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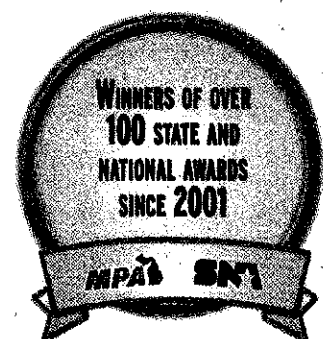
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Accessorize!
Shoes, handbags and rings, oh, my!

This week in PINK

Look inside the Classified Section to win an authentic Red Wings jersey.

Memo

Show your cards

Does your charity organization sell holiday cards to raise funds? If so, we want to let our readers know about the selection you're offering. In late November, the *Observer* Community Life section will feature an entire page of holiday cards in full color. Send samples of your cards with information about your charity and where to obtain cards to Hugh Gallagher at the *Observer* Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. Deadline to receive information is Wednesday, Nov. 10.

Whaler autographs

The Plymouth Whalers will visit the Bob Evans Restaurant on Ford Road in Canton on Monday, Nov. 1. Players will be there 6-8 p.m. acting as celebrity servers and signing autographs. Whaler merchandise will also be raffled off. For more information, call (734) 455-7409.

Scary stories

Ron Lowe's Scary Stories, "A Night in the Graveyard," will be offered at 2 p.m. or 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the Village Theater.

This show will feature Halloween stories for kids ages 7-12 during the 2 p.m. show while a 3:30 p.m. show will showcase stories for the brave-at-heart ages 12 and up. Tickets are \$5 and all proceeds go to support the theater.

Judge Lowe of the 35th District Court is donating his services.

Kids, parents jam Summit for costume parade

It was ducks, bunnies and alligators, Batman, space rangers and ballerinas galore at the fourth annual Summit trick or treat parade Friday afternoon.

Kids and some parents came in costumes and wound their way through the rooms, offices and gym of the Summit to pick up goodies.

Canton Leisure Services staff members dressed in various character costumes like Uncle Sam, Cinderella, Keystone Cops or the Pink Ladies from *Grease*, and the rooms are decked out with Halloween-themed decorations.

Canton residents like the idea if attendance is any measure. About 1,000 kids pour through the building each year for this free event.

"This is excellent. I was here last year and we enjoyed it and I brought my neighbors back this year," Canton resident Bonnie Haske said. Canton resident Jean DeWater agreed.

"You know what I like? I think it's nice that you can see the kids in their costumes. They are not all bundled up for the cold."

The youngest arrived at 3:30 and soon were joined by older school kids as Canton elementaries let out. The event ran until 6 p.m.

By Doug Johnson



Lisa Sheppard and 18-month-old daughter, Hannah, look excited to collect a bag of Halloween treats at the Summit trick-or-treat parade Friday.



Zack Plymale pushes brother Ezra down the hall of the Summit. Mom Heidi Eichmann follows behind. The Summit was full of pint-sized ghouls, goblins, ninjas and princesses for the annual Halloween parade.

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Trustee fight tops election

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

Framed by a rancorous, close presidential race, war and a so-so economy, the election of 2004 in Canton features a contentious battle for four part-time slots on the local board of trustees.

When voter registration closed a month ago, more than 53,000 Canton residents were registered to vote and township clerk Terry Bennett said that there had been a "ton of interest, just a ton" in the upcoming election.

Canton voter Jeanmarie Hudson, a resident since 1975, said that the 2004 election was "very important to me, especially the presidential race."

"On the (state) proposals I will need to do more homework this weekend. So far I haven't got a clear-cut answer. I definitely plan on voting," she said.

Four Republicans and two Democrats are vying for the four board of trustees posts.

The Democrats are Godfrey Aguwa, a state employee; and William S. Rice, a former GM production employee.

The Republicans are Melissa

McLaughlin, a veteran of both the board and the township planning commission; Karl Zarbo, longtime planning commissioner and board incumbent appointed 22 months ago; Todd Caccamo, a businessman and retired Marine; and Todd LaJoy, chamber president and co-founder of a staffing service.

Lajoy was the top vote-getter in the August primary based in part on name recognition and his status as a Canton native son. His father, Phil Lajoy, is Canton's state representative in Lansing, another veteran of the township board who made the leap to state politics with a big win in 2002.

Surprise winner in August was Caccamo, who unseated longtime Canton trustee John Burdziak.

Other races of interest include the vote for county commissioner in the 11th District in a race between three-term Democrat John Sullivan, a Wayne attorney, and Republican Gerald Law, former Plymouth state representative.

Also at stake are the state House seats in the 20th and 21st districts. Democrat Mark Corriveau, a Northville attorney is challenging Republican John Stewart, a Plymouth attorney and current two-term representative in the 20th, which is mostly Canton subdivisions east of I-275 (plus Plymouth and Northville).

In the 21st (which is the rest of

PLEASE SEE TRUSTEES, A7

Kerry tops Bush among high school students

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry may be in for some good news Tuesday, if the trend among Plymouth-Canton high school students prevails.

In 1996, the high school students picked President Bill Clinton to win, and Clinton carried Michigan while being re-elected.

In 2000, students voted for Democrat Al Gore. While Gore lost the presidency to eventual winner George W. Bush, he did carry the state.

In an election conducted by teachers Bill Boyd and Darrin Silvester this week, Kerry beat Bush by 4 percent, with Ralph Nader receiving 7 per-

cent of the vote. Kerry got 47.5 percent; Bush drew support from 43.5 percent.

"Our kids have mirrored the state results ever since I can remember," said Boyd. "It will be interesting to see if the trend will continue Tuesday."

While many at the high school won't actually get a chance to cast a ballot until they turn 18 years old, it doesn't mean they don't have strong opinions on whom they support.

"We should never have gone to Iraq," said Yousef Haddad, 15, of Plymouth Township, who is a staunch Democrat. "Bush and (Vice President Dick) Cheney said after 9/11 Iraq had enough weapons of mass destruction to blow up the world. They



HEATHER ROUSSEAU | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem High School students (from left) Yousef Haddad, 15, of Plymouth Township, Kelly Behr, 15 of Canton, and 15-year-olds J.P. Truesdell and Kelly Adsit, both of Plymouth Township, debate the presidential election.

still haven't found one."

Calling himself a conservative Republican, J.P. Truesdell

disagreed vehemently with

PLEASE SEE DEBATE, A6

Ford Road relief planned for summer

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

The final public meeting on the Ford Road access study drew about 50 members of the public along with Canton officials Thursday night, and everyone agrees - Ford Road traffic is bad and it will get worse.

Joe Corradino of the Corradino Group, the firm that completed the study for Canton, the Canton Downtown Development Authority, and the Michigan Department of Transportation, said the ultimate solution is a

boulevard from the freeway to Canton Center or farther.

In the meantime this study suggests closing some driveways, consolidating some driveways, building turn lanes to ease traffic, and increasing "shared access" or pass-through with behind or beside adjoining businesses.

Corradino said they talked to at least 60 businesses along Ford Road.

"Almost all of them said they were not disturbed by the traffic along Ford Road. They said it helped their business, helped

with visibility," Corradino said. "The community said to us (that) less traffic was better... that Ford Road was a nightmare."

Canton resident Martin Gondek agreed.

"Ford Road traffic is sickening. I try not to shop on Ford Road. A boulevard is going to help. But Ford Road is a case of pouring three gallons of water in a two-gallon bucket; eventually it will be four gallons. The leaders have failed our community."

Another resident, Dan

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Firefighters douse Stoneybrook apartments

Canton Firefighters responded to an apartment fire at the Stoneybrook Apartments, Building 19, about 1 p.m. Friday.

Upon arrival, firefighters saw smoke coming from the apartment. Wearing protective turnout gear and self-contained breathing apparatus, firefighters entered the apartment and extinguished the fire.

The apartment received extensive damage;

however, smoke damage to the remainder of the building was minimal. There is no estimate of damage at this time.

A maintenance person sustained smoke inhalation injuries and was taken by Canton Fire Department paramedics to St. Mary Hospital for treatment. His injuries were not life threatening.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.



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Mary Aldrin, owner of Canton Massage Therapy, massages co-therapist Jackie Kureja.

How do you spell 'r-e-l-i-e-f'

Canton Massage Therapy offers way to ease tension

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

Human beings just aren't designed for sitting behind a steering wheel all day long or sitting in a chair all day, and many people pay the price with achy, stiff backs and necks.

Licensed massage therapist Mary Aldrin, who recently opened Canton Massage Therapy, 5820 Lilley, said she and her six other licensed massage therapists focus on easing the tension associated with the pain and with helping to ease stress.

"We let the client tell us what's bothering them," Aldrin said. The biggest complaints they hear about include neck and shoulder pain, and lower back pain. People who spend a

large portion of their days driving make up a good portion of their client base.

People wanting traditional massages, Swedish massage or reflexology (foot) massage can come in for 30, 60, or 90 minute table massages in separate candlelit rooms. People on a time and money budget can also opt for the 30 minute chair massage.

Canton Massage Therapy also does corporate visits.

Canton revised its massage ordinance last year so that businesses practicing therapeutic massage can set up shop. The ordinance requires owners to submit to background checks, reference checks and receive all necessary permits from the state and the township. Aldrin said that massage therapists must

take up to 600 hours of training, which include anatomy classes, ethics classes and learning by doing - usually by testing what they've learned by giving a classmate a massage.

All the effort is well worth it, Aldrin said.

"I think the biggest reward is helping people who are stressed out and in pain by using the techniques I've learned," she said. "When people leave here, they're always happy." Aldrin, a former social worker with a municipal police department, has some experience with unhappy customers.

"I just burned out," she said. "I couldn't work in the system anymore." For pricing, scheduling or other information, call (734) 844-6009 or visit www.cantonmassage.com on the Internet.

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Clerk: Know precinct location Lot purchase helps Habitat

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

Canton Township clerk Terry Bennett said her "army" of poll workers — about 300 strong — are ready for the expected heavy turnout of voters Tuesday.

"We are seeing incredible enthusiasm, incredible interest for this election. Voters need to be prepared to go to the correct precinct. They can check online through the Canton Web site."

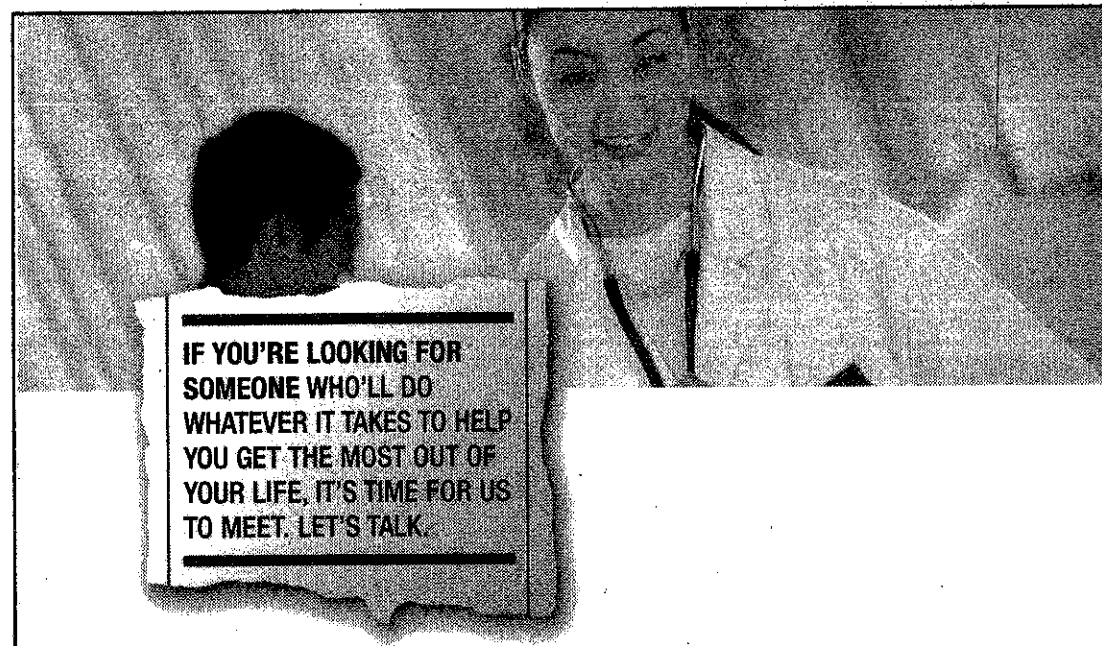
The clerk said a lot of new voters, or voters who are returning after a long absence are expected at Canton's 39 precincts.

Bennett had some other warnings and suggestions.

■ Voters who vote in the wrong precinct will not have their so-called provisional ballot count. "If you want your ballot to count you must appear in the right precinct."

■ You must be in line by 8 p.m. to vote. The clerk's office has seen voting take as little as 30 seconds and as long as 30 minutes. Average time is six or seven minutes.

■ Absentee ballots are due by Tuesday but citizens can help by getting them in Monday, Bennett said. She estimated 7,000 AV ballots have been returned and 3,000 remain outstanding as of Friday. AV ballots must be brought to the clerk's office at township hall or left in the drop box behind the building.



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BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

Canton trustees this week agreed to buy two vacant lots on Marlowe Street south of Ford between Morton Taylor and Sheldon to turn over to Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County for one dollar.

In return Habitat will build one single-family home on the two lots for sale to a low- to moderate-income family. It will be the first Habitat home built in Canton and the 17th in this area.

The township purchased the lots, which appraise at \$48,000, for \$36,000. The seller was willing to sell at a reduced price because of Habitat's involvement in the project.

Habitat volunteers will build a house for a selected family on the site.

"A lot of people think we build homes for people who don't work," said Alice Dent, director of Habitat's Western Wayne office after the board held a study session on the project earlier this month.

Actually, before being approved for a Habitat home, applicants must show a housing need, meet income requirements, agree to put in 250 sweat-equity hours and be able to pay off a 20-year interest-free mortgage. House payments help to pay for other homes to be built.

"It's quite amazing how much support they give to families who buy these homes," Canton Supervisor Tom Yack said after the board action. "They help them with a budget, come up with a list of equipment they need to maintain the house and provide other support."

■ In other business the board approved a four-year tax abatement for Kux Manufacturing Company, which is relocating from Detroit to a new facility in Canton on Michigan Avenue next to the skate park just east of the Arctic Edge.

The company, which makes signs and graphics like those used on police cars, expects to bring 51 existing jobs to Canton and create 20 new jobs within two years of completion

of the expansion.

The total investment in the project is \$1.8 million.

The board also approved a new three-year transportation contract with Huron Valley Ambulance for senior and disabled individuals. The current contract ends on Dec. 31, 2004.

The new contract will provide for one additional van to be added to the program.

Dan Durack, Canton's administrative and community services director, said use of the service has increased dramatically. During 2003 the service provided 19,625 trips.

Canton began using HVA for senior and disabled transportation after opting out of the SMART program.

"If we were still in SMART our taxpayers would be paying \$1.8 million dollars a year for a service we deliver for just over \$240,000," Yack said.

In addition to the cost savings, HVA will transport to certain facilities in Washtenaw County, whereas the SMART service did not cross county lines, he said.

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Canton man to stand trial in sex abuse case

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

An 18-year-old man testified in 35th District Court Friday that he engaged in sexual acts with Canton resident Robert John Hadous in 2003 while he was 17 years old and a student at Dearborn High School.

Hadous has been charged with three counts of criminal sexual conduct and three counts of manufacturing child sexually abusive material in the Canton cases. He also faces other counts of criminal sexual conduct in Dearborn.

The 18-year-old testified that he met Hadous, 23, while Hadous was a substitute teacher at the high school.

"In March of 2003 he hired me at (a store) in Fairlane Mall," the man told the court.

Later, he testified, he went to Hadous' condo in Canton where the two engaged in sexual acts which were videotaped.

Responding to a question from Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Daniel Less, the man said Hadous paid him from \$700 to \$1,000 per tape. He said the encounters

started in April 2003 when he was a junior in high school and ended in November or December 2003.

He said the incidents stopped after he turned 18 in January 2004.

Defense attorney Edward Khoury tried to get the man to say that the sexual encounters continued after he turned 18 and that not all involved getting paid.

The man testified that nothing took place between them in January, February or March of 2004.

"When I turned 18 I didn't need money anymore," he said.

Khoury also asked him if he hadn't discussed moving in with Hadous after turning 18.

He testified that Hadous had talked to him about his moving in.

"I'd say 'We'll see,'" he testified. "It was just my way of saying no without getting into an argument."

In response to prodding from Khoury, he admitted that one of the conversations had been recorded on one of the tapes.

He also acknowledged that some recordings were made

without his knowledge.

Both the defense and the prosecution stipulated that for purposes of the preliminary exam only they acknowledged the tapes existed showing the two engaged in sexual acts. The recordings were not played in court.

Some of the recordings were video tapes, others were DVDs.

Dearborn Detective Sgt. Thomas Lance testified that he showed the man 10 DVDs from the encounters and had him initial them.

When the prosecution moved to bind Hadous over for trial in circuit court, Khoury objected.

"It's not clear the dates when these videos were taken," he said. "We don't know the dates of some of the secret tapes."

Judge Michael Gerou ruled that there was probable cause to bind him over for trial on the six counts and said a hearing would be held Nov. 12 in circuit court.

Hadous remains free on bond.

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Caccamo response

In my opinion, the *Observer* was 100 percent correct in calling Mr. (Mitch) Howard's actions 'Dirty Tricks.'

Mr. Howard (a supporter of my opponents, and NOT "independent") is going off half-cocked again.

Apparently, my opponent(s) lacked the courage to do their own dirty work.

Mr. Howard's letter (letters to the editor, *Canton Observer*, Thursday, Oct. 28) is false and misleading. Pure and simple.

Mr. Howard and his fellow conspirators have been offered an opportunity to publicly retract their false and defamatory statements

by my attorneys. If they do not, I will commence an action to hold them liable for their false and defamatory statements through a defamation lawsuit.

This has only strengthened my resolve to our citizens - it has not hampered it. I am convinced more than ever that we need a *positive* change in Canton's government. You see what happens when a concerned citizen dares to fight "town hall?" There is no excuse for this kind of abuse of our citizens. Help me put an end to this kind of abuse on Election Day.

These cowards hide behind this "independent" organiza-

tion and avoid the real issues while I attack those issues head-on (please see www.cac-camoforcanton.com).

I think the choice is clear. I hope I have your vote. With your help, we will take back our town from the politicians, developers and special interest groups.

Instead of attempting to tear down others, Mr. Howard, maybe you should stick to promoting your own liberal candidate(s). But then again, there may be nothing good to promote.

Todd Caccamo
Republican candidate
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Dirty tricks

I, like 90 percent of the population really don't have the time or energy to get knee deep into local politics but sincerely appreciate the efforts of anyone who chooses to give back to our community to improve the quality of life for our residents.

I was perplexed by the claims made by the "Canton Independent Committee" and decided not to take them at face value. I chose to talk directly to the candidate to understand what he wanted to do for Canton and the facts behind the trash talk. What I discovered was the "Canton Independent Committee" literature misstated information to malign a bright young man of good character, who wants to bring fresh eyes to the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

The current Canton Township leadership team has done a wonderful job to put Canton on the map and dramatically improve our property values over the past 12 years. I strongly believe that Todd Caccamo will add value to a strong team.

I am a guy who loves Canton.

Let's leave the trash talk to other communities and stay focused on our Township issues. Lesson learned for future leaders — character does count — and when inappropriately maligned don't quit.

Patrick Williams
Canton

No on Proposal 2

I am writing to urge everyone in to vote NO on Proposal 2.

If we pass this amendment it will be the first time in history an amendment was passed that took away rights and freedoms from a minority group of people.

National Merit Scholars are

Never in history have we done this and I see no reason to start today.

Let's look at the facts of Proposal 2:

Fact 1 — For those whom are against gay marriage, it is important to know this constitutional amendment does not make gay marriage illegal. In the state of Michigan gay marriage is already illegal. This amendment will not change that.

Fact 2 — This amendment does not outlaw gay sexual activity. It does not make homosexuality illegal.

Fact 3 — For those who believe this will prevent gay people from having and raising children — it will not. There are no provisions in the amendment regarding parenting.

Fact 4 — What will Proposal 2 do? It is a fact that it will hurt children! This amendment will take away and forever deny benefits, including medical insurance, dental insurance, vision coverage and the right to legal counsel for children in, and partners of same-gender relationships.

There are thousands of children in this state who depend on the insurance provided by their parents' partner. This amendment will take that insurance away. And if the partners chose to separate, this amendment would prevent them from seeking legal counsel to decide custody and visitation rights.

Is that what we want? Will taking away medical insurance from a child make Michigan a better state? Will it make America a better country? Will it protect marriage? No!

Whether a person agrees with gay marriage or not, which is not what this amendment is about, I cannot believe anyone would vote to purposely hurt children, would vote to discriminate against a minority popula-

tion, would vote to spread prejudice in our society. Yet, this is exactly what Proposal 2 does. It does not protect the sanctity of marriage.

Fact 5 — The only reason this amendment is on the ballot right now is because some very wealthy conservatives paid for it to be! Many people were paid thousands and thousands of dollars to collect signatures for this amendment. Several months ago, this same amendment went before our Michigan elected officials and it was voted down. Voted down because our elected officials know their job is to protect all, and this Amendment discriminates against a minority population.

The fact this amendment is on our ballot sends a message that the wealthy get to make the rules. How is that for a democratic society?

The last time I checked America was founded on freedom. Our constitution states that Americans have the right to 'life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.' Proposal 2 is in direct contrast to that. We must stand together and protect our freedoms. Whether you agree with someone's lifestyle or not, to vote to take away their civil rights — their rights to benefits, insurance and legal representation in the court of law — is about as anti-American as you can get.

I urge everyone, before voting on this Nov. 2, read the amendment thoroughly, understand what it says and what it means and its implications. If you vote yes, you are taking us back in time, back to prejudice, discrimination, and persecution of minorities.

If you believe in America and you believe everyone is created equal, you have no choice but to vote NO on Proposal 2!

Cheryl J. Phillips
Canton

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Charles Drummond and Alan Omilian of Plymouth are among 18 National Merit Scholar semifinalists attending Detroit Catholic Central High School.

determined by the PSAT Test given to all students throughout the United States during their junior year.

To qualify as a National Merit semifinalist, students must score in the top one-half

of 1 percent.

Gary Klump of Canton was among Catholic Central's four students to earn National Merit Letters of Commendation for finishing in the top 5 percent.

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DEBATE

FROM PAGE A1

Haddad. "I really believe we need to be there," said Truesdell, 15, from Plymouth Township. "It's important that we secure our homeland to make sure it's safe for everyone, so we don't have to live in terror and worry about being attacked."

Kelly Behr, a Democrat, defends Kerry on the issue of flip-flopping.

"Kerry changes his positions with facts," said the 15-year-old from Canton Township. "Kerry looks at facts, data and other people's opinions, and then he'll change or alter his position, which is the right thing to do. Bush, when he has a perspective, usually won't change."

Kelly Adsit, with her Republican beliefs, doesn't buy that argument.

"You can't have a president that says he's going to do something, then gets into office and changes his mind," said Adsit, 15, of Plymouth Township. "It doesn't work. Bush sticks to what he says."

The students are cognizant of the fact the country, and Michigan in particular, has lost tens of thousands of jobs the past few years.

"Under George Bush, the economy is going down," said Haddad. "He cut taxes for those who make the most money, and he's spent the budget surplus built up by Clinton."

Truesdell doesn't agree. "Millions of jobs have been created the past couple of years," he said.

"The economy is on the upswing. Sept. 11 cost us billions of dollars. You can't blame him entirely for the debt."

Behr said she's a Democrat



During a debate with her peers at Salem High School about the presidential election, Kelly Behr, 15 from Canton, explains why she agrees with Sen. John Kerry's foreign policies.

mainly because of the moral issues.

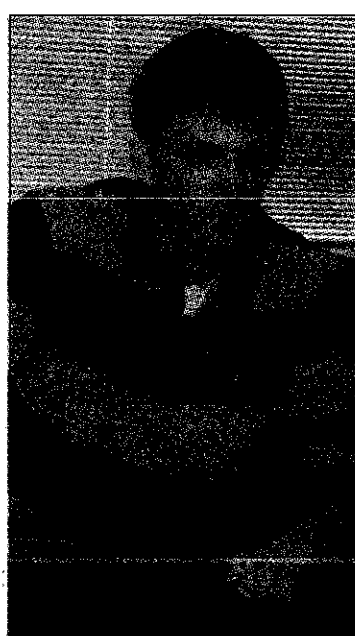
"On abortion, I think women should have a choice," she said. "And, I see gays as equals, and should have all the privileges of marriage."

Silvester said it's important for young people to get involved in politics, no matter what their party affiliation.

"The 18- to 24-year-olds can

reshape an election by increasing their voting percentage 20-30 percent," said Silvester. "Then, the candidates will have to pay attention to them. Not just on the issues of Social Security, prescription drugs, and Medicaid, but issues like college financing."

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J.P. Truesdell, 15 from Plymouth Township, expresses support for President George W. Bush.



During a debate with his peers at Salem High School about the presidential election, Yousef Haddad, 15 from Plymouth Township, expresses why he supports Sen. John Kerry.

FORD ROAD

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Campbell, who has been at several Ford Road meetings, urged the community "not to make the same mistake from Canton Center to Napier" as the community grows. "What steps are you taking to keep it (the study) going?"

Corradino said that studies were needed for the boulevard and for the north-south roads that feed into Ford Road like Sheldon and Beck.

Jeff Edwards, the MDOT metro region project manager for the study, said that fixing driveways and pass-throughs was a "low cost way to improve congestion. But access management will not solve all of the problems. It will help in the short term."

Other aspects of the study:

■ MDOT in 2005 will be adding an exit lane south-bound on the freeway and a right turn lane on Ford as far as Lilley. They will be adding lanes to aid in turns on Ford at Canton Center, and they will build passby lanes at Ford and Ridge to ease congestion there. "The Ford-Ridge project is a significant improvement," Canton supervisor Tom Yack said. The work will cost between \$5 and \$6 million.

■ A new exit at Warren or Palmer won't help because Ford Road is a "destination." In some cases, Corradino said, a new exit would make Ford Road worse. "You can't solve the Ford Road problem with a new interchange."

■ Another lane for left turns to go west at the north-bound exit off the freeway has

FORD REPORT AT A GLANCE

■ The most logical solution is a three-lane boulevard between I275 and a point west of Lilley, according to the report. This would require right-of-way acquisition.

■ A number of cross access easements need to be arranged, and several driveways to businesses need to be closed or consolidated.

■ If nothing is done Ford traffic could get to the "breakdown, gridlock" point according to report's author, Joe Corradino of the Corradino Group.

■ Several things will be done next summer including a new right turn lane and fixes at Ford/Canton Center and Ford/Ridge.

been suggested.

Yack said the boulevard idea may or may not be the answer.

"My reaction is that the construction of a boulevard will be tremendously expensive and it will have a big impact."


"We will need a second opinion to validate some of the assumptions in this study. Would that design do what they say it would do?"

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STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools that house voting precincts will be staffed with police officers and additional personnel on Tuesday — election day — during the hours students are in class.

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"There have been concerns expressed by parents about the safety of their children with people not known by children in the building," said Barbara Church, assistant superintendent of instruction. "Since Sept. 11, people are much more sensitive about who interacts with their kids. Our number one goal is to ensure voters aren't in the teaching areas, and the schools are making plans so that doesn't happen," said Church. "Plus, we always have problems on national election days with parking because of the larger voter turnouts."

Church said 13 of the 15 elementary schools, three of the five middle schools and all three high schools will have police officers on duty for the half-day students are in school Tuesday.

"We will be using off-duty police officers and paying for their time," said Church, "rather than depleting the police departments."

"Members of our central maintenance and security staff will also be assigned to each school," she said. "We're also allowing principals to bring para-professionals who wouldn't normally be working to help. That will give us several additional people at each school."

A letter has been sent home to parents to explain the additional precautions being taken.

"We've heard on the news in recent weeks about possible events or problems arising from the election, so we have to be extra careful," said Dan Huculak of Canton, who was picking up his 13-year-old son, Shawn,

from Central Middle School Friday. "I'm in favor of it."

Lisa Novak of Plymouth Township, whose eighth-grader, Jaimie, attends Central said she didn't know about the additional security effort, but is pleased to hear about it. "I think anybody who isn't a parent shouldn't be in school," said Novak. "As a parent, we're always concerned about their safety."

Central Middle School Assistant Principal Andy Johnston said he's encouraging voters to enter the building off Adams Street, which is the closest entrance to the gym annex where the voting set-up will be.

"There will be a security guard at the front entrance to ask voters to go back to the rear entrance," Johnston said.

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Faith, family prompt priest to speak out on the election

The Rev. Harry Cook, rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Clawson, is going to do something this Sunday that, as he plans to tell his congregation, "I have never done before in 40 years of preaching."

He plans - whatever the cost - to address his congregation and tell them, during his homily, that President George W. Bush is ruining the country.

Episcopal priests don't normally do anything like that. Father Cook has long been an outspoken advocate of keeping church and state separate.

Incidentally, he is by no means a trendy, flighty, go-with-the-fashion sort of minister. A noted, if controversial serious biblical scholar, he instantly impresses one as a man of gravitas.

His sermons have been singled out for praise by the Rev. Harvey Guthrie Jr., former dean of the Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge, Mass.

The Rev. William Spong,



Jack Lessenberry

who worries, frankly, whether what he is about to do might cost him his job, cost him his parish in this small, mainly blue-collar town. He is scarcely wealthy, and though he is 65, he still has children in school.

Why is he risking so much and taking the church into partisan politics?

"The last thing this is about is partisan politics," he says in his crusty way. "What we are talking about here is the kind of world we will bequeath to our grandchildren."

"Is it not now clear that the

Episcopal bishop of Newark, once said "Harry Cook is a rare priest. I wish many of us could sit at his feet every Sunday morning."

But Harry Cook is also a family man and in all its outward-moving life a very worldly, 'body and Blood' experience in which the values and mandates of peace and justice, equity and fairness and both fundamental and paramount, even as the Baptismal covenant says so clearly."

invasion of Iraq was predicated upon deliberate deception? Is it not equally clear that the war few wanted and nobody needed has become a catastrophe for America's reputation as a people of honor and principle?"

Father Cook argues that what he is about to do is required by his faith.

"Our religion is at its core and in all its outward-moving life a very worldly, 'body and Blood' experience in which the values and mandates of peace and justice, equity and fairness and both fundamental and paramount, even as the Baptismal covenant says so clearly."

What this is really about, he confesses, is his grandchildren, and the world they will inherit after he has died. And with a twinkle in his eye, he confesses that he wants them "to be able to say that their grandfather did not watch football games and sit-coms on television as their country slouched toward

moral disaster."

Not many ministers will do what Harry Cook is doing. But this is an election that is moving many Americans to take sides in a way seldom seen before. In Toledo, a man has a sign on a large billboard overlooking I-75 that calls on Roman Catholics to do all they can to defeat their fellow Roman Catholic, U.S. Sen. John Kerry; they believe his stand in favor of a woman's right to choose an abortion is morally evil.

Last week I talked to a conservative Christian publishing executive, a stout Bush supporter, who told me he suggested to his wife (they've been married 31 years) that the country might get along just fine if in fact Kerry did win next Tuesday.

"She was so upset she stopped speaking to me," he said.

U.S. Sen. Zell Miller, a Georgia Democrat, is traveling around the country with

President Bush, denouncing fellow Democrat Kerry.

Meanwhile, rock-ribbed Republicans like John Eisenhower and Bill Milliken, longest-serving governor in Michigan history, have denounced Bush and publicly back the Democrat.

Whatever else you can say about all this, apathy seems to be dead, and many are forecasting the largest turnout in many years. But the largest turnout of eligible voters in history in 1860, the election that led to the Civil War, and it seems safe to say nobody wants that again. George Bush ran four years ago promising to be a "uniter not a divider," and if nothing else, it seems clear the nation is more polarized than ever.

Let's hope that four years from now the red and blue Americas don't loathe each

other quite so much. My prediction, by the way? Kerry, in a close but clear outcome decided by the new voters and the latest revelations on the mess in Iraq. Republicans keep both houses of Congress, and Michiganders overwhelmingly outlaw gay marriage.

Footnote: Last week's column was about a court decision that would have allowed Michigan voters to go into the wrong precinct and cast a so-called "provisional ballot" for president and Congress only. That ruling has been overturned, and at least for this election, voters will have to show up, as always, where they are supposed to vote.

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TRUSTEES

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Canton, Van Buren Township and Belleville), Republican Phil Lajoy, a 13-year member of the township board, is seeking a second term against a Belleville Democrat, Ralph Mayer. Mayer is a UAW Local 898 president at the Rawsonville (Ford) Visteon plant.

Also up for election are county sheriff, register of deeds, circuit, appeals and state supreme court judges and members of the four education boards: the state board, Michigan State, University of Michigan and Wayne State.

Freshman congressman Thad McCotter, R-Livonia, is likely to be returned to Washington; his challenger is a Novi Democrat and union president, Phil Truran.

Two proposals - a ban on gay marriage, and a gambling initiative - are also on the ballot.

The polls are open 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday. Absentee ballots can be obtained on Monday (Nov. 1) at the Canton clerk's office up to 4 p.m. but you will probably be asked to stay there and vote and turn it in before you leave.

There are 39 precincts in Canton and eight absentee

voter boards. You can check online to see where you vote by going to the Canton Township Web site (www.canton-mi.org) and clicking on the green link that says Check Your Voter Registration Status.

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Your foot pain could result from a poor blood supply. The pain comes on while walking, but not standing, and causes a red hue to the foot. Such circulation problems often accompany diabetes.

The other main reason for foot pain is arthritis. Certain conditions such as psoriatic arthritis, cause painful toes. Gout causes intense pain to the base of the big toe. In rheumatoid arthritis, you feel like the bottoms of your feet are walking on marbles. In osteoarthritis the pain occurs on walking and is localized over one area of one foot.

The need to find if your foot problem stems from neuritis, vascular insufficiency, or represents arthritis, lays the basis for the questions your doctor will ask. As the above discussion illustrates, the different causes result in a pattern of pain that identifies the source.

Your doctor needs to ask other questions and examine your feet to focus in on the precise reason for your discomfort. At times, he needs x-rays to confirm the diagnosis. When all this information is available, treatment can begin.

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On the road with relief

Salvation Army sends help in wake of hurricanes

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

When Ross Myers looks back on the weeks he spent in Florida after the hurricanes hit, one thought crosses his mind: How lucky Michigan residents have it.

After witnessing the total devastation, Myers, the Plymouth Salvation Army's supervisor of disaster services and Corps Sergeant Major, was struck by the utter hopelessness of it.

"It was depressing," said Myers, sent by the Salvation Army to be a chaplain and to help out with relief efforts. "When you walked in there, you had all these people sitting there. There was no place for them to go, other than shelters or living in schools."

Myers and the Plymouth Salvation Army's new commander, Maj. Bill Hogg, both spent time in Florida and Alabama as the south endured the effects of three hurricanes. Myers shuttled between his assignment in Stewart, Fla., and

Port St. Lucie, while Hogg was initially assigned to Mobile, Ala.

While in Florida, Myers and other Salvation Army volunteers set up at the local Salvation Army's fellowship hall. With just four volunteers, they set about the daunting task of helping to feed, water and soothe the victims.

At one point, volunteers had served 1.1 million meals, used 647,000 gallons of water, handed out nearly 870,000 bottles of water and used nearly 2 million pounds of ice, all out of 67 canteens (Salvation Army relief vehicles) and 19 comfort stations.

"We had all the (relief) agencies right there, so once we got that going, they could get whatever help they needed," Myers said. "FEMA had 20 people, but we only had four, so things kind of bottle-necked with us, but everyone got the help they needed."

Many of the victims Myers dealt with had lived in a mobile home park that was ravaged by the storms. Those residents,

including many senior citizens, lost everything.

Myers said the younger victims seemed to rebound, but the elderly were devastated.

"If they were middle-aged their spirits weren't too bad," he said. "Some of the older ones, especially the widows, that little mobile home was all they had. It was really devastating for a lot of those people."

Hogg encountered much of the same in Alabama. Sent down to provide pastoral care to storm-ravaged victims, Hogg said he likened the damage he saw with damage he'd witnessed from tornadoes.

"Seeing whole trees bent over touching the ground without being snapped, seeing boats in people's front yards," Hogg said. "I'd never really seen the effects of hurricanes, but it was a lot like tornadoes."

Hogg said his detail fed as many as 500 people each at breakfast, lunch and dinner. In addition to physical relief efforts, Hogg focused on spiritual care, as well.



Plymouth Salvation Army volunteers traveled to Florida recently to help with the devastation wrought by hurricanes like the damage done to this mobile home community.

"I met a lot of people, I prayed with a lot of people and we fed a lot of people," Hogg said. "There were many people who said, 'Why me?' 'Why so many?'"

Hogg recalled working a Gulf Shores, Ala., neighborhood and encountering a 75-year-old woman who couldn't get the wreckage of her home cleaned

up because her 80-year-old husband had just had a triple heart bypass. She asked Hogg for two meals, and told him her story.

"I asked her if we could pray about it, and we did," Hogg said. "We asked God to send someone to help."

Minutes later, Hogg said, a woman pulled up in a Jeep looking for meals for volunteers helping her clean up in a neighborhood nearby. The woman ran a cleaning company.

"She had people over there that afternoon," Hogg said.

Hogg was happy to provide the pastoral care, and he was struck by the resiliency the victims displayed.

"There were three hurricanes, and for some people that's three too many," Hogg said. "They needed someone to tell them there's hope. For the most part, they were pretty upbeat. A lot said, 'I'm still alive.'"

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OUR VIEWS

Whom to pick in Tuesday's vote

Voters have two important responsibilities as Tuesday's general election arrives, the first and most important being to actually go to the polls and vote, and the second being to choose the candidates you believe will do the best job. We recommend:

CANTON TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

■ Karl Zarbo is insightful and thoughtful. He has been a breath of fresh air to the board and doesn't hesitate to offer his opinion, whether it's popular or not. He brings knowledge of the retail and commercial world to the board, a plus as focus turns to improving Ford Road.

■ Melissa McLaughlin has never let her 12 years on the board turn to apathy. She is perhaps one of the more outspoken members and brings with her a sense of history of where Canton has been and where it ought to go. She also brings years of planning commission experience to the board.

■ Todd LaJoy will bring a new and youthful perspective to the board, which is only fitting because he represents the up-and-coming in Canton. While young, he already possesses the skills of a leader, with a resume that includes the presidency of the Canton Chamber of Commerce. If elected, he is certain to grow into his new township role.

■ Bill Rice has lived in Canton Township nearly 20 years and has invested his family in the township. His willingness to discuss ideas — for instance, he'd put satellite police stations around the township — could help him fit in with a largely veteran board.

STATE HOUSE, 21ST DISTRICT

In two years, Phil LaJoy, who spent 13 years on the Canton Township Board of Trustees before taking his act to Lansing in 2002, has proven to be a man who can get things done.

LaJoy led the way in obtaining a louder voice for townships in the setting of speed limits on roads that travel through their boundaries. He got a bill passed that requires schools, when they're hosting "career nights" for colleges, to include trade schools in the mix. And LaJoy showed his dedication to his entire district by stepping in and rescuing more than \$1 million the state was mistakenly trying to collect from the Belleville Downtown Development Authority.

WAYNE COUNTY

COMMISSION, 11TH DISTRICT

Incumbent John Sullivan has earned the right to keep the job. Fighting off the impression he's a no-show in Canton, Sullivan says he meets frequently with constituents and he conducts "coffee hours" regularly in the township. When residents in the River Woods subdivision were battling potholes and crumbling streets, they complained to Sullivan, and a compromise was eventually worked out between the county and the developer.

Sullivan displays a knowledge of the challenges that face his district, and his colleagues on the commission have put him in leadership positions as vice chair of the commission and vice chair of committees for public services and on charter revisions.

A recap of Observer vote endorsements

This is being labeled the most important presidential election in a generation. Lines at the polls are expected to be long.

When voters arrive, they'll be faced with a long ballot that asks them to decide more than just who will lead the nation for the next four years. Local, county, state and federal offices and two controversial proposals to amend the state constitution are up for vote.

The *Observer* recommends:

■ A **NO** vote on Proposal 1. While a proposal to limit the growth of gambling in the state is commendable, this proposal is a crass attempt by the casino interests to stifle any potential competition. Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the Michigan Education Association worry that it might hurt the state's ability to introduce new state lottery games, which would hurt school funding. State and local officials need to make the tough decisions on gambling. Vote **no** on Proposal 1.

■ A **NO** vote on Proposal 2. We take no position on same-sex marriage, an issue that will have to be worked out by society and the courts in the years to come. But this proposal is ill-conceived, sloppily written and could have negative consequences for the state and for many of its non-gay citizens. This amendment threatens the health care and other benefits of straight couples and minor children. Vote **no** on Proposal 2.

■ The re-election of **Thaddeus McCotter** for U.S. representative of the 11th Congressional District. McCotter has a long history of government service at every level, understands the legislative process, has a keen understanding of issues and history and has provided good constituent service and communication. His opponent, Phil Truran, has run a good campaign and offers an alternative to McCotter's staunch conservative positions. We recommend that McCotter step up and state his expressed differences with his party leadership on the war and trade, but we believe he is in a position to provide the best representation for this district in Congress. We recommend McCotter.

■ The election to a full term of **Warren Evans** for Wayne County sheriff. Evans was appointed to replace Robert Ficano in 2003 when Ficano became county executive. He has placed a strong emphasis on making the sheriff's department a service for local police departments. He has used grant money effectively. He and Ficano need to work more together to iron out their strong differences on the budget.

Evans is running against his mentor and former Sheriff Bill Lucas. We believe that voters will be better served by electing Evans to a full term as sheriff.



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LETTERS

Supports Zarbo

I am very proud to have personally endorsed Karl Zarbo for Canton Township Trustee. Unfortunately, the current political atmosphere has some people trying to make political hay out of honest efforts.

Although I am the President of the Canton Homeowners Advisory Council and the Canton Lions, my endorsement of Karl Zarbo is personal, because Karl is one of the most honest and hard working people I know. The Canton Homeowners Advisory Council and the Canton Lions are proud of their history of great public service. However neither the Canton Homeowners Advisory Council or the Canton Lions have endorsed any candidate in this election. My endorsement is personal, just as everyone's vote should be.

Charles Mott
Canton

Preserving manufacturing

The U.S. is the most open market in the world. China, Japan, and Korea are the most closed.

Running a trade deficit every year since 1976, the U.S. is on pace to a record deficit of \$590 billion this year, 19 percent higher than last year's all time record of \$497 billion.

We have seen 2.7 million manufacturing jobs disappear over the last four years, and the national unemployment rate is holding steadily at 5.4 percent.

As the country battles these economic issues, China, Japan, and Korea are increasing their exports and creating unfair trade advantages over U.S. goods through currency devaluation, high customs duties and taxes, and complicated import procedures and licensing.

In the long-term, to compete effectively in the global market, the U.S. will have to become a more educated country. However, today, the government needs to protect our country's manufacturing base, and ultimately America's middle class. Implementing import quotas is a solution the U.S. government needs to consider doing today.

Import quotas would limit the number of specific imported products coming into the country during a specified time period. It would level the playing field, and it would encourage foreign companies to begin manufacturing operations on U.S. soil, thus putting more Americans to work. With a buying market of 17 million vehicles, for example, this would not deter China, Japan, and Korea from wanting to do business with us. The U.S. economy is still the catalyst for global economic activity.

President Bush justifies the paradigm shift of manufacturing off shoring as our "changing economy", from which he implies our economy will benefit in the long run. In economics, this idea is called comparative advantage, which basically says that two countries trading with each other can increase the standards of living of both countries by each concentrating on doing what each does best and most efficiently. However, this is true if there is a level playing field. Moreover, I argue that manufacturing is where the American dream has been achieved in our country's history, and it is manufacturing where the average American, who may not have the skills or education, can still achieve a middle class standard of living. Surely we should be steadfast to improve our education system to become a more highly skilled nation, but manufacturing is the basis of any economic system which makes use of the factors of production - natural resources, capital, human resources, and entrepreneurship - to sustain and improve the lives of its people.

On the other hand, John Kerry believes in preserving manufacturing in the U.S. by offering tax incentives, tax breaks, and rewards to businesses that keep jobs and create jobs in America. Although this may have some effect, it is too limited, because the savings alone from cheap labor overseas far exceed any savings

that can be realized by government tax incentives.

America needs to take a tough stance against unfair trade practices. With a dwindling manufacturing base, U.S. manufacturers can't compete against artificially cheaper foreign products (currency devaluation makes imports cheaper than domestics), substantially lower labor costs, competitive disadvantages in foreign markets due to customs duties (China imposes a 167 percent duty and tax on motorized scooters coming from the U.S.), and limited access to markets overseas due to costly import procedures and licensing. A strategy of pushing the World Trade Organization and International Monetary Fund for fair currency valuation, negotiating free-trade agreements with nations, and improving the skill levels of workers at home are long-term strategies we must employ. We need to implement fair and effective import quotas in the short-term to preserve present manufacturing, to encourage more investment in the U.S., and to promote global fair trade practices in the future. Without a manufacturing base, Americans better get used to a lower standard of living.

Chris Rakovallis
Canton Township

Back-room politics

The final public meeting regarding the Ford Road Project was due on Oct. 28 but your newspaper was able to publish an article that stated the public got a chance to see Ford Road study results on Oct. 26.

This is not the fault of the newspaper. It is the fault of the DDE, the Charter Township Board and the Corradino Group.

Mr. Corradino himself, when a City Council Member in Kentucky and in many of his other government projects has expressed the political philosophy that everything should be settled before any plans are presented to the public.

What this boils down to is 21st-century back-room politics.

Melissa McLaughlin, who is the chairwoman of the DDA and is running for re-election to the Charter Township Board said, "It was a lot of what we expected to see with the (proposed) driveway closures and internal access roads. The boulevard proposal sort of surprised us."

The boulevard proposal wouldn't have surprised any of them if they had all attended all of the meetings on the project.

McLaughlin said that "This is probably a five- to 10-year project. It's a matter of beginning the process of designing a project based on what we've been able to accomplish."

A matter of beginning the process of designing a project based on what they've been able to accomplish? Five to 10 years in the making? If the death rate continues for that stretch of road and work is not performed between 15 and 30 more people will die.

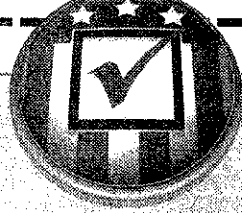
Why is this taking so long? There are only four lanes for Ford under I-275 but room was left in design for six.

Corradino has a long history of creating plans that are not good for the communities in which they work but are very attractive to local government officials because he is cheap.

At one location they declared a site asbestos free. The orphanage that opened in the location discovered that they were not asbestos free. Down in Detroit Corradino has been doing a study for the intermodal rail yard. They have declared that no significant increase in air pollution will occur when the massive project is completed.

This made CSX and Kwame Kilpatrick happy, they got what they paid for, just like the DDA and MDOT in Canton, but it is the citizens who suffer — the same citizens who read about final plans being released two days before the final public meeting to discuss them.

Alfred Brock
Canton



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CLIP AND SAVE

Our endorsements

STATE PROPOSAL 1
NO

STATE PROPOSAL 2
NO

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Charles L. Basso, Jr.
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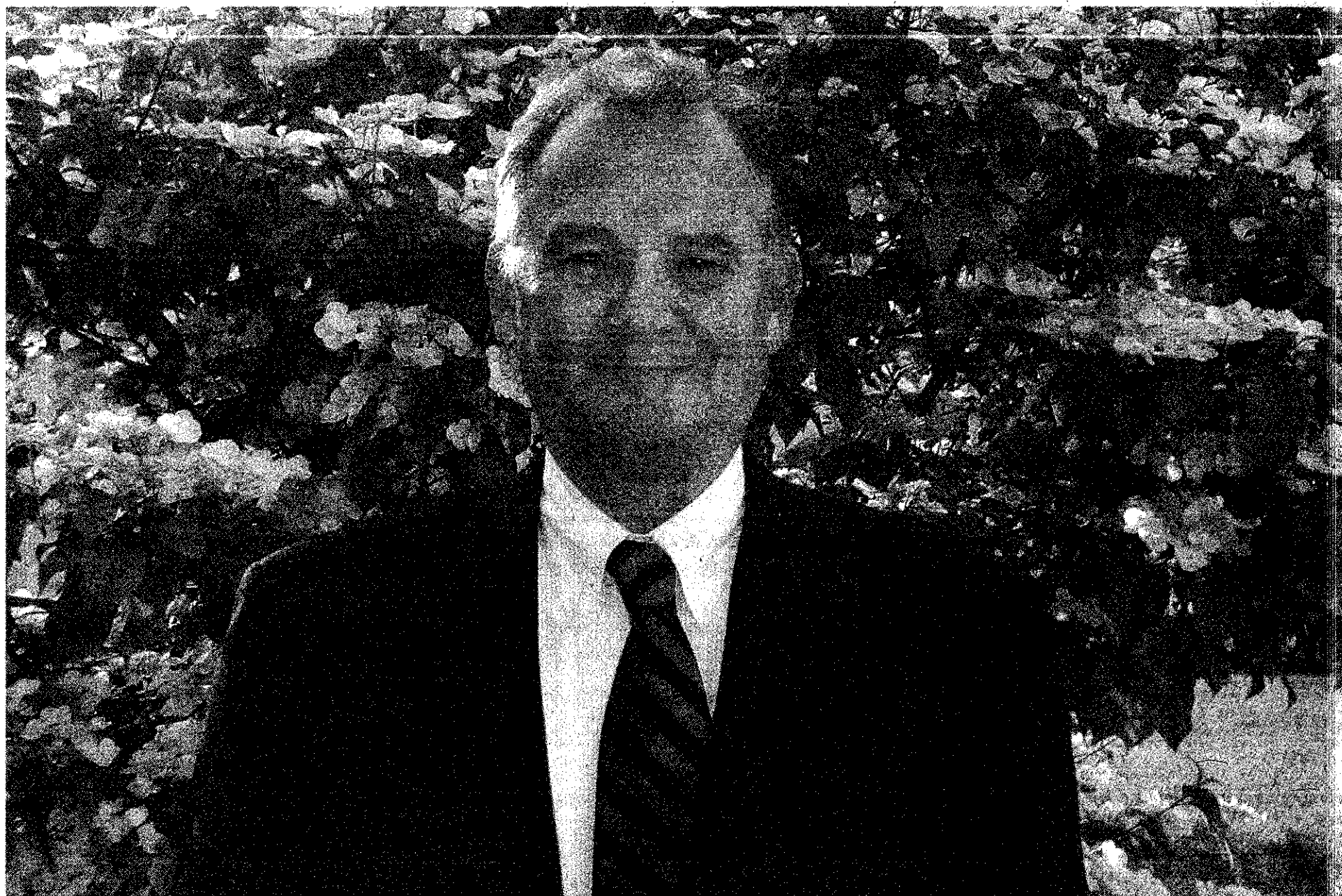
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Canton's Andy Rossow applies a stiff arm to the face of Belleville's Carlos Clark during the second quarter of Friday night's District 2 playoff opener. Rossow ran for 81 yards on eight carries and blocked an extra point in Canton's 42-6 victory.

TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

No let up Canton grid team outmuscles Tigers

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Canton's Andy Rossow didn't work at the concession stand during halftime of the Chiefs' opening-round playoff game against Belleville Friday night. But the junior two-way standout did just about everything else in Canton's 42-6 Region 2, District 2 triumph over the Tigers.

Rossow rushed for 81 yards on just eight carries, ran in a two-point conversion, blocked an extra point and anchored the Chiefs' defensive line, which played a major role in limiting Belleville's Wing-T offense to just three first downs.

"Belleville's defense used a six-man front, so once our running backs got through the holes, there was a lot of open room to run," Rossow said. "Usually teams will mix up their fronts against us, but they stayed with the same one for most of the game."

Rossow lined up at a defensive-end position for the blocked kick, his second of the season.

"The key to blocking kicks is timing and speed," he said.

Rossow has both of those assets, plus versatility, said Canton coach Tim Baechler.

"Andy Rossow is one of those football players that you can put anywhere on the field and he'll do a great job," Baechler said. "He's all about effort. My defensive line coach says he's a defensive lineman who plays halfback."

The 10-0 Chiefs, who have now mercied nine straight opponents, will face possibly their stiffest test of the season Friday when they host 8-2 Novi. The Wildcats bounced Northville, 42-7, Friday night. Belleville finished the season at 6-4.

"Canton ranks right up there with some of the best teams I've seen," Belleville coach Bob LaPointe said. "They have three really good running backs, an offen-

PLEASE SEE CANTON, B3

MU kickers shut out Springfield

The Madonna University men's soccer team completed its grueling three-game, three-day stretch with a 2-1 record Thursday with a 2-0 victory over host University of Illinois-Springfield.

Both MU goals came in the final three minutes as Worthen Sampson scored what proved to be the game-winner, unassisted, at the 87:24 mark.

MU freshman goalkeeper Kristofer Lyons made five saves en route to the shutout.

Will Friend completed the scoring at 89:18 on another unassisted goal as the Crusaders improved to 10-5-1 overall. The loss dropped the Prairie Stars to 8-6-1.

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On Wednesday, MU exploded for seven goals in the opening half on its way to a 9-0 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference victory over Concordia University as Matt Placek, Evan Baker (Canton) and Peter Vlachos each scored twice at Livonia's Greenmead Field.

Other MU goal scorers included Sampson, Friend and Tom Stark.

Sampson also finished with three assists, while Placek, Peter Bierzynski (Redford Catholic Central) and Zach Wilkes added one each.

The Crusaders finished their regular season in the WHAC at 9-0-1 overall.

Concordia, which didn't register a shot on goal against Lyons, fell to 1-14 overall and 0-10 in the WHAC.

The Crusaders, who had their five-game winning streak snapped Tuesday by Saginaw Valley State (2-0), earned a first-round bye in the WHAC playoffs and await the winner of Saturday's game between Aquinas College and Indiana Tech.

Game time for the WHAC semifinal is 2 p.m. Wednesday at Canton's Heritage Park.

Chief cagers hold off Rocks in thriller

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

There was a major comeback and a mini-comeback in Thursday night's heart-pounding Western Lakes Activities Association crossover basketball game between P-CEP rivals Canton and Salem.

While the major comeback was significant, it was the mini-comeback that turned out to be the difference in the Chiefs' dramatic 34-32 road victory.

The win clinched a share of first place in the WLAA for Canton, which finished 11-5 overall and 10-1 in the league. Walled Lake Northern also finished 10-1, but earned the No. 1 seed in next week's WLAA tournament because it defeated Canton in the two teams' lone meeting earlier this season.

Salem finished the regular season at 12-4 and 8-3.

The Chiefs forged a seemingly comfortable 25-14 lead late in the third quarter on a driving lay-up by Molly Conlon.

But the gutsy Rocks responded with a 13-0 run to grab a short-lived 27-25 advantage with 5:21 left.

That was the major comeback.

The smaller - but eventual game-deciding - comeback ensued over the next two minutes when Canton regrouped to score five straight points and regain the lead for good.

"There were two games played tonight," said a relieved Canton coach Bob Blohm, referring to the first two-plus quarter when his team dominated and the final 10 minutes when Salem had its way. "We got out to a big lead, but I have to give Salem credit the way they came back. They upped the pressure on us and we didn't attack the way we should have. We beat a very good

team tonight.

"It feels good to finish first in the conference. The girls really deserved it. They've played hard all season."

Salem's Ellen Canale almost willed the Rocks to victory lane down the stretch. The senior, who finished with a team-high 14 points, hit a clutch 15-foot jumper with 34 seconds left to cut her team's deficit to 30-29.

With Salem trailing 33-29, Canale nailed a long three-point shot with 13 ticks remaining to reduce Canton's lead to 33-32.

The Chiefs then ran almost 10 seconds off the clock before Katie Cezat was fouled. The poised senior hit one of two free throws with three seconds remaining to make it 34-32. Salem was unable to get off a shot in the final three seconds.

PLEASE SEE CHIEFS, B2

Energizer

Salem's Hall keeps going and going...

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

PREP PROFILE

Dave Hall was the Salem soccer team's version of the Energizer rabbit during the past two seasons.

Once Hall stepped on the soccer field, he kept going, and going, and going, and going...

"Dave Hall was one of the hardest-working players I've ever coached," said Rock coach Ed McCarthy. "He was a forward for us, but he would often run 20, 30 or 40 yards back to help the defense clear the ball. He never stopped running, never stopped working. He was tireless."

The two-year letter-winner served as one of the Rocks' captains this past season, in which they racked up an impressive 13-5-6 record before falling, 2-1, to Saline in a district-final contest Oct. 23.

"Dave was a captain who led by example, which is the most important kind of leader in soccer," McCarthy said. "When you work hard like Dave does, the rest of the team sees it and it makes them play harder. He is going to

be tough to replace next season."

Hall, who is a resident of Plymouth, attended Dearborn Divine Child his freshman year of high school.

He then transferred to Salem prior to his sophomore year, but had to sit out that season due to MHSAA rules.

"I learned how much I really liked the sport when I had to sit out my sophomore year," Hall said. "That made me appreciate the sport that much more when I came back my junior season."

Hall's soccer initiation occurred at age seven when he made the Our Lady of Good Counsel team. He forged long-lasting friendships with several players on that squad.

"I still play with a few of those guys on the Plymouth Kicks (an elite travel team)," Hall said. "And I played with Sean Williams, Jake Bennett and Ross Heidenreich at Salem. It was fun playing together

PLEASE SEE HALL, B6



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem's David Hall has been one of the Rocks' most consistent performers the past two seasons. The senior forward tallied seven goals this season for the 13-5-6 team.

Sidelines

District draw

The pairings for the upcoming girls basketball Division 1, District 25A tournament at Canton High School were announced recently.

Novi and Northville will square off at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 15, in the top half of the bracket. Salem, which drew a first-round bye, will play the winner of that game in a second-round contest set for 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 17.

In the lower bracket, South Lyon and Canton will meet at 7 p.m. on Nov. 15.

The winner of that game will square off against Plymouth, which received a bye, at 7 p.m. Nov. 17.

The district championship game will be held Nov. 19 at 7 p.m.

Hockey meeting

A mandatory parents meeting for athletes who were selected to play for the Canton, Salem and Plymouth varsity hockey teams will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

A sign-up session for a Plymouth Whalers fundraiser begins at 7 p.m. Each player's participation fee of \$1,050 is due at this meeting.

The monthly meeting for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Hockey Booster Club will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 9, at the Cultural Center.

For more information, call (734) 254-9234.

Houdek honored

Canton High School graduate Nick Houdek, a junior forward for the Kalamazoo College soccer team, was named the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association's Offensive Player of the Week Oct. 25.

Houdek scored the winning goal in the Hornets' 2-1 victory over Alma.

He also tallied a goal and an assist in a 3-0 win over Olivet.

It is the third time Houdek has been honored. Kalamazoo is 7-7 overall and 5-4 in the MIAA.

Turkey shoot

Canton Leisure Services and the Plymouth Elks Club are teaming up to coordinate a Turkey Shoot basketball free-throw competition for youths aged 8 to 13.

The event will be held Saturday, Nov. 20, at the Summit on the Park in Canton.

Registration will begin at noon with the actual competition commencing at 1 p.m.

The winners of each age bracket will win a free turkey and advance on to a district contest. For more information, call (734) 483-5600.

Clarification

Salem football player Steven Kaptur's name was incorrectly listed as John Kaptur under the Honorable Mention portion of the All-WLAA football team in Sunday's Observer.

Pairings set for WLAA tourney

The 2004-05 Western Lakes Activities Association's girls basketball tournament kicks off Tuesday night with all three P-CEP teams in action.

Canton, which shared the regular-season title with Walled Lake Northern, will host Livonia Stevenson at 7 p.m.

Salem, the No. 5 seed, will travel to Northville to take on the fourth-seeded Mustangs, and Plymouth, the sixth seed, will entertain No. 3 seed Walled Lake Central.

The Lakes Division teams host the opening-round games.

The winner of the Canton-Stevenson game will advance to play the winner of the Plymouth-Central contest Thursday at 7 p.m. If Salem wins, the Rocks will play the winner of Tuesday's Walled Lake Northern-Livonia Franklin showdown on Thursday evening.

The championship game is set for Wednesday, Nov. 10 at Walled Lake Western High School.

CHIEFS

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Even when we were down 11, I felt we had a run in us," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "I didn't know how it was going to happen or when, but I was confident it was going to come to pass, and it did."

"The girls did a great job of staying in there and continuing to compete. If we get a rebound or two there at the end, who knows?"

Ellen Canale really stepped up and accepted the challenge down the stretch. She's been playing exceptionally well. But I was proud of the entire team in the second half. We accepted Canton's challenge and made them play the entire 32 minutes."

Cezat and Ealy both turned in stellar efforts, scoring 14 points each. Cezat hauled down nine rebounds and Ealy had five.

Becci Houdek only tallied two points for the Chiefs, but the sophomore point guard recorded five steals, three boards and one block.

Salem sophomore Lauren Kurtz complemented Canale's strong effort by netting six points and six rebounds. Alyssa Guerin and Teresa

Coppiellie scored four points each.

"I thought Teresa did an outstanding job defending Cezat," Thomann said. "And when Alyssa Guerin picked up her third foul (with 1:12 left in the opening quarter), we put Carly Sommer and Lauren Kurtz on Ealy, and they did a nice job, too."

Canton led 9-2 after one quarter and 17-8 at the half. The Chiefs clamped down on Salem on the defensive end, limiting the Rocks to four-of-19 shooting from the field in the opening 16 minutes.

Salem trailed 25-18 after three quarters, but scored the first nine points of the fourth quarter. Canale accounted for five of the nine with a long triple and two free throws. Becky Ward chipped in with a pair from the charity stripe and Guerin scored on a runner.

The Chiefs made 12-of-31 shots from the field (38.7 percent) and 10-of-20 from the free-throw line.

Salem sank 12-of-38 field goals (31.5 percent) and six-of-seven from the stripe (85.7 percent).

Salem turned the ball over 13 times while Canton had eight miscues.

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Area fans finding ways to survive NHL lockout

OK, the lockout of National Hockey League players is well past the one-month mark and with no sign of ending.

Around the time that lockout began, I invited readers of the Observer to chime in about how, what and where they would fill what undoubtedly is a major hole in the heart of Hockeytown.

Judging by the few responses (via e-mail and phone), most of you are getting along just fine without the likes of The Captain, Cujo, Drapes and Lidstrom, let alone trips to Joe Louis Arena.

Take self-proclaimed hockey guru Harry Goldman of Farmington Hills, for example. Oh sure, he's rifling through a couple stacks of old videotapes, featuring your father's Wings of Dave Barr and Greg Stefan.

And he manages to fulfill longtime duties as the statistician, scorekeeper and equipment manager for a recreational hockey league based in Berkley. Through his link at that arena, he recently manned

the controls for the Detroit Red Wings Alumni's charity contest against players who work for Berkley's parks and rec department.

But guess what? Harry would rather go bowling.

That's exactly what he's doing, every Thursday night as part of the St. John Bosco Bowling League at Garden City's Garden Lanes.

At least it gives Goldman and other former puckheads a night to think about splits, spares and boosting that average.

NEW FAVORITES

Still, if you give him a minute, he'll revert back to missing the sport that much of the rest of America never found.

"I'm getting through this lockout as well as I can," said Goldman in an un-Ken Kal-like tone of voice.

So are Novi residents Patti and Bob Shaw. They are discovering the unadulterated — and cheap — entertainment that is junior hockey. The Shaws are turning Plymouth's Compuware Arena into their new JLA. It's not far to go, the hockey is hard-hitting and fun and it's played with a sense of urgency. After all, the roster of the Plymouth Whalers and

other Ontario Hockey League teams are comprised of youngsters ages 18-20, who have their eye on the NHL prize.

(With the continuing gulf between the locked-out major leaguers and stubborn owners, they'll need magnifying glasses to follow that big-league carrot down the long, icy road.)

"The young men that play for the Plymouth Whalers are pretty good hockey players and they provide plenty of excitement," read the Shaws' e-mail. "The ticket prices are very reasonable and if you really want to feel like you at Joe Louis Arena, you can still buy a beer at ridiculous prices (\$5-to-\$7.50)."

The OHL also has nearby rivalries worth checking out, they continued, such as the Windsor Spitfires and Sarnia Sting.

"Even going to Windsor, or Sarnia, for a hockey game is a great treat, because you can also go to the casinos on the other side of the border before or after the games. Windsor Casino is only a block and a half from Windsor Arena — a short walk even in the dead of winter."

Well, we hope the Joe is back in business before the snow flies, eh?

But if not, there is a new minor professional team play-

ing at the Great Lakes Sports City Arena in Fraser, called the Motor City Mechanics. The head coach is former Detroit Red Wings' standout Garry Unger, the one-time longhair who got in the hair of early 1970s coach Ned Harkness.

One of Unger's players is from Observerland, too, another reason to make the trek to the east side. He's 1985 Garden City High School graduate Joe Burton, a high-scoring forward Unger knew from his days coaching Tulsa of the Central Hockey League.

The 37-year-old Burton, a two-time Most Valuable Player of the CHL, reportedly gave up a day job at Westland's Art Van Furniture for another chance to play the sport he obviously still loves.

That is reason enough for Hockeytown fans to take off their Red Wings blinders and head out to Fraser or Compuware, for that matter. Watching and enjoying hockey for the pure fun of it, with no angst or worry about the Mighty Ducks or Flames, what a concept? And if not, there's always bowling.

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Daugherty named MU coach

Patrick Daugherty, an assistant boys track and cross country coach at Livonia Churchill High School for the past three years, has been hired as the first coach in Madonna University cross country history, MU athletic director Bryan Rizzo announced Wednesday.

Madonna's newest program, its 10th and 11th sport, will begin running during the fall of 2005. During his tenure on the Churchill staff, the team set school records in the 800- and 3,200-meter relays. Daugherty also coached the 3,200 relay team to three regional titles. He also coached a trio of 800 state qualifiers and one 1,600

qualifier. The 32-year-old Daugherty, a health and physical education teacher at Churchill, also served as both the boys and girls cross country coach at Frost Middle School in Livonia. A native of Norfolk, Va., but grew up in southeastern Michigan, Daugherty attended both Central and Eastern Michigan universities.

After completing his undergraduate degree from CMU in 1994, Daugherty earned his teaching certificate from EMU in 1999 and will compete his Masters in Educational Leadership in December.

Rizzo cited Daugherty's ties to the area as just one of the strong points in MU's newest addition.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Friday, Nov. 5
Novi at Canton, 7 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Tuesday, Nov. 2
Livonia Stevenson at Canton, 7 p.m.
Salem at Northville, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
BOYS & GIRLS STATE
CROSS COUNTRY FINALS
at MICH. INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY
(Brooklyn)
Saturday, Nov. 6
Division 4 Girls race, 10:30 a.m.
Division 4 Boys race, 11:30 a.m.
Division 2 Girls race, 1:30 p.m.
Division 1 Girls race, 2 p.m.
Division 1 Boys race, 3 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Wednesday, Nov. 3
(WHAC Semifinals)
Madonna vs. Aquinas-Ind. Tech winner
at Canton's Heritage Park, 2 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Tuesday, Nov. 2
Madonna at Aquinas College, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 3
IIM-Deerborn at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 4

Siena Heights at Madonna, 7 p.m.
Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6
Madonna at Saginaw Valley St., 1 p.m.
NJCAA Division II-Region 12 Tourney
at Grand Rapids CC, TBA.
WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY
Saturday, Nov. 6
NJCAA Championships
at El Paso CC (Tex.), 9 a.m. (CST).
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Saturday, Nov. 6
Madonna at Spring Arbor, 3 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Wednesday, Nov. 3
Rochester College at Madonna, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 5
Cedarville Univ. (Ohio) Invitational
Ind. Wesleyan vs. Ind.-South Bend, 6 p.m.
Cedarville vs. Madonna, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 6
Cedarville Invitational, 1 & 3 p.m.
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Sunday, Oct. 31
Whalers at Brampton, 2 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 5
Whalers at Sault Ste. Marie, 7:30 p.m.
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CANTON

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sive line that gets good push off the ball and a couple of good linebackers, especially No. 12 (Jake Powers). We only had one first down in the first three quarters, so that tells you something."

Rosow was just one of many Chiefs who had a productive game Friday night. Chuck Schumacher picked up 92 with one touchdown, Julian Smith had three scores — two rushing and one receiving and 33 yards and Shawn Little played perhaps his best overall game of the season, running for 57 yards and throwing for 96 and a TD.

"Shawn struggled early on, but we kept going back to him and it paid off," Baechler said. "He needed a game like this for his confidence. We needed Shawn to make some plays and he did."

Defensively, the Chiefs' front four of Rosow, P.J. Caram, Donnie Laramie and Josh Perkovich had its way with the Tigers offensive line. When Canton's line didn't stuff Belleville's running game, Powers and fellow linebackers Jeff Hudson and Collin O'Shaughnessy usually cleaned up.

O'Shaughnessy subbed for regular starter Jeff Piper, who missed the game due to a hip ailment.

"He could have played, but we didn't want to risk anything," Baechler said. "He'll be back next week."

Canton's defense forced three turnovers: Powers recovered a

fumble and Smith and David Neu intercepted passes.

Isaac Kindell provided a rare spark for the Tigers when he dashed 55 yards for their lone score with 6:12 remaining in the third quarter to cut their deficit to 28-6. Kindell, who also had two impressive special-teams returns, finished with 58 yards on eight attempts. Belleville quarterback Phil Sullens completed just one of eight passes for 12 yards.

Belleville had just one drive that lasted more than three offensive plays, and that occurred in the game's waning moments against the Chiefs' second-string defense.

Carlos Clark snuffed out one Canton drive three minutes into the second quarter when he intercepted a pass at the Chief 5 and returned it to the 20.

Canton won the total yards battle, 391-146. The Chiefs recorded 19 first downs compared to the Tigers' three.

The first quarter ended with no score when Belleville's Greg Manley corralled Smith for a two-yard loss on a fourth-and-two play at the Belleville 12. Canton had driven from its own 3, using 17 plays and over six minutes of the clock.

After forcing a Belleville punt, Canton scored on its next possession when Smith scored on a three-yard run to make it

6-0. Rosow ignited the five-play, 40-yard drive with a 22-yard run.

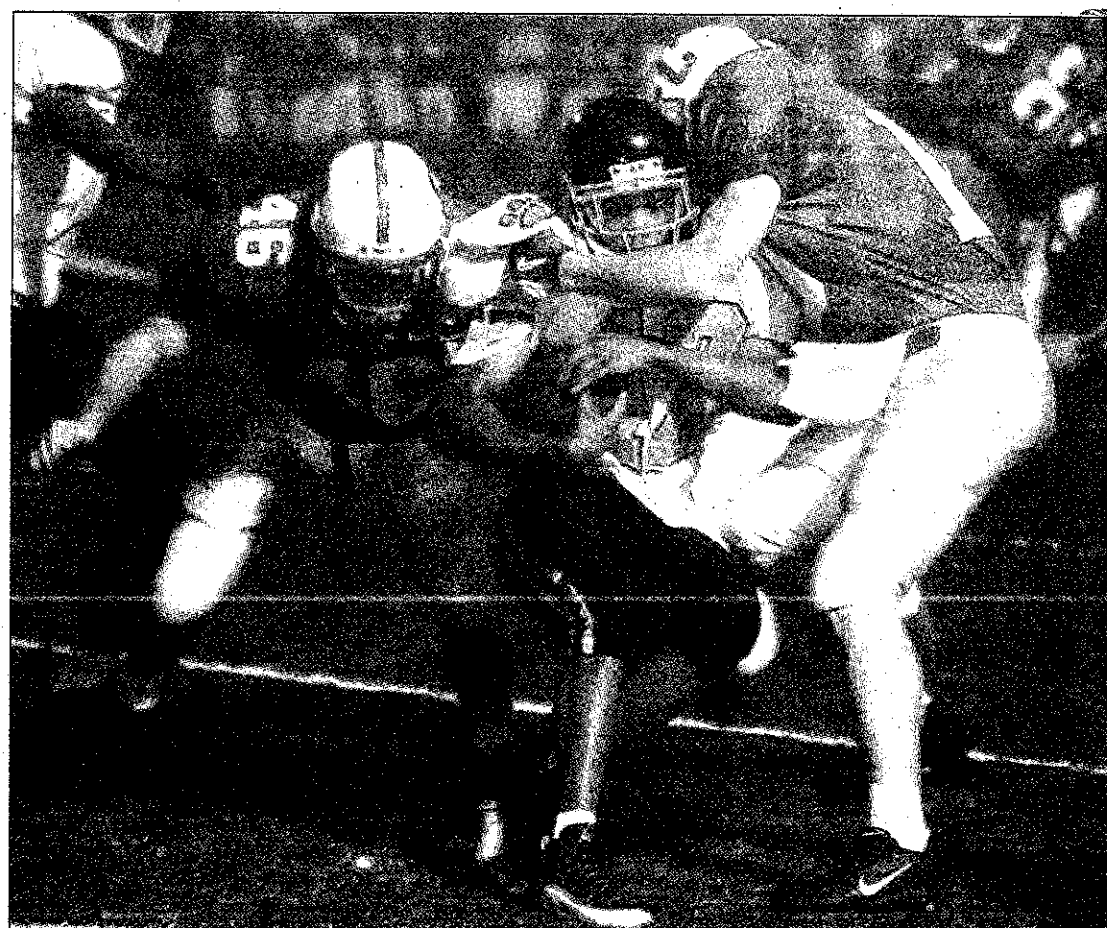
The Chiefs' special-teams unit accounted for their next TD. Deshon McClendon busted through the Tigers' offensive line to block a punt. The sophomore then pounced on the ball in the end zone to make it 12-0.

Canton went up 20-0 with 15 seconds remaining in the first half when Little connected with Smith on a nine-yard touchdown pass. A Little-to-Powers pass on the two-point conversion made it 20-0. The touchdown was set up on a 30-yard strike from Little to Adam Hester on third-and-seven from mid-field.

The Chiefs scored on their first three possessions of the second half: Smith busted in from three yards out, Schumacher rambled nine yards to paydirt and McClendon had a one-yard score. The final TD was set up by an electrifying 43-yard punt return by Hester.

The field was blanketed by a layer of fog throughout the second half.

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Canton's Chuck Schumacher (left) and Matt Sweda (right) sandwich Belleville's Isaac Kindell during Friday night's play-off-opening game.

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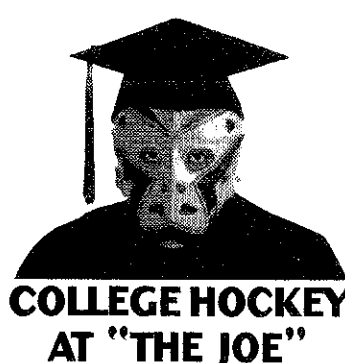
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Plymouth's Kim Olech (left) scored 16 points in Thursday night's thrilling 69-58 double-overtime loss to Walled Lake Central.

Plymouth hoop team pushes WLC to limit

BY ED WRIGHT,
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth pushed Walled Lake Central to the limit and beyond Thursday night in both teams' Western Lakes Activities Association regular-season finale.

But in the end, the Vikings conquered the host Wildcats, 69-58, in a double-overtime barn-burner that featured a game-tying three-point shot by the Wildcats' Janet Hanchett at the end of the first overtime and a variety of other beyond-the-call-of-duty efforts.

Plymouth's third-consecutive loss dropped its record to 8-8 (6-5 in the WLAA). Central improved to 11-6 and 9-2. The Wildcats finished their inaugural varsity season in sixth place in the conference, three spots behind the Vikings.

The two teams will square off again on Tuesday in the first round of the WLAA playoffs.

"We played with good intensity tonight," said Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly. "They pressed us the entire game, and we handled it well. I was also pleased with our defensive effort. We held their leading scorer to one point through the first three quarters."

Plymouth's Jeanine Moise dominated the paint, scoring 22 points and hauling in 20 rebounds. Her put-back in the closing seconds of regulation sent the game to the extra sessions.

Kim Olech contributed 16 points before fouling out in the second overtime and Colleen Flaherty had 10 points and nine boards before getting called for her fifth foul during the early stages of the first OT.

The biggest discrepancy between the two teams unfolded at the free-throw line, where the Wildcats canned just eight-of-24 while the Vikings made 15-of-24.

Plymouth surged to a 15-7 lead after one quarter. The Wildcats cooled off in the second quarter, but still held a 26-24 advantage at the half. Central secured a 39-38 edge after three quarters.

A.P. INTER-CITY BAPTIST 62, PCA 54 (OT): The balanced Chargers outscored the visiting Eagles 11-3 in the extra session to earn the victory. The heart-breaking loss dropped the Eagles to 6-11 overall and 2-6 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

Sophomore point guard Joi Jennings scorched the Chargers, netting 33 points. Kelsie Tietjen and Stephanie Ours both twined seven for PCA.

"The game was decided at the foul line in overtime," PCA coach Harvey Jennings said. "They made their free throws and we didn't."

The Chargers were paced by Barbara Copeland, who poured in 17 points. Anita Stamps and Chelsea McCune netted 16 each.

OAKLAND CHRISTIAN 56, CANTON AGAPE 23: The Wolverines slipped to 6-10 overall and 2-8 in the MIAC with the setback. Oakland Christian is now 13-3 and 9-1.

A.J. Creps was Agape's lone bright spot, recording a double-double (13 points and 12 rebounds).

PREP BASKETBALL

Kelly Peterson and Kristen Osmond both twined 11 for the winners. "They were just a better team than us," Agape coach Chuck Henry said. "They were better than us on both ends of the court."

The game was decided in the opening eight minutes when OC outscored Agape, 18-0.

WAYNE 44, WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 35: Wayne Memorial girls basketball coach Richard Rashad exited Alumni Arena on Thursday night with a look of glee on his face after his Zebras earned their first Western Lakes Activities Association girls basketball win of the season at the expense of rival Westland John Glenn.

"It feels good, and I'm especially happy for the girls to win on Senior Night," said Rashad, whose team is 2-15 overall and 1-10 in the WLAA. "It was good to see some of our girls play well."

Glenn, which fell to 3-14 overall and 1-10 in the WLAA, killed its chances for victory by shooting only 33.3 percent from the free throw line (11-of-33).

And the Rockets took just 11 foul shots in the second half. Senior Jennifer Anderson paced Wayne with 11 points, while Ladwan Jones and Carrie Laubernds added eight apiece.

The Rockets received a game-high 12 points and 14 rebounds from junior center Jennifer Swartz, while Jasmine Granberry contributed seven points.

Wayne led 12-6 after one quarter, but Glenn pulled to within three at halftime, 21-18.

The Zebras outscored Glenn 13-8 in the third quarter to take a 34-26 advantage before going on an 8-0 run midway through the final period to put the game out of reach.

Wayne didn't help its cause either at the foul line, going 11-for-26 (42.3 percent).

"We hung in there, but I thought at times we were trying to give the game back," Rashad said. "We made a nice run and were able to close it out."

Both Wayne and John Glenn now move into the consolation round of the Western Lakes playoffs beginning Tuesday.

A.A. HURON 45, PLYMOUTH 37: The Wildcats (8-9) finished their pre-WLAA tournament schedule Friday night with a tough loss to a talented River Rat squad.

Plymouth was playing less than 24 hours after its double-overtime setback to Walled Lake Central Thursday night.

Jeanine Moise paced Plymouth with 20 points and 12 rebounds. Janet Hanchett twined nine points, burying three three-point shots.

The Wildcats played without starting post player Kim Olech, who was ill.

"I'm so proud of how hard the kids played and competed tonight," said Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly, "especially a night after playing a double-overtime game. Huron is a good, well-coached team and we were tied with them at the half. The girls did a lot of nice things tonight."

Whalers oust 67's

The Plymouth Whalers scored two second-period goals and Ryan Nie stopped 32 Ottawa shots as Plymouth won 2-1 on Friday night. The Whalers are now 6-6-1-1 and in second place in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division behind Windsor. The 67's dropped to 6-7-1-1. Tim Sestito and Dan Collins scored for the Whalers and Collins and Vaclav Meidl picked up an assist on Sestito's power-play tally.

Peter Tsimikalis scored for the 67's with assists from Jakub Petruzalek and Kyle Wharton.

HALL

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with them since elementary school. We've become good friends."

Along with his hustle and leadership skills, Hall was one of the Rocks' top scorers the past two seasons.

He found the net seven times this season and contributed six assists. Last year he tallied eight goals and four helpers.

The highlight of Hall's high school career unfolded last year during a tightly contested match against state-ranked Northville.

"The score was tied at 1-1," Hall recalled, "and I scored on

a diving header to give us the lead."

Hall's best memory from this past season was his goal with 50 seconds left that gave the Rocks a 3-2 victory over Western Lakes Activities Association rival Livonia Churchill.

Hall, who was voted onto the WLAA's All-Lakes Division team last week, said he wants to extend his soccer career in college.

"I've filled out applications for Western Michigan, Eastern Michigan, Schoolcraft and Northwood," Hall said. "I've also received letters from a couple of Division III schools, Southern Vermont and Utica (New York)."

Hall said he participates in

other sports like football and baseball, but only on a recreational basis.

"I'm very dedicated to soccer, so it doesn't leave much time for other sports," Hall said. "I play indoor soccer for the Kicks in the winter and outdoors in the spring and summer."

So soccer keeps going, and going, and going for Hall.

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Bill Keith, a 1985 Salem graduate and the station manager for the last 14 years, got his start on WSDP when he was a student.

Keith wanted to have a show for local seniors. "It's one more way for the station to connect with the local community," he said. "Since we're such a small radio station, we have a better opportunity to serve communities that are neglected by the commercial giants."

Canton Township Senior Coordinator Dianne Neihengen suggested Keith ask Betty Smith, a retired teacher, to be the host. Keith said, "Betty is always on the run and because of that she lives a full and vibrant life. This example is something the students need to see. She has made a goal of spotlighting seniors that are living an active life and she is a wonderful role model for that."

For six years, Smith has been the host of *Lemonade with B.J.*, 10:30-11 a.m. every Wednesday.

Lemonade, a show for senior citizens, features music and interviews. Past guests have included Arie Lipsky (director, Ann Arbor Symphony), Bo Schembechler, Lloyd Carr, Maynard Ferguson and Judith Guest. "Betty's love for jazz has been a cornerstone for the show," Keith said.

Smith taught preschool through college. Now she's back in high school, still teaching.

"Betty is a great example for what it takes to produce a quality show," Keith said. "She puts in a major amount of time searching for guests, planning interviews and selecting just the right music. I think it shows the students that there is more to serving the community than just playing music."

A high school is probably the last place you'd expect to see a gathering of Red Hat Society Ladies. "When they visited the studio, the kids probably weren't sure who the women were, but their reaction was great," Smith said. "They were smiling when they saw all the women wearing red hats and red gloves." (Red Hat Society Women have decided "to greet middle age with verve, humor and élan.")

Said Smith: "Working on a high school radio station is great. It is the jewel of my retirement. I'm having a great time and have met so many people, I can't keep track of them all."

What's next? She would love to interview Elmore Leonard. Betty has been trying to contact Leonard for several years, but hasn't had any luck. "Elmore is a great Michigan writer," she said. "One thing I'd like to ask him is why he switched from Westerns to mysteries."

An interview with Leonard would make a great broadcast for *Lemonade with B.J.*'s seventh anniversary show March 12, 2005.

If anyone knows how to get in touch with Leonard, let Betty know. You can reach her at WSDP, every Wednesday morning at 10:30 a.m.

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Torn between two worlds

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Eye surgeons leave Mongolia with mixed emotions

instructed doctors there seven years ago for SEE International, an organization similar to ORBIS, the nonprofit for which she volunteered to take donations of equipment and demonstrate for doctors in training in mid September. Thoms equates OR's in Mongolia to walking into an operating room in this country in the 1940s.

One of the first things Dr. Susan Thoms did upon her return to America was to hug the operating room nurse in the Surgery Center at the University of Michigan Center for Special Care. After a week of performing cataract surgeries in Mongolia, the West Bloomfield resident was glad to be back in the OR of the Livonia clinic which is part of the U-M Kellogg Eye Center.

Thoms' trip was an eye-opening experience even though she'd delivered a laser and

"We don't appreciate medical care here. We take it for granted," said Thoms, who's been in practice as an ophthalmologist for 26 years, 17 of them in Birmingham. Today, patients travel from Farmington Hills, Redford, Plymouth, and Canton to her Livonia office.

"Tables go up and down," said Thoms. "We have a nice microscope to look into. They simply don't have water. Toilets don't flush because they don't have basic maintenance. They don't wash hands before each patient because they don't have but one set of gloves and gown for the entire day."

"We scrubbed before the first surgery using the cloth sponges and a bar of soap. Then we put on our sterile gown and gloves. Between surgeries, we kept the same gown and gloves on and just wiped the gloves with an antiseptic solution. Here we scrub between cases and have a fresh, sterile gown and gloves for each surgery."

Thoms shuddered as she thought back to the conditions in one particular operating room.

"In one OR there were two tables so you could have two surgeries," said Thoms. "There are no anesthesia doctors. No one monitors heart or breathing. If someone were to stop breathing or their heart stopped and no equipment, all you could do is feel their pulse and tell if they're breathing, feel their pulse and guess."

Although Dr. Theresa Nairus, Thoms' partner in Livonia, had never been to Mongolia before she thought she had prepared herself by listening to stories of volunteer physicians who in the past brought medical care to patients in Third World countries. Although she and Thoms tell lighthearted stories about airport personnel not wanting to open the coolers they were carrying with Human Eyes written on the outside, both were emotionally affected by the numbers of patients needing help.

"There are eye banks all over this country but not in Mongolia. We're going to work with them to set up an eye bank so they can do this themselves," said Nairus, a clinical instructor at U-M School of Medicine and the Veterans Administration. Nairus and Thoms traveled with a five-member team that included a pediatric ophthalmologist from Vancouver and retina specialist from Boston.

"I had 30 people who needed transplants.



Dr. Susan Thoms (at microscope) operates on the eye of a cataract patient as her trainee, Dr. Enkhmaa, looks on.

Here we could have helped them all. The wait there is around seven to 12 years."

Nairus and Thoms hope in the future to continue to change conditions in developing countries where 90 percent of the world's blind live. ORBIS began working to end avoidable blindness in 1982. Thoms and Nairus, in addition to training surgeons and performing operations, set up Cyber Sight, ORBIS's telemedicine program that allows doctors here to consult on cases of Mongolian doctors via computer.

"Here surgeons have three years of training, one year there," said Nairus.

In Mongolia's favor is the fact that every child aged 8-18 must go to school even if he or she has no home. Conditions have changed since the country freed itself from Soviet control in 1991. Medical care is improving thanks to organizations like ORBIS but sometimes it can be frustrating for doctors like Thoms and Nairus who are used to caring for patients with high-tech equipment.

"We never saw an ambulance. If a child has a ruptured appendix they just die. Travel is by horse, camel or motorcycle," said Nairus. "We saw patients with climactic keratopathy where they go blind from being in the desert. If you live in Gobi and herd goat they can transplant but they go back to the desert."

Nevertheless, both Thoms and Nairus plan to volunteer their time again to mentor and train doctors. In December, they hope to reach volunteers by giving a talk about their trip to ophthalmologists at the U-M Kellogg Eye Center.

For more information about ORBIS, visit the Web site at www.orbis.org.

"Having gone there before and seen the need we have so much to share," said Thoms. "There are so many people going blind. I was happy to be home but I felt it was entirely worthwhile. We felt we accomplished a lot in a week. They needed us for a year."



Bunny benefit

Hair Raising Event to help abandoned rabbits

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Did you know that rabbits are the third most popular pets after dogs and cats? Tim Patino didn't until his pet rabbit died and instead of purchasing another long-eared friend from a store he went to the Web and found a site for the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary.

After reading about the rescue group, the Plymouth Township resident began volunteering his time. Patino's latest venture brings together his employer, Bennigan's restaurant in Plymouth, the Schoolcraft College culinary department, local artists, and the Plymouth Community Arts Council, all to benefit rabbits at the Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary.

Appropriately titled "Art, Wine and Ears - a Hare Raising Event," the benefit takes place 2-6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the arts council, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction.

The cost is \$30 per person and includes food, beverages, wine, silent auction, and art show. For tickets or more information, call (734) 416-8916 or visit the Web site at www.rabbit-sanctuary.org.

"The rabbit rescue group is unique," said Patino, who along with his wife, Marie Chantal, is involved with the group. They are fostering three rabbits along with two of their own. "The

event is unique and what better place to have it than Plymouth, a community like that itself.

"We will have rabbits there plus a slide show of all of the rabbits helped or being cared for by the sanctuary. Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary is a nonprofit rescue group that focuses primarily on domesticated rabbits that have been abused or neglected. The goal is to raise funds for a property to build a facility on."

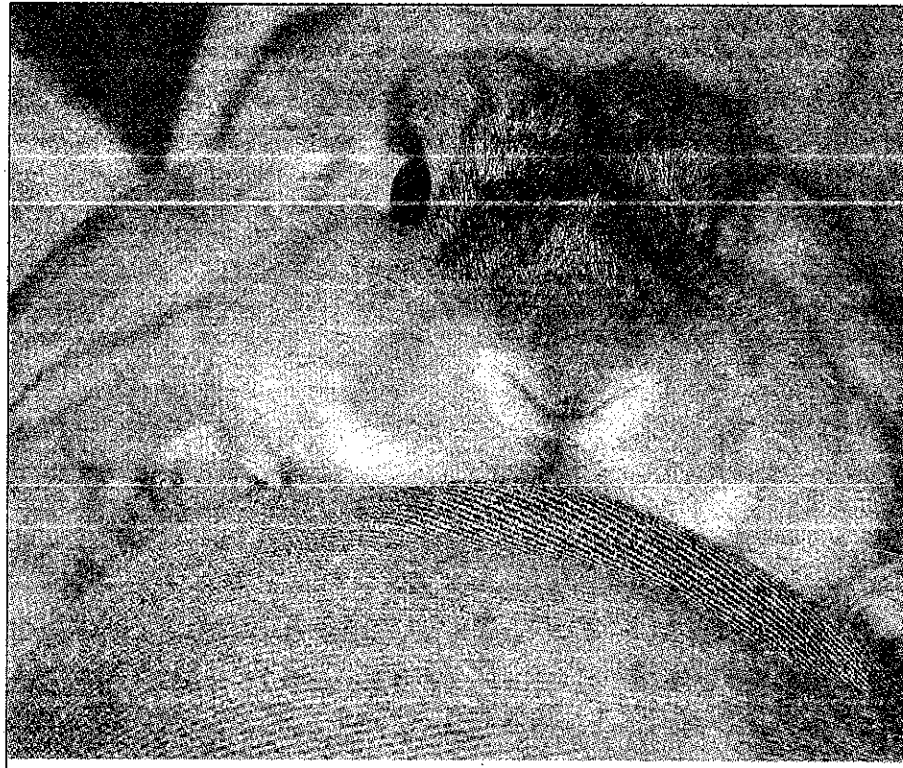
Currently located in Whittaker, south of Ann Arbor, the rabbit sanctuary was originally known as Pig Hoppers when it began eight years ago.

"We used to rescue potbelly pigs and rabbits," said Patino. "Back then the trend was to have pigs as pets. The trend's gone away so we've changed the name but we're still here helping abandoned pets."

Patino is delighted that others want to do the same.

Several businesses and individuals in the community have come forward to ensure the success of the event that will raise funds for the no-kill facility where rabbits can live out their entire lives on the property if not adoptable. The Village Potters Guild has donated several pieces for the silent auction as has Kara Marsee, who does children's illustrations and paintings.

Thelma Sibley of Nancy's Kids is donating custom painted children's



Pictured is Buster, an adoptable rabbit. For more information, call (734) 461-1726 or visit the Web site at www.rabbitsanctuary.org.

furniture, Mike Lay paintings of animals and scenes of local businesses. Lay's paintings can be found in Station 885 and Zack's in Plymouth.

"The food is all vegetarian," said Patino, a culinary graduate of Schoolcraft College. He's not a vegetarian but won't eat rabbits. "There will be wines packaged and labeled with our logo by Vintner's Cellar, a new wine shop in Canton."

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LIBRARY PICKS

Every week, the Plymouth District Library staff provides the *Observer* with their list of best sellers, based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons.

The books are available by placing a request with the library on the Web at plymouthlibrary.org or by calling (734) 453-0750.

FICTION

1. "Northern Lights," Nora Roberts
2. "The Dark Tower," Stephen King
3. "The Da Vinci Code," Dan Brown
2. "Plot Against America," Philip Roth
3. "Trace," Patricia Cornwell

NON-FICTION

1. "America (The Book)," Jon Stewart
2. "How to Talk Like a Liberal (If You Must)," Ann Coulter
3. "The Family," Kitty Kelly
4. "Unfit for Command," John E. O'Neill
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4. "Tiny's Big Adventure," Martin Waddell
5. "Snakes!" David Greenburg

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Dahl-Hansen-Fontana

Lawrence and Janice Fontana of Plymouth announce the marriage of their daughter, Marisa Delores, to Andreas Dahl-Hansen, the son of Tom and Christel Dahl-Hansen of Geneva, Switzerland.

The bride is a graduate of Canton High School and Wayne State University. She received her Master's Degree in anthropology from the University of Illinois at Chicago and is currently pursuing her Doctorate there in archaeology focusing on prehistoric warfare.

The groom, originally from Norway, received his Bachelor's Degree in business and marketing from Kendall College in Chicago and is currently working as a computer network and security specialist in Evanston, Ill.



Andreas and Marisa were married at an outdoor ceremony Sept. 11 on the wooded grounds of The Grove in Glenview, Ill. A reception followed at The Redfield Estate, also part of The Grove property. A winter honeymoon is planned in Europe.

The couple is making their new home in Chicago, Ill.

Waltner-Fahlstrom

Wayne Waltner of Marion, S.D. and Katrinka Cox of Nogal, N.M. announce the engagement of their daughter, Charity Hope Waltner, to Mark Christopher Fahlstrom of Strafford, MO. (formerly of Ypsilanti, Mich.).

Charity received her Bachelor's Degree in biology at Evangel University. She is employed as director of admissions at Evangel University.

Her fiancé, Mark, is the son of Tom and Ann Fahlstrom of Ypsilanti. His grandparents are the late Hoyt and Carol Mills of Plymouth. He attended Central Michigan University. He was formerly a part of BUCK Enterprises, a Christian Band.



Currently he is employed as general manager of Missouri Pizza Group.

Mark and Charity are planning a November wedding at James River Assembly of God in Ozark, MO.

Thomas-Lanier

Roland and Mary Thomas Jr. of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Traci Lynne, to Gary Alan Lanier, the son of Emil and Connie Lanier of Troy.

Traci is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and Albion College. She is a vice president of commercial real estate at Comerica Bank.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Troy Athens High School and Oakland University. He is a designer/engineer at Detroit Diesel.



A November wedding is planned at St. James Catholic Church in Novi.

Evening with Sinbad will support Bosco Hall

Don Bosco Hall presents its 7th Annual benefit, featuring an evening of family laughter with Sinbad at 8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 19, at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center in Dearborn.

The benefit will help Don Bosco Hall, a private, non-profit agency, respond to the human services needs of children, youth and families in the metropolitan Detroit area.

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munity enrichment programs for children and youth and mentoring programs for at-risk young children.

A pre-performance reception will be held with Randy Scott at 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. and the live Sinbad performance starts at 8 p.m.

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Dancers gain experience with Moscow Ballet

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Young dancers like Christine Lang and Rachel Glodo of Livonia can't wait until Nov. 6, when they join the Moscow Ballet on the stage of the Michigan Theater for two performances of the Great Russian Nutcracker.

Lang and Glodo are but two of the children selected from Observer communities to perform roles ranging from butterflies to Russian and Spanish Dancers at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday in Ann Arbor. Tickets are available by calling (734) 763-TKTS or by visiting the Web site www.nutcracker.com.

A sixth-grade student at Randolph Elementary, Lang is sprouting wings and becoming an angel after playing a mouse for the last four years, twice with the Moscow Ballet, twice with the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company.

"I'm not really nervous because I've done so many but it is very fun and exciting. It never gets boring," said Christine Lang, an 11-year-old now in her eighth year of dance studies. Lang and Glodo began rehearsals in late August at the Community School of Ballet in Ann Arbor. Both attend Deborah Chase School of Dance in Livonia.

Lang first donned pointe

shoes at age 10. Inspired by her heritage, she began studies at O'Hare School of Dance in Plymouth Township 3 years ago.

"The difference in the Great Russian Nutcracker is it's a traditional folk tale, no land of sweets. It's a land of peace and harmony with different roles like the angels," said Lang. "The first act is the same with the party scene with magical toys and the Russian version of Clara getting the Nutcracker. As an angel I'm supposed to be graceful, open the second act."

Glodo, a ninth-grade student at Churchill High School, was an angel last year. Now in her ninth year of dance studies, the 14-year-old is dancing with the Moscow Ballet for a second time.

"The butterflies come in while the angels dance," said Rachel Glodo. "We do jumps and have fluttering arms. We're on stage 45-seconds. It's a short part but a little bit more dancing with real steps."

Natalie Davis, a student at Plymouth Canton High School; Caitlin Werner, a Canton resident attending Central Middle School in Plymouth, and Marguerite Wooley, a Canton resident and student at St. Joseph's Catholic School in Wayne are among the area dancers gaining professional experience with the Moscow Ballet.



Rachel Glodo (left) and Christine Lang are two of the local dancers performing with the Moscow Ballet on Nov. 6 in Ann Arbor.

Production to make local debut in Livonia

Jack-in-the-Box Productions announces the cast for its 18th production, *Proof* by David Auburn.

The cast of four will perform the local theater debut 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6 and 12-13, at the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road.

Proof won the 2001 Pulitzer Prize and multiple Tony Awards. Multiple Tony-Award winning director Daniel Sullivan directed the Broadway production.

Jack-in-the-Box Productions' director is Jennifer Harvey, who studied under Sullivan.

"Dan Sullivan was one of my instructors at the Lincoln Center Theatre Directors Lab,"

Multiple Tony-Award winning director Daniel Sullivan directed the Broadway production.

said Harvey. "I'm excited to bring this compelling drama to life and use the skills that I learned from Dan (Sullivan)."

Cast members are Patrick Hanley of Redford, Steve Morgan of Westland, Andrea Smith of Livonia and Kathleen Lietz Sugamoto of Royal Oak.

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to increase the blood flow to organs to sustain her until she can receive a heart transplant.

Now she needs the community's help. A Nov. 7 spaghetti dinner will raise funds for her medical bills which began mounting after she reached the limits on her health benefits.

Surgery for the heart pump and transplantation of a heart is extremely expensive.

Tickets for the dinner at Knights of Columbus in Dearborn are \$10 and would help reduce the cost. For more information, call her niece Shelly Morrell in Westland at (734) 513-5187.

A campaign in Erdman's honor has been established with the National Transplant Assistance Fund (NTAF). NTAF is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing financial assistance to the transplant community for the

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No donation is too small. If you can't attend the dinner and would like to make a donation, checks should be made payable to NTAF Great Lakes Heart Transplant Fund and in the memo section write "in honor of Lonie Erdman" then sent to NTAF, 3475 West Chester Pike, Suite 230, Newtown Square, PA 19073.

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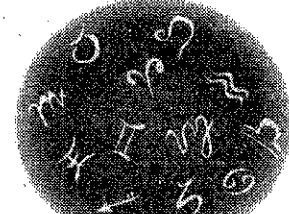
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By Dennis Fairchild



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The only thing that might hold you back over the coming days is a fear that you're not good enough, Ram. Logically, you know that this is irrational, but it will continue to haunt you until you do something about it. Start acting! Some people are just plain too big for their britches.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Wake up, Bull! You're being honest and upfront... just a bit 'dreamy' lately. Let family and friends have their own way right now, even if you don't agree with what they're doing, because you're going to ask for their assistance soon and it will help if they owe you a favor. Got it?

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

Your sense of adventure will be rekindled as November begins and you won't let anything get in the way of your plans- however selfish you feel they are. With any luck, those plans include at least one special person, because the planets warn you will feel as if something is missing unless you have someone with whom to share.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

There will be times this week when you feel like the proverbial square peg in the round hole and you won't seem to fit in. That doesn't mean that you're no longer wanted, but it does suggest that you have to rely more on yourself now rather than approval from others.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

Kiddo: it's time now to re-prioritize! This week you'll need a helping hand, if not a shoulder to cry on, so don't pretend you're Leone nature is so tough that you can face your problems alone. There's no shame in revealing your vulnerable side. It's what makes you human.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

What you are told or discover as November unfolds will give you all the info and ammunition you require to confront those who betrayed your trust or are just being plain stupid. Don't pull your punches over intensely personal issues and long-term financial interests at this time!

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

Planets are urging you to take a confidant's



SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

Things may not be a barrel of laughs at the moment, but they shouldn't be a punishment, either. The Moon in your element says walk a mile in the shoes of someone who appears to be disruptive or hypercritical and you'll have a much better chance of getting to the root of the problem.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Brilliant planetary activity with Mercury entering your sign is turning the unlikely into the possible. Beware, however, of overreacting to the suggestions of someone who is less committed to the cause. Your own beliefs count more than those of someone whose opinions are tainted by ego or insecurity.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

Now is not the time to go the status quo and worry what others think. Cap! Go where your impulses take this week and don't fret that you have to take into account for your movements. Others may complain that you don't keep them informed, but isn't that your objective? Keep your distance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)

There is a saying: "To be true to the best of yourself, fear nothing but live up to your nature. Then you will be happy." Something else you might ponder: "Is it not the strangest thing in the world how long it takes us to learn to accept the joys of simple pleasures?"

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

As much as Pisces dislike confrontation, the post-eclipse warns that it's time to put a stop to the shenanigans of someone whose actions are more misguided than malicious. Just remember that a calm reaction will serve you better than an emotional explosion. Fish.

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Neither of the political parties address voters' spiritual needs

As we enjoy a lunch of lentil soup in my suburban home, a friend and I are distracted by a television flashing a poll about America's divided electorate. He sips extra-pulp orange juice while my 16-month-old son jabbars at our feet.

With ceremonial flourish, my friend taps his glass tumbler on the kitchen island and announces how he, as a person of religious faith, does not believe Republicans or Democrats represent him. Frustrated, he says he's forced to pick one or the other if he wants his vote to count.

America's 180 million Christians can't expect just two political parties to represent them. When you add up the millions of adherents of other faiths—Jews, Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus, and hundreds of other groups—the problem is compounded. The crisis is that America's bewildering spiritual diversity does not translate into viable, alternative political parties. Voters wanting to be part of a winning cause are drawn by the successes of the Republicans and Democrats.



Larry Hoxey

The problem with this calculated pragmatism is that it does not encourage the substantive social changes embraced by religious voters.

Tradition and bureaucracy as well as dollars and demagoguery conspire to poison the field against alternative parties. Americans of faith are alienated from full representation because they've been convinced that to vote outside the mainstream is a social sin for which they will be marginalized.

Voters urged to shed their idealism are exposed to a diet of pithy, bumper sticker slogans and lukewarm, middleclass stereotypes. This is a perplexing irony for spiritual people who otherwise swim in a sea of belief and faith, and who espouse a high morality for heavenly redemption. This disconnect between personal faith and political practice underscores my friend's dismay with American politics.

Distracted by politicians preaching a twisted social gospel, voters face a tyranny of conformity to the mainstream, that mythical archetype guiding the two-party political universe as some false god. Rather than nourish our faith, candidates feed our fears. They divide the faithful and manipulate them into the slots upheld by the major parties.

More than simply placing

square pegs into round holes, the establishment parties orchestrate us, pegs of superbly diverse colors, sizes and shapes, into one of only two holes, either a red one in the shape of an elephant or into a blue one in the outline of a donkey.

Those who resist this process are dismissed as fringe heretics and despised as stubborn spoilers. America's faithful are stymied amid dwindling hopes of a truly reformist national candidate. Voters are disheartened from political initiatives that could otherwise inject humanitarian reason into an increasingly dysfunctional public sector. Our religiously diverse nation remains politically monochromatic.

If my friend suffers spiritual indigestion during this election season, then all people of faith groan with him. We can resist the current climate of political junk food by either reforming or circumventing two-party hegemony. We can strive to vote authentically while avoiding the quick-fix ideology of short-sighted politicians as well as the exclusivist agenda of religious extremists. It is up to us to make the choices that will nourish our potential and strengthen American democracy.

The Rev. Larry Hoxey is a minister at Nativity United Church of Christ in Livonia

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At 7 p.m. Saturday the doors open for the benefit concert and dinner, which begins at 8 p.m. Tickets for this evening event are \$55 each in advance and \$60 at the door. The ladies who par-

ticipated in the day's dance workshop will perform live ethnic dancing for the dinner guests and State Senate candidate and Farmington Hills councilman, John Akouri, will be the master of ceremonies.

The ticket price for the evening event includes a full-course, family-style Middle Eastern dinner, ethnic entertainment and live music. A cash bar will be available and special guests and raffle prizes will complete the evening. All proceeds from Princess Madiha's Dance Charity Event will go directly to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. All donations are tax deductible.

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For workshop and dinner ticket information call Princess Madiha at (248) 478-3456 or Beth Campbell of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at (248) 546-8086.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ESTABLISH A REGULAR ELECTION DATE

Please take notice that pursuant to the provisions of the Consolidated Election Law enacted in December of 2003, the Board of Education of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will conduct a public hearing on the establishment of a new regular election date pursuant to law.

The dates authorized by law for school regular elections are:
(a) The odd year May regular election date.
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The hearing will be held in the E.J. McClendon Ctr. in the district at 7 o'clock in the evening on the 9th day of November, 2004.

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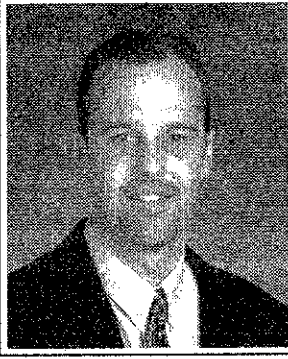
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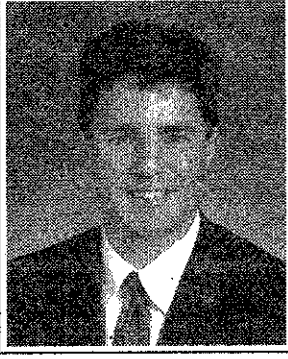
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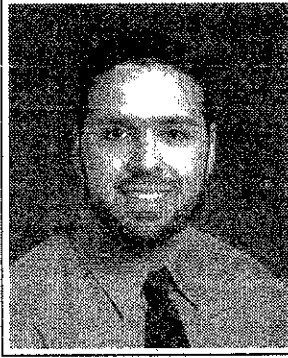
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And that's OK. As I always say, "All things in moderation."

In fact, studies show that a drink may help prevent certain types of heart disease. But that doesn't mean we should all start drinking. And with all the holiday celebrations, it's easy to over-indulge.

Keep in mind that drinking alcohol, even in moderation, can be risky.

For example, just a beer or two can impair your ability to drive. Alcohol can also cause problems by interacting with prescription drugs or with over-the-counter medications, such as cold tablets. Always ask your doctor or pharmacist about drinking alcohol while you're taking any medication.

And if you're pregnant, you shouldn't drink at all. It's that simple.

If you find that your drinking is becoming excessive, don't deny it or think you can handle it yourself. Get help from your doctor.

So if you have a drink, do it wisely.

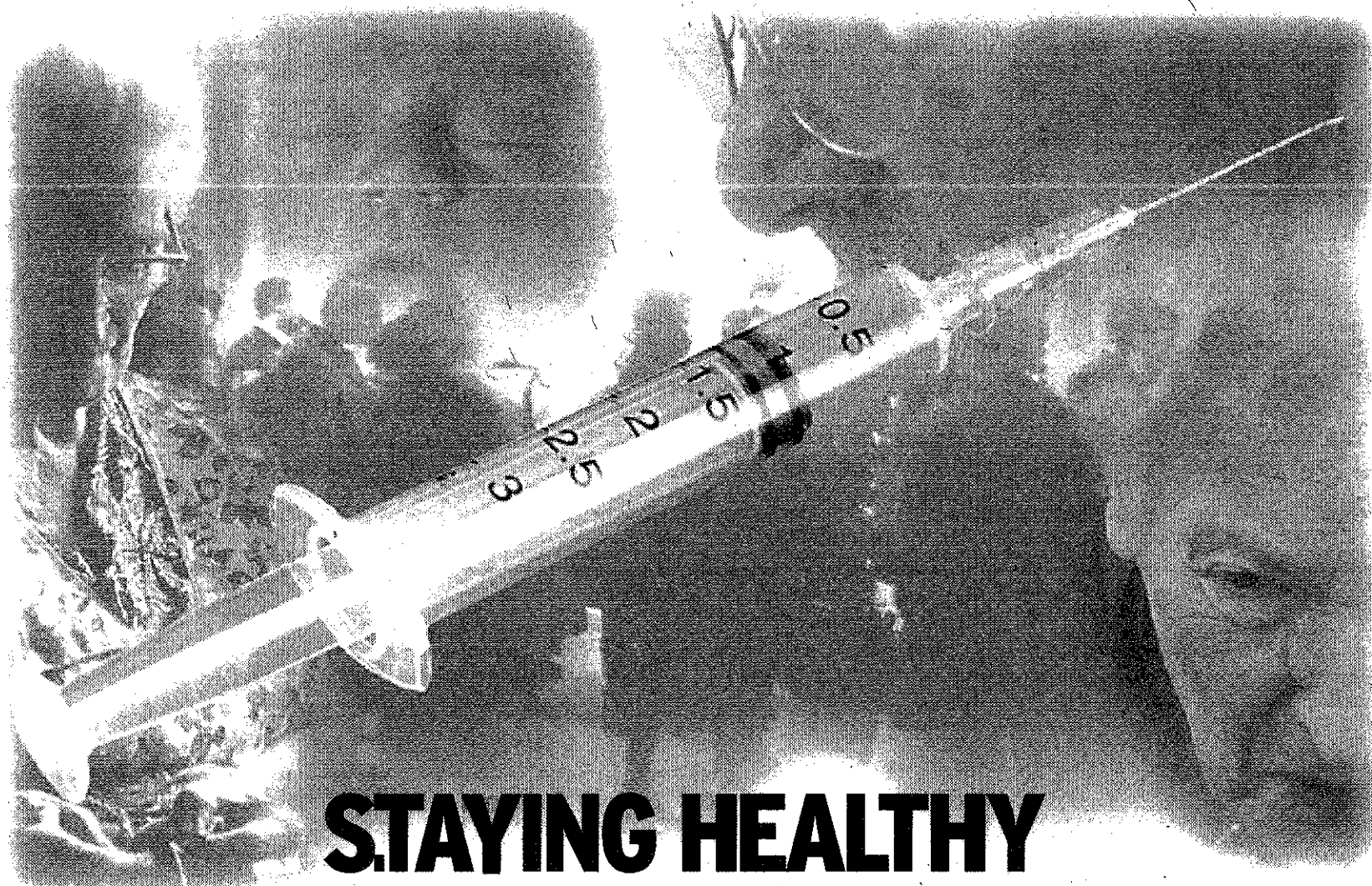
And remember to take care of your health before it's longggg gone.

Ernie Harwell. "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns titled *Life After Baseball*, is available at local bookstores or by calling (800) 245-5082.

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STAYING HEALTHY

In the flu season, lessen your chance of illness

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Ten years ago, Dr. Frank McGeorge couldn't give flu shots away. Now people are panicking because of a shortage of vaccine. His advice is to stop worrying.

"This year is no different a year than any other," said McGeorge, program director of emergency medicine at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. "There are mixed messages within the media. This year

there's a circus panic atmosphere because someone shouted fire in a crowded theater. We have no indication this season will be any different. We do weekly surveillance of what's going around. We're seeing upper respiratory, allergy, asthma due to a change in weather and increased pollen count. There are no early outbreaks of flu, no concern for panic. The appropriate concern is that the vaccine get out to those that need it most."

Even if an individual receives a flu

shot there's no guarantee they won't come down with the high fever, body aches and pain caused by the virus. The best way to lessen your chance of catching the flu is to practice good hygiene and wash hands often.

"Last year was busy, but for a number of reasons," McGeorge said. "It had a little less to do with an unusual flu year, but one that began with a few deaths because the vaccine was not covering the strain in the community. The vaccine was not as good as it should have been, not because of bad

research, but antigenic drift. It changes as it travels across the world mutating."

Nonetheless, flu shots have been given to staff at Beaumont Hospital and precautions are being taken. This year's formulation, which was determined by the FDA in March, includes one virus from last year's vaccine and two new viruses.

"We're secluding ill and infected populations from those who do not

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have communicable diseases," McGeorge said. "We'll increase sanitization and disinfection, and provide masks for patients coughing in the waiting room, Kleenex for those with a running nose, and make sure there's no infected materials laying around.

"As health care providers, we're trying to stay healthy," he added. "Staying healthy is not something you do on a seasonal basis. This is something you should be doing all of the time."

At St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia, Dr. Michael Calice is advising everyone to practice prevention and take a multi-vitamin once a day. The hospital is still waiting to receive 2,000 doses of vaccine to protect staff. Calice isn't worried yet, but if the shortage continues it could cause staffing problems.

"The CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) is encouraging a healthy lifestyle, eat well, exercise, get enough sleep, seven to eight hours a night to keep your immune system up," said Calice, chairman of emergency medicine at St. Mary. "You can infect others one day before you get sick and seven days after. If you're ill, stay home. Stay you're distance if out. Wash hands frequently, cover your mouth when you cough, avoid touching mouth and eyes."

To avoid unnecessary ER visits it's important to know the difference between a cold and flu. If you do get the flu call your primary care provider within 48 hours so he or she can prescribe Tamiflu to shorten the duration and lessen symptoms.

"Every year, 5 to 20 percent of the population get the flu, 114,000 are hospitalized, 36,000 die," said Calice, quoting CDC estimates. For more information, visit the Web site at www.cdc.gov.

The good news is that the season hasn't started in southeast Michigan.

"So far California is seeing some cases, as is Michigan, but I haven't seen any yet," Calice said. "I've done testing and it's come back negative."

Still, panic seems to be spreading over the shortage of flu vaccine. Calice recommends healthy individuals, ages 18-49, receive FluMist, a nasal spray vaccine. High-risk individuals age 65 and over, all children ages 6-23 months, pregnant women, health care workers involved with direct patient care, persons age 2 and up with chronic medical conditions, caregivers and family of children less than 6 months old, and residents of nursing homes and long-term care facilities should receive a flu shot — but they shouldn't wait for hours in long lines.

Livonia neighbors Jean Gordon, 75, and Ann Conroy, 84, refuse to stand in line to receive their flu shots. They're not letting the flu season stop them from enjoying life. They recently attended a sold-out Livonia Town Hall lecture by retired actor Dennis Weaver.

"I don't worry about it," Conroy said. "Even if you get the shot you still might get the flu."

McGeorge offers a few words of advice on whether to visit your local ER if you do come down with the flu.

"If you have any heart or lung problems and are experiencing difficulty in breathing, chest pain, or unusual amount of sputum you should go to the nearest ER," McGeorge said. "You can get the flu and develop a bacterial infection on top of the flu. If the flu is associated with a great deal of discomfort, including dehydration, these are other reasons for coming to the ER."

"Seniors, diabetics, if you feel unable to keep up with fluid intake and are feeling exhausted and don't feel you can get over the hump, that's the time to come in. Anyone with a severe headache or changes in behavior, stumbling around, don't hesitate because flu can cause encephalitis. It can cause GI symptoms but classically does not. If you have cramping, nausea, diarrhea it's probably another virus not the flu."

Starfish Family Services is launching a campaign to help citizens of southeast Michigan recognize the signs and symptoms of addiction.

"Left untreated, drug and alcohol addictions will ultimately result in serious medical problems, legal involvement, and broken relationships," said Christina Sanford, clinical therapist at Starfish's mental health clinic, Lifespan Clinical Services. "Too often the signs of addiction are ignored even by the person exhibiting them. It's important that the public be educated on what to look for, and this is what we're trying to do."

Experts agree that there are many signs of addiction. These include:

■ Loss of interest in previously enjoyed activities.

■ The need to ensure an adequate supply of the substance is readily available.

■ Concealing one's use from family, friends and loved ones.

■ Experiencing legal problems due to use.

■ An increasingly chaotic and turbulent life as managing one's affairs becomes more difficult.

■ Switching between different substances, such as drinking beer instead of whisky, in an attempt to regain control.

■ The need to use drugs or alcohol in order to calm down and feel better about oneself.

Any sign of addiction should be taken seriously. It is believed that nationwide, only 10 percent of Americans who need treatment ever seek it. Research shows that treatments for alcohol and drug use disorders are as effective as treatments for other chronic conditions.

Between 1988 and 1995, Americans spent \$57.3 billion on drugs — \$38 billion on cocaine, \$9.6 billion on heroin, \$7 billion on marijuana, and \$2.7 billion on other illegal drugs and on the

misuse of legal drugs.

In Michigan, 8.5 percent of the population aged 12 or older reported in 2002 of needing, but not receiving, alcohol abuse treatment, 2.5 percent of the population reported needing, but not receiving, drug abuse treatment. That's a combined total of nearly 1.1 million Michigan residents.

Women are the fastest-growing segment of substance abusers in the United States: About 2.7 million American women abuse alcohol or drugs, or one-quarter of all abusers.

Drug and alcohol use and abuse remains one of the United States' leading public health problems, with approximately 9.4 percent of the nation's citizens aged 12 or older suffering with drug or alcohol addiction.

The cost of untreated drug and alcohol addiction in the U.S. in a given year is estimated at \$276 billion in lost pro-

ductivity, law enforcement, health care, justice, welfare, and other programs and services. That's an annual cost of \$1,050 for every man, woman, and child in America. In contrast, it would cost about \$45 per year for each American to provide the full continuum of services needed to effectively treat addictive disorders. According to several conservative estimates, every \$1 invested in addiction treatment yields a return of between \$4 and \$7 in reduced crime, criminal justice costs and theft. When savings related to health care are included, total savings can exceed costs by a ratio of 12 to 1.

For more information on recovery from addiction, call Aleksandra Thurman at (734) 727-3126 or athurman@sfish.org. To seek help for an existing addiction, call Lifespan Clinical Services at (888) 355-5433.

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Menopause support group

7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, features Menopause and Massage Therapy with Teresa Doherty who will share the challenges that come with treating and easing symptoms through inte-

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Beaumont-sponsored conference

Life's a Journey: Find the Right Path, a conference to increase awareness and knowledge of preventative health practices and reduce women's health risks 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at Best Western Sterling Inn Banquet and Conference Center, 34911 Van Dyke, south of 15 Mile, Sterling Heights. Cost is \$70, \$60 seniors, \$50 students, and available by calling (248) 964-8140.

Divorce support

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College offers a free Divorce Support Group 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, in Room 225 of the McDowell Center on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia. Getting Through the Holidays features Cynthia Barnwell,

M.S.W., discussing the intense emotions triggered by holidays and other special occasions and offering helpful coping skills. The group provides a forum for discussion, receiving and sharing of information for those contemplating, in the process of or having difficulty adjusting to divorce. For more information, call the WRC at (734) 462-4443.

Alzheimer's and dementia support

Group meets 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at Alterra Clare Bridge of Farmington Hills, 27900 Drake. Call (248) 489-9362. The group meets the second Wednesday of every month.

Medication education day

Held by students from the nursing program at University of Detroit Mercy 9 a.m. to noon Friday, Nov. 12, and open to families and Villa Marie residents at 15131 Newburgh, Livonia. For information, call Lisa Gillary at (734) 464-9494. No charge.

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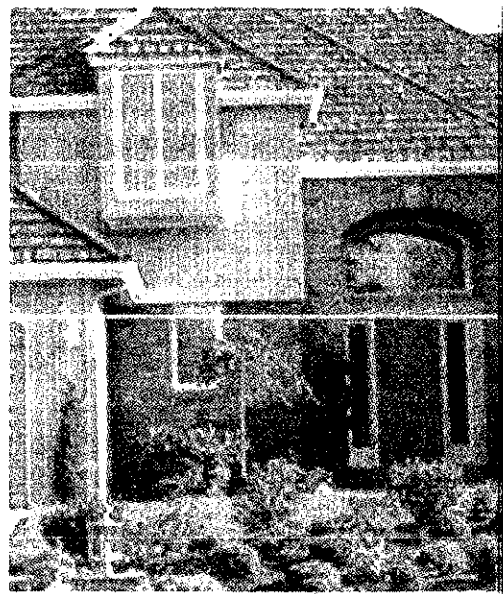
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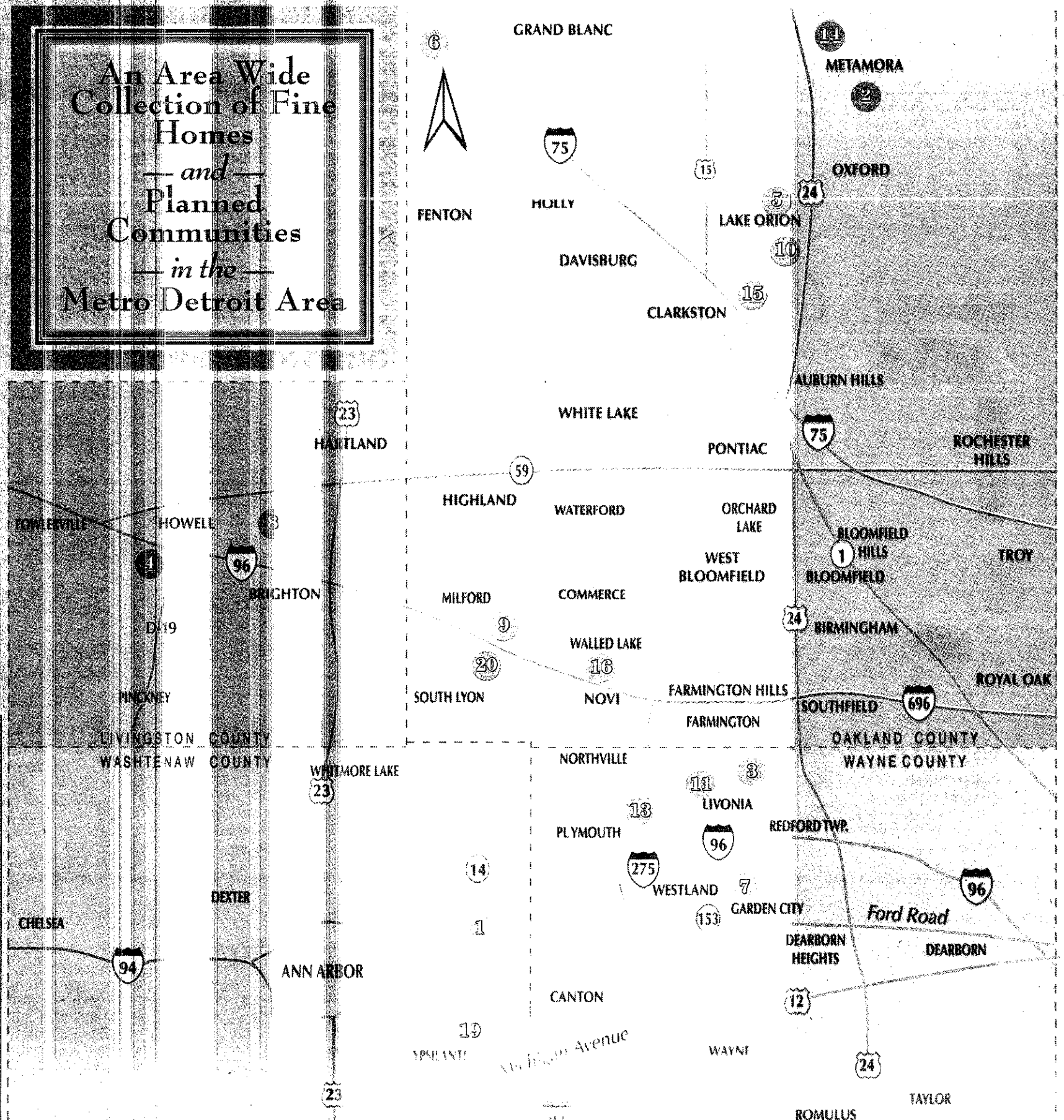
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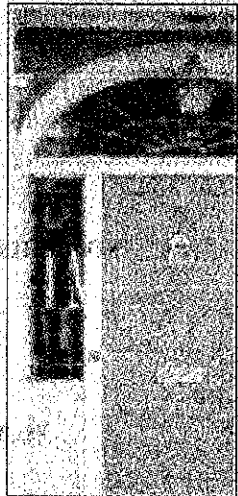
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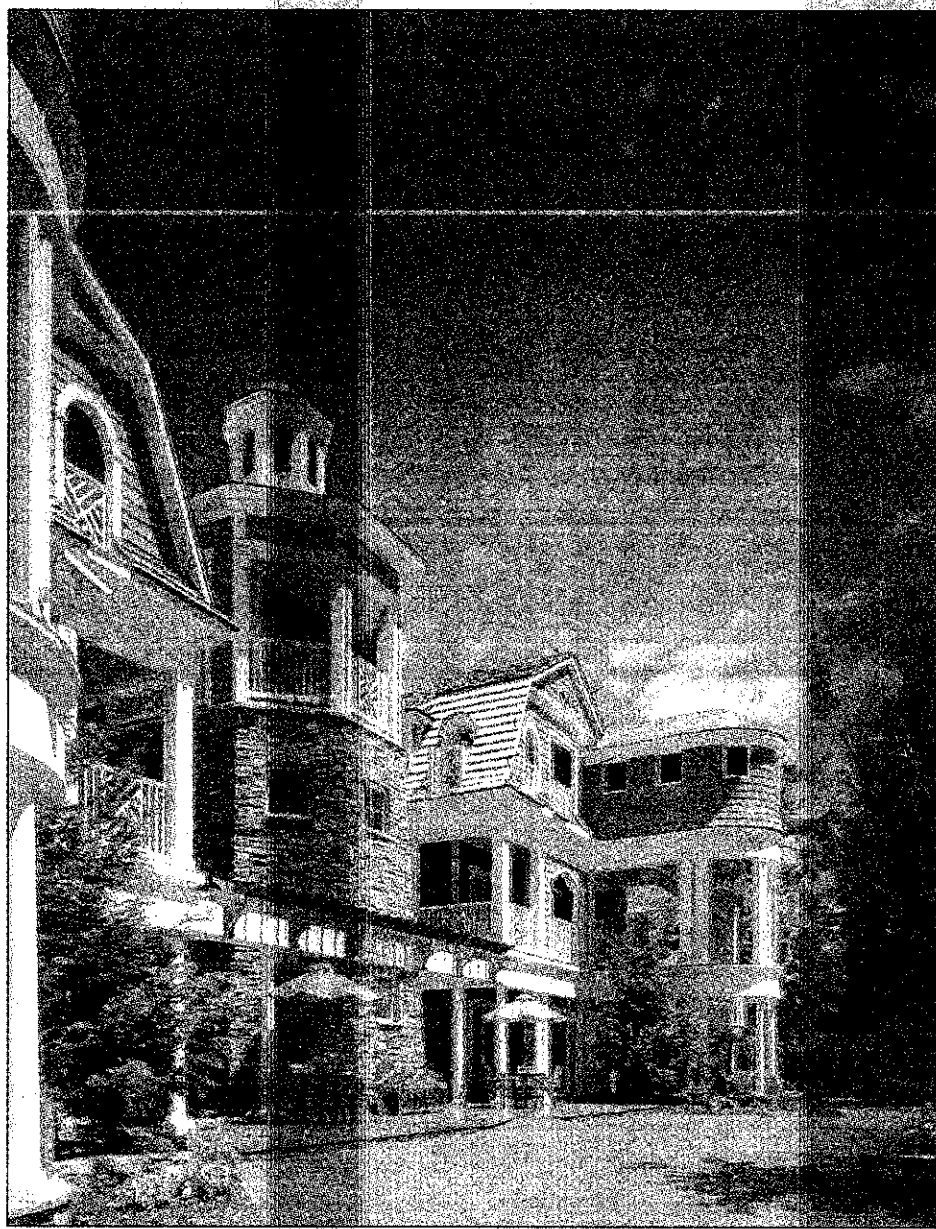
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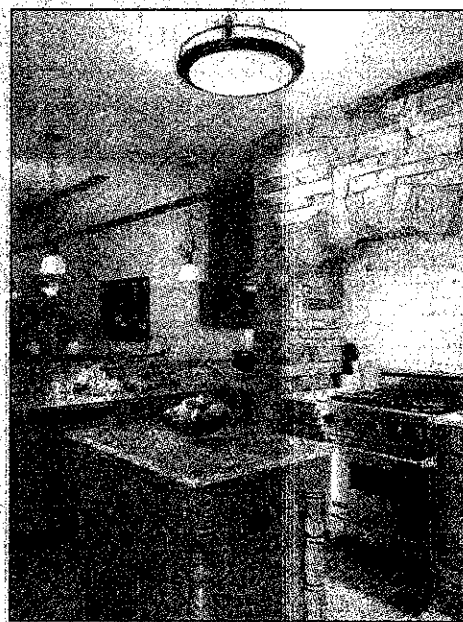
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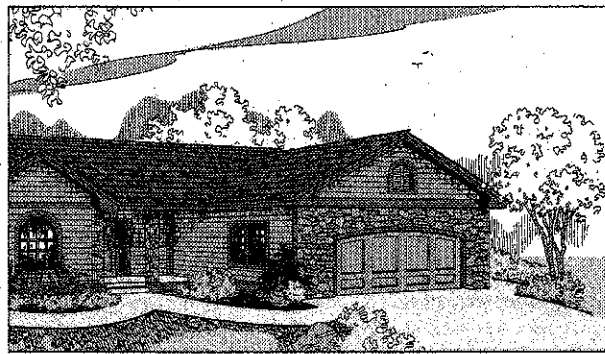
Using beautiful details such as rock around the garage face and on the porch pillars, arched windows and an arched louver above the garage door on the Tani catches the passerby's eye and makes them pause to look. Another wonderful feature of the exterior is the wrap around porch that extends on three sides of this unique home.

Inside the Tani is a huge great room that takes up the center. It has a wood stove on a brick hearth in the left rear corner, with a door that opens onto the covered deck in the rear. Two large windows overlook the backyard and bathe the room in light. The nook and dining room is on the right rear side of the great room.

A "C" shaped kitchen with the eating bar facing the dining room and great room completes the center of this home. It has a double sink, dishwasher, range and over, and the refrigerator spread out in the large counters. A corner walk-in pantry forms a wall for the great room.

Adjacent to the entry is long wall closet for clothes as well as the entry to the utility room. This room contains the washer/dryer, a deep sink, and a storage unit. Stairs to the unfinished 1,873 square foot basement is included inside the utility.

Two bedrooms are stacked down the right side of Tani with an elongated bathroom beside bedroom two. The bathroom has a tub, single sink with shelves overhead, and a linen closet just outside the door. Bedroom three has a wall closet and a large window, while bedroom two also has a built-in desk for the student in the family. Also the built-in desk is great for



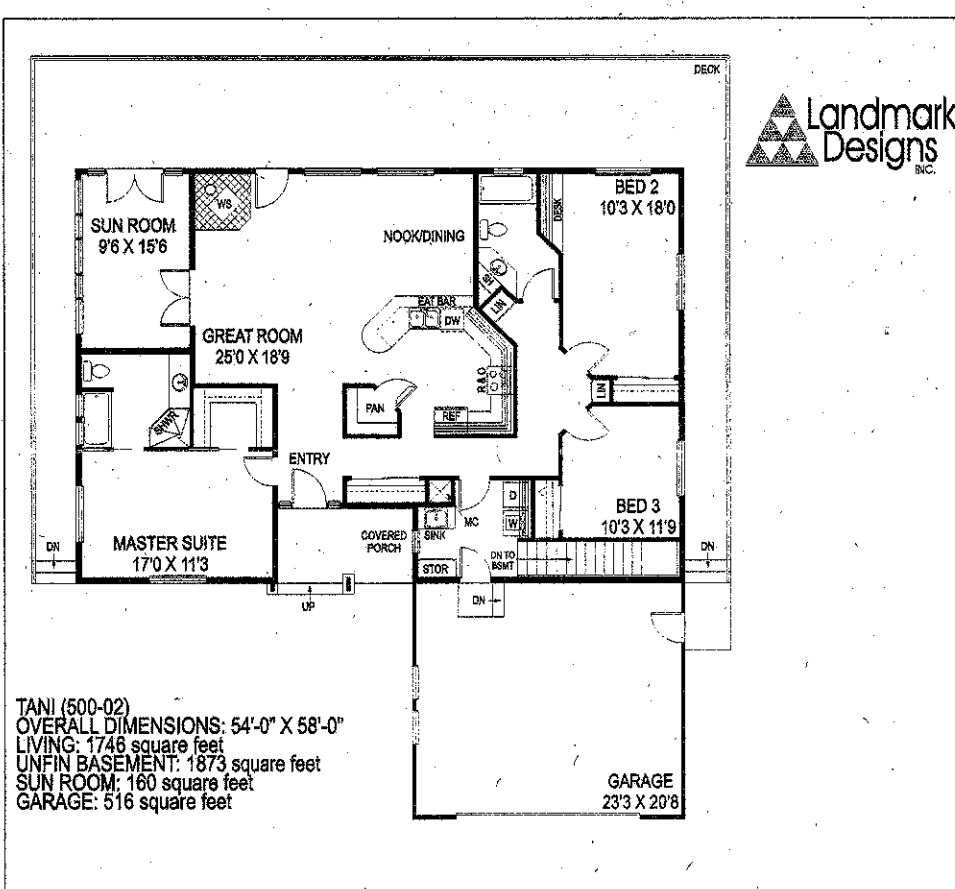
that computer that is invaluable to teens of today.

The left side of the home is the master suite with a sunroom. The master suite has a large corner walk-in closet and an open bathroom with a tub on one side and the sink and shower on the other.

The sunroom can be accessed through French doors off the great room. It is surrounded with windows, making it light and airy. It would be a sensational place for intimate dinners, curled up with a book, or enjoying the day with the family.

The Tani has 1,746 square feet of living space that is open and spacious.

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Well-insulated, efficient homes becoming trend

BY CHARLES SLAT
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From the outside, Jim Mackin's new home looks like one of those typical upscale dwellings in one of the many subdivisions popping up around Monroe County.

On the inside, the half-million-dollar residence has special touches — marble counters, bronze fixtures, high ceilings and slate, tile and hardwood floors.

But it's not the obvious stuff that sets it apart from other homes. It's the stuff that can't be seen. The only visible evidence might be in his utility bills.

Mackin lives in a 5-point Energy Star home — a government-certified, energy-efficient structure that should save him about 30 percent of the utility costs of a similar home that wasn't built with energy sav-

ings in mind.

"It's registered with the EPA as an energy-efficient home," explains Bob Monroe of Monroe Insulation, the Erie firm that insulated the Mackin house.

With costs of natural gas and electricity rising, an energy advantage becomes a selling point.

"The resale value on a home like this is high," Monroe says. "Sales will come quickly."

Mackin can appreciate that. A homebuilder for 15 years, he's started making energy efficiency a mantra for his models. "We're very energy-conscious. One reason is because we're building larger homes," he says.

But his 2,600-square-foot home might be the only one in the county with a 5-point rating. An inch of Styrofoam insulation surrounds the exterior of the foundation. The walls are rated R-17 and the attic, with

12 inches of Nu-Wool cellulose insulation, is rated R-40. All joints are sealed or caulked.

"They seal it up before it's insulated and we put house wrap on the outside," Mackin explains.

Even the garage doors are insulated.

"It's not just the insulation," Monroe says. "It's the whole house. It's how it's put together."

It has a high-efficiency furnace and air conditioning system, an energy-efficient washer and dryer, and Peachtree windows that allow light, but not heat, to pass through. It also has a water storage tank tied to a looped line that provides nearly instant hot water, reducing waste and heating costs.

Ceiling fans are strategically positioned to help circulate heat or cooling air in the rooms with higher ceilings. The ceilings range from 9 to 13

feet.

In the master bathroom, slate floor tile, warmed by ceiling heat lamps, radiates after the lamps are turned off. There is plenty of recessed and accent lighting throughout the home, but these enhancements are affordable given the energy savings elsewhere in the house.

"Some of the lighting is for effect," Mackin says. "We use them judiciously."

Though the energy-saving construction techniques can boost a home's price by 25 percent, there's a payback in lower utility bills.

And as energy costs rise, the payback is faster. Monroe says just insulating the exterior of the foundation walls can save \$200, a payback that will come in a year.

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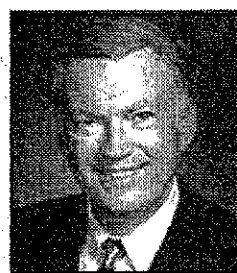
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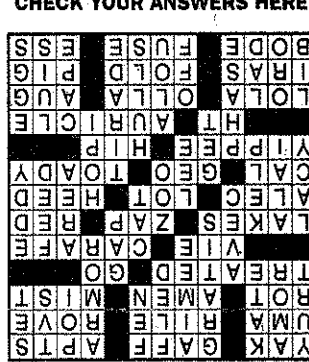
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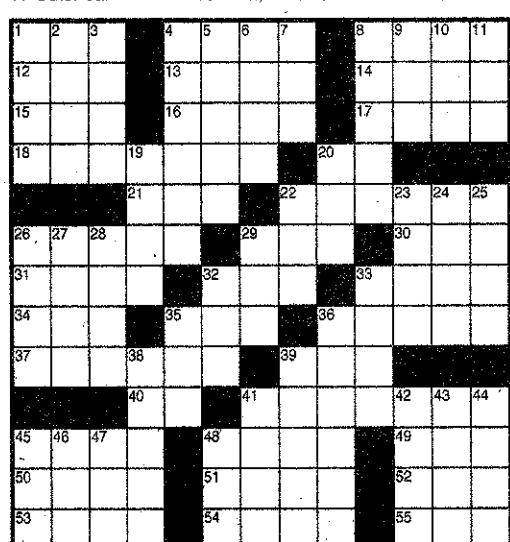
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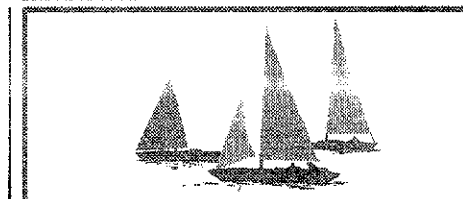
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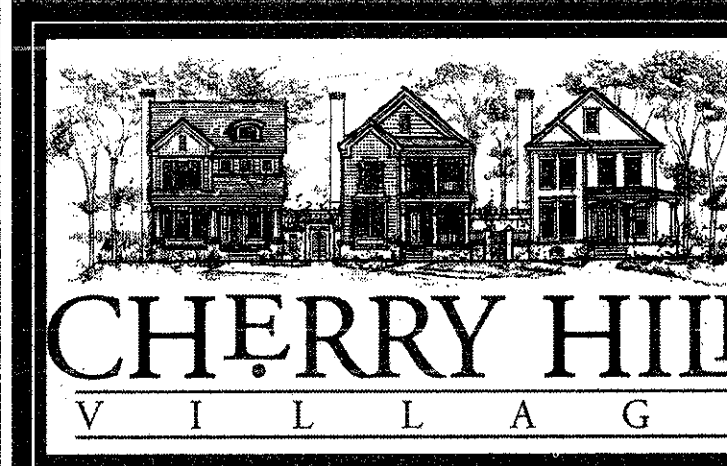
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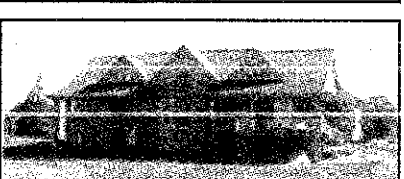
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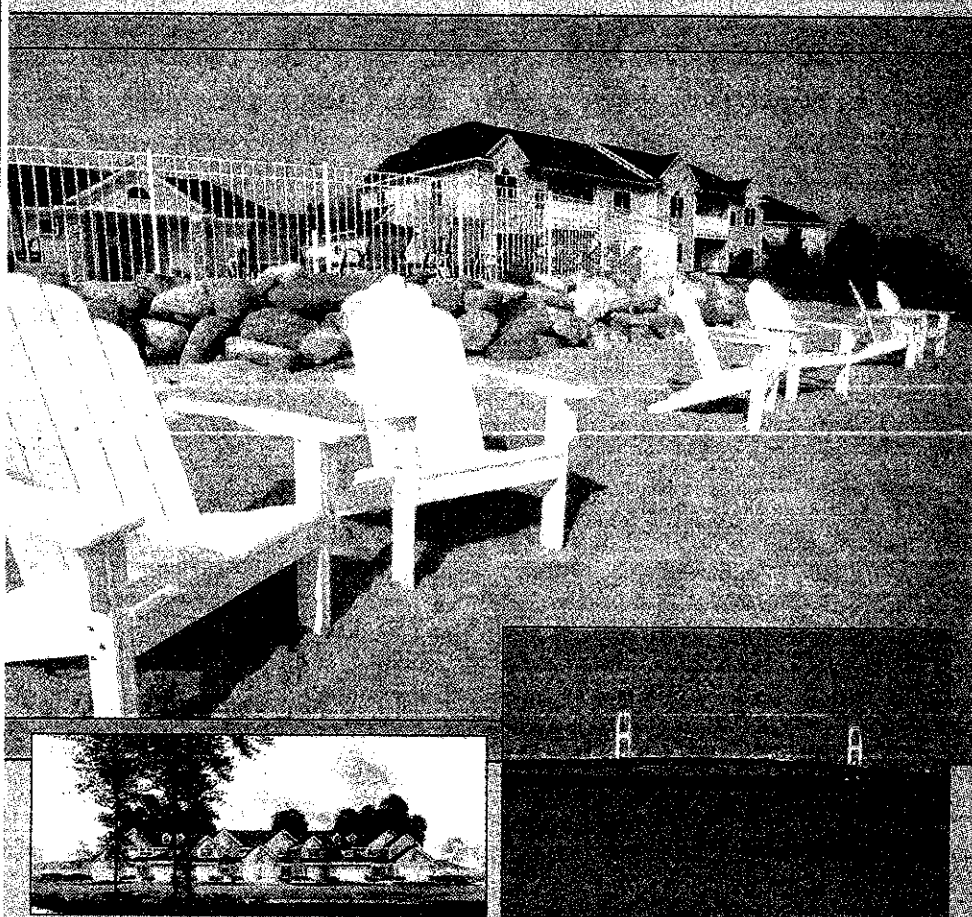
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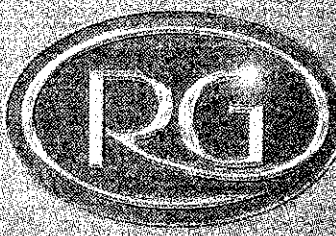


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'Work Force Agility' In \$1+ Billion Companies



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because such companies appear to offer almost infinite opportunity. A recent survey on behalf of the global Convergys Inc., a software development company with 2003 sales of \$2.3 billion and 55,000 employees headquartered in Cincinnati, Oh., reports that companies with revenue above one billion dollars are poorly managed, achieving less than lackluster productivity gains. How can you capitalize on this trend?

Saratoga/PriceWaterhouseCoopers, a research organization in San Jose, Calif., interviewed 13 senior executives on site in as many companies in the United States and Europe to begin the research. Subsequently, it conducted telephone interviews of billion-dollar-plus organizations with, typically, an employee base in excess of 13,000. Interviewees manage the key functions of establishing and implementing strategy for employees. Only 40 percent are in HR, while the remaining 60 percent are split almost evenly by finance and operations executives. Here's what Saratoga finds: -- An overwhelming 62 percent of the executives favor "workforce agility" as a condition of "... (delivering) on... business strategy," while only 16 percent of the group judge their companies as having

such flexibility to reallocate, as needed.

-- Companies maintain that they're overspending at least 10 percent on workers and that these same workforces are producing revenue at only 90 percent capacity. "For a \$10 billion company," the survey reports, "a 10 percent reduction in workforce costs and a 10 percent revenue improvement represents revenue opportunity of more than \$1.25 billion."

-- A full 60 percent of the U.S.

executives believe that employee potential would increase significantly if the current structure of tasks and jobs were replaced with a structure of skills and competencies.

OPPORTUNITY?

Agility is extremely important in companies of all sizes. While Convergys should benefit financially from the findings of the study, it draws attention to a workforce need that many companies have not been able to address. Are companies really ready to consider work from the standpoint of skills rather than accomplishments? During this transition period, can you capitalize on emerging opportunity by presenting yourself to potential employers from two different angles, whether you're on the outside or inside of a behemoth?

Anticipate the trend by developing a skills-based resume in addition to the chronological or combined chronological/functional format you're already using. Identify the skills you'd like to use in your next position. If your list is too long, shorten it by joining related skills, such as

sales/marketing, operations/financial management and project coordination/management.

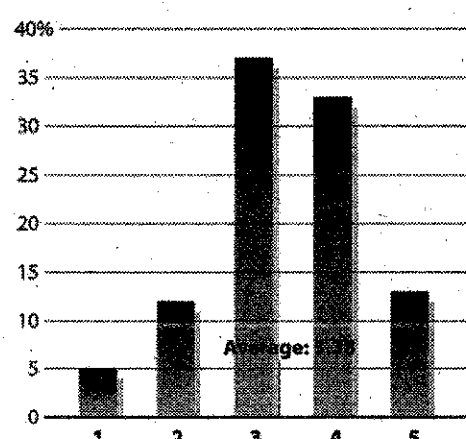
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Do this with each of your skill groupings. Then, showcase your most important skill -- section so that it comes first, down to the least. Add your chronology, which is most likely on your current resume. In one concise sentence, make the objective reflect your skill group and the kinds of results you've achieved. Don't put up roadblocks to a reader's eye. Present information so that it pleases the eye. Invite employers to read from your name down to the end smoothly and dynamically. Use numbers whenever possible.

Many people really don't want to be flexible in their work. You can capitalize on that. Make yourself an agile potential hire or promotable employee by selling your flexibility in conversation, too. When you speak with employers, tell them that you're aware of a trend in some larger companies to increase the ability to respond more quickly to changing business demands.

THE AGILE WORKFORCE

Describe the ability of your company to reallocate people to projects in different lines of business or across business teams. On a scale of 5 with 1 being very flexible and 5 being very rigid.



Only 16% of all executives interviewed in the U.S. and Europe rate their company as flexible.

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Get some information from the inside that reflects this awareness, such as training programs for people developing new skills and teams being redirected to do something unexpected. You shouldn't have to dig too hard to find usable information, but if you do, dig! You are gearing yourself to this particular company. This is your market research. Skipping this step will benefit you as much as standing alone, speaking, in a forest.

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DRIVER - Roll off & flat bed

drivers needed. Exp. preferred. Good wage. Call Mike. 734-777-3469 734-421-0003

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Delivery driver \$8.51/hour. 34 hours a week. Mon-Fri. Apply (8-5pm). Must bring drivers license to: Sherwin Williams Automotive Finishes, 15324 Telegraph Rd. (Just N. of 5 Mile in Redford)

Call Earl at: 1-800-447-5173 x5421

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DRY CLEANERS
Needs afternoon shift supervisor. Up to \$10/hr. Mon-Fri, 11-7pm. Some Saturdays. Must have cleaning, pressing & counter exp. Call Dave at (734) 968-6818.

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For teen health center. Mostly Medicaid, some Blue Cross and Commercial billing for primary care clinic. Small office. Training provided. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at www.canton-mi.org. All applicants must complete a Canton Township application form in its entirety and the form must be received by Canton Township Human Resources Division prior to 4:00 p.m. November 3, 2004. The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer

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Part time position responsibilities include advising prospective and current international students, processing visa related information and admissions information. One to two early evenings required. A bachelor degree and one year of exp. required. Exp. in international business or USCIS regulations preferred. Qualified applicants should send resume with salary requirement included to:
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MAINTENANCE TECH
Needed, Westland apartment community, immediate opening, must have experience in HVAC, plumbing, electrical & prep. Must be available for on-call work. Overtime & benefits included. (734) 455-7100

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Friendly Romulus community looking for a motivated Maintenance Tech & Grounds person, previous knowledge & exp. preferred. Fax resume to: 734-729-2351

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Farmington Hills law firm seeks full time secretary (legal experience preferred, but willing to train right person). Must have 5+ years secretarial experience (strong typing, grammar and organizational skills) and be able to work in a team environment. Competitive salary; benefits available. Please fax resume with salary requirements to:
Attn: Legal Secretary Position
(248) 855-5889

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Help Wanted-General 5000

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Rummage Sale/ Flea Market **7080**

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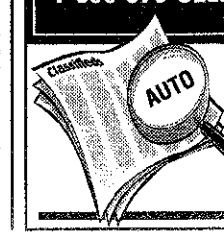
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SWF, 57, 5'4", red curly hair, brown eyes. Enjoys movies, theater, boating, swimming, cooking and time with family. Seeking a SWM, 55-79, who is ambitious, spiritual, successful and fun. Ad#473511

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I'm 5', 105 lbs., 58, romantic, secure SF, seeking a nice-looking male, 5'7" to 6', slim to medium build, who enjoys dancing, golf, live theater and good conversation. Macomb County. Ad#403982

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FRIENDS TO START
SWF, 47, 5'5" attractive, employed, blonde, is seeking SWM, 42-50, for a fun relationship that may lead to more. Ad#473235

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LOOKING FOR ME?
I am a SWM, 28, 5'9", with dark hair/eyes, outgoing and fun to be around. I like playing guitar, fishing and outdoor sports, and am looking to meet an attractive SF, 18-38. Ad#481886

WHO ARE YOU INSIDE?
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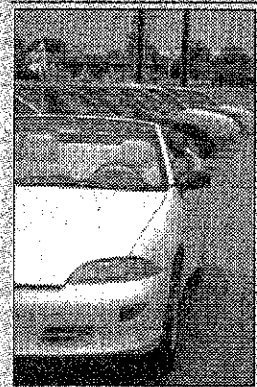
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The Toyota Scion xA is the perfect vehicle for the single guy or gal looking for basic transportation, high mileage and for commuting in the city.

At just a hair over \$13,000, the Scion is a steal. But don't look for rear-seat comfort, any semblance of a cargo area (unless you pop the rear seat down), or any type of creature comforts.

There's an absence of cupholders and pockets for rear seat passengers. It is really tight back there. It just wouldn't do for everyday driving for a family.

But what I did like a lot was the styling, an interior that is smartly positioned and a sedan that was quite fun to drive.

I traveled a good amount in the Scion xA and didn't have that many complaints. I didn't get in the back seat, however. And a trip to the grocery store was a challenge. But this vehicle has a lot of spunk and is extremely comfortable.

You would expect to feel every pebble in the road and that didn't happen. It didn't have the ride of a luxury car, of course, but the ride was incredibly smooth -- even though it's low to the ground and so very small.

The value you get for the money you spend is well worth your trip to the local Toyota dealer. And the mileage was absolutely astounding.

Let's take a look at the outside. The front of the Scion xA is very, very appealing and has a stance that makes it look like it controls the road. There are curves just about everywhere and they flow into one another with fluidity. The rear is boxy, but very stylish and appealing. The rear also has a fifth-door hatch (with a rear-window wiper) that's quite easy to open and close without a struggle.

There are three wheel-cover designs available (five-spoke, six-spoke or six-spoke twist) and a chrome exhaust tip.

Even though the Scion xA is pretty basic, you have a ton of possibilities to personalize it in your own special way, making it as unique and personal as you are.



2005 Toyota Scion xA; Vehicle class: Subcompact. Power: 1.5-liter four-cylinder engine. Mileage: 32 city/37 highway.

On the outside, you can customize the Scion with alloy wheels, wheel locks, rear bumper appliques, rear spoiler, fog lamps, carbon fiber trim pieces, front end mask, tail lamp garnish, mudguards and Toyota Racing Development (TRD) sport parts.

The interior of the xA is not only functional, but quite eye-catching. Up front there are storage bins in the doors, an illuminated translucent storage compartment in the center stack and under-floor storage area.

Instrumentation is all logically laid out, easy to reach and easier to understand. It's basic, too. Speedometer, odometer, trip odometer, and tachometer are all located in the center of the dashboard, making it easy to see without taking your eyes off the road.

In the center instrumentation stack, you'll find heating and cooling controls and the sound system is on top of that, again allowing you to play with controls and volume without your eyes leaving the road. The stereo controls are a bit tiny, but easy to figure out.

Seating is comfortable with sport bucket seats up front and rear seats that are 60/40 split-folding to extend the cargo area to handle more bulky items.

The xA is also equipped quite well for the price of the vehicle. Convenience features like a Pioneer sound system

that's XM satellite radio ready. The system is an AM/FM/CD with three pre-set equalizer settings and MP3 capability.

The standard equipment list on the xA is pretty substantive and includes air conditioning, power windows with one-touch auto down, power door locks, power outside mirrors, rear window defogger, digital clock, cargo area cover, driver's sun visor with mirror, front sport bucket seats, under-floor storage area and tilt steering.

The xA is powered by a 1.5-liter four-cylinder engine with variable valve timing. You'll get 108 horsepower out of this puppy and that means fuel economy that's totally on the mark with 32 mpg in the city and 37 mpg on the highway. A full tank of gas will cost you about \$20 and you're certain to get nearly 275 miles out of the tank. That's a plus, considering how gas prices are skyrocketing through the ceiling.

The engine comes standard with a five-speed manual transmission, but I would opt for the four-speed automatic just for convenience.

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