

THE WEEK AHEAD

Scavenging: The Plymouth Scavenger Hunt, sponsored by the Plymouth Observer and the Downtown Development Authority, continues through April 9./A2

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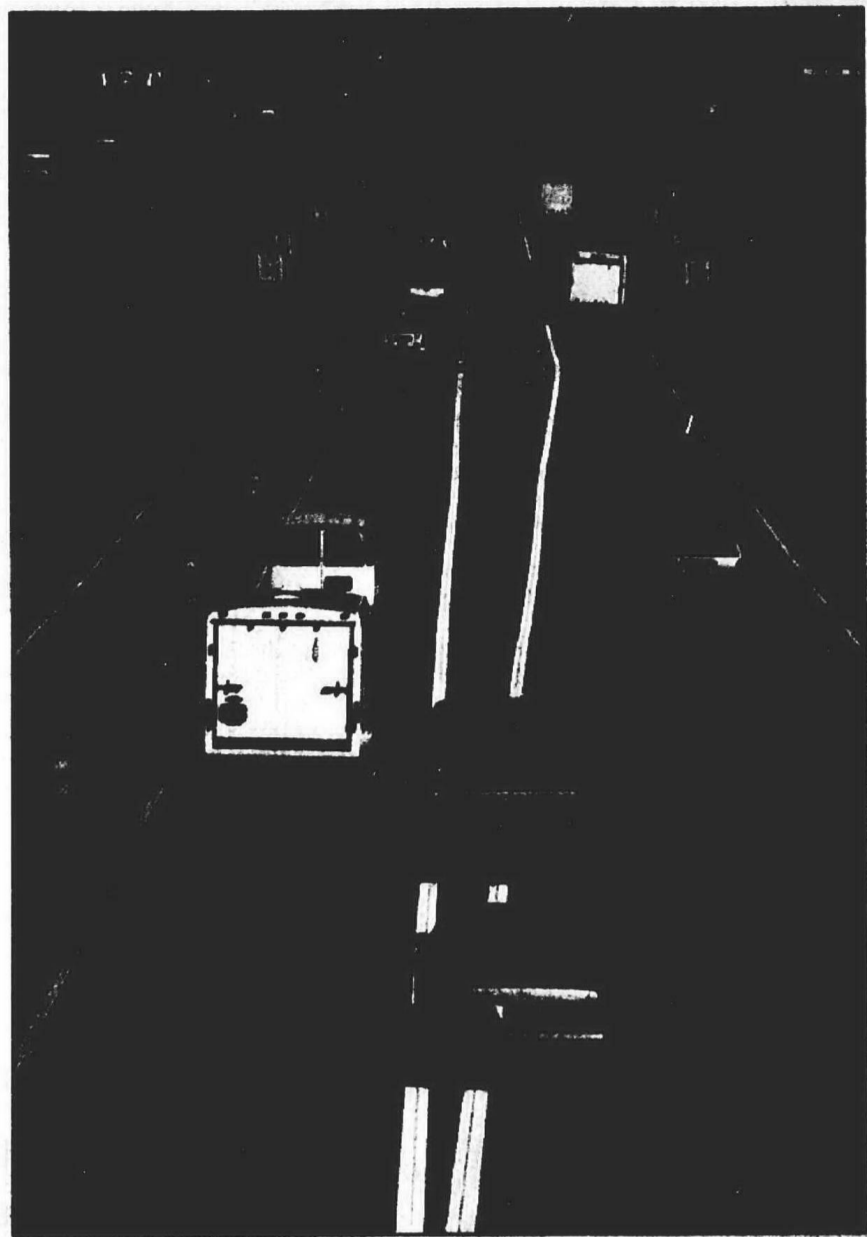
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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL BERNHARDT

Johnson Controls buys Salem property

There are still some development issues to discuss, and Johnson Controls isn't ready to talk timetable yet, but the Plymouth Township-based auto supplier has purchased land for a possible move to Salem Township.

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Officials of Johnson Controls, Plymouth Township's second largest taxpayer, completed their final purchase of 360 acres of land in Salem Township from Real Estate Interest Inc. (REI) Monday.

However, company spokesman Bill Dawson wasn't ready to formally announce an actual move or a timeline Tuesday.

The global company is a major supplier of seating, interior systems, and batteries. It wants to relocate the

three offices on Halyard in Plymouth Township and leased office space on Levan Road in Livonia.

"There's the continuing issue of development," Dawson said. "Buying the land is one step, deciding on a development plan is another. There are other sites we are looking at. Just because we own the land doesn't mean we are developing it. We own a lot of undeveloped land all over the country. We don't have a timetable right now. We need to look at our future needs."

Besides the Salem site, Johnson Controls is looking at locations in

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Commission election field continues to grow

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The plaintiff who has a \$100 million lawsuit pending against the City of Plymouth and several other defendants could be among the candidates vying for one of four seats on the city commission.

Former city commissioner Dennis Shrewsbury picked up nominating petitions Monday afternoon at City Hall for himself and Tom Prose, who is in current litigation with the city.

"I was asked by someone to get petitions for him," said Shrewsbury, who declined to identify the person. "All I'm doing is picking them up."

Prose said he heard someone was taking out petitions in his name, and suggested Shrewsbury was one of a group of people who wants to see him on the commission.

"There is a group that wants to see me run," he said. "I'm not asking for it."

When asked if he would seek elec-

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Artful donors

Auction patrons turn out, checkbooks in hand

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People in the arts community are generally known for their creativity and imagination. But never in their wildest dreams could the folks at the Plymouth Community Arts Council imagined an evening as successful as they hailed Saturday's annual dinner-auction as being.

Nearly 450 people showed up at St. John's Golf and Conference Center for the event, the PCAC's biggest fundraiser of the year. The auction raised in the ballpark of \$40,000, though that figure is unofficial while PCAC officials sift through memberships and additional donations.

"It was awesome, incredible," said Jennifer Tobin, the PCAC's executive director. "It's a fantastic party, and people get all excited about it. We've built a reputation, and people know they're going to have a good time."

The attendance particularly surprised Tobin, who said groups generally expect roughly 10 percent of the people who buy tickets not to show up, for a variety of reasons. But Saturday's event saw all but six of the 450 packets given to ticket-holders picked up.

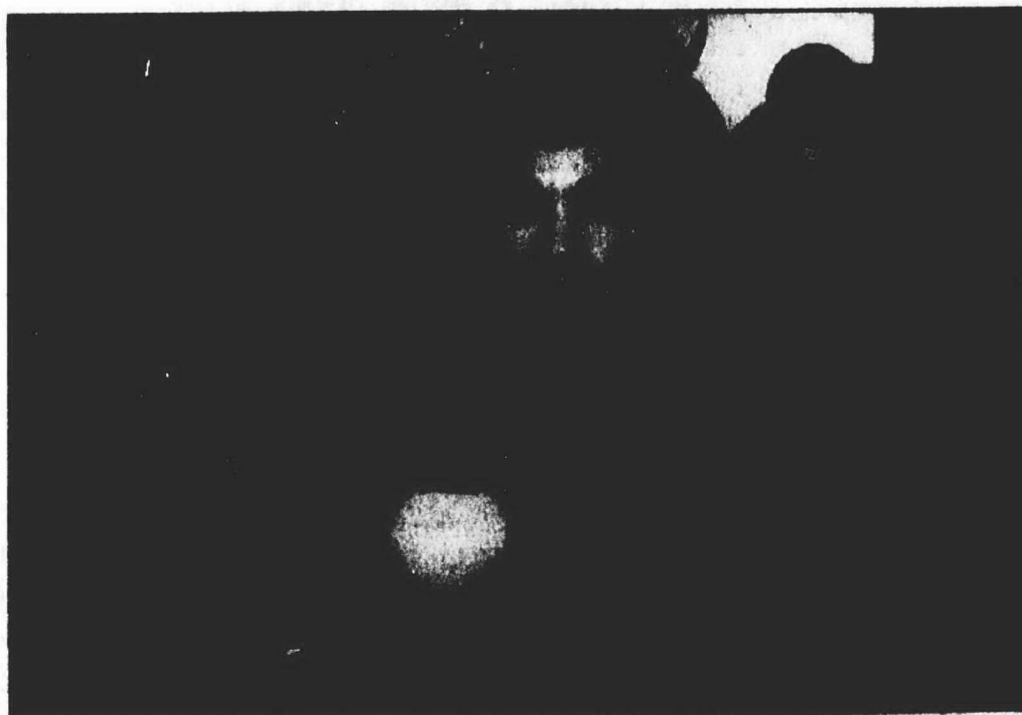
Items up for the live auction, emceed by WDET radio personality Matt Watroba, ranged from a helicopter ride to a week's getaway in South Haven, a trip to Disneyworld and a hockey jersey signed by Detroit Red Wing Chris Chelios.

Silent auction items included such things as various pieces of art, jewelry, pottery, a day at a spa and sympho-

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Greetings: Jo Winkelman Hulce, center, chats with David and Paulette Groen of Northville.



Looking ahead: "The Sorceress," aka Susie Grow of Saline, was on the prowl offering a look into one's future via her crystal eyeball and help buyers determine if they'd get what they wanted at Saturday's Plymouth Community Arts Council dinner-auction.

Boundaries OKd; committee suggests more schools

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As Plymouth-Canton Schools enjoys its first year at Discovery Middle School, aims to open Dodson Elementary in August, and has long-range plans to open Plymouth High School in August 2002, there is already talk of building another elementary school in Canton to address future growth.

The district's Housing and Facilities Committee, which just completed elementary school boundary changes for the upcoming school year, is recommending the administration and trustees address the growth "to confirm the need for additional elementary buildings and that the Board move forward with the bond planning process for additional elementary space. We recommend that the Board review

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Marcy Staley
—Committee member

their property holdings for a new location to accommodate future growth areas in the district." The immediate future

growth is expected to come from Canton's southwest side, where a number of new and proposed subdivisions are planned, putting the squeeze on already-bulging elementary buildings, including the yet-to-be opened Dodson.

"We're at capacity in some buildings, and we're especially concerned about the school at The Heights subdivision and Cherry Hill Village," said Staley.

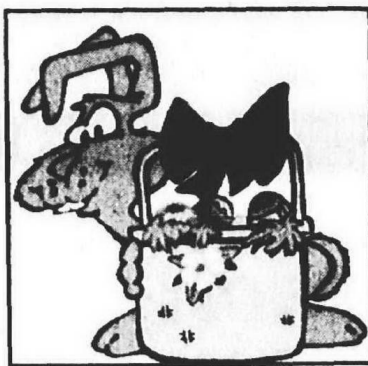
district's Housing and Facilities Committee. "It's a puzzle, and it's hard to apply numbers we don't have yet. Until we get ahead of the growth curve it will be difficult to assess."

Staley said the committee is suggesting the district look at one additional elementary school "for the time being," and that trustees "look for more property" to expand growth areas.

Scavengers get into hunt

In Plymouth, there are certain ways to tell spring has arrived. The weather starts getting a little better, the birds start singing ... and it's time for the annual Spring Scavenger Hunt.

The centerpiece of the hunt, being sponsored by the Downtown Development Authority and the Plymouth Observer, once again is the colorful posters adorning the windows of participating downtown businesses. Participants have to match the pictures on the posters to corresponding entries on the contest entry form. Entries with the most correct answers will be put into a drawing for a Grand Prize Easter Basket and one of three runner-up baskets.



The baskets will be filled with goodies donated courtesy of downtown businesses Frameworks, Gabriela's, Muriel's Doll House, Native West and side-ways.

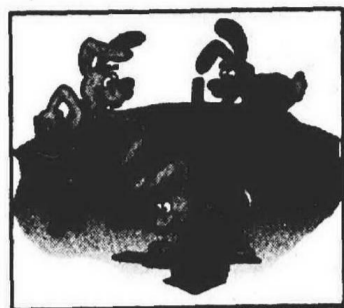
"It's a lot of fun, and it gets folks to walk around downtown," said DDA Director Melanie Purcell. "It'll be fun to see who finds all the hints the Easter Bunny left around downtown Plymouth, because he knows downtown Plymouth is the place to be."

The hunt began Saturday, March 31, with entry forms being available in downtown stores and at the Plymouth Observer office, 794 S. Main. Contest forms must be returned by April 9, and can be returned

to marked boxes at the DDA (831 Penniman Ave.), Plymouth Chamber of Commerce (386 S. Main), Plymouth City Hall (201 S. Main) and the Plymouth District Library (223 S. Main).

"The Observer is pleased to partner with the DDA and local businesses to co-sponsor the scavenger hunt," said Susan Rosiek, publisher of seven Observer newspapers, including the Plymouth Observer. "The colorful posters in some 41 local stores are sure signs that spring is here. As your local community newspaper, we are proud to be involved in such a unique community event."

For more information on the contest, call Purcell at the DDA, 455-1453.



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Easter Bunny

The Easter bunny makes his return to Kellogg Park this weekend.

The bunny will be in his hutch on Main Street from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. He will be available for pictures for a \$5 fee. Proceeds go to benefit children in Plymouth through the Plymouth Rotary-A.M. Club's charities.

The Rotary is also raffling a Camaro go-cart, which will be on display. The raffle will take place June 5 during the club's fourth annual golf outing.

T-ball registration

The City of Plymouth Recreation Division will register players for the 5 & 6 year old T-ball league from Monday through April 20. Players must be born between July 1994 and July 1996.

Registration will be at the recreation office at the Cultural Center during office hours from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Birth certificate is required. The season runs seven weeks, from June 23 through Aug. 11.

For more information, call 455-6620, or go on the Web at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

Hall of Fame

Tickets are going quickly, so Plymouth Chamber of Commerce officials are urging anyone who wants to attend the

PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

2001 Plymouth Hall of Fame banquet, set for April 10 at Plymouth Manor.

Tickets are available for \$20 apiece and are available at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, 386 S. Main St. downtown.

Judge James Garber and the late Robert Sincok, father of new city manager Paul Sincok, are the 2001 inductees.

For more information, call the Plymouth chamber, 453-1540.

Egg hunt

The Plymouth Canton Jaycees sponsor an Easter egg hunt at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 14, at the Plymouth Township Park softball field. The egg is open to hunters ages 3-under, 4-6, 7-10 and 11-and-older. Pictures with the Easter bunny will be available for a fee. In case of bad weather, call the Jaycees' hot line, (734) 453-8407 the morning of the event.

Historical society

The Plymouth Historical Society will hold its April meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 12 at Plymouth's Box Bar. Peter Blum, former technical

researcher and historian for the Stroh Brewery, will present "Brewed in Detroit," a history of the Motor City's beer industry. Blum's book will also be on sale and will be autographed at that time.

The program features a slide show and a beer tasting. There is a \$5 fee for evening. The program is open to the public. For information, please call (734) 455-8940.

ACES meetings

ACES (the Association for Children for Enforcement of Support) has gained a new chapter. Organized by Heather Wake, who experienced difficulties getting support for three years, the chapter met for the first time Monday at the Plymouth District Library.

The next meeting is set for May 15 in the library's Gold Room. Thereafter, monthly meetings will be conducted from 7 to 8 p.m. on the first Monday of the month.

ACES is the largest non-profit child support organization in the nation, teaching single parents how to successfully collect child support due their children.

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Resolution addresses potential geese problems

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Plymouth Township officials recently adopted a resolution that may help stem some complaints from Andover Lakes subdivision residents about Canada geese in subdivision ponds.

The action comes after the Department of Environmental Quality recommended the residents ask that the Township adopt such a resolution which is similar to one Bloomfield Township adopted in March 2000.

The Plymouth Township resolution approves the MDEQ 2001

Canadian geese program which can entail egg or goose removal. The resolution is just one step in the process, according to Greg Soulliere, a DNR waterfowl specialist.

"A permit and training course is next," Soulliere said.

Some residents find it more expeditious to persuade a community to pass a resolution than to obtain the needed percentage of signatures required from their homeowners group members, Soulliere said.

Timothy Beesley, president of the Andover Lakes Homeowner's Association, wrote Jim Anulewicz, department of public services director, March 1 about what he called an overpopulation of geese in the community. Beesley couldn't be reached for comment.

"It (the resolution) will permit any of the associations who are having problems to work with the DEQ," Anulewicz said.

However, Anulewicz told the Plymouth Township board March 27 that the township has no geese problem. He added he hadn't done much research into geese regulations.

"We are controlling our geese population," Anulewicz said. "We

What's good for the goose ...

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We can live in harmony with Canada geese if we apply humane stewardship practices.

That's the opinion of the Humane Society of the United States and the Department of Natural Resources, who provide tips for habitat modification and natural landscaping techniques to reduce the goose population.

Tips include:
■ Don't feed the geese.
■ Border your yard with string or fencing. This will only work on areas where geese are walking not flying onto the property. Reduce or

impede access to foraging areas from water or air.

■ Apply repellent to your lawn Rejex-it is a repellent made from grape extract. Some geese will not eat grass treated with this product. Rejex-it is available at 1-800-HAD-BIRD.

■ Train dogs to scare off geese.

■ In small areas mylar helium balloons can dissuade birds.
For more information call Julie Oakes, DNR wildlife biologist at (248) 328-8113. There is a training session for new participants in DNR programs 2-3:30 p.m. and 7-8:30 p.m. April 9 at the Novi Civic Center.

are successful at township park. We have utilized the bang system. We have a ranger who goes out and has a pistol he fires. When the geese see that uniform coming, they go. We had, at one time, a substantial population. We don't have a geese problem."

Treasurer Ron Edwards asked if the gun used at the park was used at Andover Lakes and if they ran into problems.

"That may have been the situation," Anulewicz said. "I think someone complained or indicated that they didn't have the proper authority to do it and DEQ got involved. This is an easy fix to the problem. This simply gives them the authority. It is not a program that the township is starting."

Residents are on their own to hire a contractor or whatever method they choose, said trustee Chuck Curmi. "This simply provides them the umbrella. They pay someone, and don't violate the law."



Wayne County's Wayne Perkins, president of Helppours, Inc., and Plymouth Adult Day Care Center, was the guest speaker at Friday's Plymouth Noon Rotary Club meeting. He introduced pictures of the renovated center, which is supported by Wayne County. A former college instructor, Perkins has a master's degree in developmental psychology and has long spoken about working with Alzheimer's and related demential clients.

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OBITUARIES

ROBERT E. PALENCHAR

Services for Robert E. Palenchar, 79, of Glen Ellyn, Ill. (formerly of Northville), were held April 2 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Tom Lumpkin officiating.

Mr. Palenchar was born April 8, 1922, in Detroit and died April 1 in Plymouth. He was a retired executive for Esmark Corporation in Chicago. He moved to the Illinois community in 1967 from Northville. He owned thoroughbred horses, which he raced. He belonged to the T.O.B.A. (Thoroughbred Breed-

ers Association). He loved to golf and belonged to the Glen Golf Club in Glen Ellyn, Ill., and the Evergreen Golf Club in Palm City, Fla.

He graduated from Notre Dame and attended the University of Michigan Law School. He was on the Arts and Letters Council at Notre Dame. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend.

Survivors include wife, Ethel of Glen Ellyn, Ill.; children, Patricia Atchinson of Plymouth and James (Lizabeth) Palenchar

of Denver, Colo.; grandchildren, Douglas (Pam) Atchinson of San-taynez, Calif., Susan (Matthew) Lohman of Avondale Estates, Ga., Ethan Palenchar of Denver and Nora Palenchar of Denver; and great-grandson, Daniel Atchinson.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Tom Lumpkin Day House, Manna Meals, 2650 Trumbull, Detroit, MI 48216.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

CATHERINE M. PRINCE

Services for Catherine M. Prince, 55, of Canton, who

passed away on March 31, were held at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Garden City.

Survivors include her husband, Gary Sands; children, John Prince and Julie Tyrna; mother, Margaret Moran; and brothers, Patrick and Robert Moran.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Catherine M. Prince Cancer Relief Endowment Fund - Dept. of Philanthropy - One Ford Place-5A, Detroit, MI 48202.

Arrangements made by R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home.

PHYLLIS M. HALSTEAD

Services for Phyllis M. Halstead, 76, of Plymouth will be held April 7 at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Plymouth with the Rev. William Moore officiating. Burial is a private service at Oak Grove Cemetery in Milford.

Mrs. Halstead was born March 5, 1925, in Farmington and died April 2 in Ann Arbor. She lived in the Plymouth community all her life. She was employed with Michigan Bell for 36 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Cleveland Hal-

stead. Survivors include daughter, Aileen Halstead of Plymouth; grandchildren, Jenna Cameron and Jeremy Burcham of Plymouth; sister, Marjorie (Hancock) Steianoff of Central Lake; and brothers, Thomas Hancock of Sun City, Ariz., and John Hancock of Lewiston.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Arber Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-0044.

Arrangements made by Cast-erline Funeral Home.

LIBRARY'S CARD

The Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, offers programs for the Plymouth community. The following events are scheduled for April:

■ **Great Books, Mondays, April 16 and 30, 7:15 p.m.** — Great Books is open to anyone who is curious and willing to work with others in developing an understanding and appreciation of great literature. Meetings will continue on alternate Mondays through May. Contact Karen Berrie, (734) 453-2454.

■ **Your Poetry Group, Sunday, April 8, 1:30 p.m.** — Bring your own or others' poetry to read aloud; very short stories are also welcome. Reader's discretion is asked in the language of the works read. Contact Don Hewlett, (313) 272-3548, or don-hewlett@aol.com.

■ **Plymouth Writer's Club, Thursdays, April 12 and 26, 7 p.m.** — Writers of all ages are invited to join others to share their work in a friendly group setting. Contact Brian Anderson, (734) 416-0418.

■ **Astronomy Discussion Group, Monday, April 16, 7 p.m.** — Intended for ages 6 and older, participants in this group share ideas and questions on space. Contact Mike Best, (734) 453-2378, or mbest12345@aol.com.

■ **Contemporary Books Discussion Group, Wednesday, April 11, 7:30 p.m.** — Copies of this month's selected title, Amsterdam by Ian McEwan, are available at the check-out desk. Contact Darlene Ursel at the library, (734) 453-0750.

■ **How to Lead a Book Discussion (Like a Pro), Wednesday, April 18, 7 p.m.** — Virginia Law Burns, Michigan author and publisher, will join library staff to present a program for anyone wanting to start a new book discussion group, participate more actively in one, or revitalize a "tired" one. Both leaders and members of book discussion groups are welcome. Light refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library, sponsors of the program. Register at the Reader's Advisory Desk or by phone, (734) 453-0750, press 4.

Teen events

■ **Teen Advisory Board, Saturdays, April 14 & 28, 11 a.m. to noon** — Teens, 12 to 18 years old, are invited to share ideas for the Teen Summer Reading Program. Refreshments will be provided. No registration is necessary.

■ **Make & Take Crafts** — Join us Monday, April 9 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. to create your own jewelry. All supplies included. Advance registration is required at the Reader's Advisory Desk or by phone, (734) 453-0750, press 4. Attendance limited to first 12 teens.

Youth events

■ **National Library Week Celebration, Saturday, April 7, 2 p.m.** — Chris Clark's original Punch and Judy puppet show will perform for children aged 3 to 12 years and their families. Registration is required at the Reader's Advisory Desk, or by phone, (734) 453-0750, press 4.

■ **Lap Sit Storytime, Monday, April 9, 9:30 p.m.** — A 15-minute song-and-rhyme time for babies 6 to 24 months old and their caregivers only, lap sit storytime is limited to 15 children per session. Register at the Reader's Advisory Desk.

■ **April Showers, Tuesday, April 17, 2 p.m.** — The arrival of spring will be welcomed during a fun afternoon of music, crafts and games for children aged 6 to 12 years. Begins beginning April 10 at the Reader's Advisory Desk. (734) 453-0750, press 4.

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Quiz Bowl team goes to Vanderbilt to provide answers

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They're sometimes known as the geeks in the halls of Salem and Canton high schools.

For fun they read encyclopedias and almanacs, and they're proud of it.

And, despite earning trophies and letters for a high school jacket, these students aren't interested in showing off their hardware, preferring to perform in anonymity.

The students of the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Quiz

Bowl team are on information overload. And they need to be because they compete against schools throughout Michigan and the nation on subject matter dealing from Socrates to Mark McGwire. In fact, the Quiz Bowl team representing Salem and Canton high schools traveled this weekend to Vanderbilt University, facing 48 teams from all across the United States to see who has the best knowledge and memory skills.

It's been a good season as the PCEP team has taken second or third in every local tournament this season while competing

against 25 other teams.

"It takes dedication," said Kurt Sarsfield, 18, of Canton. "You have to study if you want to be good. You can't just get good automatically."

"I read encyclopedias, articles on the Internet, whatever I can get my hands on," added Sarsfield, who admits that literature is his favorite subject.

In fact, not everyone on the Quiz Bowl team knows a lot about every subject. Students have their expertise and are ready to buzz in with the correct answers, not unlike watching Jeopardy on television.

"Some people do well with science and math questions, other people do well on others, like sports," added Rob Dean, 17, of Plymouth Township. "Our team is well-rounded, so we don't have to focus on one subject as much as other teams."

A Quiz Bowl team has four players participating at a time, who can rotate with other teammates waiting in the wings, trying to out-guess what subject

materials will be asked in each session. One game consists of about 60 questions, and sometimes teams are in competition from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

"It's not an athletic activity, but you feel mentally drained when you're done," said Nicholas Rizzi, 17, of Canton.

For Quiz Bowl members, it's the challenge of using a good memory and recall skills to win that's the driving force.

"There's this unexplainable love for trivia games that we all share," said Phil Boileau, 17, of Canton, who has been competing since sixth grade. "It's the reason we like to watch Jeopardy and play Trivial Pursuit."

The Quiz Bowl teams get little respect from fellow students, and sometimes they are even teased.

"I just laugh at them ... that's what keeps me going," said Sarsfield. "It helps put all the things you know in perspective ... it's random knowledge that can help you in the future."



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HUBSCHMAN
Quiz show: P-CEP's Quiz Bowl varsity includes (standing, left) Thomas Edwards, 17, of Plymouth and Yibo Ling, 18, of Canton, and, seated from left, Matt Laser, 17, of Canton; Rob Dean, 17, of Plymouth; Kurt Sarsfield, 18, of Canton and Nicholas Rizzi, 17, of Canton.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HUBSCHMAN
Good answers: The junior varsity Quiz Bowl team consists of, from left, Doug Nicholas, 16, of Plymouth; Bob Keith, 16, of Canton; Lee Dreppf, 16, of Canton; Julie Darow, 15, of Canton, and Ping Zhu, 16, of Canton.

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Vicki Bonner, coordinator of the Salem Career Resource Center, presented tips on creating and developing a career center at a recent conference at Marygrove College, entitled "Tools for Professional Counselors in Urban Areas." Bonner has participated in other conferences, as well, representing Plymouth-Canton Schools in both Traverse City and Pittsburgh, Pa.

Bonner frequently hosts visitors from around the state of Michigan who are interested in

providing career awareness information for high school class selection as well as post-high school planning.

In cooperation with the counseling departments at the high schools, the Career Resource Centers offer students the opportunity to take interest inventories, explore careers, schedule job shadowing experiences with community sponsors and write resumes. Bonner is also instrumental in assisting teachers with finding local people interested in sharing their areas of expertise with students.

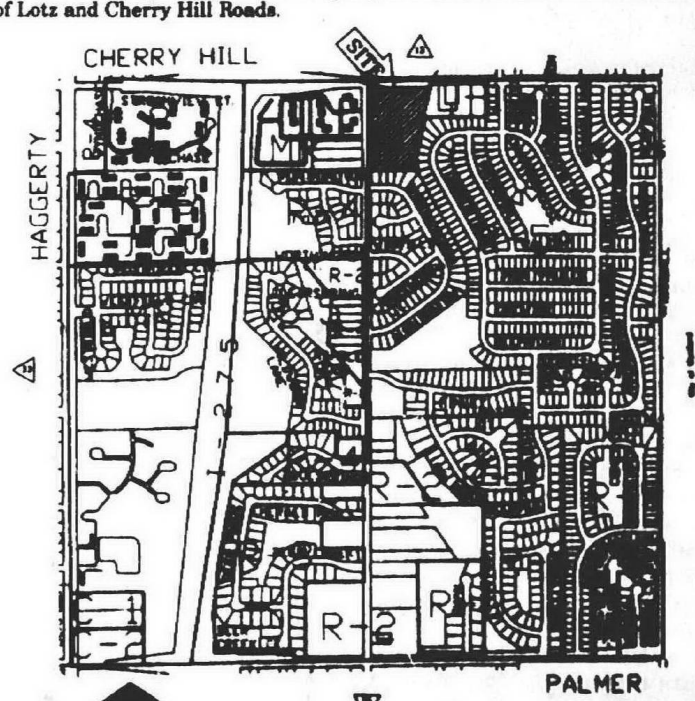
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 1969 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, May 7, 2001 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

JSE DEVELOPMENT FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (4 D.U./ACRE) TO LOCAL SHOPPING FOR PARCEL NO. 093 99 0008 008 AND THE NORTH 175 FEET OF PARCEL NO. 093 99 0008 007; AND TO HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (UP TO 12 D.U./ACRE) FOR THE REMAINDER OF PARCEL NO. 093 99 0008 007. Property is located on the southeast corner of Lotz and Cherry Hill Roads.



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ZONING MAP SECTION 24

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Woman walks hard in mom's memory

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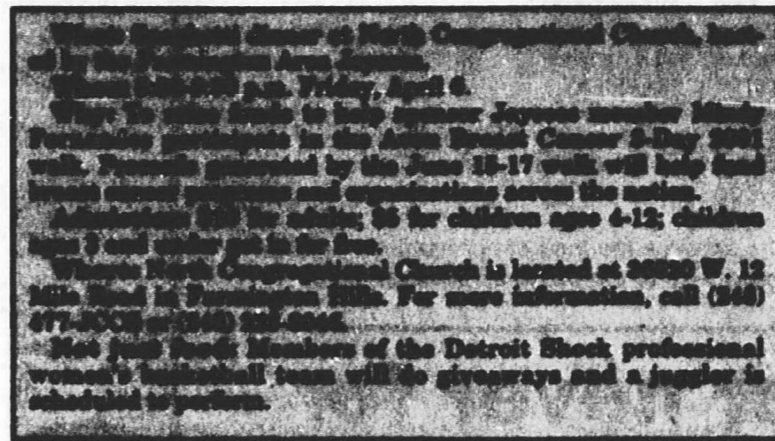
Every day, Mindy Fernandes depulps the Avon Breast Cancer 3-Day T-shirt over her head. She dons sweats and walking shoes. Then, she sets out to walk anywhere from seven-to-14 miles around nearby Walled Lake.

Fernandes undoubtedly pauses to think about the reason for such vigorous and excruciating training: Her mom, Jayne Bowen, died last Oct. 29 after a long battle with breast cancer.

"She battled it for 12 years," said Mindy, taking an unexpected break from training due to the particularly cold late March morning. "I was very proud of her."

Soon after Bowen's death, Mindy began training for the June 15-17 Avon Products Foundation-sponsored walk - a 60-mile trek from Kenosha, Wis., to Chicago. A subsequent bout with heel spurs slowed her progress until January. But now she is building up her body and resolve in anticipation of the big weekend. She's up to a walking pace of 3.5 miles per hour.

"When I was going through my heel spurs, I was really nervous that I wouldn't be able to finish," Fernandes said. "But they told me they have these sweep vans that can pick me up. ... But I want to walk into that stadium



Mindy Fernandes

at the very end."

Pledging to help

The daily walking regimen is only part of what she has to do in order to help raise money for breast cancer awareness programs, organizations and research efforts. The stack of envelopes on her coffee table is a reminder that Fernandes also must keep soliciting all-important pledge money. She needs to raise at least \$1,900 in pledges to join the ranks of 3,000 walkers from the Midwest.

(Those efforts are certain to be helped by the Farmington Area Jaycees, of which she is a member. The Jaycees are hosting a spaghetti dinner to help her raise the minimum; the dinner is from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, April

6, at North Congregational Church in Farmington Hills.)

According to the 36-year-old Fernandes, who recently moved to Walled Lake with her husband, Greg, signing up for the Avon 3-Day walk is her way of carrying on her mom's legacy.

"When she had her mastectomy in '88, they told her she'd only live five years," Fernandes continued. "But they didn't know her very well. She was a stubborn Hollander."

Bowen's courage extended to assembling information on breast cancer to supply hospitals and support groups, as well as organizing regular walk-a-thons to further the cause.

"She had someone walking in her name every year this has

been going on," said Mindy, adding that this year is merely her turn.

Mission work

But, the way Fernandes spouted off American Cancer Society statistics about the disease indicates she is taking her new caretaker status seriously.

For example, one out of every nine American women is at risk to contract breast cancer, the leading cause of death for women ages 40-55. This year, about 180,000 women will be diagnosed and 40,000 will die.

"Every woman and a percentage of men are at risk," she noted.

The flip side is, in part because of awareness-building efforts such as the Avon 3-Day Walk, there are about 2 million breast cancer survivors in the United States.

"I'm just glad the Jaycees are sponsoring me on this," Fernandes said. "It's a real blessing for me. But my mom was amazing. She had 14 chemo and yet she always kept a positive attitude."

Mindy now wants to literally lay down some tracks to keep Bowen's mission alive, to "make sure people are aware and can avoid this whole thing."

And she's not referring to heel spurs.

Zoo becomes Bunnyville

Once again thousands of children will hop to the Detroit Zoo for Bunnyville 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 14, for egg-citing Easter fun. Admission is one canned food item per person benefiting Gleaners Food Bank.

Children will enjoy meeting some of their favorite characters, laugh with Nickelodeon's 'Rugrats' and enjoy a special performance with Mark Thomas

and Max the Moose at 1 p.m. Most importantly, the Easter Bunny will be available for pictures. The photo price in \$5 with proceeds going to Gleaners Food Bank. Each child under 12 will also receive a goodie bag filled with treats, coloring books and bunny ears.

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It's now or never for school board hopefuls

If you're thinking about running for the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education, we've got some good news and some bad news for you.

The bad news is, you've only got until Monday to file a petition.

On the other hand, the good news comes in waves: 1. Last year, only 2,906 people voted, which means you might not need many votes to win; 2. You don't need many signatures (20) on your petitions; 3. You'll practically be in a class by yourself, because to date only four people have pulled petitions (only one had turned them in at press time); and 4. There's no incumbent to deal with.

A year ago, five candidates ran for two open positions, including incumbents Judy Mardigan and Elizabeth Givens. Not unpredictably, the incumbents won the spots, although challenger Carl Battishill, a former teacher in the district, gave them a run for their money.

This year incumbency won't be a problem. There's just the one open spot, and it's current inhabitant, Roland Thomas, has decided against seeking re-election.

Candidates for a school board should be genuinely interested in and committed to public education and be motivated by a desire to serve the community.

It is important to have challengers run for open school board seats, rather than just the same incumbents or other candidates who are favorite sons of the school board or administration. But fresh faces must also be informed, knowledgeable and committed.

School boards are important. They're made up of average Joes and Janes —

non-educators, for the most part — who set policy for school districts with multi-million operating budgets and hundreds of employees.

School board members are often underappreciated. They put in long hours at little or no pay, and sometimes have to deal with contentious issues of the kind that can tear apart a community. Most candidates serve (or want to serve) because they care deeply about education, young people and their community.

If you think you fit the bill for a school board trustee, by all means take a trip to the school district headquarters, the E.J. McClendon Educational Center at 454 S. Harvey, and pick up a nominating petition packet.

The deadline for entering the race is 4 p.m. Monday. The election is set for June 11.

Voters take note

Another important date concerning the upcoming school elections is Monday, May 14. That's the deadline for voters to register for the June 11 school election. Unregistered voters can become qualified electors at their city, township or village hall, or at a Secretary of State's office by 5 p.m. May 14.

All Michigan electors should remember to register (if they haven't already) by May 14, and vote in the local school elections on Monday, June 11. Turnout at school elections is often shamefully low, just 3.5 percent in Plymouth-Canton last year.

Education issues, we think, are too important to be left to so tiny a minority.

As The Season Opens, Hope Springs Eternal...



LETTERS

Complete picture

I have not read Rep. Robert Gosselin's bill, and certainly would not ban the teaching of the theory of evolution. However, for your reporter (Mike Malott, 3/29, p. A12) and your columnist (Phil Power, 3/29, p. A11) to omit from coverage of this story any mention of the scientific developments of the 20th century — from Einstein's relativity theory, to Hubble's observation of our still expanding universe, to Penzias and Wilson's 1965 discovery of cosmic background radiation — all of which have helped establish the Big Bang theory of the universe's origin, suggests that lots of people, newspaper staff included, ought not be quite so smug in their biases.

Most scientists today accept that the universe exploded into existence from a primordial atom some 15 billion years ago and has been evolving ever since. Moreover, the properties of that explosion, and the laws that have governed in the aftermath, have led some of the biggest names in science to see evidence of intelligent design.

Stephen Hawking, in *Black Holes and Baby Universes*, writes (pp 51-52): "neither the initial conditions or the values of the parameters ... are arbitrary," but were "somehow chosen or picked out very carefully ... If the initial expansion of the universe had been slightly smaller or slightly greater, the universe would either have collapsed before stars (and nucleides which are the basis of chemistry and biology) could have evolved or would have expanded so rapidly that stars would never have been formed by gravitational condensation."

If the emergence of human life "requires the laws of physics and the initial conditions of the universe to be fine-tuned to high precision," says Cambridge University's Paul Davies, "then the suggestion of design seems compelling."

Princeton's Freeman Dyson says: "The more I examine the universe and the details of its architecture, the more evidence I find that the universe in some sense must have known we were coming."

Perhaps MIT's Gerald Schroeder, now a professor at Israel's Weizmann Institute, sums up the best significance of the Big Bang Theory. The scientific community, he says, could not have made a bigger concession to the religious community than "the concept of a beginning."

In the present state of our knowledge, those who oppose the Big Bang Theory of the universe's origin appear to be as far off base as those who oppose the Theory of Evolution.

So ... teach evolution. But complete the picture. Tell students about the Big Bang origin of the universe, too. As the U.S. Court of Appeals (10th Cir.) said in 1981, a curriculum is not "worthy of public support," if it fails to address "questions of morality and the origin, purpose and destiny of humanity."

Maybe this is all Rep. Gosselin's bill seeks to do.

George E. Ward
Plymouth

Thank you

On behalf of the Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club and First Step, we would like to express our appreciation of your interest in and coverage of our fourth annual Sweat Suit Drive. Our 2001 drive was our

most successful with 238 sweat suits contributed throughout the Plymouth and Canton communities.

The information provided to the communities through your newspaper article by Alice Ashmore it gave a greater awareness of the needs of others. Many times a need can be identified but the ability to address that need is limited. We are pleased to have continued this program and see it grow steadily over the years. It has been expanded to include other Kiwanis Clubs and to the local chambers of commerce.

For us, the bottom line is helping in the community. Thank you for helping us do that.

Janet Ott and Lily Ann Beament
Plymouth

Ruling troubling

I am disappointed in the recent ruling by U.S. District Judge Bernard Friedman against the University of Michigan's Law School admissions policy. What Judge Friedman seems to be saying is that a well-intended effort to remedy past societal and educational discrimination is insufficient unless particular acts of discrimination against specific individuals are being remedied by the law school's policy.

Unfortunately an unintended consequence of the ruling, if upheld, likely will be another future court scenario that drags the law school back into court when a specific minority student is not admitted, sues, wins, and the court rules that a well-balanced admissions policy (similar to the current one) should be implemented.

When major Fortune 500 corporations submitted amicus briefs in support of the law school's position, they were arguing from a similar position, i.e., past discrimination is wrong; cultural diversity is a business asset and important for employees and customers; therefore, including cultural diversity as one criteria with regard to either a pool of qualified employees or vendors is a rational road upon which to proceed?

This common sense reasoning is why the business community is making much more progress than the criminal justice system in developing an inclusive society. For example, if one examines the criminal justice system, profiling and warehousing of prisoners (a disproportionate number of whom are cultural minorities) are major problems. Clearly, with regard to those issues, the state does have a compelling state interest — and would benefit from a more diverse pool of candidates for judgeships and other legal positions. Currently, most criminal justice institutions reflect primarily the white community and show little representation from communities of color.

Judge Friedman, despite the ruling, did have one excellent suggestion: reducing the reliance on LSAT scores, which research has shown are not a reliable predictor of either law student or law graduate success. The primary message, however, in this federal court decision is that diversity among student populations is not important and can be ignored as a major educational objective.

I hope that a better-reasoned and more thoughtful ruling will occur during the appeal process. Unless diversity initiatives such as the law school's admissions procedure are accepted,

institutions will never become inclusive.

Our institutions and communities need to mirror more closely, not just some of us, but all of America's people.

Rev. Dan H. Krichbaum
National Conference for Community and Justice

Understanding freedom

I have read with interest the letters from Patricia Courtney and Janusz M. Szysko regarding the Plymouth-Canton School administration's decision to allow the films *Saving Private Ryan* and *Schindler's List* to be viewed and discussed by ninth-graders.

How can we best communicate to our youth that freedom was not "free." It was bought with the price of human suffering, courage in the face of terror, and loss of life in the battlefield.

Freedom is a gift, not a right. The gift of those who chose to sign the Declaration of Independence, risking everything they owned, every personal goal they had, and their very lives so that we might live in a country governed by the citizens. Freedom was purchased at great cost.

I am humbled and overcome with gratitude when acknowledging the reality of the death of even one young man lying far from home and family in a grave in France or England. A young man with hopes and dreams and potential who gave it all up so that I could live freely to realize my hopes and dreams and potential. It is an awesome debt.

I'm not at all certain that the films mentioned in my letter will be the best way to help the children understand their responsibility to not take freedom for granted. I would be most happy if anyone has a better suggestion. This is an important topic and deserves our attention. It would be unfair to our children if we did not help them understand the road to freedom.

Sharon Spore-Dean

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GUEST OPINION

Cracking open a book sets example for children

The occasion was Reading Month at Wildwood Elementary School in Westland. The location was Mary Lou Flynn's first-grade classroom.



Julie Brown

I'd been invited to read to the first-graders, and chose a Curious George tale and "Daddy Is a Doodlebug" by Bruce Degen. Many other guest readers have visited Wildwood and other schools for Reading Month.

The Curious George book, "Curious George at the Parade" by Margret and H.A. Rey, was a winner, as was Degen's story. One page in Degen's story featured a poster for "The Beetles" and Flynn and I told the kids about the Fab Four of our youth.

Last year, I'd read in Flynn's classroom at Wildwood. I enjoyed it immensely and was pleased when Principal Kurt Tyszkiewicz called the Observer to invite me back this year.

I got to sit in a special rocking chair, and noticed the sign welcoming me to the class. The reading went well and Flynn's students then took some time to read the stories they'd written to me.

I was impressed, remembering how little we'd done with writing in first grade when I was a child. These students were putting together interesting stories about a variety of subjects, and I was sorry I couldn't stay and listen to each one.

Visiting the school was enjoyable, and I'm glad I got a chance to read to the first-graders again this year. Colleagues in the newsroom had also done some classroom reading in March, and it was fun to compare notes.

I must confess when I can't find an interesting book at the public library, I often turn to the children's section for inspiration. It's fun to read childhood favorites, such as the mysteries of Nancy Drew, over again.

Reading Month has come and gone this year, and I'm just glad I got to be a part of it. My newsroom colleagues and I don't always get to write about schools at their best, so it's rewarding to see children learning and teachers teaching.

Maybe it's just me, but it seems like children's literature has just so much to offer now. There are the classics of my childhood, such as the books of Lucy Maud Montgomery, and newer titles with interesting tales to tell.

Many of the books, including those for younger children, have beautiful illustrations. They're impressive to see and enjoyable to read.

Reading Month has passed for another year, but will be here again before we know it. Flynn and her students made me feel welcome, and other schools in Wayne-Westland that celebrated Reading Month found their way into our news pages.

I'll still read books by authors writing for adults, such as lawyer-author Scott Turow's latest, on my book group list for May. Still, it's nice to know the children's section beckons if nothing else interests.

Adults who read set a good example for children, their own and others, so it's good to crack open a book now and then. Flynn mentioned that perhaps someday one of her students would be a newsroom colleague of mine.

That would be great, although I hope I wouldn't have to explain too much just who The Beatles were!

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Suggested questions for gubernatorial candidates

It's 17 months before the November 2002 election, yet Michigan politics are moving into full frenzy.

On the Democratic side, Attorney General Jennifer Granholm announced her candidacy for governor last week. Former Gov. Jim Blanchard has already bounded around the state on a "50 cities" tour and is scheduled formally to throw his hat into the ring next week. U.S. Rep. David Bonior has done nothing to curb the rumors he'll run for governor to save himself from defeat in a Republican-drawn new congressional district. And state Sens. Alma Wheel-er Smith and Gary Peters are busily trying to shake the impression they're already buried by the bigger names.



Phil Power

For the GOP, the odds-on favorite for nomination, Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus, is doggedly trying to curtail the growing impression among insiders that he lacks "traction," while potential challengers - ranging from Sen. Joe Schwarz to Sen. Dan DeGrow - wonder whether they should hire staff and start raising money.

So the odds are better than ever that you'll come face to face with a real live candidate for governor over the next year or so. Here's another in a series of columns offering readers some questions to ask the candidates, this time concentrating on some serious good-government issues.

Appoint Supreme Court Justices: Last year's election for the state Supreme Court cost millions and millions of dollars, spent mostly in nasty TV commercials. Any pretense of judicial objectivity or restraint was lost in what amounted to an entirely partisan contest between Republican and Democratic views of justice. Most folks wound up believing the justice administered by the Supreme Court is the very best money and politics can buy.

Gov. John Engler, for one, wants to do away with the present silly system of electing Supreme Court justices. He wants to amend the state constitution to provide for appointment by the governor. I'd imagine I'd like to pick the justices if I were governor, but what do the candidates think?

Appoint Some University Boards: Trustees for the University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Wayne State, together with members of the state board of education, are elected

statewide. Nobody knows who the candidates are, or what their qualifications are, or where they stand on the issues.

Gov. Engler, again, thinks this is silly. He proposes adding seven appointed members to the eight elected members of the big-time university boards. What do the wannabe governors say about this?

Term Limits: Since the adoption of term limits in 1992, turnover in the state House of Representatives has been near-total. Of the state Senate's 34 members, 27 will be term-limited out at the end of 2002.

Most thoughtful observers believe the House has lost experience and stability as a result of term limits, and the most optimistic comment I've heard about the post-term-limit Senate is, "Katy, bar the door!"

Six years in the House and eight years in the Senate is plainly too short a time for legislators to learn the ins and outs of policy and legislating. Some people think it's time to amend the state constitution to push term limits back to, say, 12 years. Do the candidates for governor support the idea?

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Part-time Legislature: The Michigan legislature, now relishing a 36-percent pay increase, meets most months of every year. With term limits demolishing experience and stability among our lawmakers, the odds are that the quality of legislative product will diminish, possibly seriously. With bad law the likely result of a term-limited legislature, why not make the legislature itself part-time, meeting for only a few months every other year?

Present and former governors alike warm to the idea of governing without members of the legislature constantly butting in. Would the candidates do this time around?

Have fun! And let me know what the candidates say.

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Mike Malott

Lawmakers need not align religion and science

The year is 2098. Your great-grandson has just been diagnosed with lung cancer. Doctors could cure him now. Medical professionals have long since learned enough about genetics that they could easily extract a bit of DNA from his hair or fingernails and clone a new set of lungs for him. They could cultivate the replacement parts he needed in a petri dish from his own chromosomes.

But not in Michigan. A hundred years ago, state lawmakers outlawed human cloning. In 1996, four bills - sponsored by Reps. Kirk Profit, Michelle McManus, George Mans and Sen. Loren Bennett - flew through the legislature on votes of 92-11 in the House and 37-0 in the Senate. Gov. John Engler signed the bills, calling cloning "morally and ethically wrong."

To be sure, cloning posed legitimate ethical dilemmas then as it does now, but at the time little was known about what cloning was, what could be done with it, how it worked, or how it could be regulated. After all, the research had not yet been done.

Lawmakers simply banned it. And they specifically voted to make the ban permanent, rejecting an amendment to make it a moratorium.

The Legislature did put exemptions into law to allow for "other cell-based research," presumably to let scientists continue with their work in non-cloning areas of study, but the penalties were enough to strike terror in the hearts of geneticists. If researchers strayed into an area government officials considered to be human cloning, they could have faced a 10-year felony and a \$10 million fine. Armed robbery then would get you five years in jail, but banned science could get you 10 and a lifetime of financial ruin.

Just three years later, Rep. Robert Gosselin led the Legislature's second intrusion into genetic science when he proposed that the theory of "Intelligent Design" be taught in science classrooms alongside evolution. He admitted that Intelligent Design is a religious concept, not provable or disprovable by scientific methodology, but Gosselin still insisted it be taught alongside observation and physical evidence in science courses.

It's interesting to note that this turn of events came the year after the Human Genome Project cracked the genetic code and piled up tons of fresh evidence about how and why random mutations in genetic material drive the evolutionary process.

It was also the very same year that Gov. Engler began his efforts to create a Life Sciences Corridor in Michigan, based on the genetic research going on in Ann Arbor, East Lansing and Grand Rapids. Just as emerging computer technology had spurred hot beds of economic activity in California's Silicon Valley, Engler envisioned a new

industry including perhaps dozens of biotech firms springing up in Michigan as an off-shoot to emerging genetic technology.

Engler - who signed the ban on cloning and whose political party endorsed the teaching of Intelligent Design in science classes - never understood why his Life Sciences Corridor failed to materialize.

He never understood that genetic researchers were staying away in droves out of fear of what the Legislature might do next. Nor did he recognize that geneticists were quietly packing their bags in the hopes of escaping the state before they were jailed or fined into bankruptcy.

Engler also never figured out why Michigan students found it so hard after that to gain admission to health care and genetic research programs in colleges elsewhere in the country.

What Gosselin and Engler didn't understand

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was that most Christians were already capable of believing that religion and science address two very different aspects of reality. Science and technology may make planes fly, bridges stand, computers operate or cure deadly diseases, but religion can give life meaning.

There was no need for lawmakers to try to clarify reality for them. There was no need for lawmakers to try to align the two schools of thought. Michigan residents, Christian or not, had already worked it out for themselves.

Back in the 18th century, drafters of our Constitution understood that when religion and politics mix, bad things happen. Too bad that at the dawn of the 21st century, Michigan lawmakers hadn't yet realized that when religion and science mix, good things fail to happen.

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Being positive force for youth can improve the community

At a time when many people feel overwhelmed by the problems and challenges facing children and adolescents, people across the country are discovering new energy and empowerment in working together toward a positive vision for our young people.



Leticia Pucella

Instead of focusing only on reducing risks and intervening in problems, communities such as ours are rallying to rebuild the foundation of development that all young people need through the Search Institute's 40 Developmental Assets.

To create a communitywide commitment to our youth, EVERYONE (even those who have never had children or whose children are grown) needs to work to promote the healthy development of young people.

Since 1995, Search Institute has been working with communities toward that vision, expanding upon their research into youth development. Based on Search's framework of the "40 Developmental Assets," this initiative seeks to motivate and equip individuals, organizations and communities to join together in promoting consistent, caring and positive relationships and experiences.

Communitywide building assets in our youth are the key to a bright future. Building assets for our young people is a win-win situation. Building assets for others builds assets for you. Give it a try... next time you see a young person, simply acknowledge them (smile or say hi) and you will be off to a great start.

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know that they are accepted and important. Affirm them - tell them daily how much you love them and show them you love them with hugs and kisses. Make time every day to talk with your children - on his or her own terms. Be sure to talk regularly about what you expect from them.

Don't be afraid to discipline them when boundaries are crossed and follow through. Make it possible for your kids to participate in arts, sports,

By intentionally putting energy into building positive things, we guide and nurture our young people to be healthy and caring.

recreation, religious and community activities. You can volunteer to be a coach, sponsor or other leader for a youth program.

Always be interested in reading and learning - get involved in your child's school in any way you can. Make homework, school activities and planning for future education a top priority. Talk about what you believe - and what you don't believe - with your kids. Spend time together serving others in our community. Provide opportunities for youth to practice life skills such as planning and decision making.

Finally, nurture your child's self-esteem and sense of hope. Again, it's everyone intentionally working together to build assets in all our kids that will make an enormous impact.

Why should we bother, you may ask? The answers are simple. It's the right thing to do. As human beings, we're responsible for each other and for giving back to our community. Building assets for others is a great way to do this. It also improves your future, my future, and everyone's future. Our kids today will be future co-workers, leaders and neighbors tomorrow. If we help them build assets now, our entire community will benefit later.

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It's official, Granholm enters race for governor

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Jennifer Granholm, Michigan's attorney general and oft mentioned contender for the governor's office in 2002, put an end to speculation last week with an announcement that she will indeed run. She gave the word while making an eight-city, two-day tour of the state Tuesday and Wednesday, March 27 and 28.

Granholm, serving her first term as attorney general and Michigan's only Democrat elected to statewide office, had previously said she would prefer to remain in her role as AG. But she changed her mind after seeing the "political games" played at the state level.

"A substantial contributor was watching the way the governor operates," she said. "People actually spent time and energy looking for ways to diminish the power of an elected attorney general when those powers had been in place and fine for decades. There's something wrong with that. There is something wrong with the way the state is operat-



Jennifer Granholm: Attorney General enters governor's race

ing." She does not accept the idea that some degree of intrigue is just a natural part of the politics at the statewide level. "Under (William) Milliken, we

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Jennifer Granholm
Attorney General

had an air of civility," she said. "You could argue a point but people treated each other with dignity. You didn't have to descend into the cellar."

She said she believed a bipartisan approach to policymaking would produce better results for the state.

Granholm admitted that as a Democrat, she might have some difficulty working with a Republican-dominated legislature.

"Sure, there would be more obstacles than if we had a Democratic legislature or a power sharing arrangement, but we have to make a real effort at bipartisanship," she said.

Besides, "we plan to do something about that in the next election," she said.

Tops on Granholm's agenda will be development of the "new economy" and education. She said that at present, Michigan ranks 39th in wiring for advanced technology and 31st in re-education of workers to work in technological fields. She serves on the board of Cyberstate.org, a foundation promoting education and technological economic development.

Granholm took office as state Attorney General in 1999. Prior to that, she was Wayne County Corporation Counsel for five years. She also served as a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's office. She is a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley and Harvard Law School, and currently resides in

Northville.

In the primary, Granholm will likely have to face former governor James Blanchard, State Senator Gary Peters, U.S. Rep. David Bonior and State Sen. Alma Wheeler Smith, all of

whom have indicated they also will seek the post.

On the Republican side, Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus and state Sen. Joe Schwarz are expected to run.

Longer term limits proposed for 2002 ballot

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The term limits set in the state Constitution for Michigan lawmakers, particularly those in the state House, are too short, some members are concluding.

With three terms of two years each, representatives get just six years to make their mark in Lansing. Yet it can take one full term just to learn the ropes.

State Sen. Glenn Steil, R-Grand Rapids, has introduced a resolution that would amend the constitution to extend the terms of lawmakers. Instead of three two-year terms, House members would get six. Instead of two four-year terms, senators would get three. And instead of two four-year terms, statewide officers - governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state and attorney general - would get three.

To alter the state Constitution, Senate Joint Resolution P would have to be approved by a two-thirds majority in both the House and Senate, and then get voter approval in the next elec-

tion. It is likely to face opposition. The National Federation of Independent Businesses has already surveyed its members on the question and concluded that 71 percent aren't ready to change term limits yet.

"Small business owners seem to believe that the term limits law that went into effect in 1992 has helped erode a 'career politician' mentality in Lansing," according to Charles Owen, state

director of the NFIB. "Since this law has only been in actual effect since 1998, after court challenges, the small business community is content to let the limits continue unchanged for the foreseeable future."

Two thirds of business owners said they opposed lengthening lawmakers' terms, and nearly 60 percent say they opposed giving them more terms, even for House members.

"The learning curve is so high

here," said Steil's senate aide Helen Freeman; "it takes your first term just to learn everything, where it comes from and where it goes. There is so much, you have to get quite an education. I think 12 years for everybody would give more of a sense of continuity to the legislature."

The resolution has been referred to the Senate Committee on Government Operations where it awaits action.

Marshmallow Drop April 13

Wayne County's annual marshmallow drip is 11 a.m. Friday, April 13, at Nankin Mills in Westland.

More than 20,000 marshmallows will be dropped from a helicopter to the delight of hundreds of eager children, who will scramble to collect these goodies during the county's 16th annual Great Marshmallow Drop. Children will be divided into groups based on age, to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to participate fully.

Children turn in the marshmallows for prize-filled eggs. "This has become a tradition for many of the families," said Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara. "They view it as the official spring kick-off event."

The Great Marshmallow Drop is co-sponsored by WNIC-FM 100 and is the first of many warm weather events planned by Wayne County Parks for 2001.

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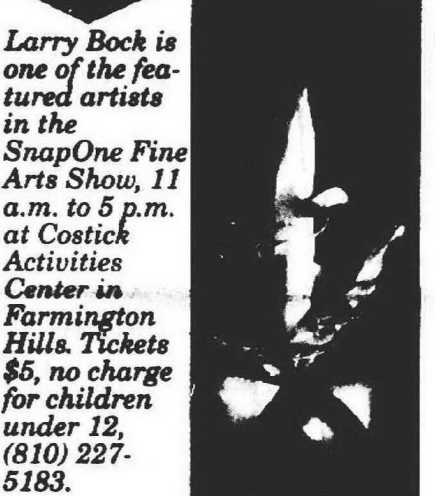
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SATURDAY



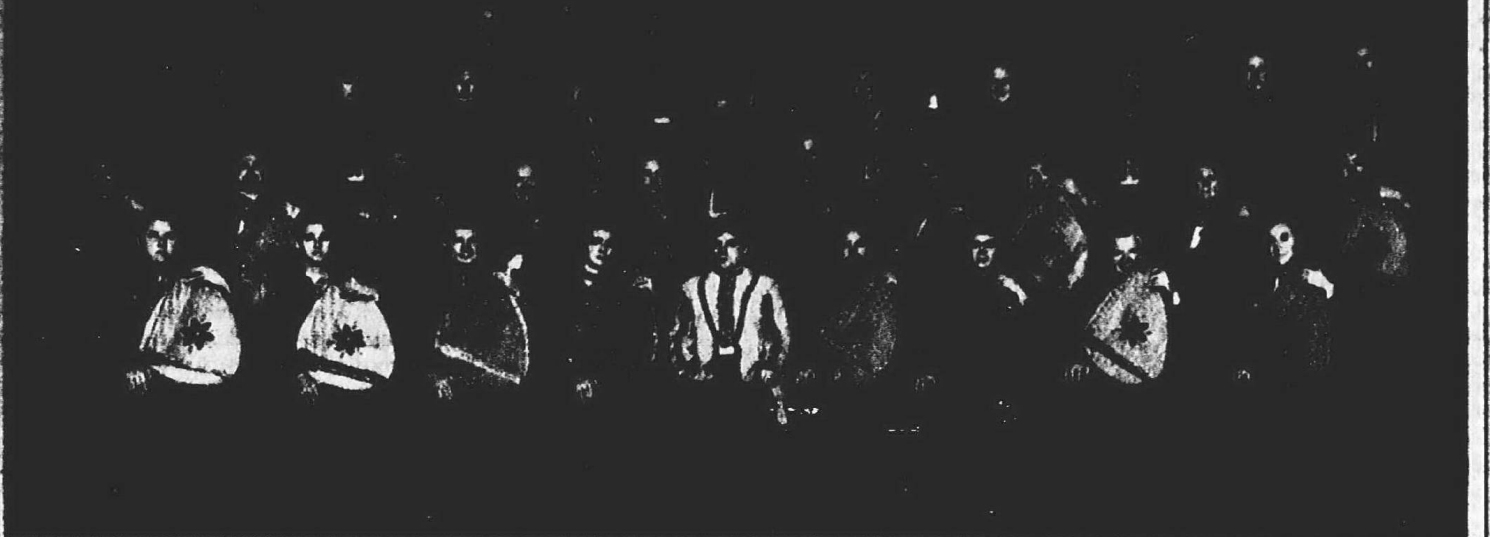
Sandy Zometsky and Randy Jost of Plymouth are featured in "The Price of Love," an Easter musical, 7 p.m. at Northville Christian Assembly. No charge, call (248) 348-9030.

SUNDAY



Larry Bock is one of the featured artists in the SnapOne Fine Arts Show, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills. Tickets \$5, no charge for children under 12, (810) 227-5183.

SACRED MUSIC



Solemn sounds: The Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus perform sacred music from the 10th to 16th century.

LOVE OF SONG, COUNTRY BINDS UKRAINIAN MUSICIANS

BY LINDA ANN CROMEN
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Wladimir and Antoli Murha, Arnold Birko and John Kytasty sit tall and proud as they speak of their Ukrainian heritage and the chorus Stalin nearly exterminated under Soviet rule.

Since the Middle Ages, choral music and the lute-like bandura have served as a kind of glue holding Ukrainian culture together. From the time the bandura became popular with Cossacks and wandering minstrels in the 17th through 19th centuries to the inception of the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus in 1918, the two art forms created a brotherhood among musicians. In the case of the chorus, the love of song and country made it possible to survive persecution by the Soviets and later the Nazis.

Kytasty knows the stories well. Accused of inspiring nationalism in Ukrainians, many conductors, chorus members and blind bandurist-minstrels were executed in 1935. The rest were forced into the State Bandurist Chorus of the Ukrainian SSR. Kytasty's father, Peter, fled to the United States in 1949 with several members of the original Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus, re-established in Detroit with several of the musicians hoping to find work in the automotive industry. Peter, who recently retired from performing, was an instrumentalist with the

chorus and choir director of St. Mary's Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Southfield. John's uncle, Hryhory Kytasty, conducted the chorus for many years.

On Sunday, April 8, Kytasty, the Murhas, Birko and the rest of the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus will gather from across the United States and Canada for the love of sacred music. Members from Livonia to Rochester, Cleveland, Toronto, New York, New Jersey, and Philadelphia will sing chants and play songs from the 10th to 16th century at St. Paul Presbyterian Church in Livonia. The chorus, which toured Ukraine in 1991 and 1994, has been invited to represent the United States in Ukraine in August in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the country's independence.

"Our family fled Kiev in 1939 and made their way through Germany with the chorus," said John Kytasty, a Livonia resident who joined the chorus five years ago. "My father was 14 at the time in Kiev, and there was tremendous turmoil. Many

Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus

What: Concert of sacred music including traditional a cappella Kyivan Chant accompanied by bandura
When: 2 p.m. Sunday, April 8
Where: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, west of Inkster Road, Livonia. Free will offering.
Call (734) 422-1470

members ended up in concentration camps in Germany where they gave concerts. Growing up, I took the music for granted but now realize the symbolism. Ukrainian chant derives from the Greeks. Sacred music hasn't been heard by anyone for hundreds of years due to oppression. The only way the music survived is with the chorus. Culturally, the church was very important as far as influencing the people and the music."

Musical roots

Conductor Oleh Malay thinks that's because the roots of the music go back to the church. In addition to a cappella, choral accompanied by bandura, and adapted liturgical pieces, the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus will perform 10th century beatitudes from the monastery of the Caves in Kiev and 16th century compositions by Dylotaky, whose music is rarely sung on this continent.

"The concert features snapshots of the historical development of Ukrainian sacred music," said Malay, a Cleveland attorney who sang with the chorus before becoming conductor five years ago. "Male choral singing had its beginning in monasteries when Ukraine accepted Christianity in 988 A.D. There was a need to have singing for church. The singers were all male because they were the monks and priests. We went back to those roots."

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Actor/director lands on Planet Ant

BY KEELY WYGONIK
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What: "The Adding Machine" by Eimer Rice
When: 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, April 5-29
Where: Planet Ant Theatre, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck
Tickets: \$10, call (313) 365-4948, Ext. 1

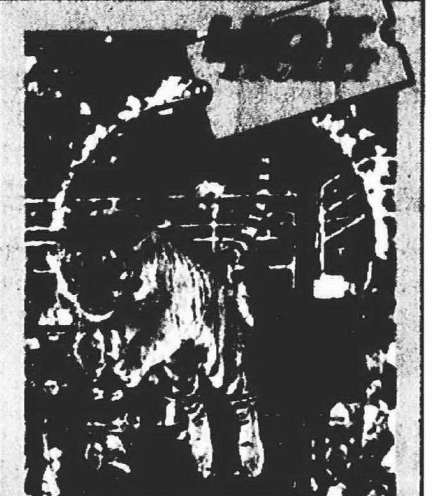
After one curtain call, York R. Griffith was hooked on theater. "I acted in plays at Farmington High School," said Griffith who is directing "The Adding Machine," opening tonight at Planet Ant Theatre in Hamtramck. "I was the understudy for Harold Hill in 'Music Man.' It was my father's birthday, and they let me do the part. When I stepped out for the curtain, that's when I knew what I wanted to do."

After graduating from Northern Michigan University in 1998, Griffith landed at Planet Ant in Hamtramck. It seemed like fate - his mother used to show him ads promoting the space. He attended his first show in 1997, and liked what he saw.

After acting in, and stage managing a few shows, Griffith was named executive director.

"It challenges us as far as the pictures we can make on stage," he said scanning the intimate 55-seat theater from a wooden chair on stage. "I feel most responsible for the money part, making sure we break even at least. It's extremely important when you're making art, something that should be part of the structure."

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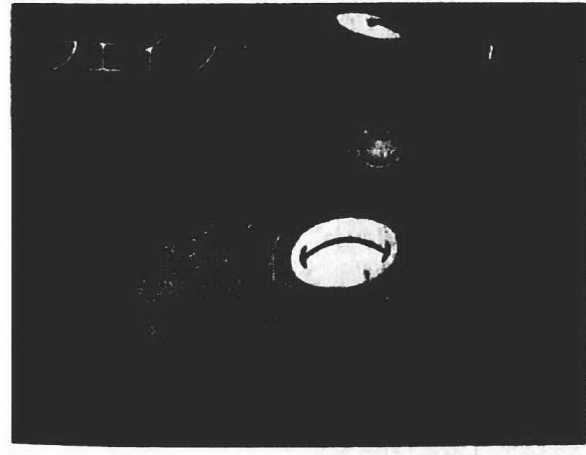
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ART

Illustrators bring whimsy, introspection to CPOP Gallery

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
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No one had to ask Gary Taxali what he wanted to be when he grew up.



Monkey business: Gary Taxali, the Toronto-based artist behind "Toby Monkey," is one of two illustrators featured at CPOP Gallery.

The Toronto-based illustrator made his love of art obvious by age 4. Looking back at his kindergarten report card, he found an insightful comment from a teacher that read: "Gary's favorite thing is when I read a story in class, he likes to go off to the side and draw pictures."


Some things never change. Taxali will exhibit his work, titled *Sweet Shop Toys, Candies and Books*, 6 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at Detroit's CPOP Gallery along with a show by illustrator Tim Hussey of New York City.

Two-toned

Once a set designer for MTV, Hussey, works for a variety of major national magazines. He is also an instructor at The School of Visual Arts in New York City and a painter. His exhibition, *Shed*, includes paintings and drawings, he described in a press statement, as seeming "to be influenced by an uncomfortable desire to embrace the fragmented by formative memories of my life up until now."

Stark contrasts are expected between the work presented by these two artists. "They're different but they both have similar backgrounds as illus-

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The chorus was founded in 1918 in the shadows of those churches in Kiev. The chorus brings things full circle from the land where the music was found. The use of basses and lower voices is characteristic of Ukrainian sacred music. The point is to bring the listener closer to God. It's somber, melancholy Ukrainian music that leaves you in awe. Eastern European and Ukrainian sacred music is very mystical. It has this mystical effect on people."

Haunting sound

The music is the reason Arnold Birko, 71, joined the chorus in 1963. Birko originally played mandocello with the chorus as well as mandolin in a Ukrainian orchestra.

"Most of Ukrainian music is melodic," said Birko, a Livonia resident who plays bass. "We lived in Kiev where I'd go to the beach and sing. Growing up in Ukraine, you could hear people

singing and playing music everywhere. Part of Ukrainian culture is to express yourself in singing. Then we came to the U.S. in 1949. My wife's father was a member of the Bandurist Chorus. I got goose bumps when I was listening to them, so I decided to try to make it into the chorus."

Because of the bond between musicians, many of the members span generations. Birko's son Andrij, 31, is a member of the chorus, along with Wladimir Murha and his son, Anatoli.

"It's very much part of our culture," said Wladimir Murha, a Livonia engineer and bandurist with the chorus. Murha spends an hour a day practicing the 60-string instrument. "We sing at weddings and a week after Easter at a celebration of life. In the beatitudes, each verse is nearly the same musically but with quirks at the end. It sounds familiar, but it's an ancient tune and a recurring theme you can

hear in Tchaikovsky's "1812" overture.

"But it's not just the music, it's being involved in the culture. The chorus has been a part of history since 1918 in Ukraine. My son is now continuing the tradition and honor that goes with perpetuating a culture."

New blood

Unlike many classical and jazz musicians, the average bandurist is getting younger. That's due largely in part to the older generation nurturing a love for the instrument in their children, and bandura camps held summers in London, Ont. and Emlenton, Pa. Anatoli began playing bandura at age 14. He's now 23.

"I remember when the bandura was bigger than I was," said Anatoli. "I was a typical kid playing with baseball cards, then I started taking lessons with Andrij and then with my dad. I loved it so much I saved up and bought a bandura."

Anatoli, however, didn't stop at learning to play the \$3,000 bandura hand-carved from a single piece of wood. He joined the chorus and is now president of the executive board. Like his father, Anatoli encourages young musicians to develop skills and playing techniques at the camps where he is now co-director.

"I enjoy giving back to the younger generation," said Anatoli, "but it goes deeper than that. On tour, I've seen the western Canadian Rockies and Ukraine. It's the people you meet, the relationships you start. Most aren't people I just see on the weekend. I consider them brothers. There's a brotherhood."

Cultural connection

"It's a definite connection to your culture. I remember my grandmother singing. I'd never heard that sound anywhere before. It's a sound unique to the bandurist chorus. The sacred music is haunting yet soothing but very intriguing. Church music always left an impact on

me." It had an impact on the rest of the 39-chorus members, who range in age from 18 to 87. Now the chorus would like to share its music with all cultures and religions. One of the first steps was contacting local churches such as St. Paul's. In addition to the April 8 performance, the chorus will perform sacred music the

first weekend in May in Cleveland and the first week in June in Toronto.

Anyone interested in scheduling a sacred concert in fall or donating to the chorus's trip to Ukraine should call Anatoli at (734) 963-0905 or visit the Web site at www.bandura.org

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He's counting on "The Adding Machine," to bring in new customers.

Great story

"It's just a fascinating play," he said. "It was written in the 1920s, and isn't a well-known play. But the issues are just as powerful now as they were then - man versus the drudgery of everyday life. It challenges the audience to not live in a coma to get out of 40 hours a week doing something you hate."

Mr. Zero hates his job. His wife nags him.

Griffith calls the play a stylized drama. It was strongly influenced by early 20th century German theater.

"I've worked jobs I've hated before," he said. "I worked in a cubical for a year answering a phone. We all have dreams, but there are a lot of different reasons why we don't follow them. It's always a dilemma. There are all these outside factors chipping away at what we want to do in life."

Metro Detroit theater veteran Robert Grossman stars as Mr. Zero who adds numbers all day at work. His home life isn't good, and he cracks. "It's a journey," said Griffith.

Abbey Adler of Birmingham is Mrs. Zero, his nagging wife. Susan Berg his coworker and love interest, and Steven Nicolich Shurdlu, a man looking for

"We all have dreams, but there are a lot of different reasons why we don't follow them. It's always a dilemma. There are all these outside factors chipping away at what we want to do in life."

York R. Griffith
Director

forgiveness.

Taking chances

"I feel like we take a certain amount of chances," said Griffith explaining his attraction to Planet Ant. "It's helping me grow as an artist. We do high quality productions. I like the intimacy of the space. That's really where theater is headed."

His cell phone rings, and Griffith answers. Life is good now, he's happy.

"I want to continue growing as an artist in theater," he said. "I have the right kind of freedom here. The only constraints are financial. It's a very healthy feeling to have."

"I'd love to see Detroit have a lot faith in Planet Ant and see it become a staple of the theater community."

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trators," noted Carrie Hazel, assistant director at CPOP Gallery and a West Bloomfield native. "They will be on two different floors. They are two separate shows. It will bring in two different types of audiences."

Hazel described Hussey's work as "raw, etched and methodical," while Taxali's approach is "clean, straightforward and whimsical." Despite divergent styles, the artists happen to be friends.

"I'm really honored and excited to be showing together," said Taxali. "Tim is one of the nicest guys I know. He's coming from a very different place. He's more angst-ridden and serious, and I love that stuff. My stuff is real low-brow."

With shocks of animated, primary colors, single words that

shout child-like delight, careful depictions of one lonely peanut or a perplexed toy monkey, Taxali shares a new world. His world exists somewhere between the "ZAP" "WHAM" "BAM" of a 1966 *Batman* episode and the simple joy of a quick solo game of paddle ball. It's a place where you never really need to grow up — as long as you remember to laugh.

"I'm really excited about this show," said Hazel. "It is the mainstream of illustration, just completely different styles. I've found a lot of artists...who have a whole huge wealth of personal work they never get an opportunity to show. It's fantastic stuff."

No rules

Taxali began taking classes at the Ontario College of Art at age

16 before he was really allowed to do so. While still in high school, he attended night classes at the college, eager to learn. Once he was able to enroll full time, his college friends were already graduating and he found he had valuable mentors to guide his way.

One year after graduation, Taxali moved to New York City. He lived as an illegal alien and worked there honing his craft. He didn't plan on returning to Toronto, but when his father died suddenly of a brain tumor, he felt a responsibility to his family and moved home in 1993.

Taxali took advantage of dramatic events and devoted himself wholly to art and illustration. He developed a signature style and learned an important lesson. "If you put out something

you love, it will come back to you ten-fold."

From Coca Cola commercials to Levi jeans billboards, record covers to Newsweek, his work runs the gamut. Saturday he will be coming to Detroit straight from the Society of Illustrators awards gala in New York City where he will be presented with a silver medal in the Uncommissioned category. Taxali recently sold his artwork at a Los Angeles exhibition, *Uncommercial Art by Commercial Artists*, held at La Luz de Jesus Gallery. He's also working on a children's book to be called *This is Also Silly*.

"I'm at a point in my career where I feel really comfortable," said Taxali.

Monkeys and such

Dividing his time between illustration projects and his own fine art, he finds one type feeds the other. "I'm really inspired by humor and I think my work is kind of humorous," he said. He finds inspiration from the funny, the bizarre. Taxali could extract ideas from a comedian's performance as easily as he can find inspiration in the packaging on Japanese grocery store items.

For this show, Taxali combines an interest in Japanese groceries and the inexpensive toys sold in sweet shops in the 1950s. "It isn't really sophisticated," he said of the toys. "It isn't fancy, but it has a real beauty to it."

Perhaps his biggest influence is derived from a 1980s Japanese television show called *Kure Kure*

Toboro (which translates to *Gimme Gimme Octopus*). "It's a very bizarre show with short, 3-to-4 minute segments, all in Japanese," said Taxali. The premise of the show falls upon two friends, a peanut and an octopus, who are both in love with a walrus.

But his favorite piece at Saturday's opening is called *Toy Monkey*. "The only reason is it was the very last piece I did for the show," said Taxali.

"You can't have a show without a monkey."

"Sweet Shop Toys, Candies and Books" and "Shed" open 6 p.m. Saturday, April 7 at CPOP Gallery, 4160 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. The show runs through April 29. Call (248) 833-9901.

Local actors make a date with 'The Boy Friend' at the Bonstelle

"The Boy Friend," a joyful musical comedy by Sandy Wilson opening Friday, April 20 at the Bonstelle Theatre, features the talents of four local actors.

Tiffany Bedwell and Jason Smith of Garden City, Darren DeWitt of Farmington Hills, and Mary Gormley of Livonia perform in the musical about a poor little rich girl's search for a boyfriend to love her for herself and not her fortune.

Bedwell and Smith are both Garden City High School graduates and junior theater majors at Wayne State University.

Bedwell will play the role of Hortense, the French maid in "The Boy Friend." Her WSU

credits include the role of Helen Keller in "The Miracle Worker," and roles in "The Cripple of Inishmaan," "A Fair Country," and "Little Women."

She is a member of Movin' Theatre, the WSU theater dance troupe that travels to area high schools.

Smith portrays feisty Lord Hubert Brockhurst. His role in "The Subject Was Roses" at the Studio Theatre won him the 1999 WSU Best Supporting Actor Award for a Studio Theatre production. He is also a member of Movin' Theatre. WSU theater credits include "Dancing at Lughnasa," "Godspell," and "Romeo and Juliet" at the Bon-

stelle Theatre.

DeWitt is a graduate of North Farmington High School and is featured in "The Boy Friend" as Bobby Van Husen, a rich American boy who attempts to woo girls by dancing the Charleston. He is also a member of Movin' Theatre, and has previously appeared in "Romeo and Juliet" at the Bonstelle Theatre, and "All the Timing at the Studio Theatre."

Gormley, a senior theater and dance major at Wayne State University, is dance captain for the Movin' Theatre company. She is a graduate of Mercy High School and holds the Eva Woodbridge Scholarship given to a

senior woman who excels in theater.

Her credits include "How I Learned to Drive," and "All in the Timing" at the Studio Theatre and "The Miracle Worker,"

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," "Ah! Wilderness" and "Once Upon a Mattress" at the Bonstelle Theatre.

See "The Boy Friend" are 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 2 p.m.

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FISHER THEATRE: *Ragtime*, the musical continues to April 15 (\$35-\$75); Rob Becker's *Defending the Caveman* April 18-29 (\$35-\$45); "Annie" May 1-6, at the theater, Detroit. \$29-\$52. (248) 645-6666

FOX THEATRE: The gospel stage play *Listen To Your Woman*, April 24-29, at the theater. Showtimes vary. \$25-\$37.50. (313) 983-6611

GEM THEATRE: *The Tropical Pickle* continues through Aug. 26, at the Gem Theatre, Detroit. \$24.50-\$36.50. (313) 963-9800

HARMONIE THEATRE: *Tony 'n Tina's Wedding*, the off-Broadway interactive theater production continues through April, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, at the theater, Detroit. \$55-\$65. (313) 961-5211/(248) 645-6666

PLANET ANT: *The Adding Machine* by Elmer L. Rice Thursday-Sunday, April 5-29; 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Planet Ant Theatre, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck. (313) 365-4948

MASONIC TEMPLE THEATRE: *The Phantom of the Opera* opens Wednesday, April 25 for 5 weeks, at the theater, Detroit. \$16-\$68. (248) 645-6666

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PERFORMANCE NETWORK: *Struggling Truths* continues to April 8, at the theater, Ann Arbor. (734) 663-0681

PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY: *Sisters* continues to April 8, at the Anderson Center Theater in Henry Ford Museum/Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$20, \$15 matinee/seniors/students. (313) 872-0279

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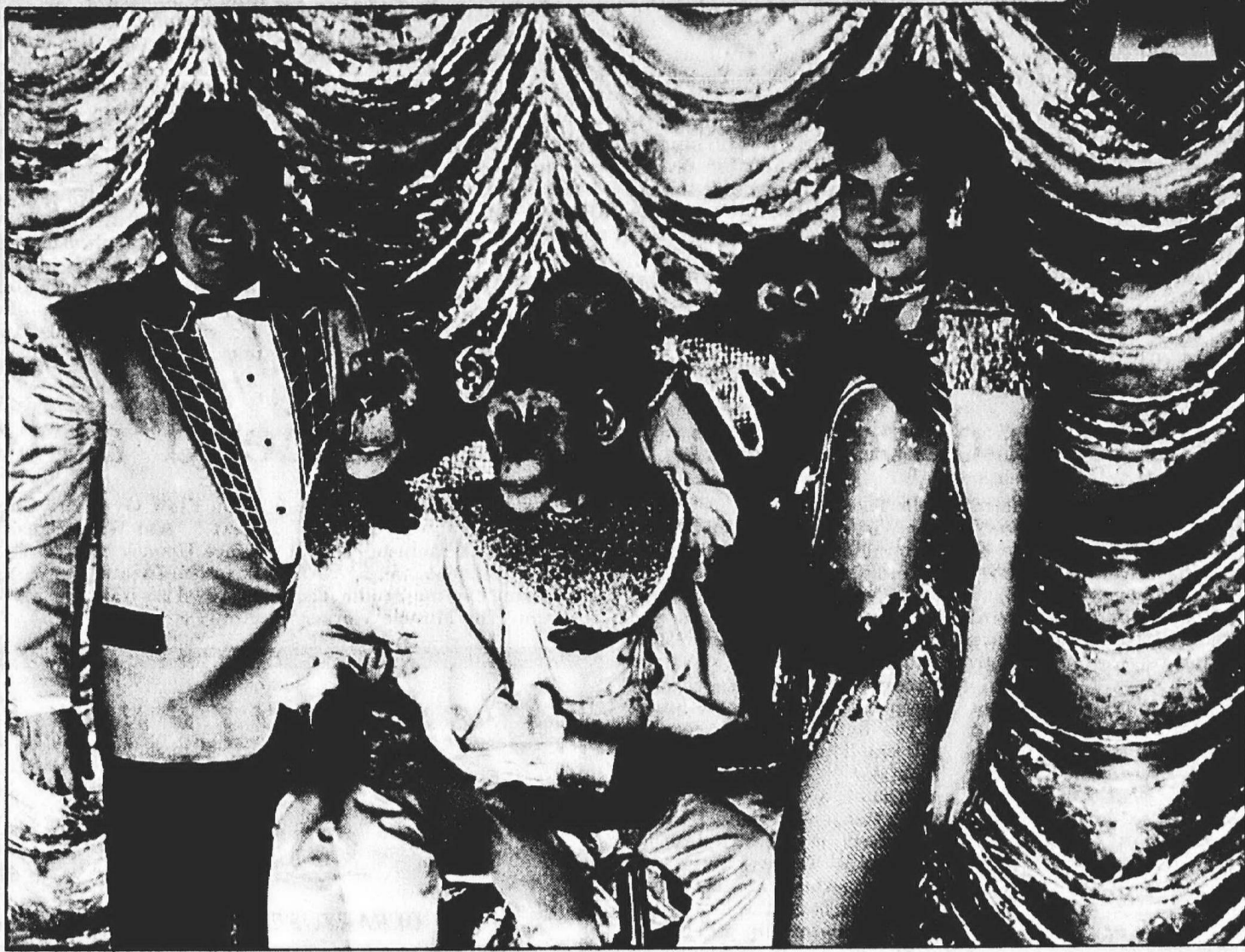
PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN: *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, opens 8 p.m. Friday, April 28. Shows 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 28 to May 19; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 6, May 13, at the theater, Dearborn. \$14. (313) 561-TKTS

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PANDORA'S PUPPETS: Life-size Muppets-style puppets perform noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday, April 7, on the food court stage at Wonderland Mall, Livonia.

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YOUTHATRE: *Are You My Mother* 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. April 7 and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at the Millennium Centre, Southfield. (248) 557-PLAY or www.youthatre.org

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BUNNYVILLE AT THE ZOO: Youngsters can hunt for eggs, pose for photos with the Easter Bunny, meet Rugrats characters, see clowns and watch Mark Thomas perform and Max the Moose from 10 a.m. 2 p.m., Saturday, April 14, at The Detroit Zo. Admission is a canned food item for the Gleaners Food Bank Photos. \$5. Children under 12 will receive goodie bags, coloring books and bunny ears. (248) 398-0903

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EASTER LUNCHEON: Polish Easter lunch and performance by the Radomianie Polish Folk Dance Ensemble, Sunday, April 8, Stitt Post No. 232, 23850 Military Road, Dearborn Heights. Doors open 12:30 p.m. Tickets \$19 per person, children 12 and under \$13. (734) 427-8640

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X-TRAVA CON: Comic book, toy and non-sport card show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Livonia. \$2. (248) 426-8059

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BUILDING ON A DREAM AUCTION: Birdhouses, bird feeders and other yard art by artists like Jerome Kamrowski, Herb Babcock and Catherine McClung will be on the auction block 7-10 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, Ann Arbor. \$60. (734) 677-1558 to benefit Habitat for Humanity. Visit the Web site to view art www.hrh.org

CABARET CAFE: Plymouth Symphony Orchestra presents a Pops concert with silent and live benefit auctions and dinner 6-10 p.m. Friday, April 6, at Laurel Manor, Livonia. \$50, \$25 children. (734) 451-2112

FANTASY CRUISE/ADMIRAL'S BALL: 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, (6:30 p.m. cocktails), at The Roostertail, Detroit. \$75, to benefit Latino Family Services. (313) 841-7380, ext. 104

MICHAEL FEINSTEIN: Performs 8 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, Detroit. \$25-\$60, to benefit Music Hall's educational outreach efforts and its annual event, the Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival. (313) 963-2366

FLEA MARKET: The Detroit Historical Society Guild presents a show of antiques, collectibles and contemporary treasures 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, April 7-8, at Historic Fort Wayne, Detroit. Free. \$1 for secured parking. Vendors can still purchase tables for \$25. To benefit the Detroit Historical Museum, Dossin Great Lakes Museum, Historic Fort Wayne and Historic Moross House. (313) 821-7795

WINEFEST: WineMaker Dinner 7 p.m. Friday, April 20, at Washtenaw Community College, and WineFest Auction 6 p.m. Saturday, April 21, Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest, Ypsilanti. To benefit the Ann Arbor Art Center. (734) 994-8004, ext. 101

CLASSICAL

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: "Northern Lights" highlights musical contributions of Scandinavia with conductor Leif Sgerstam and pianist Arcadi Volodos 8 p.m. Friday, April 6, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7 and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 8, Orchestra Hall. \$15-\$52, box seats \$45-\$71. (313) 576-5111 or www.detroitssymphony.com

JOHN RELYEA: The bass-baritone performs as part of the University Musical Society Song Recital series 8 p.m. Saturday, April 14, works by Schumann, Schubert, Ibert and Tchaikovsky, at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$45, \$35. (734) 764-2538

THREE PIANO CROSSOVER: Marian McPartland, Dick Hyman and Ruth Laredo blur the lines between classical, Latin blues and jazz with music by Chopin, DeFalla and Bizet 8 p.m. Thursday, April 5, at Orchestra Hall. \$15-\$46. (313) 576-5111

WSU ORCHESTRA: Music of the 10th century 7 p.m. Thursday, April 12, in the community Arts Auditorium, on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-1795

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

ALL-MALE CHORUS: Looking for singers with the ability to carry a tune for Wayne Chapter of SPEBSQSA, rehearsals 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, ability to read music not required, at Newburg United Methodist Church, Livonia. (734) 722-2186

COOKIES AND MILK: Auditions for volunteers to perform 10-minute musical or puppet segments for children ages 0-4 and their parent or caregiver 11 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at Cookies and Milk Drop-In Play Center, Canton. (734) 207-1655

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE: Registration for Summer Camp of the Arts now being accepted, ages 7-11, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 18-July 6, at the Huntington Woods Recreation Center. (313) 965-3544

LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR: Auditions for boys and girls (ages 9-13) with unchanged voices for the 2001-2002 school year, must reside in Livonia and surrounding communities, a civic and tuition based organization, 6:30-8 p.m. Sunday-Monday, June 3-4, at Faith Lutheran Church, Livonia. Rehearsals begin in September and run weekly. (734) 425-1749

MICHIGAN THEATER AND DANCE TROUPE: Open auditions by appointment on Saturdays at 2 p.m. only, ages 16 and older. Call (248) 552-5001 for audition time. \$25 non-refundable registration fee.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS: An exciting music scholarship opportunity, designed and conducted by two mid-Michigan music educators, awaits 40 young male singers on May 18-20 on the Michigan State University campus in East Lansing. "A Cappella Blast" will offer young men, ages 14-18, the chance to sing a cappella music using the Barbershop style in an ensemble setting. Clinics will help young

singers to broaden their skills and musical experience. The Young Men in Harmony program of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America (SPEBSQSA) has received generous grants from the Harmony Foundation and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, making the event possible for a cost of only \$25 per participant. Registration deadline is Wednesday, April 18. For a form or more information, call Bob Wolf at (734) 421-1652 or visit the Web site www.harmonize.com/pioneer/pio.htm. There are limited places in the chorus.

PRIME VOCAL JAZZ: Auditions for low bass singer, needed for established close harmony ensemble performing in Detroit/Ann Arbor area, requires strong music reading skills and excellent "ear," vocal jazz background a plus. (248) 682-6562

TINDERBOX PRODUCTIONS: Holds auditions for actors, singers and dancers ages 8-12 to fill roles in the June 9-17 production of "Oliver" 10 a.m. Saturday, April 7, boys interested in the role of Oliver should be prepared to sing "Where is Love?", in the Cathedral Theatre in Masonic Temple, Detroit. To schedule an audition, call (313) 535-8962

TONY 'N TINA'S WEDDING: Female keyboardist/singer needed for understudy role in the interactive theater show in Detroit's Harmonie Theater. Need to read sheet music and chord charts for pop/jazz/wedding music. Acting ability a plus. Equipment provided. Compensated performance. Call for audition (248) 388-2700

POPS/SWING

BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA: 9 p.m. Monday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$7 cover. (734) 662-8310 (big band, swing, pop)

JIM PARAVANTES & COMPANY: 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday through April, at Excalibur, Southfield. (248) 358-3355

BRASS

KING'S COURT BRASS QUINTET: 2 p.m. Sunday, April 2, the Orion Township Library. No charge. (248) 693-3001

ORGAN

EMU INAUGURAL CONCERT: Delbert Disselhorst, University of Iowa organ department chairman, gives a concert on newly-restored 4,000 pipe Alexander Memorial Organ 8 p.m. Friday, April 6, master class 12:30-2 p.m. Friday, April 5, in Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti. Free. (734) 487-4380

CHORAL

EMU UNIVERSITY CHOIR: Under the direction of Leonard Riccinto 14 p.m. Sunday, April 8, in Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti. Free. (734) 487-2255

UKRAINIAN BANDURIST CHORUS: Perform sacred music including traditional a cappella Kyivan Chant accompanied by bandura 2 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, west of Inkster Road, Livonia. Free will offering. (734) 422-1470

U-M MEN'S GLEE CLUB: Perform their 141st annual Spring Concert 8 p.m. Saturday, April 7, in Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. \$12, \$10, \$5 general admission. (734) 764-1448

JAZZ/BLUES

MARK ARSHAK: 8:30 p.m. Friday, April 6 and 9 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at Edison's Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

JOHNNIE BASSETT: 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 6-7, at the Century Club Restaurant, Detroit. (313) 963-9800

BLUES, ROOTS, MONKS AND MOANS TOUR: Featuring Isaac Hayes and the Cyrus Chestnut Quartet 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 8, at Masonic Temple Detroit. (\$25-\$60. (248) 645-6666

RON BROOKS TRIO: 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at the Bird of Paradise, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 662-8310

EMU JAZZ ENSEMBLE: With Al Townsend's Couriers 8 p.m. Saturday, April 7, in Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti. \$10, \$5, \$3 with proceeds going to EMU's Jazz Program. (734) 487-2232/(734) 487-1221

Detroit Music Awards turns up the volume



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

Forget the Grammys. For one night each year, Detroit hosts a musical pat-on-the-back all its own.

The 2001 Detroit Music Awards begin at 7 p.m. Friday, April 6 at Detroit's State Theatre. Just ask Jimi Cohen, president of the Motor City Music Award Foundation, and he'll say the DMA's "just like the Grammys" — but closer to home. Each year The Motor City Music Award Foundation, a non-profit organization that fosters local music, presents the award show to recognize and honor the music the metro area has to offer.

The buzz this year surrounds an expected and highly-anticipated appearance and performance by a Grammy-winner himself, Eminem. "There is a lot of excitement surrounding Eminem," said Cohen. "One of his projects is his rap group D-12."

D-12 will perform this year, with or without its most famous member, Marshall Mathers, as well as Alley Life, The Atomic Numbers, singer-songwriter Lisa Hunter, and The Brothers Groove. Bluesman Johnnie Bassett will be joined by The Butler Twins, and vocalists Thornetta Davis and Valerie Barrymore. House DJs for the event, Intuit-Solar's DJ Assault and Sean Deason will spin side stage. And Mahindi Masai will open the show with a drum circle performance.

Awarded

Past award winners like Chris Codish, The Brothers Groove vocalist, believes local musicians can benefit from the exposure this event promotes, even if it isn't perfect.

"Detroit Musicians tend to get little recognition by the press and radio in this town and sometimes it's nice to find out your

peers appreciate what you've done," said Codish. "That said, the voting system is not perfect, and there can be big oversights in terms of people nominated and not nominated. It can also be a popularity contest, and the categorizations are a little too broad, but I think the DMA's do the best they can."

Hip Hop artist Paradime, also known as Livonia's Freddie Beauregard, is nominated for five awards for his album, *Paragraphs*. "We're excited," he said. "Last year we were just starting to really pick up, just starting to get some press. Now we do so many shows. And *Paragraphs* hasn't really slowed down in sales."

Paradime is completing a follow-up, due out early this summer. Beauregard said attending the awards show this year, rather than playing in it has alleviated some of the pressure. "Last year we were playing in front of Kid Rock. My mom was there. It was the first time my sisters saw me play. All that pressure's off."

Cohen said much attention is given to creating a diverse show. "The shows are also defined by our distinguished award winners, voted on by our executive board," he said. "We narrow it down from a list of 20."

Distinguished

This year's distinguished award winners include legendary Motown songwriter Barrett Strong, of Southfield's BoomTown Sound Studio, blues great Willie D. Warren and WRIF disc jockey Arthur Penhallow. The Board of Directors Award for Special Achievement will be presented to WTVS's *Backstage Pass*.

The awards aim to draw attention to the local music scene, said Cohen. "If you've followed it for years you know more and more people now are talking about it. Whether you argue about it being a good thing, a bad thing, a stupid thing, people are talking about it. I guess that

to me is a positive."

Invited

Tim McHugh, one-fourth The Atomic Numbers and an Ann Arbor resident, said he's happy to be playing the State Theatre show. It's a rare opportunity to play a major area venue. "I think it's sort of a big Detroit-feel-good party and that's O.K. with me," said McHugh. "It's always nice to be invited to a party."

The Atomic Numbers are up for three awards, one for Outstanding Live Performance.

For singer-songwriter Liz Larin, of Bloomfield Hills, the music awards offer a chance to meet other performers. "When we in the music community become exposed to each other, we tend to cross pollinate in a way, and work with each other on each other's projects to further strengthen the music scene," she said.

As the newest addition on bass for local rock band, Give, she should know a little about cross-pollination. Nominated for three awards herself, Larin's working on her own project and will release a CD by the end of the summer.

The Detroit Music Awards also



Johnnie Bassett



Lisa Hunter

exposes a variety of musical styles to people who might not otherwise hear these performers. Those raised on Top 40 radio may never have heard of Planet E founder and internationally-renowned Detroit DJ Carl Craig. They might've missed the bombastic instrument-bashing, high kicking antics of The Atomic Numbers. Here's a chance to see what it's all about.

The Detroit Music Awards begin 7 p.m. Friday, April 6, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$10 balcony, \$25 for limited mezzanine

seats and \$100 for tables of four. Call (248) 645-8888. Main floor tables and packages available. (248) 486-3424. For a list of nominees, check www.detroitmusicawards.com.

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Everything is 'Souper' at popular lunch spot

BY RENEE BRADLUND
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It's so easy to drive by the Souper Sandwich Carver, nestled between a car wash and jewelry store on Wayne Road in Westland. But if you want to try some of the best hot turkey, ham or roast beef sandwiches in town, you'll circle back until you find it.

The Souper Sandwich Carver is run by Chris Hatzilias, 74, and his daughter, Lucy Biggs, and son, Chris. The idea for a small restaurant that served just homemade soups and carved-on-the-spot sandwiches was her dad's, said Biggs. With 45 years in the food business, the senior Hatzilias wasn't ready to hang up his apron.

Souper Sandwich Carver
Where: 888 S. Wayne Road, Westland (south of Cherry Hill, across from the YMCA, between the Original \$2 car Wash and Modern Jewelers), (734) 326-7910
Open: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday
Menu: Hot, oven-roasted beef, turkey and ham sandwiches. Lots and lots of soups.
Cost: Small sandwich \$3.50, large \$4.50
Extras: Drive-thru

In the three years it's been open, the Souper Sandwich has developed some loyal customers, like Larry Easley of Wayne, who just finished a roast beef on an onion roll and a bowl of beef barley soup.

"I keep coming back because I enjoy the food and the service is outstanding. The soups are out-of-this-world," he said. "I don't think you can find a healthier place to eat. It's not the fast food venue. I like the personal contact. They treat you like family. It makes you feel like you want to come back."

Besides the service, it's the big, juicy roasts that bring customers back again and again. You watch as the meat for your sandwich is carved and stacked on either a fresh Kaiser or onion roll. Sandwiches come in large and small sizes.

"On a good day, we'll go through two to two and a half hams, two top rounds and turkey...oh gosh, maybe three to five turkey breasts. Some lunches we go through more," said Biggs. (And for all you baked ham lovers, Souper Sandwich only serves Dearborn Sausage Company hams.)

RESTAURANT SPECIALS

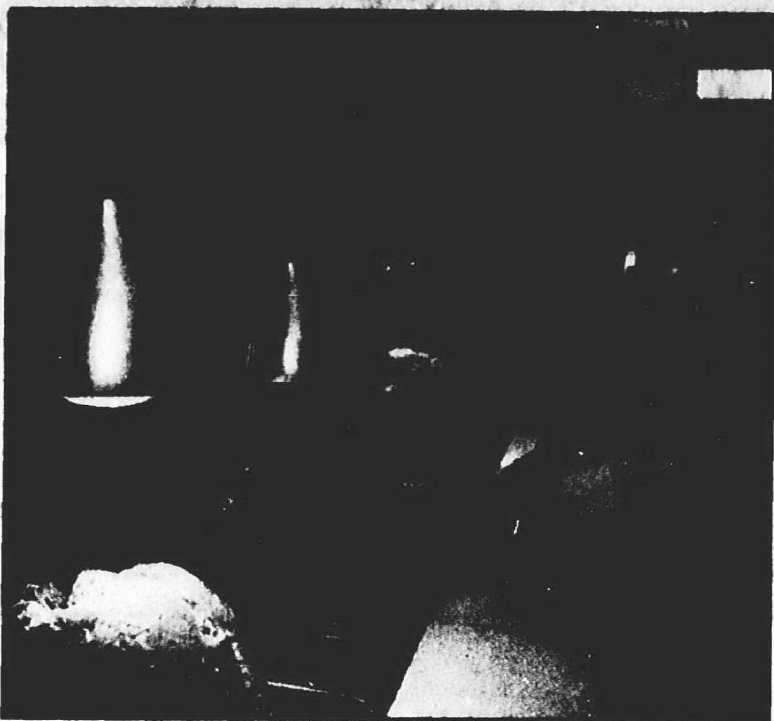
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EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

French Vegetarian Dinner 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, presented by Chef Greg Upshur and staff at Too Chez, 27000 E. Sheraton Dr. (at I-96 service drive & Novi Road), Novi. The cost is \$28.50 per person, not including tax, beverage and gratuity. Call (248) 348-5555. Organic vegan menu includes Cognac marinated & seared tofu with truffles, herbs and glazed shallots, sauteed medallions of seitan with smoked tomato, celery root puree, vegetable medley & vegan Zinfandel demi-glace.

VEGETARIAN FEAST

At Morels, 30100 Telegraph (south of 13 Mile Road), Bingham Farms, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, April 25-26. Cost is \$35 per person, not including tax, gratuity or beverage, call (248) 642-1094. Menu features leek risotto with fresh tomato cream & Asiago, Portabella and Wild Mushroom Wellington with braised greens and morel sauce.



Ooooh, shhhh: Chris Hatzilias stands ready to serve his first customer of the day. Sandwiches are carved to order.

Soups are another specialty. Hatzilias' repertoire now includes turkey noodle, turkey Rosemarina, turkey lemon rice, bean and ham, split pea, potato and ham, cabbage and ham, vegetable beef, beef barley, cream of broccoli, onion, beef noodle, cream of spinach, minestrone, both Manhattan and New England clam chowder...and more! Three different soups are served daily.

"Dad wanted to keep just three soups on the menu, but gradually we began to hear 'Why

don't you make this? Don't you make that?'" said Biggs.

Souper Sandwich is not a deli or a fast-food place, said Briggs. They've earned their reputation on serving fresh roasted beef, ham and turkey sandwiches and delicious, homemade soups.

"No one is ever dissatisfied after they leave," said Briggs.

Easley agrees. "Nobody that I've brought here has every been disappointed," he said. "You get to know everybody. They're all buddies. If not, they'll soon be."

You're family at Harvey's Deli

BY RENEE BRADLUND
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My first tuna salad sandwich from Harvey's Olds Village Deli in Plymouth, served on really good rye bread and topped with lettuce, tomato and slice of Swiss cheese, demanded several encores within the next few weeks. I was never disappointed. The sandwich was just as thick, fresh and delicious as the first time.

And the service was just as friendly.

Harvey's Olds Village Deli
Where: 696 N. Mill Street, Plymouth, (734) 453-3705, fax: (734) 453-8342
Open: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.
Menu: Grilled pita wraps, specialty sandwiches, burgers, soups and salads, and munchies. Sandwiches come with a choice of side dishes.
Cost: Pita wraps \$5.25, sandwiches \$3.50-\$5.25, burgers \$3-\$4.25
Extras: Hot and cold catering menu for large and small parties; delivery available

"I try to greet everybody when they come in. We like that neighborhood feel," said Dan Sarb, who's owned Harvey's for the past six years with his wife, Kerri.

"We have some of the neatest customers. It's a family place," said Kerri. "And if someone is having a bad day, I can show them a smile."

Harvey's offers a big selection of grilled pitas and specialty sandwiches like the Reuben, French Grille, The Big Keilbasa and The Fat Boy (mounds of thinly sliced roast beef, cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion and a creamy homemade dressing on a Kaiser roll). There's also burgers, salads and soups. The word is out the cream of broccoli is divine.

"You know why we come here every day?" said Sophia Freni of Westland, who was waiting for her order with her friend, Mark Hamilton of Livonia. "Because they are very friendly and we can get anything we want here, even a fried baloney sandwich. And it's the cleanest deli in the world."

Besides being friendly, Sarb and his counter



Deli delights: Dan Sarb keeps his customers happy with fast service and fresh sandwiches.

crew are super efficient. They realize most people don't have a lot of time to linger over lunch.

"The big thing is to let them maximize their lunch hour by giving them good food and good service. Personally, I try to greet everybody when they come in. We like to have that neighborhood feel," he said.

At least three times a week, Sarb and Kerri cook up some old-fashioned specials that are always sell-outs: macaroni and cheese, meatloaf and mashed potatoes, corned beef hash, Kerri's mom's "After Church Stew," and, on Fridays, hot turkey and hot Honey Baked Ham sandwiches.

And if your lucky enough to stop by on the day when Sarb is making jumbo chicken enchiladas... well, you're just plain lucky. "They're 10 inches long and four inches in diameter," he said. Sounds like another sandwich that requires an encore.

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CLEAN UP YOUR ACT

SPRING IS THE PERFECT TIME TO MAKE YOUR HOME SHINE

BY MARY KLEMIC
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As the new year brings resolutions to clean up your act, spring is time to clean up your house.

Getting started on spring cleaning may seem difficult, but it doesn't have to be.

Tupperware consultant and kitchen organization expert Nellie O'Brien was in the area last month to share encouraging words related to cleaning and organization.

"It's not just to have everything look appealing, it's about saving time and money," said O'Brien, on Tupperware's "Kitchen Clutter Control" media tour.

O'Brien recommends starting in the kitchen. It's easier to throw things away there and keep your motivation.

Take one cabinet at a time. Empty it and wipe it out, and put food from opened boxes and bags into clear containers. Keeping the contents visible lets you know what you have and helps when you plan shopping, O'Brien said.

Arrange similar items into stations — snacks, baking, grain and pasta.

Carry this throughout your residence. Take one drawer, section of the room, or shelf at a time. Make tool stations in the garage, play stations in children's rooms.

Discarding

Some items to be discarded could be taken to a recycling center.

"When springtime comes, our phones are really ringing off the hook," said Heidi Jo Wayco, recycling coordinator at the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County.

The RRRASOC is now accepting textiles, such as clothing and curtains. One of its drop-off centers is the Material Recovery Facility at Eight Mile and Evergreen roads in Southfield.

Before throwing something away, ask yourself, "Is it something that can be used by someone else? Can it be donated?" Wayco said.

The RRRASOC, which serves residents in Farmington, Farmington Hills, Southfield, Walled Lake, Novi, South Lyon, Wixom and Lyon Township, has scheduled household hazardous waste (HHW) drop-off days between April 21 and Oct. 13 in its communities.

The RRRASOC has added used computer equipment to the list of items it will accept at the six regional HHW events. This equipment includes central processing units, monitors, keyboards, mice, modems, printers and other personal computer peripheral devices.

Residents may take oil-based paint, pesticides, herbicides, cleaners, fluorescent light bulbs and other common household chemicals from their homes, garages and workshops to the HHW drop-off days.

Residents who live in Wayne County should call local public service departments in their communities about what household hazardous waste will be accepted and when drop-off days have been scheduled.

Livonia residents can take their hazardous household waste from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday, May 5, to the Recycle Center on Glendale, east of Farmington. Call (734) 466-2655 for information.

Plymouth Township scheduled a similar drop-off day for township residents only 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, May 19, at the Division of Public Services Building, 46555 Fort, just north of M-14 on Beck Road. Call (734) 453-8131 ext. 33.

Garden City and Westland residents will be notified by mail when they can drop off items in May at the Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority in Dearborn Heights on Inkster north of Van Born.

Bedford homeowners can leave household hazards on a Saturday in September. Canton also accepts these items from residents on a Saturday in the fall.

Consumers who are worried about household chemicals can make their own non-toxic cleansers. Gloria Boyajian carries ingredients for these cleansers at her Ferndale boutique, Aetheria.

"It's less expensive to go with herb-based or essential oil-based cleansers for your home," she said. "All you have to know is what they are and how to use them."

The boutique at 23140 Woodward also sells *The Naturally Clean Home*, a book featuring 101 herbal recipes for non-toxic cleansers.

Boyajian's recommendations include the essential oils lemon, lime, sweet orange, tea tree, lavender, wintergreen, citronella and



Nellie O'Brien



ILLUSTRATION BY BRIAN FURZMAN

water is a good glass cleaner; add a few drops of lemon or orange oil for a fresh smell, Boyajian said.

Essential oils should be kept in a cool, dark place, Boyajian said. Be sure you buy the essential oil, not just the fragrance.

And handle the essential oils carefully. They are highly concentrated, can irritate skin and must never be used internally.

Professional touch

Some residents hire professionals to help with spring cleaning.

"As soon as the weather gets warmer, everybody wants their home cleaned for spring, and I don't blame them," said John Cohen, general manager of Molly Maid of Plymouth/Farmington.

If you have a certain date you'd like the cleaners to come, call well ahead of time, Cohen said. Also tell them ahead of time what specific things you want cleaned, such as the stove or behind the refrigerator. Pick up clothing, toys and other extraneous items before the cleaners arrive.

Bill Wurtsbacher, vice president of Modernistic Carpet Cleaning of Troy, recommends having a carpet cleaned a couple of times a year.

"You should consider getting your carpet cleaned on a maintenance program. It's not the cleaning that wears the carpet, it's the soil," he said.

Residents who want to do their own cleaning can rent or buy equipment from janitor supply businesses. These include powerful machines (carpet extractors, floor buffers, vacuum cleaners), and cleaning solvents meant to be diluted.

Vacuum cleaners at Weber Janitor Supplies, 34040 Glendale in Livonia, have such features as cloth bags, beater bars made of steel and 50-foot cords.

"These are made to run every day and they just last for years," said Gregory Weber, president.

Parnin Janitor Supply Co., 15356 Middlebelt in Livonia, makes its own cleaning solutions that are EPA approved.

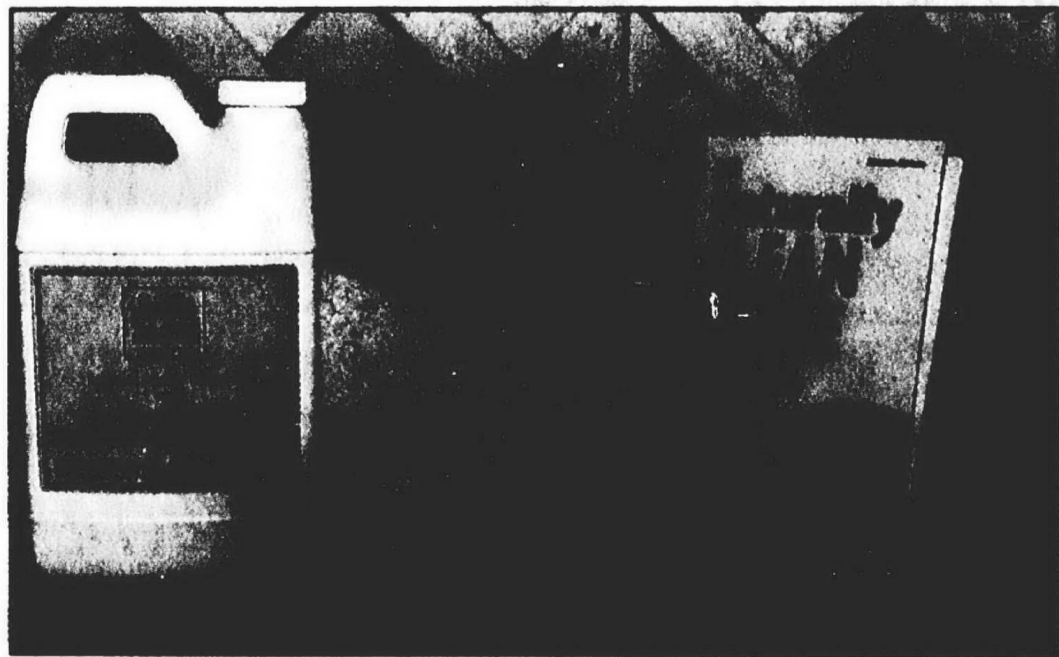
"People are definitely into disinfectant," said Suzanne Parnin, vice president.

Parnin said one innovation in the cleaning business is the ozone machine, which absorbs odors in the air.

vine; and the basic materials castile soap, baking soda, white vinegar, borax and salt.

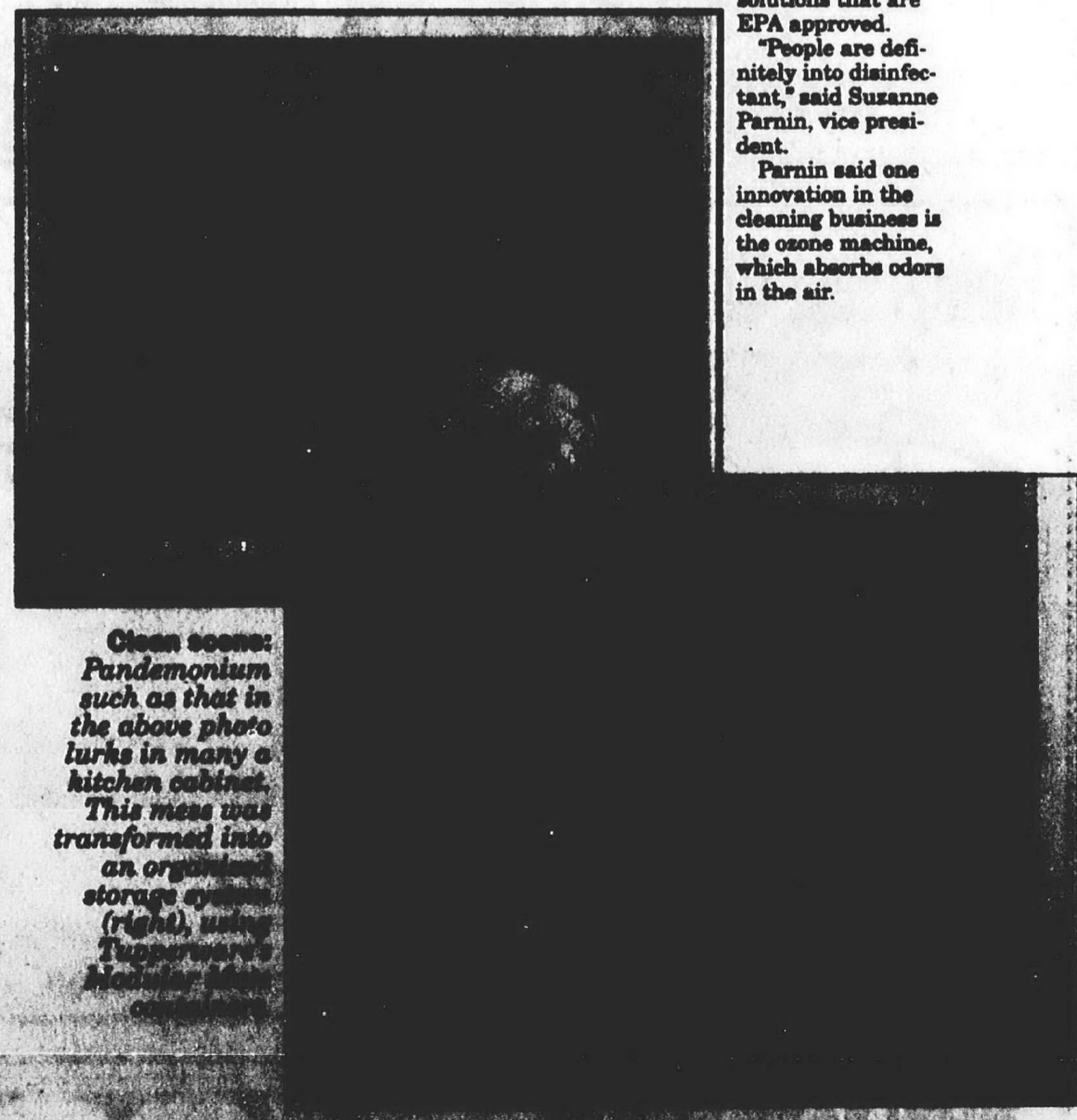
These and other elements make carpet deodorizers, fabric softeners, oven cleaners, dishwasher detergents and floor cleaners, among other cleaning materials.

For example, white vinegar mixed with



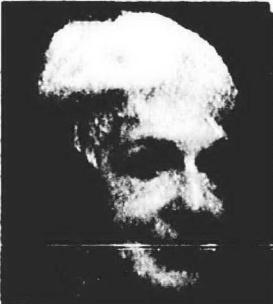
JAMES R. HILMAN

What comes clean naturally: Aetheria in Ferndale carries non-toxic products and ingredients, such as *Lavender Laundry Fragrance* by Good Home Co. \$20.95 for 64 ounces; an orange candle, \$7.95; essential oils ranging in price from \$5.95 to \$15.95; and the book *"The Naturally Clean Home,"* \$12.95.



Clean scene: Pandemonium such as that in the above photo lurks in many a kitchen cabinet. This mess was transformed into an organized storage system (right), using Tupperware's Modular Storage System.

INSIDE



MARTY FIGLEY

In response

Here are the answers on a wide range of subjects including shrubs, soil and slugs

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JOE BAGDON

Repair bill

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...to the Dept. of April's Spring...

GARDENING CALENDAR

Does your garden club have an upcoming event or meeting you want publicized? Send items for consideration in Gardening Calendar to Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net. To send a fax, call (734) 591-7279.

Lynda Bryant-Leibrock and Sandy Kramer-Patterson at 7-9 p.m., Monday, April 9, at the new office of the Wayne County Conservation District, 12717 Inkster (behind O'Keller Tool) in Livonia. Call to reserve a seat at (734) 525-3461 or visit www.waynecd.org

uled for 9:30 a.m., while evening courses begin at 6:30 p.m. Classes listed here will be taught at the Livonia facility. Here is a list of some of the classes, some of which require prerequisite courses or experience:

Water Gardens, meets on two consecutive Thursdays, starting April 5; Choosing Trees and Shrubs, four Thursdays, starting April 5; Choosing and Using Annuals and Perennials, four Wednesdays, starting May 2; Difficult Sites Part I on wet and dry sites, two Thursdays, starting June 7; Difficult Sites Part II, starting Thursday, June 21. Call (248) 4-GARDEN for information winter and spring classes, times and costs or click on www.michigangardening.com for class information or for classes at other locations in Detroit, Pontiac and Macomb Township.

chrysanthemums, tulips, daffodils, azaleas and small orchid corsages. Full flats of petunias, impatiens, begonias and pansies will be available. Pony rides will be available for children, weather permitting. For Easter, the hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, April 12; 1-7 p.m. Friday, April 13; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, April 14; and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, April 15, at the Wilson Barn, 29350 West Chicago (at Middlebelt). A similar sale is scheduled for May 10-13 for Mother's Day.

Belleville. On Sunday, April 22, owners Roger and Nancy Lindley will present a hands-on demonstration on rose pruning and spring garden preparation in a display garden that contains over 400 plants in a residential landscape. Insect and disease control for roses will be presented on Sunday, April 29, for guests to learn about pests and controlling them with natural organic prevention and treatment. Slide lectures are scheduled in the nursery's scenic, unheated 1890s barn, so participants are asked to dress appropriately for the weather. The nursery and retail center open April 13. Take I-94 to exit 187 (Rawsonville), south for seven miles, and east on Willow Road. For info, call (734) 461-1230.

COLORFUL SHOWS

ORCHIDS
Plant sales, raffle and growing tips about orchids will be available at the Palm Sunday Show 2001, presented by the Michigan Orchid Society, Saturday, April 7, and Sunday, April 8, at Laurel Park Place Mall at Six Mile and I-275 in Livonia. Admission is free. Call Gail Lift for membership information at (734) 971-4117.

NURSERY SCHOOL

PONDS
Learn about putting in a pond at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 Merriman, in Westland. Call (734) 421-5959 for information.

ARRANGEMENTS
Several workshops are scheduled at Keller & Stein Florist and Greenhouse, 42158 Michigan in Canton. Reservations are needed for the workshops. Each workshop costs \$10 per person and is non-refundable. Classes are scheduled at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The classes include a patio pot workshop on Saturday, May 5. Call (734) 397-0800.

BACK TO SCHOOL

MORE GARDENING
The Michigan School of Gardening, 29429 Six Mile, in Livonia offers a variety of subjects. Register in advance. Classes are limited in size. Weekly classes usually are scheduled

FLOWER SALE

AFRICAN VIOLETS
The Michigan State African Violet Society presents its annual spring display and sale of African violets, gesneriads and supplies 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 14, and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, April 15, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro in Ann Arbor. Admission is free.

POTTED PLANTS
Approximately 500 potted plants will be available at the Friends of the Wilson Barn annual spring flower sale, including lilies.

OTHER LECTURES

SAGUARO
Learn about Flowering and Foliage Plants for sunny windows, at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 8, and Early Spring Standouts, Sunday, April 15, at Saguro Nursery & Gardens, 470 W. Five Mile in Whitmore Lake. Call (734) 449-4237.

GRASS ROOTS
Installing a water garden? Attend one or all of the free classes on opening your pond offered at 11 a.m., Saturday, April 7, and 14 or Sunday, April 29, by Grass Roots Nursery, 24765 Bell Road in New Boston. Water garden construction classes are scheduled for Saturday, May 5 and 19 and water garden balancing on Sunday, May 13. Streams and waterfalls is scheduled for Sunday, May 27. Call (734) 753-9200.

GREAT LAKES ROSES
Learn about Winter-Hardy Roses at a slide presentation at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 15, at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road in

Check soil through tests

Gardeners can learn about the nutrients in their garden soil by testing it.

The Michigan State University Soil Nutrient Testing Service will be offered through participating garden supply stores in cooperation with Wayne County's MSU Extension.

For \$12 and up until Sunday, April 15, homeowners can bring soil samples to Allemon's Landscape Center, Detroit; Artman's Westland Nursery, Westland; Barson's Greenhouse, Westland; Clyde Smith Nursery, Westland; Great Lakes Roses, Belleville; Panetta Landscaping, Westland, and Plymouth Nursery, Plymouth.

Tests check pH, lime requirement, phosphorous, potassium, calcium and magnesium.

Soil samples can be collected by using a spade or trowel and a clean plastic pail.

Collect 10 samples from one area (lawn, flower or vegetable garden). Remove a slice of soil which extends to the bottom of plant roots or 3 inches below the turf for lawn, 7 inches deep for flowers and vegetables. Do not include roots, thatch or other plant materials in the sample.

Each small sample should equal about a 1/2 cup. Mix the 10 samples in the clean pail. Place 1 cup of the well-mixed soil in a clean plastic bag or container. Soil may be dry or damp, but not soaking wet.

Participating retailers will package your soil sample for analysis at the soil testing laboratory at Michigan State University. For more information, visit www.landscape.org

If you have an upcoming garden walk scheduled for your garden club, let us know about it. Send date, time and location along with photos to Ken Abramczyk, At Home Editor, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

GARDEN SPEAKERS

NOVI
Roses-West Rose Society of Novi hosts Mif Claussen of Illinois at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 6, on latest "hot" roses at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile. Call (248) 347-0400. There is a social hour and it is free to the public.

COMPOSTING
A workshop on backyard and worm composting will be presented by Michigan State University Extension Advanced master gardeners and master composters

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GARDENING

Learn a few answers to questions about slugs, shrubs and soil testing

GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

Questions, we get questions; and what better place to answer them than in this column, so everyone can learn? Q: Which forced bulbs are worth replanting in the garden?

A: Most forced bulbs can be set in the garden after the last freeze (around May 20). Meanwhile, keep them in bright sunlight indoors and fertilize them with a water-soluble houseplant fertilizer.

Generally the minor bulbs do best — crocuses, grape hyacinths, snowdrops, etc. Larger bulbs such as daffodils also do well, but forced hyacinths and tulips are often treated for forcing and should be put in the compost pile.

Q: When can I begin to thwart slugs in the garden?

A: Now's the time to begin. There are many baits, traps, homemade concoctions, of which you have probably read. A new idea to me is to use sandpaper discs. Cut a slit from one side of the disc to the middle and lay it around the plants. The rough texture will cut the slimy bodies.

Q: When is Michigan State University Extension going to offer the "Don't Guess - Soil Test" program?

A: What a timely question! The program has just begun and will run through April 15.

The cost is \$12 for each test. You can take soil samples to participating retailers where the sample will be packaged and sent to the MSU lab. Within two to three weeks, the results and interpretation will be returned in the mail.

For a list of participating retailers, check the Metro Detroit Landscape Association Web site at www.landscape.org



MARTY FIGLEY

Screen scene: Different species of shrubs make an attractive windbreak. Here viburnum, American arborvitae and Canadian hemlock grow as a screen between properties.

or call your County Extension office in Oakland County at (248) 858-0880 or in Wayne County at (313) 833-3417. (See article on C2 for more information.)

Q: I like to shop for perennials and shrubs and buy them early for best selection. What should I do if it's too early to plant them in the garden?

A: Keep the protective wrapping around the roots moist until planting time. Store the plant in a cool but frost-free and dark spot to prevent too much growth from occurring. As soon as you can plant it, do so.

Q: Can I plant my Easter lily outdoors when it has finished blooming?

A: Yes you can, but wait until after the middle of May to plant it.

Lilies need a well-drained, protected location where the bulbs will be shaded by low-growing shrubs, perennials or in the dappled shade of taller trees and shrubs.

Keep the bulbs moist before planting them and be aware that they should never dry out completely. Watering may be necessary during dry periods.

They need a rich soil. If drainage is poor, add sharp or coarse gravel, or perhaps raise the bed slightly. Work in some balanced fertilizer. Mulch will help keep the moisture in the soil.

Cut the flowers off after bloom and wait until the foliage ripens

before removing it this fall.

Q: Do you have any suggestions about planting windbreaks to cut down heating costs?

A: If you wish to use shrubs, don't grow all of the same thing. The reason is that if a disease strikes one, it could affect all of them and you'll lose them.

A variety of shrubs is best and will also add interest to the barrier. There are many suitable candidates. Do a little research before making your selections. Plant the windbreak, which can reduce fuel needs by 15 percent or more, on the west side of the home to cut down the speed of freezing, gusting wind.

Q: I'm looking for seed of black radishes. Help!

A: I called the American Horticultural Society's member information line.

The regular black radish seeds are carried by Seed Blum, Idaho City Stage, Boise, ID 83706; catalog, \$2. Also, Pinetree Garden Seeds, New Gloucester, ME 04260; phone (207) 926-3400.

Seeds for long black are carried by Nichols Garden Nursery, 1198 Pacific, Albany, OR 97321; phone (541) 928-9280; free catalog.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 659-3047 on a touch-tone phone, then 111, then 3445. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

Spring home, garden show set for April 5-8

The fifth annual spring home and garden show will run Thursday-Sunday, April 5-8, at the Novi Expo Center.

"This annual springtime tradition inspires many homeowners to beautify their homes and gardens," said Stephen Taglione, president of Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and of Westminster & Abbey Homes in Bingham Farms.

"Our exhibitors will help homeowners to accentuate the positives in their home environments."

The non-profit BIA is the

sponsor of the event.

Novi Expo Center is at I-96 and Novi Road. Show hours will be 2-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and ages 6-12, free for under age 6. Parking is available at Novi Expo Center for a fee.

For more information, visit www.builders.org or call (248) 862-1019.


Roger Swain, "the man with the red suspenders," as he is known to millions of viewers

who have watched him for 15 years as the host of PBS's *The Victory Garden*, will share gardening insights at the Garden Theater.

Joining Swain will be Nancy Lindley, "Michigan's Rose Lady." Homeowners can bring bathroom pictures for the Original Ugliest Bathroom Contest, sponsored by Mathison Supply, WJR-700 AM and The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Additional show features will include demonstrations on decorating, home repair and remodeling, and a Treasure Chest contest with daily prizes.

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CREATIVE LIVING

Look for the unusual before shooting your photos

FOCUS ON PHOTOGRAPHY



MONTE NAGLER

What's one of the best ways to improve your photographs and receive positive acclaim from family and friends? Be on the lookout for the unusual! You need to develop your skills in seeing the unusual and then produce the image on film in the most enhancing way.

A keen photographer's eye can isolate a small detail, such as a reflection in a puddle or the pattern in a stack of firewood.

A backlit shot can transform your subject into an unusual, dramatic silhouette. Early morning or late afternoon light can cast shadows that will add impact to your shot. Look for an unusual cloud formation or an approaching thunderstorm.

A keen photographer's eye can isolate a small detail, such as a reflection in a puddle or the pattern in a stack of firewood. These

and many more subjects will produce photographs of unusual quality. And keeping your eyes open for an exciting splash of color may be the final ingredient for that special picture.

Pay close attention to framing and composition. Watch your subject placement in the viewfinder and use depth-of-field creatively.

Using your camera's controls imaginatively can add the unusual to pictures, too. Slow shutter speeds can blur the action and give a misty, dream-like appearance to subjects such as flowing water. Fast shutter speeds will, of course, freeze the action at its peak.

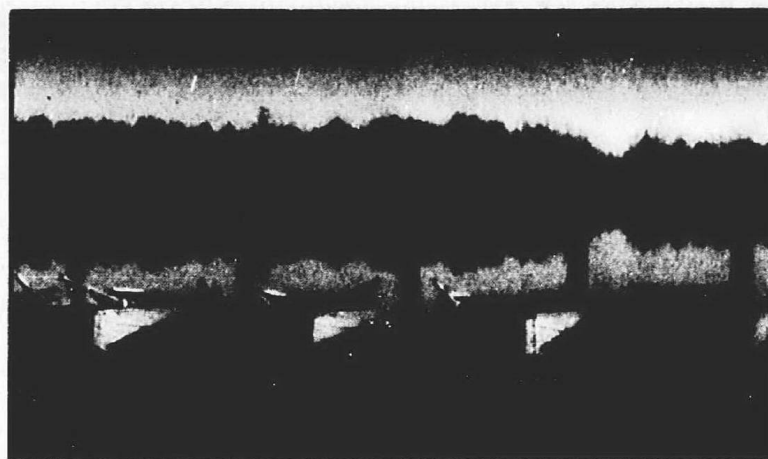
Use candid shots to capture unusual shots of people. You'll get

those fleeting, spontaneous expressions that are so elusive in posed portraits.

For you vacationers, an obscure street scene or other out-of-the-way image will add impact and interest to your travel photographs.

In summary, it's OK to deviate from the "norm" in your photography. Being a little "unusual" will reward you with pictures that carry the stamp of your own individuality.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then 111, then N-A-G-L-E-R. His fax number is (248) 644-1314.



'Bout boats: Monte Nagler saw this unusual arrangement of boats in Rothbury, Mich. Careful composition and cropping produced this interesting photograph.

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CRAFTS CALENDAR

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HANDCRAFTERS ARTS/CRAFTS
Handcrafters will sponsor its ninth annual spring arts and crafts show 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. April 6; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 7 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 8 at the Northville Recreation Center (303 W. Main St.). Over 70 juried artisans will display such works as florals, stained glass, baskets, wood items and clothing. Lunch will be available. Admission, \$2. No baby strollers. Call (734) 459-0050.

ARTISTS/CRAFTERS WANTED
Artists and crafters wanted for the Plymouth Community Summer Festival 11 a.m. Friday, June 14, through 5 p.m. Sunday, June 17. Held on the grounds of Compuware Arena, M-14 and Beck Road. Call Sandra at (313) 543-2501.

CRAFTERS NEEDED
Crafters are needed for a craft show during St. Joe's Church of

Wyandotte - June 22-24. Three days \$100/one day \$35. Call Sue for information (734) 285-2229.

CALL FOR ARTISTS
Canton Township invites artists for the 10th annual fine arts and craft show at Liberty Fest 2001. The dates of the show are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. June 23 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 24. Artists can choose to display their work under "the big tents" or can bring their own tent. The show is juried and each participant will be required to submit slides or pictures of their work from the approved categories: Painting, prints, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, pastel and selected fine crafts. No commercially produced merchandise will be allowed. Deadline for an application submission is April 16. Call Sharon Dillenbeck of D & M Studio's at (734) 453-3710.

FOUNDERS FESTIVAL
The Farmington Founders Festival will host a juried outdoor Arts/Crafts fair to be held July 19-21. For an application and information call (248) 477-5837.

CRAFTERS NEEDED
Crafters needed for the 16th

annual juried show Saturday, Oct. 20 at West Middle School (44401 w. Ann Arbor Trail) in Plymouth. The show will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call Terri (248) 349-5344.

ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW
Our Redeemer Lutheran Church (24931 Union at Westwood) of Dearborn has tables available for its 20th Annual Craft Show on Saturday, Oct. 27. Eight foot tables are \$25. Call (313) 562-9246 for information.

FALL CRAFT SHOW
Crafters are encouraged to apply for space in the 2001 Fall Craft Show at Schoolcraft College Nov. 10-11. The show is juried, and a limited number of exhibitors are accepted in each category to maintain a balanced representation. Crafters are asked to submit a photograph of their work with their application. The fee for a 12' by 12' space is \$100, a 10' x 10' space is \$70; and 8' x 9' space is \$55; an 8' x 4' hallway space is also \$55. There is an additional \$15 fee for electricity. Application deadline is May 4. To obtain an application, contact Marketing and Development at (734) 462-4417.

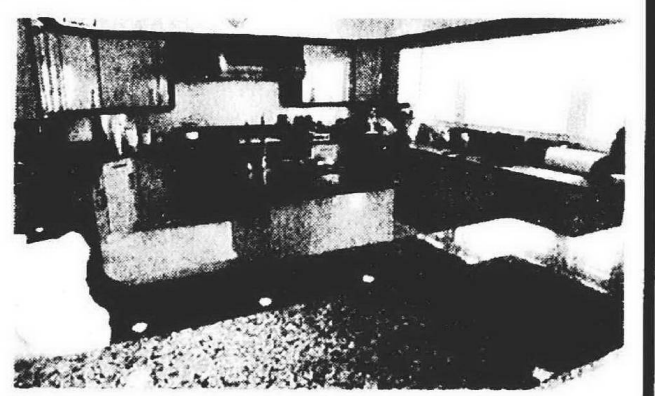
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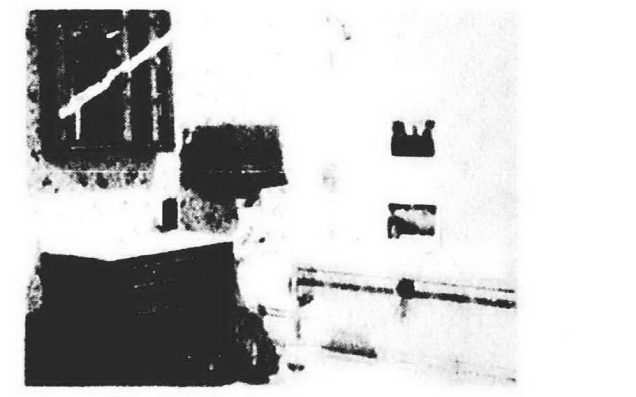
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HARRY JACHYM

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Material list

Cut-in "old work" gang box No. 14/2 (with ground NM) wire (Romex)
GFI (ground fault interrupter) outlet
Weatherproof outlet cover

Tool list

Neon tester
Screwdrivers
Saw (see text)
Lineman pliers
Needle nose pliers
Wire cutters
Wire strippers
Utility knife

At least 6 inches of wire must protrude through both boxes according to code. Mount the new box on the outside wall.

Remove the sheath from the Romex and strip about 3/4-inch of insulation from both the white and black insulated wires.

Making connections

Attach the new wires to an open set of screw terminals or quick connect holes. Be certain to attach the black wire to the brass (hot) side, the white wire to the silver (neutral) and the bare ground to the green screw.

If there are no open screws or quick connects, remove the wires from the existing outlet, bunch them together with the new wires, along with a 5- or 6-inch wire (a pigtail) and secure with a wire nut. Attach this pigtail to the outlet. Mount the outlets and cover.

Codes and safe practices state that a maximum of two sets of wires can be attached to an outlet. A pigtail counts as one wire. Do not put any more than one wire on any screw nor use quick connect and corresponding screws.

Attach the wires according to the instructions with your GFI box that came with it and use a weatherproof cover.

"Energize" the circuit and test it for power and ground fault protection using a tester.

Though adding a new outside outlet isn't difficult, if you aren't 100 percent comfortable doing this work, seek help. With electric work, "when in doubt, don't."

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working on.

Remove the cover and outlet from the existing box inside the house to create more working room. Examine the space between the box and wallboard to see which side of the box is attached to the stud. Reference the interior outlet to some point using a tape measure, such as a window or door, to help determine where to locate the new box outside the house.

Use an "old work" (cut-in) box as a template to mark the hole, then cut through the siding using a saber saw, reciprocating saw or keyhole saw. On narrow lap siding, the box will attach easier and look better mounted horizontally. Use care not to cut wires or pipes located within the wall, cutting deep enough to go through siding.

Reach into the hole you've just cut and locate the existing outlet box. Push a length of new No. 14/2 NM (nonmetallic sheathed) wire (Romex) through one of the open wire entrance spaces (plastic box).

You need to remove a "knock-out" from the metal box to feed the Romex through it. Some metal boxes will require wire clamps. In any case working with another person will be very helpful.

When planning the new outlets location, putting it between the same pair of studs as an existing interior outlet will make drawing power easier.

For this project, we'll assume that the new outlet will be mounted to wood, aluminum, vinyl or similar siding.

If the exterior wall is masonry power can be drawn from another source such as a basement junction box but this will require more intensive work.

Watch what you do

I often tell my students "when in doubt, don't." Electricity is dangerous when handled improperly and carelessly, so if you have any doubts about working with it, don't. Seek assistance from a qualified person, such as a licensed electrician.

If you feel confident, let's get started.

Determine if adding a new outlet will overload the circuit. A simple rule of thumb says there should be no more than eight lights or outlets on a 15-amp circuit (10 for a 20-amp circuit). Check with your local building department about permit requirements.

Always turn off the power to any outlet or circuit you are

Lawmakers review, discuss appliance repair legislation

APPLIANCE DOCTOR



JOE GAGNON

I remember the first time I traveled to the State Capitol to testify on a new bill pertaining to the appliance repair business. I stood in front of a committee of state representatives. My knees shook and my voice broke with emotion as I tried to explain to them the crookedness of some appliance repair companies.

That was 15 years ago and things haven't changed much. Those very companies that I spoke about are still in business and still ripping off consumers the same way they were back then. Almost every year since, I go back and plead to have the appliance repair bill enacted into law.

Back in Lansing again I went into a room with the leaders of lobbying groups who opposed this bill right from the get-go. There were plenty of words exchanged, the air was very thick and in the end I believe we reached an understanding. As I left, I saw a state senator who sponsored the bill last year but couldn't get it passed. "I'm looking at you, Joe, with a feeling of embarrassment because I couldn't get your bill passed," he said. I felt sorry for this fine gentleman because I know he was sincere and tried hard. It's very tough to work in our system of government even though it's the best there is. In the next few weeks I will once again stand in front of a group of state senators and present a case why this bill should be passed and made law in our state.

I've lost count of how many times I've worked with television stations, exposing rip-offs in the

service industry. We show companies doing the same things, over and over, such as changing parts which are not defective and overcharging consumers on labor rates.

The rip-off story goes on and on in many different ways and I've asked everyone for help for so many years, I'm blue in the face. I've even gone to the state attorney general who said she would look into it.

What you can do

Ask yourself what you can do as a homeowner. First, you must be smart before you call for appliance service. Call around and check out the company to find out how reliable it is. Call the Better Business Bureau. (In Farmington Hills, city officials set up an ethics committee. Maybe your community has one of these, too.) Call your chamber of commerce and find out how to start a referral system in your city.

Check on the contractor by asking your neighbor or anybody, just don't use somebody without doing a fair amount of checking. Some of these rip-offs have been around for over 20 years and even though these companies are exposed, they

remain in business.

To the senior citizens who read this column, I have a stern message for you. I have spent the past 20 years speaking to you at seminars across this state and yet so many of the calls I investigate are rip-offs involving seniors. It is hard to change your nature of trusting people and I would be wrong in trying to do so, but I want you to ask for somebody's help when you are not sure what to do when it comes to needing service.

The Appliance Repair Act is needed in Michigan for several reasons and I'll give you the major ones. We as consumers have no place to go except small claims court when we get taken advantage of by an unethical service business. Small claims can be quite an experience for a homeowner who can't out-talk an appliance repair guy.

Everything else in this state is regulated to some degree, but the appliance repair business isn't at all.

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ENGAGEMENTS & ANNIVERSARIES

Mocur

Frank and Jennie (Olwean) Mocur of Livonia celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 31, 2001.

The couple wed in 1951 at St. John's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Detroit. They have lived in the Livonia area for 38 years.

Frank retired in 1987 from Fleetwood Fisherbody in Detroit and Jennie in 1991 from Charisma Salon in Livonia.

The Mocurs have four children: Sharon (Mocur) Kallis of Livonia, Karon (Mocur) Hendricks of Livonia, Marilyn (Mocur) Maldonado of Plymouth and Paul Mocur of Northville. They have three grandchildren.



The couple celebrated with family and friends at a surprise party held at St. John's golf and conference center in Plymouth. Congratulations!

Salvato

Emily and Thomas Salvato were married on Feb. 4, 1961.

On Saturday, Feb. 3, 2001, a 40th anniversary celebration was given to the couple by their seven children: Joseph and Crystal Salvato, Gina and Dale Massy, Kathleen and Mark DeMers, Peter Salvato, Tommy Salvato, Michelle and Peter Napolitan and Vincent and Michele Salvato.

They also have eight grandchildren.

The couple had a special blessing at the 5 p.m. mass at St. Michaels Church by Father Alberto Bondy.

A reception was held at the Livonia Italian Club for 125 guests. A good time was had by all.



Bergman

Leonard and Virginia (Pekatowicz) Bergman of Garden City celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this year. The couple wed Feb. 8, 1951 at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Dearborn.

They have lived in Garden City for the past 42 years and have four children: Linda, Ron, Kathy and Vicky.

The anniversary date is always special because Linda and her husband, Skip Richmond, were also married on Feb. 8, in 1979. Linda Richmond's mother- and father-in-law, Bud and Ginny Richmond, were married on the same date in 1945.

Linda and Skip Richmond live in Westland. Ron and his wife Evy Bergman live in Westland. Kathy Bergman resides in Garden City. Vicky and her husband, Dave Shei, live in Commerce Township.

The Bergmans have 3 grandchildren.



To celebrate the occasion, the Bergmans children hosted a party with a marriage blessing mass at St. Raphael Church, followed by a dinner reception at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Garden City. They were greeted by family and friends.

Chipelewski-Allen

Richard and Sandra Chipelewski of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Shawn, to Dean Allen of Okemos.

The bride-to-be will graduate from Western Michigan University this month.

Her fiancé, son of Gary and Linda Allen of Garden City, is a Western Michigan University graduate and works as a customer business manager for Kellogg's.

A May wedding is planned at First Baptist Church of Wayne and they will receive guests at Roma Hall in Garden City.



Ludtke-Duerk

Sandra Holloway Ludtke and the late David Eugene Ludtke of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Sue, to Karl Frederick Duerk.

The bride-to-be attended Eastern Michigan University where she studied Early Childhood and language arts. She is a member of alpha Xi Delta sorority and is currently teaching at Dearborn heights Montessori School.

Her fiancé, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Duerk of Rochester Hills, attends Michigan Tech in Houghton and will graduate in May with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and will be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force where he will begin pilot training.

Kelly and Karl will be married in June in Martha Mary Chapel at historic Greenfield Village in Dearborn with a reception to follow in Lovett Hall. The couple will be honored at a shower in April given by their sisters, Stacey Ludtke of Garden City and Karen Duerk of Boulder, Colorado. Kelly is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Holloway of North Wilkesboro and the niece of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Holloway of Hays.



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READING BETWEEN THE LINES

Student finds value in volunteerism



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Focused: Jonathan Davis listens to Johnson Elementary School-second grader Bobby Bozin read.

BY KIMMELLY A. MORTSON
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When Jonathan Davis isn't in school, studying or sleeping, he's volunteering.

The Livonia Churchill High School sophomore spends an average of five hours a week volunteering. The son of Carolyn and Lee Davis of Livonia, Jonathan got his first lessons in volunteerism as a toddler helping his mom spread the word about recycling.

"I would type fliers about recycling and we'd pass them around the neighborhood. This was long before the recycling center opened in Livonia. People then started asking me to speak at their churches and groups about recycling. I would drag Jonathan with me, and after I'd talk, there would be questions about things like plastic 1 and 2 and he would answer," said Carolyn Davis. "He was only 3 years old."

Davis now helps elementary-school-age children strengthen their reading skills, teaches them how to play tennis at the YMCA and performs at local nursing homes as a member of the Ward Church Youth Praise Ensemble For Underage Talent.

"I've always loved to read," said Davis, 15. "It's extremely satisfying to know I'm helping someone learn to read better."

Reading buddies

When he was in the second grade, Jonathan volunteered to be a "Reading Buddy" at Webster Elementary School in Livonia. The program matches mentally impaired students with partners to help them read.

"I read with a boy named Rusty three times a week for 45 minutes," said Davis. "I did this for four years until I went to middle school. Rusty goes to Churchill now and I still see him. He's a nice guy."

Davis said the program helps eliminate misconceptions about classmates who have disabilities.

"I have a lot of respect for mentally impaired kids. They're not some strange kid walking down the hallway but very nice and friendly. Some people have had prejudices against them."

A well-rounded individual, Davis makes time in his life for study and fun. He maintains a 3.9 GPA and a heavy class load that includes advanced placement

FRIDAY'S Child



U.S. history, accelerated English, math, science and computer classes. He's also a member of Churchill's tennis team, the National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl and the wind ensemble.

"During the tennis season, I can't volunteer as much as I would like. I have to cut back on volunteering at the YMCA during tennis season. We have practice every day, after school and if we have a meet, I don't get home until late."

Literary Fridays

He does find time every Friday to serve as an Early Literary Volunteer at Johnson Elementary School in Livonia. His mom saw a notice on the community cable channel seeking volunteers, and Jonathan said it was just what he was looking for. He added there were very little volunteer opportunities for him while he attended Frost Middle School so he felt this would be a good chance for him to start helping again.

"Jonathan is just one of a number of students, all

really good children from Churchill, who do an absolutely wonderful job," said Linda Neuroth, Johnson Elementary School learning specialist/reading recovery. "All of the kids have very full lives with athletics, clubs, student council and AP (advanced placement) classes and they still find the time to volunteer and to go above and beyond what is required of them."

For an hour at a time each week Davis helps first, second and third graders who are struggling to read. He also helps sixth graders with math. He's even recruited friends from Churchill to accompany him on Fridays.

"The instructor, Linda Neuroth, varies the schedule so I usually end up reading with someone different each time," said Davis. "There's such a good feeling you get from knowing you are helping someone. I have seen real changes in the kids who have come to us for help."

Working with children

Davis said he likes working with children because he has the advantage of being a kid himself and finds his peers relate to him better than if they were communicating with an adult.

"It's not the same as parents working with kids. I can see a definite advantage. We see eye-to-eye, but you have to have a lot of patience and quite a bit of tolerance."

The Livonia teenager has wanted to attend Cal Tech or MIT since he was in the fifth grade. He hopes to pursue a career in computer engineering or computer programming.

This summer he will attend a computer engineering camp at Michigan Technological University in Houghton and possibly take a Japanese or Spanish language class.

With his classes planned out through his senior year and his career path charted, Davis is undoubtedly a busy young man.

"As long as I can fit it in, I'll continue to volunteer and, even if I don't have time, I plan to make time."

If you are interested in nominating a student who exemplifies the Friday's Child motto "Loving and Giving," call Kim Mortson (734) 953-2131 or e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net



JACK GLADDEN

Corned beef and diversity

Cultural diversity. That phrase has been in the news a lot lately. And now that the official Michigan census figures have been released, reporters and public officials are poring over them, paying special attention to the numbers of minorities or ethnic groups in their communities.

They're looking for evidence of "cultural diversity," which has become the newest hot-button catch-phrase. "Cultural diversity," we are told by the pundits, is good. You can almost hear one township supervisor chiding another: "My community is more culturally diverse than yours. Nyah. Nyah. Nyah."

I've never thought that "cultural diversity" was either good or bad particularly. It just is. And pardon me if I lapse into the "melting pot" mentality for a bit, but when I think of "cultural diversity," I think of corned beef and cabbage, green beer and St. Patrick's Day - the day when, in America anyway, everyone is Irish. At least, that's the way the celebration is promoted.

If you ask any native Irishman about corned beef and cabbage, he'll tell you there's nothing Irish about it - except, maybe, for the cabbage. Ham and cabbage, Irish stew, colcannon (made with cabbage and potatoes) - those are likely St. Patrick's Day dishes in Ireland. But not the corned beef.

So where did the combination come from in this country? No one seems to know for sure, but there's speculation that it's a variation on the New England boiled dinner, without the potatoes or the turnips or the beets or whatever else a New Englander decides to throw into the stew pot.

As for the green beer, an Irishman may like his pint of stout, but not with green food dye in it.

But such nit-picking misses the point. Somewhere along the way, the tradition of celebrating St. Patrick's Day with corned beef and cabbage evolved, combining some Irish traditions with others from who knows where. The result was a "culturally diverse" celebration. And if you shake your head and say "only in America," that's good. Maybe that's what it's all about.

With food, it's easy to be "culturally diverse" without worrying about being "politically correct." Take Shrove Tuesday, for example. Historically and religiously it's the last day of Shrovetide, a period of merrymaking and celebrating before the beginning of the penitential season of Lent.

In New Orleans Shrovetide was called Mardi Gras with the biggest parade and celebration coming on Fat Tuesday. In Poland the carnival season was called *Zapusty*, and was celebrated by eating *paczki*, special jelly-filled buns.

Polish immigrants brought the *paczki* tradition with them and, in largely Polish communities such as Hamtramck, Fat Tuesday became known as *Paczki Day*. Time was, in metro Detroit, you had to go to Hamtramck to get *paczki*. But somewhere along the line, the tradition spread beyond the city limits of Hamtramck and today you can buy *paczki* at supermarkets, doughnut shops or other unlikely places.

In my Canton neighborhood, Maria's Italian Bakery puts the signs up weeks before Shrove Tuesday: "Place your *paczki* orders now." Somehow the Polish tradition has crossed the cultural divide and become an American tradition. (Although purists will insist that the only real *paczki* in this area still come from Hamtramck.)

And speaking of Polish traditions and recreational foods, a friend of mine, of Polish descent, is married to a woman of Mexican descent. They were both born in Detroit and do not think of themselves as Polish-American or Mexican-American. That just happens to be their cultural heritage.

During the holidays he invited her to his home and she was a bit surprised to find a kind of *paczki* on the table. It was a *paczki* with a filling of *chocolate* and *peppermint* and it was a *paczki* that she had never seen before. She was a bit surprised to find a kind of *paczki* on the table. It was a *paczki* with a filling of *chocolate* and *peppermint* and it was a *paczki* that she had never seen before.

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Attendees of the annual Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center Spaghetti Dinner fund-raiser heard testimonials from two students affirming the difference scholarships from the center have made in their lives.

Westland father Scott Allers told guests he thought his plans to attend Schoolcraft College were dashed when he learned he wasn't eligible for financial aid.

His cousin told him to visit the Women's Resource Center and see if there was anything they could do to help him. He soon learned he was wrong and that himself the recipient of a single-parent grant. The Westland single-

father is now enrolled in the Schoolcraft College Vocational Education Department in the Culinary Arts program.

"You get to know students who come to the Women's Resource Center who offer to volunteer to help in any way possible," said Nancy Swanborg, director of the Women's Resource Center. "Scott and Marilyn were chosen because they indicated their willingness to help out because they had been helped before."

More than 350 individuals, students, politicians, college faculty, community leaders and guests attended the sold-out 2001 Spaghetti Dinner and Wine Glow Tuesday, March 20. Swanborg said donated funds from the event will exceed \$5,000. Contributions help assist women and single parents with scholarships and support services at the college.

Speaker Marilyn Murphy shared her story of returning to school after having graduated from high school more than 26 years ago.

Murphy, who has been married to her husband for 29 years, started taking classes at Schoolcraft College in the winter of 1996 to get the skills needed to get a job to support her and her husband, who had epilepsy as the result of a closed-head injury he sustained while driving drunk at age 19.

At the time, her husband was medically disabled and had as many as 16 seizures a day. His medications cost more than \$400 a month, and Murphy said she found herself "taking from Peter to pay Paul," deciding whether to pay the rent, the shutoff notices for the utilities, buy food or his medications.

The Farmington resident received a

scholarship from the WRC as a woman returning to the workplace and other financial assistance for choosing a field of study that is unusual for women.

Tuesday night Murphy told Spaghetti Dinner guests she now earns more than \$30,000 a year and works as a senior metallurgical technician at a Romulus company that makes parts for the auto industry. She earned a degree in computer aided mechanical design from Schoolcraft College and a post-graduate certificate in metallurgy.

Swanborg said the continued success of the WRC can be attributed to the far-reaching support they receive.

"The college has been wonderful and the staff of the Women's Resource Center is outstanding. I'm blessed to work with people who make it all happen," said Swanborg.



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RELIGION CALENDAR

PROGRAMS DURING LENT

JOURNEY TO THE CROSS
Come and experience the life and times of Jesus Christ. Watch him heal the sick and raise the dead. Plymouth Church of the Nazarenes (45001 Ann Arbor Road) of Plymouth. The program "A Journey to the Cross" will be held at 7 p.m. Good Friday April 13; and 6 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 15.

MICHIGAN SINGERS
The Michigan Singers will appear in concert Palm Sunday at 10:45 a.m. at the Riverside Park Church of God (11771 Newburgh Road, Livonia). A love offering will be received. The Michigan Singers is a group of 50 musicians from across the state who travel and sing the message of praise around the U.S. and the state. Call (734) 464-0990.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
On Good Friday, April 13 Father David Lesniak will be praying the Stations of the Cross at 6 p.m. outside the Plymouth Fr. Renaud Council Knight of Columbus Hall (150 Fair Street - Lilley - located on the west side of Lilley between Ann Arbor Road and Ann Arbor Trail). Join us for this Catholic tradition. A fish fry will follow.

EASTER CANTATA
"Alone on the Altar" by Jay Rouse and Randy Vader (arranged by Camp Kirkland) will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday, April 8 at the Gathering: Clarenceville United Methodist Church (20300 Middlebelt) in Livonia. Call (248) 474-3444.

MESSIAH
"Messiah: True and Faithful" an Easter musical will be presented by Beverly Darnell at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 8 and 8 p.m. Friday, April 13. Presented by the Celebration Choir, orchestra and drama ministry of Calvary Baptist Church (43065 Joy Road) between Lilley and Main in Canton. Call (734) 455-0022.

LENTEN WORSHIP
Faith Lutheran Church (30000 Five Mile) of Livonia will hold worship services Sunday, April 8 (Sunday of the Passion) at 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.; Thursday, April 12 Maundy Thursday at 7:30 p.m. with Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar; Good Friday,

April 13 with a noon service and an evening service at 7:30 p.m.; Holy Saturday services at 7:30 p.m. (dessert reception following worship); and The Festival of Resurrection Sunday, April 15 at 8 and 11 a.m. and Easter breakfast at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE
Good Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church (29690 Cherry Hill Road, Garden City) will host Holy Week Services beginning April 12 at 7 p.m. with Maundy Thursday and Holy Communion; 7 p.m. April 13, Good Friday; 8 p.m. April 14 Easter Vigil service and Holy Communion; and Easter Sunday, April 15 8:30 a.m. Festival Service of Resurrection with Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Easter breakfast and activities for children and 11 a.m. Festival Service of Resurrection with Holy Communion.

PRE-EASTER FUN
Parents and children (2-5) can join in the fun April 10 for a free program during Lent. Hear a story, sing a song, do a craft/activity and enjoy a snack. There will be some unstructured playtime at the end so adults can socialize. You must register by calling Anne Fairchild (734) 422-6038. Event runs from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church (30900 w. Six Mile, Livonia).

HOLY SERVICES
Unity of Livonia (29660 Five Mile) will host Holy Communion services Thursday, April 12 at 7:30 p.m.; Good Friday Prayer Vigil at 10 a.m. (concluding at 7 p.m.) April 13 under the direction of licensed teacher coordinator Joan Ham. The Good Friday Service from 1-2 p.m. will be a part of this prayer intensive and will be led by Rev. Gene Sorensen. Easter Sunday Sunrise service begins at 7:30 a.m. The service will be followed by breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and one at 10:30 a.m. The two regular Easter Services will be at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Call (734) 421-1760.

LENTEN SERIES
Pastor Gregory Gibbons presents a series based on the theme "Follow Jesus" 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Lola Park Evangelical Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinkaid, south of Five Mile Road and west of Beech Daly Road in Redford. The series will culminate in Holy Week. A Maundy Thursday service with

Holy Communion will be held at 10 a.m. and at 7:30 p.m. and two Good Friday services will be held, at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. The Easter Celebration will be at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Call (313) 532-9656.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP
Holy Week worship services at St. John's Lutheran Church of Redford (13542 Mercedes) are as follows: Worship at 10:30 a.m. Palm/Passion Sunday April 8; 7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday service April 12. Service will include ritual foot-washing, Holy Communion and stripping of altar; 7:30 p.m. Dance-drama "The Mediation on the Cross" by Edward A. Cook, Good Friday, April 13; 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 14 Easter Vigil; and Easter Breakfast 9 a.m. Sunday, April 15. Worship with Holy Communion and special music 10:30 a.m.

LENTEN SERVICES
St. John's Lutheran Church (13542 Mercedes, one block east of Inkster Road, south of Schoolcraft) will hold mid-week Lenten services on Wednesday mornings and Thursday evenings. Each service will include the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Thursday service will be preceded by supper at 6 p.m. and service at 7 p.m. March 29 and April 5. A freewill offering will be taken for the meal.

LENTEN BREAKFAST
The United Methodist Women of First United Methodist Church in Garden City (6443 Merriman Road) will have their Annual Lenten Prayer Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, April 7. Their guests will be The Covenant Players. All men and women are

invited to this time of prayer and reflection. Call (734) 431-8828 or Faye Myers at (734) 431-2189 by April 4 for reservations. A free-will offering will be accepted.

UPCOMING

RETRouvaille
If you're struggling in your marriage and want to give God a chance to save your relationship and family union, a Retrouvaille marriage weekend is for you. Two-year follow up surveys show that four out of five troubled marriages have been saved by attending Retrouvaille weekends. The next Retrouvaille weekends are at St. John's Life Center in Plymouth March 30-April 1 and May 4-6. Call (313) 237-6052 or visit www.retrouvaille.org

PANIC ATTACKS
Ward Presbyterian Church of Northville will host a free lecture by Dr. Laurel A. Sills (fully licensed clinical psychologist) on stopping panic attacks in their tracks. Talk will be hosted at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 3 in room 307. This is sponsored by the Panic Support Group. Call Susan Francheschi at (734) 420-8100 or Dr. Laurel A. Sills (248) 788-4230.

REMARIED MINISTRIES
The Remarried Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville will offer an 8-week workshop equipping remarried and engaged couples with the tools to build successful marriages and families. Meets from 7-8:15 p.m. in room A102 beginning April 4th and every Wednesday after. There is no cost and free child care is provided.

ed. Call Stacy Cole (248) 374-5912 (60000 Six Mile Road).

WOMEN SUPPORT
New Beginnings, a support network of people experiencing divorce, starts April 5 at Christian Reformed Church (21360 Donaldson) of Dearborn. The groups meets under the direction of a psychotherapist from 7-8:45 p.m. for six consecutive weeks to work through their divorce. There is no charge. Call (313) 563-1030.

NEW BEGINNINGS
New Beginnings, a grief support group meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church (30900 Six Mile Road) in Livonia. The group welcomes a guest speaker the first Thursday of every month and group support will be offered the third Thursday of the month. Call (734) 422-6038. Upcoming speakers include:

■ April 5, Dreams, Visions and Images, Rev. Phil Seymour

EASTER EGG HUNT
Faith Lutheran Church (30000 Five Mile) of Livonia will host an Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 7. Children walking through age 10 are invited to participate. Age group egg hunts along with face painting, and sidewalk chalk. Get an egg with a ticket and win a special prize.

The event is free and open to all. Sign up at the church office (734) 421-7348.

THE GURMANS
Rev. Bob Ranzillan will adopt a sermon Sunday, April 8th from the text of his great-grandfather's exploration of Unitarianism, which was published nearly a century ago. He was not a Unitarian, so it will be interesting to see how our religion looked from the outside back then. Services, Sunday school, and nursery at 9 and 11 a.m. Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington. 25301 Haled Rd. (North of Grand River). Call (248) 478-7272 or www.uufarmington.org

EASTER EGGS TRAVAGANZA
Detroit First Church of the Nazarenes (21280 Haggerty Road) will host an Easter Eggs TravaZanza at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 14. 3,500 easter egg hunts (ages groups 1-4, 5-8, 9-12); Easter story told with Resurrection Eggs; games; prizes; and hot dogs, chips and cookies.

GUEST SPEAKER
Unity of Livonia will host guest speaker and spiritual healer Malcolm Smith April 18 in the church sanctuary. He will discuss "An ordinary man with an extraordinary gift..." The church is located at 29660 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Call (734) 421-1760.

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St. Bernardine pinocle and rummy card parties will be held at 7:30 p.m. April 6 and April 20. Doors open at 7 p.m. Admission is \$5, and includes cards, prizes, refreshments and munchies. Located at Ann Arbor Trail & Merriman, use north entrance to Social Hall.

WATCH/PERFUME FUND RAISER

St. Mary Mercy Hospital (34675 Five Mile) will hold a watch and perfume fund raiser sponsored by the St. Mary Mercy Foundation from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 5 and 6 in the Pavilion lobby. All watches are licensed and include brands such as Seiko, Guess and Gruen. Call (734) 655-2980.

AUCTION ODYSSEY

Vandenberg Elementary School (24901 Cathedral (Between Joy and West Chicago and between Beech and Telegraph) in Redford will host its 2nd Annual fundraiser "2001... An Auction Odyssey," from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 7. One-hundred percent of the proceeds will be used directly to fund activities, supplies, etc. for Vandenberg Elementary students and teachers. For information call Jeri Enders, Auction Committee Chair (313) 937-9342. The silent auction runs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the live auction begins at 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$2 per person (includes a light lunch). Twelve and under and seniors are free.

STAMPEDE OF RACES

You are invited to walk or run at Domino's Farms in Ann Arbor at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 7 for the 3rd Annual Stampede of Races. This is the first year the U-M Heart Care Program (now U-M Cardiovascular Center) and U-M Business School Supports Habitat for Humanity have joined forces. To register online or print an entry visit www.athleticventures.com or call (734) 332-3981.

RUMMAGE SALE

A rummage sale will be held at St. Paul Lutheran Church (20805 Middlebelt Road and Eight Mile) from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 19 and 20 and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 21. Light lunch and bake sale.

INDOOR OPEN

Join the United Cerebral Palsy-Metro Detroit organization to as they present the "2nd Annual Indoor Open" Saturday, April 21 at 10 a.m. (shotgun start). Eighteen businesses in downtown Royal Oak have joined 94.7 WCSX and The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 58 as sponsors. Teams of four will compete in an 18-hole round of miniature golf. One hole is located at each of the participating businesses. Grand prizes will be awarded to the

team with the lowest overall score. Cost is \$25 per person or \$100 per team (includes lots of fun and many chances to win prizes). Sign up at any of the participating Royal Oak businesses or call (248) 557-5070 (dial "0"). Businesses include Maggie, Causal Comfort, Padded Cell, Washington Place Antiques, Woodruff's, My Town Bytes, Dobie Jewelers, Lily's Seafood, Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, Goombah's, Royal Oak Farmers Market, Billings Feed and Lawn Equipment, Pizza Paesano, Ladybug Shoppe, Home/Garden of Royal Oak, Vain Couture and Haberman Fabrics.

MOM TO MOM SALE

Newburg United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail) will host a Mom to Mom Sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 21. A clown will be on-hand to provide free face painting and balloon animals. Maternity through infant and pre-teen clothes, toys and furniture. Table renters get free lunch. Bake sale. Hot dogs, chips, Kool Aid and coffee. Call (734) 422-0149.

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Hosanna Tabor Church (9600 Leverne) between Beech Daly and Inkster Road will host a rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 21. Bag sale 1-2 p.m. Snack bar available.

RACE FOR A CURE

The Susan G. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure, presented locally by the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, will celebrate its 10th anniversary with a move to Comerica Park in Detroit. The event will take place Sunday, April 21. Entry fee is \$25 by April 7 and \$40 thereafter. Call (800) 527-6266 or visit www.karmanos.org/race-for-the-cure/detroit

MOM TO MOM SALE

The Tri-County Mothers of Multiples will sponsor a Mom-to-Mom spring/summer sale of clothing, equipment and toys from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 21 at the William Costick Activities Center (Shannon Hall - 28600 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills). \$1 donation. Public welcome. Cash only - no checks.

DAR LUNCHEON

The Daughters of the American Revolution will host a sandwich luncheon/fundraiser April 24 to collect clothing for Indian schools. The program will include "Reports on the Continental Congress in DC and Resolutions." The speaker will be Ardis McLeod and delegates. Meeting at Shirley Hering (8848 Qual Circle) of Plymouth. Call (734) 455-5525.

PRaise CHAPEL

Praise Chapel Church (36115 Plymouth Road, Livonia) offers "Singles on the Move" programs. Every Friday at 6 p.m. they host prayer for singles in the community. The first Friday of every month at 7 p.m. Java and Jesus Coffee shop talk and recreational table games. \$5. The second Friday at 7 p.m. Wally Ball. \$5. Third Friday at 7 p.m. Out on the Town Night. Fourth Friday at 7 p.m. Java and Jesus Coffee shop talk and recreational table games. \$5. Call (734) 420-9702.

SINGLE PLACE PROGRAMS

Single Place Presents a Divorce Recovery Workshop at 7:30 p.m. May 17-June 21 Speaker Pam Jacobs. \$40 charge at First Presbyterian Church of Northville

(200 E. Main Street).

Friday's meet at Tremor's (6 Mile between Newburgh and I-275). Join us for dancing, eats and conversation. \$3 cover charge and beverage cost.

WESTSIDE SINGLES DANCE

Every Friday WestSide Singles hosts a dance at Burton Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road) from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Must be over 21 - dressy attire (no jeans). Open to the public. A deejay will be playing Top 40 music and current hits. Appetizers will be served (hot/cold). Early admission special \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after. Call (734) 981-0909. Upcoming dances are April 6, 13, 20 (Blue Jean Night) and 27.

WEDNESDAY METRO SINGLES

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Bethany Suburban West is a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and educational assistance to divorced or separated Christians. April 5th monthly dinner at Emmett's (15800 Middlebelt Road) Livonia. Call (734) 522-5600. Singles Dance April 7 at St. Robert Bellarmine (W. Chicago

and Inkster Road, Redford). Doors open at 8 p.m. Cover charge \$8. Proper attire please. Card nights April 6 and 20th. Call (734) 464-3325 and ask for Rose.

Race for the Cure, April 21. Call Randy (734) 654-8589. Divorce Recovery April 27 at St. Kenneth's (14951 Haggerty Road, Plymouth). Classes are from 7:30-9:30 p.m. for 8 consecutive Fridays. Cost \$40.

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Bodybuilder a winner in her 1st try

BY C.J. RISAK
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There's always tomorrow. We've all recited that mantra at some time during our overcrowded daily schedules. Then, suddenly, we find our options for what we can do when that tomorrow does arrive have become limited, by health or age or whatever.

Tracy Weber decided not to wait. A longtime physical fitness advocate, Weber — with the prompting and encouragement of family and friends — decided to give competitive bodybuilding a try.

"It was something I've wanted to do for eight years," Weber, a 40-year-old Plymouth resident and mother of two, said. "But, with raising a family and home life, I couldn't find the time."

"I just made up my mind that before I turned 41 I was going to do it."

This was not an easy decision. Although Weber was in good shape, becoming a competitive bodybuilder would require something more extensive. It would require her to take another step.

"I trained for 12 weeks," Weber said. A small woman, Weber — who has been working out since she was 18 — originally got into weightlifting "because I was real little, and I didn't want to be little."

But now she would have to expand those sessions. Now her workouts were six days a week, blending cardiovascular routines (stairmaster, treadmill) with weight training. And that wasn't the worst of it.

If she was to compete — her goal was the NPC Michigan Novice Bodybuilding Competition, held March 17 at the Redford Theater — she would have to adjust her diet to further trim her body fat. Throughout her 12 weeks of training, she ate chicken, fish, broccoli and very little of anything else.

"It became a mental challenge," Weber said. "Doing the workouts was the easy part. It became more of a mental game."

Kids trying out for a team for the first time feel fear of the unknown com-

petition they face. What Weber discovered was that the feeling persists, age not withstanding.

"You never know how your competition will be," she said. "I trained hard for it. I figured I might as well go for it all."

She decided to compete in the open lightweight division, the Masters (35 and over) division and the heavy-weight, or open, competition (all division winners qualified for this) at the March 17 event.

The format included mandatory poses and a 90-second routine to music (hers was Smooth by Santana); six professional judges graded participants on symmetry of physique, muscle definition, diet (or amount of body fat) and how they carried themselves.

"All my family and friends were there," said Weber. It was a good thing: She won. And not just the Masters Division, but all three.

"I learned a lot," she said — starting with the required, and rather limited, wardrobe. "I was way out of my comfort zone."

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First-time winner: In her first bodybuilding competition, Tracy Weber finished first in all three of the divisions she competed in.

OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Gymnasts fare well

Three area athletes from the Michigan Academy of Gymnastics fared well to the regional gymnastics meet in Buffalo Grove, Ill., over the weekend.

Frankie Scarcelli of Redford came in 10th in the all-around. The 12-year-old placed third on the rings, sixth on the vault and ninth on the high bar.

Andrew Vance of Plymouth was fourth in the floor routine and 49th all-around, while Nick Porambo of Canton was 73rd all-around.

Golf outing

The 11th annual Jack Demmer Ford/Canton Community Foundation Golf Outing is set for Thursday, June 7 at Pheasant Run Golf Club, with dinner and awards presentation following at the Summit on the Park.

The fun begins with a continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. at the club. Golfing begins with a shotgun scramble start at 9:30 a.m.; lunch and beverages will be served on the course.

Dinner will be at 3 p.m. at the Summit, with the awards presentation at 4 p.m.

Individual tickets are \$250; packages are available (a foursome is \$900). Hole sponsorships are \$250 and contest sponsorships are \$300; a corporate sponsorship costs \$1,500 and includes golf and dinner for four, prizes, a souvenir photo of the team for each player, hole sponsorship and a listing in the program. Dinner-only tickets are \$75.

Also available: an opportunity to golf with Jim Brandstatter, the voice of the Lions and University of Michigan football, will be auctioned off.

Proceeds will go to the Canton Community Foundation; its mission, to enhance the quality of life in Canton by directing resources that address community needs.

For more information, call (734) 398-5000, or e-mail them at cantonfoundation@aol.com.

Chiefs football

The Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club will have its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Room 165 of Canton HS. Parents of all present and future Canton football players (including eighth graders) are encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Angela Koerner at (734) 416-9120.

Players needed

The Thunderbird fast-pitch softball teams are seeking young women for their 12-and-under Thunderbirds and 14-and-under Rampage teams for the upcoming summer season. Players ages are determined as of Jan. 1.

For more information regarding sign-up/tryouts, schedules, travel, etc., call (734) 981-7280 or (734) 546-0940 for 12-and-under; and (734) 397-9417 for 14-and-under.

Softball Center stuff

The Canton Softball Center, located at 46555 W. Michigan in Cantonis offering a Youth All-Skills Baseball and Softball Clinic from noon-5 p.m. May 5, for ages 7-14.

The clinic offers five hours of professional instruction from, among others, Plymouth Canton baseball coach Scott Dickey, including take-home drills sheet, contests, sports break, T-shirt, rules review, etc. Coat is \$50 per camper. Call (734) 483-5600 for further information.

Umpires wanted

The Canton Umpires Association is looking for people interested in being baseball umpires with the CCJBASA league.

Weekly hours vary, training and major equipment is provided. Applicants must be at least 14-years-old with some knowledge of baseball.

For more information, call Greg Angel at (734) 981-3007 or Dave Giove at (734) 981-3427, or by email at wdvgreg4@aol.com.

Correction

In the March 25 article regarding the Plymouth Canton HS soccer team, a name of a returning player was omitted.

Jenny Curran, a junior outside midfielder, joined the varsity squad prior to the end of the 2000 regular season and played in all of the state playoff games. She is a key member of this season's squad.

A lot lost, but Rocks tough

BY C.J. RISAK
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At baseball's midseason last year, no one outside the Plymouth Salem circle of influence would have guessed it would end the way it did.

At midseason, Plymouth Canton was cruising along with a 10-4 record, atop the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division. Salem was 2-1 in the WLAA's Lakes Division, but was struggling at 5-9 overall.

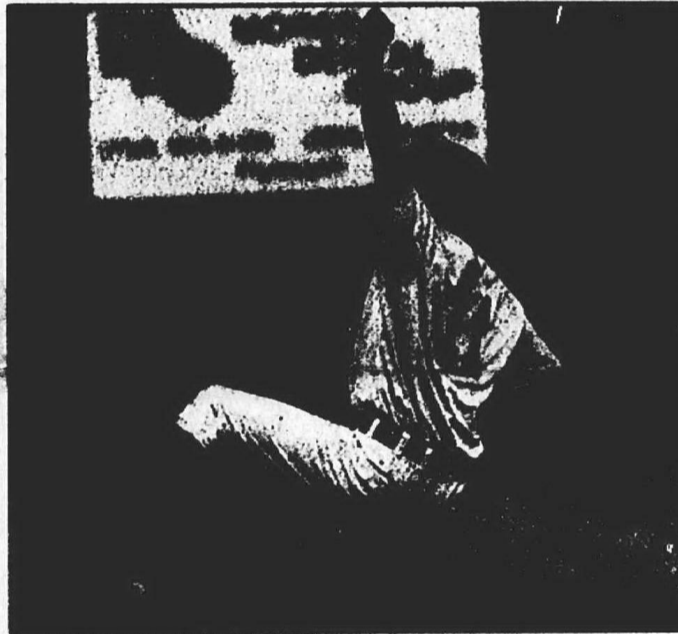
What didn't appear in Salem's record was that their coach, Dale Rumberger, had used those early non-conference games to sort through his roster and define roles. In other words, he gave everyone a chance to show what they could do.

The end result: They did just that, and they showed a lot. The Rocks were 15-5 from that point on, winning the WLAA's Lakes Division and a state district championship.

A lot of key parts to that season are gone this year, like the team's top two pitchers, Steve Gordon and Jason Lukasik. Catcher Ian Winter, shortstop Steve Stiles and first baseman Adam Kolb all received some sort of post-season recognition, and all are gone.

"We lost a lot of good players," admitted Rumberger. That's not all Salem lost; also gone is its field, a victim of the new high school under

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FILE PHOTO BY BILL ENGLISH

Speed merchant: Chris Eicher will move to shortstop and, hopefully, keep stealing bases.

Chiefs aim: Title contention

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There's a lot missing from the Plymouth Canton baseball team that won 22 games last season. However, it's hoped this season's squad — which includes some key components from last year's — brings with it an even greater level of commitment.

Because while the Chiefs have won 44 games over the last two years (while losing 19), coach Scott Dickey is quick to point out, "We haven't won anything."

That's because Canton has failed to survive district play, nor has it been able to unseat Farmington Harrison as the Western Lakes Activities Association champion. The Hawks have won the last two league titles and four of the past six.

The Chiefs have the guns to end



FILE PHOTO BY PAUL BRONKHORST

Missing: The Whalers' success may keep James Wisniewski out of the lineup.

that run, but it won't be easy. Harrison again figures to be extremely potent.

The major losses from last season's 22-10 Canton team are catcher/first baseman Jon Johnson. Kay competed at the state all-star game; Johnson was the Chief's ace, winning nine games.

Also gone are starters Jim Reddy at second base and Brad Smigielski and Jason Evans in the outfield.

Another question mark remains at third base, where James Wisniewski may return. Now a junior, Wisniewski was an all-division choice at third as a sophomore, hitting .465 with five

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Crusaders' losing streak reaches 12

The slide continues for Madonna University's softball team.

The Lady Crusaders returned from their spring trip to Florida with a respectable 7-5 record. Since then, they haven't won.

On Tuesday, they fell to 7-17 overall and 0-4 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference with a double-header loss to Aquinas College, 4-2 and 6-4, suffered at Ladywood HS.

That makes it 12-straight defeats for the Crusaders, who also lost twice to WHAC foe Indiana Tech Sunday, 5-1 and 9-0. Aquinas improved to 18-6 overall, 3-0 in the conference; Tech was at 9-13 overall, 3-5 in the WHAC through Sunday.

In Tuesday's opener, Madonna's Jenny Tenyet took the loss, giving up four earned run in seven innings as nine hits

and no walks were given. Greg was the winning pitcher, Madonna's record was 2-11.

The Crusaders' record in the WHAC is 0-4. In a double-header at Aquinas, Madonna lost both games, 4-2 and 6-4.

Katie Brown was the losing pitcher for Madonna, giving up four earned runs in seven innings.

Madonna's next game is at Indiana Tech Sunday, 7 p.m.



FILE PHOTO BY PAUL BRONKHORST

Madonna's Kristy McDonough (left) needs second base, while Kristy McDonough is many ways.

Whalers vs. Spitfires: A good battle



travel — their opponent will be the Windsor Spitfires, the OHL team closest to them in proximity.

And third, they won the regular-season series against their biggest rival.

But the picture isn't all rosy. The Whalers didn't win that series by much, capturing four of the seven games (one loss was in overtime).

And the Spitfires are loaded with offensive firepower, starting with Jason Spezza, who finished second in the OHL in scoring and is rated as the league's top prospect in this season's NHL draft. Spezza hit .300 with 30

goals last season. Windsor's prospect list is loaded with talent, including defenseman Mike Fisher, who finished second in the OHL in scoring and is rated as the league's top prospect in this season's NHL draft.

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doubles, three triples, seven home runs and 26 runs batted in.

But Wisniewski is also a standout defenseman for the Plymouth Whalers, and they loom as one of the heavy favorites in the Ontario Hockey League playoffs, which begin their second (of a possible four) best-of-seven series this weekend. Last year, the Whalers lost in Game Seven of the championship series, and that was played on May 16.

Wisniewski is practicing with Canton; when he'll play will be determined by the Whalers' success.

Still, the Chiefs have plenty of experience to call upon, enough to make them a league contender.

Top returnee is all-conference shortstop Oliver Wolcott, entering his fourth year as a starter. A switch-hitting senior, Wolcott hit .393 in 2000, with five doubles, three homers and 22 RBI; he also had a .940 fielding percentage. This season, he'll pitch a bit more than he has in the past.

But he won't be a necessity on the mound, because that should be a team strength. Canton has depth, experience and quality on the mound, starting with a pair of lefthanders, senior Greg Neino and junior Matt Hanson. Both were 4-2 last season, Neino post-

ing a 2.65 earned run average and Hanson a 3.60.

Also returning is junior righthander Matt Staley, 3-0 last year with a 3.12 ERA. Others who will get a shot on the mound are senior righthander Brian Rossow and junior righthanders Dave Latin and Nick Musselman.

With the absence of Wisniewski and graduation of Kay, Reddy and Johnson, the infield will have to be rebuilt. Wolcott is a good starting spot; junior Brent Kwiatkowski, whose brother Dave is a catcher at Madonna University, is the current starter at third.

Jon Loos, a senior who played extensively last year, takes over at second base; he'll fill in at short when Wolcott pitches. Several players will be at first base, including senior Jay Sofen, a starter in leftfield who batted .338 last season. Hanson and Staley will also play first when not pitching.

Replacing Kay behind the plate may prove to be more difficult. The job will be shared by juniors Mike Tomasaitis and Joe Kondratek; Kondratek can also play second when Loos moves to short.

"Both are very capable," said Dickey, "and very good defensively."

Several players will share

spots in the outfield, too. Russ Caid, a returning senior who hit .319 last year, will be the designated hitter when not in the outfield. Sofen will be in left most of the time (Neino will play there too) and Rossow will play center, with Musselman and Latin in right.

Chris Perch, a junior, will get plenty of time in the outfield, too.

"We have 15 solid players," said Dickey. "And we have a lot of guys who can play different positions. That gives us a lot of options. They're pretty athletic, and they're swinging the bats pretty well."

Despite the player losses, Dickey is confident the team's strength will remain. "I felt that for the last three-four years, our strength has been our defense," he said. "I felt we had one of the best infields around for the last three-four years."

"If our pitchers — Neino, Hanson, Staley, Latin, Rossow, Musselman and Wolcott — if they can throw strikes and keep us in the ball game, we have a chance to win any game."

Still, there's Harrison to contend with. Like Canton, the Hawks have lost their pitching ace in Jim Kay but have plenty to bolster hopes for the upcoming season.

"They're the team to beat, along with Walled Lake Western and Northville," said Dickey. "And I hope we'd be one of the teams to beat in the Western Division."

A better finish to the season is something the Chiefs really want. Last year, two key starters were suspended from school for a violation of school policy two days before the state district tournament, resulting in a 6-4 first-round loss to a North Farmington team that was 5-15 coming into the districts.

This season's team figures to be better prepared for a longer stay.

Newcomers show promise for PCA

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Don Shumaker's first year as Plymouth Christian Academy's head baseball coach won't be particularly easy. After all, he must replace catcher Derric Isensee, the two-time Michigan Independent Athletic Conference player of the year, and lefthanded pitcher Nate Worley.

But Shumaker, who takes over for Sam Gaines, remains confident he has the ingredients to match last season's 10-6 mark.

There are a couple of good reasons. First, senior Travis Yonkman returns in center field. He was an all-MIAC selection after hitting .333 as a junior.

Then there is sophomore phenom Clay Welton, who will pitch and play shortstop. As a freshman, Welton was the team's top pitcher, posting a 3-4 record with a 2.86 earned run average while working against the opposition's

best. He also hit .333.

A righthander, Welton opened PCA's season by tossing a five-inning no-hitter Monday against Ann Arbor Greenhills.

"I'll be talking to you about him a lot in the years to come," promised Shumaker.

No. 2 on the mound will be junior Mark Erickson, who was 2-0 with a 4.12 ERA last season. Erickson also plays second base; he hit .370 last year.

Yonkman will be the No. 3 pitcher, and he'll move to shortstop when Welton pitches. Ryan Johnson, a junior, will play both outfield and pitch. "He's got a great curve and a gritty attitude," said Shumaker, who figures Johnson to be his closer.

Another welcome returnee is Jim Morrison, a senior who suffered a knee injury playing soccer his junior year and missed last baseball season. Morrison returns to third base.

The Eagles' third senior is Doug Parton, who's "as solid as

you'll get at first base defensively."

Brian Carnevale, a junior, takes over full time for Isensee at catcher. He saw extensive action behind the plate last year and batted .444.

Joining Yonkman and Johnson in the outfield is freshman Dave Bahbah. Kander Younce, another freshman, will provide depth in the infield.

"They have a hard-working attitude," said Shumaker. "They come to practice and feel they're on a mission. We're solid defensively in the infield."

The outfield isn't as set, and that could be a problem — particularly when facing the likes of Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, a strong team last year that returns nearly everyone, and two-time defending MIAC champ Southfield Christian.

Still, Shumaker has a lot to build with in his first season as the top dog.

Agape's baseball future looking brighter

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Already, enough progress has been made as Canton Agape Christian searches to build its baseball program to proclaim this season a success — and more than enough to allow the Wolverines to break the school record for wins in a season.

Now it's true, those objectives are rather modest. After all, Agape baseball is only entering its fourth year of existence. Last year, the Wolverines went 5-7, establishing the above-mentioned school win record.

One very good reason that record will fall is that the schedule has nearly doubled in size. Agape will play 23 games this year (weather permitting).

"It's a good schedule for us," said coach Jeremy Chrastina. "Some of the teams are weaker,

but some are better and others are very good."

Another good reason is that there are six players back from last season's squad, including the top two pitchers in junior Josh Anthony, who set a school record with 16 strikeouts in a game and was the team MVP, and junior Rob Hough, who notched 14 Ks in a game.

"Anthony's my ace, but Hough's right there, too," said Chrastina.

The Wolverines have just two seniors: pitcher/catcher/first baseman Paul Anleitner and second baseman Stephen Zygiel, who hasn't played since his freshman year.

Other returnees are juniors Bobby Konrad, a third baseman/right fielder, and Mike Ossana, a catcher/pitcher/outfielder; and sophomore David Donaldson, a shortstop/pitcher.

So Chrastina, who will again

be assisted by Jeff Gowen, has pitching options. He also has a roster filled with players capable of switching positions. Like Anleitner and Ossana, who will share the catching when not pitching. And Anleitner and Hough at first, with Zygiel at second and Donaldson at short. Konrad and freshman Jensen Killgrove will each play at third and in right field. Mike Bommarito, a sophomore, will be in the infield somewhere, too.

Outfielders are Mike and Marcus Ossana, the latter an eighth-grader, with Anthony in center. It adds up to a promising outlook on a team that is improving. "We're looking for our first winning season this year," said Chrastina. "I really think we can make a run in the districts."

The Wolverines, who are not part of a conference, have promise, that much is certain.

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construction.

"They've built us a temporary field that will belong to the new school when it opens, but it's not playable," Rumberger said. "All of our upcoming games will be on the road. We had a nice field to play on."

At present, Rumberger figures the first home game won't be until April 30. "We'll just go with what we have," Rumberger said. "We'll be road warriors."

Don't feel too sorry for the Rocks. Despite their losses (field

included), there's a lot to relish.

Four starters, all seniors, return: Chris Eicher, who moves to short from second base; Chad Goethe, a designated hitter last season who will be at first; Mike Thackaberry, a third baseman; and Justin Barnett, a leftfielder.

Also back is senior Chris Trott, who will play in right field. Those five have something else in common: All will pitch. Goethe and Barnett are lefthanders, the rest are righthanders.

Rumberger is confident that, although none of them are the type of pitcher that will carry a team, all are more than adequate. Besides, there's more.

The Salem coach just might start his rotation with one of two underclassmen: sophomore Neil Kowalik or junior Kevin O'Bieme. Both will be in the rotation somewhere.

"This is a nice staff, really," Rumberger said. "I've got a bunch of kids who throw strikes, get their curve balls over and

play good defense.

"I've got a lot of different options, pitching-wise."

The rest of the lineup is starting to take shape. Goethe will be at first and Chris MacKinder, a senior who played mainly as a backup at third last season, moves to second. Eicher switches to short and Thackaberry returns at third.

With nearly all of them pitching, capable back-ups will be essential. Senior Steve Metzger is a utility infielder who can fill in at short; Jon Gordon is a junior who will play at first; and Kowalik figures to be at third.

Drew Styles, who caught quite a bit behind Winter last year, will be behind the plate with Aaron Hall, another returning varsity player. Both are seniors.

Who plays in the outfield is also largely dependent upon who's pitching. Cory Caincross, a senior, will be in center and Adam Hall, another senior and Aaron's twin brother, will play any of the three positions. Barnett and Trott will also play extensively.

Four juniors will contribute as well: pitchers Tony Puzzuoli, Andy Boyer and Ricky Callija, and catcher Phil Muncie. Puzzuoli and Boyer are righthanders; Callija is a lefty.

"We're going to hit the baseball," said Rumberger, noting the two home runs Trott hit in a scrimmage against Saline Tuesday. Others he's counting on in that department are Barnett, Thackaberry and Caincross. There's also more team speed this season.

"We're going to play defense, too," he added. "We'll pick up the ball."

There are weaknesses. For one, there's very little depth in the middle infield. "I only have three," Rumberger said. "If we get hurt there, we'll be thin."

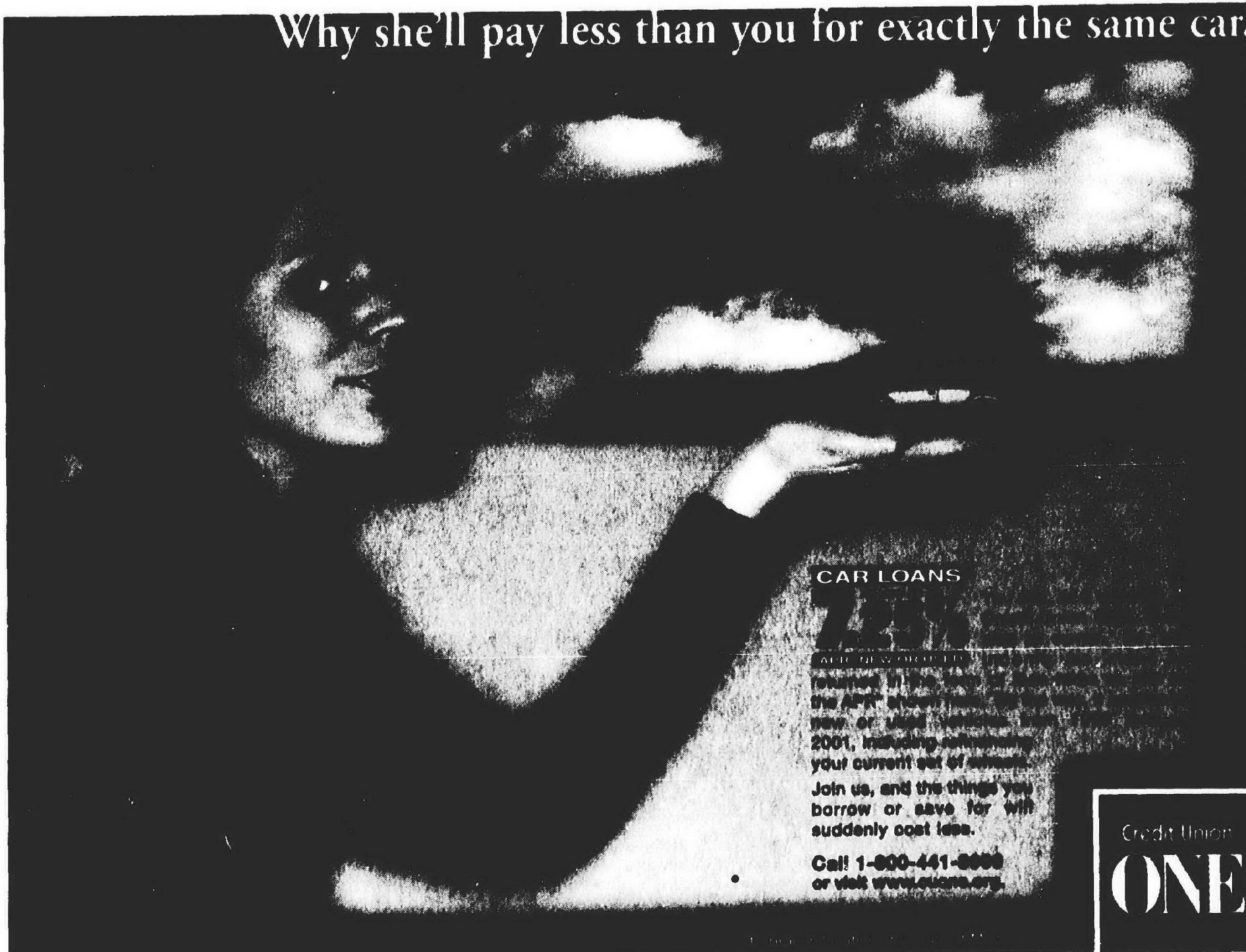
Also, there's the obvious lack of an experienced, front-line pitcher.

So will it be enough to carry the Rocks back to the WLAA title game, which they lost to Farmington Harrison last year?

It could happen. "Harrison is supposed to be tough," estimated Rumberger. "Stevenson should be decent, and so should Canton. And Franklin has four or five guys who can pitch. They could be lying in the grass."

Salem won't sneak up on anyone. And it shouldn't matter — Rumberger will have enough choices on the mound to keep the Rocks in the running all season.

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Rockers miss playoffs

At least they gave it a battle. But in the end, the Detroit Rockers just couldn't overcome a dreadful start that saw them lose 16 of their first 18 games.

They played .500 soccer after that, going 11-11, but it wasn't good enough to make it to the playoffs. Detroit finished 13-27, the worst record in the 10-team National Professional Soccer League.

But going into Saturday's game at Kansas City, the Rockers playoff hopes were still very much alive. A win would have put them a half-game ahead of the Attack in the National Conference standings.

For most of Saturday's game, the Rockers were very much in command. They scored the game's first nine points and led 11-2 with 2:39 of the second quarter elapsed.

But the Attack rallied, something they would do throughout the contest. Carlos Olivias tied the game at 13-all for KC with 1:52 left in regulation and Wes Wade, on as the sixth attacker, scored at 9:35 of overtime to give Kansas City a 15-13 victory, clinching the final playoff spot with a 14-26 mark.

The Attack play conference champ Milwaukee Wave in a best-of-three opening-round series. Toronto plays Wichita in the

conference's other series.

In the American Conference, Harrisburg meets the Philadelphia Kixx and Buffalo takes on the Baltimore Blast.

Saturday's loss made Sunday's game at Milwaukee inconsequential for the Rockers — and they played that way, falling behind 20-0 in their 22-4 defeat.

On Saturday, two-point goals by Martin Nash, Martin Dugas and Matt Knowles and a three-pointer by Joel Shanker gave the Rockers their early lead. Dane Skaric ended Detroit's run, scoring for Kansas City at 9:26 of the opening quarter.

Domenic Mobilio pushed the Rocker lead back to nine with a two-pointer at 2:39 of the second quarter. But the Attack battled back with two-point goals from Wade and Nate Houser and a triple by Zoran Karic to make it 11-9 at the half.

A scoreless third quarter was followed by a wild fourth. Karic's two-pointer knotted the game at 11-all at 6:16 of the fourth; less than a minute later, the Rockers reassumed the lead on a goal by Dugas.

But disappointment loomed for Detroit, with Olivias tying it and Wade winning it in OT.

Shanker and Dugas led the Rockers with four points apiece, Dugas scoring two two-pointers. Nash had a goal and an assist for three points, Paul Dailly had two assists and Knowles scored a goal.

The Attack got seven points from Karic (a three, a two and two assists). Wade added two two-pointers and Skaric had a goal and an assist for three points.

Alan Placek had 16 saves in goal for the Rockers. Warren Westcott had 19 saves for KC.

At Milwaukee Sunday, the Wave got three two-pointers and an assist from Matt Tirachmann, two one-point goals and four assists from Joe Reiniger and two twos and an assist from Sipho Sibiyi in burying the Rockers.

Shanker and Marciano Boumann scored goals for Detroit.

Paul Shepherd had just seven saves in goal for the Rockers. Victor Nogueira stopped nine of 11 Detroit shots for Milwaukee, which finished the regular season at 24-16.

Madonna softball from page D1

after three innings but Amy VanDoorn was again victimized by the Crusaders' porous defense, which committed four errors that led to five unearned runs.

For anyone counting, that means eight of the 10 runs Aquinas scored in the double-header against Madonna were unearned.

The Saints' four-run fourth inning in the second game was decisive. VanDoorn gave up one earned run in seven innings, allowing nine hits and one walk. Lenna Tompkins started for Aquinas but was relieved by Gragg after 2 1/3 innings; Gragg did not allow a run on four hits and a walk, striking out three. She ran her record to 11-3.

Pam Konwinski had two hits for Madonna, one of them a double. Kristy McDonald (from Redford Thurston), Meghan Quinn and Arin Fowler each had a sin-



A safety: Jamie Bobrowski lines a single, one of the few hits Madonna managed against Aquinas.

gle and an RBI. McDonald also made two errors at shortstop, giving her 16 for the season. Szczepanek had two hits and

an RBI to pace Aquinas. Kristin Jones and Angela Mullay also had two hits apiece, with Mullay scoring two runs.

In Sunday's opener at Tech, Tenyer took the loss in the 5-1 opener, giving up no earned runs on five hits and a walk, striking out three. Danielle Archer got the win, allowing no earned runs on nine hits.

Konwinski, Quinn and Bobrowski each had two hits for Madonna.

In the 9-0 second game, the Warriors tagged Crusader starter Bobrowski and reliever VanDoorn for eight runs in the first 1 1/3 innings. Bobrowski took the loss.

Robin Stillwell stopped Madonna on three hits (the game was stopped after five innings), striking out four. Kristy Morrel led Tech with two hits and two RBI; Jan Johnson also had a hit and two RBI.

Tech thumps Madonna twice

The woes continue for Madonna University's baseball team, which lost twice at Indiana Tech Sunday, 6-3 and 4-0, leaving the Crusaders at 3-15 overall and 0-6 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Their losing streak dates back to their spring trip to Florida and has reached nine-straight.

The Warriors improved to 22-11 overall, 10-0 in the WHAC.

home run in the fourth inning.

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 Anyone interested in becoming involved with youth hockey, can contact Mark Scicluna at 313-633-0821 or redfordhockey@hotmail.com.

OCVAA SEEKS PLAYERS
 The Garden City Youth Athletic Association still has openings for players in all age divisions for baseball, softball and T-ball. For more information, please

call Ken Kibit for baseball and T-ball at (734) 513-8603 or Curt Blankenship for softball at (734) 522-8539.

WOMEN'S GOLF LEAGUES
 •The 20-week Livonia women's 18-hole golf league will start at 8 a.m. Thursdays, beginning May 2 at Whispering Willows.
 The cost is \$18 per week. Senior rates are available. Non-residents are welcome.
 For more information, call (734) 513-0967 or (248) 374-1267.

•Another Livonia women's golf league will start at 8 a.m. Fridays, beginning May 4 at Whispering Willows.
 For more information, call

Estelle Drabicki, president, at (248) 474-0827 or Bernie Hillebrandt, secretary, at (734) 425-1575.

SUMMER VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE
 The second annual Love & Clark summer volleyball league for high school girls in grades 9-12 will be at 5:15 and 6:15 p.m. Mondays, June 18 through July 30 at Clarenceville High school.
 The cost is \$250 per team (eight player rosters). Space is limited to eight teams. The entry deadline is Wednesday, May 30.
 For more information, call Alisha Love at (248) 872-8926 or (248) 350-1039.

MICHIGAN OPEN QUALIFYING
 Qualifying rounds for the 8th Detroit Newspapers Michigan

Open will be Monday-Tuesday, May 21-22, at eight sites throughout the state.
 Entry forms are available at the qualifying sites an through the Michigan Section PGA office at (734) 522-2323.
 On May 21, qualifying will be at: The Orchards Golf Club in Washington, Forest Akers (West) in East Lansing, Gull Lake Country Club in Richland and Washtenaw Country Club in Ypsilanti.
 On May 22, qualifying will be at: Shanty Creek Resort (Schuss Mountain) in Bellaire, Western Golf & Country Club in Redford, The Fortress in Frankenmuth and The Highlands in Grand Rapids.
 The fields at all qualifying

sites will be limited to 104 competitors. Participants will be served on a first-come, first-serve basis.
 The \$200 entry fee and completed application must be received by 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 8 in the Michigan Section PGA office.
 The Michigan Open will be Monday through Thursday, June 25-28, at The Bear at Grand Traverse Resort. Contestants will compete for the James D. Standish, Jr. Trophy and \$110,000 purse, including amateur awards.

SUMMER HOOP TOURNAMENT
 The deadline to enter the Mid-America Youth Basketball Summer Kickoff Tournament (June 8-10 in Newton, Kan.) is Friday, May 4.
 The tournament has divisions for boys and girls in grades 4-12 with A, B and C brackets are all levels.
 All teams guaranteed a minimum of five games. A total of 645 teams from 18 states and Canada participated in 2000.
 For more information, call (316) 284-0354 or the website www.mayb.com.

YBOA HOOP TOURNAMENTS
 The Michigan Youth Basketball of America state tournaments for boys and girls will be as follows:
 Boys divisions — 9-12 and under (May 4-6 in Flint); 14-and-under (April 6-8 at Garden City); 15-17 and under (May 4-6 in Battle Creek).
 Girls divisions — 11-and-under (May 4-6 in Portland); 12-and-under (May 4-6 in Lansing); 13-14 and under (April 20-22 in Grand Rapids); and 15-17 and under (April 20-22 in Grand Rapids).
 The top four teams in each age bracket will advance to the YBOA Nationals in Florida (Orlando area).
 State tourney entry fee is \$230 per team. Other fees include players (\$10), coaches (\$3) and association (\$100).
 For more information, call the state YBOA office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at (517) 484-0333.

SENIOR SOFTBALL
 Applications are now being taken for senior men's softball.

Age groups are 55-64, 65-70 and 70-up. The seasons will begin in the spring and cover teams located in Livonia, Canton, Dearborn, Garden City, Taylor and Southgate.
 For more information call Gene Fanger at (734) 434-1482 or John Finch (734) 427-7210.

YMCA SWIM SIGN-UP
 The Farmington Family YMCA is registering swimmers for its "Spring Tune-Up," a competitive swim program that runs now through Friday, May 25.
 The team is open to anyone between the ages of 6 and 18. Participants do not need to be a YMCA member. Depending on ability, participants will swim either at the YMCA or local high schools.
 For more information, call Cathy Warnick at (248) 553-0276 between 8:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.

MHSFCA GRID BANQUET
 The Michigan High School Football Coaches Association's Hall of Fame banquet will be Saturday, April 7, at the indoor track facility on the campus of the University of Michigan. The event begins with a cocktail hour at 5:30 p.m.
 The guest speaker will be Lloyd Carr, U-M head football coach. Twenty-four high school football coaches throughout the state will be inducted.
 The event is open to the public. Tickets are \$20 per person and can be ordered by sending a check, payable to "Hall of Fame Banquet," and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Ike Muhlenkamp, 2100 Lakeview, St. Joseph, MI 49085.

RUGBY RECRUITS
 The Oakland Highlanders, a new rugby club in the Midwest and Michigan Rugby Football Unions, is currently recruiting new members of all skill levels for the spring season.
 The team consists of men 18-and-over. Experienced rugby players as well as amateur athletes looking to explore a new sport are welcome. The team competes against other clubs in the Midwest Territorial Union, such as Battle Creek, South Bend, Flint, Traverse City, Midland, Fort Wayne, Findlay, Toledo.

**SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
 NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
 ON PROPOSED 2001-02 BUDGET**


In compliance with "Act No. 43," State of Michigan Public Act of 1963, and "Act No. 2," State of Michigan Public Act of 1968 (Section 16" of the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act), Schoolcraft College publishes this notification of a public hearing on the proposed 2001-02 College budget. This hearing is to take place at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2001, at the Grote Administration Center, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia Michigan. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the above address during normal business hours.

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

JILL F. O'SULLIVAN
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ADULT HOCKEY SCRAMBLE
 Registration is under way for men's and women's adult spring/summer recreational hockey teams.
 The Rockets (over 21), Lady Rockets (over 21), Masters (over 30) and Golden Eagles (over 45) leagues will play out of the Plymouth and Chelsea arenas.

The season will last from April 22 to July 19, and teams will play on various evenings. For more information call John Wilson at (248) 471-0658, email to john@rspi.net or visit the Web site at www.rspi.net.
WACO WOLVES GOLF OUTING
 The WaCo Wolves USA travel baseball team will stage a golf outing fundraiser beginning at noon Sunday, April 29 at the Woodlands of Van Buren, located at 39670 Ecorse Road in Wayne. The cost is \$75 per person.

Included in the fee is 18 holes of golf with cart (four-person tee-off), closest to the pin and long drive prizes, lunch special at the turn (hot dog, chips and drink), cookout and open bar at the 19th hole along with deer prizes. There will also be a skins competition and 50-50 raffle.
 Hole sponsorships are also available.
 For more information, call Lou Jamnick at (734) 596-2975 or e-mail ljammick@ameritech.net.
SUMMER VOLLEYBALL CAMPS

Madonna University will host a series of summer volleyball camps including: 8:30 a.m.-noon (elite) and 1-4:30 p.m. (general players) Thursday through Sunday, July 5-8; 8:30 a.m.-noon (setters) and 1-4 p.m. (youth) Sunday through Thursday, July 9-12; 8:30 a.m.-noon (hitters session I) and 1-4:30 p.m. (defensive specialist), Sunday through Wednesday, July 15-18.
 For more information, call Jeffery Abraham at (734) 432-5612 or (734) 264-0698

(evenings).
NORTHVILLE PARKS AND REC
■ Middle School Travel Lacrosse: April-May, 11 games, 7th-8th graders; cost is \$150. Coach needed. Paid position. For more information, call Northville Parks and Recreation at (248) 349-0203.
■ Adult softball leagues: Men — Mondays; Women — Tuesdays; Co-ed — Sundays. Cost is \$345 per team, a 12-game schedule. Umpire fees extra. Non-residents are \$15 extra per person. Call Northville Parks and Rec at (248) 349-

0203.
■ Women's Spring Basketball League: Wednesdays, April 12-June 12. Cost is \$340 per team, eight-game season. Referee fees extra. Non-residents, \$15 per person. Call Northville Parks and Rec at (248) 349-0203.
■ Men's Spring Basketball League: Monday or Tuesday, April 23/24-June 12/13. Cost is \$340 per team. Referee fees extra. Non-residents, \$15 per person. Call Northville Parks and Rec at (248) 349-0203.

PREP BASEBALL
 Thursday, April 5
 W. Bloomfield at Churchill, 4 p.m.
 John Glenn at Garden City, 4 p.m.
 Redford CC at G.P. South, 4 p.m.
 World Outreach at HVL, 4:30 p.m.
 Urban at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, April 6
 Franklin at Dearborn, 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 7
 Huron Tournament, TBA.
 (all double-headers)
 Salem at Grand Blanc Tourn., 10 a.m.
 Stevenson at Tay, Kennedy, 11 a.m.
 Edsel Ford at John Glenn, 11 a.m.
 Crestwood at Churchill, noon.
 Brother Rice at Redford CC, 2 p.m.
 Novi at Canton, 2 p.m.
 PCA vs. Canton Agape, 2 p.m.
 at Griffin Park

GIRLS SOFTBALL
 Thursday, April 5
 Romulus at Wayne, 4 p.m.
 World Outreach at HVL, 4:30 p.m.
 Canton Agape at S.H. Bethesda, 4 p.m.
Friday, April 6
 Ladywood at Riv. Richard, 4 p.m.
 Dearborn at Franklin, 4 p.m.
 Harrison at C'ville, 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 7
 Huron Tournament, TBA.
 (all double-headers)
 Garden City at John Glenn, 11 a.m.
 Stevenson at Mercy, 1:15 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER
 Thursday, April 5
 Ladywood at Regina, 5:30 p.m.
Friday, April 6
 S'field Christ. at Luth. W'ld, 4:30 p.m.
 Salem at Troy, 7 p.m.
 Churchill at A.A. Pioneer, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 7
 Bishop Foley at Stevenson, 1 p.m.
 Troy Athens at Salem, 1 p.m.

BOYS TRACK
 Thursday, April 5
 Churchill at Farmington, 3:30 p.m.
 Franklin at Stevenson, 3:30 p.m.
 Harrison at John Glenn, 3:30 p.m.
 Salem vs. Canton, 4 p.m. (Morgan meet)
 Luth. W'ld at Bethesda, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 7
 Crestwood Invitational, 10 a.m.
 Canton, Redford CC at A.A. Pioneer, 12:30 p.m.

GIRLS TRACK
 Thursday, April 5
 Farmington at Churchill, 3:30 p.m.
 Stevenson at Franklin, 3:30 p.m.
 John Glenn at Harrison, 3:30 p.m.
 Wayne at Romulus, 3:30 p.m.
 Salem vs. Canton, 4 p.m.
Friday, April 6
 Luth. W'ld at Marian, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 7
 A.A. Pioneer Invitational, 9 a.m.
 Crestwood Invitational, 10 a.m.

BOYS TENNIS
 Thursday, April 5
 Salem at Groose Ile, 4 p.m.
 Cabrini at Redford CC, 4 p.m.
 John Glenn at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Friday, April 6
 Romulus at Wayne, 4 p.m.

GIRLS GOLF
 Thursday, April 5
 Wayne at Maroon, 2:30 p.m.
 Thurston at John Glenn, 3 p.m.
 Ladywood vs. Divine Child at St. John's, 3 p.m.
Friday, April 6
 Dearborn vs. Franklin at Igl W'ld, 3 p.m.
Saturday, April 7
 Groose Ile Invitational, 10:15 a.m.

BOYS LACROSSE
 Thursday, April 5
 Redford CC at St. Albans, 8 p.m.
Saturday, April 7
 Franklin Regional at CC, 4 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL
 (all double-headers)
Thursday, April 5
 T'Wing at Stevenson, 3 p.m.
 Wayne at Romulus, 3 p.m.
 Dearborn vs. Franklin at Igl W'ld, 3 p.m.

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The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 8:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gender Mountain (14100 Pardee Road) in Taylor. For more information, call Ron Fodor at (734) 676-2863 or send an e-mail to riverrat129@home.com.

DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS
Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc. membership meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at Knights of Columbus, St. Pius X, 6177 Chicago Road, in Warren. The public is welcome. More information can be obtained by Please see CALENDAR, D4

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - MARCH 27, 2001

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees held Tuesday, March 27, 2001. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdzyak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Director Conklin, Director Durack, Director Machnik, Director Minghine, Director Santomauro

Supervisor Yack amended the agenda moving Consent Calendar Item 6 Recognition of Father George Charney to Item 1 - Presentation. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 13, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the special joint charette minutes of March 19 and March 20, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the study session minutes of March 20, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the special joint charette minutes of March 21 and March 22, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by LaJoy to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Expenditure Recap for the Township Board Meeting of March 27, 2001

General Fund	101	\$ 237,838.66
Fire Fund	206	61,886.10
Police Fund	207	71,137.63
Summit Operating	208	64,265.57
Golf Fund	211	6,613.48
Cable TV Fund	230	3,946.88
E-911 Utility	261	1,482.49
Auto Forfeiture (WWATEE)	267	1,489.15
Federal Grants Fund	274	1,829.89
Auto Theft Grant	289	11,510.37
Downtown Dev Authority	294	2,080.30
Post Employment Benefits	296	451.96
Cap Project - Road Paving	403	49,543.06
Building Auth Construction	469	2,875.30
Water & Sewer Fund	592	508,756.57
Trust & Agency Fund	701	1,122.50
Total - All Funds		\$1,029,832.17

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to adopt a resolution honoring Father George Charney. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to request the recognition for the retirement of Captain Don Adams be placed into the public record. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to request the presentation of Fire Captain and Fire Lieutenant Badges to Captain Ken Arble and Fire Lieutenant James Sumner be placed into the public record. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the Township Clerk and Supervisor to execute the Warranty Deed and Waiver for (part of parcel# 071-076-99-0008-701) granting the right-of-way to the County of Wayne, a Home Rule Charter County. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to re-appropriate \$2,070.00 in the 2000 Senior Capital Outlay Budget to the 2001 Senior Capital Outlay Budget, as follows:

Increase Revenues:		
Appropriation from Fund Balance	#101-000-699-0000	\$2,070
Increase Appropriations:		
Capital Outlay-Senior Programs	#101-672-977-0000	\$2,070

This budget amendment increases the Senior Citizen Program Division budget \$231,591.00 to \$233,661.00 and the General Fund budget from \$20,544,738.00 to \$20,546,808.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize blanket purchase order #27383, for Jeff Ellis & Associates, Inc., for purchases to exceed the \$500.00 purchasing policy limit. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following budget in the General Fund to re-appropriate funds to cover the November and December, 2000 transportation services for Canton residents, amounting to \$26,443.88. Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues:		
Appropriation from Fund Balance	#101-000-699-0000	\$26,444
Increase Appropriations:		
Transportation	#101-670-860-0000	\$26,444

This budget amendment increases the Social Services Division budget from \$23,500.00 to \$249,944.00 and the General Fund budget from \$20,544,738.00 to \$20,571,182.00.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund-Elections Department to provide materials for possible special elections in FY2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues:		
Appropriation from Fund Balance	#101-000-699-0000	\$32,000
Increase Appropriations:		
Postage-Elections	#101-191-729-0000	\$10,000
Operating Supplies	#101-191-740-0000	\$19,000
Printing & Publishing	#101-191-900-0000	\$3,000
Total		\$32,000

This budget amendment increases the Elections Department budget from \$46,500.00 to \$78,500.00 and the General Fund budget from \$20,544,738.00 to \$20,576,738.00.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the Special Land Use for Real Life Nursery School. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the Site Plan for Standard Federal Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt a resolution to approve the site plan for Plymouth High School - Athletic Facilities. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the site plan for an addition to Fellows Creek Lodge. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the site plan for Bottiaux Private Drive. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Chatterton Planned Development District. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the re-zoning request of Robert Breach. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution approving the site plan for Walgreens Pharmacy. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to authorize the Township Supervisor to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County for the Paving of Lotz Road from Van Born Road to Michigan Avenue. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to purchase two (2) GMC 2500 Series pickup trucks for a total cost of \$37,942.00 from Red Holman GMC/Pontiac under the Oakland County Cooperative Purchasing Agreement. The funds for this purchase coming from Public Works account 592-000-142-0000. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the purchase of a new workstation for the Public Works Division on the second floor of the Administration Building from Team Office Interiors in an amount of \$5,483.79. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve an increase in the Purchase Order #28089 from \$35,200.00 all inclusive, to \$40,200.00 which represents an additional \$5,000.00 from the Sidewalk Installation Account. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to approve the funding for removal of utility poles and the installation of underground utility lines at Heritage Drive near the museum building and at Ford Road and Canton Center Road near Rite Aid at a cost of \$15,580.88. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the purchase of three (3) vehicles for Building & Inspection Services Division at a cost of \$62,499.00 through the Oakland County Extended Purchasing Program from Shaheen Ford/Mercury. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the amendment to Summit Gourmet Contract to include food and beverage operations at Pheasant Run Golf Club for one year with an option to renew as outlined in the attached agreement and to authorize the township Supervisor and Clerk to sign on behalf of the township. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to create and fill a Recreation Superintendent position in the Recreation Division of the Leisure Services Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to create and fill a Recreation Specialist for Teens and After-school programs in the Recreation Division of the Leisure Services Department. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following budget amendment in the Community Improvement Fund, appropriate budget funds for FY2000 capital projects not initiated in FY2000, but which will be initiated in FY2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Increase Revenues:		
Appropriation from Fund Balance	#246-000-699-0000	\$135,000
Increase Appropriations:		
Capital Improvements-Recreation	#246-750-970-0000	\$135,000

This budget amendment increases the Community Improvement Fund budget from \$3,799,082 to \$3,934,217.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the purchase of an Extended Passenger Van, Model #49 GMC TG 21706 Savanna Van 2500 through the Oakland County Extended Purchasing Program from the Red Holman Pontiac/GMC dealership in the amount of \$22,567.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the bid for tents, tables and chairs for the 2001 Canton Liberty Fest in Heritage Park to All Parties Concerned, Inc. in the amount of \$7,876.30. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the bid for the community built playground to Engan Tooley and Doyle for Miracle Equipment in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00 with a ten percent contingency of \$8,000.00 and to charge account number 246-750-970-0000 and to authorize the township Clerk to sign the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of a 2001 Chevrolet Impala from Buff Whelan Chevrolet, Sterling Heights, Michigan for the amount of \$18,761.61, and a Pontiac Bonneville from Red Holman Pontiac, Westland, Michigan for the amount of \$22,540.40. These purchases will be made using the Oakland County Cooperative Purchasing Program. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the purchase of six (6) Ford Crown Victoria patrol units from Shaheen Ford/Mercury, 1600 American Way, Portland, Michigan 48875, using the State of Michigan bid/contract, the vehicles not to exceed \$127,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to waive the bidding process and purchase 100 PollMaster 1 Voting Units from Fidar Doubleday, Inc., 1919 East Calgary Road, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001 for a cost of \$18,800.00 plus shipping. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to make application to the Michigan for Special License for Sale of Beer and Wine for on-premises consumption on May 4, 2001 with Holiday Market to benefit the Leadership Canton Scholarship Fund, Canton Historical Society and the Canton Firefighters Charity Foundation at the Yazaki North America building located at 6801 N. Haggerty Road in Canton, Michigan. I further move to authorize the Clerk to sign the application. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the attached proposal from LRK and to authorize the expenditure not to exceed \$35,000.00 for their services regarding the Cherry Hill Village Performing Arts Center project. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to remove from the table and approve to be effective upon publication, the amendments to the Water supply and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30(P). Motion carried unanimously.

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 30(P)
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AMENDMENT TO WATER SUPPLY AND SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE NO. 30(P)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE NO. 30; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3 ENTITLED "MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL" PROVIDING THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIRECTOR WITH AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH OR APPROVE A POLICY OR GUIDELINE RELATING TO THE USE OF THE WATER SYSTEM AND SEWER SYSTEM UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; FURTHER PROVIDING AUTHORITY IN THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIRECTOR TO EXPEND FUNDS NECESSARY TO CORRECT AND REPAIR EMERGENCY SITUATIONS WHICH ARISE IN THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE WATER SYSTEM AND SEWER SYSTEM UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AMENDING SECTION 6 TO EXEMPT CORNER LOTS FROM CERTAIN FRONT FOOTAGE CHARGES; AMENDING SECTION 8(C) TO PROVIDE FOR A SEPARATE IRRIGATION WATER CONNECTION TAP FOR CERTAIN DEVELOPMENTS OR PROJECTS WITH A GENERAL OR COMMON AREA OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY A SUBDIVISION, CONDOMINIUM OR OTHER LEGALLY CONSTITUTED LANDOWNER ASSOCIATION WITH NO BUILDING ON SUCH GENERAL COMMON AREA; AMENDING SECTION 6(F) TO PROVIDE A DUPLEX IS CONSIDERED A 2 UNIT DWELLING REGARDLESS OF WHERE LOCATED; AMENDING SECTION 8(H) TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESIDENTIAL EQUIVALENT UNIT FACTOR FOR A RESTAURANT TO BE ONE UNIT PER 400 SQUARE FEET; AMENDING SECTION 6(I) TO PROVIDE THERE SHALL BE COLLECTED ONLY ONE WATER DEBT SERVICE CHARGE PER PLATTED SUBDIVISION OR SITE CONDOMINIUM SUBDIVISION PROJECT FOR LANDSCAPING IRRIGATION SYSTEM SERVICING SUCH PLATTED SUBDIVISION OR SITE CONDOMINIUM SUBDIVISION; AMENDING SECTION 7 TO EXEMPT CORNER LOTS FROM CERTAIN FRONT FOOT CHARGES; AMENDING SECTION 7(A) TO PROVIDE THAT WHERE APPLICABLE AN INDUSTRIAL SURCHARGE WILL BE APPLIED TO SEWER BILL; AMENDING SECTION 7(C) TO PROVIDE FOR THE RESIDENTIAL EQUIVALENT UNIT FACTOR FOR A RESTAURANT TO BE ONE UNIT PER 400 SQUARE FEET; AMENDING SECTION 8(D) PROVIDING A SERVICE CHARGE OF \$100 WILL BE CHARGED TO RESEAL AN OPEN BYPASS ON THOSE METERS THAT HAVE BYPASSES; AMENDING SECTION 8(E) TO PROVIDE AUTHORITY IN TOWNSHIP TO ESTIMATE WATER USAGE UPON MECHANICAL FAILURE OF WATER METER; AMENDING SECTION 8(F) TO PROVIDE THAT OWNER OR LESSEE OF REAL PROPERTY SHALL PROVIDE ACCESS TO BUILDING TO THE TOWNSHIP TO EXAMINE, REPAIR OR REPLACE WATER METER OR OTHER EQUIPMENT AND FOR PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE; AMENDING SECTION 8(G) TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR TAMPERING, DAMAGING, CHANGING, REROUTING, REMOVING, AND BY-PASSING A WATER METER BY PERSONS OTHER THAN TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL; AMENDING SECTION 15(F) TO PROVIDE THIS ARTICLE NOT BE CONSTRUED TO INTERFERE WITH ANY ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS WHICH MAY BE IMPOSED BY THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY; AMENDING SECTION 15(G) TO PROVIDE PRIVATE SEWAGE SYSTEMS SHALL BE ABANDONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH WAYNE COUNTY STANDARDS; AMENDING SECTION 19 TO PROVIDE IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO CONDUCT THE ACTIVITY OF ERECTING, CONSTRUCTING, INSTALLING OR MODIFYING A WATER OR SEWER LINE WITHIN ANY WETLAND WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING A PERMIT FROM THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY; AMENDING SECTION 20 RATES, FEES AND CHARGES PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS NEW WATER AND SEWER RATES AND CHARGES; PROVIDING FOR THE SAVING OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING SECTIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 3, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

Ordinance No. 30(P) is hereby adopted to amend Section 3 of the Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30, Section 3 thereof entitled Management and Control is amended to read as follows:

112.090 Section 3. MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL.

This section provides the Municipal Services Director with authority to establish or approve a policy or guideline relating to the use of the water system and sewer system under certain circumstances and further provides authority in the Municipal Services Director to expend funds necessary to correct and repair emergency situations which arise in the operation and maintenance of the water system and sewer system under certain circumstances.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 6 WATER RATES

Ordinance No. 30(P) is hereby adopted to amend Section 6 of the Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30, Sections 6 thereof entitled Water Rates to read as follows:

112.090 Section 6. WATER RATES.

This section amends Section 6(B)(2) to exempt corner lots from certain front foot charges; to amend Section 6(C) to provide for a separate irrigation water connection tap for certain developments or projects with a general or common area owned or controlled by a subdivision by a subdivision condominium or other legally constituted land owner association with no building on such general common area; amending Section 6(F) to provide a duplex is considered a (2) unit dwelling regardless of where located; amending Section 6(H) to provide for the Residential Equivalent Unit Factor for a restaurant to be 1 unit per 400 square feet; amending Section 6(I) to provide there shall be collected only 1 water debt service charge per platted subdivision or site condominium subdivision project for landscaping irrigation system servicing for such platted subdivision or site condominium subdivision.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 7, SEWER RATES

Ordinance No. 30(P) is hereby adopted to amend Section 7 of the Water and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30 entitled Sewer Rates to read as follows:

112.070 Section 7. SEWER RATES.

This section provides that Section 7(C) is amended to exempt corner lots from certain front foot charges and to further amend Section 7(C) to provide for the Residential Equivalent Unit Factor for a restaurant to be 1 unit per 400 square feet.

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 8, WATER BILLINGS AND READINGS

Ordinance No. 30(P) is hereby adopted to amend Section 8 of the Water and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30, entitled Water Billings and Readings to read as follows:

112.080 Section 8. WATER BILLINGS AND READINGS.

This section provides that Section 8(D) is amended to provide a service charge of \$100.00 will be charged to reseat an open bypass of those meters that have bypasses; amending Section 8(E) to provide authority in Township to estimate water usage upon mechanical failure of water meter; adding Section 8(F) to provide that owner or lessee of real property shall provide access to building to the Township to examine, repair or replace water meter or other equipment and for penalties for non-compliance; and adding Section 8(G) to provide penalties for tampering, damaging, changing, rerouting, removing, and by-passing a water meter by persons other than Township Personnel.

SECTION 5. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 15, PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Ordinance No. 30(P) is hereby adopted to amend Section 15 of the Water and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30, entitled Private Sewage Disposal to read as follows:

112.150 Section 15. PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

This section amends Section 15(F) to provide this Article not be construed to interfere with any additional requirements which may be imposed by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and to amend Section 15(G) to provide private sewage systems shall be abandoned in accordance with Wayne County standards.

SECTION 6. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 19, WETLAND

Ordinance No. 30(P) is hereby adopted to amend Section 19 of the Water and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30, entitled Wetland to read as follows:

112.190 Section 19. WETLAND.

This section amends Section 19 to provide it shall be unlawful for any person to conduct the activity of erecting, constructing, installing or modifying a water or sewer line within any wetland without first obtaining a permit from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality or other governmental agency as required.

SECTION 7. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 20, RATES, FEES, CHARGES

Ordinance No. 30(P) is hereby adopted to amend Section 20 of the Water and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30, entitled Rates, Fees, Charges to read as follows:

112.300 Section 20. RATES, FEES, CHARGES.

This section amends Section 20 to provide for various new water and sewer rates and charges.

SECTION 8. SAVING OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF THE ORDINANCE

This section provides that the balance of Ordinance No. 30, except as herein amended, shall remain in full force and effect. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this amendatory Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law enforced when they are commenced. This amendatory Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any right pending before the effective date of this amendatory Ordinance.

SECTION 9. VIOLATION AND PENALTY.

This section provides that any person, corporation, partnership or any other legal entity who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance or any of the regulations adopted in pursuance thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof may be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the Court.

SECTION 10. SEVERABILITY.

This section provides that if any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holdings shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereof.

SECTION 11. CONSTRUCTION OF ORDINANCE.

This section provides that this Ordinance shall be liberally construed in such manner as to best effectuate its purpose. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed, if possible, in such manner as to make such provisions compatible and consistent with the provisions of all existing Ordinances of the Township and all amendments thereto.

SECTION 12. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING SECTIONS.

This section provides that portions of Ordinance No. 30 are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this amendatory Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides that this Ordinance becomes effective after publication of the second reading. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to extend the present contract with the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers from July 31, 2001 to December 31, 2001. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy at 9:00 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The above is a synopsis of the actions taken at the regular board meeting held Tuesday, March 27, 2001. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular board meeting of April 10, 2001.

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

Roundup *from page D6*

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

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS
Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 478-5097 for more information.

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

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

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

SOLAR
The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation

(SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 868-6656 for more information.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS
Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178; Hudson Mills, 1-800-477-3191.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS
Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (248) 625-8473 to register or for more information.

PERMITS
The 2001 Oakland County parks

motor vehicle permits are now on sale at all county park offices and many parks and recreation and township offices. Cost is \$20 through April 30, 2001. After May 1, 2001, the permit cost will be \$25. All senior citizens (ages 62 and older) can purchase the permit for \$15 at all times. Call (248) 858-0906 or TTY (248) 858-1684.

FISHING CONTEST
Addison Oaks and Independence Oaks county parks will be the

site of fishing contests on the following days: Memorial Day weekend - June 24; July 1-31; and Aug. 1-Labor Day weekend. A valid Michigan fishing license is required. Call (248) 693-2432 or (248) 625-0977 for additional information.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald

Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (248) 348-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (248) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (248) 685-2187.

For programs at Island Lake call (248) 229-7067.

WAYNE COUNTY PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS
Wayne County Parks offers nature interpretive programs throughout the year. Advanced registration is requested. Call (734) 261-1990 to register and for more information.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS
The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:
David Medley, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 397-5435
Publish: April 5, 2001 L100872

WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS 3:00 P.M., MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2001
Regular Meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m.
Present: Thomas Yack, Mark Abbo, Ron Griffith.
Agenda - adopted as presented.
Minutes of the regular meeting of February 26, 2001 - approved.
Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$427,241.75 - approved.
Operation & Maintenance Report for February 2001 - received and filed.
Operations Manager's Report for March 2001 - received and filed.
Lower Rouge EQ Basin Level Sensors Purchase - approved.
Lower Rouge Wet Well Electric Panel Relocation - approved.
Attendance at WEF Conference (July 8-11, 2001) - approved.
Utilities Deregulation - Legal Counsel Service RFP - approved.
2001 Reorganization - approved.
Award of Contract; Contract 5 Sewer Cleaning & CCTV Inspection - Contract awarded to National Industrial Maintenance of Dearborn, MI.
Personnel Policies and Administrative Procedures Manual Changes - approved.
YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed.
The regular meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.
THOMAS J. YACK
Chairman
This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.
Publish: April 5, 2001 020985

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE
CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE MAY 15, 2001, SPECIAL ELECTION
PLEASE NOTE that Monday, April 16, 2001, is the last date to register for the Special Election to be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2001, for a one (1) Mill Fire Services Millage Renewal. Registration for Township electors will be taken at the Office of the Township Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building B, or at any Secretary of State Office. The phone number of the Township Clerk is 354-3224. The office of the Clerk is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. If a resident is unable to register during those hours, a call to the Clerk's Office can set up a convenient time for the resident.
MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth
Publish: April 5 & 6, 2001 L100814

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- Global Village Project - http://oonline.com/~gvp.htm
- Oakland Schools - http://oakland.k12.mi.us
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- Rocheater Community - www.rocheater-hills.com
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- Greenhouse Layer Ripa Cutler - www.greenhouselayer.com
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Weber from page D1

Posing and performing on-stage, in front of an audience, against others who were much younger, and doing it all for the first time, stretched Weber's confidence level to near breaking. She credits her support group — in particular her son Scott and daughter Kelly, as well as her friend, Linda Kramer — for her succeeding, and discovering just what she was capable of.

"It's good to get out of your comfort zone," she said. "I found I can achieve anything I put my mind to."

"My message would be that the sky's the limit. If you want something bad enough, you can get it. Anything's achievable."

Now the question is: What next? When Weber originally decided to compete, her plan was it would be a one-time-only deal. That could change.

The Michigan Open is scheduled to be in Detroit April 28. It's a national-qualifying bodybuilding meet, and as Weber predicted, "The competition will be a lot harder."

Whether or not she opts to undergo the training regimen necessary to compete further, Weber can rest assured she has accomplished what she set out to do. "I hope I can be a role model for my kids," she said. "I love to see kids get into something (to do with being physically fit)."

And it's never too late — so why wait?



Bit of a surprise: It's a gratified Tracy Weber who receives her trophy.

Whalers from page D1

Zepp led the OHL in wins and goals-against average (2.26) and was among the league leaders in save percentage.

Windsor's Mike Leighton wasn't far behind, with a 32-13-5 record, a 2.73 goals-against average, two shutouts and a .910 save percentage.

Still, as Whaler coach Pete DeBoer noted, the relatively small skating surface at Windsor Arena is a disadvantage for his

team.

It all adds up to what should be a tight best-of-seven-games series. Game One is at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Compuware Arena; Game Two is at 6 p.m. Sunday in Windsor. Ensuing games will be played every other day, at alternating sites.

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Below are the preseason prep girls soccer rankings, as voted on by members of the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association.

Division 1 — 1. Troy Athens; 2. Plymouth Canton; 3. Troy; 4. Brighton; 5. Livonia Stevenson; 6. Portage Central; 7. Plymouth Salem; 8. Rochester Adams; 9. Holland West Ottawa; 10. Rochester.

Honorable Mention — Lake Orion, Utica Eisenhower, Sterling Heights Stevenson, Grand Haven.

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Foley; 2. Portage Northern; 3. Birmingham Seaholm; 4. Midland Dow; 5. Auburn Hills Avondale; 6. Battle Creek Lakeview; 7. Birmingham Groves; 8. Grosse Pointe North; 9. East Lansing; 10. Mattawan.

Honorable Mention — Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Birmingham Marian, Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central, Holland Christian.

Division 3 — East Grand Rapids; 2. Birmingham-Detroit Country Day; 3. Plainwell; 4. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep; 5. Flint Powers Catholic; 6. St. Clair Shores South Lake; 7. Jackson Lumen

Christi; 8. Linden; 9. Caledonia; 10. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood.

Honorable Mention — Haslett, DeWitt, Hudsonville Unity Christian, Marshall.

Division 4 — 1. Frankenmuth; 2. Riverview Gabriel Richard; 3. Grandville Calvin Christian; 4. Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett; 5. Ann Arbor Greenhills; 6. Lake Fenton; 7. Monroe St. Mary's Catholic Central; 8. Kalamazoo Christian; 9. Suttons Bay; 10. Clawson.

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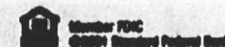
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You could, therefore, terminate the so-called sweetheart deal and pursue the developer for negligence.

Are you aware of any cases where a church was sued for liability because of injuries to visitors on its property?

I am aware of a case where an attendee of a Bible study session was injured in a poorly lit church parking lot when she tripped over a tire.

The court in that case, in determining the standard to which the church would be held, stated that people who visit churches for religious purposes (as opposed to fund-raising or entertainment purposes) are considered licensees, non-invitees.

Even though a general invitation had been made to join the study sessions, there was no commercial purpose in attending the sessions and a lesser standard of care is therefore owed to such person.

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Same home, higher taxes

BY DOUG FUNKE
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"Pete" has lived in a three-bedroom, 1-1/2 bathroom bungalow in Redford for nearly 20 years.

"Joe," who bought a similar but not quite identical home last year in the same neighborhood, will pay more — about \$160 or nearly 12 percent — in property taxes than "Pete."

Similar scenarios now play throughout Observer & Eccentric communities from Clarkston to Canton, Rochester Hills to Waterford and all points in between.

"People who just bought come in and say, 'My taxes are \$4,000, my neighbor's \$2,800,'" said Nino Licari, assessor in Troy. "Unfortunately, there's nothing we can do the way the law is written."

A related situation also is starting to play out on the local real estate scene. Jim Skyllis, broker/owner of Barclay Huston Skyllis in Orion Township, explains.

"A lot of empty-nesters will sell their home for a condo. They want to downsize; the family's raised. They end up paying more taxes on the condo than the house."

This especially is occurring — though not on a large scale yet — in Lake Orion, Oxford and Dearborn, Skyllis said.

Longtime owners today almost always will pay less property tax than newcomers with a similar home. Credit that situation — or blame it if you're a recent buyer — on Proposal A, approved by Michigan voters in 1994.

A robust real estate market and a relatively low inflation rate here in recent years have compounded the disparity.

Major changes

Voters amended the state constitution to limit annual increases in a property's taxable value to 5 percent or the consumer price index, whichever is lower.

So when a home sells, the assessment is recalibrated to state equalized value (half its market value), supposedly, based on a two-year period of comparable sales studies. Then that home's value is capped and the cap process starts again.

Previously, all property was assessed at half of state equalized value (cash

value) every year based on comparable sales studies.

We're now coming out of assessment adjustment season, when inflationary changes are made on taxable value for continuing owners and upped to assessed value for new owners.

Tax rates set for local government and county services and public school operations are applied to assessments to determine tax due.

Big effect

Skyrocketing sales prices and annual inflation rates that haven't exceeded 5 percent here since Proposal A took effect have exacerbated differences between taxable and state equalized values.

By extension, differences in property taxes actually paid also result.

For year 2000, six years after Proposal A took effect, taxable value was about 79 percent of equalized value for residential property in Wayne County, 83 percent in Oakland County.

Those figures were reported by the Citizens Research Council of Michigan, a non-profit policy analysis organization in Livonia financed primarily by business and industry and foundation grants.

"It simply means their (property) taxes are roughly 18-22 percent below what they would be absent Proposal A. That's on average," said Earl M. Ryan, president of Citizens Research Council of Michigan.

"For someone who just moved in and who has just bought the property where the property reverted to SEV (true cash value), it would mean nothing in savings for a while," Ryan said.

"For someone (who's) owned since Proposal A went into effect, it (savings) probably is more than average," Ryan added.

Get smart

Would-be buyers must be educated, said Joan Dawkins, an associate broker with RE/MAX on the Trail in Plymouth.

What prospective buyers see on the listing sheet for property taxes isn't what they're going to pay. Maybe not even close.

"They need to be made aware that their (property) taxes will go up based on the price they pay on that house," Dawkins said. "They have to do their homework, do the numbers, to see if

they're going to be comfortable there.

"I haven't had deals not go through, but I've had people decide not to look at houses," Dawkins said of the mathematical exercise.

Sandy Norman, a Realtor with Century 21 Town & Country in Birmingham, said he hasn't noticed much effect on sales activity where he toils in Oakland County since Proposal A took effect.

"I don't think that dictates what people are going to do," Norman said. "Seventy-five percent of the time, property taxes aren't even an issue. If people have the dough, that's not going to matter."

Liam said about a half dozen people have built out to their existing homes in his Troy neighborhood to avoid relocating and facing higher taxes.

Buyers qualify financially for mortgages based on existing property taxes, not what they will pay, said Daniel B. Smith, senior vice president and regional manager for Republic Bank in Plymouth.

"It's pretty much an industry-wide practice," Smith said. "It's a huge impact. A lot of people are surprised out there."

Kevin Kelley, supervisor in Redford Township, advocates some kind of state disclosure law to alert would-be buyers to what taxable and assessed value mean to them. "The disparity is growing," he said.

California experience

The evidence is that buyers in California, with a two-tier property valuation system in place since 1978, take higher property taxes into account when submitting offers, Ryan said.

"They come in with a lower bid than they might otherwise," he said. "It might not be much and it might depend on other things."

In some upscale communities, there may be no discount at all, Ryan added.

California has since allowed homeowners at least age 55 to carry lower previous base-year assessments with them to replacement residences of equal or lesser value within the county, CRC of Michigan reports.

"That avoids the problem of selling a place with five bedrooms and 3-1/2 baths and buying a place with two bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths and finding the taxes are just as high as the old place," Ryan said.

New ideas for new construction



Months ago, I wrote about a dynamite innovation in residential construction financing called "up-front" financing. I thought it would be a good time to bring you up to date.

Up-front financing is a hybrid loan product that merges several loans (vacant land, construction, and mortgage) into one.

Rather than paying the closing costs associated with several different loan products, up-front financing allows borrowers to pay just one set of closing costs.

Up-front financing lets borrowers secure the entire amount of their mortgage at the beginning of construction. The loan amount is based on the new home's post-construction value. Typically, borrowers pay interest only on the construction draws, but they do not have to make that interest payment until construction is complete. It is normally rolled into the final mortgage.

Lenders do not typically use the borrower's existing mortgage or rent payments in calculating their new loan.

Consequently, borrowers can usually avoid the use of expensive bridge loans or equity loans to complete construction. These lenders presume that the borrower will sell their existing home or cease renting when the construction is complete. Borrowers move into their new home when it is complete without the added pressure of meeting a firm deadline to sell their current home.

Residential builders are becoming increasingly fond of up-front financing because they no longer have to tie up their money in spec homes. Builders are reimbursed according to their lender-approved budget at the completion of each major stage of construction. Residential builders benefit as much as the borrowers with "up-front" mortgages because the new construction will be financed with minimal builder out-of-pocket costs.

Some lenders allow qualified new home buyers to borrow up to 95 percent of their new home's cost, then let them take a more favorable interest rate if the market improves. With "no document" and "stated income" options now available, you should count on seeing much more of these "win-win" mortgage products in the near future.

Tim "Timbo" Phillips is a loan officer in Plymouth. You may contact him at PhillipsHQ@yahoo.com or at (734) 797-5522 (24 hours). Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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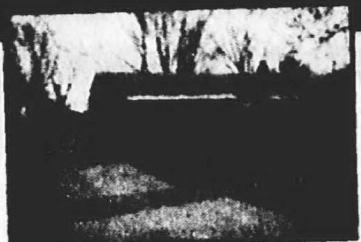
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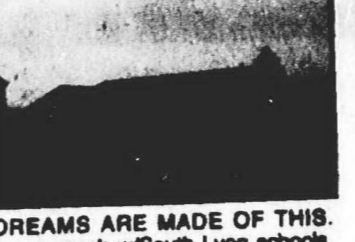
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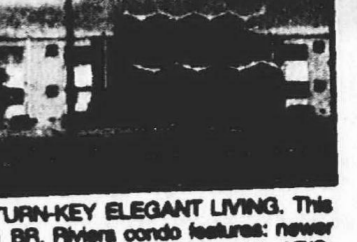
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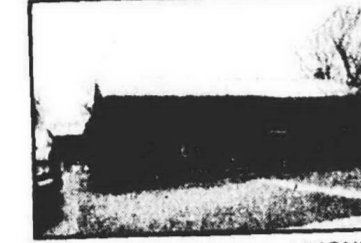
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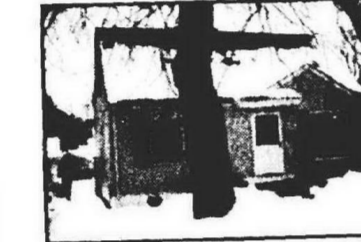
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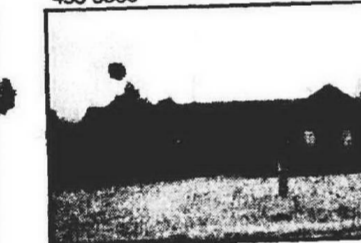
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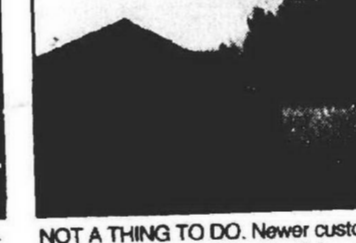
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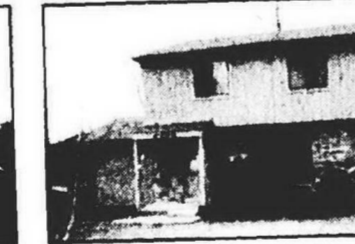
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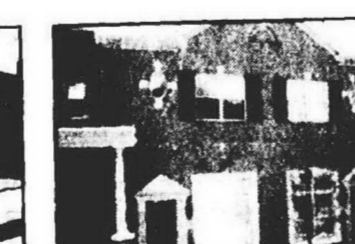
RANCH CONDO. Fresh paint, carpet & more in end unit w/attached garage & Florida room. Enjoy clubhouse and beach on Crooked Lake. \$114,500 (44ARL) 248-349-5800



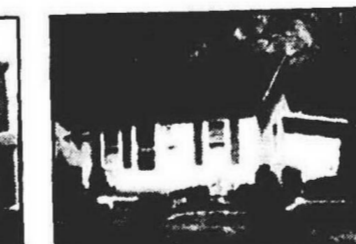
DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH CHARMER! 3 bedrooms, hardwood floors, French doors, spacious LR & DR, gorgeous remodeled bath w/heated marble floor, claw foot tub, partial fin bsmt, deep fenced yard w/mature trees & perennials. HPP. (09HAR) \$174,900 734-455-5600



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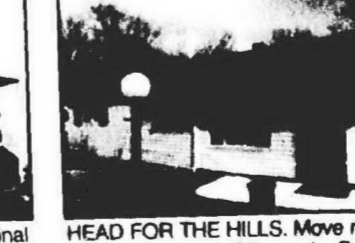
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MOVERS AND SHAKERS

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Soil and Materials Engineers, with offices in Plymouth, has received an award for innovative engineering services on the US 131 S-curve road reconstruction project in Grand Rapids.

The award was presented by the American Consulting Engineers Council of Michigan and the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers.

The Southfield office of Grubb & Ellis sent eight professionals to the company's annual Circle of Excellence recognition program for top producers.

They included Jack Coury, senior vice president; David Giltner, vice president; Chuck Ginstler, vice president; Larry Emmons, senior vice president; Geoff Hill, senior vice president; Greg Klotzler, senior vice president; Dan Labes, senior vice president; and Jon Savoy, senior vice president.

Grubb & Ellis specializes in industrial, retail and office properties.

Toll Brothers, a publicly owned builder of residential homes with offices in Farmington Hills, has been selected by Forbes magazine as one of its 400 best big companies in America.

To make the Platinum 400, a company must be an industry leader in long- and short-term return on capital, and growth in both sales and earnings.

Robert I. Toll is chairman and CEO.

Fixed-rate mortgage rates edge up

WASHINGTON (AP) - Rates for 30-year and 15-year mortgages edged up this week but still stayed below the 7-percent mark.

The average interest rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages rose to 6.91 percent, up from 6.89 percent last week, according to a nationwide

survey released Thursday by Freddie Mac, the mortgage company.

A year ago, 30-year mortgages averaged 8.23 percent and were rising. Rates hit a five-year high of 8.64 percent in mid-May of last year.

Fifteen-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, ticked up to 6.46 percent last week, up from 6.44 percent the previous week. A year

ago, 15-year mortgages averaged 7.84 percent.

On one-year adjustable-rate mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 6.19 percent, compared with 6.22 percent the week before. That was the lowest since a rate of 6.12 percent in Oct. 1, 1999. Last year, one-year ARMs averaged 6.76 percent.

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National firm buys The Selective Group

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The home-building arm of The Selective Group, one of the most active companies in southeast Michigan, has been bought by Centex Homes.

Centex, a publicly owned company headquartered in Dallas, Texas, will continue to use The Selective Group brand name. The acquisition includes all homes under construction, as well as land or lots for 1,200 homes here.

Centex will honor all of Selective's warranty obligations, and letters to that effect have been sent to customers, said Neil Devroy, Centex Homes spokesman.

Selective builds homes priced from \$160,000 to \$800,000 in a dozen communities in Oakland, Wayne and Livingston counties. Centex also said it expects to

retain all of Selective's 70 employees who want to stay.

However, Michael Horowitz and Steve Friedman, who founded Selective in 1983, won't remain.

"We'll be investing in land for residential building and a wide range of commercial development activity," Horowitz said.

They will continue to work joint projects and explore other options separately, Horowitz added.

Horowitz secured his reputation as a deal maker and developer. He often personally appeared before municipal boards and commissions to gain necessary approvals for his projects.

Friedman's expertise is construction.

Tim Stapleton, who worked for Centex before joining Selective in 1995, will continue as president of Centex's new Detroit operation.

Stapleton wasn't secretly sent on a scouting mission to check out Selective before the acquisition, Devroy said.

"It was just kind of a happy coincidence," Devroy said. "We were looking for a strong builder in Detroit. Tim was there. His presence was an added attraction."

"He understood our system. We knew the transition would be easier. Selective was our first choice," Devroy said.

Purchase price wasn't disclosed.

"This acquisition allows us to enter a strategically important market as a Top 5 builder and gives us the opportunity to build upon The Selective Group's already-solid reputation for quality homes and neighborhoods," said Timothy R. Eller, chairman and CEO for Centex Homes.

"Detroit was one of the larger markets unserved by national home builders," Horowitz said. "There's a large quantity of

smaller builders here. It's a tight land market. Large companies are looking to continue to grow."

Centex's purchase of Selective is somewhat similar to Toll Brothers acquisition in 1999 of the Silverman Co., another large, privately owned residential builder here.

Gilbert "Buss" Silverman has completed an executive administrative contract with Toll, a publicly owned company headquartered in Philadelphia, and since re-established his own business.

"Silverman Co. are as busy as ever," he said. "My main business today is development, building and management of luxury apartments and development, building and management of commercial real estate."

"There can be an important role for mergers and acquisitions in every industry," Silverman added. "It typically only happens with the best of the best ... and the biggest."

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BUY HOME CLASS

Rosemary Firestone, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100 in Novi, and her financial services team present a free, no-obligation class on how to go about buying a home 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, at First Michigan Title, 38777 Six Mile, Suite 100, just west of I-275, Livonia.

Presenters include Tom Daigle and Ron Starr, Flagstar Bank; David Reiman, Farm Bureau Insurance; Craig Lee, Home Team Inspection; Michael Rich, attorney; April Wolters, financial planner; and Firestone.

For reservations, call (734) 420-9600.

ARCHITECTURE LECTURE

Thomas O'Connor delivers the distinguished architecture alumni award lecture at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5, in the college of architecture and design auditorium at Lawrence Technological University, 21000 W. 10 Mile (west of Northwestern), Southfield.

No charge. For information, call Michelle Juris at (248) 204-2880.

SELL HOME CLASS

Teri Ciucci, Approved Mortgages, Matt Kenkel, ERA Alliance, and Owen V. Lee, Professional Real Estate Title, sponsor a free seminar, "For Sale by Owner," 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5, at the Weight Watchers Building, 28555 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills.

For reservations, call Yasmine at (248) 851-2975, or Teri at (734) 414-0805.

AIR QUALITY/INSURANCE

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan hosts programs on how building renovation can affect indoor air quality and different association insurance products 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, at Mitch's II restaurant, 6665 Highland Road, Waterford.

Presenters: Connie Morbach, president, Sanit-Air, Troy; and Ralph Curtis, president, Curtis Agency, Oxford.

Cost, including dinner, is \$20. To register, call (248) 862-1008.

HOME SHOW

The BIA presents its fifth annual spring home and garden show Thursday-Sunday, April 5-8, at the Novi Expo Center, I-96 and Novi Road.



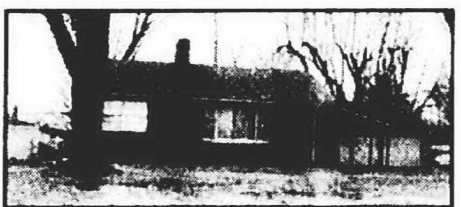
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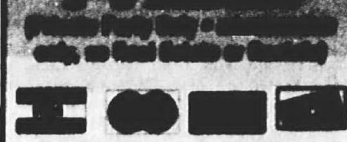
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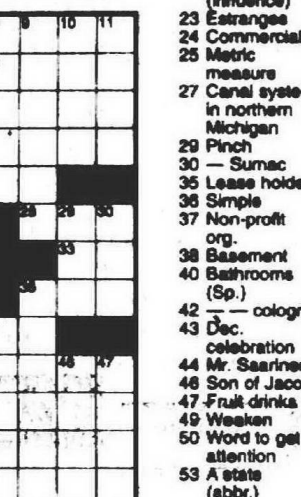
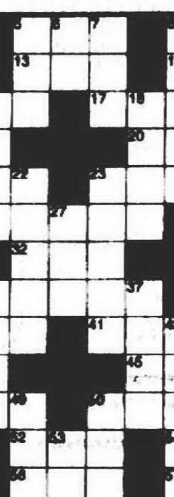
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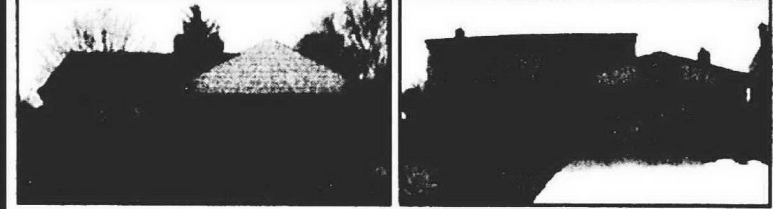
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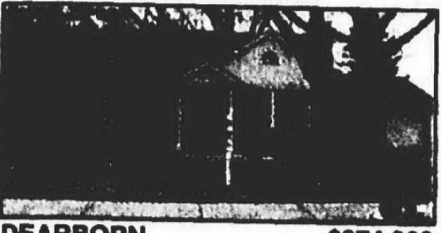
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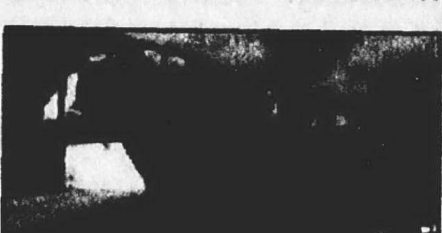


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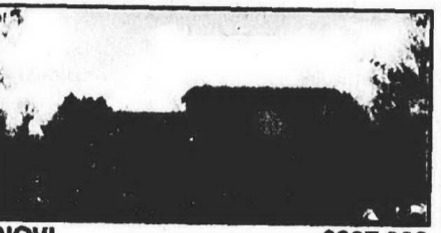
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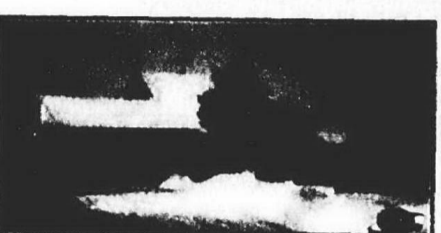
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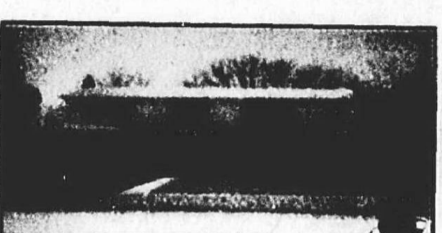
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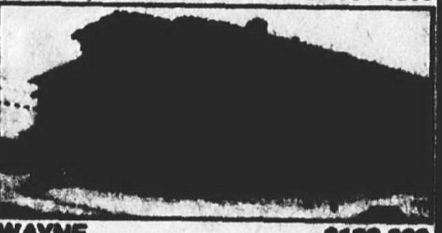
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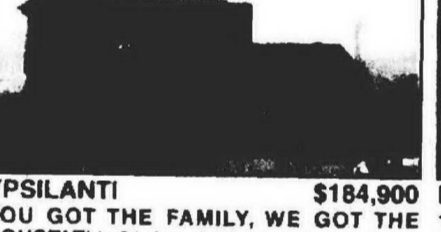
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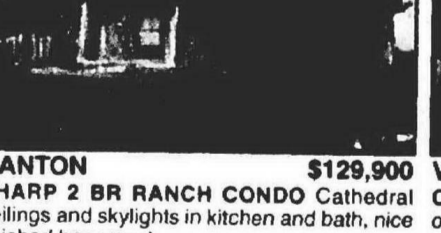
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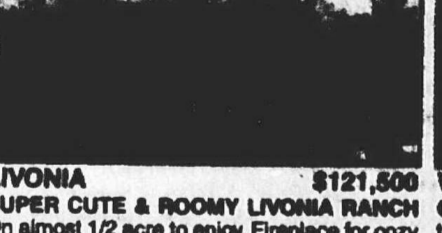
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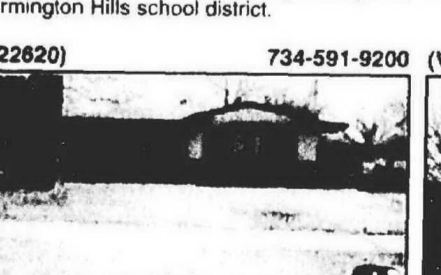
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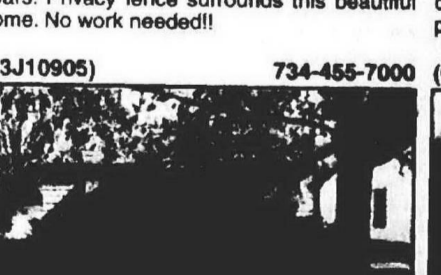
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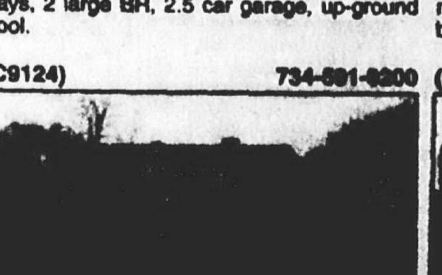
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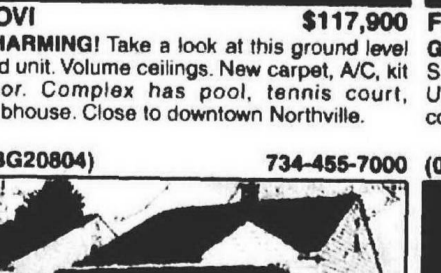
REDFORD \$114,900
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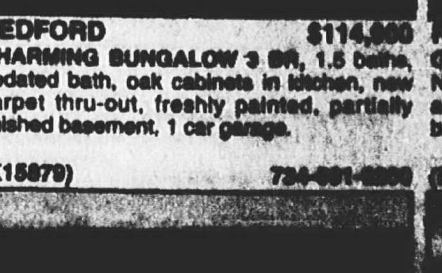
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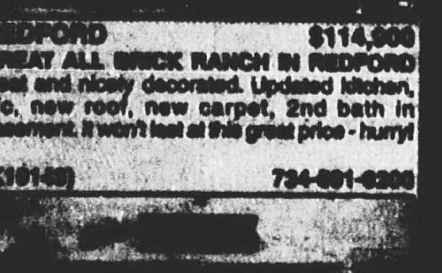
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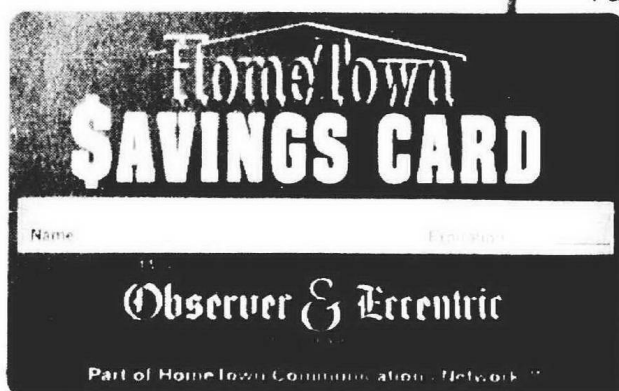
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3 Ankle Brachial Index Test

This test screens for Peripheral Arterial Disease (plaque build-up) in the lower extremities which is linked to coronary artery disease.

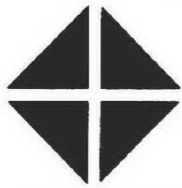
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The John Hopkins White papers, 1997



1 Carotid Vascular Test '35

Preparation: No Turtleneck

Test Time: 10 Minutes

Purpose: To visualize the build-up of fatty plaque in the carotid arteries that can lead to stroke.

Procedure: The technologist will apply an acoustic gel on your neck over your carotid arteries. A painless instrument called a transducer will be moved around your neck to visualize the inside of the carotid artery.

2 Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (A.A.A.) Test '35

Preparation: Fasting for six hours prior to the test.

Test Time: 10 Minutes

Purpose: To visualize the existence of an aneurysm (enlargement) in the abdominal aorta that could lead to a ruptured aortic artery.

Procedure: The technologist will apply an acoustic gel on your abdomen and utilize a painless instrument called a transducer to visualize the aorta.

3 Ankle Brachial Index (A.B.I.) Test '35

Preparation: The removal of your socks and shoes. No pantyhose. Short sleeves.

Test Time: 10 Minutes

Purpose: To screen for peripheral arterial disease in the lower extremities. Studies suggest an abnormal ABI may indicate peripheral arterial disease as well as having a much higher risk of coronary artery disease.

Procedure: Blood pressure cuffs and an ultrasound Doppler transducer are placed on your arms and ankles.

4 Osteoporosis Screening Test '35

Preparation: The removal of one sock and shoe, no pantyhose.
Test Time: 5 Minutes.

Purpose: To screen for abnormal bone mass density in women over the age of 45. 50% of the people who fracture a hip over the age of 55 are unable to walk again without assistance. Osteoporosis is painless and silent in its early stages.

Procedure: Place your foot in the ultrasound unit. Bone density of the heel is measured via ultrasound.

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