



Music: Conductor Keith Lockhart leads the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra in a concert of Latin American music at the Fox Theatre on Aug. 16./B1

Coach dies: A popular Canton youth football coach collapsed on the practice field and died Monday./D1

O&E golf tourney is next weekend

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SPORTS EDITOR

However you look at it this promises to be an Observer & Eccentric Golf Tournament like no other

For a few very good reasons First there's a new date — next weekend Aug 18 19

Second, there's a new location — sort of The two day 36 hole tournament will be played at two different courses, both in Livonia Saturday's opening 18 hole round will be played at Fox Creek located on Seven Mile east of Newburgh

Sunday's second round will be at Whispering Willows located on Newburgh south of Eight Mile

Third, there will be an expanded field The O&E Tournament is now officially, an open tournament Competitors no longer need live within the O&E circulation area

Already the number of golfers figures to increase With four days of registration on still remaining (entries will be accepted through Saturday), there were nearly as many signed up as last year when the playing field numbered 48

One of those registered is the defending champion Jim Landsberg of Farmington Hills Landsberg edged Gary Cross of Livonia on the first playoff hole for last year's title in the championship flight after both had finished deadlocked at 148 Finishing third one stroke behind was Alex McLuckie of Canton

Landsberg dropped off his entry form Tuesday, then proceeded to ask several pertinent questions about Fox Creek, adding he planned to try and play a round there prior to the tournament

Cost for the tournament is \$90, with prizes awarded to the top finishers in the four flights (determined by handicaps) Entries are available in all O&E sports sections or at either Whispering Willows or Fox Creek

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Pursell wins; AV's play key role



■ A political newcomer, Phil Pursell outdistanced both incumbents, and absentee totals provide the drama as Plymouth voters pare down the list of candidates for the November general election.

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If you had asked several months ago who Phil Pursell was, the answer may have been "Carl's kid"

However, the son of retired U S Congressman Carl Pursell gained his own political prominence by capturing the top spot in Tuesday's Plymouth city commission primary election

Pursell, with 694 votes, garnered the top number of votes both at the precincts and from absentee voters



Phil Pursell

He finished ahead of former city commissioner Stella Greene, who was second with 536 votes

"The voters believe in this city, and not all the negativity that's been tossed around which has shown to be the downfall of some candidates," said Pursell "They know I live in this community, I own a business in this town, and I'm willing

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Absentee voters were the biggest bloc in city primary

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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The controversy over incorrect ballot language on the first issue of absentee ballots sent out by the Plymouth city clerk's office was as important as it looked

When city commission candidate Dennis Shrewsbury went to court to block Clerk Linda Langmesser from counting the first set of ballots, issued with erroneous instructions, he was making or breaking some of the campaigns that depended on the largest voting block in the city

And when Wayne County Circuit

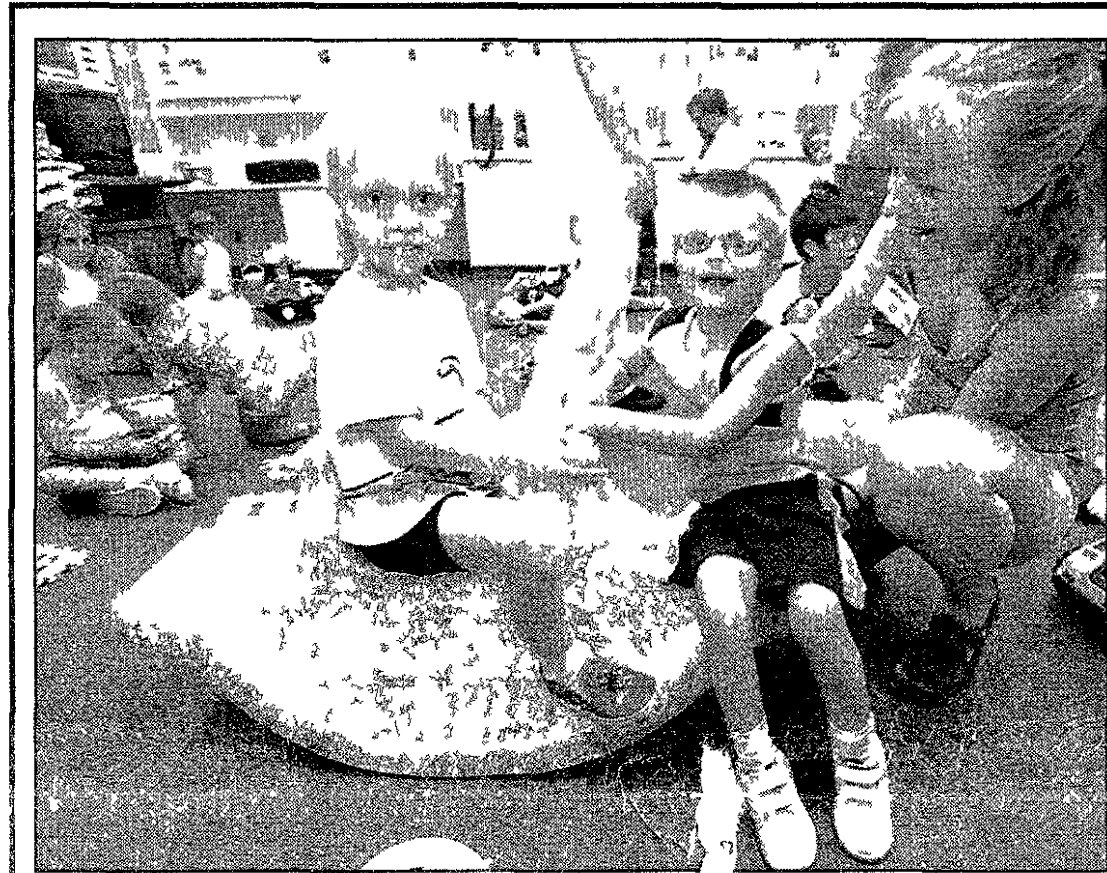
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Court Judge Edward Thomas ordered the initial ballots be counted along with the rest, there were probably signs of relief from some of the candidates, while others cringed

There were 749 absentee votes cast in Tuesday's primary, substantially more than the 562 people who made it to the polls And, as expected, a look inside the numbers indicates the absentee votes dictated where the candidates finished

Takes the campaign of Jerry Vorva

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Playing together: Joey Lundblad, 4, and Kyle Roberts, 5, both of Plymouth, rock on a teeter totter with counselor Melissa Patterson of Livonia last week at Our Camp, a camp for special needs children held at Allen Elementary in Plymouth Township

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Cooling off: Matthew Hampel of Canton, 7, from left, Alyssa Sneth of Plymouth, 7, and Matt Holycross of Livonia, 9, cool off with a Sesame Street Elmo sprinkler last week at Our Camp

Water sales soar as temps heat up

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Not everyone is complaining about the recent blast of summer heat Bottled water companies are seeing a surge in sales since recent temperatures have steadily hovered above the 90 degree mark

The heat is just the beginning with Plymouth Township resident Darwin Watts who owns the Saline based American Aqua, a provider of bottled water to homes and business offices throughout southeast Michigan

"Sales have been very good because of the heat There's no doubt that I'm a warm weather fan," said Watts, who is also a member of the Plymouth-Canton Schools Board of Education

In addition to receiving a number of new customers, Watts said his current customers are consuming about 30 percent more water than normal

"Recently there has been a lot of talk about hydration and the benefits of drinking more water, which has been really beneficial to us We are getting a huge number of new customer inquiries, and our sales have gone up Fortunately we have been able to keep up our production to meet the demand," he said

Plymouth Township is the home to one of four plants owned by the Absopure Water Company In addition to convenience stores, offices and restaurants, the Plymouth plant provides bottled water to major grocery and retail stores, including Meyer, Kmart and Target, throughout Michigan, Ohio and Indiana

Company spokesman Rob Breach said these are good days for Absopure He said in the last week the company's

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Camping out

Sessions keep special-needs kids focused

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When Orchards Childrens Services of Southfield decided to suspend operations of a Livonia day camp for special needs children sponsored by Detroit Red Wing Sergei Federov last summer, Kim Lowney was worried the kids wouldn't be taken care of

She needn't have Parents of the disabled kids — angry at the decision by Orchards

and determined not to let their children slip through the cracks — organized a new camp, this one at Allen Elementary School in Plymouth

OUR Camp — Opportunity, Understanding and Recreation — played host to nearly 100 children ages 3 to 9 over the course of two sessions this summer, with parents, grandparents and Lowney, a special education teacher at Redford Union, keeping it together

"It was very important for the kids because it gives them structure for

the summer," said Lowney, who has worked with special needs children for 10 years "We do structured play time where they learn they get to do one thing for a time, and then have to transition into another

"I think it's important for them to have that structure year-round" After Orchards decided last summer the building at Seven Mile and Merriman was unsafe, parents worried there wouldn't be any place for their children to get that structure

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National Night Out brings kids closer to cops

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The bicycle skills of more than 50 children were put to the test Tuesday evening during a bicycle rodeo organized by the Plymouth Township and City police departments

Held at Plymouth Township Park, the bicycle rodeo was part of National Night Out festivities, a national event meant to strengthen ties between police departments and the residents they serve

With their parents looking on, the children, ages 7 through 12, were taught numerous biking skills and how to ride safely by police officers

Then they got the chance to see what really can be done with a bike, as the Schwinn Bicycle Stunt Team put on an aerial and trick show that had every-

According to Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann, the bike rodeo and National Night Out are about more than just having a little fun They also give residents the opportunity to know the police officers that patrol their streets

"This is about getting the residents out and active in their community It is also a good event because it develops more of a relationship between the residents and the officers It shows them the officers are here to work for them and with them," said Mann, who is a former police officer himself

Each of the children was put through a battery of skills tests that measured their riding ability Both township and city police officers were at each riding station teaching proper techniques for maneuvers like stopping and steering

Van Buren Township police officer

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Flipping over: "Hollywood" Mike Brancato performs an aerial back flip during a demonstration by the Schwinn Toyota Bicycle Stunt Team at the Plymouth Township National Night Out event at Township Park Tuesday

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

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and bike specialist Luann Hamblin was also on hand to offer advice to the youngsters. Hamblin said police departments need to be active in teaching children to be safe and responsible when riding bikes, particularly on roads. All too many times she has seen bicycle accidents end in tragedy.

"Bicycle accidents are very, very damaging and often hard to survive. As a police force it is our responsibility to teach our children to be safe. This event is an excellent way to do it. I'm very impressed with the effort," she said.

In recent years, both Plymouth police departments have held events to coincide with National Night Out. This is the first year they held an event as ambitious as the bike rodeo. According to acting Plymouth Township police chief Bob Smith, bringing the Schwinn team wouldn't have been possible without support and donations from the Plymouth Rotary Club.

"We were brainstorming about what we were going to do this year, and someone came up with the idea for the bicycle rodeo. I think it's a really neat thing to do. The Plymouth Rotary Club really stepped up for us and

'I think it's a really neat thing to do. The Rotary Club really stepped up.'

*Bob Smith
—Plymouth Township Police*

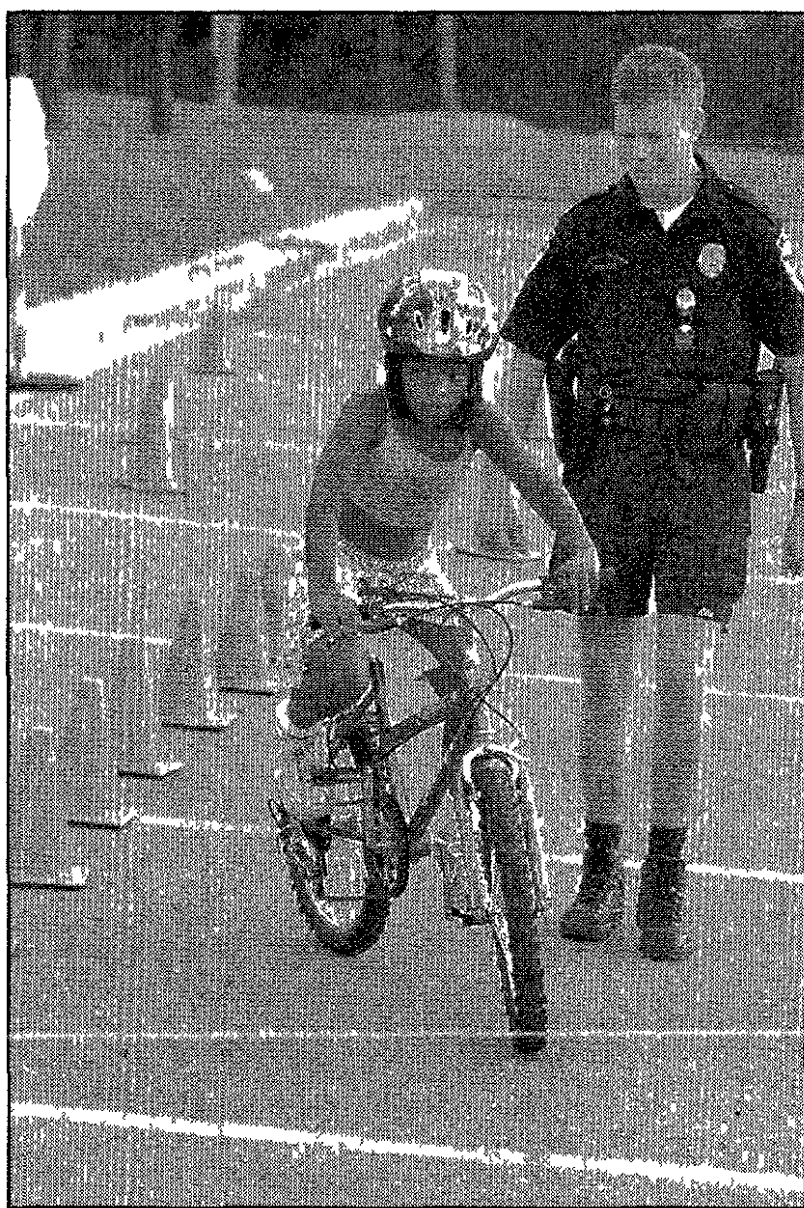
helped make it a reality," he said.

Northville Township resident Roxanne Donatiello brought her 7-year-old son Zackary to the event. She credited the police officers with helping instill some confidence in her son, who learned to ride a bike less than a year ago.

"The officers were so generous. I think this was a really great idea. I can already tell it has boosted my son's confidence. After he finished the skills tests, he was riding next to some people. He asked them to step aside because a professional biker was coming through," she said.

James Dubinski, an 11-year-old Canton Township resident, said he also learned some important lessons.

"The police officers taught me to be very careful and go slow, especially when I ride in streets near cars. I will remember that," he said.



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Chynia Robinson of Plymouth, 7, rides in the bicycle rodeo "Tight Bay Turn" course under the watchful eye of Ofc. Bryan Rupard during the Plymouth Township National Night Out event at Township Park.

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PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

Kiwanis speaker

The Colonial Kiwanis Club of Plymouth welcomes Dr. William Sederburg as its guest speaker at its meeting at noon Thursday, Aug. 23 at Ernesto's.

Sederburg, president of Ferris State University, will discuss "The goals and missions of Ferris State University." The Kiwanis Club is extending a special invitation to alumni and friends of FSU.

Cost is \$10 per person at the door. For more information, call Lee Harrison, (734) 416-6055.

Plymouth After Dark

The "stars" are expected to be out in full force when the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce hosts "Plymouth After Dark" from 8:30-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 10.

After the Downtown Development Authority's Music in the Air series concert ends that night, the fun will continue with music on the streets being offered by Pete Fetters, The Troubadors and the Mary Kay Mills Troupe.

Carriage rides and a limousine shuttle will be available to take shoppers to storefronts all over the downtown area. Various downtown merchants will be offering specials, and restaurants have teamed up to offer hors d'oeuvres and refreshments.

According to chamber director Fran Toney, the highlight of the evening will be the "stars" that will pop up in various stores. Scheduled to appear are *Gone With the Wind's* Scarlett O'Hara, Mae West, Dolly Parton and Kenny Rogers, Marilyn Monroe and Audrey Hepburn.

For more information, call the chamber, (734) 453-1540.

Writers' workshop

Local journalist Cheryl Vatcher of Plymouth hosts writing seminars from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 and Saturday, Aug. 25 at the Noble Library in Livonia.

Vatcher, who has penned articles for a variety of metro Detroit publications, including the Observer newspapers, will offer tips to break writer's block and ways to pick up a pen and start writing. Vatcher, who has a master's degree from the University of Michigan's Rackham School of Education, has designed a variety of creative writing classes for children and adults.

The seminars cost \$42. The library is at 32901 Plymouth Road. For more information, call (734) 414-8680.

Local promotion

Bill Kennedy of Plymouth has been promoted to the position of store manager for the Ann Arbor store of the Art Van furniture chain.

Kennedy, who lives in Plymouth with his wife and two children, brings more than 30 years of retail experience to the Ann Arbor store. His Art Van career began in 1995 as the assistant sales manager of the Taylor store. Since then he's worked in management positions at the Southfield, Howell, Novi and Warren-14 Mile Road locations.

"(Kennedy) has proven to be a strong manager within our company," said Bill Barto, president of Art Van. "His attention to the needs of our guests and other associates, combined with his extensive knowledge of our merchandise selections, gives us confidence he'll exceed the expectations of our guests in this market."

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PRIMARY 2001 — THE RACE FOR THE PLYMOUTH CITY COMMISSION

Judge reverses decision, allows 1st absentee ballots to be counted

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Nearly four hours before the last ballot was cast in Tuesday's primary election, a Wayne County Circuit Court judge ruled the city of Plymouth should count all the absentee ballots turned in by voters.

The decision to dissolve a temporary restraining order allowed the city to count every vote, and gave it the ability to announce complete election return totals when voting was completed at 8 p.m.

One of the 11 candidates, Dennis Shrewsbury, filed a temporary restraining order last week to keep the city from counting any of the first absentee ballots sent out to voters, ballots with incorrect instructions as to how many candidates to vote for.

In his ruling, Judge Edward Thomas said there would be more harm to voters than to Shrewsbury if all the absentee ballots, including those with incorrect wording, weren't counted.

"The issue is where the irreparable harm would be, to Dennis Shrewsbury or the public," said

'I feel good because we did what we felt was right.'

Dennis Shrewsbury
—Commission candidate



Thomas at the end of the 90 minute hearing. "The harm would be greater to the voter who cast a legal ballot and then would be disenfranchised by the wrong instructions."

Thomas then lifted the temporary restraining order, allowing city officials to continue the day's primary election without further delay.

More than 700 absentee voters were originally issued, ballots with erroneous instructions to vote for up to eight candidates. According to state law, residents can only vote for a number of candidates equal to the number of commission seats that are open, in this case four.

The city's elections commission voted July 20 to issue replacement ballots. Langmesser then sent

out 818 ballots with the correct instructions. The new ballots, which were also used at the polls, instructed residents to vote for only four candidates.

If a voter turned in one of the original ballots, then turned in a replacement ballot, the second ballot was deemed the official vote. Voters who disregarded the invalid instruction attached to the first ballot and voted for four or fewer candidates were also included in the final tally.

Shrewsbury wanted to keep the city from counting any of the absentee ballots with the incorrect instructions. Instead, he wanted to tally only the re-issued absentee ballots.

"I feel good because we did what we felt was right," said Shrewsbury. "I still believe some of the voters will be disenfranchised."

Linda Langmesser testified that during her 16 years as Plymouth's city clerk she used the same ballot language in three previous city commission primary elections. She also substantiated that when the ballot language mistake was brought to her attention by the Wayne County Elections Com-

mission, she immediately consulted the Michigan Secretary of State's elections division for help in solving the problem.

"I became very concerned," Langmesser told Thomas. "I'm very well known for conducting honest elections."

After the ruling, Langmesser was relieved the ordeal was over and that she could go back to conducting the city's commission primary.

"I'm going back to work to make sure all the votes are counted," she said. "I'm happy about the decision, but I'm upset about the politics involved in this election."

Attorney Jim DeGrazia of O'Connor, DeGrazia and Tamm of West Bloomfield, who represented the city, said, "The idea here is to make sure the people don't lose their ability to vote. There is nothing here to suggest anything is irregular."

Shrewsbury's attorney, Carol Levitte, argued the original ballots should be locked away and never opened.

"They should be closed and sealed," she told Thomas. "It's time for the city to own up."

Absentees from page A1

After the count of the four voting precincts, Vorva was running ninth — which would have left him out of the running for November's general election — with only 125 votes. However, when the absentee votes were counted, Vorva captured the third-highest number of votes, and he eventually finished fourth overall.

Shrewsbury was on the bubble, just three votes ahead of Vorva before the absentee ballots were counted. Finishing fifth in the absentee count enabled Shrewsbury to finish the primary in eighth place, just one vote ahead of David Murphy for the final spot on the November ballot.

"I have no idea what effect the judge's ruling had, because I don't know the numbers (of spoiled ballots) yet," Shrewsbury said Wednesday.

Incumbent David Byers was running fifth after the precinct votes were tabulated, but with the second highest number of absentee votes vaulted into third place overall in the primary.

Of course, the numbers can work the other way, too. Incumbent Colleen Pobur was the third highest vote-getter when the precincts closed. However, she was only 10th in the number of absentee votes and dropped to fifth overall in the primary.

While all the voters are

'Plymouth is known for having a large percentage of the total vote come from absentee ballots.'

Colleen Pobur
—City commission candidate



important, Plymouth is known for having a large percentage of the total vote come from absentee ballots," said Pobur. "As a candidate, the timing of my campaign literature varies to address the needs of the absentee voters, who get their ballots and cast their votes earlier."

David Murphy was looking like a top-eight finisher when he placed sixth as the polls closed. However, absentee voters made Murphy their 11th pick, and he finished ninth, one vote short of making the cut.

Those who went to the polls had reasons for making the effort.

"I didn't want to vote for the people who are so controversial," said Jan Tondryk. "There was a

'There was a lot of negative campaigning, and it shouldn't be like this in a small town.'

Jan Tondryk
—Voter

lot of negative campaigning, and it shouldn't be like this in a small town."

Amelia Schenk is a teacher, and Central Middle School is dear to her.

"The school has a great morale and spirit, and we need to save it," she said.

Only 18.5 percent of Plymouth's 7,086 registered voters cast ballots in the primary. City Clerk Linda Langmesser said that was about five percent more than the 1999 primary.

Deputy Clerk Deborah Dooley said after sending out a second primary ballot with the correct instructions, there were still 106 of the controversial first ballots that remained when residents didn't send back the re-issued ballot.

Of those, 32 had votes for five or more candidates and had to be disqualified. One was not signed and voided. The other 73 voted for four or fewer candidates and were counted as directed by the State of Michigan and adopted by the city's elections commission.

Election from page A1

to listen. The people have spoken, and hopefully they'll speak the same in November. I'm going to work twice as hard."

Finishing third was incumbent David Byers with 520 votes, followed by Jerry Vorva, fourth with 420 votes, and incumbent Colleen Pobur, who received 394 votes to finish fifth.

Write-in candidate Ron Loiselle, a former mayor and current chairman of the planning commission, used his name recognition and popularity to beat the odds and finish sixth with 384 votes.

Political newcomer Peter Bunting finished seventh with 369 votes. Former commissioner Dennis Shrewsbury, who earlier in the day was in court attempting to keep some of the absentee votes from being counted, captured the eighth and final spot for the November election with 344 votes.

David Murphy missed a

chance to battle the field in November by just one vote, as he received 343 votes to finish ninth.

Sharon Graf Horning, who decided not to publicly campaign halfway through the race, finished 10th with 291 votes.

Perhaps the voters in Plymouth spoke most loudly by their lack of support. Tom

How they voted			
Candidate	Precinct	Absentee	Total
Phil Pursell	341	353	694
Stella Greene	243	293	536
David Byers	243	317	520
Jerry Vorva	125	295	420
Colleen Pobur	217	177	394
Ron Loiselle	204	181	384
Peter Bunting	171	198	369
D. Shrewsbury	128	216	344
Didn't make the cut			
David Murphy	194	149	343
S. Graf-Horning	103	188	291
Tom Prose	58	180	238

Prose, who is moving to Northville and has a \$100 million lawsuit against the city, finished last with 238 votes.

"I think the residency issue

was more significant than it should have been," said Prose. "I still have a home and live in Plymouth."

Despite the controversy over incorrect absentee ballot language, Prose said he doesn't plan to protest the election.

"I don't see myself challenging the election," he said. "However, I am planning a write-in cam-

aign for November. I think I have something to offer. With a broader turnout in the general election, I think I can win."

Greene, a former commissioner, said she hopes the discussions for the November election will turn from rhetoric to issues.

Now that the primary is behind us, I hope we can raise the caliber of dialogue and get down to specifics, she said. "We need to get away from the finger-pointing and name calling, and look at what's best for the city as a whole."

The general election is Nov. 6. The four candidates with the highest number of votes take office a week later.

'I think the residency issue was more significant than it should have been.'

Tom Prose
—Commission candidate

What did you think of the election primary, and what are your main issues for the general election in November. Let us know by writing to us at 794 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170; by calling (734) 459-2700; or by email at bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net

Symphonic sounds



STAFF PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN
Music in the air: The Plymouth Symphony, above, performed for the first time in Kellogg Park Friday night with a 90-minute concert featuring music from Johann Strauss Jr., George Gershwin, Henry Mancini and John Phillip Sousa. It was the symphony's first participation in the Downtown Development Authority's Music in the Air series. (Left) Nick DeChalk of Milford, 10, from left, looks on as Kelsey Reiner of Plymouth, 9, and Angel Colarossi of Plymouth, 9, make colorful hats from construction paper along with Plymouth Symphony Executive Director Darlene Dreyer as part of the Passport to Arts program.

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Plymouth cops help track drug suspects

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Several Plymouth Township police officers assisted the Livonia Police Department on an hour long manhunt for a suspected drug dealer Tuesday evening along I-275, between Ann Arbor Road and Ann Arbor Trail.

The man was one of two males involved in an alleged drug deal that took place about 8 p.m. near Laurel Park Place Mall in Livonia at Newburgh and Six Mile. Livonia officers followed the men, who were driving two separate vehicles, south onto I-275 and attempted to pull them over near the ramp onto Ann Arbor Road.

The men fled west about a half-mile and pulled into the parking lot of Bally's Total Fitness just east of Haggerty, where they jumped from their cars and fled on foot. One of the men was immediately apprehended. The other jumped a concrete wall into a Plymouth Township subdivision and fled through several yards.

With the aid of at least three Plymouth Township officers, a perimeter was set up and Livonia used its K9 to try and track the man. The search eventually led to a wooded area along the west shoulder of I-275. Shortly after 9 p.m., the search

was called off. However, Lt. Curtis Caid of the Livonia Police Department said the man was picked up sometime after midnight in a Livonia residential area. Caid released few details about the men, except to say both were 20 years old. One is a Wixom resident, and the other is from Canton Township.

"Both the men are in our custody on a variety of charges and the investigation is ongoing. It will be up to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office to determine what they will ultimately be charged with," Caid said Wednesday.

Caid expects both men to be arraigned in the 16th District Court sometime today (Thursday).

Plymouth Township police officer Jamie Senkbeil said township participation was limited.

"Our officers only assisted Livonia by helping set up a perimeter in the area, to no avail. We didn't bring out our dog because it was just too hot," she said.

After the search was called off, Senkbeil said township officers continued to patrol through the neighborhood north of Ann Arbor Road and east of the expressway.

"For the protection of our residents, we had patrol cars moving through the subdivision for the rest of the evening," she said.

'Our officers assisted Livonia by helping set up a perimeter.'

Jamie Senkbeil
—Plymouth Township Police

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salespeople have been fighting a constant battle to keep the water on the shelves.

"We're seeing between a 20- and 30 percent spike in the volume of sales. The velocity off the shelves has been out of the roof. Business has been real robust. Right now we're looking like real heroes to our investors," he said. Breach said the number one

factor why people buy bottled water is its portability.

"In this type of heat, bottled water is an attractive and healthy alternative to syrupy, carbonated drinks like pop. People like the fact they can buy it when they are thirsty, drink a little bit, and come back to it later," he said.

'Sales have been very good because of the heat. There's no doubt that I'm a warm weather fan.'

Darwin Watts
—Water baron

Camp from page A1

People volunteered to rebuild the building but (Orchards) decided to tear it down.

"They decided the building was unsafe, Lowney said which caused organizers concern because "there's not really a program for this age group in this area."

The camp is funded entirely by the campers who pay a \$400 fee and by donations from local residents and businesses. Among the businesses that helped out were Target, Meijer, Kmart, Franks Furniture, Walgreens, Harmony House, Staples and Sunshine Honda.

Service groups were also big on helping, including Plymouth Rotary, Kiwanis, Salvation Army and the Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club.

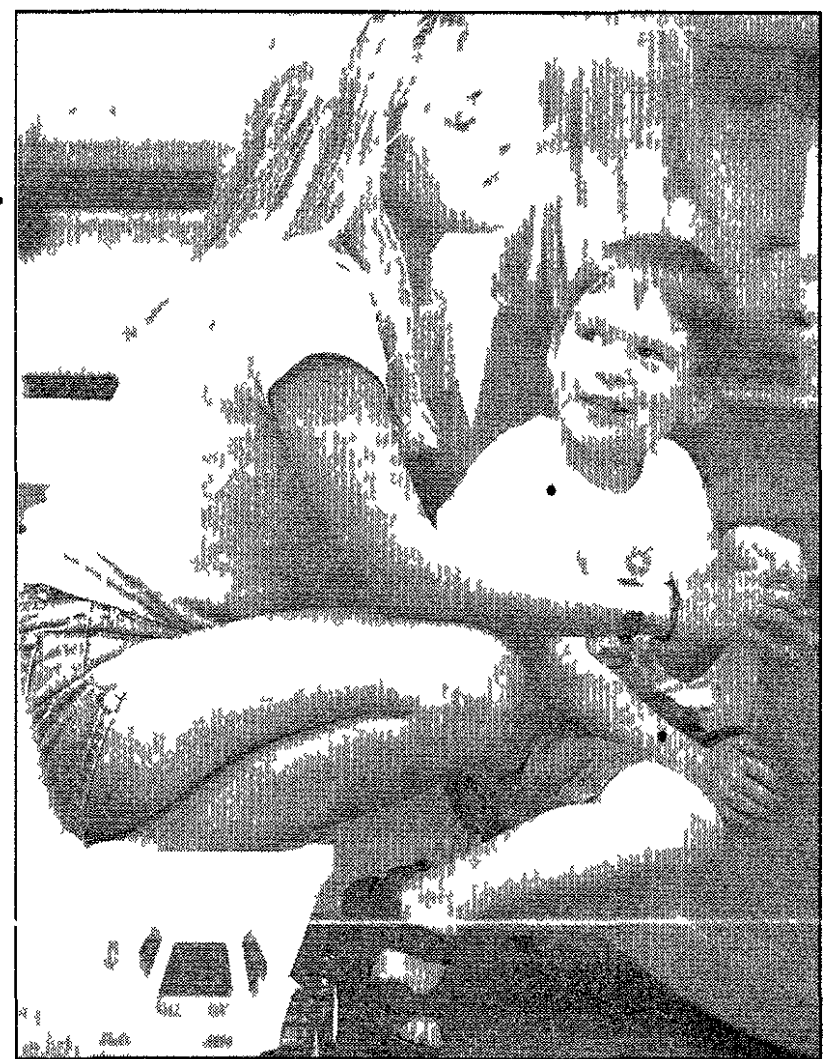
The Plymouth Canton School District agreed to house the camp, and also handled the camp's payroll. O U R Camp has a paid staff mostly of college students who work with the kids on a 2-to-6 ratio.

"Parents have handled the fund raising, and the food and toys were mostly donated," Lowney explained. "We didn't have to put any money into supplies. Pretty much everything was donated. It was great."

The camp serves more than a dozen communities — Northville, Livonia, Canton, Ann Arbor, Inkster, Plymouth, Novi, Belleville, Ypsilanti, Westland, South Lyon, Wixom, Walled Lake and Redford.

That shows you how big a demand there is for these services," said Barb Volante, the camp's treasurer. "Once the word got out, it really spread."

Volunteers like Hilda Nacker helped spread the word and help handle the kids. Nacker has been a "foster grandma" to special needs kids for seven or eight



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Helping hands: Counselor Krista Foglesong of Warren works with Gerard Hubbell of Plymouth, 4, last week at Our Camp, a camp for special needs children held at Allen Elementary in Plymouth Township.

I get a lot of satisfaction out of seeing the kids who can't talk take your hand and lead you where they wanted to go," she said.

Krista Foglesong, 25, a student at Eastern Michigan University, got involved in the camp mostly for the experience, but

is getting much more than that out of it.

"The kids are great," she said with a wide smile. "A lot of people don't want to work with kids with disabilities. But I like it. They're just like any other kids."

It's a concept that, for three weeks at least, Foglesong helped come true.

Camp draws wide range of support

Here's a list of the people and organizations that have supported O U R Camp in its new location at Allen Elementary School in Plymouth Township.

Businesses — Target of Canton, Target of Livonia, Target of Westland, Meijer of Canton, Meijer of Livonia, Meijer of Westland, Meijer of Northville, Walmart, ABC Warehouse, Shurgard Storage of Canton, Kinko's, Blackwell

Ford, Harmony House, Kmart of Livonia, Franks Furniture, Staples, Sunshine Honda, Saturn of Plymouth, Sam's Club of Westland, Costco, Circuit City, Caviston Agency, Donald Morgan attorney, Plymouth Mitsubishi, Walgreens Auto Inspection Services, Domino's, Pizza Papa, Romano's, Papa John's, Little Caesar's, Frito Lay, Burger King, Coca Cola.

Organizations — Ply

mouth Rotary, Salvation Army, Gleaner's Food Bank, Heritage Club, Down Syndrome Support Group, Livonia Kiwanis, Plymouth-Canton Community Education.

Individuals — Charles and Johnnie Kelly, Alice Karoub, Tony Filippis, Nancy Hakala, John Nicoloff, Katherine Trickey, Agnes Hudson, Jean Simpson, Robert and Jean Wagner, George and Margaret Imbler, Lori Nichol.

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OBITUARIES

BONNIE JO NEEDHAM

Services for Bonnie Jo Needham, 45, of Canton were held Aug 6 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth with the Rev John Ortmann officiating. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial West.

Mrs Needham was born Dec 28, 1955, in Northville and died Aug 3 in Canton. She was a resident of Canton for 20 years, relocating from Plymouth. She was a housing adviser for Holly Homes in Belleville. She was a 1974 graduate of Plymouth High School. She enjoyed snowmobiling and boating.

Survivors include her husband, Tom Needham, son, Tom Needham, daughter, Boneva Needham, parents, Elon (Neva) St. Louis, brothers, Vince St. Louis and Rick St. Louis, sisters, Elsie Dethloff, Judy Bailey and

Diane Glazier

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements were made by McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel.

FLORENCE A. HASSON

Services for Florence Hasson, 60, of Canton were held Aug 9 at L J Griffin Funeral Home with the Rev David B Brown from Ward Presbyterian Church officiating.

Mrs Hasson was born June 22, 1941, in Philadelphia and died Aug 5 in Ann Arbor. She was a registered nurse.

Survivors include her hus-

band, Peter F Hasson, daughters, Suzanne M and Sandra, and two sisters.

Arrangements were made by L J Griffin Funeral Home Canton Chapel.

ESTELLE P. FUNK

Services for Estelle Funk, 88, of Livonia were held Aug 6 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev Dean Klump officiating.

Mrs Funk was born Sept 10, 1912, in Pittsburgh and died Aug 2 in Livonia. She graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with a degree in elementary education and became a school teacher for the public school system in Pittsburgh for

15 years and a substitute teacher in Berea, Ohio, for 10 years. She was a member of the Asbury United Methodist Church in Florida. She was a member of the EUB Women's Church Circle, National Sorority, Girl Scout and Brownie leader.

Mrs Funk was preceded in death by her husband, Theodore Funk.

Survivors include daughter Susan C (James) McAmmond of Plymouth, daughter, Gretchen (Dushon) Madar of Alamo, Calif, grandson, Matt (Karen) McAmmond of Plymouth, grandson, Ted Bryce of Sidney, grandson, Jamie McAmmond of Plymouth, grandson, Alex Madar of Alamo,

Calif, granddaughter, Kimberly (Jeff) Bruce of Danville, Calif, great-grandsons, Connor and Caden Bruce.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

JEAN M. KERO

Services for Jean Kero, 75, of Garden City will be held Aug 20 at Vermeulen Funeral Home in Westland with the Rev Thomas Duffy officiating.

Mrs Kero was born June 24, 1926, in Holyoke, Maine, and died Aug 5 in Wayne. She was a homemaker. She was a former member of St Bridgettes Catholic Church in Detroit.

Survivors include husband,

George Kero of Garden City, daughter, Theresa (Gary) Turn of Westland, son, Timothy M Kero of Garden City, son, William (Teri) Kero of Redford, daughter, Helen E (Jerome) Drysdale of Canton, son, Michael J (Bobbie) Kero of Taylor, daughter, Judith A (David) Young of Royal Oak, brother, Edward (Madelyn) Casey of Springfield, Maine, sister, Peggy Gibson of Chicago, brother, Paul (Annabelle) Casey of Framingham, Maine, sister, Helene McCarthy of Holyoke, Maine, twelve grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

Arrangements were made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Plane flip injures passenger

A 46-year-old Canton man suffered minor injuries Monday, Aug 6, after a plane in which he was a passenger flipped over at Mettetal Airport.

The incident occurred at 9:20 a.m. According to Canton police reports, the Ultra Light plane landed safely at the airport, which is at the corner of Lilley and Joy roads, and began taxiing down the runway.

A gust of wind caught the left wing and flipped it over, the plane's pilot, a 59-year-old Westland man, told police.

The Canton man suffered a scrapped knee. He was treated briefly by Canton paramedic, but refused to be taken to the hospital. No other injuries were reported.

The Ultra Light plane sustained damage to its wing and propeller.

Mettetal is a state-owned small airport at Joy and Lilley roads on the northern-most edge of Canton.

Canton Center Road opens

BY CAROL MARSHALL
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As of Tuesday, Canton Center Road drivers have been able to cross Ford Road. The road reopened two weeks ahead of schedule.

"They're at least two weeks ahead of schedule, which is good news for people in Canton, especially after they waited so long for Morton Taylor Road to open," said John Roach, Wayne County Public Works Roads Division spokesperson.

Canton Center Road closed north of Ford Road on June 16 for bridge reconstruction. Roach said the department originally anticipated the intersection wouldn't re-open until at least the first week of September.

Canton Center Road is still in the throes of a major widening project, which Roach anticipates will be completed in October.

This week, the road's two new lanes will be paved, and by the end of August traffic will shift from the northbound to the southbound lanes.

"This portion of the project will not take as long as what's already been done because it doesn't entail bridge and sewer construction," Roach said.

The project began in March and will widen Canton Center Road to five lanes from Warren Road to Ford Road.

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County commissioner looking for airport noise program solutions

BY TIM SMITH
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COUNTY NEWS

Wiping the slate clean might be the best solution for the apparent multi million dollar mismanagement of a Wayne County noise abatement program designed to provide sound relief for homeowners living near Metro Airport, a county official said.

That approach will likely be at the forefront of recommendations of a task force composed of county commissioners Edward Boike, Christopher Cavanagh and John Sullivan expected to be presented in the next couple of weeks.

Sullivan, a Democrat representing the 11th District, which includes Canton, this week said the task force will call for "getting rid of everyone out there" connected with the original \$58 million noise abatement program.

We'll want to be bringing in one company who will be able to

oversee this program," Sullivan said. "And Wayne County needs to take an expanded role and give people accurate answers and timelines."

Because of the myriad administrators, engineers and architects involved in the existing 10 year program - which has sound proofed just 573 of 3,430 homes targeted when the program began in 1993 - "nobody knew who to go to" with concerns, Sullivan said.

It was Sullivan who spearheaded doing an audit, after hearing from too many constituents who "signed up for this program four or five years ago and haven't heard a word since."

"I was definitely questioning where the money was going," Sullivan said. "I was told we were getting five million a year from the federal government, and only so many homes were getting done."

Sullivan said a verbal response concurring with the audit is expected this week from the office of Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara.

In some cases contractors were being paid nearly in full for jobs before they were inspected. It meant not having incentive to return and complete the finishing touches on insulation projects.

"We haven't received federal funding because it's been messed up," said Sullivan, noting that the federal government reimburses 80 percent - but only after jobs are satisfactorily completed. The remaining 20 percent is generated from various airport fees.

It will be a priority to finish up any undone work as well as set specific timelines to complete the remaining 2,850 or so houses eligible for sound proofing, Sullivan said.

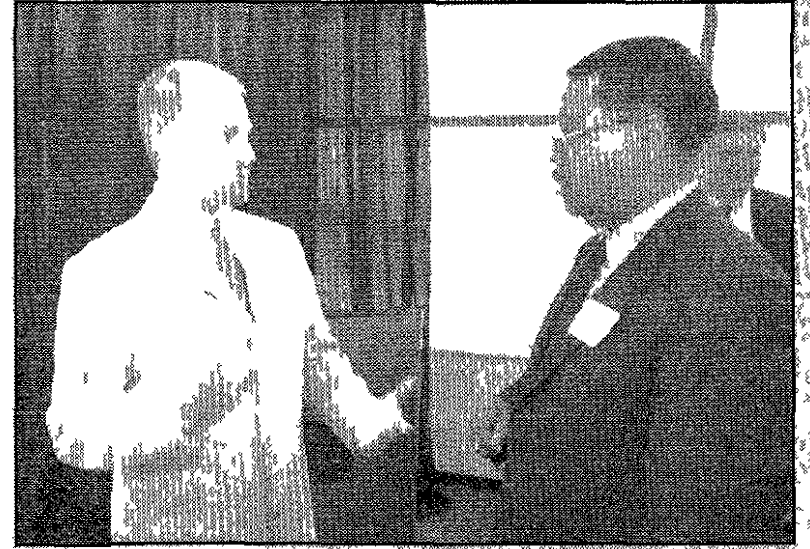
"There are a number of homes not completed," he added. "And that's our number one objective."

The Federal Aviation Administration established a footprint determining airport-area homes eligible for work to lower decibel levels. Those homes closest to the airport were bought out.

In the Wayne County auditor's report the cost to insulate homes around Metro Airport averaged \$40,000 compared to \$27,000 per house for projects done around other airports.

Schoolcraft hands local firm Contractor of the Year award

LOC Performance of Plymouth, a maker of vehicular components primarily for tanks and large trucks, earned Contractor of the Year designation from the Schoolcraft College Procurement Technical Assistance Center. The award goes to a company that has a long and successful record of government contracting.



High honor: LOC Performance Products Vice President Rodger Vojcek, left, talks with Schoolcraft College President Conway Jeffress following the Contractor of the Year 2001 presentation last week.

Starting in 1971 as a manufacturer of racecar parts, the firm responded to a notice from a local congressman in the early 1980s citing the need for private suppliers to government agencies. LOC representatives attended seminars on government contracting, including one at Schoolcraft College's Business Development Center, and won their first government contract in 1982. Now 95 percent of its business involves supplying the government.

"Schoolcraft College has been critical for us," said Rodger Vojcek, LOC vice president. "It provided us with support, information, specifications and price history reports. We attended seminars there and industry meetings with government personnel and small businessmen. It is an invaluable resource."

In awarding LOC Performance with the Contractor of

the Year designation, the PTAC cited the company's "perseverance, great products, outstanding workmanship and caring customer services" as factors contributing to its success. The company will be honored at a reception Aug. 3.

PTACs help businesses expand their client base by developing contracts with the military and other federal agencies, and with state and local governments. They offer

businesses training in how to research and bid on contracts, and assist businesses in registering and using electronic commerce.

The Schoolcraft College PTAC is located in the Business Development Center. For information, call 734-462-4438. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads, just west of I-275.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
RVP FIBER COMPANY, L.L.C.**

PLEASE take notice that a public hearing as required by the Canton Township Telecommunications Ordinance will be conducted regarding the Telecommunications Permit Application filed by RVP Fiber Company L.L.C. at the regular Canton Township Board Meeting to be held on Tuesday the 14th day of August 2001 at 7 p.m. at the Canton Township Hall located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188.

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON —
BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JULY 31, 2001**

A regular study session of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday July 31 2001. Supervisor Yack at 7:00 p.m. called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Director Conklin, Director Durack, Director Machnik, David Medley, Nancy Fogerty, Julie Olesko, Lisa Weyer

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Management Resource Center was contracted to complete a classification study for the township. Ed Urria from that organization has completed his preliminary study and was present to present to the Board of Trustees a status report. Mr. Urria explained that the next step would be to discuss the draft documents with the Personnel Department, a job evaluation and a collection of labor market data.

Director Durack introduced Cee Hnske, the newest merit commissioner employee representative and was elected in 2001 to fill a vacancy. Director Durack provided the board with a list of the Merit Commission members and the merit ordinance adopted (1978) and amended (1992) by a vote of the people.

David Medley explained the employment process, the mandates and considerations, an overview of laws affecting record keeping, and the advertising cost totals for 2000. The board was also provided with a Personnel Activity report, the Merit System Commission 2000 Annual report and a draft of Staff Recruitment Incentive Proposal.

Julie Olesko explained that this is a voluntary program where participants can enroll through the personnel services division and are required to have completed a Health Risk Appraisal conducted through their personal physician. This program in place since November 2000 carries the following enrollment statistics:

81 Individual Memberships 14 Family Memberships
4 Spouse Memberships

David Medley updated the Board of Trustees on the 2001 Holiday Schedule and upcoming events. Mr. Medley presented the Board of Trustees with the report on the Family Appreciation Picnic including the volunteer committee members and cost for the event.

Director Durack explained that there are six employee unions with new or tentative agreements for a few of these and a couple more contracts that will expire this year. Director Durack is confident that all will be settled with those expiring and will position the township for the next few years.

Julie Olesko explained that Canton has been working on developing a Training Academy and leadership courses for employees interested in moving into management positions and those already serving in management positions. Canton held their first Pre Leadership course in January for employees interested in future management positions.

Director Durack explained that Section 125 is a cafeteria plan that would allow employees to pay for Medical and Childcare expenses with pre-tax dollars. Expenses that are not reimbursable under any other insurance contract or plan of this type with any other employer.

David Medley presented the Board of Trustees with a Management View Report regarding a Worker's Compensation Benchmark Report. This report included an overview of the scope of the report findings (including charts/graphs), the methodology and additional services. This report shows that overall the Charter Township of Canton has performed 76 percent better than its peers. Specifically, Canton Township is expected to incur \$985,000.00 less in lost wage and medical benefits as compared to the benchmark for the years analyzed.

Motion by Bennett supported by Burdziak at 8:35 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The above is a synopsis of the regular study session of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday July 31 2001. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting on Tuesday August 14 2001.

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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 of 1959 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 August 20 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.

MIRAGE DEVELOPMENT/AMANN FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (1 DWELLING UNIT/ACRE) TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (2 DWELLING UNITS/ACRE) FOR PARCEL NOS 035 01 0026 002 AND 035 01 0027 001. Property is located on the north side of Maben Road between Canton Center and Beck Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday August 16 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON Chairman
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**PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday August 20 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 special land use request as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance.

QUICK OIL CHANGE SPECIAL LAND USE CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR AUTOMOBILE SERVICE STATION (3 BAY QUICK OIL CHANGE) AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 16.02B 8 FOR PART OF PARCEL NO 036 99 0006 710. Property is located on the west side of Canton Center Road between Hanford and Ford Roads.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday, August 16, 2001 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON Chairman
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Senators up in the air about Metro Airport authority

BY MIKE MALOTT
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When a state Senate committee reports its findings in a review of Detroit Metropolitan Airport next month, many believe it will end with a proposal that the operation of the facility be turned over to a new regional authority.

But two key members of the committee — Sen Glenn Steil, R-Grand Rapids, and Loren Bennett, R-Canton — say they have not made up their minds whether they would vote to remove the airport from the control of Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara and put it in the hands of an appointed panel.

It was Steil who set off speculation about an authority, mentioning in several committee hearings that he believed the airport should be in the hands of a multi-jurisdictional authority. As a result, Democratic members of the committee are convinced that will be their ultimate recommendation, and they point to Tampa International Airport as one Steil particularly likes.

"Whenever you see a list of well run airports, Tampa is always on the list," Steil said in an interview Tuesday. "But you have to keep in mind it does not have as many people going through it. It is about half the size of Detroit Metro. Tampa has about 16 million passengers per year, Detroit has 32 million. But I like their use of satellite terminals. They have a port authority and it operates the airport very efficiently. They have an ethics manual that is huge. And the people of Hillsborough County seem very happy with it. But it is just a good example of how an authority works."

Steil said he is very impressed with the new airport director, Lester Robinson and believes the new Midfield Terminal, recently renamed after McNamara, will solve many of the service concerns customers have with the airport currently.

Critics in fact say the entire Senate review is ill timed because that terminal is already under construction and due to open this coming January. State lawmakers should wait until the terminal is open to see if service

improves then, those critics say. "And that may be exactly what we do," Steil said. "Perhaps we just let it run as is for the time being, have someone keep an eye on it, and take it up later if need be, although I won't be there."

Steil is term limited at the end of next year.

"There is no doubt the new terminal will address a lot of the concerns people have there over service, but it won't address the problems of people stealing, the problems that they have had there. If you don't correct that, you will continue to have those problems," Steil said. He was referring to auditors' reviews that noted parts and supplies may be missing from the airport maintenance department.

Bennett too is concerned about that. Although the review discovered supplies were unaccounted for, the airport had not kept an inventory.

Robinson told committee members he did not believe that indicated there was a theft problem.

"If you don't have an inventory process, I don't know how you can even tell whether or not you've really got a problem," Bennett said. But that may not be enough to call for the creation of an authority, he said. "We might just pass a law that says an airport of such-and-such a size has to have inventories of its supplies and maintenance and leave it at that."

Detroit Metro falls within Bennett's Senate district, and he said he's not convinced the average resident of the area cares whether the airport is run by the county or an authority.

"They just want the services to be well run," he said. Critics have argued that residents of the communities surrounding the airport would get better responsiveness from county officials than they would from an authority if its members were appointed.

"We've seen how well that works," Steil commented. An audit by the federal government recently rapped the airport for mishandling noise abatement funds. According to that report, \$54 million spent for sound proofing of surrounding homes managed to finish only 20 percent of the homes for which it

was intended. Sen Burton Leland, D-Detroit, is convinced Republicans will indeed be proposing an authority, and is adamantly against it. Leland's Special Assistant Ken Brock said he doesn't think the review is about service at the airport at all. If the concern was really with service, the committee should be conducting customer surveys and looking at flight delay numbers. Instead, he noted, the 5-member senate Airport Review Committee has spent all its time looking at questions of internal operations.

"A lot of the complaints that people have with the airport have to do with flight delays and how quickly they can get their luggage," Brock said. "That has more to do with the airlines than with the way the airport is run. If they were concerned about service, they would have to be looking at the airlines and they are not looking to beat up Northwest. Northwest is already a heavy supporter of the Republicans."

In fact, that's what Brock believes the Senate airport review is all about — politics.

"They (Republicans) have systematically attempted to unravel the entire Democratic Party," Brock said. "When the Republican party wins an election, I'd be the first to wish them well. But what they are trying to do is change the rules so that they win all the time."

The airport, with some 15,000 employees working at the facility not to mention airport contractors and vendors, is a major source of campaign financing for the Democratic party. It is that source of campaign money the GOP is trying to shut down by taking the airport out of the hands of the county and turning it over to an authority.

Steil and Bennett deny it. "I'm not on any witch hunt," Steil said. "When I was given this job, my only goal was to improve service at the airport. I have not talked to the governor about it."

Mike Conway, spokesman for Metro Airport, said the county does not believe the facility would operate any better under an authority. He said Robinson and airport officials believe the new terminal will make a big difference in service at the airport.

And he argues that the cost of the terminal construction is a good deal, too.

"There is another major airport that is spending about \$2

billion for the addition of eight new gates at its terminal," Conway contended. "So I'd say that \$1.2 billion for 97 new gates at the Midfield Terminal is a pretty good deal."

Steil said he intends to have

his committee issue its report in September. Although the committee had planned to meet over the summer to review the reports prepared by auditors, not all of the reports have been discussed.

Steil said he has not scheduled further hearings and is unsure if any additional meetings will be called.

He declined to say whether the drafting of the final report has been started.



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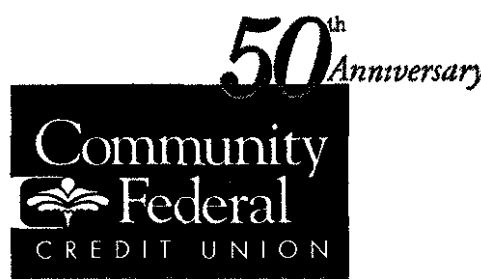
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Court decision makes voters top priority

The voters have spoken, and the top eight candidates have now been chosen to compete in the November general election for four vacancies on the Plymouth City Commission.

Let's hope that race looks less like a mud slide than the primary did.

When all was said and done, it looked like just about everyone who wanted to have a say in the city's election

The city charter needs a major overhaul; that's not news. It should be the first thing the new city commission tackles when it's seated in November.

got to have it, after a judge ruled Tuesday that all valid absentee ballots should be counted. You'll recall the city initially sent out 740 absentee ballots with the wrong instructions.

When the error was discovered, City Clerk Linda Langmesser, acting on a recommendation by the state's director of elections, followed that with a second distribution consisting of some 818 ballots.

Candidate Dennis Shrewsbury, a former commissioner and local attorney, filed suit last week and got a temporary restraining order enjoining the city from counting any of the first set of ballots, even those which had been filled out properly.

Circuit Court Judge Edward Thomas reversed that ruling after a lengthy hearing Tuesday in which Carol Levitte, Shrewsbury's attorney argued multiple violations of the city charter rendered the initial ballots useless. Among her arguments — many of which are valid indictments of city operations — was the contention the election commission never met to approve the first set of ballots. That is true.

But attorney Jim DeGrazia, from O'Connor, DeGrazia & Tamm of Bloomfield Hills, argued the city, upon being apprised of its error, consulted with the State of Michigan, then followed the recommendation of elections officials. The city hired DeGrazia's firm because the city attorney, Plunkett & Cooney, was a named defendant in Shrewsbury's suit.

The true losers, should Shrewsbury's request be honored, would have been the voters, DeGrazia argued. At the

time of the hearing, 107 voters had returned the initial ballot but had not sent in the replacement ballot. Those voters, DeGrazia said, stood to be disenfranchised should Shrewsbury's suit be upheld.

One of the things Levitte had to prove was that Shrewsbury would be irreparably harmed if that first set of ballots were counted. She never got there and, in fact, never made a single argument supporting such a contention.

Instead, Levitte concentrated on the aged city charter, on the city's failure to follow any of its own regulations. The election commission never met to approve the ballot. The Board of Councillors was never approved.

In the end, Judge Thomas decided the needs of the many (the voters) far outweighed the needs of the one (Shrewsbury), and dissolved the restraining order. It was the right thing to do.

Levitte is right in many of her claims. The city charter needs a major overhaul, that's not news. It should be the first thing the new city commission tackles when it's seated in November. That's something we've said in this space before.

The city needs to start following its own election rules, including the formation and meeting of an elections commission. Perhaps a new mayor, one who has his or her head in the game and not on the end of the term, will go a long way toward helping with that.

Every one of Levitte's arguments in court had more to do with fixing the system than focusing on the problem at hand: the counting of votes. Some of them were valid points, the system obviously needs fixing. Perhaps this wasn't the right forum.

Shrewsbury and Levitte are correct in one other argument. They had every right to bring the suit. But it wasn't worth risking the rights of as many as 107 voters. Luckily, the voters didn't end up paying for their gamble.

Hot, dry summer teaches us conservation lessons

The hot summer has brought us water restrictions, but instead of grouching about them, we should be learning how to use less water.

Even though Michigan is blessed with plenty of water from the Great Lakes, it still takes pipes, pumping stations and hardware to get that water to homes.

Maintaining those facilities isn't cheap. And as the system ages, water bills will probably go up to fix the system.

So far, we've been spoiled. Even with water bills going up, it still costs less than a cent per gallon.

Unfortunately, it's not much of an incentive to save water.

However, we could improve our habits and become more conservation minded. There are ways to make every drop count.

A recent Observer story pointed out that we can make the most out of our watering.

For starters, the Michigan State University Extension Service recommends low volume, frequent watering.

Also, the Extension Service suggests we resist the temptation to water for long periods of time when it's our day to water.

"If somebody is watering for six hours at a time, they are just feeding the worms and basically throwing money down the drain," said the extension service spokesman.

So what can we do?

Here's some tips gleaned from the experts:

■ Leaving the sprinkler in one spot for about 20 minutes is sufficient, even when watering every other day.

■ Cool-season turf, which is common in this area, requires just a half-inch to 1-1/2 inches of water per week during the peak summer months. To measure

your watering, place a can under the sprinkler when watering.

■ Don't worry if your lawn turns brown. It's just taking a nap of sorts, resting until the weather turns cooler. It's a natural process that allows the grass to survive.

■ The time of day is important. Water between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. or in the early evening. This allows the water to soak into the turf during cooler times of day.

■ Try a soaker hose. They're 25 or 50 feet and have tiny holes, which dispense the water along the length of the hose and allows the water to soak into the roots where it does the most good. Leave the hose in one spot for 30 to 60 minutes and then move it over 18 inches.

■ Avoid using sprinklers that send water sailing several feet into the air before hitting the ground. Much of the water evaporates in hot weather.

■ Use a small, rectangular sprinkler with low water pressure to cut down on evaporation.

■ Try using a root feeder, a device that has a nozzle on the top that attaches to a hose and sends water down a metal spike into the ground. The water gets directly to the root zones. It's good for shrubs and established plants.

■ Don't wave the hose nozzle over the top of a flower bed. "You're not trying to wash the plant," said one nursery owner. Water the roots, that's what needs the water.

■ Use shredded cedar or hardwood mulch around plants and shrubs. It helps hold the moisture in the ground.

Water is a wonderful resource, but we should always look to conserve such resources. Thinking our water use through and taking steps toward improving our conservation practices are always wise moves.



LETTERS

■ Thank you

I would like to thank the many friends and constituents for all the beautiful get well cards and the many prayers for my speedy recovery. They most certainly helped. The burns and skin grafts are coming along nicely, I hope to back in the mainstream soon. Again, thank you.

Kay Arnold
Plymouth Township

■ Squeezing pennies

The new charges for medical services appear to provide Plymouth Township with opportunities for fundraising. Is that why we see a couple of ambulances, a couple of fire trucks, and four police cars at a fender-bender?

Is that the new form of taxation in lieu of millage proposals? Are all these vehicles really needed or just a strategy to make end-runs around the voters? All communities do not charge their citizens extra for emergency services. Then there are those, such as Plymouth Township, which squeeze every penny from the taxpayers under any guise.

Beatrice Scalise
Plymouth Township

■ Party thanks

On June 12, Livonia Churchill High School held the annual Senior All-Night Party and received support from several Plymouth businesses. As chairperson of the Livonia Churchill High School Senior All-Night Party, I would like to thank those businesses that were kind enough to support the party.

The annual party was again a huge success because of the support received by businesses and individuals from Livonia and neighboring communities such as Plymouth.

Without their help we would not have been able to provide our graduates with such a wonderful way to celebrate the culmination of 13 years of education.

The graduates of the Class of 2001 would sincerely like to thank the following Plymouth businesses for their help in providing the seniors with a party they will remember for a lifetime: Doctors Bookwalter & Fee, Hines Park Lincoln Mercury, Lou LaRiche Chevrolet, Plaza Lanes Bowl, Ruth & Larry Martin Remerica Home-town One Realtors. Thank you Plymouth!

Nancy Wright
Livonia

■ Excellent journalism

I want to thank the arts reporter, Linda Ann Chomin, for her excellent journalism. She has consistently written about the variety and depth of the arts organizations in our suburban communities. No wonder she was honored as "Journalist of the Year."

Thanks to Linda Chomin, we were all aware of three major arts events last weekend.

(1) Friday, Aug. 3, at Kellogg Park — Plymouth Symphony Orchestra concert for the "Passport to the Arts"

(2) Saturday, Aug. 4, at Greenmead — Opening ceremony of the Scottish Highland Games

(3) Sunday, Aug. 5, at Heritage Park in Canton — the Plymouth Sym-

phony Orchestra concert for the "Passport to the Arts"

John C. Stewart
Plymouth

■ Projected cuts tie schools' hands

The state's projected revenue shortfall is causing concerns for all public schools and the families and children they serve across our state. The inaction of the State Legislature to pass an education funding bill before they adjourned for the summer to address this issue has prompted Gov. John Engler to call for a 5 percent across-the-board budget reduction to unprojected school funding for 2002.

Although many programs, such as the state's foundation allowance as required by Proposal A, special education costs, school lunches and Durant lawsuit settlements are shielded from cost cutting, schools costs not included in the previously mentioned areas would be directly impacted by the governor's recommended reductions.

For our public schools, this represents an average of \$50-\$80 per pupil or a \$174.3 million school budget cuts statewide. This average per-pupil cost may seem minor, but the financial crisis is noticeable for every district in the state, and especially for districts with tight operating budgets.

A marked pupil decline measured against a local district's enrollment will potentially mean fewer teachers, larger class sizes, cutting of needed programs and materials and opportunity for general improvement of public education.

Citizens need to recognize when the state's budget is reduced, new priorities need to be established. We know the governor and legislators are aware of this and are wrestling with the issue. However, two logical resolutions to the current shortfall were not mentioned as possibilities by many lawmakers during the budget negotiations. They are:

■ A 1 percent decrease in the state's income tax rate is scheduled to be implemented Jan. 1, 2002. Pushing the "pause button" on this income tax cut for one year would free up \$178.2 million in state funding that could be directly applied to the education budget and solve any potential shortfall for next year.

Taking this action and preserving school funding would provide significant witness to much of the political rhetoric that occurred last fall regarding the importance of public education in our state.

■ Early in the current legislative session, out state senators and representatives approved a 39 percent increase for themselves. I concur that our lawmakers work hard for our best interest, and I, for one, feel they deserve a pay increase.

Despite their hard work, this is "belt tightening time." A revisiting of the legislative salary increase helps us avoid other crucial school program cuts currently targeted by the governor.

In comparison, school districts historically, because of legislative action and gubernatorial executive orders, have been forced to lay off staff, freeze academic salaries, postpone general educational improvements, all at a distinct disadvantage to students just to stay afloat.

I suggest the governor and legislature look at similar priorities to meet

the current budget crisis projected to be absorbed by out local schools and others.

President George W. Bush has charged out public schools with "leaving no child behind." So, lawmakers, please do not tie our public schools' hands behind their backs with these projected budget cuts!

Herbert Moyer
State Board of Education

■ Defense priority

I am responding to the Scott Heinzman's guest column (Observer, Aug. 2). I have been involved with the military in some form or another for over 25 years now from the day I first enlisted as a 17-year-old out of high school.

I can tell you undoubtedly that we have cut our nation's defense to the bone. The aircraft, ground vehicles, ships, etc. that our loved ones risk their lives in every day to keep our nation free are old, antiquated and are in sad state of readiness. The 20-something pilot is typically flying an aircraft older than him. Think of that as you turn in your 2-year-old leased vehicle.

Also, there is no comparison to what we spent on defense (based upon a ratio of our GNP) 20 or 25 years ago and what we woefully spend today. Just look at our home state of Michigan for example as we slowly lost one after another of our defense facilities and/or air-bases through downsizing and cost-cutting measures.

To me, Mr. Heinzman's allegations smell of an ax to grind. I know it's difficult to remember in this day of all involving big government, but the number one duty of our central government is the defense of the republic and its citizens. It seems that our elected officials have lost sight of the reasons for their very existence.

The social programs Mr. Heinzman is hunting at are no doubt worthy endeavors. These, however, as our Founding Fathers knew, are best left to the private sector where governmental inefficiencies and preferences can be pulled out of the equation.

M.W. Radzwion
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Weekend in Plymouth what community should be about

Stella Greene's eyes wandered over the maze of people milling about Kellogg Park Friday eagerly awaiting the start of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra's concert, and a smile played slowly across her lips

Greene, a candidate who survived Tuesday's primary in the race for city commission, has grown weary lately of the negative campaigning. It has gotten churlish and silly, from deceptive mailings to verbal attacks to the increasingly childish chatter on the Web site, allplymouth.com

But on Friday, she was able to forget about that, as were the hundreds of people who watched the symphony play Kellogg Park for the first time as part of the Downtown Development Authority's Music in the Air series

"This," Greene said happily, "is what community is all about"

It's the same thing Ron Edwards was trying to tell me over the phone earlier in the day. Edwards, the Plymouth Township treasurer, saw an editorial we wrote last week about some deception in the city campaign and called to tell me he thought I was letting the Observer get dragged down to that level of discourse, rather than keeping it positive

I explained to Edwards that one of the duties of



Brad Kadrich

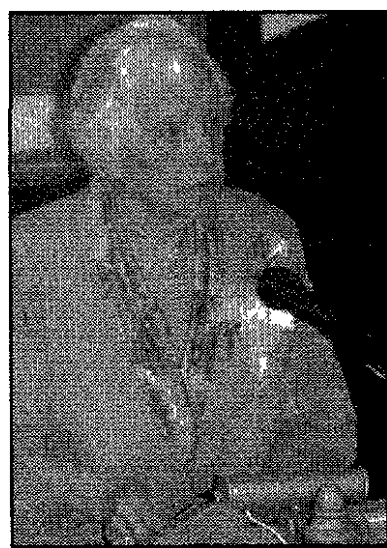


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Giving back: The generosity of Margaret Dunning made the \$1.2 million addition to the Plymouth Historical Museum possible

this town trying to do good things," said he, "and it's getting lost in all the campaign garbage"

I disagreed with him then and, after a few days to consider, I disagree with him now

All you had to do was be there for the grand opening of the new, \$1.2 million addition to the Plymouth Historical Museum, made possible by the generosity of the ever-gracious Margaret Dunning. It gives Plymouth a one-of-a-kind asset under the peerless guidance of Beth Stewart

Not enough evidence? Then you should have seen the hundreds of folks gathered in Kellogg Park to listen to the Canton Chamber Orchestra of the Plymouth Symphony Friday. It was the first time the symphony has played the series. Here's a tip for DDA director Melanie Purcell: Keep them on the schedule. Conductor Nan Washburn, soloist Kristan Nagus and the rest of the musicians were marvelous

Then on Saturday came the Kelly Miller circus, sponsored by the Plymouth Lions Club. The small traveling Big Top provided plenty of entertainment for the hundreds of kids (and their parents) who sat ringside

It was the kind of week most hometowns don't seem to have, but which seems perfectly natural in Plymouth. It was a microcosm of this town's existence: all the small-town flavor you'd want packed into seven days

This isn't the first time a city election has gotten nasty: it's a regular occurrence. But folks in Plymouth seem perfectly capable of separating fact from fiction, the true nature of their hometown from the political manure that sometimes threatens to override the good will

Even the childish antics of a few political candidates do no permanent harm. Weeks like the last one tend to accentuate the positive. The grand opening of the museum addition, the first symphony concert in the park and the Kelly Miller circus all made for fun for children of all ages

Even political candidates

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First-timer: Conductor Nan Washburn leads the Plymouth Symphony in Kellogg Park Friday evening. It was the symphony's first appearance as part of the Downtown Development Authority's Music in the Air series

Son still Mom's baby despite the experience of new independence

The transformation took place during that trip to Washington, D.C. My once cherubic little baby boy, who wore his favorite duck shoes and cute little cap while swinging a bat and bouncing a ball, was now becoming a man

I guess I hadn't noticed, hadn't wanted to notice. I was his mother after all, and he was my baby. His father noticed, acknowledged it, but each time I looked at him I still saw that tiny little boy with bleached blonde hair and tanned brown skin. I still saw that little boy who splashed in his wading pool, set up pickup street hockey games in the driveway, and argued until the sun went down about the finite rules of base ball



Cathy Standish

My little boy breezed through the years, he grew and he learned. His style changed. The duck shoes were replaced with Van sneakers and the cute little cap was replaced with a Yankees baseball hat. The bib overalls replaced with baggy jeans and his favorite T-shirt that announced he was "Gramma's boy" was replaced with a favorite T-shirt advertising the "boy band" Korn

I should have seen it coming. My little boy grew into his sophomore year of high school and was soon driving Miss Mommy with his permit safely secured in his wallet, which was safely secured in his back pocket held in place by a chain. Yet even when my little boy was behind the wheel of the family mini-van, driving as an adult, I would still look over and see that cherubic face. The urge would come to reach out and grab him, and just hold him with me for a second longer

Maybe I did see it coming. The class trip that sophomore year was to Washington, D.C. Exempt from parental controls, teens exploring our nation's capitol under the guidance of teachers and chaperones. Education and structure hold the line for most of this adven-

ture. Until they were set free. For one day, allowed to venture into the city, kids in groups of three or more, smelling and tasting the freedom. What would they try first?

I had been warned. My son, under strict orders not to fold, spindle or mutilate himself, respected that. I sighed a sigh of relief as my husband put our child on that jet plane, feeling safe and assured I had covered all of my parental bases with my long list of do's and don'ts while my son was far from my mothering womb

And then the plane returned. My darling child alighted, tired, hungry and strangely fulfilled. My little boy, once of the duck shoes, and cute little caps, was wearing a crushed velvet leopard suit. Leopard jacket, leopard pants, accessorized with a T-shirt that proclaimed "Rock the Mullet" and hair styled with a tube of Elmer's glue

I stared at that T-shirt and that leopard suit feeling the wave of emotion wash through me. Anger, amusement, disbelief. I should have seen it coming for now it was clear, my child was growing up, growing into an adult, with or without taste of his own

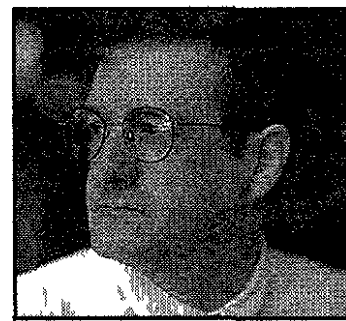
I griped about that leopard suit for days. I hated that suit, hated that my child had purchased something without me. Hated that I had no say, no input, that he had done this all on his own

Until it came to me. My child was 15, he truly was growing into an adult. The leopard suit was not the worst that could happen, it was a subtle little expression of independence from a child that wanted his mother to see that he was growing up

I took a moment later that week to sneak into his room. I saw him nestled in his bed, curled up in that ball, breathing quietly and peacefully. I saw the Yankees hat lying on the floor, saw the wallet on the chain, and I saw the leopard suit

In that moment I became part of the secret only mothers share. A secret whispered through the winds of time and shared through all of the ages. This teenager growing into a man would always be my little boy

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Hugh Gallagher

New system might get us out from behind the wheel

During Monday's commute, I had a lot of time to look over at the other drivers, each of us alone and frustrated

My office at the Observer is at ground zero for this summer's big production road project at I-96/M-14/I-275. My usual exit was closed, the road was jammed. We crept along

Recently released census data tells us that 86 percent of Michigan residents drive to work alone. We put up with clogged highways, road construction, high gasoline prices, stifling heat and icy winter roads to hang on to our vehicles, our personal space, our refuge on four wheels

While the rest of America was taking advantage of federal jobs money to build mass transit rail systems in the 1930s, Detroit began dismantling its streetcar system. We were building cars for the world, and, gosh darn, we were going to buy and drive those cars!

We've been living with the consequences ever since

While many other cities spread logically along dedicated rail lines, Detroit sprawled. Freeways were built to accommodate development as builders went hither and yon away from the central city

Now the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments is proposing an ambitious mass transit plan designed to combine the best features of dedicated lines with the flexibility of bus service. Several public meetings have been scheduled to introduce the plan and receive public input

On Monday, Aug. 13, meetings are scheduled 4:30-6 p.m. at the Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency, 33500 Van Born Road, Wayne, and 7-8:30 p.m. at the Cobo Conference Center, Room M-230, in Detroit

SEMCOG is calling for three-tiered service: a rapid transit system, improved fixed-route bus service and community transit. An important part of the plan is a dedicated rapid bus system along 12 main roads. The system uses special train-like buses of two or three cars that run on a dedicated road lane that runs express through all cross streets. Riders board at stations and enter at platform level as on a subway train

The system, called Speedlink, was studied and proposed by the Metropolitan Affairs Coalition. The system has been tried in cities as large as Los Angeles and as small as Eugene, Ore.

Reaction to the transportation report, released last week, has been good, said Carmine Palombo, SEMCOG's director of transportation

"The reaction we're receiving is one of general support. Concerns have been raised, 'How are we going to pay for that, what is the mechanism we're going to use?'"

Residents of western Wayne county might be concerned that just two of the 12 rapid transit arteries touch this area — a bit of Grand River and Telegraph on the east side

"We looked at Plymouth Road and Ford as well," Palombo said. "First, the simple answer is that, from a technical point of view, we looked at

Maybe a well-designed, clean, safe, timely system will be enough to get some of us out from behind the wheel and into contact with our fellow workers.

the amount of development, location of development, continuity of development. It didn't appear we have development in the right spots that would require that kind of service"

Palombo, who lives in Livonia, said this area would be served by an increase in bus service (some of it express) and community feeder services

"Plymouth is not out of the picture," Palombo said. "The plan is out for review. We are receiving a large amount of why isn't this or that in there"

He said there were also concerns about Plymouth Road not being wide enough to accommodate a dedicated line

Palombo said others have asked why the rapid transit system isn't run down the median of existing freeways. Access would be a major problem for getting riders out to a freeway station, he said

Others still want a light rail system, especially along Woodward and from downtown to the airport

As Palombo points out, none of this is a done deal. This is a proposal from the regional planning group. The public sessions are to explain the proposal and to get feedback. Palombo said he expects SEMCOG's general assembly to meet in October to adopt a final proposal

It will then be up to the state legislature to find money and to work out the ticklish issue of governance. Currently the Regional Transportation Coordinating Council coordinates the DDOT (Detroit) and SMART (suburban) transit systems. He said regional council's limited authority wouldn't be sufficient to coordinate the new system

The Citizens Research Council is scheduled to release a report soon on proposals for administering a regional transit system

It seems hard to square an aggressive mass transit system with a city where almost everyone drives alone

But maybe a well designed, clean, safe, timely system will be enough to get some of us out from behind the wheel and into contact with our fellow workers. And, maybe, we can get one of those nifty Speedlink routes out this way as well

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Raids

Police act on adrenaline rush

BY MATT JACHMAN
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Operating on a flood of adrenaline, more than 40 cops from around Wayne County converged on two tattered buildings in Detroit on Friday, searching for a convicted murderer and a murder suspect.

Shotguns and pistols at the ready, officers surrounded the buildings on Michigan Avenue. Raid teams swept through them, other officers guarded possible escape routes.

The cops were black, white, Hispanic, women, men, in all shapes and sizes. Some wore uniforms, most were in jeans and short-sleeved shirts, and many wore bulletproof vests.

The hunted men were not found.

Instead, police pulled about a dozen people from one of the buildings, lining them up, hands on the wall, for pat-downs. Looking for outstanding warrants,

weapons, drugs, information.

No crying

One woman had the emaciated look of a famine victim. Another bore scars that spoke of illness or longtime drug use. A cop found a vial, or crack pipe, on one person and threw it to the sidewalk. A uniformed state trooper ground the glass into powder with a foot.

"We're not f---ing around. Hit the wall," said one cop, sporting sunglasses and a reddish mustache, to a woman he was watching.

Another woman, young, tall and heavyset, began to cry.

"There's no crying in," the cop said, echoing Tom Hanks, to two colleagues. His words trailed off, and he chuckled.

A cop with her hair in braids walked up.

"What you crying for? Who over here crying?" she said.

"She don't do drugs," the sobbing woman's neighbor against the wall said.

Later, the cop with the braids gave the woman a tissue or paper towel to dry her tears.

The searches over, the detainees were allowed to sit down.

When a television cameraman approached, a blonde woman indicated she was willing to be interviewed. Her sister objected. "Mama will s--t," she said. "Mama don't watch Channel 2," the woman responded.

Multi-agency force

The raid, one of several in a three-day sweep targeting about 200 felony fugitives, drew crowds and stopped traffic on Michigan near Junction on the city's southwest side.

Close to 100 officers took part in Operation Trackdown III, including officers from Livonia, Westland, Garden City, Redford Township and Detroit.

The effort netted 57 arrests, 52 of those of fugitives sought in the operation, said Cmdr Lawrence Meyer of the county's Department of Community Justice, which organized the sweep.

With police at the Michigan Avenue site for about an hour, people started to swelter. Detainees were checked for outstanding warrants. Released, they went back into the building or strolled down the street. Police made at least one arrest.

Bottles of water were handed out to the cops.

They showed a photo of one of the fugitives to a man there. He was at the building the other night, the man said.

"bout this tall. Broad," he said, holding a hand several inches above his head, then moving both hands horizontally past his shoulders.

"He was in the kitchen getting high," he added.

"Everywhere we go, if we don't get 'em, we get leads," said community justice Sgt. Larry Crider.

Later, a few blocks away on 33rd Street, a smaller team raided a burned out shell of a house. Again, their quarry — one man this time — was not found.

The house was beyond dilap-



STAFF PHOTOS BY HEATHER SONNITAG

Staging area: At a lot on Michigan Avenue near Grand Boulevard, vacant but for a sign reading "Donut Palace," police from a variety of agencies gather for a briefing before raiding two buildings a few blocks away in search of two fugitives — a convicted murderer and a murder suspect.

dated, with charred roof beams failing in. Across the street, on a crumbling, overgrown sidewalk, stood two plastic jugs of used motor oil, their tops cut off.

But a vacant lot away was a neat frame house that wouldn't have looked out of place in Garden City or Redford.

Doing the math

Police rounded up people at the house — Crider described them as squatters and "old heroin addicts" — and sat them on the front lawn.

"Perhaps you wondered why we called this meeting today," said Detroit Sgt. John Turney, a burly man with a beard, earrings and a large tattoo on one of his bulky forearms.

"No idea," he answered himself, his tone dropping.

One man, Jose, was repeatedly asked his age and birthday. Crider, cell phone to one ear, had found a concealed weapon warrant for a man with the same first and last names, birth month and day.

Only the middle name and the year of birth differed, and the cops were trying to catch José in a lie.

"I've never been caught with no pistol," Jose said vehemently. He was on probation for car theft, he said.

José said he was born in September 1967, and insisted he was 34. That got the cops going. "Do the math," one said. Another held up his fingers to count. They asked again. And again.

Flustered at one point José said "sixty four" when he clearly meant to say "sixty seven." The cops laughed.

"Now ya'll makin' fun of me, right?" he said.

He later conceded he wouldn't be 34 for another month.

José was released after police used records to cross check his state identification number. He was told to start carrying probation papers.

The people including a woman who had walked down Michigan Avenue as the earlier raid wound down, were sent on their way.

"See you later," one man said.

Walking in the middle of 33rd, Detroit Officer Darryl Rivers



Interiors: Inside what police described as a heroin den, where a raid team searched Friday for two fugitives, condoms and a hypodermic needle sit guarded by two Siamese cat figurines.

turned around. "No, you don't want to see us later," Rivers said.



On the avenue: Livonia Officer Dan Danaher talks to a woman police took from a building on Michigan Avenue Friday during a hunt for two fugitives. Operation Trackdown III netted 57 arrests over three days, but the men who were known to hang out here, near Michigan and Junction, were not found.

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HOT TICKET



Fireworks will light up the sky at Meadow Brook Music Festival when the Detroit Symphony Orchestra presents "Tchaikovsky Spectacular," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 10-11, and a pops concert featuring Marvin Hamlisch, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 12 to wrap up its summer season. Tickets \$10-\$56, call (313) 576-5111 or (248) 645-6666.



On tour: Conductor Keith Lockhart leads the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra

BY KEELY KALESKI-WYGONIK
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Boston Pops conductor Keith Lockhart is running behind schedule, and late for our interview

But when we finally connect I am reminded of why he is so popular with audiences - he has this ability to make you feel like you're old friends - even if you've just met

Lockhart will be at the Fox Theatre Thursday, Aug. 16, with the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra, to present Fiesta a program of Latin American music

"We've been making a habit of it," he said about visiting metro Detroit. "We're going to become the Michigan Pops Orchestra."

Before stopping in Detroit the tour, which also includes stops in Illinois, Massachusetts and Virginia, will perform at the Kresge Auditorium at Interlochen Center for the Arts. We'll also be in Midland for the first time, said Lockhart.

Program notes

The program will feature selections from the orchestra's Grammy Award nominated recording *The Latin Album*, which includes music by Alberto Ginastera, Astor

What Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra Fiesta tour with Mariachi Cobre
When 8 p.m. Thursday Aug. 16
Where The Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit
Tickets \$37.50-\$75 available at the box office and Ticketmaster outlets or call (248) 433-1515

Piazzolla and Aaron Copland

Mariachi Cobre, which has performed at EPCOT's Mexico Pavilion at Walt Disney World, will also perform

"Latin music is universally appealing, which is why it keeps coming back on the pop chart," said Lockhart. "It has a rhythmic vitality that gets people tapping their toes. There's a heartfelt passion to it."

Concertgoers will be treated to a variety of classic Latin American musical styles by Brazilian, Argentinean, Mexican and American composers

Beginning with Malambo from the 1941 ballet *Estancia* by Ginastera, an Argentine classical composer, Aug. 16 program continues with Maleguena and Andaluca by Cuban composer Ernesto Lecuona, and closes with *Dansa Brasileira*, an upbeat evocation of traditional Brazilian dance, and Aaron Copland's *El Salon Mexico*, an affectionate tribute to the people of Mexico

Mariachi band

When Mariachi Cobre played at preview performances, Lockhart said audiences wouldn't let them off the stage

"They have an amazing level of virtuosity," he said. "These guys can really play and sing. They're all male, some play violins, guitars of various shapes and sizes,

and trumpet and sing wonderfully

The music is fun to play, exciting and challenging

Lockhart wanted Mariachi Cobre to perform solo, but they insisted on playing with the orchestra

Founded in 1971 by Randy Carrillo, the group has played a key role in the preservation of Mexico's most representative musical folk form. The group made its Boston Pops debut in May 2000, and appears on *The Latin Album*

The Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra consists of freelance musicians from Boston, organized by the management of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. They perform in Symphony Hall from mid-

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CD: The Aug. 16 concert at the Fox Theatre will feature music from "The Latin Album." It was recently nominated for a Grammy Award



June through mid-July, play free outdoor concerts at the Hatch Shell on the Charles River Esplanade during July, Holiday Pops concerts and New Year's Eve gala

Even though it's been a busy summer, Lockhart enjoys touring with the orchestra

"The Boston Pops has a national constituency because of its recordings and TV appearances," he said. "It's important for people to see who makes the music, and gives us a chance to connect with our audience. We do appreciate their support."

COMEDY

Second City-Detroit features 'Mayor-Go-Round' in new revue.



BY KEELY KALESKI-WYGONIK
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Creating a fun, interesting environment for the cast and audience is what The Second City Detroit does best. Its 21st revue - *Mayor Go Round* - opening Thursday, Aug. 16, takes audiences for a laugh-filled ride

There's a musical opener and closer, and lots of gags in between

"We become apes," said Kirk Hanley of Farmington Hills. "Our director Ron West is into physical stuff, not just talk, talk, talk, you get tired at the end of the show"

For Hanley, who describes himself as a talky actor who relies more on his wit, the show is a stretch, a nice one

"I think I've grown as an actor. You tend to go toward your strengths in the first show, and then work on things you're not as good at"

This is Hanley's third mainstage revue. He began his Second City-Detroit career in the touring company. "The opener is fun. It's a musical number about the mayor's race. The closer is a love song to the city of Detroit that's kind of fun"

In between, audiences will be treated to political and social commentary that gets to the heart of matters with humorous undertones

There's a hospital scene where she's in for a mammogram and he's trying to comfort her. Lawyers, look out. There's a sketch about how they take advantage of folks in their time of need

Diversity training workshops are also fodder for humor - "We are in constant conflict because of our genes," and bureaucracies, which tend to take on lives of their own

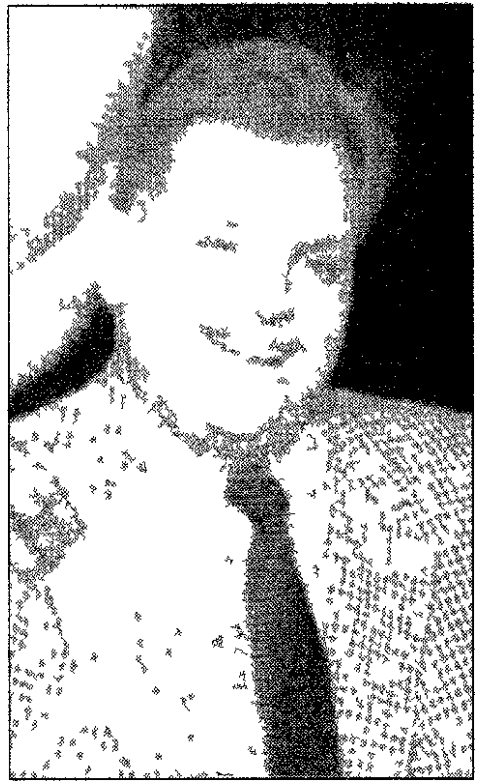
For Hanley, the challenge is to always make it fresh for the audience, every night

He's also been teaching a writing class at Second City-Detroit for the past six months

"My writing skills have improved

dramatically. At Second City you're writing while you're acting and improvising. I think I wanted to be a writer before I wanted to be an actor"

In addition to Hanley, the cast fea-



Kirk Hanley of Farmington Hills

tures Antoine McKay, Maribeth Monroe, Cheri Johnson, Jeff Fritz, Kiff Vandenberg, and musical director John Edwartowski

The Second City-Detroit will celebrate its ninth anniversary this fall. "Come on down. The whole area is being revitalized"

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Cruise to Birmingham to enjoy 'Dream' activities

Say Dream Cruise and you probably picture cars

Say Dream Cruise and downtown Birmingham, and you may think "kids" after Aug 18

The annual car cruise of collector, sports, classic, and antique vehicles gears up early next week as motorists begin to show off their cars during nightly informal drives along Woodward Avenue from Ferndale to Pontiac. Spectators will stake out curbside seats with lawn chairs and blankets. Seven communities along the 16-mile Woodward corridor plan a variety of day-long activities on the cruise route or in downtown parking lots and on streets during the official Dream Cruise day, Aug 18.

Ford Motor Co sponsors Revvin' with Ford Charity Preview Party, an annual fund-raiser for children's charities, held on Dream Cruise eve, Aug 17, in downtown Birmingham. This year it will expand its child focus by adding "family friendly" activities to its Saturday Dream Cruise lineup of free public events.

Kid stuff

Called Kids Revvin' with Ford, it kicks off Dream Cruise day with a pancake breakfast and includes clowns, magicians, jugglers and appearances by Blue, the big dog from the television

show, Blues Clues

"The event on Saturday morning was an effort by Ford and The Children's Charity Coalition to draw families to Dream Cruise," said Dave Donovan, spokesman from Marx Layne & Company, a public relations firm. "In the past there has been entertainment available but not necessarily for families."

"All of the kids' events on Saturday morning are new this year. A lot of people bring lawn chairs and park on Woodward and break out the cooler," Donovan added. "But kids' attention spans are short. This (Revvin') allows families to go to the Dream Cruise in the morning. They can go back later in the afternoon if they want to venture closer to the cruise."

Revvin' entertainment and displays cater to an adult crowd after children's activities end at noon. Fabian, celebrity impersonators and adult bands are ready to step in when Blue, the face painter and clowns leave Revvin's three-block-long site.

Families can leave their lawn chairs behind and catch a free trolley ride tour of the Dream Cruise from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"Everything on Saturday is free," Donovan added, "except for the pancake breakfast, which is a donation."

Local celebrities, including sports, government and media

Revvin' With Ford Charity Preview Party

What: Fund raiser for The Children's Charities Coalition and a kick off for Dream Cruise events in Birmingham

When: 6:11 p.m. Friday Aug 17

Where: In a three-block area of downtown Birmingham, including Shain Park, the Community House of Birmingham, the Townsend Hotel and an adjacent parking lot

Details: Simone Vitale Orchestra, The Fairlanes, Intrigue, Revvin Dancers celebrity impersonators Mark Randisi Trio, perform, appearances by singer and film star Fabian, appetizers and cocktails, buffet dinner, snacks and desserts, games and prizes

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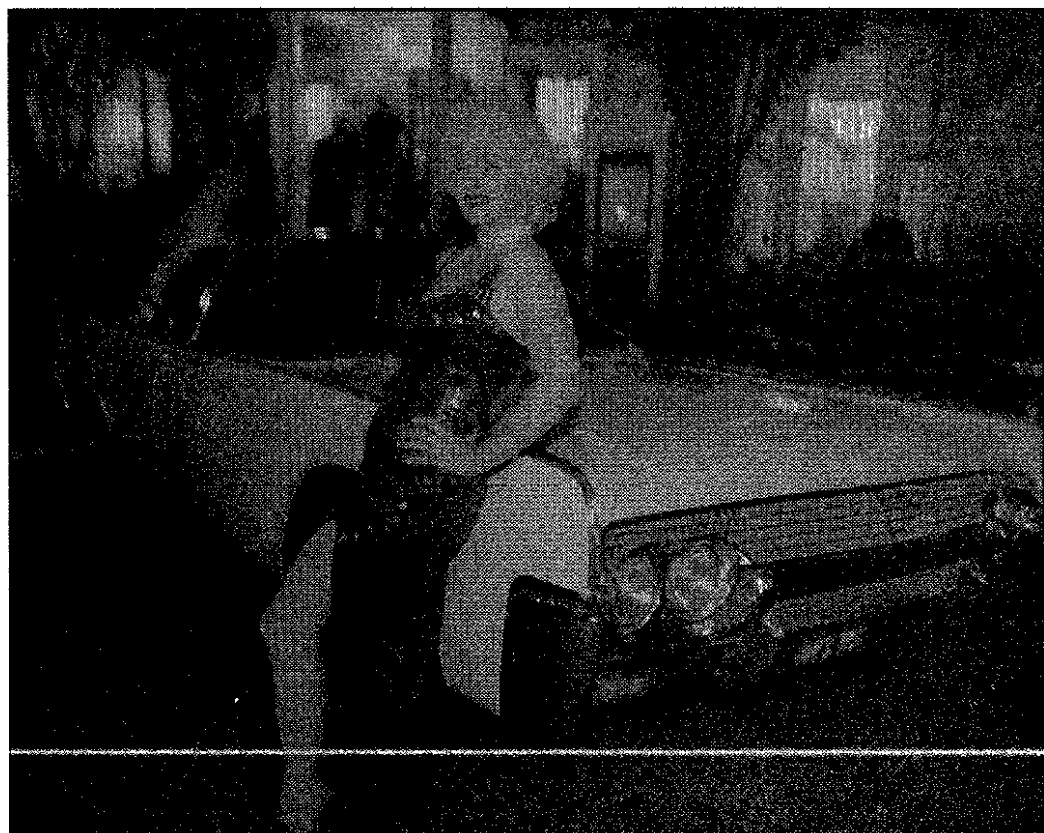
representatives, will cook and serve the food.

"It's a who's who locally," Donovan said.

Preview party

So is the Revvin' with Ford Charity Preview Party on Aug 17.

"Three thousand people are expected to attend one of the biggest fund-raisers for charity



Classic car and star: Actress Susan Griffiths portrays Marilyn Monroe in last year's Revvin' with Ford Charity party. She'll be back for the event this year, on Friday, Aug. 17.

It raised \$400,000 last year. The goal this year is for over a half million," Donovan said.

The money goes to the four non-profit organizations that form the Children's Charities Coalition. They are the Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Oakland County, The Commu-

ty House Children's Programs, Orchards, Children's Services and Variety—The Children's Charity.

Tickets are \$175 per person and include cocktails, appetizers, a buffet, music, celebrity impersonators, an appearance by film star Fabian and models in retro attire.

"The cars are the highlight. Cars line the streets for city

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This inaugural showcase will feature special guests, including Blue from "Blues Clues," dancers, clowns, jugglers, magicians and face painters. Local celebrities will also be flipping pancakes at a morning breakfast, with all proceeds benefiting the Children's Charities Coalition.

Plus, the morning's focus on safety will include expert demonstrations and interactive displays from Ford's "Boost America!" educating parents on the proper use of booster seats for children ages 4-8. "Kids Care" fingerprinting stations will also be on-site as back-to-school time reminds us of the importance of child identification.

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Here's a sampling of community events

Birmingham

Most activities on Saturday, Aug 18, will take place in the Ford Pavilion, (parking lot 7), bordered by Henrietta, Merrill, Townsend and Bates, the Community House of Birmingham, located on Bates at Townsend, Sham Park, located at Martin and Henrietta, the Townsend Hotel, located at Townsend and Pierce, and Woodward Ave

■ 8-10 a.m. - Celebrity Pancake Breakfast benefiting the Children's Charity Coalition, with celebrity chefs at the grill, at the Ford Pavilion Adults, \$5, children, \$2

■ 8-11 a.m. - Flip Flop the Clown, Choony the Clown, Heg the Juggler, Minnie the Clown, Boost America demonstrations on the proper use of booster seats, Kids Care fingerprinting program and a children's dance troupe, at The Ford Pavilion

■ 8 a.m.-10 p.m. - Classic Chevys, interactive automotive displays and live entertainment in the "triangle" where Old South Woodward and Woodward meet

■ 9 a.m.-noon—Blue, of *Blue's Clues*, will visit Sham Park

■ 10 a.m.-5 p.m.—Free open-air trolley tours of Woodward Dream Cruise Trolleys leave from corner of Pierce and Merrill streets

■ 11 a.m. - Face painting in Sham Park, free *Blues Clues* movie screening at Birmingham Theatre

■ Noon - Intrigue performs in Sham Park

■ Noon-3 p.m. - The Red Garter Band performs at Birmingham City Hall, 151 Martin

■ Noon-4:15 p.m. - Actors impersonate Tina Turner, Marilyn Monroe, and Little Richard, all in Sham Park

■ Noon-6 p.m. - Games, prizes and special guest appearances by the Fairlanes, at the Community House and at Ford pavilion, Simone Vitale Orchestra and Revvin' Dancers at Ford Pavilion, celebrity impersonators, Revvin' Dancers, vintage Mustangs with models in hot pants and go-go boots, the Mark Radesi Trio and vintage commercials, all in the Townsend Hotel Ballroom

■ 3 p.m. - Revvin' Dancers at Sham Park, Fabian autograph signing and screening of Fabian film at the Birmingham Theatre

■ 4:40 p.m. - Fabian appearance at Townsend Hotel

■ 5-6:30 p.m. - 1964 Beatles

Tribute Show in Sham Park

■ 5-9 p.m. - The *Ed Sullivan Variety Show* with Ed Sullivan and other celebrity impersonators, at Ford Pavilion

■ 6 p.m. - Drawing for Mustang car raffle at city hall

■ 7:30-9 p.m. - 1964 Beatles Tribute Show in Sham Park

Berkley

The city kicks off its participation of the Dream Cruise with a parade and street festival on Friday, Aug 17. The classic car parade starts at 7 p.m., follow by the Tri-Community Coalition Street Dance on Griffith north of 12 Mile, from 7:30-9 p.m. The Contours will perform from 9-11 p.m. on Griffith

See car displays and visit food, beverage and souvenir booths, from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. on Saturday

Ferndale

An opening ceremony and classic car parade runs from 5:30-6 p.m., Friday, Aug 17 at Nine Mile and Woodward roads. The Cavalcade Stage at city hall, Nine Mile east of Woodward, will showcase world-class entertainment from the '50's and '60's, from 6-10 p.m. on Friday. The Kids Korner, with games and rides, will be open from 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

On Saturday, Aug 18, the Ferndale Cruise Car Show will fea-

ture classic cars on display until 2 p.m., when awards are presented on the Cavalcade stage. The Tommy C Band and the Original Drifters will play at 6 p.m. on the Cavalcade stage. The Kids Korner will be open from 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Huntington Woods

Activities take place on Saturday, Aug 18, in the Bank One parking lot at Salem and Woodward, south of 11 Mile Road

■ 11 a.m.-5 p.m. - Giant slide

■ Noon and 1:30 p.m. - Beat Club, a Beatles look-alike band

■ Noon-4 p.m. - Balloon Man Dan and Faces in the Air

■ Noon-7 p.m. - Twister Inflatables and air brush tattoos

■ 2-6 p.m. - Caricatures by Lindsay

■ 3 p.m. - Satin Dolls

■ 4:30 p.m. - Bonnie Rockets Band

■ 6:30 p.m. - Karaoke

■ Dusk - *The Love Bug*, in Mary Kay Davis Park

Pleasant Ridge

Entertainment runs from 7:30-11 p.m. on Friday, Aug 17 and

includes an outdoor screening of the film, *Christine*

Dream Cruise fun runs from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and includes classic cars on display, food, entertainment, children's games and souvenir merchandise

Pontiac

Carnival rides and a charity event run from 5-11 p.m., on Thursday, Aug 16, in downtown Pontiac

On Friday, Aug 17, classic cars roll in at noon for an auto show that continues until 10 p.m. A sock hop runs from 5-7:15 p.m., and an auto cruise starts at 6:30 p.m. Beatles tribute show times are at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. DK Beth Shaddock spins '50s and '60s tunes noon-9 p.m. The Tollgate Cloggers perform at 7 p.m. Charles Anthony & Friends play from 6-9 p.m.

Here's what's happening on Saturday, Aug 18e

■ Noon-9 p.m. - DJ Beth Shaddock spins records

■ 3 p.m. - Sixthgate Cloggers

■ 5-7:15 p.m. - Sock Hop

■ 6 p.m. - Gone Country Dancers

■ 6-9 p.m. - Charles Anthony & Friends

■ 7:15-11:15 p.m. - Legends of Rock & Roll show with Marvelettes, Contours and Platters

■ 7:30 p.m. - Country Time Dancers

■ 8-10 p.m. - Classic Auto Car Show

Pontiac caps its Dream Cruise activities with the D & D Carnival, 5-11 p.m. Sunday

Royal Oak

Most activities on Saturday, Aug 18 take place in Memorial Park on the northeast corner of Woodward at 13 Mile and at the Northwood Shopping Center on the southeast corner of Woodward and 13 Mile Road

Memorial Park will include an inflatable play structure and pony rides, food vendors from Royal Oak restaurants, automobile displays and Dream Cruise merchandise booths. Automobile displays from the Chrysler Group to be set up in the Northwood lot. Quarter scale NASCAR race cars compete 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in the 13th Annual Royal Oak Grand National

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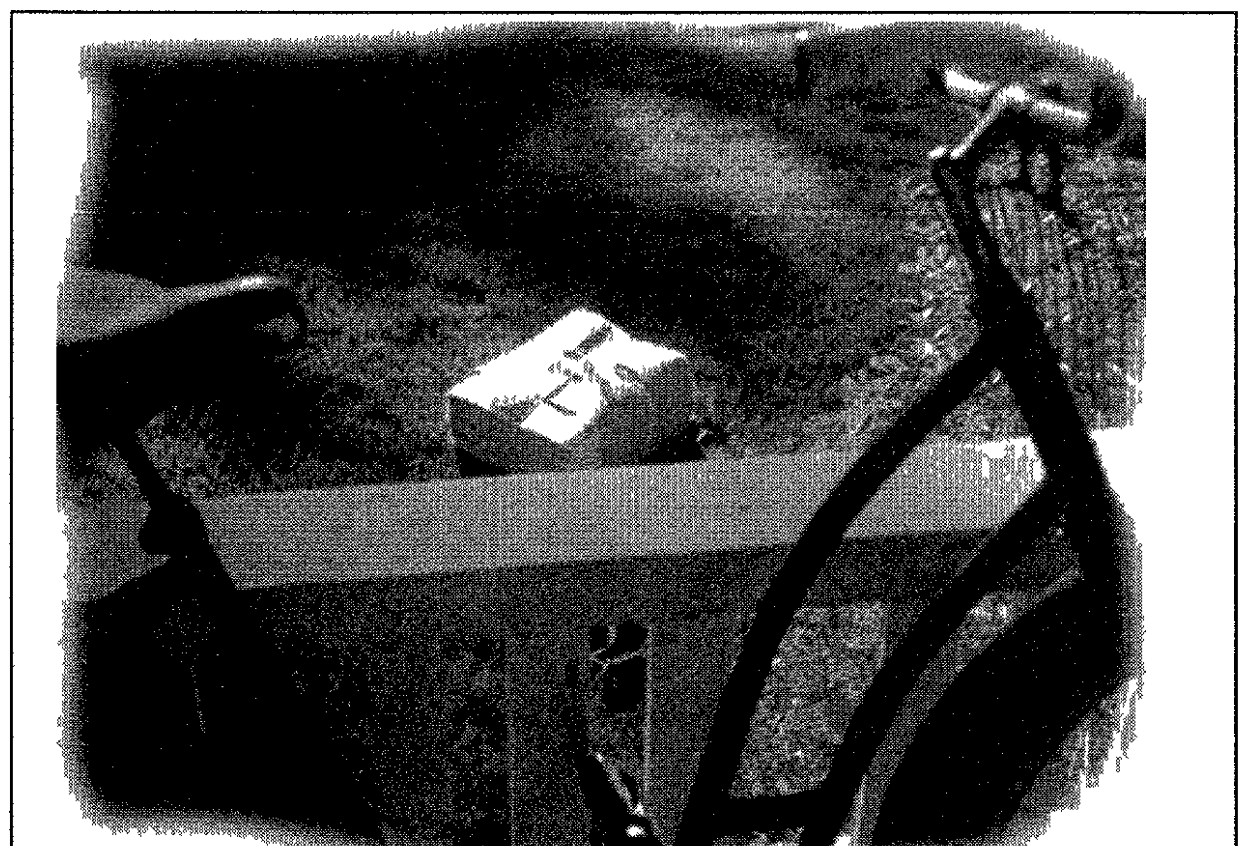
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PURPLE ROSE THEATRE: World premiere of Annie Martin's *Completing Dahlia* continues to Sept 1 at the theater Chelsea \$22.50-\$32.50 (734) 433-7673

ZEITGEIST THEATRE: *The Butterfly Flick* continues to Aug 12 8 p.m. Friday Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday at the theater Detroit \$10 (313) 965-9192

COMMUNITY THEATER

SRO PRODUCTIONS: *Taming of the Shrew* 8 p.m. Friday Saturday Aug 10-11 2 p.m. Sunday Aug 12, at Burgh Historical Park Southfield \$10, \$8 seniors/children (248) 827-0710

GRANDE TABLEAU THEATER TROUPE: *Noises Off* 7:30 p.m. Thursday Friday Aug 9-10 Andover High School Bloomfield Hills \$3 (248) 433-0885

COLLEGE THEATER

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE: *Peer Gynt* Thursday Sunday Aug 16-26 in Adray Auditorium of the MacKenzie Fine Arts Building on the campus Dearborn (313) 845-9900

DINNER THEATER

GENITTI'S HOLE IN THE WALL: *Baptizing Junior* an interactive comedy with the audience as guests at a baptism continues 7 p.m. Aug 10 and 17 6 p.m. Aug 13 and 18, 5 p.m. Aug 14 at the restaurant Northville \$45 includes 7 course family style Italian meal (248) 349-0522 or visit the Web site for a coupon www.genittis.com

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

INTER-ACTIVE CHILDREN'S LUNCH THEATER: Saturday with the Johnsons 11:30 a.m. Aug 18 Sept 8 and 22 and Oct 6 and 20 at Genitti's Northville (248) 349-0522 or visit the Web site for a coupon www.genittis.com

LIVONIA YOUTH THEATRE: *The Sound of Music* 7 p.m. Thursday Aug 16 and Saturday Aug 18 at the Livonia Civic Center Library \$5 \$3 children (810) 344-7774

MARQUIS THEATRE: *Pooh Visits Storyland Live on Stage* 10:30 a.m. Thursday Friday Aug 9-10 Tuesday Friday Aug 14-17 and 21-24 2:30 p.m. Saturday Aug 11, 18 and 25 and Sept 8 and 15 and 2:30 p.m. Sunday Sept 9-16 no children under age three (248) 349-8110

SUMMER CONCERTS

CANTON SUMMER CONCERT SERIES: Air Margaritaville a tribute to the sounds of Jimmy Buffet 7:30 p.m. Thursday Aug 9 in the amphitheater in Heritage Park behind the Canton township Administration Building (734) 397-5460

GAZEBO CONCERT SERIES: Motor City Brass Band 7 p.m. Wednesday Aug 15 at Burgh Historical Park Southfield (248) 424-9022

MUSIC IN THE PARK: Guy Louis and Chautauqua Express noon Wednesday Aug 15 Marc Thomas & Maz the Moose noon Wednesday, Aug 22, in Kellogg Park Main Street between Ann Arbor Trail and Penniman Plymouth (734) 416-4278

MUSIC AT THE ZOO: Henry Ford Community College Big Band 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug 15 on the front lawn of the Detroit Zoo Royal Oak \$8 \$6 seniors Children ages 2-19 Zoo remains open until 8 p.m. on Wednesdays so visitors can enjoy the animals as well as the music (248) 398-0900

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS: Pix N Stix 7:30 p.m. Thursday Aug 9 at Wilson Barn (734) 466-2536

STARS IN THE PARK: Farmington Community Chorus 8 p.m. Thursday Aug 9 in Heritage Park on Farmington Road south of 11 Mile (248) 473-1856

SPECIAL EVENTS

CLASSIC CAR SHOW: Featuring resurrected oldies 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday Aug 12 at Northville Christian Assembly Free (248) 348-9030

COLLECTIBLE TOY SHOW: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday Aug 11 at the Plymouth VFW Hall \$4 children under age 10 are free with adult (734) 455-2110



Family Fun: As summer winds down, don't miss the final days of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at Meadow Brook Music Festival. Aug. 10 will be the Tchaikovsky Spectacular. Sensational Saturday Series Aug. 11 includes Tchaikovsky Spectacular II with fireworks (singles tickets with dinner available for \$45). Sunday Aug. 12 offers Summer Pops with Marvin Hamlisch, all at the outdoor venue in Rochester Hills. Call (313) 576-5111 for more information.

PLYMOUTH AFTER DARK: 8:30-11 p.m. Friday, Aug 10 in downtown Plymouth (734) 453-1540

REDFORD THEATRE: *Camelot* starring Richard Harris 8 p.m. Friday Saturday Aug 10-11 and 2 p.m. Saturday Aug 11 organ overtures 30 minutes prior to film showing at the theater Detroit \$6 \$3 age 16 and under (313) 537-2560

BENEFITS

FASH BASH: A benefit for the Detroit Institute of Arts 8 p.m. Friday Aug 10, at the Fox Theatre, Detroit (313) 833-6954

CLASSICAL

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AT MEADOW BROOK: Family Fun Aug 10 Tchaikovsky Spectacular Sensational Saturday Series Aug 11 Tchaikovsky Spectacular II with fireworks (special singles tickets including dinner available for \$45) and Sunday Summer Pops Aug 12 Marvin Hamlisch, at Meadow Brook Music Festival (313) 576-5111

OPERA

DETROIT OPERA HOUSE: *Learning @ the Opera House* continues with lectures lecture/workshops per formances and demonstrations for children young adults, adults, seniors and special programs for the entire family Monday Saturday to Aug 26, at the opera house (313) 961-3500

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

BLOOMFIELD PLAYERS COMMUNITY THEATRE: Auditions for *The King and I* 6:30 p.m. Tuesday Wednesday, Aug 28-29 at Lahser High School, Bloomfield Hills For performances Nov 9-11 and 16-18 (248) 433-0885

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE: Auditions for *Winnie-the-Pooh* 7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug 20 and Wednesday, Aug 22 high school juniors through adult age actors in the Mackenzie Fine Arts Center on campus Dearborn For 13 performances running Nov 23 to Dec 2 (313) 845-9817

LIVONIA CIVIC CHORUS: Searching for a director Rehearsals are held 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays September through May at Frost Middle School in Livonia The chorus, composed of approximately 60 singers, presents two concerts a year at Christmastime and in the spring (734) 427-5397

LIVONIA YOUTH CHOIR: Auditions for girls and boys (boys must have unchanged voices) in grades 4-8 (ages 9-13) residing in Livonia and surrounding communities 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday Sept 5, at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile,

west of Middlebelt Livonia (734) 425-1749

LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC OF MICHIGAN: Call Wendy Bernard at (734) 591-7649 or visit the Web site at www.lypm.org for information about the philharmonic and auditions for the 2001-2002 season

MADRIGAL CHORALE: Auditions for male voice parts and altos 5 p.m. Tuesday Aug 28 at Southfield Lathrup High School (248) 352-9527

METRO DANCE JUNIOR COMPANY: Call for dancers ages 7-10 years old with two years ballet and one year jazz training for performances conventions and master classes through 2001-2002 season, company class and rehearsals Saturdays beginning mid September no audition required (734) 207-8970

ARS NOVA: A semi professional 22 voice choral ensemble based in Royal Oak that rehearses weekly and performs regularly throughout

metro Detroit is seeking new members particularly tenors Auditions will be held in late August and early September Potential members should be prepared to sing a short selection of their choice (accompanist will be provided) sight read a short section of music and vocalize to demonstrate their range To schedule an audition or for more information call Dr Crag Scott Symons (248) 414-7242 or e-mail at csymons@home.com The 2001-2002 concert season is comprised of four concerts and includes compact disc recording project

RIDGEDALE PLAYERS: *Once Upon a Mattress* 1 p.m. Saturday Aug 11 20 adults ages 18 to 60s for auditions consisting of singing dancing and reading from script audition song must be either from the show or an upbeat character song at the playhouse Troy For October performances (734) 591-3405 or

www.ridgedaleplayers.com

FIRST THEATRE GUILD OF BIRMINGHAM: Meet Me in St Louis 2 p.m. Sunday Aug 27 7 p.m. Tuesday Aug 28 Knox Auditorium First Presbyterian Church 1669 Maple Road Twelve parts be prepared to sing and dance Performances 8 p.m. Friday Nov 2 Friday Saturday Nov 9-10 2 p.m. Saturday Sunday Nov 3-4 and Sunday Nov 11 (248) 644-2087 Ext 151

PARK PLAYERS OF N ROSEDALE PARK: For Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird* play by Christopher Sergel directed by Sarah Hedeem for Park Players of N Rosedale Park Cast of adults and children 7 p.m. Thursday Sept 13 2 p.m. Sunday Sept 16 at the N Rosedale Park Community House 18445 Scarsdale Detroit For more information call (734) 425-5942 Show dates Friday Sunday, Nov 9-11 Friday Saturday Nov 16-17

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE: Auditions for *A Night of One Acts* 7 p.m. Monday Tuesday Aug 27-28 the three one act comedies are *Babel's in Arms* *Time Flies* and *The Picketers* reading for the auditions will be from the scripts the plays call for seven men and three women parts available for age 18 and up no acting experience necessary, at the theater Livonia (734) 464-6302

POPS/SWING

BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA: 9 p.m. Monday at the Bird of Paradise Ann Arbor \$5 cover (734) 662-8310 (big band swing bop)

BOSTON POPS: 8 p.m. Thursday Aug 16 at the Fox Theatre Detroit \$37.50-\$75 (248) 433-1515

JAZZ/BLUES

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

PAUL FINKBEINER'S JAM SESSION: 9 p.m. Sunday at the Bird of Paradise Ann Arbor \$2 cover (734) 662-8310

DALE GRISA TRIO: 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at Sweet Lorraine's in the Livonia Marriott Hotel (734) 953-7480

LOS GATOS: 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Bird of Paradise Ann Arbor \$5 cover (734) 662-8310

JEFF HAAS TRIO: With Friends including Marcus Belgrave perform 7:30 p.m. Thursday Aug 9 includes premier of Haas' new jazz suite *Motown Mosaic* at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History Detroit Free but reservations required (313) 494-5800 Also a free clinic for elementary and middle school

students 2 p.m. Wednesday Aug 8 at the museum (313) 494-5820

ICOGNITO: 8 p.m. Saturday Aug 18 Fox Theatre Detroit \$27.50-\$47.50 (248) 433-1515

PAUL KELLER: And the 17 piece Bird of Paradise Orchestra play Benny Goodman's music features Jim Wyse as Benny, 3:30 p.m. Sunday Aug 26 at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Livonia (248) 476-2674/(248) 855-1342

SHEILA LANDIS TRIO: Play at the Brighton Art Fair noon to 5 p.m. Sunday Aug 12 (810) 227-5086

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: Vocalist Shahida Nurullah 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday Aug 15 Louis Smith, trumpet & flugelhorn 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday Aug 22, vocalist Judi Cochill 8-11:30 p.m. Wednesday

Aug 29 at Ron's Fireside Inn 28937 Warren Road (east of Middlebelt) Garden City Reservations recommended for the Jazz Room Special guest Paul Vornhagen saxophone flute & vocals Wednesday Aug 8 \$5 cover with dinner order \$10 cover without dinner (734) 762-7756

MARCUS MILLER: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday Aug 11 at the Gem Theater, Detroit \$35 (313) 463-4215

LARRY NOZERO JAZZ QUINTET: Perform 8 p.m. to midnight Mondays at Mitch Housey's Food & Spirits Livonia (734) 425-5520 or visit the Web site at www.larrynozero.com

PIECES OF DREAM: 8 p.m. Wednesday Aug 15 at Chene Park Detroit \$10 \$8 (313) 393-0292

STONE TERRACE PATIO PARTY: 7-11 p.m. Tuesday (Gratitude Steel Band) and Wednesday (The Warren Commission) through the summer at the Big Rock Chop & Brew House Birmingham (248) 647-7774

DENNIS & APRIL TINI: Three sets beginning 9:30 p.m. Friday Saturday Aug 17-18 at the Bird of Paradise Ann Arbor \$10 cover for all three sets (734) 662-8310

URSULA WALKER/BUDDY BUDSON: 4-6 p.m. Wednesday Thursday Aug 8-9 15-16 22-23 and 29-30 at Cafethe House Detroit (313) 898-3781 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday Saturday Aug 10-11 17-18 and 24-25 at Columbine's Champagne Cellar at the Harlequin Cafe in Indian Village Detroit (313) 331-0922

FOLK/ ACOUSTIC

RAMBLIN' JACK ELLIOT: 8 p.m. Thursday Aug 9, at The Ark Ann Arbor \$17.50 (734) 763-TKTS

COUNTRY MUSIC

TRISHA YEARWOOD: 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug 30 at Meadow Brook Music Theatre \$34.50 pavilion \$15.50 lawn (248) 645-6666

WORLD MUSIC

RANDY BROCK: Thursday Aug 9 also appearing *The Distractions* Friday, Aug 10 Dwayne Harlick's Band Saturday Aug 11, and *The Jar* Wednesday Aug 15 at Dick O'Dow's Irish Pub Birmingham (248) 642-1135

PAT MCDUNN: 8-11 p.m. Friday at Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills (248) 601-1100 (Irish)

JEFF TRACHTA: With local favorites *The Shenanigans* 7 p.m. Saturday Aug 18 at the Royal Oak Music Theatre \$25 \$35 (734) 397-0862

DANCE

BLACKBERRY CREEK DANCERS: Country western dancing 8-11:30 p.m. Friday Aug 24 dance lesson at 7:30 p.m. at the Italian American Cultural Center Warren (313) 526-9432

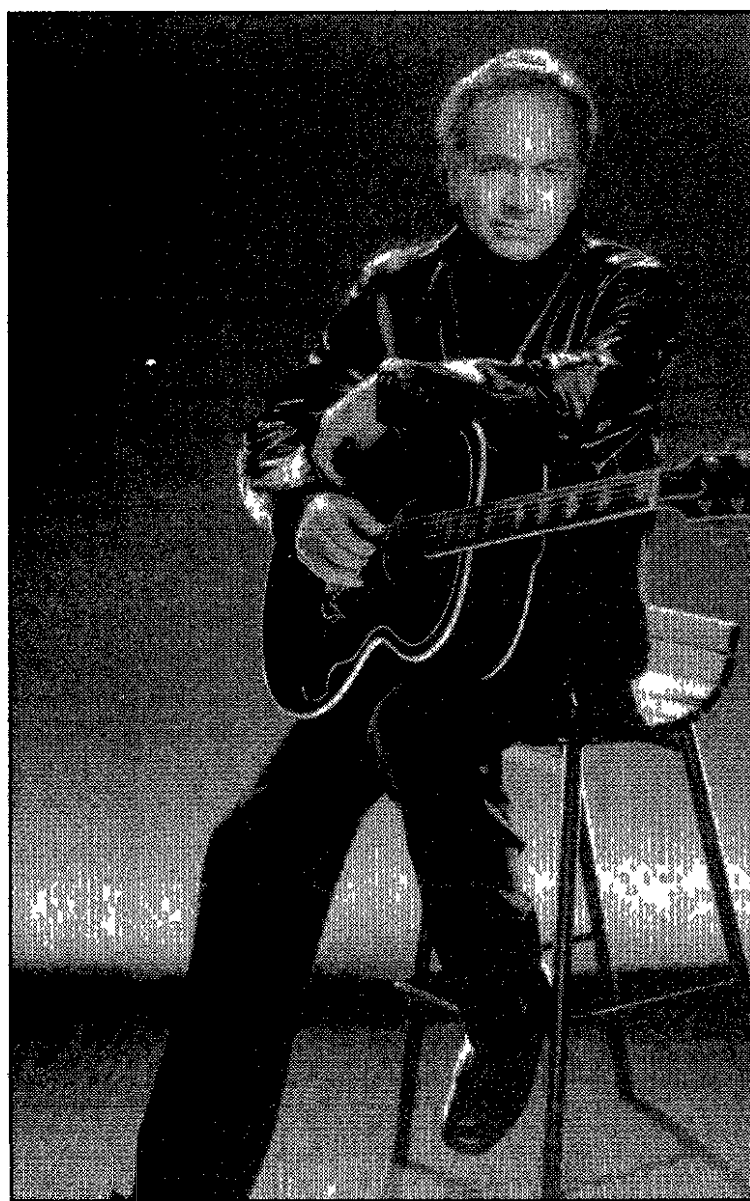
COUNTERGROOVE DANCE COMPANY: New works in concert 8 p.m. Friday Saturday, Aug 10-11 in the Old Main Building at Wayne State University Detroit \$15 \$10 seniors/students with ID children age 12 and under (810) 945-0330

MOON-DUSTERS: Ballroom dancing to live bands, featuring swing fox trot, waltz cha-cha and Latin 8:30-11:30 p.m. Saturdays at the Livonia Civic Center 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile \$5 (248) 967-1428

TRINITY IRISH DANCE COMPANY: Show starts 8 p.m. Friday Saturday Aug 17 and 18 at Meadow Brook Music Theatre \$35 and \$25 pavilion \$15 lawn (248) 645-6666

U-M BALLROOM DANCE CLUB: Ballroom dance lesson and open dancing 4-10 p.m. Sunday at the

Sweet Caroline: Don't miss Neil Diamond when he performs 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 5-6 at The Palace of Auburn Hills Tickets \$37.50-\$67.50 Call Ticketmaster at (248) 645-6666 or buy online at www.ticketmaster.com



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COMEDY

ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE. Claudia Sherman Friday Saturday Aug 10 11 at the club Ann Arbor (734) 996 9080
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MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Kevin McPeck Thursday Saturday Aug 9 11 at the club Royal Oak (248) 542 9900
THE AMAZING JONATHAN: Comedy at 8 p m Friday Aug 31 at Meadow Brook Music Theatre \$20 pavilion \$12 50 lawn (248) 645 6666
SECOND CITY Jammin Wednesdays featuring *The Best of Second City* *Mayor Go Round* pre views Saturday Sunday through Aug 15 officially opens Aug 16 at Second City Detroit (248) 645 6666

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

CRANBROOK HOUSE: Tours continue to Oct 25 walk in Sunday tours at 3 p m for \$10 and 11 a m and 1 15 p m Thursday for \$10 \$15 for lunch (reservations needed) at 380 Lone Pine Road Bloomfield Hills (248) 645 3147 Tours also available of Saarninen House call (877) 462 7262
DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM: Japanese Cultural Workshop for children ages 5 11 and their parents 1 3 p m Saturday Aug 11 \$3 per participant advance registration required Regular museum admission \$4 50 adults \$2 25 seniors and children 12 18 no charge for children under 12 applies to children and adults participated in workshop The museum is open 9 30 a m to 5 p m Tuesday Friday 10 a m to 5 p m Saturday Sunday (313) 833 1262
DETROIT ZOO Dinosauria III exhibit it continues through Sept 3 at the zoo \$7 50 \$5 50 seniors/students and ages 2 12 (248) 398 0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroitzoo.org
DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM *Frontier Metropolis* an exhibit looking at the city of Detroit as it was recorded in pencil sketches water colors and oil paintings before the invention of the camera continues to Sept 4 at the museum on Belle Isle (313) 852-4051
HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE: *America's Hometown Celebration* continues to Sunday Aug 19 with dramatizations in the streets and buildings The exhibit Kids Stuff Great Toys From Our Childhood continues to Sept 16 Imax movies N Sync and Super Speedway continue at the museum Dearborn Celebration of Emancipation Saturday Sunday Aug 4 5 Dramatic and musical presentations explore Michigan's connection to the Harlem Renaissance and life on a plantation before Emancipation (313) 271 1620
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THE ALLMAN BROTHERS BAND. Susan Tedeschi Ekoostik Hookah 5 30 p m Saturday Aug 18 DTE Energy Music Theatre Independence Township \$22 50 \$39 00 (248) 645 6666
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BLACK REBEL MOTORCYCLE CLUB: With PAIK The Dirty Shame 10 p m Thursday Aug 16 Gold Dollar Detroit (313) 833 6873

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THE BLUES AIRMEN: Saturday Aug 11 Nik s Bar & Grille Romulus (734) 326 9300
MICHAEL BOLTON: With Symphony Orchestra 7 30 p m Friday Aug 31 DTE Energy Music Theatre Independence Township \$23 \$44 (248) 645 6666
THE BRAWL AT THE HALL: With The Bump N Uglies and Assorted Pro Wrestler 8 p m Saturday Aug 25 St Andrews Hall Detroit All ages \$12 (248) 645 6666
THE BROTHERS GROOVE: 10 p m Thursdays Music Menu Detroit (313) 964 MENU
BURNING SPEAR: 8 p m Tuesday Sept 25 Magic Bag Ferndale \$20 (248) 544 3030
AL CARMICHAEL: 7 p m Monday Aug 13 20 Fox and Hounds Bloomfield Hills All ages Free (248) 644 4800
NICK CAVE AND THE BAD SEEDS: 7 p m Sunday Sept 29 State Theatre Detroit All ages \$26 75 (248) 645 6666
CLOUD 9 With Ubiquitus 9 30 p m Saturday Aug 18 Blind Pig Ann Arbor \$5 \$7 (734) 996 8555
CROSBY, STILLS & NASH: 8 p m Monday Aug 13 DTE Energy Music Theatre Independence Township \$32 50-\$42 50 (248) 645 6666
BILLY RAY CYRUS AND AARON TIPPIN 7 30 p m Thursday Aug 16 DTE Energy Music Theatre Independence Township \$18 50 \$32 50 (248) 645 6666
ROY DAVIS JR Spinning Saturday Aug 25 Motor Hamtramck (313) 369 0090
THORNETTA DAVIS: 7 p m Friday Saturday Aug 17 18 Fox and Hounds Bloomfield Hills All ages Free (248) 644 4800
DEATHGIRL COM 9 p m Thursday Aug 16 Magic Stick Detroit \$5 18 and older (313) 833 9700
DELTA 88 With Jo Serrapere 9 30 p m Thursday Aug 16 The Attic Hamtramck \$5 (313) 365 4194
With Enzo Garcia 8 p m Thursday Aug 30 The Ark Ann Arbor \$11 at the door See http://delta88.net
DETEKTIVE RIOT With Motor City Burgers Forge 10 p m Friday Aug 10 313 JAC upstairs from Jacoby s Detroit 18 and older \$5 (313) 962 7067
NEIL DIAMOND: 8 p m Friday Saturday Oct 5 6 The Palace of Auburn Hills \$37 50 \$67 50 (248) 645 6666
DISCO BISCUITS: 9 p m Thursday Sept 13 Majestic Theatre Detroit (248) 833 9700
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GODSMACK AND DEFTONES: With Puddle of Mud Cky 7 30 p m Monday Aug 20 DTE Energy Music Theatre Independence Township \$28 \$41 (248) 645 6666
GRATITUDE STEEL BAND: 7 p m Thursday Aug 9 16 23 Fox and Hounds Bloomfield Hills All ages Free (248) 644 4800
THE GUESS WHO: With Randy Bachman Burton Cummings Joe Cocker 7 30 p m Friday Aug 24 DTE Energy Music Theatre Independence Township \$20 \$48

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MOVIES

Rush over to 'Rush Hour 2'

BY JAY M. GROSSMAN
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Finally, a sequel that delivers. *The Mummy* tried to return this summer, but didn't. *The Jurassic Park* dinosaurs were about as scary as sea gulls. *Dr. Dolittle* needs to get out more and meet some people.

Along comes *Rush Hour 2*, a high-flying karate kicking comedy starring Jackie Chan and Chris Tucker as a pair of mismatched detectives who break up an international counterfeiting ring.

There's a lot of chemistry between these two, who first paired up in the original 1998 blockbuster that grossed \$250

'This fast-paced action thriller bounces around Hong Kong to Las Vegas as our two heroes trade barbs and chase the bad guys.'

million worldwide. Chan reprises his role as Chief Inspector Lee of the Royal Hong Kong Police, while Tucker plays LAPD detective James Carter. Lee has all the moves, Carter has the mouth.

This fast-paced action thriller bounces around from Hong Kong to Las Vegas as our two

heroes trade barbs and chase the bad guys. "In Hong Kong, I am Michael Jackson, you are Toto," Lee reminds Carter in one particularly funny scene.

Unlike the edgy *Lethal Weapon* series, this is a movie that strives hard to not take itself too seriously. One moment we see a bunch of folks getting blown up at a U.S. Embassy in Hong Kong, in the next scene there's Carter performing "Don't Stop 'Til You Get Enough" at a gangster karaoke bar.

Credit director Brett Ratner for putting together a fun summer movie. I'll give it two karate kicks and a sushi roll. Enjoy.



Comedy: Chris Tucker (left) and Jackie Chan star in the sequel to the 1998 hit action-comedy, "Rush Hour"

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday Aug. 10

AMERICAN PIE 2

Now college students, the gang from the original *American Pie* are reunited. Returning for the sequel are Jason Biggs, Mena Suvari, Tara Reid, Thomas Ian Nicholas, and Eugene Levy.

APOCALYPSE NOW: REDUX

Martin Sheen plays an intelligence officer who must endure a danger-filled journey through the jungle on a Navy patrol boat to reach a highly decorated officer (Marlon Brando) whom the army contends has gone mad. While reading the file on Colonel Kurtz, Sheen begins to doubt the logic of his superiors for Kurtz is doing what they apparently cannot. He's winning. This picture was first released in 1979.

LOST AND DELIRIOUS

Mary a shy girl arrives at an all-girls boarding school to discover that her roommates Paulie and Victoria are involved in a lesbian love affair. Over time, the two drift apart as Victoria starts dating a boy, leaving Paulie in the throes of unrequited love. Stars Piper Perabo, Mischa Barton, and Jessica Pare. Not yet rated.

GREENFINGERS

The story follows a convicted murderer, Colin Briggs, who is transferred to a minimum security prison where he meets four inmates in a rehabilitation program involving gardening. Fergus, an old man serving time for triple murder, gives Colin violet seeds which beautifully blossom in the spring. The inmates, an unconventional group, garden style attracts England's most renowned horticulturist, Georgina Woodhouse, whose discovery triggers comic events. Featuring Helen Mirren, Clive Owen, and David Kelly.

INNOCENCE

The story tells of Andreas, a retired music teacher and widower, who confronts Claire, his true love, 50 years after their last goodbye. The two meet and rediscover each other. With rock less abandon, they throw themselves back into a passion seemingly unaffected by time. The two continue exactly where they left off, perhaps sensing how little time they have left. Featured players include Julia Blake, Terry Norris, Robert Menzies, and Charles Tingwell.



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Scheduled to open Friday Aug. 17

AMERICAN OUTLAWS

In the spirit of *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*, that centers on the legendary Western outlaw Jesse James and his rebel gang, watched by the law but revered by the public, stars Colin Farrell, Scott Caan, Ali Larter, and Timothy Dalton.

AN AMERICAN RHAPSODY

In the darkest days of the Cold War, a Hungarian family sacrifices wealth and privilege to escape to the West and gain freedom from Communist repression. Amid the chaos of their late night border crossing, their youngest child is left behind. They go on to build a new life in America, while in the old country, a peasant family raises Suzanne as if she were her own. Stars Natasya Kinski, Scarlett Johansson, Tony Goldwyn, and Lisa Jane Persky.

THE CURSE OF THE JADE SCORPION

CW Briggs, a top insurance investigator in New York in 1940, prides himself on being able to crack any insurance caper by getting into the mind of the thief. Thanks to hypnotic powers of the Jade Scorpion, the mind of a thief is getting into Briggs. This comedy is written, directed, and stars Woody Allen. Also starring Helen Hunt, Elizabeth Berkley, Wallace Shawn, Dan Aykroyd, and Charlie Theron.

RAT RACE

In this road comedy, a billionaire Las Vegas casino owner sets up a gambling scheme in which bettors wage on which of six cardinals can find the \$2 million that is hidden somewhere in a locker. Rowan Atkinson, Kathy Bates, Dean Cain, John Ciesse, Whoopi Goldberg, Cuba Gooding Jr., Seth Green, Jon Lovitz, Breckin Meyer, Kathy Najimy, and more.

CAPTAIN CORELLI'S MANDOLIN

Nicolas Cage and Penelope Cruz star in this epic tale about the enduring hope of love and the devastating brutality of war. Set amid the Italian occupation of Greece during World War II, the story centers on Captain Corelli and the daughter of the village doctor, who are forced to choose between their allegiance to their countries and the love they feel for each other. Also featured are John Hurt and Christian Bale.

MUSIC

Great Britain's Plaid stylizes electronic music with melody

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Andy Turner speaks in a soft, understated tone, his voice tinged with excitement as he calls from a recording studio in North London. Turner and his musical sidekick Ed Handley — collectively known as Plaid — are about to embark on their biggest U.S. tour ever. The tour will bring this electro duo to Detroit for the first time. "We've never been to Detroit," he said. "We've never been to half of these places. We've only been to San Francisco and New York. We're totally looking forward to Detroit. It will be really cool. We'll make sure we don't go into any dark alleys."

While I try to allay his fears of the Motor City, I know he's not really worried. After all, Detroit Techno serves as a major influence for Plaid. The duo consistently hold our Belleville Three — Juan Atkins, Derrick May, and Kevin Saunderson — in high regard. And just like "The Innovators," Ed and Andy started out as schoolmates. They met when they were about 13 years old. "We were both into the early hip hop scene," said Turner. "What there was of it in England. We had the same kind of taste in music."

It's a likely story, one bound to

lead to a life in music. "We were in a band with another guy called The Black Dog," he said. "We all rented a room in the same house at the time." Somewhere along the line, Ed and Andy took their own direction and became Plaid, a parallel venture that would later take precedence over The Black Dog. In 1991, Plaid released *Mbuki Mbuki*. Four years later, the duo took on the Plaid persona full time.

"There was a certain kind of liberation when we left the other band," said Turner. With that freedom came the duo's first major tour, opening for none other than Icelandic songstress and electro pop's favorite pixie, Bjork. "We kind of got into it as a habit," he said. "It was sort of enjoyment, pleasure. We didn't have a strong idea of an identity."

Direction or no direction, Ed and Andy found a new path, which led to their signature sound. This mix of melodic, ambient techno isn't easy to come by. "We kind of write pretty much all the time," said Turner. "We're always coming into the studio to do some beats on a melody line."

Signed to Warp Records, with such prized labelmates as Autechre and Broadcast, Plaid released *Trainer* last year, a

compilation of rare finds that serves as a history lesson from the duo's early years.

"If anything we're constantly trying to make our music more minimal," said Turner. On Plaid's latest release, the eloquent *Double Figure*, Ed and Andy gave in — to some extent — layering melodies to fill out each stirring song. *Double Figure* shows a strength in and love for recording. *Of Porn Coconut Co*, Turner said. "We actually did a different mix of it two or three days before (the record was completed). There was no telling what the finished product might sound like. Plaid works best free-form, which sometimes means recording tracks like *Twin Home* in Andy's sister's bathroom. "We were working on pretty much over a year, off and on," he said of the song.

As Plaid prepares to head out with *Squarepusher* for 22 dates, Turner said they're bound to make one significant change to their music. Plaid will turn up the percussion. According to Turner, you see, "people want music they can dance to."

Get ready for *Squarepusher* and *Plaid*, 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. The show is open to all ages and tickets cost \$12. Call (248) 645-6666.

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STREET SCENE

Old 97s give a little heart



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

When I think of Rhett Miller, I think of two things — the image of a thin Southern guy playing and singing with such heart he looks as though he's fragile enough to fall apart and the way he described one of his songs as being the most "hopelessly romantic song" he'd ever written. To understand that Rhett Miller carries his heart-on-his-sleeve is to fall easily in love his alt-country Texas-bred foursome, the Old 97s.

Miller calls in from his New York home sounding more relaxed than I expected. It's just one week until the band sets out on tour, supporting Train and matchbox twenty. The event will be quite an adjustment for Old 97s. Miller on acoustic guitar and achy sweet vocals, Murray Hammond on bass and occasional vocals, Ken Bethea on guitar and Philp Peoples on drums. The group is used to headlining its own club tours.

"We'll work for 30 minutes and be done at 6 in the evening," said Miller. What the tour really means, though, is a chance to expose the band — who originated in 1993 — to a broader audience. The set list will likely contain hits from the band's past two records, the primarily pop driven *Fight Songs* (1999) and sentimental-twang of *Satellite Rides* (2001). Miller said the band won't have

much stage time to reach deeper into its bag of tricks, but he might pull out a crowd favorite like *Big Brown Eyes*. "The whole idea is to go out there and win new fans," he said.

Radio hasn't grasped the magic of Old 97s yet, but that doesn't seem to bother Miller. "It's a good thing, because we don't really need it. We have enough of a grass roots thing going." While matchbox twenty's current record, *Mad Season*, gets constant rotation, there is no competition. "I have a lot of respect for Rob (Thomas)," said Miller. "He's a good friend. Not many good songwriting bands have had big hits."

Perhaps the ultra catchy vibe of songs like *Jagged*, *Murder or a Heart Attack* and *King of The World* have escaped the ears of DJs, but late-night giants like Letterman and Leno repeatedly welcome the band with open arms. Old 97s performed its latest single, a divinely deviant love song titled *Designs on You*, July 18 on *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*. When Melissa Etheridge called in sick one day before the performance, the band jumped at the opportunity.

But encapsulating more than eight years of music into three television minutes remains a challenge. "It's very strange," said Miller. "So much of the live show is about momentum and the feeling of the crowd. That kind of stuff can't really happen. It's a little weird."

On *Satellite Rides*, Old 97s reunited with producer Wally Gagel who worked on the 1997

Elektra debut *Too Far To Care*. "Wally's great," touted Miller. "There was so much pre production we didn't need someone to boss us around. We wanted to capture all the work we had done."

The process brought all four band members back to their roots in Austin, Texas. Miller was born in the city, and each member of the band has lived there at one time. "It felt like home," he said.

The band converged at Willie Nelson's studio to refine 13 tracks so deliciously driven by a winning dichotomy of heartbreaking lyrics and high-spirited music, it might be Old 97s best effort yet.

One of the most engaging songs, *Rollerskate Skinny*, was inspired by JD Salinger's classic novel *Catcher In The Rye*. "Holden Caulfield's sister Phoebe is described as not skinny, but Rollerskate skinny," explained Miller. "That song is sort of a Hollywood song. I hung out with Winona Ryder a lot. She was just coming out of a two-year relationship, and I was as well. It was sort of this disconnected, Hollywood thing."

On *Buck City Complex*, Miller abandons Hollywood starlets for the smoke and steel of Flint's auto industry. "We were staying in Flint, Michigan playing with Semisonic, the day they closed the doors at the Buick City complex. We were there doing the tour the day it became a ghost town. I just imagined what these people were gonna do."

While Hammond has lent a hand to songwriting, Miller takes



Take a ride: Old 97s will open for Train and matchbox twenty on Friday evening at the DTE Energy Music Theatre in Independence Township.

the reigns on most Old 97s' material. He often finds its best to write late at night and in the dark. "It used to be a lot more insane. I used to need to write every day. These days I'm a little more focused."

More focused and more involved, Miller is setting his sights in multiple musical directions these days. When he's not crooning with Old 97s, he is performing solo gigs at clubs in Los Angeles and New York, working on a project with famed producer Jon Brion (Aimee Mann, Fiona Apple) and playing with fellow "Ranchero Brother" Murray Hammond. "Murray and I recorded the entire record," said Miller with renewed enthusiasm. "I think that version is trapped on tape. We should have it ready by the end of this year." The record is likely to be called *The Ranchero Brothers*.

"It is really beautiful," added Miller. "Every other song is Murray and I share the load. My

songs are more folk songs more traditional American songs. His songs are these beautiful psychedelic explosions. It doesn't sound like it, but it's so good."

For now, though, the band that got its name from a Johnny Cash song blazes on to bigger stages. "The big thing is just touring this record," said Miller, "working for the Man."

See matchbox twenty with guests Train and Old 97s, 7 p.m. Friday, Aug 10, DTE Energy Music Theatre, Independence Township. Call (248) 645-6666.

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EATING OUT

New chef drops anchor at Flying Fish Tavern

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

No reason to lament "Am't nothin' bitin' today" with the new menu and infusion of a new chef's energy at the popular Flying Fish Tavern in Beverly Hills

If you're ready to kick back in a casual fish-funky atmosphere, you might want to drop anchor at Flying Fish and give the new menu prepared by new executive chef Chili Rees a try

Rees came to Flying Fish from No VI Chophouse in Novi where he was head toque since November of 1998. He has chucked meat for the new fish challenge.

"It's a faster-paced kitchen," he said. "With a tavern-style menu, I can more easily go through seasonal mood changes. The atmosphere is lively and upbeat and food choices are not intimidating."

Rees, who has loved fishing and hunting since childhood, said he likes fish "because it's brain food." He appreciates the flavors and textures of different types of fish and enjoys the challenge of butchering fresh catches in his daily deliveries.

Rees also has a fondness for southern cooking, so watch for these now-subtle touches to grow louder.

New tastes

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If you're tired of cookie cutter fried calamari, give these tender "fingers" a try. They're golden flash-fried then topped with diced ripe tomatoes, garlic, arugula, sliced black olives and served with lemon-pepper aioli.

New age twists on sandwiches include a P.L.T. (Portabella, Lettuce and Tomato) on grilled sour

dough, Perch Po-Boy, sauteed lake perch with lettuce, tomato and onion, and a Chicken Caesar Wrap with garlicky Caesar dressing, parmesan cheese, Romaine lettuce and red onion all neatly packed in a lavash.

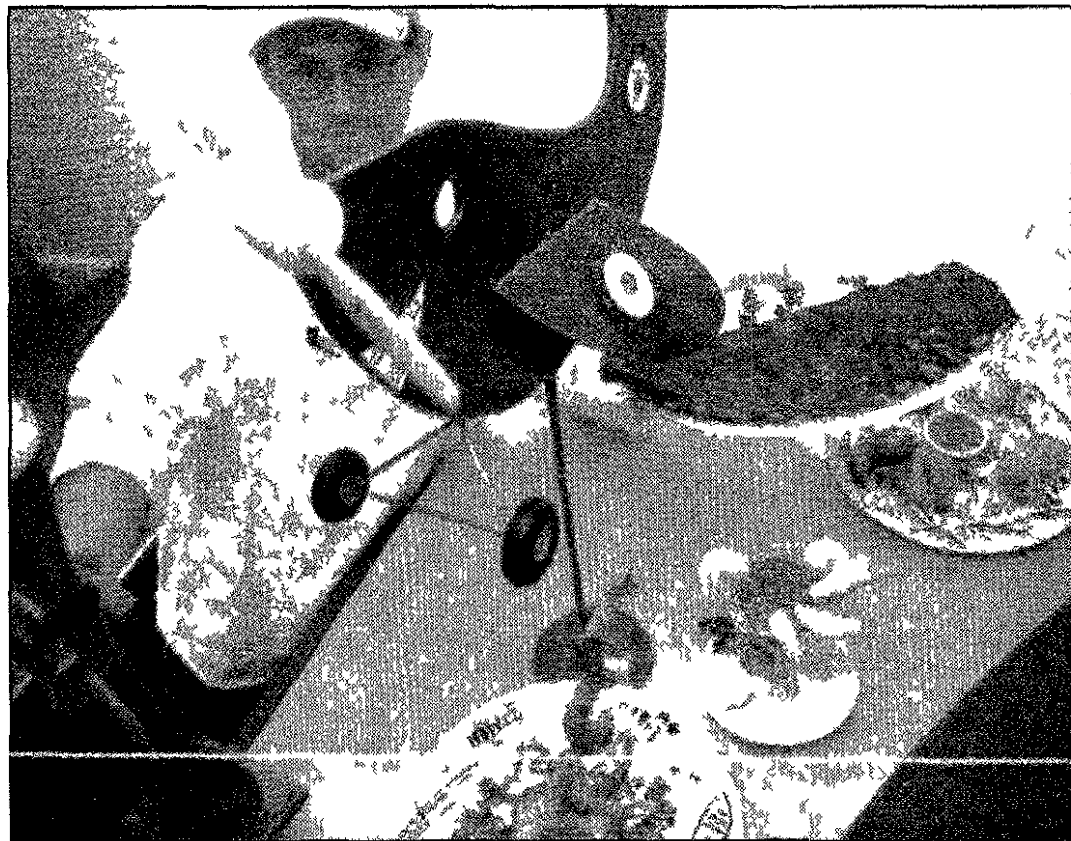
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Standards and more

No restaurant changes a menu and eliminates popular items. Standard favorites remain with the addition of two innovative pastas: Wild Mushroom Ravioli with Sherry leek cream sauce and Smoked Salmon Ravioli with roasted garlic chive beurre blanc.

Although weekly seafood specials abound, Lake Superior Whitefish, the standard on any Michigan seafood menu, can still be ordered three ways: beer battered with fries and cole slaw, garlic crusted with redskin potatoes and vegetables, or broiled with redskin potatoes and vegetables.

Hearty eaters can choose from the Big Plates. There you'll find the likes of Steak or Chicken Fajitas, tavern favorite Matt's Baby Back Ribs (as in Matt Prentice, proprietor) served with



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A lot on his plate: Chef Chili Rees displays a half-yard-glass of beer, Matt's Baby Back Ribs, tempura fried shrimp, shrimp cocktail, and Thai shrimp.

ranch beans and cole slaw, or Shrimp Crab Cakes, a blend of back fin crab and rock shrimp with corn sauce, mashed potatoes and vegetable of the day. New in this category is Chicken Parmesan, a sauteed chicken breast topped with marinara, mozzarella and parmesan cheeses served with garlic herb linguini.

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For sweet endings try a fish

house favorite Key Lime Pie from the dessert menu.

Chef Chili's wish is that you "leave wanting to come back the next day to eat at Flying Fish again."

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Fresh, new look: Bill and Joan Berry stand in the newly remodeled kitchen of their Livonia home. The kitchen contains new cabinets, countertop and sink, flooring, wallpaper border and tile



By the bay: A new bay window adds space for meals and company

After 35 years, kitchen and bath are sporting brand new looks

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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The eating space in Bill and Joan Berry's Livonia kitchen used to be very cramped. When someone would sit there and move the chair back the leg used to fall into the vent,' Bill said pointing to a spot in the newly renovated kitchen.

Posts inside a kitchen cabinet blocked access to bowls and dishes. One wall settled and cracked, and the window behind the kitchen table was difficult to open. After 35 years in the same house, the couple wanted to remodel the kitchen, powder room (half bathroom) and foyer.

"We came to the conclusion that it was not a weekend project," said Bill.

Starting small

The Berrys didn't know what they really wanted "until we got into it," said Bill.

He replaced the old kitchen window with an argon-insulated glass bay window to add more room to the eating area. Bill gutted the kitchen after he and his wife decided to hire a contractor to install new solid maple cabinets, oak flooring and a countertop with an integrated sink.

Contractors also installed a pantry with seven rollout shelves, and a telephone desk.

Bill installed molding to match the new cabinets and flooring. He relocated a heat duct, and finished it to match the floor. A railing between the kitchen and family room was rebuilt, and stained to match woodwork in the family room.

"The layout wasn't changed too much," Bill said about the kitchen. But there's more eating room, and it's more colorful.

At first you'll notice the wallpaper border of fruits in bowls along the ceiling. Most of the cabinet drawers, and the pantry drawers, can be rolled out for convenience. The pantry is double the size of

the old one. "Now you don't have to unpack the pantry to get some thing," Joan said.

"Everything is on a pullout shelf," Bill added. "No one has to get on their knees anymore."

Appliances replaced

Some of their appliances are new, such as the KitchenAid oven and cooktop, dishwasher and garbage disposal. A 15-year-old microwave was installed below the range. The Berrys also kept their old refrigerator.

They purchased new kitchen chairs, window treatments and an oak step stool that matches the floor. Their wish list includes a rug to place underneath the kitchen table.

More changes

The bathroom features similar renovations. There's a new countertop with an integrated sink. The floor is also oak, and features a herringbone pattern. The solid maple cabinet with rollout drawers matches the kitchen cabinets.

Bill Berry installed a new medicine cabinet with beveled

mirror, and antique brass hardware. He added crown and floor moldings to match those in the kitchen.

The new red wallpaper he hung in the bathroom has a matching border. Berry also painted the ceiling and replaced the light fixture. Window treatments add privacy. Completing the look is a custom designed rug with a flower that matches the color of the bathroom. The Berrys added an Oriental rug to the foyer. They plan to replace the old light fixtures and wallpaper. An iron railing will be replaced with wood.

The remodeling, a work in progress in the foyer, has continued for the past two years.

Advice

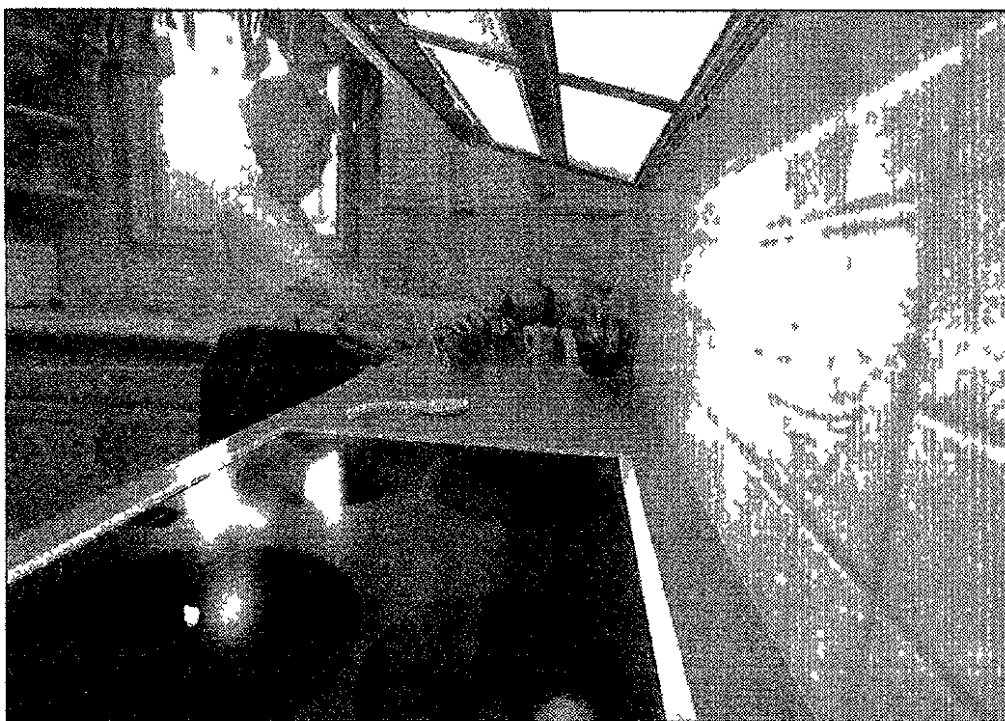
Having completed a major renovation project, the Berrys recommend that you do your research, and get to know local contractors.

"Try to know who you're dealing with," Berry said. "What I would do is find out where (the contractor) did a job."

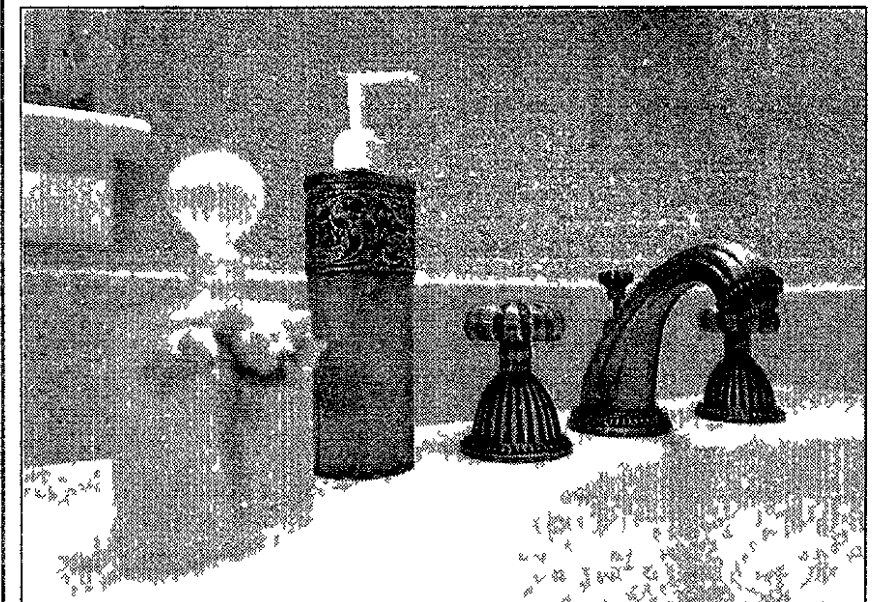
Then, check it out.



Dazzling: This oak floor brightens the kitchen as it reflects the sunlight streaming in from the new bay window.



A comfortable kitchen: Joan Berry enjoys the conveniences of her new kitchen including the new cooktop, expanded counter space, new backsplash tiles and oven.



Beautiful bathroom: An integrated sink and new faucet adds to the elegance of the Berrys' powder room, a half-bathroom located near the foyer and front of their house.

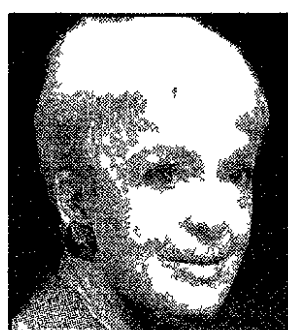


JOE GAGNON

Electrically certified

The Appliance Doctor wonders whether appliance service technicians should be certified as electricians.

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MARTY FIGLEY

Planting strategy

Establish new roots of your favorite plants when you decide to relocate.

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HOMETOWN LIFE:

Learning:

The Hernandez family of Westland plays at Livonia's Store of Dreams.

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HOME WORK

Lead remnants may remain in old homes

ASK DAD



HARRY JACHYM

I've spent this summer unexpectedly as the general contractor for Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County. The group is building three houses in Inkster. Even though it has taken up much of my summer, the work helps keep me professionally current and I get a chance to meet and work with some very neat people.

While we were excavating for water taps, we found an old stop box, probably from a previous home on the lot (A stop box is the underground valve that used to control the flow of water between the water main and the house).

Remnants of lead pipe that actually once transported water into the house were attached to this stop box. Volunteers discussed that find throughout the day, and it got me to thinking about a column on the subject.

Lead once used

It's well known that lead in a person's system, especially children, can cause serious health problems. It's now believed that

Homeowners can test for lead-based paint and glazes with a home test kit, usually available where paint is sold.

sources such as dust, soil, drinking water and some ceramic glazes are more likely potential lead sources than paint chips.

Homeowners can test for lead-based paint and glazes with a home test kit, usually available where paint is sold. As with most home test kits, positive results are usually more accurate than negative results. Even if you get a negative result, you should consider using a professional laboratory. Testing water is difficult and should be done by a lab.

The find at the Habitat site indicates there are likely still homes in our area with lead water supply pipes. Even in houses with copper plumbing, lead-based solder was used until a mid-1980s ban.

Lead in water is likely from solder joints or supply lines. If you feel there may be lead in your water from these sources, get it tested. In the meantime, cook and drink only with cold water and let the tap run for 30 seconds or more before using it. Lead paint problems are usu-

ally best handled with interim management measures listed below by the do-it-yourselfer, then handled by a professional when a renovation is done. It's important to remember that this "in-place" management is not a one-time, permanent solution.

Resolve the problem

If you have lead-based paint, peeling paint needs to be removed and the chips disposed of properly, but sanding will cause lead-contaminated dust. If necessary, wet sand on sandpaper designed to be used with water. Wash these areas with automatic dishwasher detergent (more environmentally friendly than high phosphate detergents). Also wash where doors rub against a jamb and windows slide (these points can create lead-containing dust). Change the wash water often and rinse thoroughly.

Cover with two coats of high-quality paint that will withstand frequent washings with dishwasher detergent.

Monitor these areas often looking for recurrences of paint dust. A federal law requires anyone doing remodeling or renovations for profit on homes built before 1978 must distribute a pamphlet from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA747-K-99-001) to his customer before work begins. This pamphlet has a wealth of information about lead. It is available where paint is sold or online (PDF format) at www.epa.gov/lead.

Harry Jachym, a licensed builder, lives in Plymouth and teaches building trades to high school students.

Should technicians be electricians, too?

APPLIANCE DOCTOR



JOE GAGNON

I recently read this item in the *Appliance Service News* in Chicago. "Washington State may bend a bit in its plan to certify firms and technicians."

The Washington State Department of Labor and Industries now requires appliance service technicians to be certified as residential maintenance specialty electricians. "Consumer safety is the real issue here," said Doug Erickson, a technical specialist with the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries, in the *Appliance Service News*.

"When we look inside a refrigerator or other household appliance, we see plenty of electrical wiring. This makes the appliance an extension of a home's electrical system, and thus subject to state regulations that assure that when such wiring is serviced, the host product remains safe to use," Erickson told ASN.

Erickson added that "95 percent of appliance repair work is electrical," involving the replacement of switches, wiring and heating elements, which justifies the need for certifying technicians as residential electricians.

Under the new mandate, all technicians must apply for the certification exam before Dec 31. Each service firm in Washington State also must apply to be licensed as an electrical contractor, and one supervisor in each firm must be licensed as a residential maintenance administrator. Published reports indicate General Electric, Whirlpool and Sears Home Central lodged complaints about the certification program on behalf of their in-state service operations.

No testing in Michigan

In Michigan, appliance repair technicians are not required by the state to take any test. There is nothing a person has to do to be certified in this state and by the time anything is developed, we will own the British Isles and Ontario will be part of the Upper Peninsula. No wonder that certain big names in the service industry are fighting this proposal and mandate in Washington State.

I doubt that half of the technicians will ever be able to pass the test. I know of service technicians in this state who would have a nervous breakdown if they tried to work on a microwave oven.

Now let's look at the other side of the coin and I think that it's about time we did something to increase the knowledge of an appliance service technician. If that person qualified as an electrician, wouldn't that be an advantage to anyone receiving appliance service? When a problem develops and it is thought to have something to do with an electrical breaker or

fuses, what do you think the technician says to the consumer? "Call an electrician."

Here in our fair state, the appliance repair industry answers to no one. All other industries are governed by some sort of body in Lansing that assures licensing and regulation of some sort. There is currently not one governing body at our state Capitol to ensure that appliance repair technicians are competent or in the least, honest. The damage done to the industry's image - and to unsuspecting homeowners who've been ripped off - is a crying shame.

Even though I would like to see some method of control directed at the industry, I think that mandating that I become an electrician is a bit much. Knowing how to wire a burner on a stove or change a timer on a washer is a lot different than replacing the circuit breaker box in a house.

My viewpoint is mixed only because I have seen some of the biggest dummies making a living who do not know what they should. Homeowners should not attempt some of these repairs because they aren't safe. The very competent business owners in my industry would welcome some sort of qualification requirements applied to the appliance repair industry. Can the state of Michigan realize such a need for this kind of dialogue among our legislators?

Joe Gagnon can be heard Saturday and Sunday on 760 WJR.

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GARDENING

Plants can set down new roots

GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

Yes, you can take them with you! Plants from your garden, I mean.

You've decided to sell your house, or a business change makes it imperative to move. You may wonder

if there is any possible way to take some of your cherished garden plants with you. The answer is a resounding yes, but there are some things you will need to consider before you begin to dig.

I checked with Cranbrook Realtors and was told, "Anything you want in a contract is fine. It is advisable to give a time when you will remove the plants." My advice is to stick to the agreement so there are no recriminations when and if you come back to get some plants.

Perhaps the plants you have so lovingly cared for in the garden have become a part of your life. Maybe some were given to you by a special friend or planted to commemorate a special occasion. How can you leave them to be ignored or replaced by the new owners?

Considerations

One of the first things is to plan exactly which plants you want to move, and find out how best they can be packaged and exactly when the digging and packing will be done.

Some of the choices will be hard, but if you have the time and the will, they can be transported with a bit of effort but well worth the "trouble" it may take.

A couple of things to consider is how to protect the plants while in transit. Extremes in temperatures and moisture need to be taken into account, and

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how far they will have to travel. Make a list of those plants you wish to move and decide how difficult and time-consuming the job of preparing them for a move may take.

Some movers will take plants, others may not. They can give a cost estimate. Check also with the post office, parcel post shippers, United Parcel Service and the airlines. Make sure the plants will be held in a proper manner if they arrive at their destination before you do. If you take them in the car, secure the box well to avoid an upset.

Another thing to think about is whether the plants will survive in the climate of the new home. And the larger the shrub, the more difficult it will be for it to adjust.

If you are moving out of state, you can check with the County Extension Agent (Oakland, (248)848-0902, Wayne, (313)833-3412) about any restrictions concerning the transport of plants.

Perennials are often easily divided and you may want to leave some of the plants for the new owners. A talk with them at the appropriate time will enable you to share your knowledge, and you can move away with the assurance that "your" plants will be cared for as you would have done.

Saving seeds from favorites is another alternative to taking some of your garden with you, and certainly won't take up much space! Bulbs, tubers, corms and rhizomes can be dug and stored for winter and will travel quite successfully if they are dug and prepared at the right time of year.

If you're moving in the winter, dig the perennials before the ground freezes and pot them up in plastic pots or place them in a box with the roots covered in wood chips or newspaper. They'll need to go into dormancy, so hold them at a temperature between 32 and 50 degrees Fahrenheit until moving day arrives. Don't let them freeze.

If you're not sure about dividing plants, taking cuttings and their aftercare, a good book on propagation will help. Ken Druse's *Making More Plants* and the American Horticultural Society's *Plant Propagation* are both good.

Packing

Here is the way to pack for the move.

Plants that may be sensitive to a move can be put in plastic pots. Water a couple of days before packing them. Ball up newspaper and lay it around each plant. Cover the soil with a piece of newspaper with a slit in it, or a paper plate, and tape it in place. A plastic bag will prevent a mess if it tips over.

Larger and dormant plants won't need to be potted. Just wrap them in newspaper or pack dry paper towels, vermiculite or perlite around each one. Roll several sheets of newspaper around them and seal both ends with tape. Flatten the wrap at the bottom so they will set securely in the box. Thorny ones will need extra protection.

Line a large corrugated cardboard box with newspaper and add wadded up pieces of paper to tuck them all in. Little plants such as thyme or sedums can be tucked into spaces toward the top. Houseplants need extra padding, but you can do it!

Happy gardening in your new home!

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

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1. Sunflower measurement must be taken from soil level to the base of the head where the stem attaches to the flower.
2. Seed head measurement must be taken diagonally across the seed head (not including the rays of the flower).
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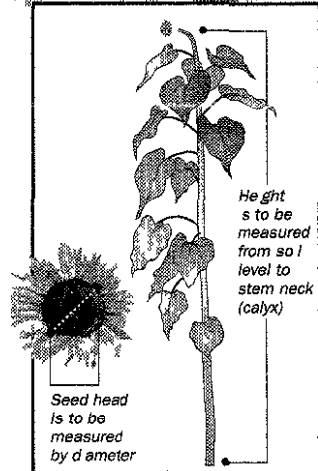
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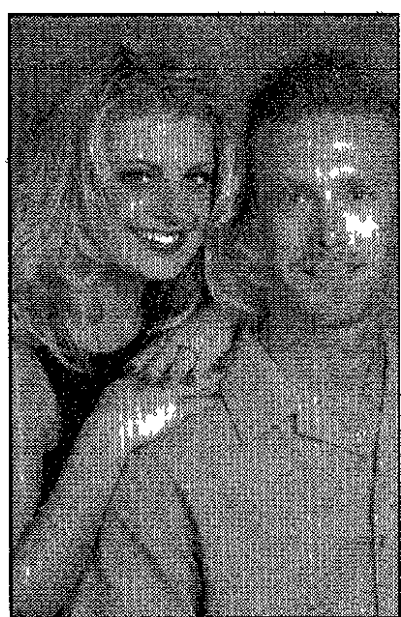
Aston-Attard

Dr and Mrs Roy Aston of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Victoria Boadicea, to Derek Michael Attard of Westland

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of John Glenn High School and works at the law office of David Perry in Livonia

Her fiance, son of Mr and Mrs Michael Attard of West Bloomfield Township, is a 1985 graduate of Thurston High School and works for Ford Motor Company as a vehicle build coordinator in the research and vehicle technology department

A September wedding is planned at St John's Episcopal Church of Westland



Hoy-Schlueter

Tim Hoy of Northville and Jody Seal of Redford Township announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Marie Hoy, to Colin Brian Schlueter

The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1998 graduate of Western Michigan University, where she earned a degree in communications and journalism. She works in print and media promotions at Valassis in Livonia

Her fiancé, son of Brian and Claudia Schlueter of Livonia, attended Livonia Stevenson High School and is 1994 graduate of Bentley. He works as an automotive tool and die specialist at Magna International in Brighton, where he earned his



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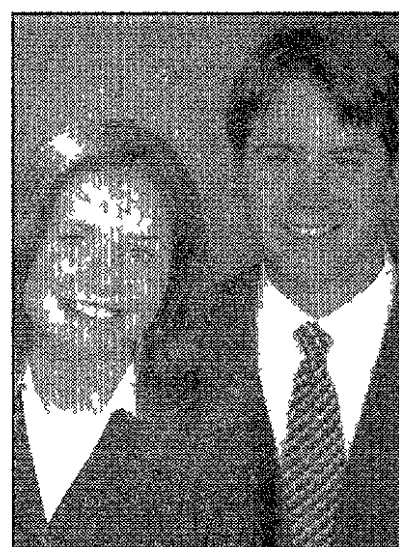
A September wedding is planned at St Valentine Catholic Church in Redford Township

Florence-Johnson

Dennis and Lori Florence of Rochester Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Marcia, to Christopher Johnson of Plymouth

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Huron High School and Western University. She earned her master's degree in psychology from University of Detroit Mercy and works as a clinical therapist at Spectrum Rehabilitation Centers in Southfield

Her fiance, son of Keith and Lorrie Johnson of Plymouth, is a 1990 graduate of Catholic Central High School and a 1994 Indiana University graduate. He earned his master's degree in clinical psychology at University of Detroit-Mercy and is a clinical therapist at the Wayne County



Juvenile Detention Facility

A September wedding is planned at St Mary Student Parish in Ann Arbor

Johnson-Zevalkink

Marlene Gowin of Clearwater, Fla announces the engagement of her daughter, Jame Michelle Johnson, to Chad Michael Zevalkink

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Grand Haven High School and works for Leprino Foods Company as a receptionist

Her fiance, son of Michael Zevalkink of Farmington Hills and Deborah Zevalkink of Canton, is a 1992 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, a 1997 graduate of Grand Valley State University and works for Leprino Foods Company as a controller

A September wedding is planned in Grand Haven



Carter-Michell

Tim and Robin Dean of Taylor announce the engagement of their daughter Amanda to James Michell, son of Rick and Denise Michell of Farmington Hills, former 30-year Redford residents

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Harry S Truman High School in Taylor and is currently employed in child day care

Her fiance is a graduate of Harrison High School and is attending Oakland Community College. He is working toward a degree in engineering and is currently employed at Merchant of Vino as a front end assistant manager

A September wedding is planned at Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church



Klinger-Zathey

Gary and Gloria Klinger of South Lyon are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Colleen Renee to Michael Jason Zathey of Livonia

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of South Lyon High School. She graduated from Madonna University in July 2000 with a bachelor's degree in social science. She is currently employed as a paralegal for Ford Motor Company

Her fiancé, son of George and Nancy Zathey of Livonia, is a 1991 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. He graduated from Schoolcraft College with a degree in applied science and attended Eastern Michigan University. He is working for the United States Postal Service in Livonia

A September wedding is



planned at St Edith's Catholic Church in Livonia

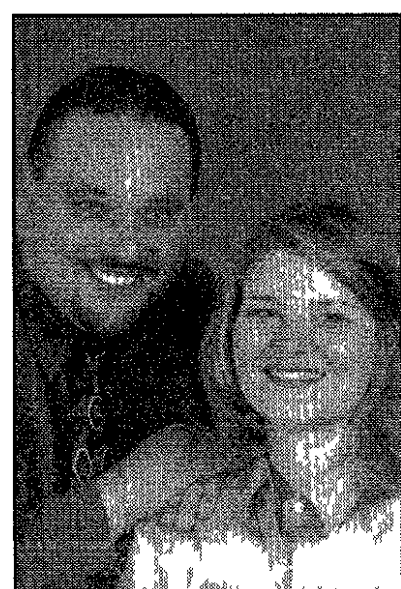
Pfenninger-Maura

Dr John and Kay Pfenninger of Midland announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacey Lynn, to Romolo Maura Jr of Westland

The bride-to-be attended Adrian College for two years and earned a bachelor's degree in English from Eastern Michigan University. She received her master's degree in business administration from Eastern Michigan University in 2000 and is employed as a sales representative and market analyst at ZF Industries in Northville

Her fiance, son of Romolo and Maria Maura of Canton, earned his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Michigan State University and is pursuing a master's degree in engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

A September wedding is



planned at St Thomas a' Becket Catholic Church in Canton. The couple will receive guests at Roma Banquet Hall in Garden City and honeymoon in Maui, Hawaii

Wahl-LaFever

David and Judith Wahl of Southfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Heidi Gail, to Jonathan Neal LaFever of Canton

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Mercy High School and Alma College. She works as an auditor at Ernst & Young LLP

Her fiancé, son of Dennis and Deborah LaFever of Canton is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and Eastern Michigan University. He is a youth development specialist for Canton Township

A September wedding is planned at Grace Lutheran Church in Redford Township



Vogel-Neil

Wayne and Michelle Vogel of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter Lauren Marie, to James William Neil of Canton

The bride-to-be is a recent college graduate and works for Mortgage Concepts Inc

Her fiance, son of David and Janet Neil of Canton is a University of Michigan graduate who works for EDS

An April 2002 wedding is being planned at Calvary Baptist Church



NEW ARRIVALS

■ **Randall and Shelley Loy** of Brighton announce the birth of their son, **Brandon Randall** born March 7 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City Grand-

parents are James and Eleanor Wisneski of Dearborn Heights and William and Rosemary Loy of Ann Arbor

■ **Lawrence Bodziony Jr.** and **Angela McClester** of Dearborn Heights announce the birth of **Riley Jade** born June 29 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Riley joins siblings Kerri, 10, Rebecca 10, Travis, 8, Jacob, 8, Brittany 7 and Shayla, 2. Grandparents are Mary Ann Bodziony of Westland and Edwin McClester of Taylor

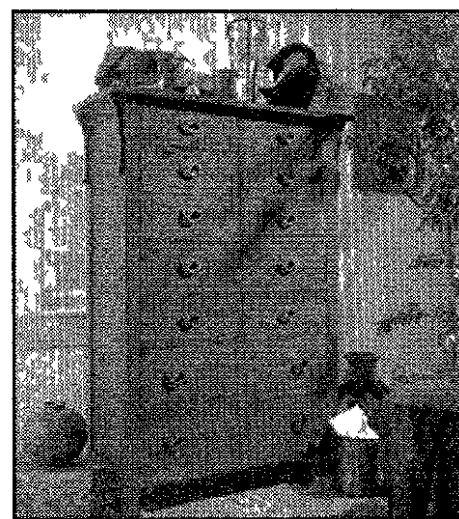
■ **Tom and Jennifer D'Angelo** of Plymouth announce the birth of their son, **Dominic Robert** born May 16 at University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Bob and Linda D'Angelo of Plymouth Dale and Darcy Moody of Clinton Township. Rod and Paula Perkins of North Bend, Washington. Great-grandparents are Velda Hahn of Dearborn, Connie Allen of Rochester Hills, Roy and Flora Perkins of Northville

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Theresa George

Investing in kids' futures will pay off

These days it seems there has been a lot of attention focused on kids and their wrongdoings. While these unfortunate things do exist in our society, we should realize that by investing in youth and their accomplishments, the returns are priceless and the benefits are received by all.

Today's youth are tomorrow's leaders.

One example of corporations making such an investment in the mentorship and personal growth of young people is the partnership between Credit Union ONE (with locations in Farmington Hills, Troy and Rochester,) the United Way and the Detroit Youth Sports and Recreation Commission in sponsoring the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute's Detroit High School Summer Research Apprenticeship Program.

Science mentors

During this eight-week paid apprenticeship, 10 minority students from Detroit area high schools are assigned a laboratory and a mentor according to their individual scientific interests. Some of the areas of study include molecular biology, immunology and epidemiology. Once they are acclimated to lab safety, scientific procedures and the research at hand, the students become an integral part of their mentors' work.

The success of this program and its alumni really demonstrates that if we just invest some time and caring into youth, they can achieve incredible things.

Each student chooses a specific research topic that will be pursued throughout the program.

In addition to their lab work, the students participate in a weekly cancer-related lecture series and

learn about the practical application of research within an academic professional environment. They also learn to organize their lab research into presentation formats. At the conclusion of the program, each student will present his or her findings during a 10-minute slide presentation at Research Day Aug. 16 at the Meyer L. Prentis Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Since 1999, Credit Union ONE's and the other sponsors' commitment to this program has provided minority students with a hands-on opportunity to work within a professional research setting, exposing them to medicine and science in a way not often possible at their schools. In addition, the program instills in them a confidence that they can succeed.

Once students have completed the program, they are encouraged to maintain on-going relationships with their mentors. These mentors not only assist the students in putting together research topics for science fairs, but also are an excellent source of advice for their college and career decisions. The majority of the students who have participated in the program have pursued pre-med or science related curriculum, resulting in careers in medicine, research and engineering.

Kids achieve

The success of this program and its alumni really demonstrates that if we just invest some time and caring into youth they can achieve incredible things. As musician George Benson said, "Children are our future, teach them well and let them lead the way!"

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Mall makes dreams come true

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At least one store at Livonia's Laurel Park Place Mall is giving stuff away from now until the new year. It sounds like a dream come true, and that's just how the mall planned it.

Laurel Park Place is one of three area shopping centers participating in a program to benefit underprivileged families and increase public awareness of animal rights and education. A "Store of Dreams" is open in Laurel Park Place, Macomb Mall and Pointe Plaza through Dec. 31. The store features one non-profit organization each month, giving shoppers a chance to reach out in their own communities.

All three malls are owned by Schostak Brothers & Company, a Southfield-based commercial real estate company. The company's vice president of marketing, Cindy Ciura, came up with the store's concept. "Thousands of people come in and out the doors every day," she said. "We were looking to do some community service."

Alyssa Duvall, marketing director for Schostak Brothers at the Livonia mall, is excited to work with the five nonprofit organizations that will fill the space for the next few months. "This is an opportunity to reach out within the community, to reach shoppers around here," she said. "We thought it would be the perfect venue." She sees the Store of Dreams as a convenient way to share information.

Ciura said "it wasn't easy" but the company was able to secure each nonprofit organization they approached for the endeavor. And if the soft opening at Laurel Park Place was any indication, she believes the Store of Dreams is already a success. "The entire week end, they were packed," she said.

August = Education

The program begins this month with a site devoted to Michigan Department of Education and Wayne County's Regional Education Service Agency (RESA). Free reading kits for children and Clifford books are available. This month, the store is an interactive, educational play area for parents and their kids.

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Dreamland: (Top) Maggie Henrikson, 2, of Farmington Hills does a puzzles with aunt Helen Hammond at the Store of Dreams in Livonia. Benjamin Lesko, 21 months, (bottom) gets computer help from his mother Mary Lesko of Livonia.

Livonia-based Web site praises police work

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Laura Garrett holds a special place in her heart for police officers. The Livonia resident is able to do what some people don't — look past the badge and find an honorable person willing to risk his or her life for others.

While Garrett doesn't work in law enforcement, she's dedicated to giving police officers — in her community and beyond — the praise and recognition they deserve. That's why she created a Web site forum last May called I Love Cops.

Garrett's compassion for police officers began 17 years ago. After having lost her best friend in an alcohol-related car accident, she met a police deputy trying to start a chapter of Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) at her Ypsilanti high school. "Out of the hundreds of students that attended that meeting, I was the only one who went to him and said I would like to start this program," she said.

Years later, Garrett tried to contact the officer that had made such an impact on her life. "My father told me that he had been killed in the line of duty," she wrote in an e-mail. "That broke my heart. I never got the chance to thank him."

The World Wide Web has given her a chance to do so. I Love Cops gives law enforcement officers a cyber pat-on-the-back from citizens — and a place for cops to reveal the humanity behind the uniform. Garrett has but one rule: "show respect for what the badge means."

"The only thing I hope that is gained by this forum is that officers know there is a specific place where they can go and be appreciated, and a place where they can go and unwind after a



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Reaching out: Livonia resident Laura Garrett started her Web forum, I Love Cops, to pay tribute to those in law enforcement. More than 1,500 people are now members.

hard day," said Garrett.

She typically works four hours a day on the site. On weekends, she might spend up to eight hours answering e-mails, checking messages to be sure they are appropriate for the public to view and chatting with fellow forum members. She stresses this is not a singles meeting place, but a friendly forum dedicated to police officers who deserve recognition.

"I Love Cops is a very relaxed atmosphere," she said. "When a new member arrives, the moderators and myself all say hello to them. We make sure they feel comfortable and try to include them in the conversation if they hap-

pen to be a little shy. The Internet to many people, is a safe place to meet people and talk."

She's also made a lot of friends through this endeavor.

John H. Opheim of Burt, Iowa, is one of 1,500 members of I Love Cops and has been since its start. He was invited by Garrett to join and has found the Web site to be a useful outlet.

"I feel the chat room is an important tool to allow active officers a place where they can let their (guard) down, cut up, act like a fool if they want and just be themselves instead of having to be as strictly professional as they are on the streets," he wrote in an e-mail

interview.

Though Opheim is now retired, his work in law enforcement spanned several states. He was a reserve deputy sheriff in San Diego, a deputy sheriff in North Dakota and Iowa, and became a corrections officer in Kansas.

"The only personal gains are the host of new cyber friends I have found from my association with the forum," said Opheim. "I would recommend it to anyone who has any good feelings for people in law enforcement. If it were possible I would get back into it, but age has a habit of closing many doors to people in their twilight years."

I Love Cops keeps Opheim, and others with an interest in the field connected to law enforcement. For that, he is grateful to Garrett.

"I haven't known Laura for very long but in the time I have known her I know she is a very dedicated forum owner and will do almost anything for a friend," he said.

Bonnie Dahlin, formerly a Michigan resident who now lives in Texas, shares a special connection to the law enforcement community. Her son is an officer with the city of Detroit.

"I just happened on this forum and have been so enlightened with the great conversations and wonderful people," she said. "Cops are put down, demeaned and constantly criticized even when they risk their lives to protect us regular folks. We judge them all by one bad cop's transgressions and very rarely give them thanks or praise for being there in times of need."

Through the I Love Cops forum, Dahlin has witnessed another side to the life of law enforcement, a human side. "They have feelings, opinions, compassion and emotions and a truly entertaining sense of humor seldom

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ONGOING

HOSTS NEEDED
About 22 homes are still needed to host members/ spouses of the Holman Climax Male Voice Choir, which will perform Aug 21 at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church in Livonia. The 55 member choir hails from Cornwall, England. Concert organizers are hopeful that people of Cornish heritage who live in southeastern Michigan might be willing to put up some of the 105 member entourage for three nights Aug 19-22. Hosts will also be asked to provide transportation from their homes to the church. The choir is arriving in Detroit Aug 19 as part of a five-city tour. Contact Ken and Ruth Allen at (734) 427-6268 or e-mail Rallen746@aol.com

BIBLE STUDY
Merriman Road Baptist Church (2056 Merriman Road) in Garden City started a Wednesday evening Bible Study on "The Greatness of God." This is a study of the revealed character and nature of God. 7 p.m.

MOM'S MORNING OUT
Thursday mornings - year round, the Mom's Morning Out group meets from 9-11 a.m. at Newburgh United Methodist Church (36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia). We have openings for all ages. We ask that you work once a month and help with our fund-raiser (Mom to Mom sale annually). Call (734) 422-0149.

TEMPORARILY RELOCATED
The Christian Science Reading Room and Book Store has temporarily moved from 445 S. Harvey to First Church of Christ, Scientist, 1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. It will be open daily Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1-4 p.m. The Reading Room and Book Store is for public use. We hope you will visit us there. Call (734) 734-0970.

UPCOMING

POLAR EXPEDITION
Warren Road Church (33445 Warren Road) Westland will host Vacation Bible School Aug 12-16 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Discover Jesus' love is cool during a Polar Expedition. Call (734) 458-7301 for details.

ST. MATTHEW VBS
Registration is being taken now through Aug 12 for Vacation Bible School at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church (W. Six Mile between Merriman and Middlebelt) in Livonia. This year's theme is "Way to Go!" Good Neighbors Tours. Get your passport and ride with us through lots of fun at VBS. Join us Aug 21-23 from 6:30-8 p.m. and on Aug 26 for a concluding celebration from 10-11 a.m. Call Sally Coughlin (248) 477-3777 or Anne Fairchild (734) 422-6038 or visit www.gbgn-umc/stmatthews.livonia

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Canton Christian Fellowship will be hosting Vacation Bible School 6-8 p.m. Aug 13-16 at CrossWinds Community Church at Ford and Canton Center. Ages 2 through adult are welcome. The theme is "Jesus to the Rescue." Activities include crafts, games, music and snacks. You may pre-register by calling (734) 414-0856. There is no cost.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church of Canton will host Vacation Bible School from 6-8 p.m. Aug 13-18. The theme is "The Mystery Mansion: Unlocking God's Truth." Activities include music, crafts, games, snacks and the exploration of five Bible stories. Registering children ages 3

through sixth grade. \$10 individual cost, \$20 for families. Call (734) 522-6830.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Join us for "Courageous Kids - Stepping Out for Jesus!" From 6:30-8:30 p.m. Aug 13 at Fair Haven Baptist Church (34850 Marquette) in Westland for those entering grades 1-6 this fall. Call (734) 728-4549.

VEGGIE TOWN VALUES
Livonia Church of Christ will host Vacation Bible School from 7-9 p.m. Aug 13-16 at 15431 Merriman Road. The theme is "Veggie Town Values for the Family." Children's classes are for preschool through sixth grade. The adult classes will be "Parenting by Heart," by Minister Larry Stephens. Call (734) 427-8743.

NATUROPATHIC SPEAKER
Dr. Mary Roby will speak at Unity of Livonia (28630 Five Mile) in Livonia at 7 p.m. Aug 15. He will lecture on holistic and spiritual healing. Call (734) 421-1760.

JIM LEE TO SPEAK
Rev. Jim Lee, senior minister at the Church of Today, will speak at Unity of Livonia at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Aug 19. Jim's wife Sheila Gautreaux will be the guest soloist. All are welcome.

JESUS FOR JESUS DIRECTOR
Calvary Baptist Church (43065 Joy Road) in Canton invites you to hear David Brckner, executive director of Jesus for Jesus,

speak at 11 a.m. Sunday, Aug 26. Brckner oversees the largest evangelistic outreach to the Jewish people in the world. Jesus for Jesus presents the message that Jesus is the Messiah to Jewish populations in large urban areas. Call (734) 455-0022.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH
Cornerstone Family Worship Center (36924 Ann Arbor Trail) in Livonia will host a community outreach 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Aug 26 with free musical entertainment, drama, hot dogs, chips, drinks and cookies.

CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP
The Mt. Hope Congregational Church (30330 Schoolcraft in Livonia between Middlebelt and Merriman) is proud to announce a "Creative Writing Workshop" to be offered free to all who would like to sharpen their writing skills and abilities at creative expression. The course will be taught by Justin Olivetti, a graduate of Grove City College in Pennsylvania. He has authored a book on personal finance and investment and numerous other articles. The classes will be informal and ongoing. They will meet at Mt. Hope Church on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, beginning on Aug 27 at 6:30 p.m. Participants should bring pen and paper and expect to receive short assignments. All aspects of creative writing will be addressed and there are no age restrictions nor any skill

level required. Call 425-7280 or visit mthope.com

KEYS OF THE KINGDOM
"Keys of the Kingdom" a woman-to-woman ministry for hurting women is having a conference for all women at Calvary Missionary Church (29850 W. Six Mile Road) in Livonia from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sept 10. Connie Shoemaker, a certified lay speaker for the United Methodist church for the past 11 years will be the keynote speaker. Lunch and a study guide will be provided for a \$10 fee (no checks). Call coordinator Louise Clarkson (313) 588-2412 or director Sandra Schou (734) 261-1176. For a brochure, while supplies last, visit Dickson Bible and Bookstore (Seven Mile west of Farmington) and Cokesbury Book Store of Livonia (Middlebelt between Five and Six Mile roads).

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other. The next weekends are scheduled Sept 21-23 at the St. John's Family Life Center (44011 Five Mile Road) in Plymouth. There is a \$50 registration fee. Call Bill and Carol (248) 528-2512, Dan and Debbie (810) 286-5524 or visit www.rcnet/detroit/wvme

WOMEN'S DAY LUNCHEON
The Detroit Church of Christ presents a women's day luncheon "What Women Really Want" from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct 6 at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Ann Arbor (State Street and I-94). Registration is \$20 per person. Makes checks payable to the Detroit Church of Christ. Call Kimberly Tate (734) 483-7026 or e-mail wlb@techemail.com

KAY ARTHUR
Please join Calvary Baptist Women's Ministries as they present "One Thing" with Kay Arthur - best selling author and co-founder of Precepts Ministries. "How in the World Can I be Holy" is a women's event Saturday, Oct 27 at Calvary Baptist Church (43065 Joy Road) in Canton. Doors open at 7:30 a.m. and includes praise and worship. Write the church for a registration form, call (734) 455-0022 or visit www.calvarybaptistcanton.org

RELIGION ON THE NET
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SALT MINE
Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) would like to invite all youth in grades seven through twelve to come on Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. for Salt Mine, a time of good music, games, live band, great fellowship and Bible study. Call (734) 421-0472.

WEIGH DOWN WORKSHOP
Weigh Down Workshop - Classes are Monday evenings 7-9 p.m. for 12 weeks at Geneva Presbyterian Church 5835 Sheldon Rd. Canton. Call Mary Kay (734) 459-9077.


TUTORING
Merriman Road Baptist Church (2055 Merriman Road, Garden City) offers free tutoring for children in grades first through sixth every Wednesday from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Tutoring is offered for math, reading, spelling or whatever classes are needed. Pre-enrollment is required. Call (734) 421-0472.

WEIGH DOWN WORKSHOP
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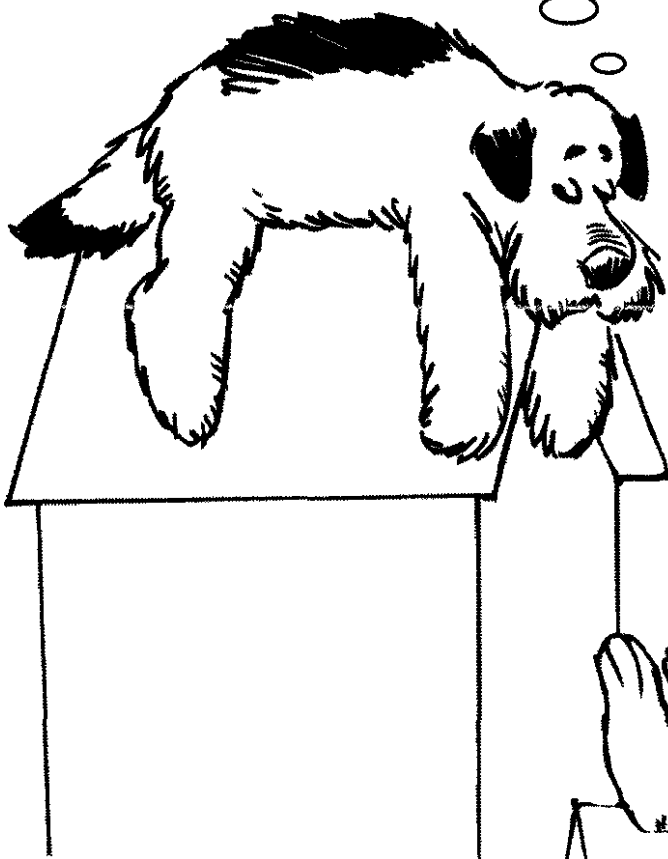
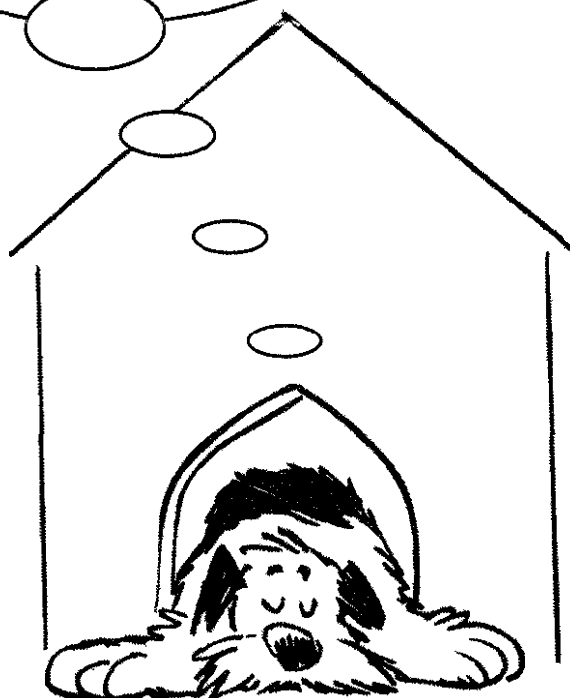
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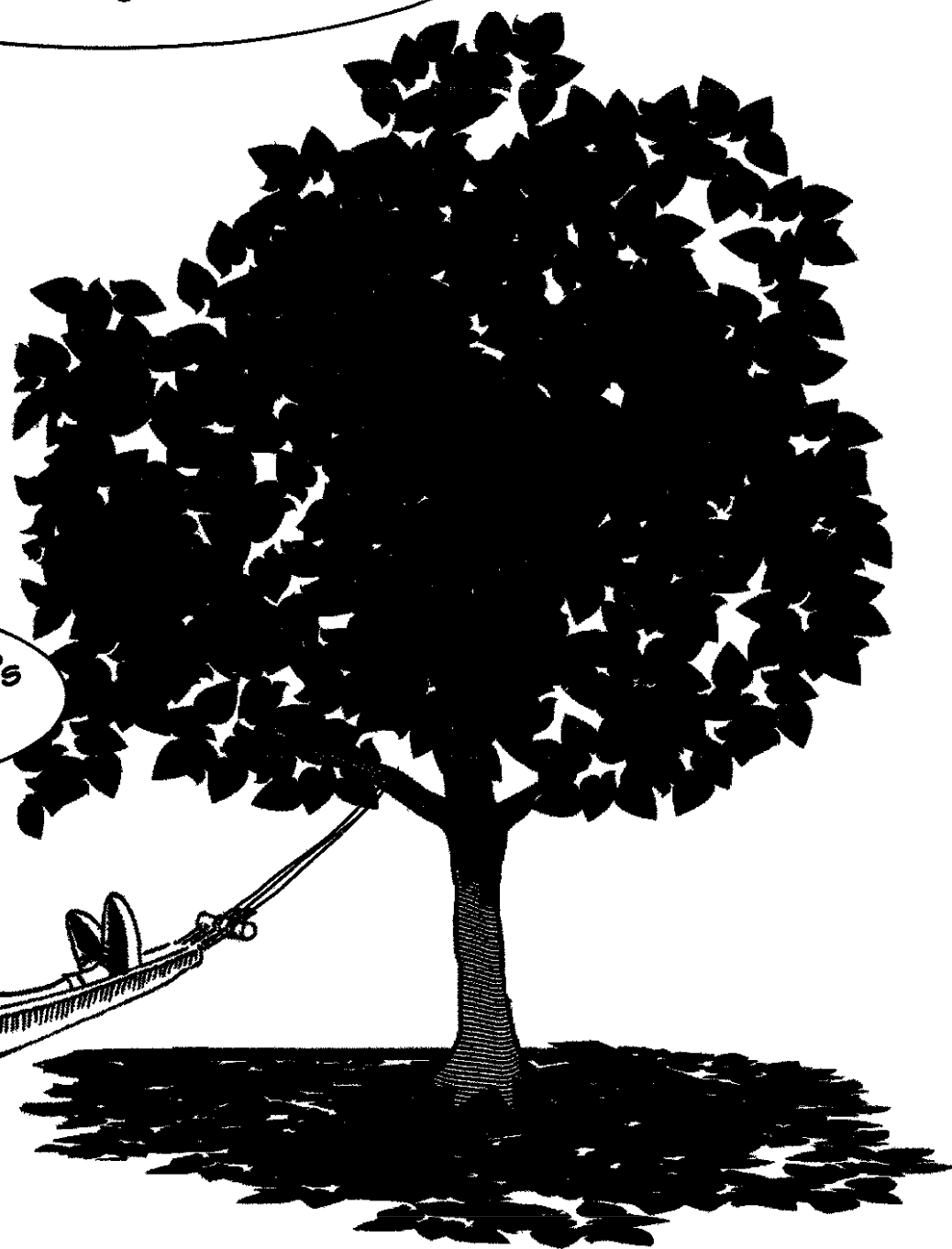
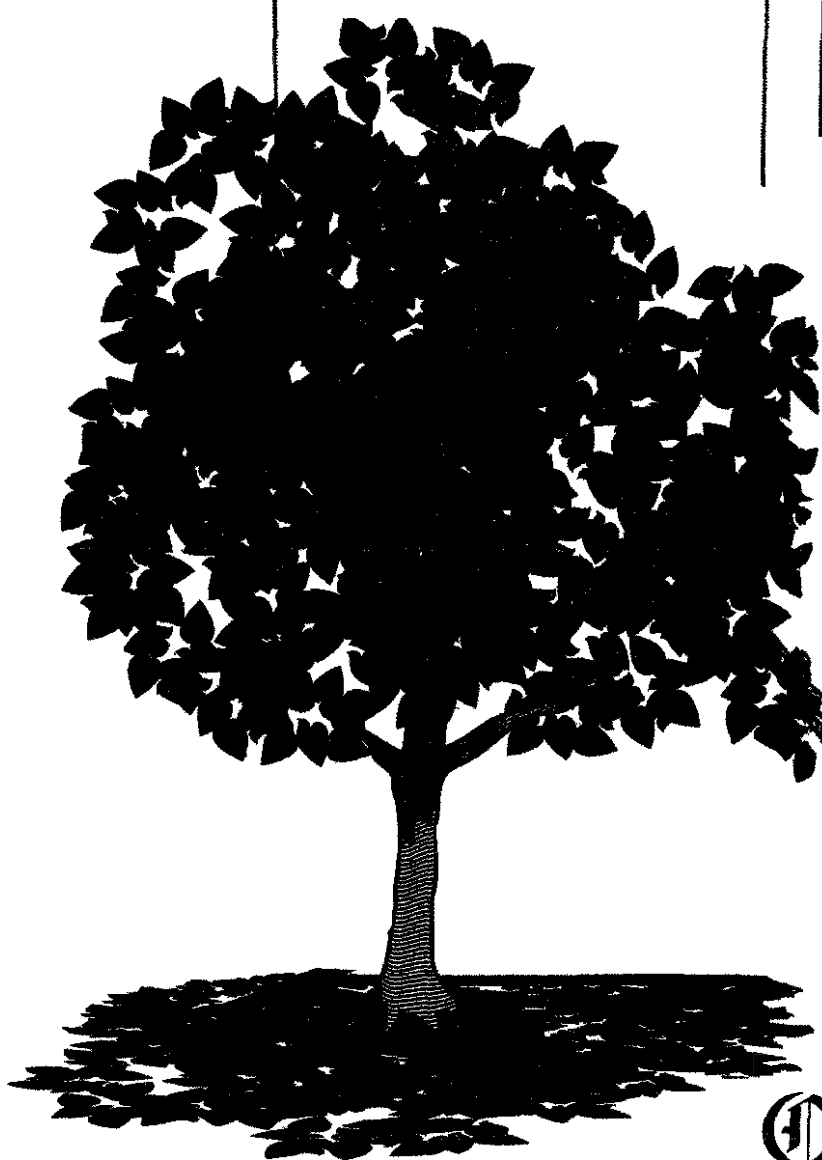
The folks had a garage sale and you should have seen all the stuff they got rid of! Old skates, that lamp, at least I think it was a lamp... maybe it was a blender. Anyway,

there's a lot less stuff around the old place than there was. What I thought was really neat was that they got their names in a drawing

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"The overall objective is to connect the community with public education," said Kathryn Mathey, executive director of special education services at Wayne RESA. Many families have no contact with the school system until children enter kindergarten. Wayne RESA offers programs and materials helpful to parents of infants and toddlers as well.

The interactive space includes computers with education software and Internet access, child size tables and chairs for drawing, painting, and doing puzzles. While parents are required to stay with their children - The Store of Dreams is not a day care facility - each visitor receives a free gift with no strings attached.

Shopping for knowledge

Plymouth resident Joanne Trela and her 3-year old daughter Talia stopped by the Store of Dreams July 31 and liked what they found. "I just saw it advertised at Gymboree," said Joanne Trela. "I think it's great. It's something for them to do, for the kids." Talia hesitated before leaving the store. Clifford is her favorite character, her mom said. "What else could you ask for?"

Each week the store features a new theme - such as back to school or literacy. Special guests

on the roster this month include fingerprinting courtesy of The Livonia Police Department and a chance for little ones to ride in a real school bus around the mall parking lot. "So many youngsters are fearful of that when they start school," said Mathey.

Lisa Love, a preschool teacher at Westland's Stottlemeyer Early Childhood Center, also volunteers at the store. "This is so wonderful," she said. "I think it promotes a lot of family time too."

From the serious subjects like breast feeding, to the fun stuff, like appearances by Clifford the Big Red Dog - the Store of Dreams will offer something special for parents and kids each day in August. The store is accepting donations of gently used children's books from the public. "I don't know of any other mall that's done something like this," said Duvall, a Plymouth resident.

Clara agreed that "it's very exciting." She sounded sure that the Store of Dreams would return, even after the new year. "We might change the charities and give other organizations a chance," she said.

See www.laurelparkplace.net for details.

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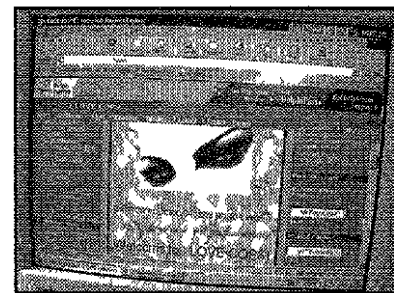
seen by us on the streets," said Dahlin. "My wish is that we can all some day give them the respect they deserve."

That wish is shared by Garrett. She sees her mission going beyond the Internet. "I am determined to start one city at a time to change the way that people

view officers and the way they are treated," she said.

"Even if the country is not at war, officers go into battle every day. So why shouldn't they be treated like heroes?"

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While this is a non-paying position, interns will receive two game tickets for each home game along with Whaler apparel to be worn on game nights. Interns will be required to work all home games and make possible outside appearances during the season.

If interested, contact Scott Kelley at (734) 453-8400 or fax your resume to (734) 453-4201 by Aug. 30. The Whalers' season starts Sept. 13 at Windsor.

Chiefs hoop tryouts

The Plymouth Canton Chiefs will hold tryouts for their three girls basketball teams Monday morning, Aug. 13, in the Canton gym.

Girls must have their athletic physicals taken by the first practice. Any physical taken after April 15, 2001, is valid for the coming school year.

Varsity tryouts will be at 8:45 a.m., followed by the junior varsity at 10 a.m. and freshmen at 11 a.m.

For more information, call Coach Bob Blohm at 459-1763, Brian Samulski at 453-9101 or his cell phone at (734) 673-2555 or Tara Schuler at (248) 380-6789 or her cell at (734) 223-3630.

Chiefs Pompon

The Plymouth Canton Chiefettes Pompon squad will host its annual Kids Pompon Clinic from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 22, at Hohen Elementary School on Saltz Road.

Girls entering first through eighth grades are invited to attend.

The \$35 fee includes lunch and a Chiefette T-shirt. Participants are invited to wear their shirts and participate in the Chiefette Variety Show in October.

Registration forms are available in the Plymouth and Canton libraries at the information desks or online at daniellevoyles@hotmail.com. They must be signed by a parent.

The Chiefettes took top honors at the Mid American Pompon Competitions including a first place in the high kick kdan competition, fifth in the states and grand champions at summer camp.

For more information, call Lynn J. Rivers at (734) 416-1822.

Youth tennis tourney

Northville Parks and Recreation will host its annualUSTA-sanctioned Youth Tennis Tournament Friday through Sunday, Aug. 17-19 at Northville HS, located at 47500 Six Mile, between Beck and Sheldon.

The tournament is open to boys and girls, ages 10-to-16 years.

Entry fee is \$38 for residents, \$41 for those in the school district, and \$45 for non-residents. Entry forms may be obtained at the Northville Parks and Recreation office, 303 W. Main. Entry deadline is 4:30 p.m. Aug. 13.

For further information, call Northville's Parks and Recreation at (248) 349-0203.

Run Thru Hell races

The 10- and 4.8-mile Run Thru Hell road races begin at 8 a.m. this Saturday at Hell Creek Ranch (located near Pinckney).

Race day registration is \$20 per person.

For directions, call (734) 878-3632. For information, call the Pinckney Running club at (734) 878-6640.

Caesars golf outing

A golf outing for the Little Caesars Midget Minor (1986 AAA) hockey team will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22 at the Woodlands of Van Buren Township.

The cost is \$85 per player, or \$340 per foursome. Included in the cost is a bucket of balls at the range, lunch, 18 holes of golf with cart, barbecue buffet dinner, and two-hour beer and wine with dinner.

Hole sponsorships are also available for \$100.

Money raised will be used to defray equipment and tournament costs.

For more information, call Karen Abrahamson at (248) 473-1336.

Lions' coach loved what he did

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Ron Bradley's incredible passion for coaching youth football was never more evident than it was on a cold, rainy October night last fall.

"Ron had just walked in the door following a two-hour practice on a miserable, rainy night," Bradley's wife, Debby, reflected. "He was drenched and covered from head to toe in mud. But he looked at me, smiled, threw up his arms and shouted, 'Man, I love football!'"

Bradley, a popular veteran coach for the Canton Lions Junior Football Club for the past 17 years, collapsed and died Monday afternoon of heart failure, just 15 minutes into his team's season-opening practice at Heritage Park. He was 51.

"He was a sick man, but he was so excited about coaching this season," Debby Bradley revealed. "It gives me some peace of mind knowing he died on the football field, doing something he loved."

"I also have peace of mind knowing that everything possible was done to save him. His heart just gave

out."

Within seconds of Bradley's collapse, the Lions' team trainer administered CPR to the fallen coach. However, Bradley's heart, which had been weakened over the past several months by a virus, did not respond.

Lions' assistant coach Doug Prater said Bradley's strong rapport with his players was built on the coach's even-keeled approach.

"Ron earned his players' respect by talking to them in a level voice, not by yelling or acting like a tyrant," said Prater, who will take over the head coaching responsibilities for the upcoming season.

"I learned more about coaching young men from



Ron Bradley
Lions' longtime coach

Ron in a year-and-a-half than I did from all the coaching clinics I've attended.

"The thing I'll remember most about Ron was his demeanor. Last year was my first with the Lions. We only had 18 or 19 kids out for the team, and only six of them were returning players.

"I was a little nervous about the upcoming season, but Ron calmly told me, 'We have a challenge ahead of us, but we're going to work together and get the most we can out of this team.' Well, we ended up going 6-3 and falling just one game short of the Super Bowl. He was a great coach, a great man."

Jim Singleton, who served as a unit director for the Lions' club for over 10 years, said Bradley was a successful coach because "he treated every one of his players like they were his own son."

"You will never meet a coach who was more well-liked than Ron Bradley," Singleton stressed. "I never heard him say a harsh word to a player in all the years I worked with him. He was probably the best coach the Lions have ever had, too. He got the most

Please see BRADLEY, D4

Rockers fold franchise

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A couple dozen kids dragged themselves off the Bell Creek Park soccer field in Redford Wednesday afternoon, heading straight for their water bottles, the near 100-degree temperatures fueling their intent and narrowing their focus.

Water on a hot day. That's simple enough.

But for the three older guys wandering off the field with the kids, lugging small goal nets and markers with them, things weren't nearly as focused. And that certainly clouded their intent.

This was one of many soccer camps conducted by the Detroit Rockers, the local member of the National Professional Soccer League, which played most of its home games at Plymouth's Compuware Arena last season. The three guys were Rockers — or at least they were when the summer started.

The camps will continue another couple of weeks, the Rockers won't go beyond that.

On Wednesday it was made official: The NPSL is gone, or rather it will be renamed. Of the 10 teams that were in the league last season, six will play this year under the title Major Indoor Soccer League, current champion Milwaukee, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Harrisburg (Pa.) and Kansas City.

Buffalo, Wichita, Toronto and Detroit are out.

Financial concerns are the major problem. The MISL will adopt a structure similar to Major League Soccer's, with all player contracts owned by the league.

"The MISL has a high set of business and operating standards that must be met by member clubs," league commissioner Steve Ryan stated in a press release Wednesday. "We now have a strong foundation of teams from which we can move forward, build and grow. The investor group is extremely committed to the direction of the league."



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURBCHMANN

Now what? The Rockers, with Jeff Hotchin doing the talking in the center at a camp held earlier this summer in Heritage Park, are wondering what their future holds after it was announced the franchise will fold for at least the upcoming season.

The Rockers, apparently, were not part of the foundation.

However, it may be premature to say the team is finished. League officials left the door open, saying both Toronto and Detroit may join the MISL in 2002. Other geographic markets are also being explored.

Rockers' co-owner/general manager Gary Miller was unavailable for comment and did not return calls.

So what will happen to the players? "I honestly don't know," was Dru Callahan's answer Wednesday afternoon following the Rockers' camp at Bell Creek. "We've been waiting around to hear

"I feel bad because we do these camps for the team. The kids come up to us and say, 'I can't wait to see you play,' and I don't know what to tell them."

Callahan, a midfielder with the Rockers, has no plans to go anywhere else to play. He's been working on his college degree at both Oakland CC and, this fall, at Eastern Michigan.

"I'm not going anywhere," he said.

"I'm getting too old to keep traveling all over the country."

The Rockers operated in different venues and under different ownerships in the Detroit area for 11 seasons, winning the NPSL title in 1992. Prior to

last season, they made Compuware Arena their main home venue, playing all but four of their matches at that location.

However, they got off to a horrible start, winning just one of their first 14 games. Head coach Drago Dumbovic was fired and replaced by Brian Timmon, by midseason, general manager David Woodrow was also gone.

The Rockers got things turned around late in the season, finishing 13-27, but it was too late to get them into the playoffs.

And, perhaps, too late to save the franchise.

A hot start

Players battle heat during 1st week

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The two Redford St. Agatha football players jogged around the practice field in the blistering late-afternoon heat.

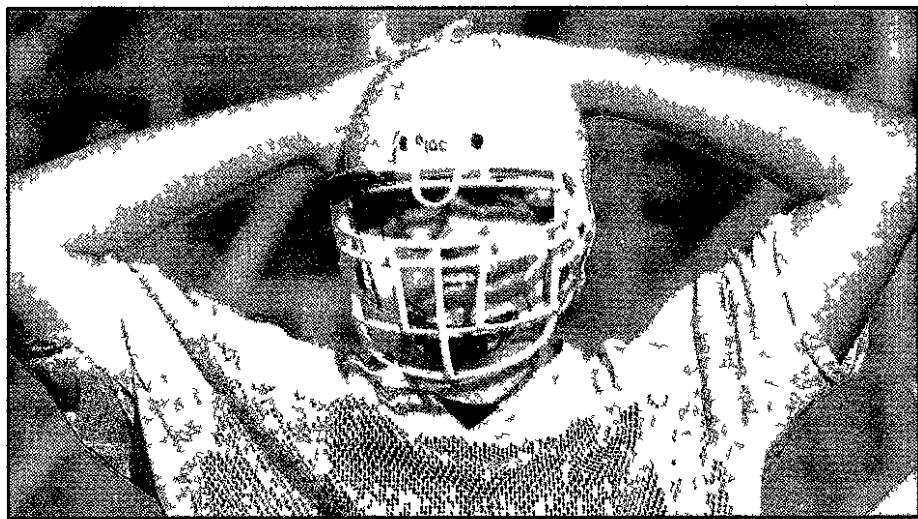
Sweat was pouring off them in buckets and you could see the heat rise off the grass, baking itself into a golden brown.

"Hey," one of them yelled to no one in particular. "Is it just me, or is it cold out here?"

"It's cold, dude," a teammate answered back. "It's cold."

Sarcasm aside, the first three days of football practice for area high schoolers were anything but cool — with temperatures in the 90s, dew-points not far behind, and the heat index hovering in the 100s.

And after last week's death of Minnesota Vikings' offensive lineman Corey Stringer to heatstroke, every coach made sure their players could beat the heat with plenty of water and some kind of modification to their practice schedule to give players whatever edge they could



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Beating the heat: Throughout the first week of prep football practice, that wasn't easy to do, which Garden City's Pete Deike discovered.

"We have some big, shady trees and we load up on lots of water," said Wayne coach Floyd Carter. "We usually give them five-minute breaks and have them take their helmets off. But we've also increased our breaks

(because of the heat)."

"We didn't do that much different, except they didn't have helmets on today," said Plymouth Canton coach Tim Baechler. "We have regularly-

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SWIMMING

Mertens finds proper blend for success

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For Amy Mertens, it was just a matter of finding that comfort zone.

In swimming, that requires a combination of physical and mental qualities, properly blended together. Finding it led Mertens back to someone who had helped her develop her abilities early in her swimming career, when she was a member of the Plymouth Cruisers.

Like Mertens, Matt Erickson had attended Plymouth Salem HS. He graduated in 1993, captain of the Rocks' swim team. He began coaching as an assistant at Salem and with the Cruisers. After a year away, he resumed coaching two years ago with



Amy Mertens
Swim star

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DCI rebounds after opening loss

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Decision Consultants, Inc got off to a rocky start Monday in the All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament in Johnstown, Pa

Following a 10-0 loss to the Arlington Senators of Washington, DC in which DCI collected just one hit at Revloc Field, the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League champions rebounded Tuesday with a 4-1 triumph over the Maryland State Bombers at Portage (Pa.) High School

Action continued Wednesday in the 16 team 20-and-under tournament as DCI was slated to face the Baltimore (Md.) Orioles

Pitching, a summer-long staple for DCI, righted itself Tuesday when 6-foot-

AAABA BASEBALL

3, 205-pound right-hander Derrick Peterson (Eastern Michigan University) tossed a nine-inning, complete game

Peterson tossed a three-hitter, striking out six and walking only one

"Obviously his control was excellent and all three of his pitches were working — fastball, changeup and curve," DCI manager Mike George said "We also swung the bat better today and played great defense"

Plymouth Canton graduate Bryan Kay (Siena Heights) delivered a key blow in the game when he belted a two out, opposite field two-run homer in the fourth inning to give DCI a 2-1 lead (Kay went 2-for-4 on the day)

Maryland State jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the opening inning when Aaron Thomas, who had two of the Bombers' three hits, scored on a DCI infield error

In the fifth, DCI took a 3-1 lead when Mark Cole walked with the bases loaded to score Spencer Hynes

Hynes, who went 3-for-4 to lead DCI's eight-hit attack, singled and scored on John Sullivan's double to provide the LCBL champions with a three-run cushion

Losing pitcher Michael Rehman (Kutztown State) lasted 5 1/3 innings before giving way to Jason Segor followed by Anthony Watkins

DCI's opener on Monday — to say the least — was a disappointment

It was scoreless through the first three innings before the Senators struck for three runs in the fourth off DCI ace

Randy Ford, who slipped to 10-2

Dave Harriman (Armstrong Atlantic), who went 3-for-4, had a two-run triple in the fourth, a shot to right which handcuffed DCI outfielder Tim Andrzejak (Right fielder Caleb Stewart, who plays for the University of Kentucky, went 2-for-2 with two runs scored)

Meanwhile, Ford, the left hander from Eastern Michigan did not survive the fifth as he was charged with five runs

Reliever Brad McCloskey then gave up two runs in 1 1/3 innings and Arlington got three more in the seventh to build a 10-run lead Mark Cole and Jason Lukasik also pitched for DCI

"Washington is a good squad, but we just didn't play," George said "We knew our offense would struggle and we knew we had to play a perfect game"

Winning pitcher Kurt Isenburg, a left hander from James Madison (Va.), allowed just one hit Using offspeed pitches and breaking balls, Isenburg fanned four and walked just one over the first six innings

Peterson had the lone hit for DCI in the fourth when the LCBL champs had runners at first and third and one out, but Isenburg got out of the jam with a strikeout and groundout

"We could have been in it right there," George said

Wednesday's scheduled starter for DCI against Baltimore was Brent Brown, a 6'2", 200 pound lefty from Oakland University

Baltimore suffered its first defeat of the tournament Tuesday, falling to the New Orleans (La.) Recreation Boosters, 9-6

Ballplayer returns after being felled by drive

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If Nick Hippler isn't quite back to being his old self just yet, at least he's back in this country and the familiar surroundings of home

Hippler, 18, returned to Farmington last Friday night after spending 3 1/2 weeks in a European hospital recovering from a head injury

"He was injured July 10 when he was struck above the right ear by a line drive during a baseball game in Apeldoorn, Holland "I'm feeling better and my spirits are a lot better because I'm home," Hippler said "I'm not able to do a lot

BASEBALL

"I don't go very far without knowing I can come back to lie down The doctors told me to take it easy"

A June graduate of Farmington High School, Hippler was pitching for the United States Baseball Stars on a tour of western Europe, even though he was a catcher throughout his prep career

Ironically, the opponent was another American team, from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn. "I had pitched three innings before it happened," Hippler said, adding he has pitched in the past "I was throwing strikes

and doing well I guess that last one got me"

Hippler underwent three medical procedures during his hospital stay in Zwolle, the most crucial being surgery to relieve the pressure on his brain "The medical treatment was extremely advanced," Hippler said "The faculty I was taken to is well known for neurosurgery, and the nursing staff was unbelievably accommodating

"They allowed my mom to stay in the room at night, and they gave her every meal I got They treated her really well "If they didn't speak great English, they tried as hard as they could"

Hippler's mother, Jan, who also is a nurse, flew to Holland on July 13 and returned with her son last week "I don't think I would have been able to do as well as I did if

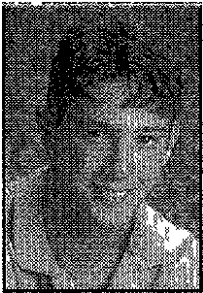
my mom had not been there, Hippler said, adding the correspondence with family and friends at home was appreciated

"The phone calls and packages meant the world to me Every time I got a piece of mail it made my day"

Hippler was eager to be home, but he knew the plane ride from Amsterdam could be an ordeal "It was pretty miserable with my head and stomach problems," he said "The steroids I had to take for the swelling ripped apart my stomach It just made it worse

"I went through quite a few pain pills I wasn't looking too forward to flying, but I was glad to get home "Hippler's recovery is an ongoing process He's not allowed to drive yet, because there's still a risk of seizures He lost 15 pounds and his energy level is low, requiring frequent rests

But he's expected to regain full ability in those areas, as he did his speech, which was a bit slurred following surgery but is now fine Hippler has experienced numbness on his left side, but he hopes that will improve through



Nick Hippler struck by drive

therapy

"I'm not back in the swing of things," he said "I'm really quite monitored But I'm expected to have a full recovery

"Early on it didn't look that good, but I've been progressing quite well The doctors said it was miracle"

Hippler, who read two books while he was hospitalized, and his mother were greeted by family and friends Friday at Metro Airport

The welcoming party included U.S. Baseball Stars coach Steve Merriman and his wife, Sue One of the Merrimans or trainer Derek McGaughey was with Hippler around the clock until his mother arrived in Holland, and they continued to check on his progress throughout the stay

"For the first 35 hours, everything was pretty bleak from the perspective of the doctors," Steve Merriman said "They weren't sure what was going to happen

"You hear all the stories of standing next to the bed and letting the person hear your voice, holding a hand or touching a shoulder

"Maybe those things were effective When Nick would wake up he'd know who we were He was asking Hey coach how are you? when he's the one laying there That's the kind of person Nick is

"Nick's determination as a player and a person is what is going to carry him to his recovery He's just a determined young man"

In the early part of his hospital stay, Hippler was concerned he wouldn't have a full recovery,

his life would be completely changed and he wouldn't play baseball again

"My goals have changed since then," he said "I know baseball isn't in my near future

"My main goal is to start a light schedule of college classes, in the fall and to be physically able to rehabilitate myself

"It's going to be a slow process, but I have to be patient"

Hippler was supposed to attend Henry Ford Community College and play baseball for the Hawks, but he doubts he'll play at the same competitive level he did

"I know I won't pitch again," he said

The St. Olaf player who hit the ball that struck Hippler sent Hippler an email, apologizing for the mishap and wishing him well

He also led a fundraising effort on behalf of the St. Olaf team to defray the costs incurred by the Hipplers The host Robur Baseball Club did the same

As a result of what he has been through in the last month, Hippler said he has a deeper appreciation for life

"I've grown to appreciate people more" he said "I've become more sympathetic toward others

I got to know a guy who is 18 and had just been paralyzed I could sympathize with him not being able to walk

"What (the) Farmington (community) did for me through fundraising really showed how good people are I had so much support it was phenomenal "I was very fortunate"

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Wheelchairs can't stop athletes

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Dave Rosen and his fellow hockey players aren't your typical athletes, but they enjoy sports and have a desire to compete just the same.

That's why they refuse to allow their wheelchairs to be a roadblock to active participation.

Rosen, an 18-year-old from Farmington Hills, is one of 30 hemmed individuals who comprise the Wheelchair Hockey League.

The organization draws its members from metropolitan Detroit and Windsor, and it's sponsored by the Southfield Hockey Club.

Wheelchair hockey isn't just a local activity, however. It's an international event this week.

Rosen is in Minnesota playing for the Mustangs, the WCHL's entry in the PowerHockey World Cup tournament.

The event, which concluded today at Augsburg College near Minneapolis, features teams from Australia, Germany, Finland, Minnesota and Canada.

"I'm not sure we're going to win it, but I feel pretty good that we'll do well," said Rosen, one of 11 area players on the Mustangs roster.

Rosen, who graduated in June from Harrison High School, has played wheelchair hockey for the last five years.

To play in the WCHL, players must be at least 10 years old, but the majority are 20-something with the oldest being 28. Most are male but not all.

"We had just gotten a van with a lift, which made it easier to go to different things," Rosen said. "I got involved with a sports league that played bocci, and I met some players who also were doing wheelchair hockey."

"They invited me to come to a game. Ever since I went to that one game, I kept going back."

The WCHL has grown from two teams at that time to five. Rosen plays for the Outlaws, which finished second this year with a 5-1-4 record. The championship went to the Hornets, who were 7-1-1.

PROFILE

League games are as much social gatherings as they are athletic events, according to Rosen, who was born with Muscular Dystrophy.

The league also affords handicapped individuals the ability to develop a sense of independence, freedom and accomplishment.

"I'm pretty good friends with a lot of people in the league," Rosen said. "It's an opportunity to get together and talk to people and to meet new people and players."

But the game is important, too.

"It's a sport I can play," Rosen said. "That's what makes it a lot of fun. You can participate in a sport and still be able to succeed at something."

"I don't know what I would do without it. I'm glad I do have hockey."

Disabilities among players include spina bifida, cerebral palsy, spinal cord injuries and stroke. Anyone in a wheelchair, electric or manual, can play.

Handicapped people who aren't restricted to a wheelchair can play, but they must play in a wheelchair.

Rosen, who has an electric wheelchair, has learned to operate the means of his mobility and handle a hockey stick simultaneously.

"You get used to it," he said. "After a while it becomes easier, and you're not looking down at the control."

"It doesn't seem to get in my way when I'm playing, trying to steer and control the stick and all that."

Wheelchair hockey is similar to floor hockey and is played on a gym floor. WCHL games are played at Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville Township.

Each team has four players (three forwards and a defense man) on the floor at one time with a goalie.

When the WCHL was started, there were no goalies, but the rules were changed to conform



Taking his shift: Dave Rosen helped his Outlaws' hockey team post a 5-1-4 regular-season record. They played in the PowerHockey World Cup Tournament this week.

as much as possible with ice hockey.

For example, players can be penalized for ramming and they serve time in the "penalty box" by going to a designated area when a penalty is assessed.

Most players use a plastic stick with a handle at the top. Those with greater limitations use a double stick with a V-shaped blade, and the stick can be fastened to the chair or strapped to an arm or leg if necessary.

The puck resembles a woofle ball and has holes in it.

"Some teams choose to bring helmets and stuff," Rosen said. "We don't think (the World Cup) is going to be that violent of a game. Some players do wear gloves for gripping the stick."

Rosen, who achieved a 3.8 GPA at Harrison, received the Michigan Merit Award for doing well on the MEAP Test and an academic scholarship to attend Madonna University. He plans to study computer science and

eventually would like to do graphic and design work.

See the Web site at www.scorezone.com/wchl to learn more about wheelchair hockey.

Twisters now 2-0

FOOTBALL

Winning apparently isn't enough for the Michigan Twisters. So far, they've done so with emphasis.

The second game of their Lake Shore Football League season ended much the same as the first one—in a lopsided triumph, with the Twisters scoring 21 first-quarter points en route to a 59-10 rout of the Motor City Cougars Saturday at Panther Stadium in River Rouge.

The Twisters won their season-opener against the Lima (Ohio) Thunder by a 48-0 count a week earlier.

The passing of Rob Elswick was the difference in this game. Elswick completed 16 of 28 passes for 268 yards and seven touchdowns.

Reggie Brandon (from Wayne Memorial) was on the receiving end of four of those passes, covering 95 yards, with three of them going for touchdowns. Frank Niscoromni (Farmington) also caught four passes, for 64 yards and two touchdowns, and Shaun Baylis pulled down two passes for 40 yards, both for TDs.

Jason Gibson was the Twisters' leading rusher, gaining 70 yards on eight carries, including a 10-yard touchdown run in the first quarter. Ben

Ferguson (Garden City) added 86 yards on five carries.

Chuck Pettipas (Livonia) stretched his consecutive string of successful extra-point kicks to 14, converting all eight tries in this game. He also hit a 31-yard field goal try, making him 3-for-3 on field goals.

In all, the Twisters gained a team-record 448 yards, 290 passing and 158 rushing.

Their defense was nearly as dominant, limiting the Cougars to 85 yards in 29 rushing attempts and 6-of-21 passing for 107 yards. The Twisters recovered five fumbles and intercepted three passes, with defensive back LaVaughn Smith picking off two passes and Tim Simmons one.

Linebackers Bob Pensari and Aaron Brothers (both from Canton), Chuck Lauber and River Pollington (both from Westland) and Monte Thomas combined for 13 solo tackles and 23 assists.

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Football heat from page D1

scheduled drink breaks and make sure the all the kids get enough to drink"

Players practiced only in shorts, T-shirts and helmets from Monday through yesterday, as mandated by Michigan High School Athletic Association rules. Full pads and full contact were allowed today for the first time and, mercifully, the weather is supposed to start breaking too, with a cold front moving in and temperatures dropping.

"We'll see what kind of toll it takes as the week goes on if there's no relief," said North Farmington coach Rich Burrell, "especially when we put the pads on Thursday."

But the weather didn't do the players any favors for the first part of the week, so it was up to the coaches and trainers to do what they could.

"(Monday) was one of the hotter days, but there was a breeze and it was not as bad," said Clarenceville coach Greg Hudkins. "We take water every 15 minutes or anytime we finish an individual or group drill."

Carter's squad adjusted its sprints and grouped the players according to weight, because "it doesn't make sense to have big kids running with smaller and faster guys." Several coaches gave breaks at least every 15 minutes, if not sooner.

"We had two kids who were winded, we got them in the shade right away and got water to them," said Burrell. "We told the kids 'don't be a hero. If you need some water it's no big deal. The coaches aren't going to say anything to you.'"

St. Agatha coach Bernie McMahon scheduled a 2 1/2-hour practice on Monday and "of that, 40 minutes were scheduled for water breaks." On the team's first break to head to the three Gatorade coolers, there was a problem. They had plenty of cool water, but the cups were left inside the school — a mistake quickly rectified.

Several schools used coolers for the water, while others — such as Catholic Central and Redford Union — had hoses running for players to use. Nearly every

coach had an assistant go with the players to make sure they drank.

"We get the hottest and the coolest part of the day, but we've got lots of water," said Franklin coach Chris Kelbert. "The kids who couldn't practice (Monday) served as waterboys. They were going around the field and giving water to anybody who needed it."

Franklin will also monitor its players before and after every practice to make sure that no one has a dramatic weight loss and has gained back most of the water weight they lost.

"We don't need kids dropping from the heat," said Garden City coach Mike Salter. "Water doesn't hurt, if we need to schedule more, we schedule more."

Parental concern has also increased.

"I can't tell you how many phone calls I've had from parents this week worrying about this," said Garden City trainer Cindy Brandau. "They want to be sure we're doing enough."

While giving players plenty of water breaks is a wise thing to

do, the wiser thing is to make sure they start early.

"It isn't so much what they drink now," said Baechler. "We give them drinks whenever they want it. But if a kid is feeling sick, it will be too late to hydrate himself. I wouldn't ever want to coach anymore if someone dropped over and died on us."

Burrell sent his seniors a subtle message over the weekend in hopes that it gets through to all his players.

"I had an outing at my house Sunday for the seniors," said Burrell. "We didn't have any pop. We just had water, lemonade and Gatorade. We're trying to set a good example. What they do when they go home is more important. They need to rest in a cool environment instead of going out and playing basketball in the heat."

"They need to get in the habit of drinking more water than they're used to. They can't do it the day of competition. It starts the day before and the day before that."

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Bradley from page D1

out of his teams"

Singleton said Bradley proved his love for the game when he continued to coach even after his sons, Justin and Adam, left the Lions' program when they moved on to high school football.

"When I was unit director, I had a lot of dads approach me and say they wanted to coach," Singleton said. "I told them, as long as Ron wants to coach, he's the coach."

"He wanted to win more than anybody. But the most important thing to Ron was teaching the kids the right way and the safe way to play football. He will be missed."

"Ron always had an encouraging word for everybody, especially during tough times," said John Clark, head coach of

the Lions' junior varsity team. "He always had words of advice for us coaches, but he did it in a respectful way. He never talked down to people."

"I told Debby that I know I'm going to hear Ron's voice in the wind during one of our games this season."

Bradley was raised in Midland, where he excelled in wrestling and football at Midland High School. He was a state AAU heavyweight wrestling champion in high school.

His athletic ability and strong work ethic in the classroom earned Bradley a scholarship to Hillsdale College, where he played football and wrestled while studying towards a degree in management.

Bradley used his experience as a sales manager at Proctor & Gamble to help the club acquire some much-needed equipment a short time after he joined the Lions in 1985.

"When Ron first joined the club, we didn't have a blocking sled," recalled Lions' assistant coach Bob Kilgore. "So he organized a bottle drive, and before you knew it, we had enough money to buy a blocking sled. He also served as the co-chair of our annual golf outing and he worked hard on other fund-raisers as well."

"This club wouldn't be where it is today without Ron Bradley."

The club's current unit director, Matt Meares, said he was impressed by Bradley's dedication to all three Lions'

teams, not just his own varsity squad.

"Ron's varsity team always played the last of the three games on Sundays (following the freshmen and junior varsity), so no one would have blamed Ron if he would have shown up five minutes before the varsity weigh-in," Meares said. "But I would see Ron at every freshmen and junior varsity game — that's how dedicated he was to the program."

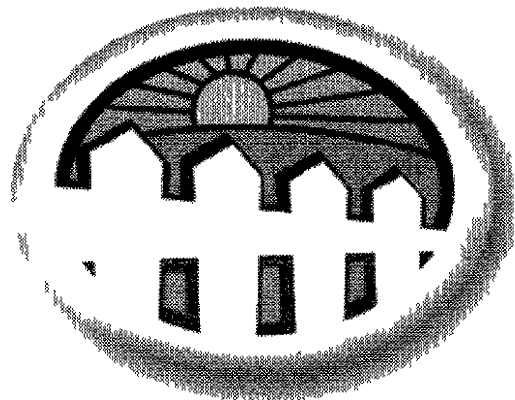
Prior to Tuesday's practice, two professional counselors and a paramedic talked to the Lions' players and their parents about the tragedy that unfolded before their eyes Monday afternoon.

"The paramedic, Bob Groat, talked to them about what happened medically to

Ron and stressed to them that it wasn't a result of the heat or anything Ron did," Meares said. "We then broke them into two groups and had the counselors answer any questions they may have had. The players clammed up at the beginning, but after a while they opened up and started showing some emotion."

"I think it was very beneficial for everyone involved."

Along with his wife and two sons, Bradley is survived by a daughter, Mandy. Visitation for Bradley will be from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at McCabe Funeral Home, which is located on Canton Center between Saltz and Cherry Hill in Canton. The funeral will be held 10:30 a.m. Friday at the McCabe Funeral Home.



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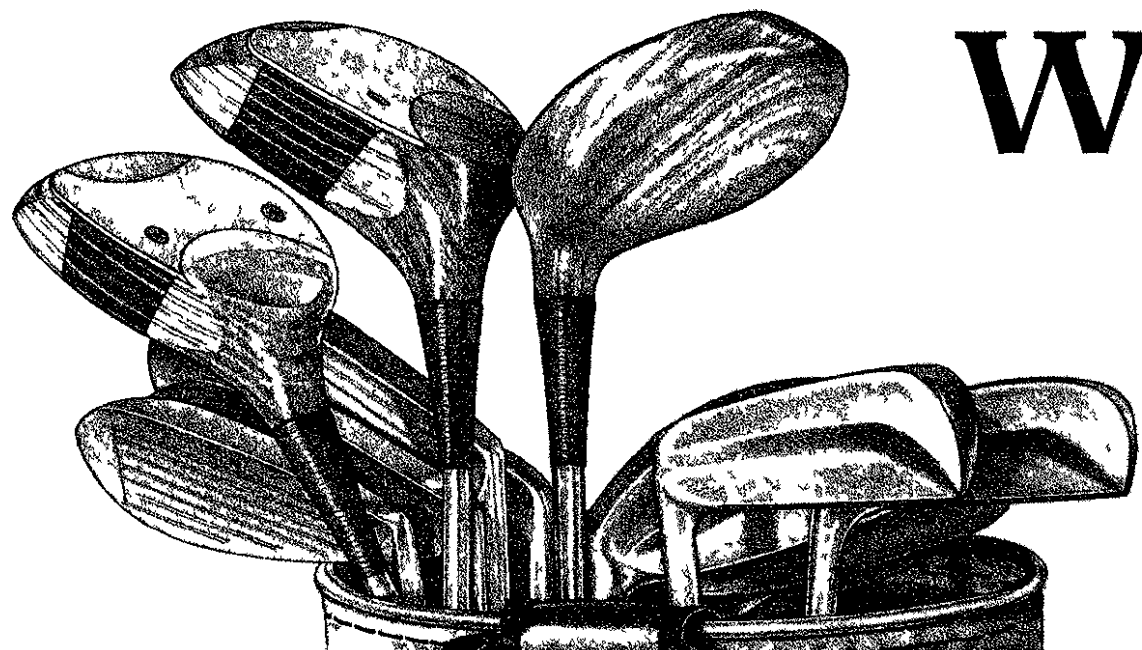
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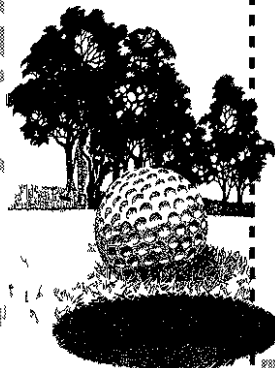
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Top Bass Tournament Trail will conduct an open singles draw bass tournament on Sunday, Aug. 11 on Lobdell Lake (Linden Marine Ramp) and Aug. 25-26 on Wixom Lake (Albright Shores Ramp). For specific times and fees, additional details and registration information, contact Elmer Daniels at (734) 729-1762 or Steve Randles at (734) 422-5813.

OAKLAND COUNTY SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION

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

DOWNRIVER BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth

Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain (14100 Pardee Road) in Taylor. For more information, call Ron Fodor at (734) 676-2863 or send an e-mail to riverrat122@home.com.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

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

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club

meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Visit www.mffc.org on the Internet 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 Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road. Call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843

for more 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) 988-6658 for more information.

CLINTON RIVER BASS 'N RATS

The recently organized Clinton River Bass 'n Rats meets the first Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Gander Mountain Lodge. Call (810) 247-9900 for direction and additional information. The club is an affiliated chapter of the BASS National Federation.

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.

HORNS OF THE MOON

Organized groups will find out what the horns of the moon are during this evening walk scheduled for 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 at the Stony Creek Metropark Nature Center. Be prepared to play moon trivia. Pre-registration is required. Call (810) 781-4621 for more information.

Swim — D1

the Dearborn Dolphins Swim Team.

That's where Mertens found him. For whatever the reason, she had reached a plateau with her team in Plymouth, so she decided to rejoin Erickson in Dearborn. Since that time, her improvement has been astounding.

"She's nine seconds faster in the 200 (meter) breaststroke than she was a year ago," Erickson said, "and she's 20 seconds faster than she was a year-and-a-half ago."

Mertens, who will be a sophomore this fall, has had a pair of outstanding performances in the past few weeks. Last weekend at the USA Michigan Swimming Long Course State Championships in Holland, she won the 200 meter breast by five seconds and the 100 breast by a second (1:16.35).

She was also second in the 400 individual medley (5:18.50), sixth in the 200 butterfly (2:32.1) and seventh in the 200 IM (2:33.5).

Two weeks ago at the USA Sectionals at Cleveland State University, which included top swimmers from Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and western Pennsylvania, Mertens placed fourth in the 200 breast in 2:42.43 — a time that was two seconds faster than her winning time at the state meet.

Those that finished ahead of her were Olympic qualifiers. Mertens' time was good enough to qualify her for the US Open Championships.

Erickson, who will coach the 13-14 year-olds on Team Michigan for the U.S. Zone Championships, won't credit his coaching for her improvement.

"She was comfortable with our coaching and our approach," he said. "As fast as Amy is, it isn't really her physical talent that makes her great. It's her ability to intellectualize her races. She has an innate ability to pick up on things."

"And I can't say enough about the impact she has on the other girls on the team. She has helped me build the Dearborn program."

But Amy's father Dan refuses to discount Erickson's input in his daughter's development.

"He's a very talented coach," he said. "His rapport with all his kids makes it successful. Matt's such a personable guy — he's largely responsible for her success."

Noting Amy's remarkable improvement over the past 18 months, the question now is, how good can she be?

"I think she'll make the Olympic cut (in the 200 breast) in the next year," Erickson predicted. "She's come a tremendously long way in the last year-and-a-half."

"She can go as fast as she's willing to work."

Unfortunately for Salem fans, Mertens — who set two team records as a freshman — won't be swimming for the Rocks any longer. Her family is moving to Cleveland within the next month, there, she'll swim for the Lake Erie Silver Dolphins.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

HS HOCKEY CONDITIONING

Plymouth Canton's and Plymouth Salem's hockey teams will conduct a summer conditioning program this weekend for those in grades 9-12 interested in playing high school hockey.

Salem will meet at the Plymouth Cultural Center from 4:30-6 p.m. Friday and 2-3:30 p.m. Sunday.

Canton will meet at the Plymouth Cultural Center from 3-4:30 p.m. Friday and 8:30-10 a.m. Saturday.

Cost is \$15 per session. Checks should be made payable to Plymouth-Canton Hockey Booster Club.

For more information, contact Mary Maurer (Salem) at (734) 254-9234 or Chris Wolfe (Canton) at (734) 453-8332.

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the summer 2002 Plymouth-Canton Mudcats, a boys 13-and-under travel baseball team, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 25 at Plymouth Township Park (McClumpha Park).

The Mudcats will play in the Washtenaw Amateur Baseball Association (WABA). For additional information, call coach Ron Myers at (734) 459-4026.

FISHING MEETING

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road.

Visitors are welcome. For more information, please call Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843.

FIGURE SKATING SIGNUP

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will hold registration for figure skating from 5-8 p.m. (residents) and 7-8 p.m. (non-residents) Wednesday, Sept. 5 at Edgar Arena, 33841 Lyndon.

Half-hour sessions are available for seven weeks. Classes will be available from 4-7 p.m. Mondays and 4:30-7 p.m. Thursdays. A class for tots will be from 9-9:30 a.m. Fridays.

The fees are \$40 (residents) and \$55 (non-residents).

For more information, call (734) 466-2679.

FAME GAMES SEPT. 9

Children and adults with special needs will compete in track field and swimming events at the 15th Annual West Bloomfield Community Fame Games on Sunday, Sept. 9.

The games will take place on the grounds of the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield.

Athletes can compete in a 25 yard wheelchair race, 25- and 50 yard walking races, 50- and 100 yard races, 200-yard relay and 400-yard run in the track events.

The field events offer a basketball Hot Shot game, obstacle course, Nerf football throw, soccer goal kick and a tennis ball throw.

Swimming events include 25- and 50 yard freestyle races and water events in a shallow pool for non-swimmers age 5 to 17.

The day also includes an opening ceremony, barbeque lunch, closing ceremony, medal presentations to child athletes and an adult evening dessert reception.

For information, to volunteer or to register to compete, call Nancie Furgang, JCC special

needs director, at (248) 432-5585.

SUBURBAN HOCKEY SIGNUP

Registration is under way for the Breakfast Club and Prime Time Program — Suburban Hockey's weekly skills and conditioning series for adult hockey players of all ability levels.

Suburban Hockey will have two 10-week sessions (October to December and January to March) of the Breakfast Club at four locations, including Suburban Training Center in Farmington Hills and Novi Ice Arena.

In addition to the weekly morning sessions, Suburban is offering an Advanced Program at Suburban Training Center on Thursday mornings and a Prime Time Program at STC on Tuesday evenings.

For more information or to register, call Suburban Hockey at (248) 478-1600 or visit www.suburbanhockey.com.

MERCY-MALLON GOLF DAY

Mercy High School alumna and LPGA player Meg Mallon will spend Monday, Aug. 20, at Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon to host Mercy's annual golf fundraiser.

Mallon has won 13 LPGA tournaments and last year became one of four players in LPGA history to earn \$1 million in a single season.

The 11th Annual Mercy High School Meg Mallon Golf Outing includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, cocktails, dinner and prizes. The cost for the entire day is \$250 per person.

All proceeds will help fund an information technology program at Mercy. For reservations, hole sponsorships or other information, call Julie Earle at (248) 476-8020, ext. 253.

HUNTER SAFETY COURSE

The City of Livonia Parks and Recreation Department is staging a hunter safety course from 6-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21 and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22 at the Sheldon Senior Citizen Center, 10800 Farmington Road (south of Plymouth Road).

The cost is \$10 per person. Minimum age requirement is 11 1/2. Participants must show a social security number (Persons born after Jan. 1, 1961 or later need certification in order to obtain a hunters license).

Pre registration is required beginning Monday, Aug. 13 at the Parks and Recreation office. Registration is from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

FOOTBALL OFFICIALS MEETING

The Southeastern Michigan Officials Association will hold its sixth annual Football Officials Clinic on Saturday, Aug. 11 at Hazel Park High School.

The program, which costs \$5 including lunch and an information book, will feature rule enforcement updates and points of emphasis, reinforce mechanics, explain philosophies of the game and more.

The clinic will also allow officials to purchase equipment from Honig's Whistle Stop and attend the 2001 Michigan High School Athletic Association's football rules meeting at 1:30 p.m. and the basketball meeting at 2:30 p.m. The day's registra-

tion begins at 8 a.m.

For more information, call Bob Williams at (313) 937-3578 or (313) 927-2324. You may also e-mail him at maore@aol.com or check out the website at www.refs.org/smoa.

YOUTH HOCKEY PROGRAM

Suburban Hockey is taking registrations for the FUNDamental Hockey League at Suburban Training Center, 23996 Freeway Park Drive in Farmington Hills.

The 25-week program, which runs from September through March, consists of a weekly Mighty Mite program for kids ages 4-6, as well as leagues for mites (ages 6-8), squirts (9-10) and pee wees (11-12).

The league is dedicated to the development of skills and knowledge of the game with a focus on fun.

For more information on the league or other programs, call Suburban Hockey at (248) 478-1600 or visit the www.suburbanhockey.com Web site.

ICE HOCKEY LEAGUES

Ice hockey leagues are being formed this fall for ages 4-17 at the new Arctic Edge of Canton.

Applications are available through September in the Summit at the Park lobby or by calling the Canton Hockey Association at (734) 207-1002.

SOCCER PLAYERS WANTED

The Wayne-Westland Strikers, an under-13 girls select soccer team, is seeking players for the upcoming season.

Interested players (must be born after Aug. 1, 1988) should call coach Mark Allen at (734) 722-6762.

CONDITIONING

Redford Unified's hockey team will hold conditioning skates from 9-10:30 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday from now through Aug. 27. Full equipment is mandatory and the cost is \$10 per session. All high school players, including incoming freshmen, are welcome.

For more information, call (313) 534-5833.

YOUTH BASEBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Michigan Indians, a 13-and-under travel baseball team, will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26 at Massey Field in Plymouth.

The Indians will play a 50-game schedule and offer winter conditioning and instruction. For more information call Mark Glover at (248) 349-3392.

Tryouts for the Michigan Indians 10-year-old team for the 2002 season will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 at Massey Field in Plymouth.

For more information, call Jim Gendron (734) 454-3708.

The Michigan Rattlers are scheduling fall baseball tryouts for its 13-year-old travel baseball team for the 2002 season. The season consists of league, tournament and national play, running about 65 games.

Interested players and parents should call Jim Martin at (248) 477-9830.

PLYMOUTH FALL SOFTBALL

The City of Plymouth's Recreation Division will conduct a men's softball mini-league this fall, with games on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Registration runs now through

Aug. 13 or until the eight-team league has been filled. There is a \$275 team fee, including game balls, plus a \$100 additional non-resident deposit.

Each team pays umpires at the field, \$11 per game for one umpire or \$16 for two, and \$20 per player (maximum \$100/team) for non-Plymouth residents. Players must be 18 as of Aug. 27, 2001, when the season begins.

A round-robin format will be used with a minimum of eight games. All games are at Don Massey Field (Plymouth at Haggerty) at 6:15 p.m., 7:25 p.m., 8:35 p.m. (and 9:45 p.m. for rain make ups).

Register at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer in Plymouth. Call (734) 455-6620 with questions.

COACHES WANTED

Redford Catholic Central is looking for a freshman soccer coach. For more information, please contact head soccer coach Dana Orsucci at (248) 374-3298 or e-mail him at dorsucci@catholiccentral.net.

Livonia Ladywood High School is looking for girls' junior varsity field hockey and a girls' junior varsity tennis coach.

For more information, please call Ladywood athletic director Sal Malek at (734) 591-2323.

TOTAL SOCCER CLINICS

Total Soccer of Wixom, located at 30990 Wixom Road, will stage 45-minute weekly clinics stressing basic skills and individual development for ages 2-10 beginning Monday, Sept. 10.

Cost for the seven-week clinics are \$79 (includes T-shirt).

For more information or to register, call (248) 669-9817, or email tsixom@bignet.net.

CELEBRITY SOFTBALL

The Detroit Red Wing Alumni are playing the Windsor Sport All-Stars at 8 p.m. Aug. 18 in a celebrity softball game at Father Cullen Stadium in Windsor's Mac

Park, part of a three day event sponsored by Circle of Seven Charities.

Entry fees for the Aug. 17-19 slo-pitch softball tournament are \$185 per team or \$200 with 15 celebrity All-Star game passes included. Men's and women's B, C, D and recreational divisions plus co-ed intermediate, recreational and masters are offered. Call Rick Fecteau in Windsor at (519) 966-8564 or (519) 776-8102.

Past and present NHL and other sport stars will be on hand for celebrity softball game, with admission at \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. Photo and autograph opportunities will be available.

GOLF OUTINGS

The first annual Wayne Firebirds Squirt AA hockey team golf outing will be Sunday, Sept. 9 at Warren Valley in Dearborn Heights.

The cost is \$90 per player or \$360 per foursome. Included in the cost is 18 holes of golf, cart, hot dog and refreshments at the turn, dinner afterwards and a two-hour bar.

There will be a prize for first place, 50/50 raffle, fundraising raffle and silent auction.

Money raised will be used to help purchase equipment and help defray tournament costs.

Hole sponsorships are also available for \$100.

For more information, call Ken Tomalak at (313) 563-4057.

The 11th annual Livonia Stevenson High school alumni and friends golf outing will be Sunday, Sept. 9 at Fellows Creek, located at 2936 Lotz Road, Canton Township.

Shotgun tee off starts at 8:30 a.m. Coffee and doughnuts will be served from 7:15-8:15 a.m. A buffet dinner will follow at 2 p.m.

The cost for golf and dinner is \$100. Dinner only is \$50.

For more information, call Dave Falzon at (734) 464-8201.

The 11th Annual Mercy High School Meg Mallon Golf Outing and Dinner will be Monday, Aug. 20, at Walnut Creek Country Club.

For information regarding golf fees and sponsorship opportunities, call Mercy High School at (248) 476-8020, ext. 253, or send an email to jhearle@mhsnm.org.

St. Agatha will hold its eighth annual golf outing at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 11 at Links of Pinewood Golf Course in Walled Lake.

The event will cost \$125 per golfer and include golf, cart, lunch, dinner, open bar in the clubhouse, door prizes, a live auction, prizes on the course and other raffles. Hole sponsorships are available for \$150 and dinner only tickets are available for \$45. No metal spikes will be allowed on the course.

For more information, please call Fred Grifka at (248) 473-1144, Tim Lafferty at (810) 996-9956, Lee Petersen at (734) 425-8576 or Janet Smith at (313) 255-7116.

COACHES NEEDED

Livonia Ladywood High School is seeking a girls' junior varsity field hockey and girls' JV tennis coach for the upcoming season.

For more information, call athletic director Sal Malek at (734) 591-2323.

Redford Union is looking for a boys and girls varsity cross country coach for the upcoming season.

Interested applicants can send their letter of application or resume to athletic director Brett Steele, Redford Union High School, 17711 Kinloch, Redford, MI, 48420 or call him for more information at (313) 592-3408.

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A tenant in our building was raped in her apartment. She was attacked by an intruder who apparently used a set of master keys to get into her apartment. We, unfortunately, kept a set of keys in an unlocked cabinet in the manager's office. An employee had previously used one of the

keys to enter another tenant's apartment and tried to rape her, but we never changed the locks or moved the keys to a more secure location. We now have another rape on our hands. Do we have any potential liability?

In a recent decision of the Iowa Supreme Court on similar facts, the court rejected the landlord's argument that it had no duty to protect the tenant from the criminal acts of a third party.

The court said that the landlord owes a duty of care to protect his tenant from reasonable foreseeable harm, which is likely to be the law in Michigan. The court indicated that the landlord failed to adequately secure keys and failed to change the locks in nine years, despite incidents that would cause provident persons to change the locks.

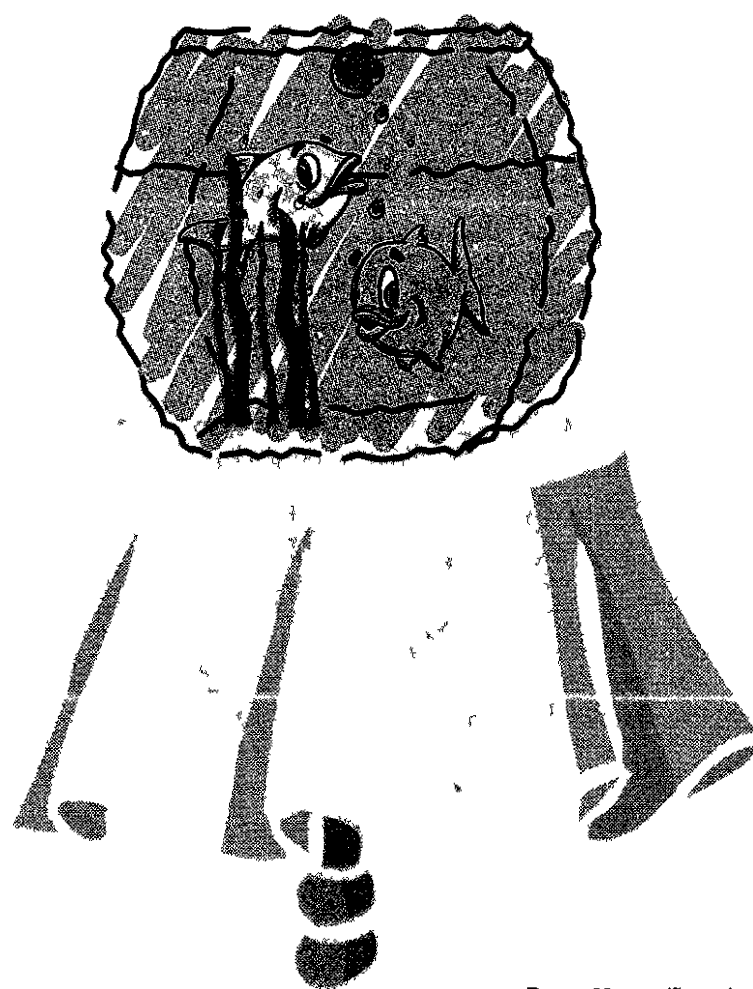
In addition, the master locks and keys were not properly accounted for. The court suggested that the landlord cannot be relieved from liability by the fact that the risk, or substantial important part of the risk, to which the landlord has subjected the tenant, has indeed come to pass.

Robert M. Meisner is an Oakland County area attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. You are invited to submit topics that you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph, Suite 467, Bingham Farms MI 48025. His e-mail address is bmeisner@mich.com, and his Web site is www.meisner-law.com. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

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Home Sweet Home



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Home means lots of things

BY DOUG FUNKE
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Perhaps home is so sweet – and ownership has become ingrained as part of the American Dream – because there's so many references to it in the course of day-to-day living.

A home run is the most prodigious hit in baseball.

The most memorable gifts often have a homemade touch.

Students and grads joyously celebrate homecoming on high school and college campuses.

The no place like home theme echoes throughout the classic movie *Wizard of Oz*.

Homing pigeons train to return.

Home grown vegetables seem to taste better.

A homer has unabashed pride and faith in the local team, no matter how much it struggles.

Local government officials just love home rule.

Homespun tales and virtues get passed from generation to generation.

Homework reinforces classroom learning.

More references

Home on the Range, where the buffalo roam and the deer and the antelope play, conjures up a peaceful, pastoral setting.

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The race and job are almost finished in the homestretch.

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■ 'Pretty much people buy houses that made them feel like when they were growing up.'

Mary Gladchun
 broker/owner
 RE/MAX on the Trail
 Plymouth

We root, root, root for the home team. All kinds of things combine to transform a house into a home.

Memories spur action

Pretty much people buy houses that made them feel like when they were growing up," said Mary Gladchun, broker/owner of RE/MAX on the Trail in Plymouth.

They may be bigger now with more room, but it's memories and personal touches that make a house a home.

Canadians who noticed the Canadian-made play apparatus in the back yard eventually bought the house, Gladchun said.

"Family pictures all over the house, I think, is a nice touch," she added. "Little sayings people put up. I saw one that said, 'My house was clean last week, you should have visited then.'"

Because decorative touches can be changed fairly easily, prospective buyers shouldn't get bogged down when walking through if tastes clash, Realtors say.

"I had one where the woman didn't like the decor of the master," Gladchun said. Her husband looked at her and said, 'See my clothes? You might not like my shirt, but it can come off.' I thought that was good."

Great potential

Possibilities make a house a home, said Tom Parks, a Realtor with Century 21 Hallmark West in Clarkston.

"I just had one where the people wanted a garage. The house had everything they wanted except that – a basement, pool, two baths, even a carport," he said.

"I told them this was the perfect opportunity for you, to build it for a niche just for you. A workbench, storage if you want. They bought it."

People, their preferences and their dealing with fixes and repairs, sweat equity, also make a house a home, Parks added.

Family, life experiences and memories energize a house for Gordon Fox, a Realtor with Hall & Hunter in Birmingham.

"It's where a child is first raised, where they feel comfortable, protected," he said. "It's a place where for my children, they could say anything they wanted to. Always remember, a home is where you can scratch yourself."

Setting the stage

A house's functionality – bedrooms, baths, large kitchen and dining room for gatherings – merely set the stage for the connections that really matter, Fox said.

"Rear yards, gardens, you're seeing more and more people trying to incorporate that into the living space part of the home. Home actively incorporates neighborhood, too, I guess," Fox said.

"Home is your own personality coming through," said Randal Goodson, associate broker with Prudential Chamberlain Stiehl in Farmington Hills.

"The comfort of having your own things, your own touches."

"Home ownership, it's a pride factor," Goodson added. "I enjoy personally working in the yard, having a nice place to pull up to at the end of the day. It gives me satisfaction."

Tips for those who plan to move themselves

■ Be organized to ensure that the move is smooth, orderly and as free of stress as possible.

■ Allow enough time to get the packing done right and far in advance of moving day.

■ Pack valuables such as jewelry, important documents, irreplaceable photos and videos, and medicine separately – and take them with you.

■ Use new boxes that are sturdy and not too large.

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■ Instead of newspaper, use bubble or foam wrap.

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TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

Before your financial planner develops a strategy for your family, he will likely have you answer a battery of questions related to your fiscal objectives. He will find out where you have been and where you are going, then outline a road map for you to get to your destination.

A good adviser will always consider your age, your risk tolerance and your desired outcome. Generally, a younger person has less disposable income than a middle-aged person but can accept a little more risk. An elderly person would normally have a higher net worth than would a newlywed but would require more security. A two income family with no children would have different short- and long-term needs than would a family of six.

A financial planner's true value comes in being able to determine what investment strategies best match your family's objectives. There is no single strategy that fits every family all the time. A moderate-risk growth portfolio may best suit a younger couple while a low-risk, high-income plan may better suit a retiree.

Similarly, there is no single mortgage that suits all people at all times. Young borrowers with little cash or with no established credit may need a "starter loan" that simply gets them into a home of their own. A married couple with a growing family may need a low-cost mortgage that will allow them to get a bigger home without taking much cash out of pocket. A senior borrower may wish to sell his multi-bedroom home to have more spending money and fewer homeowner responsibilities.

As with your financial plan, there is a mortgage plan that best fits your situation. A 30 year fixed-rate mortgage may not be your best option. Paying (or not paying) a discount point or two may be an appropriate trade off for a better interest rate. A five year adjustable rate mortgage with no prepayment penalty may be all you need to reduce your monthly payments during difficult financial times.

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Tim "Timbo" Phillips is a mortgage loan officer in Plymouth, Michigan. For a free mortgage pre qualification or credit assessment, 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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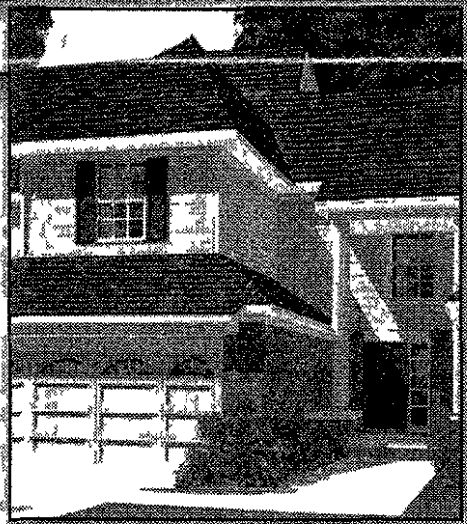
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City	Address	Sale Price	City	Address	Sale Price	
Canton	41546 Ayshire Dr	\$158,000	45010 Saltz Rd	\$223,000	9108 Baywood Dr	\$218,000
	41713 Bedford Dr	\$138,000	42836 Saxony Rd	\$205,000	1386 Carol Ave	\$189,000
	6937 Bunker Hill	\$170,000	3997 Sherwood Cir	\$300,000	10075 Greenwood Cir	\$285,000
	110 Cherry Grove Rd	\$237,000	4670 Shoreview Dr	\$245,000	11681 Curran Ct	\$369,000
	130 Cherry Grove Rd	\$187,000	41142 Southwind Dr	\$123,000	13745 Embers Ct	\$488,000
	140 Cherry Grove Rd	\$227,000	41391 Southwind Dr	\$121,000	44457 Erik Pass	\$197,000
	160 Cherry Grove Rd	\$216,000	46090 Spinning Wheel Dr	\$220,000	40355 Gilbert St	\$141,000
	7300 Chichester Rd	\$220,000	1960 Storebridge Way	\$356,000	41174 Greenbrook Ln	\$157,000
	2497 Cleveland Way	\$276,000	442 Sylvan Dr	\$80,000	193 Hamilton St	\$92,000
	2530 Cleveland Way	\$284,000	454 Sylvan Dr	\$80,000	48627 Hilltop Dr W	\$485,000
	2545 Cleveland Way	\$280,000	480 Sylvan Dr	\$80,000	11825 Lorenz Way	\$407,000
	2561 Cleveland Way	\$274,000	494 Sylvan Dr	\$80,000	44701 Lynn Dr	\$170,000
	46900 Creeks Blvd	\$236,000	508 Sylvan Dr	\$80,000	51220 N View	\$349,000
	1029 Dundee Dr	\$226,000	49062 Times Dr	\$105,000	51282 N View	\$370,000
	47198 Eastbourne Rd	\$358,000	42070 Trent Dr	\$260,000	51283 N View	\$348,000
	6698 Edgewood Rd	\$228,000	44021 Vassar St	\$230,000	51320 N View	\$346,000
	8401 Forrest Dr	\$179,000	43538 W Arbor Way Dr	\$128,000	51391 N View	\$319,000
	41747 Glade Rd	\$253,000	1825 Wentworth	\$269,000	974 Penningar Ave	\$540,000
	47014 Glastonbury Dr	\$239,000	41850 Woodbridge Dr	\$169,000	50151 Pine Ct	\$640,000
	1402 Glengarry Blvd	\$315,000	2624 Woodmont Rd	\$190,000	51255 Plymouth LakeDr	\$143,000
	42316 Glona Dr	\$160,000			51257 Plymouth LakeDr	\$153,000
	46912 Hanford Rd	\$225,000	Garden City		51290 Plymouth LakeDr	\$153,000
	7865 Haverhill Ct N	\$528,000	28528 Dawson St	\$90,000	51385 Plymouth RidgeDr	\$138,000
	2416 Hogan Way	\$217,000	27650 Ford Rd	\$200,000	51384 Plymouth Villy Dr	\$495,000
	2432 Hogan Way	\$261,000	33200 Pardo St	\$1,000	49952 Plymouth Way	\$169,000
	2448 Hogan Way	\$269,000	28921 Rush St	\$129,000	772 S Main St	\$175,000
	2495 Hogan Way	\$274,000	6528 Sterling Ct	\$147,000	9632 Terry St	\$125,000
	2527 Hogan Way	\$214,000			48684 Timber Crest Ct	\$420,000
	2535 Hogan Way	\$282,000	Livonia		12774 Wendover	\$270,000
	45512 Holmes Dr	\$222,000	14140 Alexander St	\$159,000	13055 Wendover Dr	\$290,000
	46547 Inverness Rd	\$382,000	36340 Ann Arbor Trl	\$170,000	51173 Weston Dr	\$354,000
	336 Lenox Dr	\$100,000	19364 Antago St	\$137,000	657 Wing St	\$144,000
	42453 Lilley Pt	\$115,000	9636 Arcola St	\$140,000		
	1887 Lone Wolf Ln	\$188,000	11309 Arden St	\$223,000	Redford	
	48582 Manhattan Cir	\$80,000	9820 Auburn Dr	\$60,000	14860 Aureoy	\$88,000
	48630 Manhattan Cir	\$80,000	32329 Barkley St	\$165,000	19618 Brady	\$103,000
	48655 Manhattan Cir	\$80,000	14468 Bassett St	\$186,000	17685 Delaware Ave	\$160,000
	48895 Manhattan Cir	\$98,000	13994 Blackburn St	\$175,000	17318 Denby	\$140,000
	48942 Manhattan Cir	\$239,000	20436 Brentwood St	\$170,000	24981 Doris Ct	\$135,000
	48966 Manhattan Cir	\$149,000	14631 Country Club Dr	\$173,000	26221 Eiba	\$199,000
	49016 Manhattan Cir	\$239,000	15899 Deering St	\$155,000	17209 Five Points St	\$105,000
	49040 Manhattan Cir	\$105,000	29244 Elmira St	\$129,000	20032 Garfield	\$127,000
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	1625 Orchard Dr	\$105,000	16860 Hubbard Rd	\$260,000	16140 Norborne	\$130,000
	1627 Orchard Dr	\$104,000	20409 Inkster Rd	\$92,000	17393 Olympia	\$125,000
	1629 Orchard Dr	\$101,000	38777 Jamison St	\$170,000	26719 Southwestern Hwy	\$65,000
	1631 Orchard Dr	\$102,000	33237 Kentucky St	\$148,000	26014 Student	\$116,000
	1642 Orchard Dr	\$107,000	38542 Lapham Ct	\$264,000	15763 Woodbine	\$77,000
	1646 Orchard Dr	\$102,000	27462 Lyndon St	\$168,000		
	1715 Orchard Dr	\$130,000	36059 Lyndon St	\$209,000	Westland	
	8223 Orhan St	\$1,000	20038 Maplewood St	\$158,000	32940 Avon	\$129,000
	48126 Picadilly Ct	\$370,000	15045 Marsha St	\$177,000	33441 Balmoral St	\$146,000
	41576 Pineridge Ct	\$215,000	9841 Middlebelt Rd	\$85,000	6810 Emily Ct	\$52,000
	4288 Pond Run	\$263,000	35669 Middleboro St	\$159,000	8202 Hillcrest Blvd	\$136,000
	2349 River Woods Dr N	\$321,000	18963 Milburn St	\$163,000	38135 Hixford Pl	\$128,000
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	42544 Saltz Rd	\$205,000	31590 Myra St	\$275,000	30015 Lonnie Dr	\$140,000
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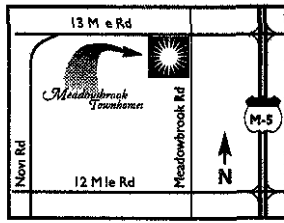
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FEDERAL AGENCIES TARGET PREDATORY LENDING PRACTICES

by GARY S MEYERS



Are you being eyed by predatory mortgage vultures or does your lender have your best interests in mind? Sometimes it's hard to tell, but a new set of guidelines may help set things straight.

Recently, four federal banking agencies - The Federal Reserve Board, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, and the Office of Thrift Supervision - issued a joint press release announcing some tougher guidelines to make the practice of subprime lending safer for lenders and borrowers alike.

In the process, they've also targeted one of the most common abuses of subprime lending - the luring of desperate and unsuspecting borrowers into predatory lending schemes.

Predatory lending - Subprime lending, as applied under the guidelines is the practice of lending money to borrowers who pose a higher than usual credit risk because of weakened credit histories.

Such histories typically include payment delinquencies, charge-offs, judgments, and even bankruptcies. In some cases, the numbers may simply not be in their favor, such as high debt-to-income ratios, bad credit scores, or incomplete credit histories.

"Subprime simply means that a borrower is less than prime when it comes to credit," said David Skidmore, a spokesman for the Federal Reserve Board. "They have a flawed credit record in some way, so they don't qualify for the prime loans."

Some characteristics of subprime borrowers, according to documents issued by the agencies, include:

- Two or more 30 day delinquencies in the last 12 months, or one or more 60 day delinquencies in the last 24 months,
- Judgement, foreclosure, repossession or charge-off in the prior 24 months,
- Bankruptcy in the last five years,
- Relatively high default probability as evidenced by, for example, a credit bureau risk score of 660 or below,
- Debt service-to-income ratio of 50% or greater, or otherwise limited ability to cover family living expenses after deducting total monthly debt-service requirements from monthly income.

Because subprime borrowers pose a higher risk of default, institutions that tie up a great deal of their money in such loans could find themselves in trouble if the odds catch up with them.

The purpose of the guidance is to help examiners ensure that lenders have taken adequate measures to protect themselves from the risks associated with subprime lending.

That does not mean, however, that subprime lending needs to be stopped, however. In fact the joint release by the four Agencies recognizes that it is a valuable tool.

Said Richard Spillenkothen, Director of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve, "The Agencies continue to believe that responsible subprime lending can expand credit access for consumers and offer attractive returns provided that institutions recognize and manage the unique risks associated with this activity. The purpose of the expanded guidance is to strengthen the Agencies' supervision of institutions with subprime lending programs."

Spillenkothen added that the guidance is directed at institutions with a large amount of subprime lending programs.

While the bulk of the "guidance" document issued by the Agencies covers the security and soundness of institutions that regularly make a large number of legitimate subprime loans, there is a provision that covers the use of these loans in "predatory" lending practices.

"The term 'subprime' is by no means synonymous with predatory lending," said Skidmore. "However, a subprime loan might be classified as predatory if it has abusive conditions in some way. Under predatory conditions, the lender doesn't really expect to be repaid, but instead takes collateral, or continually restructures the loan to charge excessive fees. In some cases, however, it may be hard

to distinguish, because there are some borrowers who find it in their best interests to refinance frequently."

Typically in predatory lending, when the borrower defaults, the lender forecloses or takes possession of the collateral - generally the borrower's home. The unscrupulous lender then has any amount the borrower was able to pay, plus the property to use over in the same way.

Recently the Federal Reserve completed a study of predatory lending practices designed to help the agency combat the problem more effectively.

"Obviously," said Skidmore, "the banking agencies are trying to better quantify the problem. There's not a sense that most of the lenders are predatory."

Those that are, however, can run a borrower, destroying assets and credit with the stroke of a pen.

The guidance lists some telltale signs of subprime lending being used as access to predatory lending practices, including:

- Making unaffordable loans based on the assets of the borrower rather than on the borrower's ability to repay an obligation,
- Inducing a borrower to refinance a loan repeatedly in order to charge high points and fees each time the loan is refinanced (also known as "loan flipping"), or
- Engaging in fraud or deception to conceal the true nature of the loan obligation from an unsuspecting or unsophisticated borrower.

"The guidance is targeted at safety and soundness," said Skidmore, "but if examiners spot something that could be considered predatory, it can be brought to the attention of the banking agencies or other controlling authorities."

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30-yr fixed mortgage	7.11%
15-yr fixed mortgage	6.66%
Adjustable mortgage	6.24%
FHA-insured mortgage	7.13%
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This week's releases

Aug 10	Department of Labor Producer Price Indexes
Aug 10	Department of Commerce Selected Economic Indicators
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BUY HOME SEMINAR

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For reservations, call Adamick at (734) 455-2219 Ext 217

INTERNET TECHNOLOGY

The Remodelers Council of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan hosts a seminar, "Internet Technology and How It Helps the Remodeler," 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug 15, at its offices, 30375 Northwestern, Suite 100, Farmington Hills

Cost, which includes dinner, is \$30 for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$35 for nonmembers

To register, call (248) 862-1008

ULI GOLF OUTING

The fourth annual University of Michigan Real Estate Forum and Urban Land Institute golf outing takes place Monday, Aug 20, at the U-M Golf Course in Ann Arbor

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RIVER CRUISE

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The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan now provides weekly updates of news and information affecting the construction industry to members via e-mail

Contact Rosahe Lamb at the association, (248) 737-4477 for details

Rates on 30-year, 15-year mortgages hit 4-month low

WASHINGTON (AP) - Rates on 30-year and 15-year mortgages around the country hit a four-month low this week, while rates on one-year adjustable mortgages rose

The average interest rate on 30-year fixed rate mortgages dipped to 7.00 percent for the week ending Aug 3, down from 7.03 percent last week, according to a nationwide survey released Thursday by Freddie Mac, the mortgage company

Fifteen-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, fell to 6.54 percent this week, compared with 6.58 percent the previous week

Rates on the 30-year and 15-year mortgages were the lowest since March 30 when they averaged 6.91 and 6.46 respectively

A year ago, rates for 30-year mortgages averaged 8.12 percent and rates for 15-year mortgages averaged 7.88 percent

On one-year adjustable-rate mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 5.74 percent, up from 5.72 percent the week before Last year, one-year ARMs stood

at 7.28 percent These rates do not include add-on fees known as points

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CANTON COLONIAL This 3 brm 1 1/2 bath flmy rm w/w/ple newer furn and C/A is priced to sell Nice fenced backyard w/patio 2 car gar w/side entry walk to sub park Owner motivated Pre Approved Buyers please (P34FUD) \$201,900



LIVONIA MOVE RIGHT IN This 3 brm 2 1/2 bath Tudor Colonial has the pride of original owner Neutral decor lg kit 1st flr Indry great rm w/cathedral ceilings fin bsmt w/wet bar Lg deck w/private setting in backyard sprinkler sys sec alarm (P78GOL) \$284,900

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PLYMOUTH WONDERFUL COLONIAL Move in condition! This 3 brm 1 1/2 bath 1/2 acre lot is well manicured has deck w/wet awning Home is beautifully maint and shows pride of ownership Many updates incl fin bsmt Sprinkling sys 2 car at gar (P01CHE) \$224,900

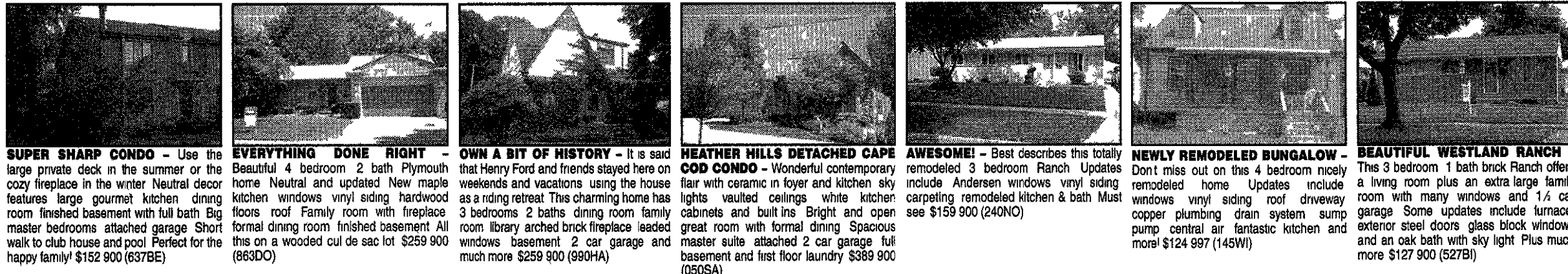
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SUPER SHARP CONDO - Use the large private deck in the summer or the cozy fireplace in the winter Neutral decor features large gourmet kitchen dining room finished basement with full bath Big master bedrooms attached garage Short walk to club house and pool Perfect for the happy family! \$152,900 (637BE)

EVERYTHING DONE RIGHT - Beautiful 4 bedroom 2 bath Plymouth home Neutral and updated New maple kitchen windows vinyl siding hardwood floors roof Family room with fireplace formal dining room finished basement All this on a wooded cul de sac lot \$259,900 (863DO)

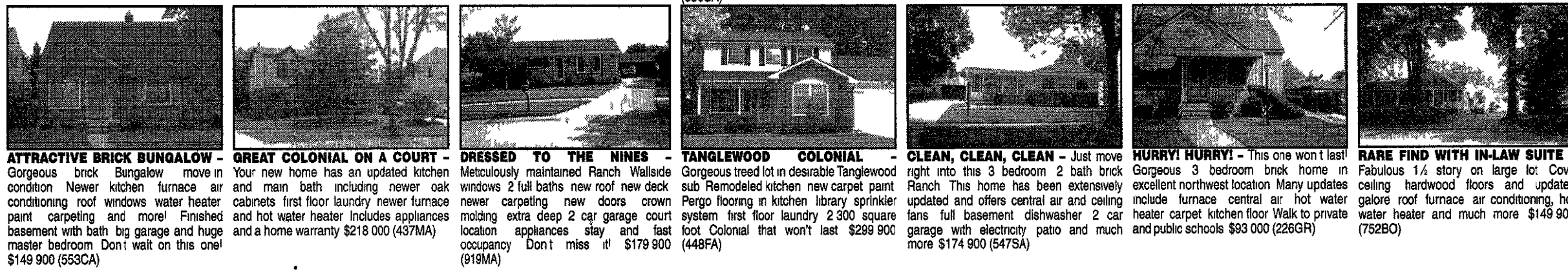
OWN A BIT OF HISTORY - It is said that Henry Ford and friends stayed here on weekends and vacations using the house as a riding retreat This charming home has 3 bedrooms 2 baths dining room family room library arched brick fireplace leaded windows basement 2 car garage and much more \$259,900 (990HA)

HEATHER HILLS DETACHED CAPE COD CONDO - Wonderful contemporary floor with ceramic in foyer and kitchen sky lights vaulted ceilings white kitchen cabinets and built ins Bright and open great room with formal dining Spacious master suite attached 2 car garage full basement and first floor laundry \$389,900 (050SA)

AWESOME! - Best describes this totally remodeled 3 bedroom Ranch Updates include Andersen windows vinyl siding carpeting remodeled kitchen & bath Must see \$159,900 (240NO)

NEWLY REMODELED BUNGALOW - Don't miss out on this 4 bedroom nicely remodeled home Updates include windows vinyl siding roof driveway copper plumbing drain system sump pump central air fantastic kitchen and more! \$124,997 (145WI)

BEAUTIFUL WESTLAND RANCH - This 3 bedroom 1 bath brick Ranch offers a living room plus an extra large family room with many windows and 1 1/2 car garage Some updates include furnace exterior steel doors glass block windows and an oak bath with sky light Plus much more \$127,900 (527BI)



ATTRACTIVE BRICK BUNGALOW - Gorgeous brick Bungalow move in condition Newer kitchen furnace air conditioning roof windows water heater paint carpeting and more! Finished basement with bath big garage and huge master bedroom Don't wait on this one! \$149,900 (563CA)

GREAT COLONIAL ON A COURT - Your new home has an updated kitchen and main bath including newer oak cabinets first floor laundry newer furnace and hot water heater Includes appliances and a home warranty \$218,000 (437MA)

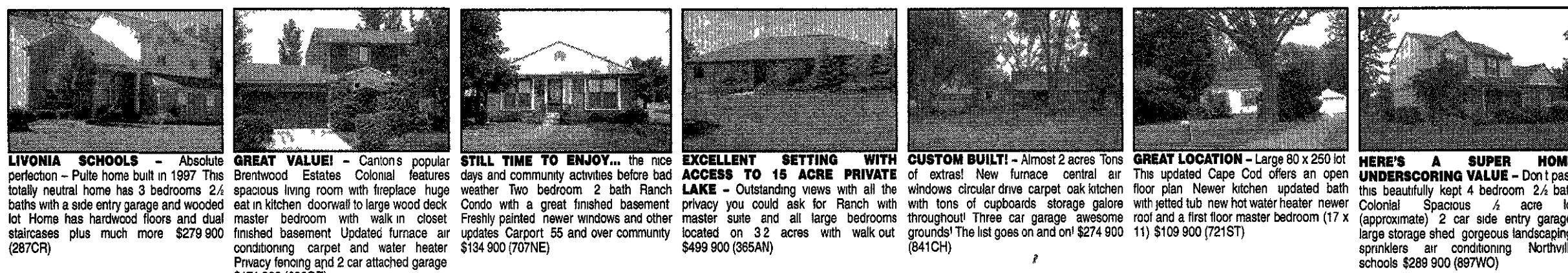
DRESSED TO THE NINES - Meticulously maintained Ranch Wallside windows 2 full baths new roof new deck newer carpeting new doors crown molding extra deep 2 car garage court location appliances stay and fast occupancy Don't miss it! \$179,900 (919MA)

TANGLEWOOD COLONIAL - Gorgeous treed lot in desirable Tanglewood sub Remodeled kitchen new carpet paint Pergo flooring in kitchen library sprinkler system first floor laundry 2,300 square foot Colonial that won't last \$299,900 (448FA)

CLEAN, CLEAN, CLEAN - Just move right into this 3 bedroom 2 bath brick Ranch This home has been extensively updated and offers central air and ceiling fans full basement dishwasher 2 car garage with electricity patio and much more \$174,900 (547SA)

HURRY! HURRY! - This one won't last! Gorgeous 3 bedroom brick home in excellent northwest location Many updates include furnace central air hot water heater carpet kitchen floor Walk to private and public schools \$93,000 (226GR)

RARE FIND WITH IN-LAW SUITE - Fabulous 1 1/2 story on large lot Cove ceiling hardwood floors and updates galore roof furnace air conditioning, hot water heater and much more \$149,900 (752BO)



LIVONIA SCHOOLS - Absolute perfection - Pulte home built in 1997 This totally neutral home has 3 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths with a side entry garage and wooded lot Home has hardwood floors and dual staircases plus much more \$279,900 (287CR)

GREAT VALUE! - Cantons popular Brentwood Estates Colonial features spacious living room with fireplace huge eat in kitchen doorway to large wood deck master bedroom with walk in closet finished basement Updated furnace air conditioning carpet and water heater Privacy fencing and 2 car attached garage \$174,900 (632GE)

STILL TIME TO ENJOY... the nice days and community activities before bad weather Two bedroom 2 bath Ranch Condo with a great finished basement Freshly painted newer windows and other updates Carport 55 and over community \$134,900 (707NE)

EXCELLENT SETTING WITH ACCESS TO 15 ACRE PRIVATE LAKE - Outstanding views with all the privacy you could ask for Ranch with master suite and all large bedrooms located on 32 acres with walk out \$499,900 (365AN)

CUSTOM BUILT! - Almost 2 acres Tons of extras! New furnace central air windows circular drive carpet oak kitchen with tons of cupboards storage galore throughout! Three car garage awesome grounds! The list goes on and on! \$274,900 (841CH)

GREAT LOCATION - Large 80 x 250 lot This updated Cape Cod offers an open floor plan Newer kitchen updated bath with jetted tub new hot water heater newer roof and a first floor master bedroom (17 x 11) \$109,900 (721ST)

HERE'S A SUPER HOME UNDERSCORING VALUE - Don't pass this beautifully kept 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial Spacious 1/2 acre lot (approximate) 2 car side entry garage large storage shed gorgeous landscaping sprinklers air conditioning Northville schools \$289,900 (897WO)

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Linda Kittredge, a Realtor with Quality GMAC Real Estate in Livonia, has completed a specialized course in residential real estate buyer sales strategies in Las Vegas

Kittredge holds the professional designation of Certified Buyer Representative

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Michael Decoster, RA, affiliated with Neumann/Smith & Associates, has earned the US Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design accreditation

LEED is based on accepted energy and environmental principles and strikes a balance between known effective practices and emerging concepts

Decoster joined Neumann/Smith, a Southfield based architecture, planning and interior design firm, in 1998 after graduating from Ball State University

Etkin Skanska, a construction company headquartered in Farmington Hills, was hired by EDS and Lincoln Property Co to renovate 157,000 square feet of space to the EDS offices in Auburn Hills

Income Property Organization, multi family specialists in Bloomfield Hills, was involved in the brokering of three properties - Devonshire Villas Apartments in Woodhaven, Sheridan Court Apartments in Detroit, and Eastern Village Apartments in Ypsilanti

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GOLFER'S DELIGHT
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CAPTURE THE VIEW
From the 1 000+ square foot of cedar decking overlooking aerated pond & treed commons This custom built Cape Cod offers a first floor master with contemporary bath large library with bay window & book case wall vaulted great room with fieldstone fireplace framed by French doors with curved transoms Finished walk out level (87QUA) \$538 000 734 455 6000 **147**

WOODLAND VIEW
Much sought after Lilley Pointe upper level unit backing to woods Two bedrooms 2 bath master suite with bath Cathedral ceilings balcony overlooking wood land view a lot of storage space Car port and all appliances stay Neutral decor (41LL) \$127 500 734 455 6000

DESIRABLE PLYMOUTH LOCATION
Classic home on large lot with finished walk out lower level Traditional floor plan Oak kitchen with island & deck area Built in gas cook top double ovens & microwave Family room & adjacent ceramic sun room Lower level great room with fireplace dry bar storage full workshop Priced below appraised value (54HUN) \$585 000 734 455 6000 **130**

NORTHVILLE CHARMER
Walk to downtown New paver patio for afternoon enjoyment Many updates including fieldstone cabinets in kitchen remodeled main bath central air and attached 2 car garage Roof shingled 99 (73LIN) \$234 900 734 455 6000 **137**

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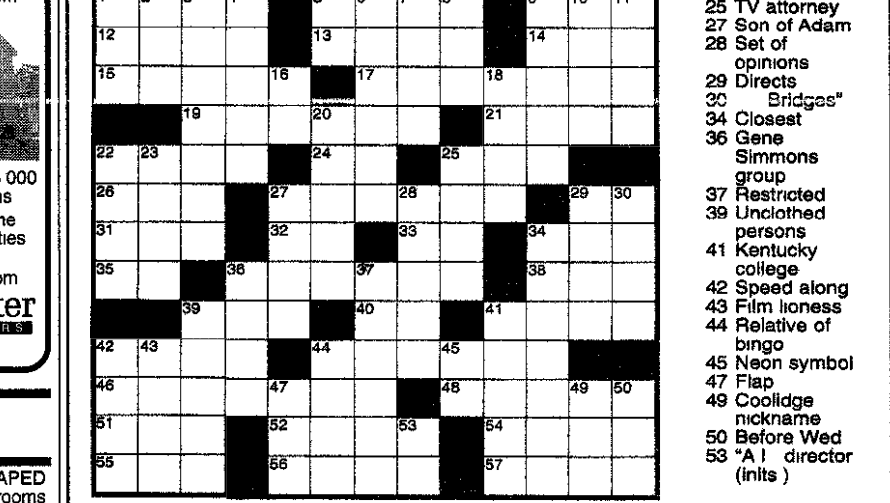
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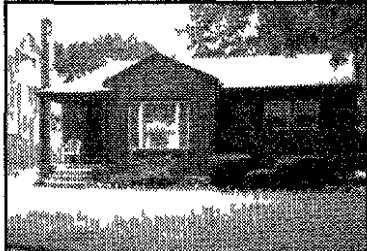
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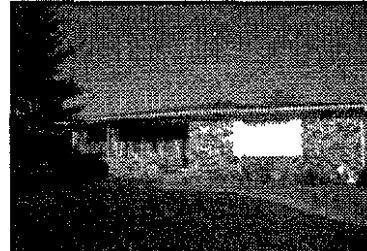
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LIVONIA BRICK RANCH Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath home with living room dining room breakfast room partially finished basement 1 1/2 car garage central air nice treed lot wrap around deck \$153 000 (01ARC) 248 349 5600



TERRIFIC OPPORTUNITY Three bedroom Tr level offers the chance to live in Northville Township/Northville school district Large lot offers recreation garden and more Hardwood floors in bedrooms fireplace in living room garage and shed for extra storage \$249 900 (95CLE) 248 349 5600



RANCH ON APPROXIMATELY 1 ACRE Super 1974 built 3 bedroom 2 bath home that's ready for the fussiest home buyer Country setting with wildlife around This spacious home has finished basement custom deck attached 2 car garage & 3 season Florida room with fireplace & more \$245 900 (51PMD) 248 349 5600



EXTRA CLEAN THREE BEDROOM WESTLAND RANCH! Doorwall to deck off kitchen Newer windows furnace shingles family room fourth bedroom game room lower level bath with shower in finished basement Family room Neutral colors throughout Fenced yard Two baths \$124 924 (13BIR) 734 455 5600



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PARK LIKE SETTING for this immaculate 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath Tudor with newer hardwood floors 2 fireplaces & 3 car garage Finished basement & freshly painted inside & out Northville schools \$329 900 (50RCR) 248-349 5600



CUSTOM BUILT RANCH WITH CHARM! Prime location 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath featuring hardwood floors wet plaster coved ceilings natural fireplace 1/2 bath off master bedroom Back covered porch easily enclosed for Florida room Many updates Two car attached garage \$184 900 (29BLO) 734 455 5600



MAGNIFICENT ESTATE ON 10 ACRES! Rolling land & 2 ponds Spectacular 2 1/2 story brick home Finished walk out Full size studio apartment & family room with great view Two fireplaces Third floor study/loft circle staircase Master with wet bar 2 full walk in closets bath & Jacuzzi \$840 000 (72GRA) 734 455 5600



GREAT LOCATION IN PLYMOUTH SUB! Two sided fireplace between living room and dining room Doorwall Copper plumbing circuit breakers Hardwood floors under carpet Home protection plan Unfinished basement waiting for your touches \$179 900 (82PRO) 734 455 5600



RANCH CONDO Fresh paint carpet & move in end unit with attached garage & Florida room Enjoy club house and beach on Crooked Lake \$104 999 (44ARL) 248 349 5600



NEAT AS A PIN This 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Tr level has a walk out to fenced yard with shed Two window air conditioners and updated 1/2 bath New furnace in 01 All appliances stay \$159 900 (03HIL) 248 349 5600



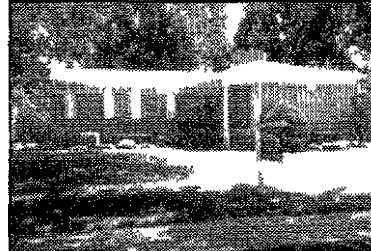
WHAT AN AWESOME LOCATION Spacious double winged Colonial in Canterbury sub Three bedroom 2 1/2 bath library first floor laundry family room with fireplace & more Updated kitchen & baths New furnace & central air too \$272 500 (82FER) 248 349 5600



FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY! Plymouth brick Ranch with many updates! Spacious living room with bay window wood that opens to dining area Three bedroom 2 1/2 bath Spectacular kitchen oak cabinets pantry family room with brick full wall fireplace sprinklers \$207 000 (72CED) 734-455 5600



OPPORTUNITY ABOUND! Only 1 year old! Curtis spec home with all the details done for you Three bedroom 2 1/2 bath Many upgrades premium central air white washed oak kitchen neutral Berber carpet marble fireplace full basement huge pantry first floor laundry Sparkling clean \$223 900 (74GRE) 734 455 5600



CLASSIC TURNBERRY COLONIAL! Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Pillars 2 1/2 car attached garage formal living room bay window family room with fireplace cathedral ceilings New deck Kitchen with oak cabinets & island Freshly painted in & out Master bedroom with extra closets & bath \$231 900 (05TUR) 734 455 5600



CUT ABOVE Amenities abound in this 4 bedroom Colonial with soaring ceilings 2 staircases granite counters plantation shutters brick patio/wrought iron cul de sac location Professionally landscaped with Northville schools \$608 500 (97AUT) 248 349 5600



SPACIOUS & BEAUTIFUL Two bedroom 2 full & 2 half baths Great room with marble fireplace & deck backing to woods Spacious master suite with walk-in closet Second bedroom with bath Newer gourmet kitchen circular stair finished basement and 2 car attached garage \$224 000 (36HUN) 248 349 5600



HISTORIC MILFORD VILLAGE Charming home short walk to enjoy all the village has to offer Three bed 1 1/2 bath eat-in kitchen dining living room master with sitting room/study hardwood floors cove ceilings arch doorways many built ins many updates 2 car attached garage \$204 900 (04ALT) 248 349 5600



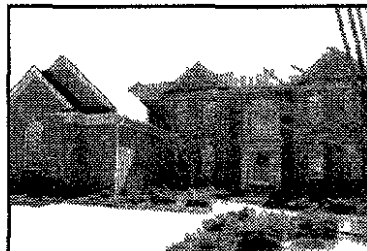
SPECTACULAR WOODED LOT! With fish pond & creek Four bedroom Colonial Library with crown molding Newer carpet & flooring throughout Family room with natural fireplace Newer Pella door wall to tiered deck Updated kitchen newer central air Part finished basement \$263 900 (22CHA) 734 455 5600



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FONDA LAKE PRIVILEGES Lovely sprawling Ranch on large treed lot Newer kitchen central air & first floor laundry Furnace & hot water heater 9 years old Roof 12 years Andersen windows throughout Natural fireplace in large family room \$207 800 (61KEN) 248 349 5600



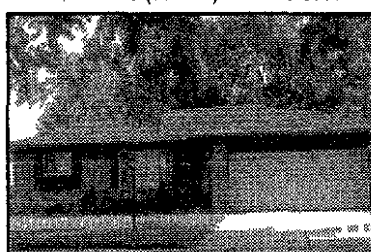
WONDERFUL NOVI HOME Well cared for 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial featuring nice open floor plan first floor laundry master bath cathedral ceiling deck and sauna Built in 1988 this house is beautiful inside and out \$349 900 (74FRE) 248 349 5600



HERE IT IS! Five bedroom 2 bath Colonial Extra large garage with attached sun room & work shop Cement pad for RV circuit breakers newer windows furnace central air carpet Many walk in closets \$149 900 (12COL) 734-455 5600



VINTAGE PLYMOUTH WITH UPDATES! Three bedroom 2 full bath Bungalow room with wood trim Newer vinyl windows throughout central air roof Nicely finished basement with full bath Great curb appeal! Fenced yard \$186 900 (03HOL) 734 455 5600



CLEAN! CLEAN! CLEAN! All the updates you dream about furnace central air hot water heater windows exterior doors & storms 1/2 bath newer oak kitchen & floor all newer carpet fresh paint Just move in! \$151 900 (14WIL) 734 455 5600



STUNNING NOVI COLONIAL in Bristol Corner sub This new construction with premium elevation & walk out basement 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath master with jet tub & double walk in closets Upgraded white kitchen first floor den 3 car side entry garage sprinklers & sod \$419 900 (12BRI) 248 349 5600



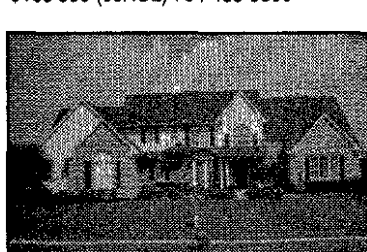
SUPER SHARP brick home in Redford Quiet street commands an excellent location Three bedroom updated bath newer central air roof electrical carpet Newer windows partially finished basement 2 1/2 car garage fenced yard large master Well maintained Home warranty included \$119 900 (35WAK) 248 349 5600



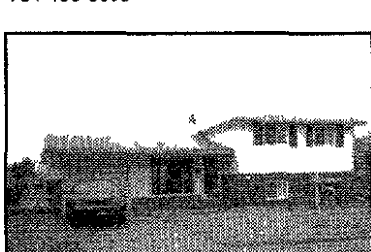
WANT A GREAT HOUSE! You'll agree that this 3 bedroom brick Ranch is an awesome value Features include 1 1/2 bath a newer kitchen with ceramic floor finished basement 2 1/2 car garage large wood deck & a fenced yard \$174 900 (25LEE) 248-349 5600



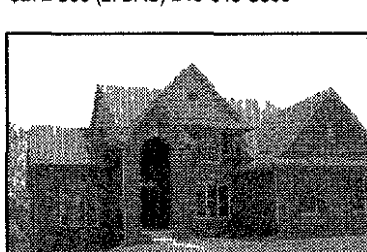
CLEAN & NEAT BUNGALOW! Three bedrooms 2 baths hardwood floors updated kitchen brick patio fenced yard central air full bath in basement Ventless gas fireplace Nicely landscaped yard \$143 900 (12CRO) 734 455 5600



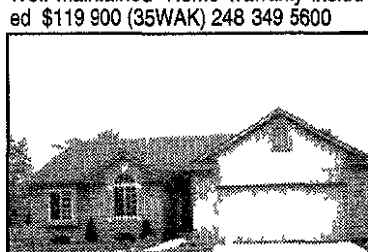
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THREE YEAR NEW RANCH Open & airy 3 bedroom 2 bath Great room with gas fireplace/sky lites vaulted ceiling in great room & master bedroom jetted tub & tile shower in master bath full basement ceiling fans neutral throughout \$235 000 (85WES) 248 349 5600



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NORTHVILLE \$549,900
IMPECCABLE 5 BR COLONIAL! Hardwood floors unfin walk out lower level 3 car side entry garage Backs to parks & walking trails Absolutely move-in condition! (13COA2)

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LIVONIA \$419,900
IMMACULATE! 4 BR 3.5 bath colonial 2 master suites 2 furnaces 2 a/c's 2nd fl laundry under 1/2 acre 3 car garage (H20440)

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CANTON \$314,900
MOVE IN CONDITION COLONIAL is just waiting for you! 9 ceilings on main floor island kitchen ceramic foyer 2 600 SF deck & sprinklers Plymouth/Canton schools! (57BR02)

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PLYMOUTH \$299,900
GET THIS 4 BR CAPE FAST! This home mostly brick features some ceramic and hardwood 2.5 baths f/p deck basement needs ceiling to be finished transfer sale (W12710)

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LIVONIA \$277,900
GREAT LOCATION! This 4 BR colonial features newer windows roof copper plumbing hrwd fire power attic fan 3 season enclosed porch finished bsmt too many extras to list! (F17550)

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DEARBORN \$269,900
DESIRABLE DEARBORN HILLS CAPE COD! Welcome Home! This charming home is filled w/character Plaster walls, coved ceilings in DR updated roof & windows (35SIL2)

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CANTON \$259,900
LOVELY, MINT CONDITION Move in perfect 3 BR 2 bath 1620 ranch full brck 2.5 car attd car open fl plan 1st fl laundry 2 yrs old deep spacious bsmt prof landscaped (S4643)

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LIVONIA \$249,900
LIVONIA COLONIAL! 4 bdrms & 2.5 baths with 2 car attached garage This is a must see! Hardwood flrs thru out & a beautiful sunroom leading to a shady yard (23S36016)

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LIVONIA \$239,900
THEY ARE ANTIQUE DEALERS AND CAR BUFFS They have lovingly restored this 1933 classic home Everything is updated New kit made to look like original Leaded glass wndws over f/p Lot is outstanding (M18665)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$234,900
A LARGE WOODED LOT is the setting for this stunning 3 BR 2.5 bath ranch 1800 sq ft of carefully maintained & updated interior Master has jet tub 2.5 car garage Big bsmt (R20945)

PC 070562 734-591-9200



LIVONIA \$231,900
BURTON HOLLOW ESTATES Private ravine setting accents this spectacular updated 4 BR 2 bath home Open floor plan liv rm w/fp sun rm & 3 doorwalls Updated t/o (W16754)

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CANTON \$229,750
DREAM NO MORE! Lovely 3 bdrm col located on a court w/oversize lot Formal LR/DR Kit w/ wood cbnts pantry Lg master bdrm w/bath & walk in closet C/A, attic fan Fin bsmt (23P1427)

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LIVONIA \$219,900
BEAUTIFUL LIVONIA HOME! 3 BR Cape Cod w/1st fl mstr professionally fin bsmt lg fenced yard w/deck and retractable awning Neutral colors t/o move in condition (55LAM2)

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PLYMOUTH \$214,900
BE PART OF PLYMOUTH! Great bungalow on double lot Updates main bath lg eat n kit w/ doorwall to deck mstr bath w/wrtpool tub Newer hwh windows c breakers (23V561)

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DEARBORN \$209,500
DEARBORN HILLS BEAUTY! 3 BR Bungalow 1st fl mstr LR w/FP DR kt w/table space den beautiful hwd flrs 2.5 car garage & br ck paver patio (15WAV2)

PC 16342 248-348-6430



WESTLAND \$199,900
A DEEP WOODED LOT Makes this ideal for children 3 bdrm Ranch with full finished basement 1 1/2 baths finished basement 1st floor laundry 2 car att deck sprnklers C/A (P384)

734-326-2000



PLYMOUTH \$184,900
IMMACULATELY CARED FOR HOME at the end of cul de sac backing to woods 3 BR family rm w/fp 2 car garage partly finished bsmt Hurry! Won't last! (T9024)

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LIVONIA \$180,000
COUNTRY CHARMER! Huge park yard 4 BR cape cod 2 full baths newer kitchen family rm w/cathedral ceiling drive thru garage w/ newer doors (M20221)

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BROWNSTOWN TWP \$169,900
LIGHT & BRIGHT! Updated kitchen baths windows roof c/a carpeting All this & more! Sparkling clean great FR w/FP deck & fenced yard! Must see! (30ROS2)

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LIVONIA \$159,900
45ACRE TREED/FLOWERED LOT! 1.5 story vinyl sided Bungalow 3 BR 2 bath FR DR newly decorated & 2 car detached garage (50JOY2)

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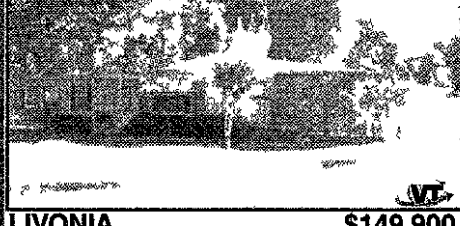
CANTON \$159,500
2 BR 1.5 BATH CONDO Fireplace in great room deck basement w/nice finished room good location attd garage (Y43584)

PC 612 734-591-9200



DEARBORN HGTS \$155,000
CRESTWOOD SCHOOLS Brand new construction can be yours! 3 bdrm 2 full baths beautiful colors cathedral ceilings open floor plan Move right in at close (R596)

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LIVONIA \$149,900
PAINT BRUSH SPECIAL! Priced under market this 1700 sq ft ranch on a huge lot has an updated kitchen, huge family rm 4 BR Do some cosmetics and watch your equity grow! (P19614)

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WESTLAND \$147,911
ADORABLE & AFFORDABLE! This 3 bdrm brick ranch welcomes you upon entering Honey oak kit cabinets & lovely master bdrm plus a master bath Partial fin bsmt 2 car gar (23B34011)

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HARRISON \$139,000
CHALET STYLE 3 BR CEDAR home on 5 wooded acres Sportsman's delight! Lg 2 car detached garage Guest cabin w/electric Call for details! (45COR2)

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REDFORD \$136,900
REDFORD TWP DREAM HOUSE! 3 BR 2 baths hwd flrs 4th BR in bsmt updates tear off roof vinyl windows paint glass block windows treed/shaded lot 1 car garage/fenced yard (34SAR2)

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WAYNE \$134,900
CHARMING If you're looking for space this 4 bedroom 1 1/2 bath is for you Finished basement w/family room fireplace in living room Cozy Colonial for your family (W450)

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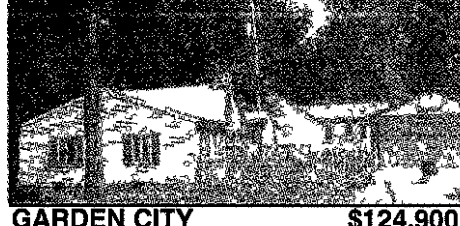
REDFORD \$133,900
PERFECT FOR FIRST TIME BUYERS! 3 BR ranch features new kitchen new furnace hwh c/a stove frdge 2.5 car garage large lot warranty (B13961)

PC 07032 734-591-9200



GARDEN CITY \$126,900
CAPE COD COMFORT is yours in this 3 bdrm vinyl sided Garden City home C/A large yard and garage Newer windows and roof shingles hardwood floors remodeled bath (B314)

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GARDEN CITY \$124,900
OLD WORLD CHARM With modern conveniences 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Ranch with 2 car garage on an 80x135 lot Priced to sell (R315)

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REDFORD \$122,900
3 BR BRICK RANCH with great location New living room carpet and new back door Roof approximately 5 years old Don't wait! (54BRA2)

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WESTLAND \$119,900
BUYER WHO APPRECIATES VALUE Is needed for this 3 bedroom Ranch in Westland 1 1/2 baths finished basement 2 car garage w/opener C/A newer windows furnace and roof shingles (P323)

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REDFORD \$117,000
SPOTLESS REDFORD BUNGALOW! Cute 3 BR 1 202 SF full fin d bsmt w/bdrm kitchennette FR & 1/2 bath Many upds windows roof gutters electrical Hurry! (31HAZ2)

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DETROIT \$97,900
WELL MAINTAINED 3 bedroom brck Ranch new roof central air beautifully manicured lawn finished basement with half bath garage (B139)

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INKSTER \$94,900
GET READY To move into this totally renovated Home New kitchen & bath windows throughout including glass block in bsmt new carpet and fresh paint steel entry doors (W262)

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DETROIT \$84,999
FIRST TIME OFFERED! 3 bdrm bungalow 2.5 car garage w/electric c/a basement newer kitchen cabinets and dining room with bay window (23R6544)

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WESTLAND \$76,000
UNIQUE CONDO No association fee 2 bedroom basement clean and well cared for with lots of updates paint carpet bathroom electrical and more (S246)

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NORTHVILLE
MAGNIFICENT HOME on exceptional lot backing to nature preserve in Fox Hollow! Dramatic ceilings, gourmet kit w/granite Magnificent mstr ste fin d w/o bsmt Numerous amenities! (45WOO2)
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NORTHVILLE
CAPE COD on 1.2 treed acres 3 BR 2 168 SF hwd flrs totally remodeled kitchen Many updates CA and a breezeway What a find! (07SEV2)
\$249,900 248-348-6430

LIVONIA
COZY 2 BR RANCH 728 sq ft 1 car garage extra deep lot c/a great for 1st time buyers or investors (A15151)
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MEDICAL ASSISTANT for busy pediatric office in W Bloomfield Full time equals 4 days plus rotating half day on Sat Experience required Call Debbie (248) 855 7416

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MEDICAL ASSISTANT Seeking a qualified individual with experience in a health care environment Requirements strong communication skills working with outside vendors making xray and lab work appointments administrative tasks payroll and medical records Genetic experience preferred Full time Monday Friday excellent benefits Contact Mary RN Phone (248) 681 2999 Fax (248) 661 6361

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PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT Needed for outpatient physical therapy clinic Excellent salary & benefits Fax resume to attention John 734-524 3866

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Mental Health Secretary/Transcriptionist Full or part time. Experienced Full or fax resume to 6016 W Maple Ste 701 W Bloomfield MI 48322 Fax 248 539 7752

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524 Help Wanted-Domestic

HOUSEKEEPER/BABYSITTER needed full time for northville area 248-347-3887

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Sunfire GT Coupe delivers spunk, & good mileage, too



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As small as this 2001 Pontiac Sunfire GT is, the interior of the vehicle is quite substantial and not at all as cramped as I expected it to be.

Well, you can't get smaller than a subcompact, these days



ANNE FRACASSA

The demand for small cars is dipping, while the demand for large trucks is rising. Even with this summer's gas prices hovering in the \$1.50-\$1.80 per gallon mode, I see little evidence of anyone trading in their GMC Yukon Denali for a Dodge Neon, Honda Civic or Ford Focus or the Pontiac Sunfire.

What that tells you is that the same love affair Americans had with the huge land yachts of the 1950's is the same cupid action driving up the sales of trucks and sport utility vehicles today.

But there's still a need for the Pontiac Sunfires of the world. Affordable, smart styling, fun-to-drive attributes and fuel economy has more than 88,000 people buying the Sunfire last year.

Not much is different on the Sunfire this year, as opposed to the last model. Surprise, surprise, as Gomer Pyle

would say Pontiac chose to discontinue the convertible version of the Sunfire this year. Something about economics or something.

The GT version of the Sunfire starts with a bottom line of \$16,295. Now that's reasonable, right? Add about 10 or 15 more options and you've got a well-equipped Sunfire for just a hair over \$18,000. That's even more reasonable.

Power for the Gt is provided by a 2.4-liter twin-cam 16-valve 4-cylinder engine that provides 150 horses under the hood. And 150 horses is enough for some serious highway action on a small vehicle like the Sunfire. Never has a problem pulling away from a dead stop or merging onto the freeway with a semi boaring down on my rear.

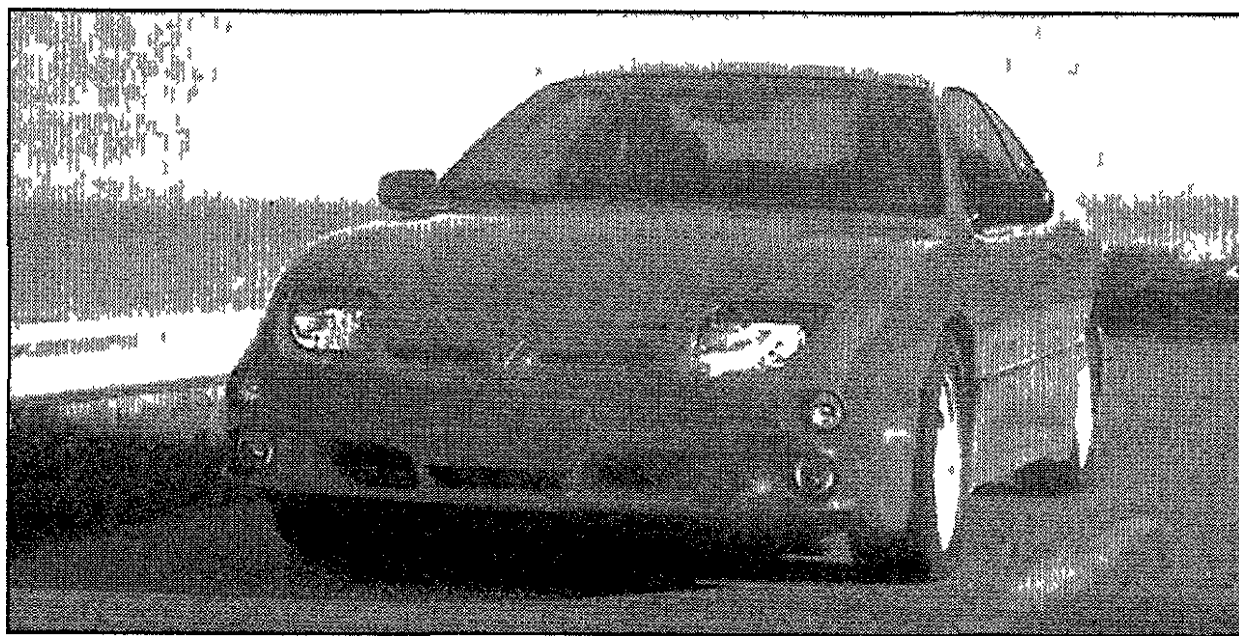
Bottom line? This cute little car's got spunk.

There are three versions of Sunfire: the SE sedan, SE coupe and GT coupe.

I'm glad I got to drive the GT Coupe. Much more sporty version and provided a bit of fun in my daily treks around town. Providing even more response was the 5-speed manual transmission that let me control when the engine went to the next gear.

I hardly ever look at the "sticker" price of a vehicle until I start to write the article -- nor do I pore over the specifics in the packet of information I get. The reason I do that is because I don't want to be prejudiced by what I see as a high price or an undervalued vehicle.

But throughout the week, I



The Sunfire GT looks like it's got an attitude.

became more and more impressed by the 5-speed manual transmission. I felt like I had a better level of control and the shifts were much more pleasant than I had remembered in a GM subcompact before.

To my surprise -- and delight -- the 5-speed manual was very, very different and was not made by General Motors. The 5-speed manual on the Sunfire was built by famed German transmission manufacturer Getrag. It has a wonderful shift feel and engages just when you want it. To Safety was built into this transmission as well with its reverse lockout feature.

Now, I don't want to leave you with the impression that the 5-speed is the only option on the Sunfire. It's not. You can equip

your Sunfire with a 3-or-4 speed transmission as well. Just wanted to tell you the 5-speed enhanced my driving experience.

The Sunfire is a sporty vehicle. The GT version just makes it all the more sportier and sets it apart in a crowd. The aggressive fascias, foglamps, rear spoiler and side ribbing accenting really add to the sportiness of the Sunfire.

It looks like it's got an attitude.

Just like its 16-inch wheels and tires. On a subcompact. Oh, yeah, it's got an attitude all right.

Step inside the Sunfire GT and you'll see a surprising amount of features you really wouldn't expect to find. Like a theft deterrent system, comfort

loops on the front seat belts, break-away sport mirrors, air conditioning, rear window defogger, fold-down rear seats, tilt steering wheel, front console with armrest, power door locks, cruise control, power sunroof, 800-watt Monsoon stereo system and content theft deterrent system.

Yeah, I had that question, too -- what's a content theft deterrent system? Well, if there's some guy who enters your car by opening the doors, the car will flash its daytime running lamps and dome lamps and activate the substantial-sounding horn to try to scare him away. Passlock theft system will totally immobilize the vehicle if he tries to start your car. Rats. Foiled again.

Also on the inside, you'll find

instrumentation that's not only logically placed, but also makes you feel secure that you know what's going on in your car. Stuff like an analog speedometer, digital odometer and trip odometer, tachometer, coolant temperature gauge and fuel gauge. Readability at night is superb, of course.

The GT tested was optioned with the Sun and Sound package, which adds a CD player, controlled cycle wipers, trunk net, reading lamps, overhead storage and assist handles.

Handing the ride is a GT-tuned sport suspension, power rack and pinion steering and dual stainless steel exhaust. The ride, for a subcompact, is adequate, but it's a rough ride on Michigan roads. I think our roads are the worst in the country, so take that for what it's worth.

Safety features abound on the Sunfire and include 4-wheel anti-lock brakes, dual front airbags, side guard door beams and those unnecessary daytime running lights.

I was surprised to see rear heat ducts in a car this small, but, whatever. Guess it warms up the rear passengers just a tad, quicker. Don't want those feet to be too cold too long, eh?

The Sunfire is small -- too small of a vehicle for me. However, it's an affordable vehicle for many getting their first new car. The value is there, the economy is there and the sportiness is there. For some, what more would you want?

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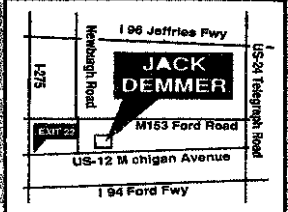
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