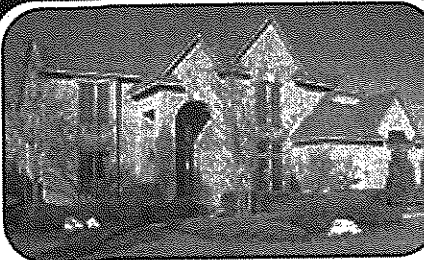
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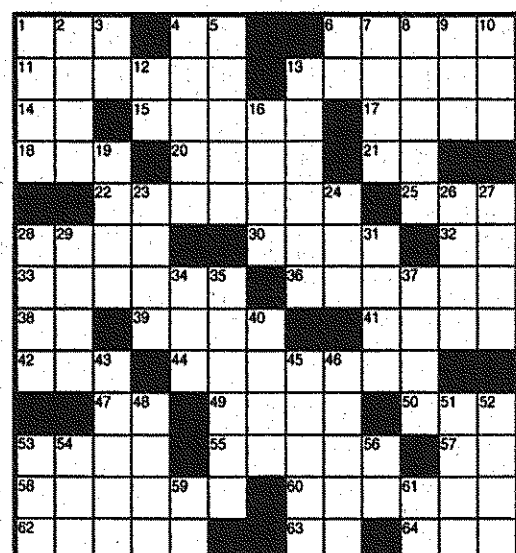
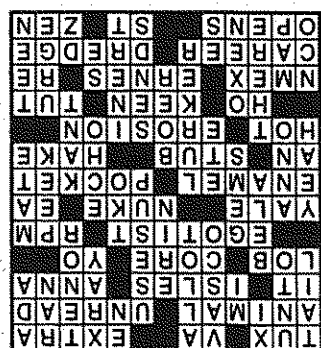
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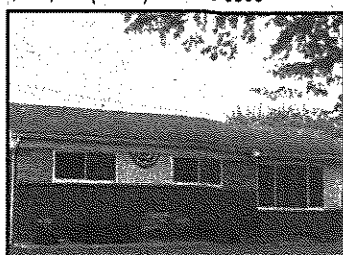
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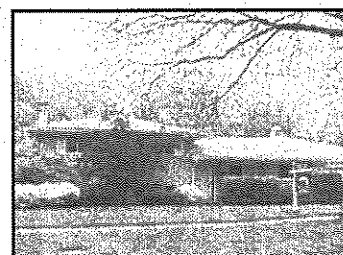
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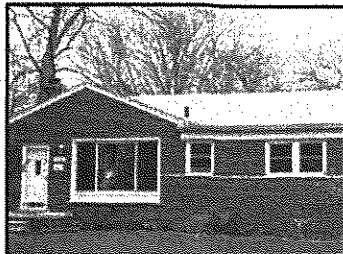
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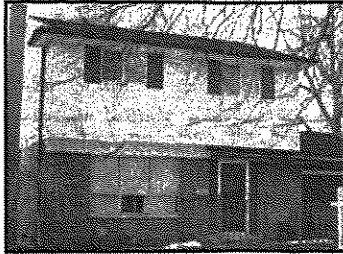
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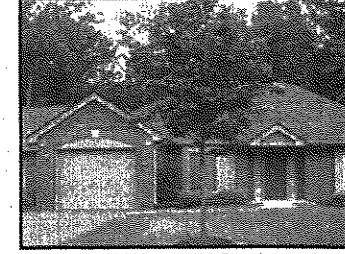
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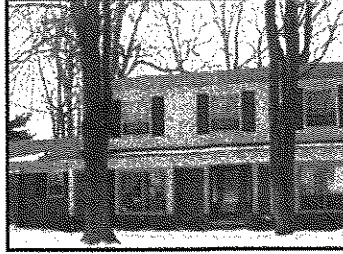
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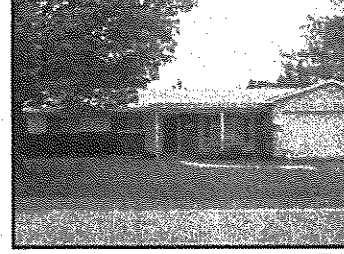
CANTON - Backs to wetlands. Gorgeous 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath condo has cathedral ceilings, gas fireplace, beautiful kitchen, 1st floor laundry, doorwall to lovely rear yard & deck, 2 car attached garage w/opener. Home Warranty. \$224,900 (96CHE) 734-455-5600



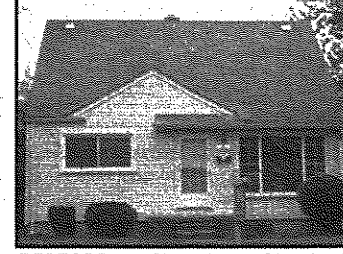
WEST BLOOMFIELD - Large brick colonial. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath in West Bloomfield offers 2 car attached garage, basement, FR w/fireplace, DR & library. Pella windows thru-out ('02), newer roof, gutters, sump pump, drain lines & circuit breakers ('00). 1st floor laundry. All in great sub. \$269,000 (27NOR) 734-455-5600



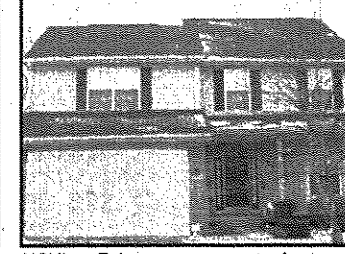
FARMINGTON HILLS - Spacious colonial. Spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home w/2 car attached garage, finished basement, hardwood floors in living room & dining room, bright kitchen w/breakfast area, 1st floor laundry + 1 year home warranty. \$244,900 (37WES) 734-455-5600



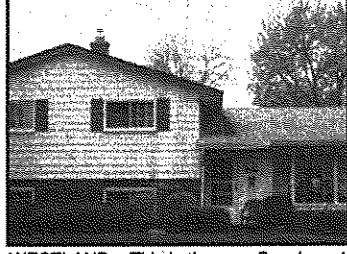
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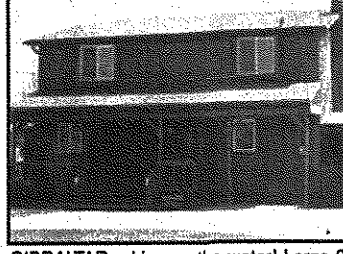
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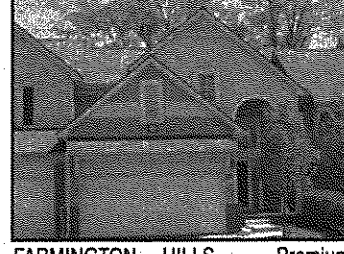
WESTLAND - This is the one. Spacious 4 bedroom, 2 bath tri-level w/large eat-in kitchen, newer windows, garage, C/A & nicely landscaped w/pond in backyard. \$173,900 (55CHI) 734-455-5600



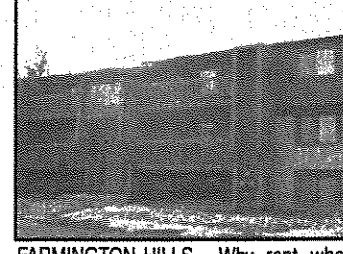
GIBRALTAR - Live on the water! Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath colonial offers newer kitchen & both baths, 2 tier deck that leads to boat dock w/10 ton hoist. Lots of windows overlooking the canal. 2 car garage & close to schools & freeway. \$329,900 (45POI) 734-455-5600



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LIVONIA - Country living in the city with towering trees. Almost 2000 sq ft ranch on over 1.6 acres w/3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, 2 fireplaces (LR & FR), formal dining room, eat-in kitchen, 2.5 car attached garage & Florida room, 2 horses allowed. \$344,000 (33CUR) 734-455-5600



DEARBORN HTS - Ravine lot on cul-de-sac. Ranch on nearly 1/2 acre lot. Parklike setting backs to Hines Dr. Master bath, family room, 2 car attached garage. \$278,000 (11ROC) 734-455-5600



WAYNE - Cute bungalow. Great Wayne bungalow w/updated carpet, windows, furnace, C/A & roof. Remodeled kitchen, neutral decor throughout. Open floor plan. Must see! \$124,000 (89WIN) 734-455-5600



SOUTH LYON - Gorgeous custom built home. Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances, granite counters, butlers pantry & cherry cabs. Hardwood floors, limestone fireplace, custom window treatments, 9' ceiling suite, profess landscaped w/brick pavers. \$325,000 (23SAD) 248-349-5600



CANTON - Sprawling ranch condo. Fantastic 2 bedroom, 2 bath end unit backs to the 11th hole. Set on your deck & watch the golfers or join in. Spacious unit w/hardwood flooring, gas fireplace in great room w/custom mantel, white kitchen w/all built-ins. Jetted tub & double sinks in master. \$279,900 (32THI) 248-349-5600



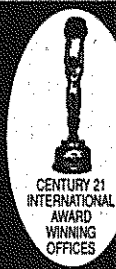
WEST BLOOMFIELD - A Beauty. Built in 1998 fabulous 4 bedroom home. Built w/imports from around the world. Gourmet commercial kitchen, 3 full & two half baths, master suite w/2-way fireplace, steam shower. Marble, granite & rosewood. Great lot. \$949,900 (01DOB) 248-349-5600

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NORTHVILLE \$529,500
FABULOUS HOME WITH EVERY AMENITY! 4 BR, 3.5 baths, mstr ste w/sitting area & luxury spa bath. Wood flrs, stone mantle, arches, bay window & granite. 2nd flr laundry & daylight bsmt. (45DEE2)

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PLYMOUTH \$499,900
SIMPLY SPECTACULAR! Gorgeous col w/many upgraded features you are sure to enjoy: from the 2 story foyer/great rm to the tastefully decorated mstr ste. Make your appointment today! (23D12084)

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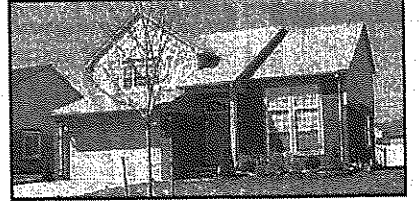
PLYMOUTH \$295,000
IMMACULATE CONDO IN SMALL COMPLEX! Close to downtown Plymouth, open floor plan w/fin'd LL. Bright kitchen with island. Main floor mstr w/WIC & spa tub. 3 BR & 2.5 baths. (14STO2)

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LIVONIA \$294,900
3 BR, 3.5 BA, GREAT FLOOR PLAN 1st flr mstr ste w/jetted tub, sep shower, & bay wndw. 2nd flr w/lg BR, full BA, & flex loft. 3 skylts, central vac, hrdwd flrs, deck off brkfst rm, fin LL. (N33359)

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CANTON \$284,900
FANTASTIC DEAL! Built in 1998, 4 bedroom colonial, family rm, living rm, dining rm. Full basement. Custom drapery, neutral throughout. Large deck & located on dead end street. (23S500)

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LIVONIA \$270,000
1753 SF RANCH BLT IN 1994, 3 BR, 2.5 BA. Great Livonia neighborhood. This place has it all. The bells and whistles. Fabulous deck w/2 ponds. (S9173)

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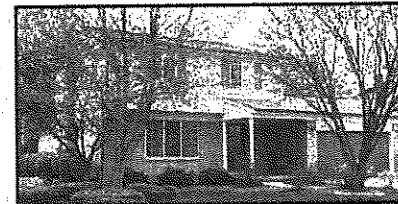
DEARBORN \$241,500
MINT CONDITION 3 BR COLONIAL! Near Divine Child! LR w/nat FP, DR, FR, kit w/parquet flrs, fin rec rm w/slate flr, updt incl: win, tear down roof, carpet, fum & c/a. 2-car garage & patio. (12SIL2)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$239,900
DELIGHTFUL WOODED SETTING! Spacious ranch Condo, 2 BR, 2 bth, freshly painted, new carpet, vaulted GR, oak kit w/brdwd flrs, doorwall to deck, full bsmt, 2-car garage. Imm occ available! (60RIV2)

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CANTON \$234,900
ENJOY THE SUMMER in this well maintained col. Wooded park-like setting offers privacy. Prof landscaped, 2 level deck, stunning fam rm. Many updates. Don't hesitate on this one! (23T144720)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$229,900
2 BR 2 BA CONDO. Great room, library, dining rm, attached garage w/opener, deck, and over 1600 SF! So much more! (G29411)

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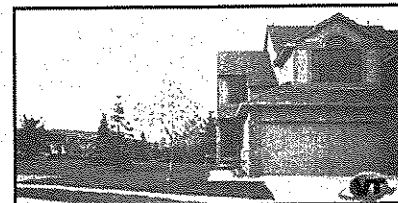
WESTLAND \$219,900
LARGEST OF THE BROWNSTONE CONDOS. Plenty of room to enjoy. Your new home has a fireplace in the living room w/vaulted ceilings. 3 Floors of comfort. Close to shopping & entertainment. (C704)

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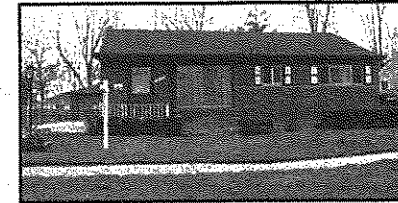
YPSILANTI \$199,900
A VIEW OF NATURE and not your neighbors! End unit, 2 bdrm, 2.5 bath ranch condo backing to woods & pond. Hrdwd floors in kit, lg mstr ste, gas frpic in finished bsmt. Must see! (23C6169)

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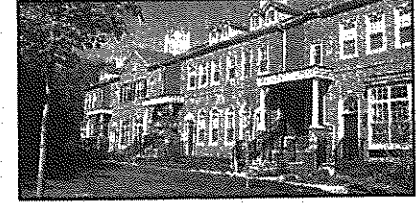
CANTON \$199,900
END UNIT, TASTEFULLY DECORATED 2 BR, 2.5 BA, plus loft. Great rm w/FP, 2 car att'd gar, 1st flr laundry, bsmt, kit appliances stay. Immaculate. A must see condo! (H45177)

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LIVONIA \$196,900
MOVE RIGHT IN! Roomy 3 bedroom brick ranch with loads of updates & upgrades. Family room with fireplace, 2.5 baths, finished basement, 2.5 car garage. (W30711)

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NORTHVILLE \$195,000
UNIQUELY BEAUTIFUL NORTHVILLE CONDO! Cozy, warm & inviting. Bright kitchen, large mstr w/balcony, walk to downtown! A must see! Also, for lease @ \$1,800. (65RIV8)

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LIVONIA \$189,900
NOT A DRIVEBY! 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath ranch! Loaded with updates. All big updates are done. Home shows very well. Call to see! (W20020)

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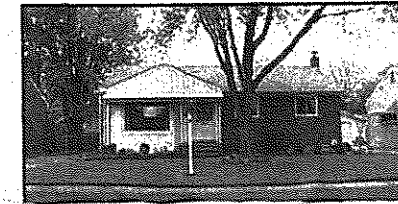
FARMINGTON \$184,900
CLEAN & COZY 3 BR, 2 BATH BRICK RANCH! Updates include: kitchen, windows, roof, c/a, deck & fin'd bsmt. Walk to downtown Farmington! (25POW2)

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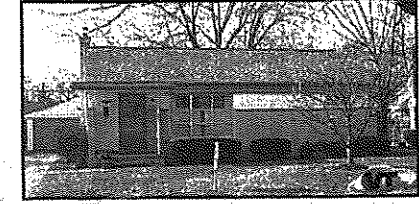
DEARBORN \$179,500
WHY SETTLE FOR PLAIN when you can have unique? 1948 Dearborn charmer w/an 11x10 3 season rm, 2 bdrms on entry level & a 25x19 bdrm up that needs drywall. Wood trim, nat flpic, gar. (23Y400)

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LIVONIA \$179,500
PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP SHOWS THRU-OUT. Beautiful updated 3 BR, 1.5 BA home decorated in neutral decor. New kit, carpet, newer windows, updated baths, wonderful fin bsmt, sun rm overlooks fence yd, more. (W30108)

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FARMINGTON \$175,000
GREAT HOME IN MOST CONVENIENT LOCATION! Updated kit w/beautiful cabinets, dishwasher & disposal. Formal DR, 3rd BR, fin'd bsmt w/lg rec rm, lav & sm office/BR. Florida room, new roof '02. Lovely home! (63MAR2)

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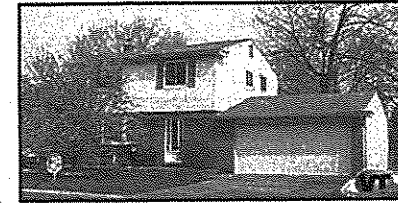
WESTLAND \$169,900
ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS, WELL MAINTAINED Tri-level, Anderson Windows throughout, 2 car att. garage w/door to backyard. Florida room off dining room overlooking backyard & wooded area. A must see! (S400)

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NORTHVILLE \$163,900
3 BR, NORTHVILLE CONDO! Enjoy the 3 lakes, pool, clubhouse & tennis courts! Nearly 1400 SF & rec room in LL! Brick patio, sunken LR w/gas FP & more! (09DAR2)

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WESTLAND \$159,900
BRIGHT & SPACIOUS 4 BR Colonial, 1.5 baths, C/A, full basement, 2 car att'd gar. Newer windows & entry door. Nice & clean. (H345)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$157,900
MINT CONDITION! Enjoy this 2-story townhouse condo w/cath ceilings & 2 sty skylts. Nat FP in GR. Hrdwd flrs 1/2 main flr. Nature trl nearby. Clean, quiet, neutral, updated! (C38880)

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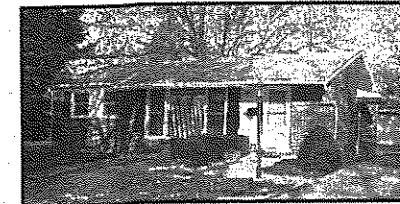
WESTLAND \$157,900
IT WILL BE LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT! Family room w/natural fireplace. Finished basement, Barber carpet, beautiful kitchen and well maintained. Many updates including furn, A/C & windows. (S131)

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REDFORD \$154,900
DON'T MISS THIS ONE! Updated South Redford brick ranch w/family room, finished basement, 2 car garage, & 1.5 baths. Too many updates to list. Move right in. (F13510)

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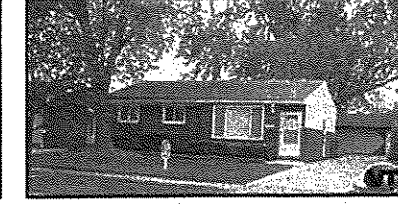
SOUTHFIELD \$149,900
IMPECCABLY MAINTAINED RANCH in Cranbrook Village! Updts incl: newer roof, win, gutters, storm drs, glass block bsmt win & garage door. Hrdwd flrs under carpet in DR/LR. Fin'd bsmt w/bar. (09RAM2)

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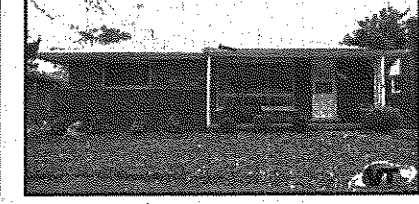
REDFORD \$146,500
BEAUTIFUL MANICURED BRK RANCH in private area of Redford. Hardwood flrs under carpet, updated elec, copper plumb, rf, furn, air, natural FP in LR, finished bsmt, knotty pine, added FR. (D15016)

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WESTLAND \$141,500
ABSOLUTE GEM Everything is bright and new just waiting for you in this 3BR ranch w/finished basement w/2 baths, 2 car garage, doorwall to deck. It sparkles! (P307)

734-326-2000



REDFORD \$138,500
QUALITY 3 BR, 1.5 BA BRICK RANCH with finished basement, 2 car garage, fenced & landscaped yd, newer furn & c/a, new roof & carpet. Location, value, & charm! (S14148)

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REDFORD \$126,900
WONDERFUL RANCH ON NEARLY 1/2 ACRE! Beautifully decorated, clean, & neutral. LR has cozy FP, DR, totally updated kit, newer rf, new carpet, crown moldings, 2 car att'd gar. 3 BR, nearly 1400 SF. (G20045)

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WESTLAND \$124,900
MINT CONDITION, WESTLAND CONDO! 2 BR, 1.5 bath condo has oak kitchen, new carpet, vinyl flooring & freshly painted, vinyl windows, ceramic foyer & huge mstr w/walk-in-closet. (92CAR2)

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CANTON \$114,900
BRICK PLYMOUTH LANDING SPECIAL! 2 bedroom condo with newer windows, neutral throughout, 1.5 baths. Nice new light fixtures, all appliances stay. Make your move into this great place! (23N6828)

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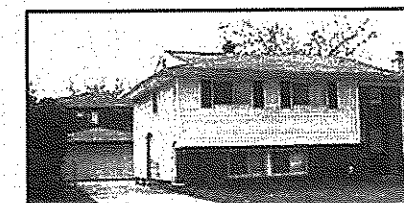
REDFORD \$112,500
AWESOME REDFORD RANCH! Super sharp home has oak kitchen, updated plumbing, full fin'd bsmt w/extra bath, roof-5 yrs, c/a, garage, newer carpet & paint. (99FIV2)

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CANTON \$109,900
SHOWS LIKE THE MODEL! Remarkable 2 bdrm first flr condo. Newer furn, A/C, crpt, wndws. Updated kit & bath. Neut decor. Lg mstr ste w/WIC & laundry. Patio w/view of Fellows Creek. (23S44459)

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INKSTER \$106,500
A GREAT DEAL AWAITS THE SMART BUYER in this four bedroom split-level, 1 1/2 baths, fireplace, 2 1/2 car garage. (B120)

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REDFORD \$98,900
GREAT HOUSE FOR GROWING FAMILY Take a look at the SqFt. Spacious master w/built in storage. New vinyl windows, freshly painted, newer blinds & all appliances stay. Most of home updated. (N194)

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DETROIT \$84,900
BRICK COLONIAL OFFERS SPACIOUS LIVING RM w/natural fireplace, formal dining rm, family room. Large kitchen w/new cabinets. Hardwood floors throughout, full basement, 1 1/2 baths, 2 car garage w/opener. (C620)

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WESTLAND \$82,900
MAY BE BEST IN SUB!! Fantastic! 2 bedroom, brick, condo w/partial fin. basement, lots of updates: kit, bathroom, windows, carpet, deck & more. Appliances stay. Won't last. Hurry! (A215)

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EASTPOINTE \$74,900
GREAT STARTER HOME IN EASTPOINTE! Cute 2 BR home with 1.5 car garage & fenced yard in nice family neighborhood. Coved ceilings in LR, eat-in kitchen & 1st floor laundry. (17CUS2)

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PLYMOUTH
YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED! 2071 square feet of character & charm! Hard to find 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath downtown Plymouth. Renovated kitchen in cherry & granite. Wow! 23A750

\$299,900

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LIVONIA
IT'S ALL HERE! NW Livonia, mint condition & private lot. 3 BR brick ranch offers quality updating 1/2, finished basement. Move right in. C14701

\$198,900

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NOVI
ALL THE WORK IS DONE, SPARKLING NOVI RANCH! 3 BR, 2 baths, fresh paint & all new moldings. Kitchen remodeled, mstr bath updated, windows, HHVH & carpet in 2001. Lg yard & close to school/park. 40WIL2

\$187,000

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NOVI
BEAUTIFUL 3 BR RANCH CONDO W/FULL BSMT! Lg spacious rms, white kit cab w/glass inserts, Pargo flrs in kit/DR, newer Barber carpeting, stove, fridge & dishwasher. Enclosed deck, pool, clubhouse/tennis! 36WOO2

\$139,900

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REDFORD
SMART BUYERS WANTED! Priced to sell. In one of Redford's most popular areas, offers 3 BR, full bsmt, 2 car gar, nice screened in patio, hrdwd flrs. Across from elementary schools. D15958

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Medical 5060

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CITY OF HUNTINGTON WOODS, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO 476

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, May 6, 2003, the City Commission of Huntington Woods adopted Ordinance No. 476 an Ordinance to amend Title VIII, Building Regulations of the Code of the City of Huntington Woods by adding a new Chapter 87, Historic Preservation. The Ordinance allows for the establishment of an historic district study committee pursuant to the Local Historic District Act, Act No. 169 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1970, MCL 399.201 et seq, as amended. The ordinance defines the duties of the committee and procedures for establishing, modifying or eliminating historic district resolutions; emergency moratorium on pending work.

A COMPLETE COPY OF THE ORDINANCE IS AVAILABLE AT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE. 2815 Scotia Road, Huntington Woods, MI 48070 248-541-4300, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 8:30 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

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Kristine K. Hyre
City Clerk/Treasurer

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BIRMINGHAM - 4 Family 1043-1 North Old Woodward. Fri-Sat, 8am-3pm. Furniture, clothes, accessories, misc.

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BLOOMFIELD VILLAGE: May 23-24, 9-5. 2425 Broadway, 1 blk. N. of Maple, E. of Cranbrook. Lots of stuff.

CANTON - Multi-family. Sat. May 24th 8am-2pm. 1468 Fairfax Dr. N. of Palmer, W. of Lilley.

CANTON - Moving/Garage Sale. Fri-Sat, May 23-24, 9-3pm. Household goods. 44210 Sheridan St. S. of Joy, E. of Sheldon.

CANTON 45276 HANFORD May 22-24, 9-4pm. Huge multi-family garage sale!

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CLARKSTON MAY 29-30, 9-3PM. May 31 9-NOON 8081 Pine Ridge Dr. off Dixie Hwy. Doors, antiques, fur coat.

Commerce-3467 Newton Rd. Divorce Estate Sale, furniture, antiques, household & misc. May 24, 25 & 26. 9am-5pm.

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DETROIT Sat & Sun, May 24 & 25, 9-5. 9378 Trinity off Rouge Park, between Chicago & Joy.

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FARMINGTON HILLS - Sub Sale. Enter on Glenary N. of 12, E. of Drake. May 22-24, 9am-4pm.

FARMINGTON HILLS 28190 Wildwood Tr. Woodbine Sub. N. of 10 Mile, W. of Inkster. Sat., 5/24 & Sun. 5/25 9am-4pm. Household items, kitchen goods, clothing, misc.

FARMINGTON HILLS

Garage Sales **(7110)**

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SOUTHFIELD Multiple Family Sale, Thurs, Fri, & Sat, May 22-24, 10-4. New items daily. Plus sale of Toddler/Children's clothing, toys, bedding, household items like new and more. 21773 Berg Rd., S. of 9 mi., E. of Telegraph.

SOUTHFIELD Thurs-Sat, May 22-24 & Mon, May 26. Everything must go! 21880 Independence Dr.

TROY - 880 Harris, 2 bks N. of 16 W. off Rochester, May 23, 24, 9am-4pm. Collectibles, Barbies, Christmas, misc.

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W. BLOOMFIELD - Multi family sale - collectibles, 2528 Silverboro Rd., N. of Lone Pine, W. of Middlebelt. Fri. & Sat, May 23 & 24, 10-4.

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WALLED LAKE - Home & Garden Sample Sale. Thurs, Fri, 9-4pm. 949 Ladd Rd. N. of Maple & follow signs.

WEST BLOOMFIELD - SAT. ONLY, May 17 & 24, 10-5PM. ENTIRE APT. CONTENTS! 5711 Reventon, Drake between Maple & Walnut. EVERYTHING MUST GO! (248) 788-7870

WEST BLOOMFIELD Thurs-Sat, May 22-24, 9-6pm. Antiques, collections, stained glass, and much more! 6773 Greenwood, off Fieldview, off Green Lake between Haggerty & Commerce.

WESTLAND May 22-24th, 9-5, 36015 Florence, off Avondale W. of Wayne Rd. Dishware, good household items, porcelain dolls.

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WESTLAND May 18, 23-26th, 9-5pm. 1701 S. Walton, W/Wayne, N/Palmer. Toddler toys, kitchen gadgets, puzzles, toy chest & desk.

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Moving Sales **(7130)**

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BIRMINGHAM - Sat, 10-4, 1762 Graefield. Matching couch & chair, daybed, dresser, luggage, treadmill, misc. household. (248) 816-8258

COMMERCE - Thurs-Fri, 9-4, Sat, 9-12. Furniture, water toys & misc. 8009 Farrant Dr. Off of Union Lake & Wise.

DOWNSIZING - Great opportunity for you. Furniture & more. 248-642-6559

Garden City GOTTA GO 1 Day Moving Sale, May 22, 10-5. Furniture, Tools, riding lawn mower, collectibles, more. After 5pm, goes to Salvation Army. 33200 Pardo, S/Ford, W/Venoy.

LIVONIA - Moving Sale, 5/23-5/25, 10-5. 19941 Sunbury, Brentwood & Pembroke. Dining set, hutch, TVs, queen size bed w/sheets, dishes, small appliances & misc. household.

LIVONIA May 24-26, 9-5. Household items, toys, crafts, many items to sell. 16537 Gillman, off 7, E. of Middlebelt.

OAK ENTERTAINMENT center up to 60" tv, 8 pc child's bedroom set, w/single bed, glass-top coffee table w/2 matching end tables, Hex tables, 3 Stiffel lamps, 2 teak shell units, patio umbrella, grill, (734) 354-3192

PLYMOUTH - 14207 Grant Dr. Plymouth Hills Mobile Home Park, N. of Territorial, W. of Ridge Rd. Sat, May 24, 9am-2pm. Cash only.

REDFORD May 22, 23, 24, 9-5pm-5pm. Baby items, children's clothes, furniture, cars, hunting stuff, 16296 MacArthur, E. of Inkster, N. of 6.

ROYAL OAK Saturday 5/24 9-4, 2615 Oliver Rd. W. of Crooks & N. of Webster. Moving out of state. Everything goes! No reasonable offer refused!

TROY ESTATE/MOVING SALE Furniture, tools, craft supplies, household misc. 5/22-5/24, 8:30-4:30. 2437 Terova, E. of John R., S. of Long Lake.

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